

# Coast Care West Area

## Back Dune Restoration

# Back Dune Challenges

- Weeds- Control & removal
- Access for preparation & planting
- Plant survival through summer-watering & mulching
- Long term weed control

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# One year later



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# Weeds returning



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# Volunteers

We have many different volunteers who help restore & protect the dunes. They come to our Working Bees from different sources.

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**This hard working individual volunteer weeded out African Ice plant & replanted Spinifex in front of her property.**



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Corporate groups like the BNZ Bank or the local lawyers firm Cooney,Lees,Morgan pictured below after their planting.



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## BNZ Closed for Good planting site at Omanu Beach

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**Iwi groups planting dunes on their land.**

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**These volunteers come along on Saturday or Sunday Working Bees. Some are on the Email list , others see it advertised in the news paper or on the web site.**

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**They volunteer to help plant for an hour or two or what ever time they can spare.**

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**School students of all ages volunteer to weed or plant. Each class plants about 150 to 200 plants. This adds up over the planting season to around 8000 plants.**



**Dune education is part of the students visit to the dunes. They spend half the visit on education & the rest on planting .**

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**Mount College Gateway students volunteer to plant for an hour every week for about 10 to 12 weeks .**

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**Other volunteers form groups like the Maketu Ongatoro Wetland Society, who work at Maketu & Pukehina Beach.**

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**These amazing hard working volunteers are from Idea Services. ( IHC ) They are working on an area of dune at Tay street, the Mount. They visit the site around five times a year to weed & plant.**

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**We also have lots of organisations that volunteer eg Guides, Scouts, Service clubs & The Green S Welfare Force. The groups above are Guides & Brownies.**

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## Conservation Volunteers NZ

In total these 1839 different groups of volunteers planted 52876 plants In 2014

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