

New additions



CHARLOTTE TRUNDLE

Te Kakano has appointed Megan Williams as their new chairperson.

Megan, who used to manage Sustainable Wanaka, has been involved with the trust since its inception in 2007 and was happy to have the opportunity to support and lead the trust. "I am excited to be taking the trust into this new phase of extending and enriching our vision of hands-on community land care," she said. "We now have a successful nursery bursting with plants that are ready to go into the ground. There are many opportunities to collaborate with other organisations to fulfil our purpose of supporting

communities in creating stronger links with their environment."

Megan can't wait to get her hands dirty at the nursery once her children get a bit older. "We've got a new planting project

representing 35 different species, which will be planted by volunteers. "We are looking for funding from the community, businesses

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in the works and are planning a big community planting day in association with World Environment Day on June 5." Te Kakano welcomes planting project suggestions from the public. The nursery currently has more than 12,000 plants,

or individuals who want to assist beautifying and restoring the habitat and waterways of Wanaka," Megan said.

Previous chairperson Nick Mills spent four years at the helm and will still stay on the board as a trustee.



Otto is a new addition to Te Kakano's rabbit control team.

Megan Williams gets close to nature at Te Kakano nursery in Wanaka.

PHOTOS: CHARLOTTE TRUNDLE