

Mikania Clearance Volunteer Activity

On 13th May 2023, 17 HAESL staff, along with their friends and family, joined the Mikania Clearance Volunteer Activity organized by the World Wildlife Fund Hong Kong (WWFHK). The eco tour guide first introduced the wetland ecosystem and daily conservation work in Mai Po Natural Reserve. After learning how to identify the leaves of Mikania - heart-shaped base with a pointed apex and white flowers, our volunteers wore protective gloves and started removing the harmful invasive species. Volunteers worked in pairs, with one holding the umbrella and the other pulling out the Mikania. Despite the unstable weather, our volunteers collaborated well and were able to clear four large buckets of Mikania. The Mikania was then placed to the side for decomposition and returning nutrients to the soil. During the visit, our volunteers saw a variety of birds and plants along the roads, and even witnessed two cows swimming in the lakes. We appreciate all staff members who devoted their time to serving and protecting the environment!

