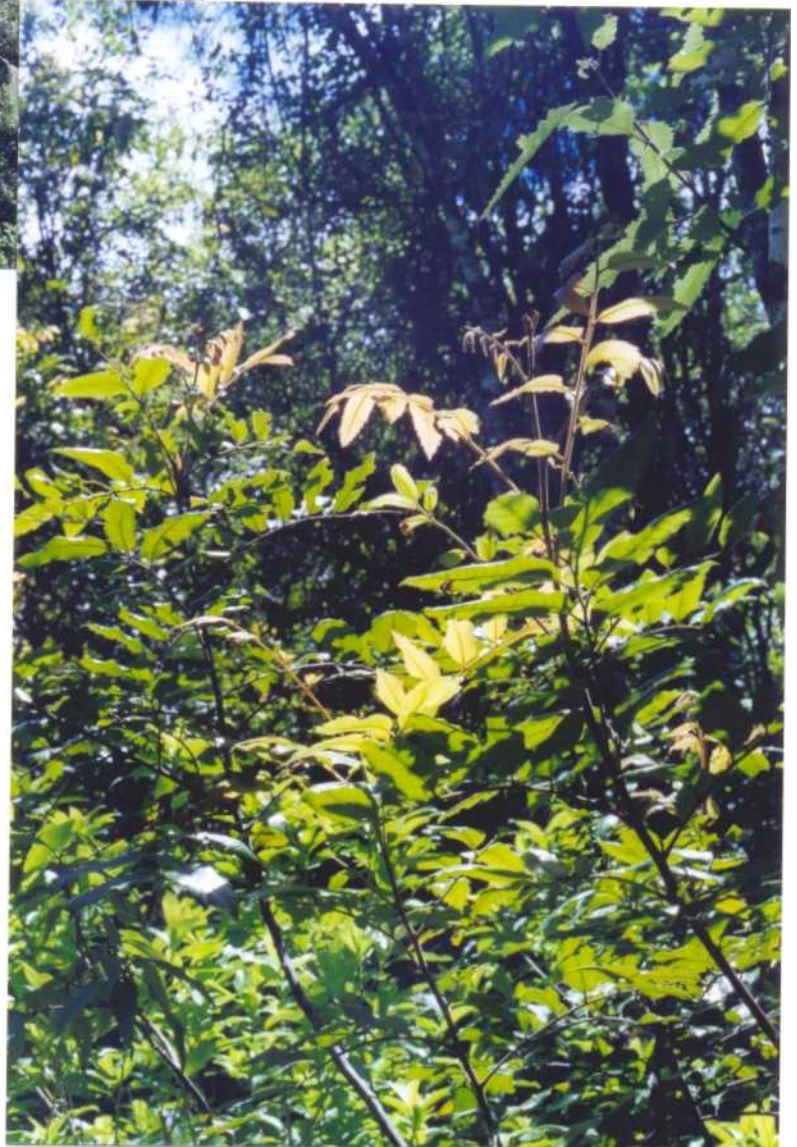




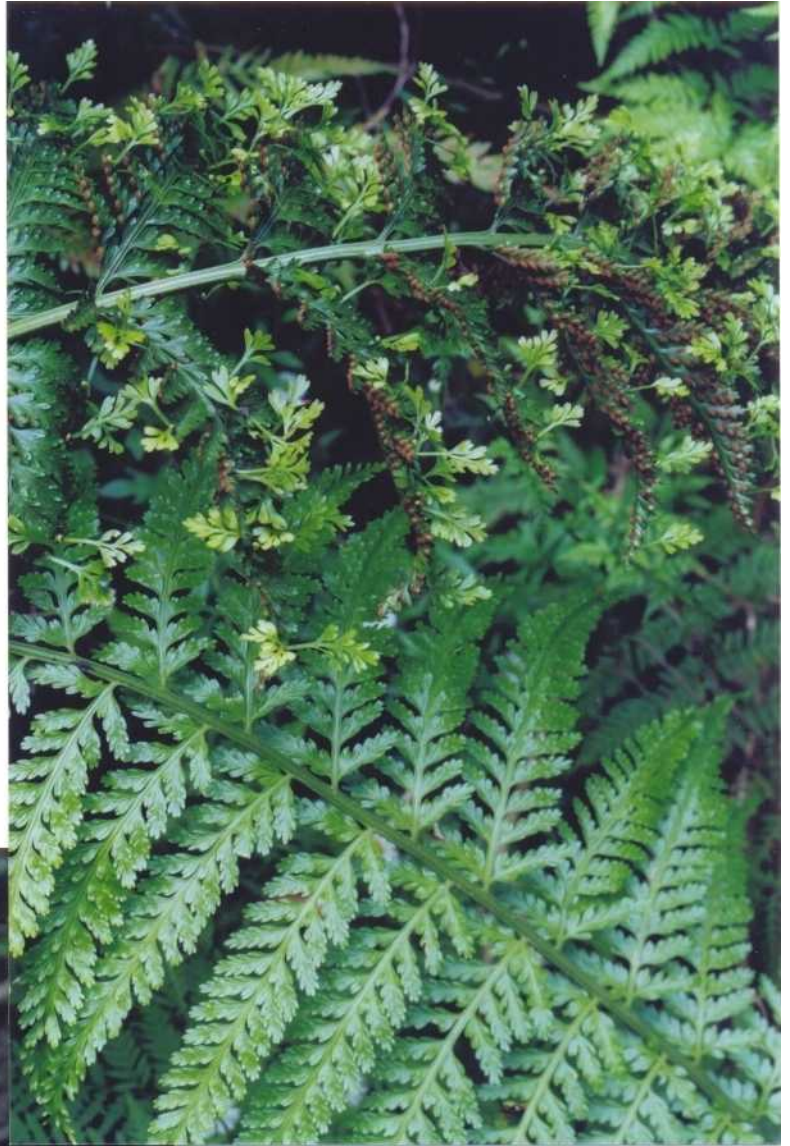
**Figure 3**

Titoki (*Alectryon excelsum*) in White Pine Bush, December 1998. Left: canopy in poor condition, festooned with lichen and dead twigs, the result of possum browse. Below: healthy new growth on unbrowsed tree.



**Figure 4**

Top: hen-and-chickens fern (*Asplenium bulbiferum*), highly palatable to ungulates (including domestic stock). Bottom: epicormic shoots of kanono (*Coprosma grandifolia*), partially browsed in the past. Both photos taken at White Pine Bush, December 1998.





**Figure 5**

Kiekie (*Freycinetia baueriana* subsp. *banksii*) in fruit (above) and male flower (below). Formerly choice food for bats and lizards, now indicative perhaps of low possum and rat numbers, perhaps also of El Nino-triggered reproduction. Photos taken in Tangoio Scenic Reserve in November 1998; kiekie reproduction not seen in nearby White Pine Bush. The male flower was later devastated by possums.

