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## THE BUILD

Following our good news of the Affordable Housing Fund, we have been busy starting the work towards building the house. A Building team has been established which includes our Project Manager Frank who is managing the Auckland Abbeyfield House build. He has built other Abbeyfield Houses and has a wealth of experience with other large builds.

We are now pushing hard to raise the rest of the funds required for the build. In all we originally needed \$280,000 however, having just raised over \$15,000 in the past 10 days that number has already dropped. If you have any questions around what's happening or want to know more than don't hesitate to contact me. Or, if you would like to discuss fundraising please don't hesitate to get in touch.

We have had numerous people donate to Abbeyfield WBOP anonymously, if you would prefer to support us in this way then please contact our Treasurer, Peter Charlton. He can then arrange it so your gift remains anonymous. His contact is treasurerabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com.

Also remember we can give you a tax receipt which enables you to claim tax back on your donation.

#### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Fairview Golf Course the tournament was very successful. This is our third golf tournament with Claymark our main sponsors, we are extremely grateful to Claymark, their ongoing support ensures our Golf Tournaments are great events and raise lots of money. Their support along with all the other businesses and individuals that contribute to the day ensure that the event is always a great success. We had 75 golfers registered and it was a beautiful sunny day and it seems everyone had a great time. The food on the grazing table provided by Fairview Golf Course was amazing and enjoyed by all as we held the auction and then the prize giving.

In all we raised \$5980 which included the money raised from the Auction. Run by Kit Wilson the auction proved entertaining and very successful. The great thing about the whole event was that everything from the green fees to the food, prizes and auction items were all donated. It is this very generous support by sponsors and donors that enables us to raise so much. Our grateful thanks to everyone who donated, sponsored or gifted something for the day.

All our events have a nil budget and fortunately the funding team are very motivated to find sponsors, donors and supporters who will help us. There are so many businesses and individuals that are very generous

and willing to help us raise funds. Our special thanks to everyone who helps us. Sometimes we do have to pay for some parts of an event but it is not very often.

## AFTERNOON TEA WITH JO MCCARROLL

If you're planning to go to this event please do not hold off on getting your tickets as past experience has shown that they go fast. Our last Garden Party was sold out several weeks prior to the event and we had a waiting list.

This should be a lovely afternoon, great food, a free glass of bubbles or orange juice if you're not into bubbles on arrival, and a great speaker. If you *need transport to the event* which is being held at the Waihi Beach RSA please let me know as soon as possible as KiwiKabs will be running transport to and from the event and will bring you home afterwards. We need at least four people at \$10 per head return for it to be viable. We do need to know early on if you wish to book so we can confirm the numbers and finalise the van. Contact details are at the bottom of the newsletter.

Tickets are on sale at the Arts Junction, either pop in and buy them or you can go on line. Many thanks to Katch Katikati. The Katch Katikati team are incredible they go out of their way to support us and have given us great advice, support and helped us whenever they can. We are very appreciative of their support.

# SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Mark it on the calendar now, 2.00p.m. Thursday 25 July at the Community Centre in Beach Road.

## FACEBOOK

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

Please don't hesitate to contact Natasja or myself should you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to know more of our progress.

Warmest regards to you all.

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