



NORTHERN & HAWKES BAY FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

Theme: Softening the Hard Times

Project: Nourishing the Nation

Time again for another newsletter from your Federation, we hope you all had a good Labour Weekend and looking forward to all the Christmas functions that will be coming up in November and December.

The bus trip appears to have been a great success with over 40 attending, we are sure everybody enjoyed themselves and made a few purchases to take home and enjoy. We will look at having another trip again in the future.

Wharerangi Institute have sadly lost a member, Anne Hoar, and our condolences go to the Wharerangi members.

The time has come to remind you that citations for Gold Honors and Good Service Badges should be in by the end of November 2024.

Institutes programmes and annual reports for 2023 (1st Jan to 31st Dec) need to be in to Federation by the 27th of January 2025. If you have any queries, please contact June Fraser.

The Federation Annual Meeting will be held at the Tamatea Community Church on 27th February 2025. The schedule of competitions will come out before the end of this year which should give you plenty of time to get your entries ready. The Federation will be looking for new members as some are retiring from the committee next year. Give this some thought ladies as you may have some good ideas which the committee would be keen to use.

The Federation half yearly Meeting will be 24th July 2025 More details next year.

Bowls Tournament 9th and 10th of February 2025 at Gisborne. Travelling up on the 8th coming back after lunch on the 10th. We do have one team but would really like to have two teams and some supporters.

The National AGM will be held in Hamilton 23rd- 26th May 2025. Motel accommodation has been booked for this time at approx. cost of \$190 per person for the four days. These are

all ground floor flats so no stairs to worry about. Time to start thinking if you would like to attend. Time to think about delegates for the AGM.

The next event is the flower show on 21st November at the Tamatea Community Centre starting at 2pm, entries to be in by 1pm and we are looking forward to plenty of entries as there are lots of categories, so no excuses ladies. There will be a cup of tea and biscuits. A gold coin entry to cover expenses and there will also be a raffle. The following is the list:

Flowers- pink, yellow, white, orange, blue, red (6 categories in all). Please bring own containers which will not be judged.

Sand saucer - Suggest taken in an Ice Cream Container for easy transport.

Decorated toilet roll

Novelty vegetable/fruit

Potted succulent/s

Indoor pot plant

Homemade chocolate cake

Handwork soft toy (any medium)

Jar homemade marmalade

Knitted garment

Sewn garment

Handwork soft toy

Looking forward to seeing you all at the flower show and friends are welcome. There will be the usual raffle and gold coin entry. A cup of tea/coffee will be served.

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