

## Excerpt from “The Notable Trees of New Plymouth”, 2002

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Notable Tree N° ET 111&

"English Oak" p192

EXOTIC TREE: 111&

SPECIES: *Quercus robur.*

COMMON NAME(S): Common Oak, English Oak.

B.B CATEGORY: Exotic Historic Tree - Local Interest.

&The tree at Brooklands Park (**Figs. 183 and 184**) is located at the Kaimata St end of the Main Lawn near the bush margin almost opposite the pin oak. A large amount of the lower branches have been removed, some possibly in cyclone Bola, (March 1988), as this is when the tree lost a large section on the path side. This has resulted in the tree containing an ugly wound (scar) that is approximately 1.2 m x 40 cm.

The canopy contains the unusual epiphyte *Lycopodium* and volumes of *Astelia*.

When recorded in late January the trunk was littered with hundreds of cicada casts.

Excellent specimen with its flat broad canopy creating difficulties over height measurement.

29.1.02: Height 19.6 m; spread = 22.6 m; dbh = 1.038 m.