



Parks and Reserves Manager's Report – May 2008

Victoria Park

All annual spring planting has been completed with a number of new varieties of pansies, violas and poppies being trialled for this season.

Lawn mowing has slowed with the colder weather keeping growth down.

Leaf collection is due to start with a number of trees shedding their leaves.

A qualified tree surgeon has been busy pruning the oaks in the Queen Street Avenue. He has mainly lifted lower dead and broken branches.

He also removed a large oak tree from the museum grounds.

The second stage upgrade of the old part of the bird aviary has started with all the inside area being removed and the wall being lined. Where we had four small flying areas we now have two larger open areas giving the birds more flying space.

We hope to complete this project by the end of June.

Town Reserves

Leaf collection has been the main task in these areas.

Waitaki Lakes

The Lakes camping was due to close on the 4 May 2008. All the water lines and toilet facilities will be locked.

Attached are the minutes from the Waitaki Lakes Shoreline Authorities meeting was held in Twizel on the 16th April 2008.

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