

## January 2025

Happy New Year to all our supporter, donors and volunteers of Abbeyfield WBOP. Hope you had a nice Christmas and got a bit of a break over the New Year period.

We still have not received our Building Consent. However, we are on track and have been working with Western Bay of Plenty Council who have been supportive in helping us get everything sorted.

Because an Abbeyfield is different from just an ordinary house and has very specific requirements, we have been required to provided additional information and details which we were not previously aware of.

## WHAT IS HAPPENING

The Strategic team is back on track and has the daunting task of starting on the work to get the house running as soon as the building is completed. This includes things like, selecting residents to move into the house, we have 42 people who have registered interest in moving into the house so this is not going to be an easy task, equipping the kitchen, employing the housekeepers (yes we need more than one to cover the seven days a week) to provide meals and look after the shared areas, just a few of the things among a list of other things that need to be put in place. The committee are also going to be busy with some of these tasks

Abbeyfield NZ provides us with best practice policy's and processes which is very helpful in achieving what's required to get the house occupied and running.

A couple of the committee members have been busy checking out furnishings for the shared areas and getting quotes. We are looking at and costing whiteware for the kitchen and two laundries.

We are very appreciative of Ally and Everdien from "Ellite Landscaping and Garden Design" who have agreed to be involved and are busy working on the landscape plan for the house pro bono. We don't have a huge garden, however, Ally and Everdien have some great ideas to make the areas around the house look nice. Once the plan is completed and signed off, we will be looking at accessing plants and planning when it comes time to do the landscaping. Thanks so much Ally and Everdien we appreciate your generosity in donating you time and skills to do this for us.

## ACHIEVING THE FUNDING GOAL

We have now raised \$162,704 of the \$280,000 shortfall, an amazing effort by everyone who has helped us get to this point. Our plans are to raise the final amount over the coming months with numerous fundraising events and ideas in the pipeline.

The fundraising team are busy sorting our funding events and starting to get them organised to be run throughout the coming year. If you know of any fundraising events that you think might work for us, we'd love to hear from you.

If you want an afternoon out, our movie "Thelma" on this Sunday 26 January still has a few tickets available. You will have a complimentary drink on your arrival and some delicious goodies for you to nibble on. The movie is a comedy/auction about a lady named Thelma who's 93, is scammed out of money, and goes on a hunt to get it back. Tickets at the Katikati Arts Junction or go online

Tickets for the Annah Stretton Afternoon tea on Sunday 16 March are also selling well. This will be a great afternoon with Annah as a guest speaker, showcasing her fashions along with her accessories and homewares and a delicious afternoon tea. The perfect outing for you and some of your friends. Tickets are available from the Arts Junction either online <a href="https://www.theartsjunction.org.nz">www.theartsjunction.org.nz</a> or call in to purchase.

Our Paint a Suite Door has been very popular with seven of the 14 suite doors already sponsored. This is a great opportunity to make your mark on the Katikati Abbeyfield House by selecting the colour for one of the suite doors and giving the suite a name. Many thanks to the people who have already sponsored a door.

If your keen to participate in this fundraiser then please contact either Natasja or Carole

We also still have three "Stakes in Abbeyfield" available. Limited to 11 stakes painted by well-known local artists, stakes will be incorporated in the landscaping of the garden around the house.

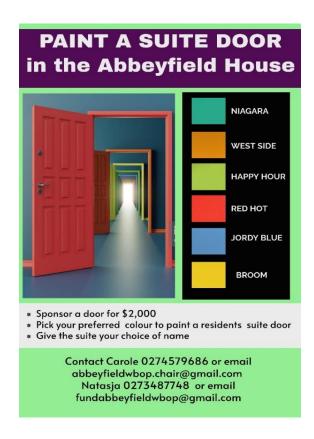
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If you would like to donate toward building the house our bank account is
Abbeyfield WBOP 38-9019-0720156-00 we can provide a tax receipt

## OTHER ACTIVITIES COMING UP

**Carboot Markets**, still being held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month till April. Next one is the 1 February with nearly 20 sites booked.

**Claymark Ambrose Golf tournament** Friday 4 April at Waihi Golf Course. To register a team of 4 players \$200 or register a team of 4 players and sponsor a hole \$300. To request a registration form, email Natasja <a href="mailto:fundabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com">fundabbeyfieldwbop@gmail.com</a>

**Abbeyfield Jams, Jellies, Sauces and Chutneys stall** will be at the Katikati A&P Show on the 2 February or at the Waihi Beach Saturday Markets.



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ABBEYFIELD HOUSE IN KATIKATI
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REGISTER YOUR TEAM WITH NATASJA:
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CASUAL PLAYERS WELCOME

FANTASTIC PRIZES - LIVE AUCTION LUNCH & SAUSAGE SIZZLE INCLUDED

FRIDAY 4, APRIL 2025

MULTI TEE START FROM 10 AM

WAIHI GOLF CLUB

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