



Supported living for older people

Abbeyfield WBoP Newsletter March 2022

Seems it's a bit late in the year to be wishing you Happy New Year, however I am hoping that as the year goes on things will get better and we will start moving in to a covid free space. So happy new year and all the best for 2022.

Despite the interesting times the committee has continued to push forward with our plans.

We have now contracted Frank Rientjes as our project manager. Frank has a wealth of experience in managing large builds throughout NZ. He has also been involved in building several Abbeyfield Houses. It is helpful that he understands what Abbeyfield is all about, how it all works, and what we need in a building.

Terry Foster has taken on the role of being our liaison between Abbeyfield Properties and the committee. It is good to have Terry on board, as he has been involved in numerous other Abbeyfield builds and has a wealth of experience.

We have met with Frank and Terry and are now finalising the Architectural Brief and from there we will be looking to approaching a couple of companies to discuss developing our concept plan. Once we have that we will then be able to move in to stage 2 of our plans.

As well as this the funding team have identified several large fundraising events that would help us raise funds for the house. We are currently working through details, venues and dates on when we could hold them. At this stage we are looking towards the last half of 2022. Once we have dates and more details, we will inform everyone by email and on various social media sites.

Gifts and Donations

We have many people who are strong supporters of the Abbeyfield House concept and help us out in many ways. We greatly appreciate their support and contribution in assisting us to achieve our goal.

We have been exceptionally grateful to receive a donation of \$10,000 from a Business couple in Omokoroa, who wish to remain anonymous.

Their generosity and support of our plans is greatly appreciated and a good step forward in raising the funds to build an Abbeyfield House. Our many thanks to you both.

Markets for Jams, chutneys, sauces, Jelly's, and other stuff

Over the summer months Pauline and her team have been very busy. Pauline has been attending at least two markets a week and the produce has been highly sought after. Our grateful thanks to Pauline for doing these markets, it does take a lot of work. The funds raised are so much appreciated.

A heartfelt and sincere thank you to all our volunteers for their support with fundraising, growing and donating fruit and vegetables, fruit/ vegetable preparation, cleaning jars, setting up and helping out at the Markets. We truly appreciate what you do for Abbeyfield WBoP.

KatiKati Car Boot Sale

We held our first car boot sale 5th February, the next car boot sale will be 5th March 2022 at the KatiKati A&P Showgrounds between 9am-12pm. Site registration is \$10 for car boot load and \$15 for car boot and trailer load. Please phone Carole on 0274579686 or email abbeyfieldwbop.chair@gmail.com If you would like to book a site.

Come along and have a look. Please scan or sign in, wear a mask or show an exemption card and observe social distancing. The Katikati Car Boot Sale will be held monthly, our next one will be in April and commence again in September.

The Carboot sale has also been an opportunity to share our plans with people and talk about an Abbeyfield House for Katikati.

Golf Fundraising Tournament

We have rescheduled the Golf Fundraising Tournament for 8th April 2022. The tournament will be held at the Fairview Golf Club and we have our fingers and toes crossed that this time around, the tournament will go ahead.

This has been some time in the making as we continue to move forward to see the event to fruition. We sincerely thank registered players and sponsors for their understanding and patience as they have continued to stand by us to be part of the golf tournament.

Our thanks also to Fairview Golf Club for their support.

Tupperware Expo

The Tupperware Expo has been booked for 26th March between 10am-3pm at the Catholic Church (St Pius), 89 Beach Road, KatiKati. Come along, have a look at the large variety of Tupperware products on display. We will have coffee/tea and something to eat for \$6.00. Please scan or sign in, show your vaccine pass or

exemption card, wear a mask and observe social distancing. If you are unable to make the Tupperware Expo and would like to see the catalogue, the following link will take you to the Tupperware site. <https://tupperware.co.nz/shop/?ref=2134&party=155670>

Online Art Auction

The Online Art Auction on Trade Me is still on. Please visit the site and pass on to others. The following is the link https://www.trademe.co.nz/a/marketplace/art/search?search_string=abbeyfieldwbop

Since commencing late December 2021, we have sold 11 paintings. This fundraiser was only made possible from donated artwork from the Katikati and Omokoroa Art Groups and other artists. A sincere thank you for your kind donations and support.

Volunteers

You may have seen that we are currently looking for people to help us with our fundraising events. Most of these are planned for the latter part of 2022 and we need people to help with the tasks around organizing the event and/or helping out at the event on the day/evening.

Once we have confirmed the event, day and time, we will let you know and if you would like to help out, we would love to hear from you. We have some interesting events in the pipeline and it will be lots of fun to be involved.

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.

Please don't hesitate to contact us at any time should you like to talk about what we are doing and our plans.

Warmest regards to you all.

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