

Project Update: June 2011

The first stage of the mapping project, to train the local Scout Troops in orienteering, was completed in June 2011, with the kind assistance of three PE teacher training students from Reading; Lydia, Sam and Shaun. We actually trained three troops instead of the planned two, as we had a very keen troop from beyond Elementeita, who cycled for 4 hours to come! The second stage of the training, in identification of endemic trees will commence later this month.

Local 1:50,000 maps were kindly supplied by the Kenyan Army, which we have enlarged to 1:25,000 for the training. We are still working on obtaining 1:10,000 maps for the field work.

Work has started on the drying shelter for the seed centre and is nearly complete. Various equipment has been purchased for the centre. Indigenous tree seeds for the centre are being collected through our existing network of seed collectors at present.



Left: Construction of the seed drying shelter. Right: Orienteering training for the scouts of Mburuk.