## Woodland Birds on TSRs 2023-24 project update

2023- 2024 marked the 6<sup>th</sup> year of the project and the first year non-funded. With most of the planned project activities completed in 2022-2023, the underspend left over from last financial year was directed into maintenance. A project officer completed a scheduled maintenance inspection in February 2024, to ensure planted trees and shrubs are surviving well, and to ensure any infrastructure installed such as fencing does not require any further maintenance. A project officer was also required to removed tree guards installed during a planting in 2023, as guards had become dislodged and were starting to litter the reserve. A research paper on woodland bird connectivity, written by Ornithologist Rainer Rehwinkel and funded by this project in previous year, was scheduled to be published this reporting period however, the papers still in review phase, as the author completed 72 pages instead of the predicted 20.