



## MANAWATU BRANCH

### **F&B NOVEMBE 2016 MONTHLY MEETING**

**Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2016 @ 7.30 p.m.**

2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, PN City Library, (Please note change)

George Street Entrance, Palmerston North

### **“Palmerston North’s Green Corridor from Range to River”**



Photo: Pari Reserve, showing impressive growth on plantings done as recently as 2010

#### **Speaker: Russell Poole, Chair Green Corridors**

**Synopsis** : Russell will trace the development of Palmerston North's Green Corridors from their inception in 2001. Progressively areas alongside the Turitea Stream and in the Aokautere gullies alongside small creeks, ephemeral streams and wetlands have been revegetated by volunteers, with sponsorship from the Palmerston North City Council, Ricoh, and Guardian Tree Services and help in kind from PNCC, Horizons, and IPU.

The great majority of plantings are eco-sourced.

The long-term objective is to restore native vegetation, to provide habitat for birds and aquatic species, and to create an amenity with attractive walkways for residents of Palmerston North and neighbouring districts.

All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated

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## F&B Manawatu November 2016 TRIP

**DONNELLY FLAT, Mt. HOLDSWORTH, near Masterton**  
Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2016



**Leader: Russell Poole, Forest & Bird Member**

The walking track to Donnelly Flat passes through some of the best mixed podocarp/broadleaf forest in the Tararua Range and is home to a diverse range of bird and insect life. From the road end, the track passes Holdsworth Lodge over a steel bridge, which spans the Atiwhakatu Stream, and onto Donnelly Flat. This delightful glade has a couple of hectares of grass flats, a safe stream close by, picnic sites, and toilets. The track is entirely on a benched and drained gravel surface, with no river crossings.

There is an option to explore a couple of other tracks beyond Donnelly Flats.

The drive from Palmerston North to Holdsworth Lodge via Masterton is about 1.5 hours. The walk itself could take a leisurely 2-4 hours, allowing for time to identify flora and fauna.

**Optional extra:** Have afternoon tea in the cafe at Aratoi/Wairarapa Museum of Art and History in Masterton before returning trip to Palmerston North.

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**DEPART:** 08.30 a.m. sharp from Palmerston North

**MEET:** Palmerston North - Car pool - meet on Church St, opposite Centrepont Theatre & Salvation Army Shop (on Railway land side).  
If you carpool, please share petrol costs with the driver

**WHAT TO BRING:** Please bring lunch, water, raincoat/warm clothes, good footwear, walking poles (if you usually use them), binoculars - and do not forget your camera. If you have ID guides on birds, trees, insects, etc., you might want to bring them as well.

**Level of fitness:** medium

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