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Introduction

Welcome to the record of another successful year in DOC Science & Technical Publishing. This year has seen new publications covering our usual wide range of topics.

We have published reports from many areas of research, including identifying Otago's geckos, discussing the movements of birds around New Zealand, explaining Mt Ruapehu's lahar mitigation measures, and testing methods of pest control. Regardless of the topic, all the work is intended to actively contribute to the conservation of our natural and historic heritage for all New Zealanders. We hope you find something of use, and of interest.

2006 also saw the launch of the new, improved, DOC website. As the vehicle through which most people access our publications, this had a big impact on our work. Many hours went into the design and preparation of our section of the site and efforts were made to make sure that the service we offer was improved. As a result, there is not only a good, bright, colourful new look and feel to the site, but you can now enrol to receive email alerts of new titles and order hard-copies of our publications direct on-line.

As part of this work, we had to change the URLs of our pdf files. This has caused some problems for those who had the old URLs permanently recorded somewhere. We can only apologise for this, and assure you that the background structure of the site (the reason for the change) is now much improved and ready to take us well into the future.

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