

Theme: Softening the Hard Times

Project: Nourish the Nation

## **SOUTH TARANAKI FEDERATION**

## SEPTEMBER, 2024 'Sustainability Month'

## Dear Member's

I hope, with our mixed weather we are having, you are all managing to stay safe, dry & warm. Despite the weather, the gardens are starting to Bloom!!

I look forward to carching up with you all at our fun & Friendship day at Mangatoki on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October. Come along and support those members who are receiving their 60 & 70yr service Badges. Perhaps you might like to bring a friend too.

Remember the competitions. No trouble to some to whip up a sponge! Have some fun with Foliage, and pick a flower as you go out the gate. Don't forget to bring along your Apron that you have made as well.

Maata have been busy within their community. They held a District information/demonstration day on the use of the new AED Machine which is placed on the outside wall of the Maata Hall. They had a speaker from Mitre 10 Garden Centre who spoke on new plants and products available and tips for a healthy garden. Members have knitted 30 beanies and donated them to the Neo Natal Unit at Taranaki Base Hospital. Well done Maata. I'm looking forward to hearing what our other Institutes are doing in the coming months. Let's share what we are doing for our Communities.

Think about what you are going to do for 'WI Awareness Month' in October. Make the Community aware of our organization. Place those Lonely Bouquets in and around your area.

Congratulations to Pihama WI, who celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday with a trip to the Stratford Mountain House for lunch. They re-erected their wooden seat at the Otakeho Stream on the Opunake Loop Trail after it got washed away in the floods last year. It's well worth a visit.

Congratulations to those that are Celebrating Special events in their lives, thoughts to those who are not so well and condolences to those that have lost loved ones recently.

Yours in WI friendship, Bernadette

**SECRETARIES REMINDERS:** 50, 60, 70yr Service Badges. Please see that your recipients for these badges are informed and invite them along on the 15<sup>th</sup> Oct at Mangatoki. They will be presented prior to lunch.

**TREASURER'S REMINDERS:** A request from our Treasurer. Some WI's are still not entering their Name or what the Payment is for when depositing money. Perhaps an email to Daphne stating what it is for and who it was from, would help. She is a Treasurer, not a Detective.

**HISTORIAN REMINDERS: PLEASE NOTE!!** Don't forget to send articles to National for Te Panui, our replacement Home & Country. Email articles and photos to <a href="mailto:office@wi.org.nz">office@wi.org.nz</a>.

**CORRECTION:** It was noted in the August Newsletter that the knitting to Te Ara Pae Trust was all from Margie Bishop. THIS IS NOT THE CASE. There were many items from various WI's. Again, THANK YOU for your time in creating these lovely garments. Helen apologizes for the misinformation.

**FUN & FRIENDSHIP DAY: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October.** To be Hosted by Mangatoki WI at the Mangatoki Hall. Doors open 9.15am, Morning Tea at 9.45am and Meeting commences at 10am. We will enjoy a **Shared Lunch** 

Roll Call: A non perishable Grocery Item for our 'Pop Up' Shop Raffle.

Make & Model: A Full Apron, any medium. Your choice of fabric, new or recycled.

Kapuni Vase: 'Any Flower'. Pick as you walk out the door. Back by popular demand © Baking: A Filled sponge. Your own recipe. Mock or Fresh Cream. Ready to Eat.

Floral: "Fun with Foliage" No accessories

Speaker: Constable Pip Joblin Bring your Macrame Feathers to display.

Kitchen Duties: Mangatoki WI

Sales Table: Rawhitiroa WI & Carlyle WI – please support this with items for the table

Raffle: As usual, \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5.00

Bring along all your recycled items, used spectacles, knitting etc

Margie will bring along the wool she has on hand

**MANAIA WI 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fundraiser:** Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. A garden visit and luncheon to raise funds to purchase 10 wooden seats for the Manaia PreSchool. At 'Jabulani' – 490 Normanby Road, Okaiawa. Cost: \$20.00. Includes Lunch, Garden Tour and a Raffle. Ticket.Payment with your Name by 6<sup>th</sup> November to Manaia WI a/c no: 15-3950-0438069-00. Look out for the article on 'Jabulani' in the September NZ Gardner Magazine. The Venue for lunch will now be a short walk up the road to the Okaiawa Hotel.

**INTERNATIONAL DAY:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November @ Tika Restaurant. Celebrating all things MEXICO. Arrive at 11.30am to eat at 12noon. \$25.00 pp. Please have names and money to Daphne by Wed 13<sup>th</sup> November or bring the cash along to Manaia WI's event on the 13<sup>th</sup>. We will have a Raffle – 3 for \$5, along with a Prize for 'Best Dressed'. Bring along any souvenirs you may have to display. Come along and have some fun!!

**STH TARANAKI FED FUNDRAISER:** We are going to take part in the 'ARTS IN THE PARK' and have a stall at King Edward Park on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Please bring along any saleable items. Start to pot up cuttings etc, for our grand Sales Table. We intend to make everyone Aware of WI in Sth Taranaki!! More details to follow in November.

## **AORANGI WI – GREEN APRON ORDER – DEADLINE 26th SEPTEMBER**

Here is a chance to purchase one of our Fabulous Green Aprons if you missed out a few years ago. Please order direct with Aorangi WI – see the Flyer attached.

**BOWLS TEAM:** Manaia WI will represent South Taranaki Federation in February at Gisborne. Team Members are: Raewyn Fredrickson, Skip; Ann Chisnal, No2; and Janice Walsh, Lead. We wish them well.

**Taranaki Floral Art Designer of the Year:** Sat 21<sup>st</sup> & Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> September at the Stratford War Memorial Hall from 10am 0 4pm each day. Your patronage is welcome.

**NZFWI 104<sup>th</sup> National Conference Sat 24<sup>th</sup> & Sun 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 in Hamilton** at the Distinction Hotel. Who wants to attend? Do we go by Car or Van? We would travel up on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> and home on Mon 26<sup>th</sup>. Names to Helen, as she will need to book accommodation very soon.

**DATES TO DIARY:** 

Fun & Friendship Day – Tue 15<sup>th</sup> October, Mangatoki Hall October – WI Awareness Month – What is your WI doing? Manaia WI 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fundraiser – Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Nov International Day – Celebrating Mexico – Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Nov Tika Restaurant Arts in the Park – Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. King Edward Park, Hawera High Tea / Founder's Day – Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2025 – Kaponga 89<sup>th</sup> Sth Tar Fed AGM – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 St Patrick's Day

Returning to the Kapuni War Memorial Hall 😊

QUOTE: The greatest discovery of all time, is that a person can change their future by merely changing their attitude!! Unknown

Bernadette & Helen

Attachments: Green Apron Order Information (deadline 20<sup>th</sup> Sept)



L to R: Marilyn Boucher from Maraetai WI, Northern Waikato Federation, receiving the material from Helen Cameron, South Taranaki Federation, who delivered sheets etc for the 89 Puppy Snuffle Pads to be donated to Pet Rescue. They met in the Rainbows End car park when Helen was on her way to visit family.

What a wonderful Joint Venture, from afar, to be involved with.

A great example of the true spirit of WI

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