

# ENM Pānui

#### Together We Grow- Manawatū Community Garden's Hui.

More networking, more resource sharing and more community gardens were the three main wishes that came out of the first Manawatū Community Garden's Hui. Over 60 people from all over the region attended, representing 10 established community gardens and many more in the planning stages. MFAN's Dave Mollard spoke of his experience as kaitiaki of Awapuni Community Gardens, and Amy Viles presented the Palmerston North City Council's new Community Garden guide. Daniel Morrimire from MFAN then facilitated a mapping and resource-sharing small group activity. A delicious Hangi lunch was provided by a local kai start-up along with more networking before a visioning session of what is needed for community gardens to thrive in the region. The feeling of connectivity, support and purpose that resulted from this first hui will be the foundation for more and better community gardens in our future. The Alliance will meet twice a year and have an online chat for resource sharing.





## Support the introduction of Kiwi into OUR backyard.

A national icon, a beloved, quirky endemic species. We all want to see kiwi back in our rohe and thriving. 1674 traps set, 3753 pests trapped and almost 2 years into its Jobs for Nature partnership with the Department of Conservation the, <u>Ruahine Kiwi Project</u> has made a firm, positive start in achieving this important vision. We need your help to sustain this work so we can do more.



#### How can I help?

**1. By donating eggs** through a fantastic scheme set up by local business <u>The Egg Project.</u> We need around 100 eggs a week to make sure our traps are baited. We have had 4871 eggs donated over the last year but desperately need more. <u>Donate an egg ( or 10!)</u> and support a generous local business that is right behind our mahi.

2. **By making a donation.** Large or small it all helps and will contribute to ensuring that predator pests are eliminated so we can make our rohe kiwi friendly for re introduction by 2025. <u>Click here to do this.</u>

Any questions, get in touch. <u>comms@enm.org.nz</u>



### Celebrating Volunteering. Anthea McClelland. Manawatū Forest and Bird.

Anthea McClelland is very much the global citizen having lived in many places around the world. She came to Aotearoa in 2001 and found herself inspired to join Forest and Bird's Manawatū branch within two months of arriving 'I'd lived in so many countries that paid no attention to the environment and I wanted to get involved with something that had conservation at its heart' Anthea notes. 22 years later she is still actively and passionately involved with the organisation and has<u>spent the last 9</u> years as its chairperson...

## Sustainable Backyard Tour- "What's Growing on in Palmy"

The are provisional plans in November this year for a a Sustainable Backyard Tour- "What's Growing on in Palmy", Hosts and gardens are needed. The purpose will be to showcase growing good healthy kai in our own backyards, at a time when food costs are rising and food security is becoming a real issue. We would like a range of hosts, venues and food gardens to share. From the smallest front porch or patio that is growing an abundance, to the traditional ¼ acre section. If this is you, or someone you know, has an impressive food garden, we would love to hear from you.



Email <u>whatsgrowingonpalmy@gmail.com</u> or <u>follow on</u> <u>Facebook.</u>



#### Repair Cafe thriving in its new venue.

The most recent <u>Palmerston North Repair Cafe</u> saw us at our new venue, Palmerston North Community Leisure Centre, 569 Ferguson Street next to the recycling centre at a new time of 9am- 12pm.

We were incredibly busy with over 50 successful mends and almost 100 guests.

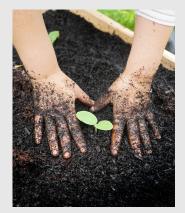
Our thanks to the 20 plus volunteers who give their time once a month for this incredible community event. Pictured here is Faye, who turns her talents to many things from sewing to (wo) manning our triage area. She is pictured here making a beloved toy whole again.

#### **Composting Workshop**

Learn how to build a composting system with pallets for hot and cold composting. Learn about other compost systems including worm farms and bokashi. This free hands-on workshop is offered by <u>Para Kore, Growing</u> <u>Gardens and Communities, Manawatū Food Action</u> <u>Network and Future Living Skills.</u>

Monday 12th June, Te Pātikitiki Library, from 10am – 12:30 noon, with a casual pot-luck lunch after the workshop (lunch optional).

Register here for this event by June 9th.





## Increased Recycling Opportunities at the ENM office.

With kind support from Palmerston North City Council's Resource Recovery Fund, Environment Network Manawatū is now able to offer more recycling opportunities from its offices on 145 Cuba Street. We are now able to accept household quantities of blister packs (the packaging from medical tablets) lanyards and nametags, beauty products (excluding nail varnish) and media waste through bins supplied by <u>TerraCycle New</u> <u>Zealand</u> for these specific purposes.

Members of the public are welcome to recycle personal items from Monday- Thursday 9am- 4pm.

#### Future Living Skill starts again in June.

Want to learn how to save money on your power bill? Grow a new garden? How to reduce your waste? Clever tips and tricks to make your home more energy efficient? We're keen to help you become more sustainable in your daily life through participation in the Future Living Skills Programme.

Our second 2023 programme will start on Monday 19th June from 10am-12pm and registrations are open now. The weekly workshops will be held in Roslyn, venue TBC. The programme is free though koha is appreciated. You can register by clicking on this link.



