

MEMBERSHIP

Visit us at Willowbank Wildlife Reserve as many times as you like for a year from date of purchase

When you become a member you are directly contributing to the ongoing work of the Trust in ensuring the continual survival of our endemic/native species.

As a full member your annual entry pass entitles you to bring one **nominated** extra adult and up to three children (under 15 years) on your visit to Willowbank Wildlife Reserve.

Membership entitles you to one free 'behind the scenes' kiwi breeding tour for you, the nominated adult and three children. This tour is only conducted in the breeding season and must be booked 24 hrs before your visit.

MEMBERSHIP: \$130

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

ID: _____

Nominated Adult Name: _____

Nominated Adult ID: _____

Amount enclosed: _____

Method of payment: I enclose my cheque for \$ _____

DIRECT CREDIT: 030866 0299488 00

VISA - Card Number: _____

Expiry date on card: _____

Name on card: _____

CVC number: For security reasons we will contact you.

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GREAT SPOTTED KIWI (GSK) FACTS

- ◇ GSK are classified as vulnerable.
- ◇ Only 10% of chicks survive to six months, and less than 5% reach adulthood.
- ◇ Before settlers arrived there were about 12 million GSK in the South Island. They are now only found in three pockets, Northwest Nelson, Paparoa Ranges and Hurunui with an estimated population of 15,000.
- ◇ GSK are thought to be declining at a rate of 2% - 4% p.a.
- ◇ As with all kiwi populations their decline is due to their many predators such as ferrets, stoats, weasels, rats, cats, dogs, hedgehogs and possums.
- ◇ Pairs are monogamous.
- ◇ Egg hatches around 78 days.
- ◇ The male incubates the egg during the day but the female shares the incubation during the night, allowing the male to go and feed.
- ◇ The GSK's territory can be very large (100ha) and range from valley to tussock tops.



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Their Future is in **your** Hands



GET INVOLVED NOW



NEW ZEALAND CONSERVATION TRUST

The New Zealand Conservation Trust is a charitable organisation dedicated to working towards the conservation of New Zealand's flora and fauna.

Charities Registration number: 21020

The Trust together with Willowbank Wildlife Reserve has the only dedicated Great Spotted Kiwi breeding centre, nationally.

The Trust and Willowbank has been instrumental in doubling the population of the rarest kiwi, the Okarito Rowi, as well as increasing the population of Haast Tokoeka kiwi

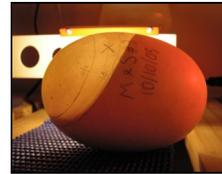
Education and awareness is an important component of the Trust's work and we recognise that it is a large contributor towards the future survival of New Zealand's natural heritage.

Our commitment—to support all kiwi and native species breeding programmes.

To raise funds to support and expand the programme and to ensure that the GSK population does not go from nationally vulnerable to critically endangered.

GREAT SPOTTED KIWI BREEDING PROGRAMME

- ◇ Breeding pairs of kiwi are located in the wild with the help of a specially trained 'kiwi' dog.
- ◇ A special transmitter called an egg timer is placed on the males leg. This will give an indication of when an egg has been laid.
- ◇ The egg is left for the male kiwi to incubate for approximately 30 days before being retrieved and brought to the Trusts kiwi breeding facility.
- ◇ Kiwi husbandry staff will care for the egg for the remainder of the incubation period. The egg is turned 4 times a day. Temperature and humidity is constantly monitored.
- ◇ There are occasions when staff have to assist hatch the chick.
- ◇ Once hatched, the chick has iodine applied to its navel, to prevent bacteria developing, and placed into a TLC unit. After about 3 days the chick is moved to a brooder pen.
- ◇ The chick is monitored and fed daily. Medication is administered if necessary.
- ◇ The chick will remain at the breeding facility until it is feeding on its own and passed its hatch weight. The chick is then released into a predator free crèche site.
- ◇ Once the juvenile kiwi has reached 1.2kg's it is released back into the wild.
- ◇ The journey from egg retrieval to release takes about 1 year.



SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship gives you the opportunity to support the Trust's goals by providing care, rehabilitation and breeding programmes for our native species.

Sponsorship entitles the sponsor to:-

- ◇ Laminated certificate of acknowledgement
- ◇ Update of your animal's welfare

Tick the species you wish to sponsor

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Kiwi | <input type="checkbox"/> Kea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Faced Heron | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuatara |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Takahe | <input type="checkbox"/> Campbell Island Teal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kaka | <input type="checkbox"/> Brown Teal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Morepork | <input type="checkbox"/> NZ Falcon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NZ Wood Pigeon | <input type="checkbox"/> Duvaucel Gecko |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kakariki | <input type="checkbox"/> Otago Skink |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buff Weka | <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Duck |

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount of Sponsorship: _____

- Cash Cheque Visa Direct Credit

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If paying by Visa, please enter the details on the Membership form.

Please note that wildlife are living creatures and may become ill or die or may be removed from the reserve for breeding and other purposes. Your sponsorship gives you no legal rights to ownership. At no stage can your sponsored bird/animal be removed from the Reserve.