You never know where and when a Kiwi will show up, many think the Kiwi live in the forest only, but that is not always the case.

Last week I received a female kiwi that was hit with a weed eater that had the steel blade, the guy was cleaning alone a fence line that was long grass and rubbish, when suddenly bang, a kiwi rolled out.

I had photos of her that I put on Facebook so you could see the damage, this Kiwi should be called lucky, she had 4 big gashes, two on one side and two on the other.

Bruce came and after cleaning her up and suturing up all the wounds she looked like an old pair of socks with thread all over the place.

She is now walking around inside her brooder box and looks like she will make a full recovery.

From now until the end of January is when many of the Native Birds have their young, with better weather around is when people start cutting down trees and cleaning up ready for summer.

If you find a nest or Chicks never try and feed them, contact us and we will advise you what to do, and please never put water in with baby Birds, they get wet, then end up with pneumonia, just keep them warm until you can get them to the Centre.

When cutting tall trees near power line give Northpower a call first to make sure it’s safe to cut the tree down, it could save you a great cost and someone getting hurt.

Some years ago, I wanted to cut a big Rimu tree down that had died, I had the chainsaw, hardhat and cloves but not the right gear for climbing a 10-meter tree, I gave Paul Gosling a call, within an hour he had the tree down ready for me to split up for firewood.

Paul made it look easy, he shot up the tree like a possum trimming small branches on the way, on the way down he cut the top out each time.

The point is I ended up not being injured, nothing got damaged so money well spent.

From now until the end of summer we are very busy at the Recovery Centre, if you come for a visit and no one is around it maybe we are out picking up Birds.

Birds can be left at the Centre in the cages on the deck, we have a whiteboard you can write your contact number on so we can let you know how the Bird is getting on plus we like to know where to send the Bird back to once it’s recovered.

We can be contacted on 094381457 or 0276750564.