

**HURUNUI WEEDBUSTERS!**  
**Saturday 4 May, Waiau-Uwha River**

**Join us to hit the weeds that threaten our natural environment and river birds**

**The Hurunui Weedbusters'** first outing will be to the Sharks Tooth bird nesting island on the beautiful **Waiau Uwha Riverbed on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of May**. We'll be clearing tree lupin seedlings off the island as the birds will only nest on clear gravel. The birds nesting on the island are the wrybill, black-billed gulls, white fronted terns and oystercatchers.

The team will drive there in a Hurunui District Council van, leaving from the Amberley office at 9am. It's a one hour drive. Depending on numbers, it is expected to be two to three hours' work, back by 3pm at the latest.

Bring warm clothes, lunch, water, sunscreen, hat, gloves (if you have them, some will be supplied). The group will need to wade a short distance to the site across a small section of river to reach the island, but it is very shallow at present. If the river comes up, a back-up site nearer to Amberley has been arranged.

No great level of fitness required. This is a good opportunity for school students who need to do community work. Stay tuned for more Weedbuster activity coming up.

**Contact Rima Herber at [rima.herber@hurunui.govt.nz](mailto:rima.herber@hurunui.govt.nz) to book for the trip or for more information.** People can meet at the site as well, contact Rima for directions.

