

Newport Forest

September 22 2002

2:15 - 7:15 pm

Weather: prec. 51 mm (!); overcast; N 5 kmh/gust; LM 18 C; FCF 17 C

Purpose: maintenance, tree survey, Junior

Participants: Pat, Kee, Nic

At last we had some rain! We should not have to water for at least a week. We brought 100 stakes, courtesy of Mary Kerr, and stacked them by the trailer. Nic and I patrolled the Fleming Creek trail for Junior, with no result. Pat went looking for birds, while Nic and I loaded up for our last bout of trail-grooming of the season.

At the RL we saw a GBH take off from the near shore, while Pat saw a Nuthatch and some Blue Jays at the feeder. Nic and I groomed the last 100 m of trail, taking us from the RSF out to the river. As we did so, Pat showed up, looking for new plants along the riverbank. Then we went to Plot #5, hoping to finish it off. Of course, we didn't. (See list below.)

We took a break up on the HB while Pat told us via WT that she was heading back to the trailer. I took a close look at some of the Bitternuts on the HB, wondering if they had much of a future there. Most of the trees I examined had been brought to the brink by the drought or else had a bad case of crown gall.

By the time we got back to the trailer, the temperature, which had been dropping slowly all afternoon, now stood at 14 degrees C. Junior had still failed to show up at the trailer, so we had a little lunch. Pat reported finding a Ground Cherry (S) growing in the thick veg along the river right beside the entrance to the RSF. She also showed us an interesting minnow she had found, recently dead, near the rapids below the bridge on Fleming Creek. (S)

We left reluctantly after 7 pm, with no Junior in sight.

107.5	Hawthorn	8.0	1 m ht	good
107.5	White Ash	7.7	1.5 ht	poor
107.5	White Ash	7.7	2 m ht	fair
107.5	White ash	7.2	1.5 m ht	poor
107.5	White Ash	6.7	1.5 m ht	fair
110	White Ash	8.7	1.5 ht	good
110	White Ash	8.1	2 m ht	fair
110	White Ash	3.6	2 m ht	fair

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112.5	Hackberry	5.2	0.5 m ht	good
112.5	White Ash	4.7	0.5 m ht	fair
115	White Ash	8.6	2 m ht	fair
115	White Ash	8.0	1 m ht	poor
115	White Ash	8.0	1 m ht	poor (sbs)
115	White Ash	6.9	1 m ht	fair
115	White Ash	6.8	2 m ht	poor
115	White Ash	6.4	1.5 m ht	poor
115	White Ash	5.9	1 m ht	fair
120	White Ash	9.6	1 m ht	poor
120	White Ash	9.2	1 m ht	dead
120	White Ash	4.3	1 m ht	fair
122.5	White Ash	8.9	1 m ht	poor
125	White Ash	8.4	2 m ht	poor
125	White Ash	8.1	2 m ht	poor
125	White Ash	7.8	1.5 m ht	poor
125	White Ash	7.5	1.5 m ht	fair
120	White Ash	6.6	1.5 m ht	fair
127.5	ML Viburnum	6.8	0.5 m ht	good
120	White Ash	6.2	0.5 m ht	poor
120	White Ash	6.2	0.5 m ht	poor
115	White Ash	5.5	1 m ht	fair
117.5	White Ash	5.4	1 m ht	poor
130	White Ash	7.6	2 m ht	fair
135	White Ash	7.1	0.5 m ht	poor
130	White Ash	6.2	1 m ht	fair
130	Hackberry	5.4	0.5 m ht	fair
135	Black Maple	4.7	6 cm	good
132.5	White Ash	8.7	1 m ht	poor
135	Hawthorn	6.9	1 m ht	good
130	Hawthorn	1.4	1 m ht	poor
137.5	Hackberry	8.5	0.5 m ht	good
145	Hackberry	7.9	1.5 m ht	good
147.5	Sugar Maple	10.0	5 cm	good
150	Hackberry	9.5	1 m ht	good
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150	Hackberry	7.5	1 m ht	good
152.5	Hawthorn	9.2	1 m ht	good
160	Wild Currant	9.7	1 m ht	fair

172.5	Hackberry	7.6	1.5 m ht	good
170	Hawthorn	4.1	1 m ht	good
170	Hawthorn	4.1	1 m ht	fair
175	Hackberry	4.3	0.5 m ht	good
180	Hackberry	6.3	1 m ht	good
185	Hackberry	2.8	1 m ht	good
190	Box Elder	7.3	15 cm	poor
190	Poison Ivy (vine)	7.3	0.5 cm	good
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197.5	Hackberry	3.6	1 m ht	good
200	Ironwood (?)	2.9	2 m ht	fair
200	White Ash	5.8	60 cm	good
200	Virginia Creeper	5.8	0.3 cm	good (on WA)
210	Box Elder	7.8	15 cm	fair
210	Multiflora Rose	6.2	1 m ht	good
220	Box Elder	5.7	7 cm	nd
220	Box Elder	3.2	14 cm	fair
122.5	Hawthorn	2.2	1.5 m ht	fair