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Abbeyfield WBoP Newsletter December 2021

Golf Tournament

Due to Covid 19 community outbreaks and the government announcement of changes to Alert Levels, we unfortunately had to postpone our September Golf Fundraising Tournament and Tupperware Expo events.

To allow us to schedule new dates for postponed events with confidence, we will review New Zealand's position with Covid-19 in January 2022 and finalise new dates. We would like to thank our sponsors and registered players for the Golf Fundraising event for their continued support, understanding and patience.

Art Auction

For the meantime, we have diversified how we fundraise by way of an Online Art Auction. A huge thank you to the artists from Katikati Art Group and Omokoroa Art Group who have donated their Artwork for the Auction. The Auction will be on Trade Me in December 2021.

We have been fortunate to have Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern create and donate her doodle artwork for our Art Auction. We are very grateful for her support, as this will be one of the pieces auctioned on Trade Me. Keep an eye out for it if you are looking for something a bit different.

Please, if you are interested in any of the artwork, you will need to check it out on Trade Me (https://www.trademe.co.nz/a/marketplace/art/search?search_string=abbeyfieldwbop) If you would like us to send you the link separately please get in touch.

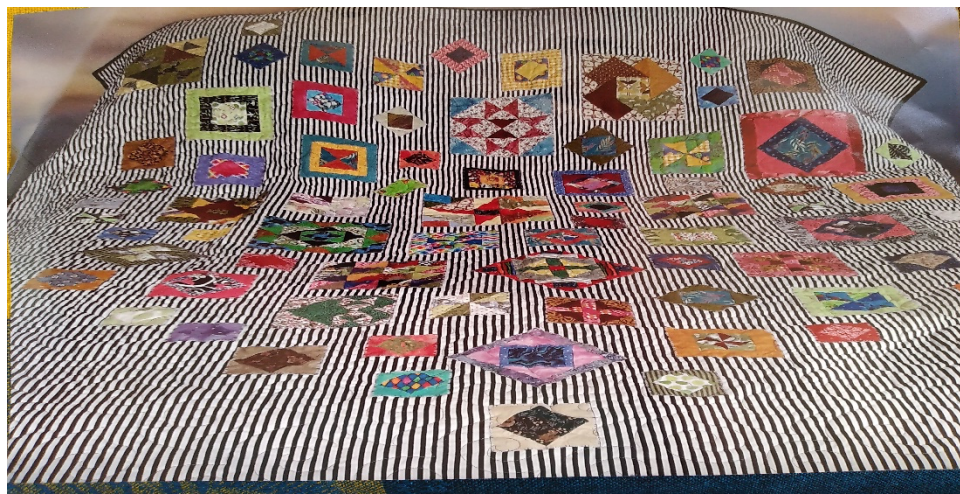
Market Stalls

The Market Stalls have continued in Katikati every Friday, and Waihi Beach Market every Sunday over the summer season.

Thank you to our loyal customers and the new customers who have discovered how wonderful the Jams, Jellies, Chutneys and Sauces are. In addition, a huge thank you to the people who have volunteered to run the stalls, provide the fruit and veggies, help wash jars and making the produce.

Katikati Patchwork Group

Thank you to KatiKati Patchwork Group for making a fabulous quilt, selling the raffle tickets, and donating proceeds from to Abbeyfield Western Bay of Plenty. We are truly grateful and honoured to have your support.



Garden Ramble

We were very fortunate to have had fine weather during the Garden Ramble weekend on the 6th and 7th November. Thank you to Katikati Rotary Club and to Rod and Mary-Ann Calver for allowing us to set up two stalls on their beautiful property and for their hospitality.

Thank you to the people who volunteered to run the stalls during the Garden Ramble weekend, without you we would have missed a fantastic opportunity. Not only did we promote Abbeyfield, the stalls were a great success we also raised money towards our house. Our thanks also to the customers purchasing products and supporting us.

Thank you to Everdien de Graaf-Wuestenenk for selling raffle tickets for the quilt and taking the time to talk to people and promote Abbeyfield WBoP. Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets. Between the stalls and the quilt raffle significant funds were raised.

Seedlings for sale.

Many thanks Elizabeth and Bill Rae for raising all the vege and flower seeds and selling them at the markets over the past weeks. This is a huge commitment and does raise a lot of money for Abbeyfield. Thank you, your efforts are great appreciated.

Abbeyfield House in KatiKati - Land

If you've driven down Wills Road over the past couple of months, you will have seen our sign on the land we have secured for our Abbeyfield House. Thanks to Peter Charlton, Theo van Rijen, Richard Still and Grant McAlpine for erecting the sign.



Once we know where New Zealand is at with Covid- 19 restrictions, we will be organising an onsite visit and invite our supporters, friends and members of the community to come along.

Fruit and Veggie Season

With summer comes fruit and veggies season. We are very appreciative of people donating produce to make the jams, jellies, chutneys and sauces to be sold at the markets.

As you can imagine, this involves lots of work with preparing fruit and vegetables, washing jars and making the jellies, jams, chutneys and sauces.

We are looking for people who have some time to spare and able to give us a hand to prepare fruit and vegetables. This involves, peeling and chopping fruit and vegetables. We also need help to remove labels on jars and clean the jars.

If you were keen to help with the jars, it's something you could do at home. We can arrange for you to pick them up or we could drop them off to you and then pick them up. Jar cleaning is done throughout the year, and we have a couple of ladies who do this. However, we are always looking for more people who may be able to assist.

When fruit and veggies are donated, they need to be prepared as soon as possible to reduce waste. We are looking for volunteers to help prepare fruit/veggies (you do not have to make the jams, jellies, chutneys and sauces). We are never quite sure when produce will be donated, therefore, we would like to build a team of volunteers who we could call on when help is needed. This would enable us to make the most of all the donated produce and reduce the workload on our current volunteers.

People on the volunteer list will be contacted when fruit and veggies are needing to be prepared. If you were available, we would be grateful and pleased to have your help. Our busy season will be starting in January through to April.

If you are interested or would like more information, please give Carole a call on 0274 579 686 or email her on abbeyfieldwbop.chair@gmail.com

Making headway in uncertain times

2021 has been an interesting time and unfortunately not an easy time to be fundraising. We currently have a small fundraising team. We are keen to find other people who have great

ideas for raising money, are keen to help develop, organise, and run activities and events that will help us raise the funds we need to build our Abbeyfield House in KatiKati.

If this sounds like you or you just have a great idea that would help us fundraise, we would love to hear from you please give Natasja a call on 0273487748 or email her on fundabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com

Gifts and Donations

We have been exceptionally appreciative of people's donations and gifts. We know there are many people who are strong supporters of the Abbeyfield House concept and help us out in many ways.

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported us over the past months and continues to support our work towards building a safe, affordable and appropriate accommodation for older people in KatiKati.

If you know of someone who would like to learn more about Abbeyfield Western Bay of Plenty and our plans for an Abbeyfield House or would like to help us achieve our goal, please let us know. We can contact them or you could please provide them with our contact details.

On behalf of the committee, our grateful thanks for your support and generosity in supporting our work. We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and hope that 2022 is year, which is full of joy, family times, laughter, and wellbeing.

Warmest regards to you all.

On behalf of Abbeyfield Western Bay of Plenty Committee.

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