



## Issue 74

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### SIGHTING REPORT SUMMARY

**Total reports** 4  
- Excellent 1  
- Possible 3

#### Locations:

Wesley Vale, Conara, Hampshire, Kempton

#### Other reports:

Animal scats: Cygnet (2), Lake St Clair

Animal carcass: Granton, Little Swanport River

Animal kill: Devonport

#### Total Reports (2009):

Sightings 226  
Other reports 178

#### FOX OUT HOTLINE:

2,036 reports since 2002

### BRANCH MANAGER'S UPDATE

Great to be back after 2 weeks leave (you have to say that don't you!). Lots of things to get on with over the next few weeks - planning for implementation of the key recommendations from the Landcare Research NZ Review, continuing the recruitment process and working out how to continue managing an effective program with a reduced budget.

I attended another session with the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) on Wednesday. The transcript of this session should be on the Parliament website in a couple of weeks. As time ran out before all members had completed their questions, it was agreed that further questions would be put in writing to the Department.

**STAFF NEWS:** Following a very competitive recruitment process, the successful applicants for the Senior Field Officer (SFO) and Field Officer (FO) positions have been confirmed. Joining us will be Glenn Woodruff, Justin Dittman and Simon Fearn as SFOs and Rod McCarthy, Anton Ostberg, Jonathan DeLaine, Shaun Brooks, Greg Rainbird and Kim Weeding as FOs. Due to urgent operational requirements, Glenn Woodruff has already started in New Town but the remainder will begin at the end of September, other than Justin Dittman (date to be confirmed).

### BRANCH ACTIVITY SUMMARY

#### OPERATIONS

**1080 Baiting Programs:**  
Cygnet

**Trapping:**  
Spreyton, Ulverstone, Penguin

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**Presentations:**  
University of Tasmania, 16 Sept

#### RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

**At-risk species monitoring:**  
Huon and Channel region

#### INVESTIGATIONS & MONITORING

**Investigations:**  
Stony Head, Bishopsbourne, Kempton, Waddamana, Westbury, New Norfolk, Conara, Granton, Cygnet, Lake St Clair, Hampshire, Welsey Vale

**Scat Detector Dogs:**  
Stony Head, Wesley Vale, Conara

**Monitoring:**  
Wesley Vale, Spreyton, Cygnet

**Landcare Research NZ Review:** The report from the independent review of the Fox Eradication Program by Landcare Research NZ will be publicly released late next week. Copies of the report will be available from the Fox Eradication Program website at [www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/fox](http://www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/fox)

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**REPORT ALL FOX SIGHTINGS OR SIGNS OF FOX ACTIVITY: 1300 FOX OUT**

- 24HR HOTLINE, ALL CALLS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND ALL INFORMATION IS VITAL -

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