

### SOUTH TARANAKI FEDERATION

# FEBRUARY, 2024 Founders Day Celebrations

Dear Member's,

I hope you are all enjoying the lovely warm weather we are having at present, although the gardens are looking for rain, of which some of us have had in the last few days.

Thank you to all those who attended Founders Day. After a wander to check up on our Kowhai Tree on the Manaia Walkway, we had a lovely lunch at the Waimate Hotel in Manaia. This was followed by an informative talk by Richard Hall from Mind Support. The Topic being, "Understanding and Dealing with Anxiety". Then an entertaining Bottle Auction was held, thanks to our very own auctioneer, Jo Ellis from Kaponga WI. A total of \$550.00 was raised and has been presented to Rural Support. Lots of laughter filled the air to end our day.

**Congratulations** to Raewyn Fredrickson, Anne Chisnal & Janice Walsh from Manaia WI who came third overall in the National Bowling Competition in Balclutha earlier this month. Well done ladies. We are so proud of your efforts.

By now most Institutes would have had their AGM's. Best wishes for an exciting year ahead.

Nominations are still open for the Federation President & Executive Committee. Please consider putting your name forward and help our organization remain effective in South Taranaki. The challenge is rewarding, the friendships are treasured.

Plans are coming together for our AGM at Pihama on 18<sup>th</sup> March. Please keep this day Free. Give the competitions a go and your support for the Sales Table is always appreciated. Perhaps you might like to bring a friend along.

Our thoughts are with those who are unwell and to those who have recently suffered bereavements.

Yours in WI friendship, Bernadette

**SECRETARIES REMINDERS:** Nomination Forms for Federation President & Executive Committee are required each year. New Nominations would be delightfully accepted. We have Federation Vacancies, so please consider 'having a go'. There are still a couple of reports to come in. I'm hoping they are in the post. We can't complete the Annual Report until we include all the info from each Institute and time is running out for them to be judged.

**TREASURER'S REMINDERS:** Well done to our 11 WI's who all filed on time. <sup>(C)</sup> Thank You also for having your Affiliations to Diane in a timely manner. Please remember to have all your raffles sold and please make sure the book is brought to our AGM so the raffle can be drawn.

**HISTORIAN REMINDERS:** A photo of your President and any activities, paper cuttings or photos from the end of the year would be appreciated.

# STH TAR FED 88<sup>TH</sup> AGM – Mon 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Venue: PIHAMA HALL, Surf Highway, Pihama. Hall open at 9.15am to stage competitions

National Competitions were attached last month

Floral: 'Shades of Autumn' no accessories

Baking: Ginger Delight Slice (attached to Nov/Dec Newsletter)

Kapuni Vase: Single Bloom

<u>Roll Call:</u> 1) Monetary Donations to Te Ara Pae Trust. The Trust is based in Hawera and is a not-forprofit organisation that provides counselling to individuals and Whānau who are affected by family and sexual violence. A Monetary Donation will help with petrol vouchers, clothing etc.

2) 2025 Diary Order Numbers required too, please.

3) Names of Member's who have passed away during the past year. To be read out at meeting. Morning Tea: 9.45am Meeting commences at 10.00am Sharp

Guest Speaker: Donna Cram – Dairy Women's Network Woman of the Year.

Good Service Badge acknowledgements to be presented before our Shared Lunch.

Sales Table: Te Kiri WI

Kitchen Duties: Pihama WI

Bring along your WI Banner too please

Please return your trophies to Lynette prior to the AGM

**DATES TO DIARY:** 88<sup>th</sup> Federation AGM – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 – Pihama AGM Registrations to Helen before 103<sup>rd</sup> AGM in Palmerston North – 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 2025 Draft Competition queries to National before 28<sup>th</sup> March.

## **QUOTE:** A Strong Woman looks a Challenge in the eye and gives it a Wink!

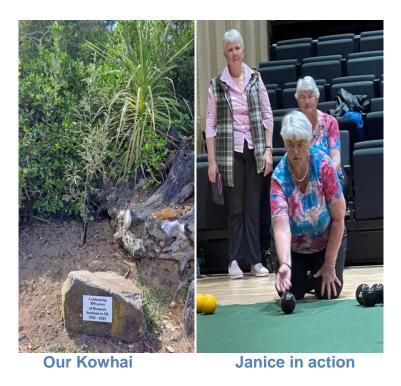
Bernadette & Helen

Attachments: AGM Agenda 2023 Statement of Financial Performance 2023 AGM Minutes 2024 Palmerston North AGM Registration Form

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Celebrating our 103<sup>rd</sup> Founders Day on the Manaia Walkway with our Kowhai Tree

