

NORTHERN & HAWKE'S BAY FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Theme: Vision for All. Project: Looking for Opportunity in your Community

Hello Everyone,

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the 'Federation ½ yearly Friendship' day on the 28th September 2023. We have a very good speaker on the day from the 'Mobility Centre' to explain what disability aids are available for anyone who needs them.

Exciting news this month, the 'NEC's 2024 AGM' at the end of May, is going to be held in 'Palmerston North' and it would be wonderful if a group of our WI ladies could attend.

Please read this newsletter and pass onto all members.

It's a much warmer day today, and Spring is just around the corner, so keep well and stay safe.

Marilyn.

Hi Ladies,

The Federation Friendship ½ Yearly meeting is Thursday 28th September 2023 at the Tamatea Community Church 1 York Street Tamatea, 1.30pm. Small plate please for a shared afternoon tea.

Competitions to be in no later than 1.15pm are as follows:

Cooking - 3 Date Scones, (recipe supplied end of this Newsletter)

Floral - Dried arrangement no larger than 30cm x 30cm

Craft - Sock Puppet, (embellishment is expected)

Omatua Cup - A poem using the words 'Something Special'

With the Federation 92nd AGM meeting being in January 2024 we are looking forward to receiving Good Service Badge citations which must be in, by the end of November 2023 and Gold Honors by the end of December 2023

We have five members retiring from Federation this year so let's have some nominations to take their place. Are you interested in joining us at this stage? Well, we would love you to be part of our Federation too.

If we don't get these nominations filled, we have a new suggestion.....

We would like one delegate from each W.I to come along to our meetings and help to plan our calendar.

We really would like to keep our Federation operating so, if you are interested, please feel free to contact any member of the Federation.

I know it is really difficult to answer this question at this stage, but would you be interested in attending the 'NEC's 103rd AGM' in Palmerston North, May 27th and 28th 2024.

Transport and Accommodation for 3 nights will be Approx. \$380 if 16 of our members attend? Please contact me a.s.a.p. if interested on 06 843 4039 or 027 244 1152.

Anyone interested in becoming part of the 'Lip Sync' competition, (you would need to be prepared to travel to the 103rd AGM in Palmerston North in May 2024) please call Annette on 842 1358.

The NEC National Competition 2024 'May Martin Trophy' competition:

The book theme that has been chosen is 'Marvellous Marvin makes a friend' written by Nadia Lim. Should they wish to enter as an individual, members have the option of forming a group and choosing their own book title to correspond with the theme, 'Children's story book written by a New Zealand author'.

That's all for now ladies,

Cheers,

Molly

Date Filled Scones

2 cups dates chopped 250g.	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup water
2 tspn grated lemon rind.	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup brown sugar
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups self raising flour.	50g butter
1 tbsp sugar.	$\frac{1}{4}$ cup milk
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup water.	$\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar

1. Place dates, water, sugar, and lemon rind into a small saucepan and heat stirring until almost boiling. The mixture will form a paste. Remove from the heat and allow the dates to cool
2. Preheat the oven to 220 C. Sift flour into a bowl and grate in the butter. Rub until the mixture forms a rough crumb. Add sugar and stir the mix.
3. Make a well in the center and stir in the milk and water mixing quickly to make a soft dough with a knife.
4. Tip dough onto a lightly floured surface. Roll into a rectangle and cut in half.
5. Spread one half with date mixture and top with the remaining half. Cut into nine scones and sprinkle with raw sugar.
6. Bake for 12 to 15 minutes until golden