

## **Broad-leaved Paspalum**

(*Paspalum mandiocanum*) (previously misnamed *P. wettsteinii*)

**Origin:** South America. Grows in tropical and sub-tropical areas.

**How to recognise it**: The plant is lower in height than Giant Paspalum and spreads from a central crown. It can also form short 'runners'. Produces seeds in late Summer rather than throughout the year.

**Weed status**: Introduced to the area in the 1960s for pasture - but highly invasive in bush. It is a super-plant, capable of growing in the sun or the shade so readily invade forests, especially more moist areas (see photo 3). Spread by cows, cars and slashers.

**Control**: If only small amounts present, you can remove seedheads and 'crown' each plant out with a knife. If plentiful, spray with 1:75 glyphosate. (It does not come up prolifically from seed after treatment – so this is able to be eliminated from areas if we do repeatedly remove what does come up and prevent more entering.)

**Location at Korinderie**: Many sections of the road and some house sites. Worst near front gate, reducing in other sites.