

Kia ora and hello everyone

Whether in Australia or New Zealand, the COVID-19 Pandemic has been a strange and challenging time for us all. It's been tough and has tested our mettle, but it has shown how much we can achieve with clear communication, collaboration and support. We have particularly appreciated the support of our customers and dedication of all Treescapers to get the job done. Thank you.

So it is with a sense of relief and optimism that we move to Alert Level 2 in New Zealand and eased restrictions in Australia. Throughout the various Alert levels, from Lockdown to where we are now, we have worked through as an Essential Business, helping to protect critical infrastructure but at the same time keeping our people and the public safe. We have developed and now operate comprehensive and strict health and safety protocols for managing the Pandemic, and are well positioned to respond again (hopefully not) should Alert Levels reverse.

In this issue, we'd like to share not only examples of the great work that we have done during the Pandemic, but a more human element of what our people have experienced, what they have missed and what they are looking forward to.

As we head into winter and the storms that always follow, we'd like to remind everyone about trees growing within close proximity of powerlines. Together with Vector, we have posted a short "how to" guide of what happens with outgrown trees and what species to plant to avoid extra costs in the future.

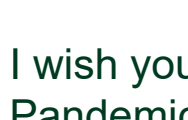
From Australia, we'd like to share an unusual project where we supported the aerial roots of one of Gladstone Council's Heritage Trees in Apex Park.

Finally, it is with a tinge of sadness that I write this update, as it will be my last. I am leaving Treescape® on 12 June. It has been a fantastic two and a half years and I have enjoyed working with you all.

I wish you all the very best as we navigate our way through this Pandemic and into what the "new normal" looks like.

kia kaha, kia māia, kia manawanui
Be strong, be brave, be steadfast and resolute.

Kind regards



James Fletcher
Treescape® CEO

Our Work



Essential Work

While New Zealand was at Covid Alert Level 4 a proportion of our team continued to operate as an Essential Services Contractor, for essential & critical work only. This was both an honour and a huge responsibility for us. From managing vegetation around powerlines and removing dead branches and trees to clearing up uprooted trees, our essential crews carried out this important work while sticking to their work bubbles and following the strictest hygiene measures. Read on for some examples of essential work we carried out during Alert Level 4.

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Our People



A Day in the Life

Lockdown meant different things for different people in our business – some were stuck at home, some were busier than usual and some were doing their same job in a whole new way. We took the time to ask some of our people from different departments to share their experiences, their stories, their cravings... Now lockdown has ended, our team can get back to a bit of normality and simple pleasures like bush walks or hot chocolate. Read more here.

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Trees under Powerlines



With winter around the corner and some rough weather on the horizon, it's important to remember trees around powerlines can pose high risk to powerlines. Make sure you're aware what your responsibilities are when it comes to keeping trees around powerlines in shape, when a trim is required and what to bear in mind when planting under and next to powerlines. Find out more here.

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Well done



Big Thumbs Up

Hand on heart, these past few months have been a challenging time for all our crews, so hearing amazing feedback from impressed locals - like Michael from Remuera - has been especially rewarding for us.

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Australia



Root feeders

Did you know that some trees, like ficus, grow aerial roots? These aerial roots support large branches and may even save the tree's life if it falls, helping it to keep growing and keep the area green. Our team recently installed five cyclor root feeders to encourage the growth of aerial roots in a heritage-listed Ficus tree in Apex Park, Gladstone. Read on to find out more about this future-proofing technique.

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