



## **NORTHERN & HAWKES BAY FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

### **JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER**

Well, here we are already into the second half of the last six months for 2024. Already Halloween is on the shelves at the stores so guess right behind that will be Christmas decorations etc.

For those of you that braved the shocking weather that we had the day of our workshop for "Tones and Hues" thank you. We have had so much positive feedback from that that we would be happy to run another if needed. If you are interested in any of the National Competitions and feel that you could gain from a bit of tuition in any of the areas give June a call 0273452141 and we will see if we can make it happen. *Oh, and I have a coat for a tartan umbrella left behind.*

Mark the 25<sup>th</sup> July in your calendar. Federation's Fun and Friendship Day 1.30pm at the Tamatea Community Centre. This is the new wording for the ½ yearly Federation Meeting. All Competitions must be in by 1pm. This is so that our Judges and Stewards can also get the chance to hear the meeting and enjoy the speaker. Our speaker is Yvonne Monk and from all accounts fascinating to listen to and watch. Competitions have been listed in previous newsletters so please refer back to them. The usual raffles, friendly chatter and a scrumptious afternoon tea. Please join us. If you need transport, please ask one of your fellow WI members to pick you up. They won't mind and in fact will be more than happy to take you and deliver you back home.

The bus has been booked for the mystery trip 26<sup>th</sup> September. Some exciting places to go and your Federation is doing their best to keep the prices down for you. The trip will include a 2-course lunch in the price. How exciting does that sound!!!!

The Federation has put in a bid to NEC to host the 2025 Conference in our region. We have done our due diligence as required and hope to hear back if we are successful or not by mid-August.

There has been a lot of viruses or viral infections going through our community and again COVID is doing its rounds. Stay safe and warm everyone.

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