

Notable and Protected Trees Report 2019.

On the spread sheet received the trees numbered 1 to 31 are those which were listed in the October 2000 Napier City Council Report. " **Notable and Protected Trees in Public Reserves within the City .** "

This should be referred to for details of the criteria used in assessing the trees.
For some I have commented further on these trees in relation to their current condition and recommendations for further action.

For trees numbered from 33 to 79 I have provided any information I am aware of relating to the planting history or other aspects.

Ref. Nos. 1 to 31

- 1 and 2. **Norfolk Island Pines and Pohutukawas.** No change to classification.
3. **Southern Magnolia.** No change to classification. Some cosmetic clean-up of suckers etc.
4. **Pohutukawa.** No change to classification..
5. **Black Peppermint.**No change to classification. Only one tree remains of original group.
6. **Norfolk Island Pines.** No change. However many trees are under stress and steps should be taken to re-activate the already installed irrigation services and the trees on the seaward side south of Skate World should be checked for Woolly Aphis infestation.
7. **Red River Gums.** No change to classification. General maintenance should be done.
8. **Canary Island Palms.** No change to classification.
9. **Canary Island Pines.** No change to classification. Other trees are crowding these trees and the general balance of the trees in the reserve assessed.
10. **Prickly Cycad.** No change to classification.
11. **Atlas Cedar.** No change to classification.
12. **Albany Red Gum.** Not in the 2000 Report. This tree was originally on private property and it's planting history is unknown. I believe the land on which it stands has been given Public Reserve status so the tree should be assessed for a suitable classification.

13. **Himalayan Cedar.** No change to classification. The tree has had several large branches removed and does not present as well as it did. It should be reviewed with reference to the crowding effects of other nearby trees.
14. **Mexican Hand Tree.** Young tree still developing, no change to classification.
15. **Senegal Date Palm.** No change to classification. The site has become shaded by several nearby trees and the Senegal Palm is under shading stress. Thought should be given to either removing the shade or preserving the protected Palm by moving it or portion of it to a better site. *The Senegal Date Palm is unusual amongst the Palmaceae in producing multiple stems.*
16. **Red River Gum.** No change to classification.
17. **Himalayan Hemlock.** I was unable to identify the location of this tree.
18. **White Tea Tree.** No change to classification.
19. **Gordonia.** No change to classification.
20. **Mexican Grass Plant.** Of the two plants included in the 2000 Report one has died and the other has fallen over a consequence of the aging process. It may be appropriate to plant a replacement specimen nearby.
21. **Japanese Sago Palm.** Has been removed.
22. **Plum Fruited Yew.** Has been removed.
23. **Italian Cypresses.** No change to classification.
24. **Japanese Pagoda Tree.** No change to classification. The tree should have some maintenance done and consideration given to cutting back surrounding trees which are crowding in. Also, the Liquidambar which has been planted in the front of it since 2000 should be removed.
25. **Water Gum.** No change to classification.
26. **White Kurrajong .** Died. Perhaps the tree planted as a replacement should be included in the register to preserve the historic association.
27. **Puriris.** No change to classification.
28. **Aleppo Pine.** No change to classification. Overcrowding and shading from nearby trees will lead to the degrading of the tree's appearance and the loss of the symbolic value it has to the Returned Services Cemetery. Remedial work recommended.
29. **Monkey Puzzle.** This may be the only identifiable tree left of those planted to the landscape proposals prepared by Alfred Buxton & Sons. Recommend inclusion.

30. **Spreading Leaf Pine.** Has been removed.
31. **Brisbane Box.** No change to classification.

Ref. Nos. 32 to 79.

32. **Pohutukawas.** These trees were planted in September 1968 for the opening of the Civic Building.
33. **London Planes.** . Planted 1983. A handsome group of trees. Recommend inclusion.
34. **Swamp Cypresses.** A line of trees planted at the old entrance to Wharerangi Cemetery. The bright rust brown foliage is a prominent feature in the autumn. Recommend inclusion.
35. **Pohutukawa.** A prominent specimen in the locality, one of a number of this species which were planted in Waghorne Street at some prior to the Earthquake. Most have succumbed to redevelopment or died due to coal gas poisoning when their roots damaged gas pipes laid in the footpath. Recommend inclusion.
36. **Pohutukawa.** Planted 1940/50. A tree grouping which adds to the landscape in a pleasing way. Has historical associations in that this was the site of the band rotunda which occupied the site until it's collapse in the 1931 Earthquake. Recommend inclusion.
37. **Phoenix Palms.** These palms were planted at various times between 1945 and 1965.
38. **Puriri.** This tree is a replacement for a Puriri which stood on this site and was included as a Notable Tree in the 2000 Report. Recommendation, be registered for the important historic association.
39. **Holm Oak.** Planting date unknown. The tree may have been part of H.S. Tiffen's plantings
40. **Pohutukawa.** A large tree on private property.
41. **Morten Bay Figs.** Unidentified.
42. **Planes.** This entry probably refers to the Phoenix Palms planted along the southern boundary of Nelson Park in the 1950's. No recommendation.
43. **Pohutukawa.** Two trees which were planted in the 1920's. They originally stood in the limestone walled enclosure which enclosed the War Memorial Clock Tower. Recommendation, be registered for historic association.
44. **Phoenix Palm.** Same history as No.43. Same recommendation.
45. **Planes.** Planted 1970's. No recommendation.

