

AGM 2016 LANDCARE REPORT

The Landcare Group was successful in receiving a grant from the National Resort Management Group for \$38,000. The Landcare Group purchased and planted 5,500 seedlings which were placed along the Lake Clifton foreshore from Capel way north, then around on the west side of the lake. These seedlings were protected by corrugated plastic "corflutes" to prevent rabbit and kangaroo damage. They also had weed mats placed around them to aid quick growth and retain moisture. It is hoped these seedlings will improve the ecosystem in general and help prevent nutrient from entering the lake in general. To accomplish the planting we received help from the Green Army and the Working for Wellness Group. We have hired contractors to continue the weed management along the foreshore. We will have ongoing help from the Green Army until September next year when the grant will be acquitted.

Over the past 10 years things have steadily improved but we need to continue our efforts so this year we hope to apply for small grants to hire contractors to continue weed control and to purchase more seedlings.

Many thanks to Jenny Rose who applied for the grant and subsequently organised the operations from her house in Capel Way. It was a tremendous effort since the teams had to go through private property in order to access the western side of the lake and Jenny escorted them and spent much time delivering plants and equipment to various locations.