

Waihora Ellesmere Trust Annual Report 2013/14



The Trust

- Steady membership of around 100 – 120 individual/family members plus 5 organisations
- 322 subscribers to the website/newsletter
- 2 staff members - General Manager and Finance Manager
- Contracted assistance for projects
- Several active volunteers, working on specific projects and assisting with events
- MOUs with ECan, CCC, SDC and TAK
- Funding & support from SDC, ECan & Ngāi Tahu, and project funding
- Regular website updates, newsletters and articles in local media



Some highlights for the year.....





In November 2013 we hosted the fourth Living Lake Symposium and published a State of the Lake Report.



Alongside the symposium we held our first Art Exhibition with the theme *“Expressions of the Living Lake”*. We also marked the 10th anniversary of the Waihora Ellesmere Trust



We were actively involved in several volunteer restoration projects, including the Green Footprint Project, the Canterbury Plantout, and working with several local schools.



What's coming up for 2014/15

- Continuing to work closely with Whakaora Te Waihora on several key projects
- Working with DOC/Fonterra to support their Living Water initiative
- Sustainable Drain Management Phase II
- 2015 bird survey
- Planning for the 2015 Symposium and State of the Lake Report
- And lots more.....

