



**September 2024 Monthly talk**  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024 @ 7.30 p.m.**

PN City Library, George Street Entrance, Palmerston North

(will be streamed via zoom, see below for the link)

**Talk:** "Myrtle rust research update - from Beyond Myrtle Rust and beyond

**Speaker:** Jenny Leonard, Programme Science communicator for Landcare Research  
(Our advertised speaker, Alby Marsh, regrettably, is unable to give his presentation)



*Bright orange-yellow powdery myrtle rust pustules on under-side of a ramaram leaf. Photo: DOC*

**Synopsis of talk:** Myrtle rust was first detected on mainland New Zealand in May 2017. Since then, it has spread throughout the North Island, parts of the South Island, and the Chathams. In this talk, Jenny Leonard will be delivering a brief overview of the disease before delving into the research that has been conducted over the last few years by the Beyond Myrtle Rust research programme as well as other research groups, programmes and projects across New Zealand. Jenny will be choosing the bits of the research she finds the most interesting to provide a holistic overview of the current state of myrtle rust research in New Zealand. She will also be giving some tips for what the public can do to get involved.

Join Zoom Meeting

**Time:** 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

**Zoom Link:** <https://forestandbird-org-nz.zoom.us/j/88526558443?pwd=bEclLF7qnqb2vPlbKv9ZqtPW0ThExx.1>

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