## **Opportunities to get involved**

### **Repair Cafes**

#### Repair and connect.

June 24Palmerston North Repair Cafe.June 10Feilding Repair CafeJune 10Repair Cafe Levin

### **Crop Swaps**

Share and learn. June 11 Palmy Crop Swap. June 24 Ashhurst Crop Swap (RECAP)

#### **Local Markets**

Eat seasonally, buy locally. Every Friday <u>Feilding Farmers' Market</u>

## **Regular Events**

#### Join in!

Every Friday Fridays for Future Peaceful protest for climate action. Every Tuesday & Wednesday Menzshed Sharing skills and friendship. Every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday Wildlife Foxton Trust . June 13,27 Let's Grow Awapuni. June 14, 28 Let's Grow Highbury June 14. Green Drinks. June 17 Upcycling Club 1 workshop at Te Manawa

### Workshops and talks

First and third Sunday <u>Hokowhitu Farmers</u> <u>Market</u>

#### AGM's

Support and celebrate. 14th June <u>RECAP AGM</u>

#### **Working Bees**

Get your hands dirty!

June 4 Ahimate Reserve June 4, 18 Dune Garden Working Bee. June 10 Green Corridors Summerhill Help maintain corridors of native trees. June 11 and 25 A Rocha Nursery Growing natives from eco-sourced seed. June 11 Apollo Butterfly Park Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc.. June 18 Pit Park Roslyn A restored urban native bush habitat. Every Sunday Timona Park Orchard Growing fruit for the community. Most Sundays Manawatū Estuary Trust Keeping exotic species out of the wetland. Every Friday Best Care Whakapai Haora Māra Kai

**Every week**. <u>Ashhurst Community Library</u> <u>Garden Working Bee</u>. Keep connected on Facebook for dates and times.

## Sharing Tables and Shelves

Pātaka Kai is the Māori term for a food storehouse or basically a pantry. Pātaka Kai are a space for people to leave what they can (excess garden produce and food for example) and for people to take what they need. This is not an exchange system, nor is koha required. Pātaka Kai are open 24/7.

<u>Click here for a link to sharing tables and</u> <u>Pataka Kai in our area.</u>

### **Food Distribution**

#### Be informed.

6 June Grapevine Pruning Workshop
11 June Green Corridors Public tree
planting
12 June Composting Workshop
June 14,21,28 <u>E tū te mana o Te Ao :</u>
Building a Climate of Hope- Webinar
Series.
June 19, 26 Future Living Skills Programme

#### Meetings.

#### Join an active conversation

June 5 <u>Water and Environmental Care</u> <u>Horowhenua</u> June 6 <u>Manawatū Estuary Trust.</u> Caring for the Manawatū River Estuary. June 7 <u>Manawatū River Source to Sea</u> June 13 <u>Forest and Bird Manawatū</u> Branch. June 22 <u>Manawatū Beekeepers Club.</u>

## **The Egg Project**

Supporting the Ruahine Kiwi Project one egg at a time! <u>You can buy from them and</u> support the project by clicking here.

### **Small Gardening Tools**

Tools are available for keen gardeners to borrow from the Awapuni, Roslyn and Te Patikitiki branches of Palmerston North City Library! If you have a garden kaupapa requiring more serious tools, then email\_food.action@enm.org.nz to organise borrowing our big implements: spades, forks, shovels, rakes and even a wheelbarrow or two. Donations of garden tools in good working order are also welcomed. <u>Click here to learn more.</u>

### **Seed Libraries**

Just Zilch, Te Pataka Kai 4412, the Salvation Army, Methodist Social Services Manchester House, Community Fruit Harvest, Manawatū, Te Whare Koha and other are working together to rescue and distribute food. If you know of food that is going to waste, or anyone that is struggling to get food, please contact one of these agencies. <u>Click here for a list of places to</u> <u>access food support.</u> The Manawatū Food Action Seed Exchange has a variety of seed exchanges within the city. Find them at Awapuni, Roslyn, and Te Patikitiki libraries, and the ENM office at 145 Cuba St. Donations are always gratefully received.

## **Notices**

Beekeeping NZQA Level 3 . Ashhurst . Next course starting late-July Suitable for both beekeeping hobbyists and professionals; no prior knowledge or experience needed. Twenty one-day workshops over 40 weeks, covering a complete beekeeping season and including time working with bees in the field. Run by Land Based Training. For more information email John Bell (j.d.bell@xtra.co.nz) or phone 021 620 169. Whatunga Tūao | Volunteer Central would like to thank to all our sponsors for their support of the Volunteer Recognition Event this year. To find out more about them you can click here.

This year 71 nominations have been received, more than double the number last year. You can view all of these amazing volunteers on the website and simply click on their photos to read their stories. You can find the nominations on our website.

## **Apply for funding**

#### Horizons Regional Freshwater Community Grants.

A new contestable fund for community projects throughout the Horizons Region which encourage engagement with or education around freshwater. Applications for 2023 are open from Monday 15 May to Friday 30 June at 5pm.

<u>For an up-to-date local funding calendar developed by ENM's</u> Communications and Events Lead Helen King you can click here.



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