46. **Elms.** Planted in 1930/40. The under-canopy ground was built up with boiler ash and used for car parking until 1970's when much of the ash was dug out and replaced with topsoil and then grassed. No recommendation.

47. **Lindens.** Planted 1940's? These trees have decay problems in their crowns resulting from pollarding in their earlier life. Like the Elms further down Munro Street they are part of the street scene and need to be maintained in a safe condition.

48. **Pohutukawa.** Planted circa 1970 when the area was landscaped following the clearance of the big 1931 Earthquake slip and restoration of the original road alignment. Recommendation add to Register for landscape values..

49. **Norfolk Island Pines.** Planted 1940's? Recommendation , place on Register as significant visual impact values.

50. **Canary Islands Palm.** Planted 1940,s? One of the group of trees on the corner reserve contributing to the visual values of the site. When major road changes were done at Pettigrews Corner several trees were removed from the Reserve to reduce crowding and excessive shading of the adjoining property on Taradale Road. No recommendation.

51. **Redwood.** History as for No. 50. Recommendation, the tree is a prominent feature in the local scene and should be protected.

52. **Pines.** Planting date unknown possibly 1950.s. They were planted for erosion control purposes and that purpose is still valid. Seen from the South they are a prominent feature of the hill face and contribute to landscape values.

53. **Gums.** Planting dates unknown. The trees are all that remain of a multi-row windbreak along the road frontage of the Meeanee Domain. In the 1970's there was concern about large amounts of wind blown debris falling onto the road and most of the trees were removed. The remaining trees are prominent in the locality and can be seen from Napier Hill. Recommendation, protect for visual values.

54. **Oaks.** Planted by Taradale Borough Council prior to 1968.

55. **Pohutukawa.** Unidentified.

56. **Planes.** Planted 1970's.

57. **Oaks.** Planted late 1970's.

58. **Palms.** Planted by NBC. Prior to 1950?

59. **Totaras.** Planted by NBC. Prior to 1950.

60. **Oaks.** Preserved for significant visual impacts. The Hetley Crescent Reserve was established to preserve these trees. Refer to **Management Plans for Recreation Reserves** page 136.
61. **Oaks.** Planted in 1970's to provide shade in the children's playground.
62. **Planes.** Planted 1967 by Mayor and Councillors as part of the first tree planting in Anderson Park.
63. **Gums.** Unidentified.
64. **Macrocarpas.** Planted by Napier Park Racing Club prior to 1950.
65. **Sheoaks.** Planted mid-1960's.
66. **Washington Palm.** Planted mid-1960's.
67. **Pohutukawa.** Planted prior to 1950 in the adjoining property. Given reserved status.
68. **Totaras.** Planted 1940/50.
69. **Oaks.** Land is identified as Riverbend Road Reserve. Planting history refer to **Management Plans for Recreation Reserves** page 217.
70. **Gums.** Planted by Napier Harbour Board refer to **Management Plans for Recreation Reserves** page 217.
71. **Gums.** Planted by Napier Harbour Board at date unknown. Not on Reserve land.
72. **Norfolk Island Pines.** No record, probably pre-1950.
73. **Pohutukawas.** Ditto as for No. 72.
74. **Norfolk Island Pines.** Planted 1950/60.
75. **Pohutukawas.** Ditto as for No. 74.
76. **Pohutukawas.** Planted 1970's when Pandora Road was widened to four lanes.
77. **Norfolk Island Pines.** Ditto as for No. 76.
78. **Redwood.** Planted prior to purchase of the land in 1967. Refer to **Management Plans for Recreation Reserves** page 240.
79. **Gums.** Ditto as for No. 78.

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