



**Theme:** Softening the Hard Times

**Project:** Nourish the Nation

November 2024 newsletter

Penny's Corner

Hello Members,

Christmas is not far off, and a lot is happening.

Thank you, Lorraine, for taking Margaret Bartells to Thames for Thames Hauraki Anniversary as I was otherwise engaged attending a sixtieth anniversary of Women's Fellowship at Te Awamutu.

I have also been busy in the garden, and like lots of members cleaning out weeds but pleased with many flowers showing their heads.

The garden looks great with the lawns trimmed as well.

Thinking of you all and wishing you a very Happy Christmas and the very best for 2025.

Thinking of those who are unwell a speedy recovery and those with sadness in their hearts the very best

Yours in friendship

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**Thought of the month:**

Quote: I believe we would be happier to have a personal resolution

In our individual lives and go back to simple living,

And more direct thinking.

It is the simple things of life that make living worthwhile,

The sweet fundamental things such as love and duty,

Work and rest and living close to nature.

## **Notice to all Treasurers**

The end of the year is fast approaching. In November consider doing a draft of your yearly accounts, this will help with end of year Financial Annual Return, making end of year easier.

Remember that your Annual Returns do not have to be audited.

**Subs \$50** Please send **Affiliation fees \$42.50** per member to Federation Treasurer before the AGM

**Donation form attached** must be in to Federation Treasurer by **17<sup>th</sup> January** so she can send the return to National by due date.

**Diaries 2025** The diaries are now with you Institute. Cost per each \$4.50

**Message from Treasurer: Thank you all dairies have been paid for.**

**Federation Bank A/c 02-0408-0113404-03**, This is our only A/c

## **Op Shop: - January Sat.25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Closed Sunday**

Dates allocated. Saturday Federation, Monday Tokoroa,  
Tuesday AM Manawaru, PM Matamata, Wednesday Leamington  
Thursday, Okauia, Friday Te Aroha West

## **AGM 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025 “Kiwiana” Card Table [supply your own table]**

**Floral:** -- Arrangement Native Flora. [Plants and flowers] Please note no native animals in this arrangement, sorry for the boo boo [Leah]

**Craft:** -- A Bucket Hat according to theme. {Kiwiana Fabric}

Can use National competition schedule and enter it in that too.

**Cooking:** -- 3 egg pavlova [add crème fraiche with whipped cream it will hold [Tip from Karen] this will be eaten for lunch.

**Roll call:** -- Biscuits for donation. Donate to Cancer Lodge Hamilton

**Your Scrap book, Annual Report and Programme** also need to be handed in at this meeting for judging.

**The National Competitions will also be judged.**

Please sort out your AGM and National trophies for handing in to a Federation member.

Shared lunch, please supply sandwiches as the pavs will be the sweet.

Usual Door charge \$2 Raffles

**Duties for the day.** Morning Tea -Manawaru Lunch-Okauia,

Sales Table-Leamington Door and Raffles-Matamata,

Please stay back after meeting to help with cleanup.

**National AGM 104<sup>th</sup> in Hamilton, May 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Distinction Hotel Hamilton.**

Penny has booked 15 beds for this, please contact Penny ASAP if you require one of these. Phone 021 1476043

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**Dates to remember**

**Donation Form to Fed Treasurer 17<sup>th</sup> January**

**Financial Books close 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

**Op Shop 2025 Sat 25<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January**

**National Challenge Bowls: - February 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**Federation AGM 2025 27<sup>th</sup> February**

**National AGM Distinction Hotel Hamilton May 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 2025**

Next Federation meeting January 21<sup>st</sup> 2025