

## Anson Bay Community Tree Planting

The second of our seven community tree plantings took place the Sunday before last, on the 12<sup>th</sup> June. This planting was held at Anson Bay and aimed to stabilize the front edge of the BBQ area, as well as diversify the native vegetation that is already in existence. With approximately 35 volunteers we planted, staked and mulched 200 trees in an hour. We planted a range of coastal species like Flax, M'uu, Coastal Coprosma and Pigface, as well as a few Broad Leafed Merytas. Did you know that Anson Bay was actually one of the final places that BL Merytas were hanging on, before efforts were made to ensure viable seed was produced and they were able to be propagated and distributed more widely across the island?



Our thanks go out to Mark Scott and National Parks for always providing a beautiful range of healthy and robust native trees. Thanks also to George Parsons and his crew for their great weed removal efforts. Thank you to David and Co. for the mulch, Booda and his team for having all of the stakes ready to go, as well for constructing our timber silt catchers that are doing such a wonderful job! Many thanks to the volunteers, it's such a pleasure working with you all and watching everyone become more confident, capable and willing to share their time and knowledge. Our next planting will be held at Cockpit Reserve this Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. We will be replacing some of the trees that didn't make it from last year, as well as moving our way upstream to protect and rehabilitate the creek. Bring gumboots to this one!



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