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Celebrating our mahi at the ENM 2021 AGM

October 14th saw us celebrate the 2020-21 year at our AGM which was attended by over 50 people from member groups and interested organisations. Thank you to all who attended and collectively helped us move forwards towards the 2021-22 year.

We welcomed three new members to our Management Committee, Selwyn Yorke, from Green Corridors, Susana Figlioli from Green Drinks and Ellieda Komene a solicitor based in Feilding with a passion and interest around kai security. Ellieda also sits on the board of Environment Hubs Aotearoa and GoEco, an environment centre based in Waikato. Stewart Harrex was elected as Chairperson, and Nola Fox (Wildlife Foxton Trust), Kendall Palmer-Frecklington (Affiliate member), and Richard Ram (Affiliate Member) automatically continue into the second year of their two-year terms. Our sincere thanks to Georgina Morrison and Bella Ives who could not continue on the committee this year and to Debra Wynn and Alastair Cole who stepped down during the year.

We fare-welled Heike Schiele as Co- Chairperson. Heike has volunteered for many years for ENM, and has been key in the evolution of the Plastic Pollution Challenge, Manawātū River Source to Sea, Southern Ruahine Kiwi Restoration Project, Source to Sea and many other ENM initiatives and partnerships. Heike will be taking a well deserved break to travel and visit family.



ENM Volunteer of the Month

Harvey Jones, RECAP, Ashhurst.

Harvey Jones grew up in Pahiatua where his family had a strong history of community service and local government engagement. Returning from OE and then renting in Palmerston North, Harvey moved to Ashhurst in 1989 to their new family home... [click here to read more](#)



Employment

Just Zilch

Several employment opportunities available at Palmerston North's food rescue and free store

Please click on the links to read more and apply.

General Operations Manager

Store Coordinator

Hub Coordinator

COVID-19 information

Sharing Tables and Shelves

*These are still **mostly** closed in level 2.*

Community food sharing tables and shelves linked to PNCC venues are not allowed to operate at COVID-19 Levels 2, 3 and 4. **The Ashhurst Sharing Shelf** is an exception as it is based outside and operated and overseen by RECAP, however social distancing rules still apply.

News

Ruahine Whio Calendar

Ruahine Whio are selling gorgeous calendars as a fundraiser (modelled here by Ian Rasmussen) They are available from the ENM office for \$20 each plus postage if necessary. Contact Ian on support@source2sea.org.nz to purchase



Palmy Plastic Pollution Challenge 2020-21 Report

Published in October 2021 the report documents all history, strategies, workshops, events and stream sampling data linked to the project for its duration and celebrates the people, and organisations that made it happen. [Click here to read the report](#)



Development of the Kai Resilience Strategy.

Services Manchester House Community Fruit Harvest, Te Whare Koha and others are working together to rescue and distribute food. If you know of food that is going to waste, or anyone that is struggling to get food during lockdown, please contact one of these agencies or reach out to MFAN. food.action@enm.org.nz.

COVID-19 Relief Fund *Support for community groups*

This City Council fund assists community groups to survive the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. Applications are open throughout the year, until all funds have been allocated. Get in touch to discuss your needs and find out if this fund is for you.

Events

Meetups and Public Events

All Welcome: Meet, talk, swap, connect

Nov 3 and 17 Lets Grow Highbury!

Gardening Conversations

Nov 6 Repair Cafe Levin

Don't throw it out - bring it in for mending!

Nov 13 Crop Swap Awapuni

Bring what you have, take what you need.

Nov 11 Green Drinks

Chill out, chat, get nourished and inspired.

Every Friday Fridays for Future

Peaceful protest for climate action.

Every Friday Feilding Farmers' Market

Eat seasonally, buy locally and live well.

Seminars and Talks

Get the lowdown

9 Nov Manawatū Leaders Series Mayors and Chairs

Featuring Palmerston North City Council Mayor Grant Smith, Manawatū District Council Mayor Helen Worboys, and Horizons Regional Council Chair Rachel Keedwell and Fatima Imran.

17 Nov Ashhurst and Pohangina Emergency Preparedness Seminar.

food insecurity on a regular basis. This is revelation of The ENM Manawatū Food Action Network's recently published draft 4412 Kai Resilience Strategy. Strategy lead, Dave Mollard believes the work is an important part of the puzzle to build whānau ora in our city but is only part of the solution "if we can help our community reduce the stress that food insecurity causes, they will have more time and space to concentrate on their families' other challenges. [Please click here to read more.](#)

Red Cross Curtain Bank. Free curtains to all Community Service Card holders.

