



ANNUAL MEETING 26 MAY 2026 – CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT

I wish to express my most grateful **Thanks** to all those who have done so much work on the different projects we are currently working on. While this past year has not been quite as frantic as the first couple of years, there has still been a steady amount of work going on in the background.

To Paul Dunn, thanks so much for all your work as we still wade through the last few bits and pieces with the **Community Resilience project**. While the bulk of the work is completed, there is still the ongoing issues of making sure the containers get opened up and aired out occasionally, to ensure the radios are working, to continue to liaise with Civil Defence on a regular basis etc.

To Ian Anderson and his helpers on the **Predator Control program** – thank you so much. Special thanks to all residents who bought traps and have located them on their properties. You are all doing your share to support this project and save birds along the way, and you are all making a difference! Also, a big thanks to those who also sponsor traps on the Kahikatea Walk.

To Jill Copplestone, our Treasurer and Ian Anderson, our Secretary, who are both doing a sterling job making sure the emails go out and the finances are looked after.

And to you, our members, thanks for being such great people – the engagement is fantastic, the feedback is positive, the issues raised are relevant and the general positivity around what we are trying to achieve is both appreciated and acknowledged.

Lastly, I believe a change of leadership is healthy for an organisation. After four years, I would like to step down, not because I have had enough (I haven't 😊) but because I am a firm believer in having new ideas and people to bring those ideas to life. So if you are keen or you know someone else who may be keen to be Chairperson, please do not hesitate to nominate them at the Annual Meeting.

Please do turn up for the online Annual meeting – a good turnout is important.

Regards

Therese Gibbens

CHAIRPERSON