

KATIKATI ABBEYFIELD HOUSE – Newsletter

May 2025

Progress

Every time we go past the building it seems like something new is happening. As we write, the roof is finished, the timber and brick cladding is going on. In addition, the electricians, plumbers and builders are working inside preparing the interior for linings.

The Abbeyfield building team of three are continuing to meet with the builders every fortnight, along with our project manager Frank and Steve from Abbeyfield Properties. We are busy signing off on kitchens, the breakfast bar, the bathrooms, the mini kitchen in the studios and reviewing the electrical plan, among other things.

The Abbeyfield Committee have been selecting flooring, curtains and interior colours as well as making decisions about things like furnishings, whiteware and so much more. It is a constant round of decision-making.

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The builders say there are often people walking past who stop at the gateway and check out how it's going along with cars that drive extra slow so they too can have a look at what's happening. It is worth a drive past just to have a look.

Isabel who is the Applications Officer is working with Natasja and Donna to meet prospective residents. It is a bit of a process but it will enable them to select people that would like to live in the house. We are still open to hearing from people who believe Abbeyfield is a good fit for them. If you are interested, you could email Isabel on abbeyfieldwbopapplications@gmail.com or phone/text 0273513444.

Reaching the Goal

Back in February 2024 when we received notification that we had the Affordable Housing Funding of up to \$2.5m, the committee identified that we had a shortfall in our funding goal of \$280,000. Since then, we have raised \$213,978 from generous donors, markets and fundraising events. Our thanks to Acorn who has been a generous sponsor as well. A shortfall now of \$66,022.

We hope to raise the final amount \$66,022 by the end of the year. We are applying to Philanthropic Trusts along with our fundraising activities to help achieve our goal.

Tickets for the Movie Widow Clicquot sold out in four days and it was a fabulous movie. Unfortunately, we didn't have any of the Veuve Clicquot Champagne, but we did have our delicious Abbeyfield Fizz cocktail, lovely selection of chocolates, lollies and some savoury items to munch on through the movie. This is our last movie for the year.

If you missed out on getting tickets, please check with Katch Katikati as they are showing it again Sunday 29th June at 1.30pm, be in quick to get your tickets.

Abbeyfield are now attending the Katikati Sunday Farmers Market and taking Pauline's wonderful Jams, Jellies, Sauces and Chutneys along with vegetables and fruit. The Markets are held in the Katikati Centennial Hall (Some Sundays the Hall had already been booked so the market will not be on every Sunday)

The dates the Katikati Sunday Farmers Market

25 May	1 June	15 June	22 June	29 June	6 July
13 July	20 July	27 July	3 August	10 August	24 August
31 August	7 September	14 September	21 September	28 September	

We have an amazing team of volunteers who are rostered on over the next four months. We are very grateful for their support. If you are one of the people that have been waiting for the Abbeyfield Stall to come back to Katikati then pop along to the Sunday Market.

We are also working on our "Another Brick on the Wall" fundraiser. The house needs over 12,000 bricks to clad the exterior walls, and we are hoping to raise a good portion of the cost for the bricks by inviting people to sponsor \$25 towards a brick.

We have a roster of volunteers organised to sit outside Woolworths and Four Square for this fundraiser hoping people will buy a brick or two. Stop and say hi if you see us there. You can also buy a brick on line or drop into the Sunday Market. The picture shows an example of the bricks that will go on the house.



JUST A REMINDER.

We have set the date for our AGM; it will be on Wednesday 23 July at 2.00 at the Katikati Community Centre. You might like to add it to your diary so you can join us on the day.

Please contact either Natasja or myself if you would like more information about anything we are doing.

Warmest regards to you all.
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Check out the poster below.

Gifts for Abbeyfield kitchen

Glasses(x30)	\$ 159.95
Baking Ingredients Containers	\$ 250.00
Food Covers (x2)	\$ 48.98
Serving Dishes.(x5)	\$ 139.96
25 person Wiltshire Cutlery Set	\$ 319.96
Food Processor	\$ 559.99
Casserole Dish (x2)	\$ 131.98
Slow Cooker	\$ 189.99
Water Jugs (x4)	\$ 99.98
Baking Tins(x3)	
Sandwich maker	
Wiltshire Roasting Dish	\$ 39.99
Salad Bowls. (x4)	\$189.96
Breville Cake Maker	\$ 529.99
25 person Maxwell Dinner Sets	\$ 999.95
Colanders (x2)	
Assortment of Knives & Block	\$ 499.00
Serving Trays.(x3)	\$109.92
Wooden/Glass Cutting Boards (x3)	\$ 99.87
Placemats (x20).	\$194.50
8 cup & 3 cup Coffee Plungers	\$84.98
Zip Electric Fry Pan	
Kitchen Scissors (x2)	\$37.98
Stainless Steel Cookware (9 piece)	\$ 599.00
Russell Hob 4 slice Toaster	
Microwave	\$439.99
Tea towels (20)	\$ 79.98

Buy a gift for the Abbeyfield Kitchen, Contact Carole Mb: 027 457 9686 or email abbeyfieldwbop.chair@gmail.com

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