Good curtains create healthier, warmer homes in winter, cooler homes in summer and cheerful homes all year. Call 021 1433 800. Leave a message and we'll get back to you or visit 24 Domain St, Palmerston North Wednesday and Friday between 10.00am and 2.00pm.

For Community Groups

ENM Environmental Initiatives Fund

Applications always open for small grants of up to \$1000

Do you need funding for an environmental project? A reminder that the ENM Environmental Initiatives Fund is open year round for small grants for Palmerston North based organisations including educational institutions

[Click here to read more about the fund.](#)

Tuakana Teina Chair Mentoring Programme

Community Governance NZ and the Institute of Directors (IoD) have teamed up to offer a Tuakana Teina Chair Mentoring programme for community organisations that are Tier 3 or 4, as defined by Charity Services.

Tailored to our area to help whānau, individuals & businesses be best prepared for a range of location specific scenarios.

Workshops

Learn new skills

Nov 10 Biochar Field day, Halcombe

Organised by the NZ Landcare Trust.
Facilitated by Phil Stevens from Slow Farm.

Nov 20 Upcycle Club 1

Get creative and craft with "waste" materials.

Working Bees

Create better places and communities

Oct 30 and Nov 6 Working bee at a forest remnant.

Nov 7 Ahimate Reserve, Awapuni

An urban wilderness park by the river.

Nov 13 Green Corridors Summerhill

Help maintain corridors of native trees.

Nov 14 Apollo Butterfly Park

Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc..

Nov 14- and 28 A Rocha Nursery

Growing natives from eco-sourced seed.

Nov 21 Pit Park Roslyn

A restored urban native bush habitat.

Every Tuesday & Wednesday Menzshed

Sharing tools, skills and friendship.

Every Sunday Timona Park Orchard

Growing fruit for the community.

Most Sundays Manawatū Estuary

Keeping exotic species out of the wetland.

Club Meetings and AGM's

Interested people always welcome

Nov 1 Water and Environmental Care Horowhenua

Nov 2 Manawatū Estuary Trust

Caring for the Manawatū River Estuary.

Nov 3 ENM Source to Sea monthly meeting

Nov 9 Forest and Bird Meeting

Nov 16 Royal Society of NZ AGM

Nov 20 The Manawatū Estuary Trust AGM

Nov 25 Manawatū Bee Keeper's Club

Information, education and networking.

Swap, borrow and give.

For more information and to apply, please [click here](#)

Survey Exploring Environmental volunteering in Manawatū

Massey PhD student Charlotte Sextus, welcomes participation in a survey exploring environmental volunteering in the Manawatū. The aim is to help understand why people volunteer for environmental groups. These findings will be useful for groups seeking to recruit more volunteers to help protect our local environment.

The survey will take about 15 minutes to complete. Participation is completely voluntary, and all responses will remain completely anonymous.

[Please click here to complete](#)

If you would prefer a printed version of the survey email charlotte.przybylski@gmail.com or collect from the ENM office

Tips for Raising Funds

On our website we have a **set of twenty-one tips for raising funds** for your community group, from **raising your profile** to **building a relationship database**.

Small gardening tools are now available for keen gardeners to borrow from the Awapuni, Roslyn and Te Patikitiki branches of **Palmerston North City Library**! If you have a garden kaupapa requiring more serious tools, then email food.action@enm.org.nz to organise borrowing our big implements: spades, forks, shovels, rakes and even a wheelbarrow or two. Donations of garden tools in good working order are also welcomed.

Seed Libraries The Manawatū Food Action Seed Exchange has a variety of seed exchanges within the city. Find them at Awapuni, Roslyn, and Te Patikitiki libraries, and the ENM office at 145 Cuba St. Donations are always gratefully received. Please take only what you need.

RECAP oversees a **seed library** at Ashhurst Community Library for local residents.

Have Your Say

Current submissions open

Have your say on pertinent environmental issues.

Consultation on a new National Waste Strategy

The new proposed waste strategy sets to transform the way we think about and manage waste, now and in the future and is open for consultation until 26th of November 2021- very much worth a look and some feedback.

[Click here to read more and respond](#)

Transitioning to a low-emissions and climate-resilient future.

Aotearoa New Zealand's first emissions reduction plan outlines proposed actions set to meet the first emissions budget and beyond. The discussion document is up for consultation until 24th November 2021.

[Click here to read more and respond.](#)

Consultation on the draft PNCC

Stormwater Bylaw

The Stormwater Bylaw promotes sustainable urban drainage and seeks to protect the environment from flooding, erosion and the

discussion until 23rd of November

[Click here to read more and respond](#)

PNCC Draft Support and Funding Policy

Council is seeking feedback on the way it provides funding and other support so it can continue to support. This will update the 2018 policy and submissions close on 27th of November.

[Click here to read more and respond](#)

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