



WHATS HAPPENING

Our AGM and Annual Report



We had a good turnout for the AGM on Thursday last week, and it was great to see lots of good connections being made through lively conversations before, during and after the meeting. Many thanks if you were one of those who attended and engaged in these conversations. It's always inspiring to hear about all that is going on and observe the passion our membership have for both their own projects and for ENM itself.

Please find attached our annual report, which outlines what ENM has been doing over the past financial year.

[See PDF](#)



WE ARE HIRING
PROJECT LEAD

- Lead the Ruahine Kiwi Project, managing pest control and fostering community support for kiwi restoration.
- 20hrs per week
- Wage Range: \$33-\$37 per hour
- Based in the ENM office

Read more about the role on TradeMe

[Read More Here](#)

Have your say in our community

Do you have any suggestions for changes? Or maybe you've got ideas for new things that should be included in the updated plan?

Policies up for review

- PNCC - [Food security and resilience](#)
- Manawatū District Council - [Public Transport](#)

Are you a keen photographer?



We are looking for volunteer photographers (experienced or not) to lend a hand at events.

[Email us!](#)

Future Living Skills - Sustainable Living



The key takeaways:

1. The importance of reducing moisture in the home at the source as much as possible. Use strong extraction fans in bathrooms, fix cracks in window seals, and use dehumidifiers.
2. Keep the heat in with a thermal envelope, including lined curtains that go all the way to the floor well past the windowsill.

On that topic, Rowena advised that the Red Cross Curtain Bank can make lined curtains to fit for people with a community services card (you will need to measure your window space first).

Our local Curtain Bank is located at 24B Domain Street, Palmerston North. They can be contacted by phone at 021 143 3800 or by email at manawatu@redcross.org.nz. They are open Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 2pm. It is advisable to contact them first to check the current availability of curtains and their process.

The next workshop on Thursday October 31 is on Food choices, focusing on healthy and sustainable food - a topic some of you may already be engaged with.



Volunteer of the month

Yo Bunpunlert, Inspiring Sustainable Change in Our Community

Yo drives sustainable initiatives, inspiring change through action in her community and beyond.

[Read More Here](#)

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Environmental Initiatives Fund

Do you need some funding?

- Your project needs to happen within Palmerston North's city boundaries.
- It should have clear environmental benefits and align with the priorities of the network and its partners.

We have two types of funding available:

1. Small Grants:

- Up to \$1k, open to individuals and groups.
- You can apply anytime, and the application is very easy.
- Be in quick before they run out!

2. Large Grants:

- o Up to \$12k, applications open in January for organisations to apply

[Learn More Here](#)

HARD TO RECYCLE



Funded through the Waste Not Want Not Fund, the [Feilding Repair CAFE](#) have been working with [@terracyclenz](#) to offer recycling of blister packs.

The first drop off location has been set up in the Manawatu District Council foyer.

Terracycle uses materials to make new products such as compost bins, pallets, benches, playground equipment and more!

Blister pack drops are available during office hours only.

EVENTS

The poster features a green grid background. At the top center is a logo consisting of two overlapping green circles with a leaf on top, and the lowercase text 'mfan' in white. Below the logo, the words 'SPRING HUI' are written in large, bold, black, uppercase letters. Underneath, the event details are listed: 'When: Tuesday 5th November 10am to 2:30pm' and 'Where: P.N. Community Leisure Centre 569 Ferguson Street'. A call to action reads 'Message us now to register!'. At the bottom is an illustration of a diverse group of people of various ages and ethnicities, some with their arms around each other, and a small dog in the foreground.

What's Happening There

- Meet and talk to others who are active in local food sovereignty initiatives
- Find out what is happening in our community
- Hear about the council's draft 'Food security and resilience policy', and how you can give feedback on this important document.
- Contribute to creating a "Who's who in the Manawatū"
- Free lunch!

Register Now!

JUST Zilch

FUNDRAISING BUFFET

A FEAST FOR CHANGE:
RESCUING FOOD, SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES

23 NOVEMBER, 2024
6.30 pm

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
338 Church St,
Palmerston North

\$70 (GST INC)

A generous assortment of thoughtfully curated dishes,
with non-alcoholic beverages provided.

BOOK NOW ➔

For More Information <https://justzilch.org.nz>

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

See Our Events calendar here

Repair Cafes

Repair and connect.
Nov 9 Repair Cafe Levin
NA Feilding Repair Cafe
Nov 30 Palmerston North Repair Cafe

Crop Swaps

Share and learn
Nov 2 RECAP Crop Swap, Ashhurst.
Nov 10 Palmy Crop Swap.
Nov 10 Foxton Crop Swap
Nov 2 Bunnythorpe Crop Swap

Regular Working Bees

Get your hands dirty!
Nov 3 Ahimate Reserve

Regular Events

Join in!
The first Friday of each month
Fridays for Future
Peaceful protest for climate action.
Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
Menzshed Sharing skills and friendship.
Every Wednesday Let's Grow Palmy!

Local Markets

Eat seasonally, buy locally.
Every Friday Feilding Farmers' Market
First and third Sunday Hokowhitu Farmers Market

Meetings.

Join an active conversation.

Nov 3, 17 Dune Gardens, Foxton.
Nov 9 Green Corridors Summerhill
Help with Blackberry and weeds.
Nov 10, 24 A Rocha Nursery
Nov 10 Apollo Butterfly Park
Planting for Monarch butterflies.
Nov 17 Pit Park Roslyn
A restored urban native bush habitat.
Every Thursday Bottle top working bee
Every Friday Community Food Garden
Fridays.
Every Sunday Timona Park Orchard
Growing fruit for the community. Every
week. Ashhurst Community Library Garden
Working Bee. Keep connected on
Facebook for dates and times as these do
vary.

Nov 4 Water and Environmental Care
Horowhenua
Nov 5 Manawatū Estuary Trust.
Nov 12 Forest and Bird Monthly meeting.
Nov 28 Manawatū Beekeepers Club

One-of Events

2 Sept- 4th Nov Future Living Skills
Programme
16th Nov The Kahuterawa Outdoor
Recreation Plan pop in
24th Nov F&B Manawatū Trip to
Waitarere beach to look for Toheroa
Nov 23 Just zilch fundraiser
Nov 18 Zero Waste Solutions to Planetary
Crises: Expert & political perspectives
Nov 5 Waste Minimisation Fund Webinar

For more information click here

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.

[Click here for a link to sharing tables and Pataka Kai in our area.](#)

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. [Click here to learn more.](#)

Food Distribution

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

Seed Libraries

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.

agencies. [Click here for a list of places to access food support.](#)

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