

Friends of Owhiro Stream

Friends of Owhiro Stream (FOOS) are a Brooklyn based community group dedicated to replanting the banks of Owhiro Stream, enhancing the natural stream environment and beautifying Brooklyn.



Latest News!

Nov 27: Brooklyn Fair

We set up a display at Brooklyn Fair and received about 20 new names on the volunteer sign up list and lots of positive responses.



George Holley, Paul Blaschke and Rob Stone declare war on weeds

Dec 12: Working bee and BBQ

We certainly worked up an appetite at the last working bee on December 12th. The work involved hand-weeding around the plants on the site below the bagel factory and then mulching. For a small group we achieved a lot! Nearly all the plants are growing successfully and the previously heavy mulching nearest the bagel factory meant that those plants had much fewer weeds. George has continued to mulch, weed and tend the plants in between working bee days.

After the weeding we were awarded with a delicious spread and BBQ courtesy of Brooklyn Community Association as a thank you for all their members



Paul Blaschke, Emily Greenberg, Rob Stone, Simon and George Holley after a well earned afternoon tea break

Our vision:

- To encourage native wildlife back into the stream and bush
- To see that the stream remains as one of the last surviving naturally flowing streams in Wellington City
- To encourage community support to help protect the stream and its catchment

What we do:

- Plant native trees and plants along the stream
- Clear weed infested areas
- Tend to and monitor new plants
- Support submissions against development which might adversely affect the stream

Current focus

- Organising a shade house at Brooklyn Resource Centre
- Holding a stream testing and flax planting children's day as part of Brooklyn Community Association's holiday programme
- Planning for up coming planting season

Achievements so far:

- Big stream cleanup
- Two big planting days: 1000 plants planted
- Working bees involving planting native plants, clearing weeds and rubbish and tending plants

To get involved:

- Working bees are 9.30am- 12.30pm every second Sunday of the month
- Committee meetings are 7.30pm every last Wednesday of the month at the Brooklyn Community Association RSA room.

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Owhiro stream with new planting

