



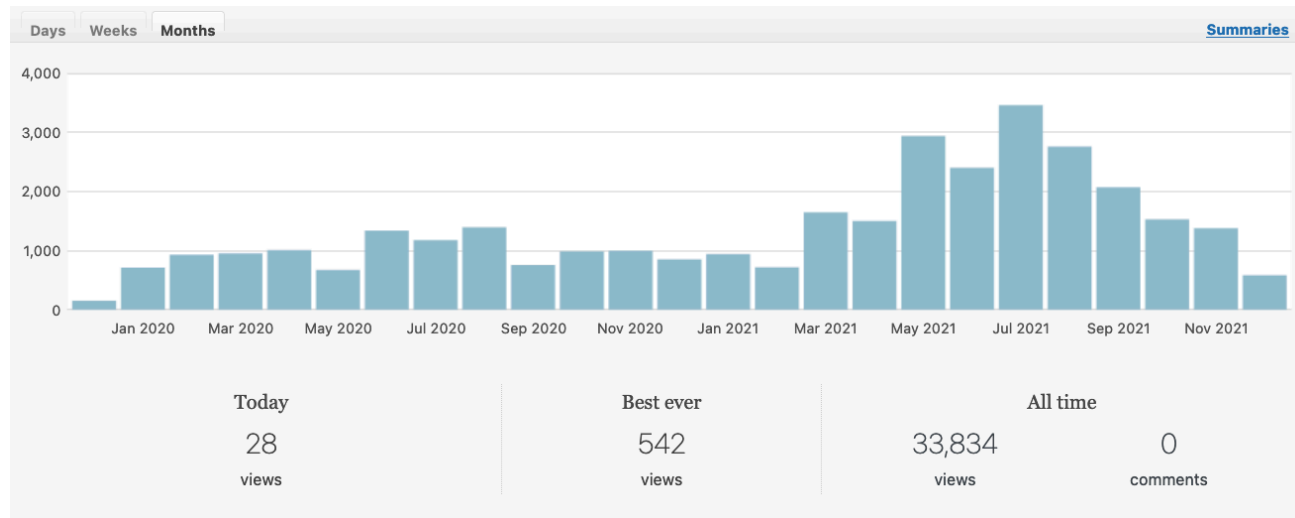
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Report #5: period 01 July - 14 December 2021

Description of Products	Delivery date	Outputs completed
Organise one Braided River Seminar	Delivered 2021 Seminar 15 July 2021 Awaiting reply from Lincoln to confirm 2022 date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abstracts: https://braideddrivers.org/2021-seminar/ Speakers: https://braideddrivers.org/conservation/2021-symposium-speakers Attendees (including speakers): 184 Report on seminar is here: https://braideddrivers.org/wp-content/uploads/BRaid-seminar-report-2021.pdf
Maintain website www.braideddrivers.org	01 June to 14 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 13 December, pages:129 + 'news' posts 121 = 250 Maintain daily backups on remote server (mostly automated but verified regularly) Renew plugins and renew payments miscellaneous software Updates pages with research and bird counts (details in Newsletters – links below) Graph (page 3) January 2020 - December 2021, show a growing increase over time. Each year, numbers build around the time of the seminar and drop away during summer, when Facebook engagement increases.
Manage website news and social media	01 June to 14 Dec 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated content when provided or when information changes 372 Facebook posts 01 June – 13 December

Produce regular newsletters	01 June – 14 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eight completed and sent to 270 verified emails. The newsletters also appear as blog/news pages here: • Newsletter #60: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-60/ • Newsletter #61: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-61/ • Newsletter #62: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-62/ • Newsletter #63: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-63/ • Newsletter #64: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-64/ • Newsletter #65: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-65/ • Newsletter #66: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-66/ • Newsletter #67: https://braidedrivers.org/newsletter-67/
Make available, assist or lead in designing awareness resources	Completed to 14 Dec. 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created sign for Ashburton River black billed gull colony (ref: Edith Smith and Donna Field – see page 4) • Write detailed 5-page strategy and specific answers to information requested for proposed joint Rangitata Rivers group to develop their own dedicated website and social media platform (ref: Brad Edwards/ DOC funding. If this goes ahead, the contractor would be outside of BRaid, not necessarily be me, through what I understand would be DOC funding).



CRITICALLY ENDANGERED

Tarāpuka black-billed gulls



We are the **smallest and rarest gull** on Earth.

We only live in New Zealand, **endemic like the kiwi**.

We arrive in Spring to **breed in colonies** on clean shingle braided river beds.

After our chicks leave the nest, we all fly north along the coast and to the North Island.

We are critically endangered because our **population has declined more than 80% in 30 years**.

Many of our eggs do not hatch or chicks grow up because of **predators, weed-filled rivers**, and big floods.

