

February 2024

# **GREAT NEWS**

We are thrilled to report that the Affordable Housing Fund has notified us that we are to receive funding of up to \$2,508,057 towards the building of Katikati's Abbeyfield House.

This is exciting news as it means that we are only \$280,000 short of our target. The funding and strategic teams have already met and put in place a robust funding plan to raise this funding.

However, we have already started the process towards the build. Our Building team will be working very closely with Susan of the National Abbeyfield Office and also APL who are a part of the Abbeyfield Building team.

Should you have a great idea to help us raise the last of the funds or know of philanthropic trusts that we can contact then let us know. We will keep you in the loop with progress.

A special thank you to Susan who is the Executive Officer of Abbeyfield NZ Inc, our national office, and Isabel who is on our committee and leads our Strategic team. They worked tirelessly to complete the two levels of the application process to ensure our application met all the criteria.

## **GARDEN PARTY – 17 FEBRUARY 2024**

What a great day this was. All tickets sold two weeks prior to the event and we even had a couple of people on a waiting list.

In all 95% of the event was sponsored. Drinks and food was donated by various companies and individuals, as was the auction items and the wonderful art and craft for sale. A special thank you to the Katikati College hospitality students who did the prep work for the Canapes and to Karyn their teacher who came on the day to put it all together and prepare it for our wonderful volunteers to serve. A special thank you to the volunteers who worked extremely hard to set up on the Friday, and Saturday morning and to pack up after the event. As well, they helped in the afternoon. An exhausting couple of days for everyone.

The feedback has been very positive and seems everyone enjoyed themselves. In all we raised \$7,400 a good amount towards the building fund. Thank you to everyone who came along and supported us.

#### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

We have booked the Fairview Golf Course for our Third Annual Golf Fundraising Tournament on Friday 3rd May 2024. Mark the date in your calendar. If you know others who may be interested, spread the word.

If you are a golfer and want a great day out then you need to register, check out the poster below for the details.

# AFTERNOON TEA WITH JO McCARROLL Editor of the New Zealand Gardener.

To be held on the 7 July, Mark this in your diaries and we will update you with more details as we finalise them.

## **FACEBOOK**

As many of you are aware we now have a Facebook page and it's a good source of what's happening. If you've not already linked into it might be worthwhile considering its another way to know what we are doing and what's coming up. https://www.facebook.com/AbbeyfieldWBoP/

Well as you can imagine the committee is buzzing and there is lots happening now we are moving towards starting the process towards building the house. Just wanted to thank everyone who has supported us to get to this stage, be it by donations, encouragement, attending our fundraising, or just telling other people about Abbeyfield. Thank you.

Warmest regards to you all.

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# FRIDAY 3RD MAY 2024 AT FAIRVIEW GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, KATIKATI

Time: 8.30am (morning tea sponsored by Claymark), 9am: putting competition (for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes (bring change) and 10.30am: Shotgun start Prizes: Best Individual Stableford for Men and Vvomen., Longest Putt, Nearest The Pin, Straightest Drive for Men & Vvomen, Best Non Affiliated Individual Stableford score Amazing Grazing Table after golf, Sponsored by Claymark and Live Auction

To register:

Email your Name, Club, Player I.D & Contact Phone Number to fundabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com

Online Banking: 38-9019-0720156-00 with Ref: Golf/Name Mobile: Melva 021 424 821 or Mikayla 022 076 2359

Closing date: 25 April 2024

Proceeds go towards building an Abbeyfield House for older people in KatiKati.