



## **E.B.O.P. FEDERATION DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER**

**Theme:** Softening the Hard Times

**Project:** Nourish the Nation

Dear members

It's that busy time of the year. Seasons greetings to you all.

Thank you to the members who joined us for our Christmas lunch. A good time was had by us all. And thank you to those who donated pet food or cash for our pet-care charities.

This week I took another 37 toilet bags to the A&E department at the hospital thanks to all for helping with contents. A big thank you to PAK'nSAVE for their generous donation towards these bags.

**Dates for your calendar:** January 20<sup>th</sup> 2025 the Edgecumbe coffee morning start time is 10am. \$5.00 entry gives you tea or coffee plus eats. There will be raffles and a sales table. The funds raised are being donated to Matata Fire Brigade First Responders Unit.

February 14<sup>th</sup> 2025 Home and Industries show at St David's Edgecumbe. Hope your entries are coming on well. Reminders to those who want to donate cash prizes please bank the money in to Federation's **Kiwibank account 389 023 0045931 00** with your name as reference and let Sheryl Bell know you are donating.

Federation AGM is now Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup> 2025. Please note change in date.

Reminder to start thinking about nominations for your committee and Nominations for Good Service badge, merit awards .and year award e.g. 20 yrs service. We are looking forward to receiving these at the February show at the latest. Nomination forms for Federation committee

will be distributed to secretaries shortly. Remember that all nominations for awards require a full citation about your member including their date of joining and all the roles they currently have and have done in the past to support Women's Institutes.

Enjoy you summer holidays, a merry Christmas and happy new year from me

In WI friendship

Diane Harvey Federation President

Life is short, live it

Love is rare, grab it

Anger is bad, dump it

Fear is awful, face it

Memories are sweet, cherish them