



## Taranaki Trap Library is up and running

**DOC Taranaki have set up a small trap library for community and school use!** Borrow a possum or stoat trap for up to three months for free. We are able to provide advice on best practice and get you started on keeping predator numbers down on your property. All traps have been well tested and have ethical approval for use.

If you are interested in borrowing a trap, then get in touch! For rat trapping, contact Taranaki Regional Council to buy a \$10 rat trap pack.

Location: Taranaki  
Contact: Ellen Squire  
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Date: 1 Oct 19 - 8 Jan 20

## Taranaki

Welcome to the October conservation volunteer activities newsletter for the Taranaki Region.

We hope you enjoy seeing all the great conservation work going on around your community and are inspired to participate and support these activities to grow conservation in Taranaki.

There is something for everyone from skilled, high fitness activities, to social and educational events, to days you can bring the whole family.

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## Rotokare Tracking Card Run



**Rotokare needs your help!** Help put out tracking cards across the whole reserve in order to ensure the reserve remains pest free and safe for the native wildlife. This is a great way to see different parts of the reserve and meet some of the awesome plants and animals which call Rotokare home. **More info below**

Location: Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust  
Date: 13 October Time: 09:00 - 12:30  
Contact: Ash  
Email: [volunteers@rotokare.org.nz](mailto:volunteers@rotokare.org.nz)

## Kiwi Conservation in Taranaki



October is Save Kiwi Month! Join Purangi Kiwi, Taranaki Kiwi Trust and Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust to hear stories about kiwi conservation in Taranaki. Come along to this free interesting event.

Location: Puke Ariki Museum Foyer  
Date: 16 October Time: 05:30pm - 7:00pm

## Robin monitoring update



**A huge thank you to our amazing robin volunteers!** We are halfway through the 1000ha monitoring block & so far have 3 confirmed pairs. Another 7 potential pairs have been found, which will be followed up over the next few weeks. If you see a robin then please get in touch. Please take a clear photo including bands and record details such as time seen, location etc. All info appreciated!

Date: 1 Oct 19 - 31 Oct 19  
Contact: Emily King  
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## October, 2019

### Goat Reports WANTED



Location: Egmont National Park

**1 Oct 19 - 31 Oct 19**

Contact: Jared Coombes

Phone: 06 759 0350



Goats cause damage by eating native plants and trampling large areas of vegetation.

Taranaki Mouna aims to eradicate all goats by 2023, making ENP New Zealand's first ungulate free National Park.

**We need your help to find the remaining goats left in the National Park.** Let us know of any goat sightings **immediately** so our hunters can respond. Please contact us on **027 443 8965** with details of the sighting, including:

- GPS location (or good description)
- Number of goats and colour (or signs of goat)
- Time seen

### Be aware of wasps...



**1 Oct 19 - 31 Oct 19**



The weather is warming up and the wasps are starting to stir. Please be aware that there has been sightings of wasps around the region as we head into summer, including on the Kaitake Ranges. Be prepared if you are heading out for a walk on our beautiful mouna!

### Rotokare Treasure Hunt



Location: Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust

**10 Oct 19**

Contact: Ash

Email: [educator@rotokare.org.nz](mailto:educator@rotokare.org.nz)

Phone: 06 764 8500

Time: 10am - 1pm



Join Rotokare on a quest for life and adventure this school holiday - follow the map, meet the critters, hear tales from people and rediscover Rotokare and its inhabitant with your friends and family. Prizes to be won!

**To book your spots, please contact Ash on 06 764 8500 or [educator@rotokare.org.nz](mailto:educator@rotokare.org.nz)**

All ages welcome, but best suited to children aged 8+

Teams of 3-5 children with at least one adult per group

\$5 per child participating, no charge for accompanying adults

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**13 Oct 19**

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Email: [volunteers@rotokare.org.nz](mailto:volunteers@rotokare.org.nz)

Time: 09:00 - 12:30



Biosecurity is crucial at Rotokare to ensure the reserve remains pest free. From Sunday 13th, tracking cards will be put out across the whole reserve. Getting as much of the reserve done in one hit provides a good snapshot of what's going on.

There are a range of different lines to suit different ability levels. Training will be given on the day as required.

Please bring warm clothes (which you don't mind getting dirty), good footwear for uneven surfaces in the bush, a drink and plenty of enthusiasm!

Lunch provided afterwards (please RSVP for catering purposes).