

Newport Forest

Tuesday November 14

2:00 - 5:25 pm

Weather: prec. 7mm; RH 92%; calm; ovcast; LM 6C; GF 6C

Purpose: tree planting & maintenance

Participants: Kee & Brian

While Brian got the remaining trees ready, I filled the tray feeders and too a load of straw down to the old hollow log on the 2BT, stuffing it and covering one end with a well-secured tarp. I then sprinkled some kibble around the log at the other end (where there is a small entrance) and even put some inside the log, so that whoever eats it will get the idea that it's hollow. Personally I think it's a great den site - but what do I know?

Brian did all the planting today:

- 2 WO along road above trailer,
- 1 WO along border with HBF
- 2 WO in middle of regen zone
- 1 RB (River Birch) inside the Hole
- 1 RB at (upper) RL

We then filled the two deer feeders with corn and went around the TRT, clearing branches and fallen BN trunks. As we went I laid down a small pile of kibble at each bench. We cleared 5 logs off the trail, with just 4 (stepovers) left to be cleared at leisure.

Birds: (7 - not many about)

Black-capped Chickadee (Tr); Blue Jay (Tr); Brown Creeper (GF); Downy Woodpecker (Tr); Northern Cardinal (HB); Red-bellied Woodpecker (Tr); White-breasted Nuthatch (Tr)

New species: (Malaise samples)

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| Andrenid Bee | [<i>Andrena</i> sp.] Andreninae | LM nz/KD J118/05 |
| Square-headed Wasp | <i>Ectemnius</i> sp. | LM nz/KD J131/05 |
| Dance Fly | <i>Rhamphomyia</i> sp. | LM nz/KD J131/05 |
| Winged Ant (male) | <i>Formica</i> [<i>argentea</i>] | LM nz/KD J131/05 |
| Splendid Sweat Bee | <i>Agapostemon splendens</i> | LM nz/KD J131/05 |
| Common Yellowjacket | <i>Vespula vulgaris</i> | RL nz/KD J118/05 |