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Ruahine Kiwi- Project Hits the Milestone of 5000 pests.

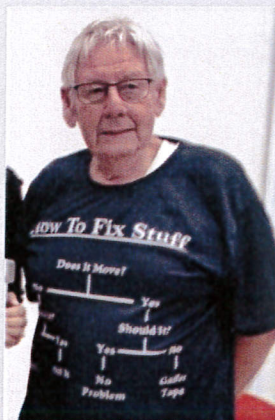
Ruahine Kiwi is a partnership between ENM's Manawatū River Source to Sea Collective and Te Kāuru Eastern Manawatū River Hapū Collective with the vision of returning North Island eastern brown kiwi to the southern Ruahine by 2026. We do this through intensive control of mustelids on a landscape scale, with our trap network covering 23,000ha.

Just over two years in the project has 1762 traps in position and has hit a milestone of 5000 pests, including 330 mustelids, our target species. However, despite the exceptional groundwork happening to ensure our rohe is Kiwi ready the future of the project may be in question from mid 2024 when current DoC 'Jobs for Nature' funding concludes.

How can I help?

1. **By making a donation.** Large or small it all helps and will contribute to ensuring that predator pests are eliminated so we can make our rohe kiwi friendly for re-introduction by 2025. [Click here to do this](#)

2. **By donating eggs** through a fantastic scheme set up by local business [The Egg Project](#). We need around 100 eggs a week to make sure our traps are baited. We have had around 5000 eggs donated over the last year but desperately need more. [Donate an egg \(or 10!\)](#) and support a generous local business that is right behind our mahi.



Celebrating Volunteering: David Chapple, Palmerston North Menzshed.

Like a lot of recently retired men David Chapple wondered how he was going to use his time now that his 9-5 had finished and a new chapter of his life was beginning. The answer for David, 'along with two other men called David' he notes, 'I thought it might be a prerequisite', was to form Palmerston North Menzshed in 2011, part of a national network of [now 120 plus Menzsheds...](#)

Plastic Pollution Solutions: Your Choice, Your Voice An Art Exhibition.

The incredible mahi linked to ENM's Plastic Pollution Challenge was showcased in an art event at **Square Edge Arts Centre** which ran from **1-23 September 2023** Titled 'Plastic Pollution Solutions: Your Choice, Your Voice'. The exhibition examined the impact of consumer choices and the much-needed actions of stream clean-up volunteers - then invited exhibition visitors to have a say. And what a say they had! over 100 speech bubbles of feedback were produced!



This was made possible in part with support from [Palmerston North City Council's](#) Creative Communities Fund.



Repair Cafe this Saturday 30th.

The next [Palmerston North Repair Café](#) takes place this Saturday 30th September 9am-12pm at Palmerston North Community Leisure Centre, 569 Ferguson Street.

We welcome koha which contributes towards the ongoing running of the event and there will be warm drinks and baking available, as well as a 'pull apart' table to keep the kids happy.

We can mend your books, bikes (simple mends like punctures, break adjustments etc.) plastics, furniture and household goods toys (plastic, cuddly or otherwise) clothes (though no zips), things that need sewing or darning (curtains, blankets etc.) ceramic items, computers (we have a specialist there to do that too!).

We can't fix your electrical goods . We are still searching for all elusive regular electrician- if you find one, do let us know!

ENM AGM- for your diary.

ENM's AGM will take place on Thursday 26th of October, 5pm drinks and nibbles, AGM proper starting at 5:30pm at Palmerston North Community Leisure Centre, 569 Ferguson Street. [You can register for the event here.](#)



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Recycle Your Beauty Products

The beauty products and packaging recycling option is possibly the least used out of our [terracyclenz](#) box options but is a useful one for some really niggly hard to recycle things. The list of 'can's' includes mascara tubes, lip balm tubes, eyeshadow cases, foundation packaging and bottles, concealer tubes and lipliner pencils and cases, none of which can go (to my knowledge) into [PNCC recycling](#). Come visit Environment Network Manawātū to recycle on 145 Cuba Street, Monday- Thursday 9am-4pm

Wild Ruahine Calendar- A fundraiser for Ruahine Whio Protection

Created locally by volunteer Anthony Behrens (Swampthing) with photos taken by locals, all funds from sales of the 2024 calendar will go towards the community effort to protect the precious Ruahine Whio. The last season was particularly challenging in our rivers and with a lack of ongoing DOC funding this year the Whio need your support even more.. This is your chance to support a very threatened species that lives in our backyard.. You can email comms@enm.org.nz and buy and collect from the ENM office. Calendars are \$20.



Opportunities to get involved

Repair Cafes

Repair and connect.

Oct 28 [Palmerston North Repair Cafe.](#)

N.B Back in Palmy for the rest of 2023

Oct 14 [Feilding Repair Cafe](#)

Oct 14 [Repair Cafe Levin](#)

Crop Swaps

Share and learn.

Oct 8 [Palmy Crop Swap.](#)

Oct 8 [Foxton Crop Swap](#)

Oct 28 [RECAP Crop Swap](#)

Local Markets

Eat seasonally, buy locally.

Every Friday [Feilding Farmers' Market](#)

First and third Sunday [Hokowhitu Farmers Market](#)

AGM's

5th October. [Timona Park Orchard Trust](#)

[AGM](#)

26 October. [Environment Network](#)

[Manawatu AGM.](#)

Regular Events

Join in!

Every Friday [Fridays for Future](#)

Peaceful protest for climate action.

Every Tuesday & Wednesday

[Menzshed](#) Sharing skills and friendship.

Every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday

[Wildlife Foxton Trust.](#)

N.B there are extra open sessions during the school holidays!

Oct 10,24 [Let's Grow Awapuni.](#)

Oct 19 [Let's Grow RosyIn](#)

Oct 21 [Upcycling Club 1 workshop at](#)

[Te Manawa](#)

Workshops and talks

Be informed.

Oct 3 [Hui ā Kōanga Manawatū.](#)

Regular Working Bees

Get your hands dirty!

Oct 1 [Ahimate Reserve](#)

Oct 8, 22 [Dune Garden Working Bee](#).

Oct 14 Green Corridors [Summerhill](#)

Help maintain corridors of native trees.

Oct 8, 22 [A Rocha Nursery](#)

Growing natives from eco-sourced seed.

Oct 8 [Apollo Butterfly Park](#)

Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc..

Oct 16 [Pit Park Roslyn](#)

A restored urban native bush habitat.

Every Sunday [Timona Park Orchard](#)

Growing fruit for the community.

Most Sundays [Manawatū Estuary Trust](#)

Keeping exotic species out of the wetland.

Every week. [Ashhurst Community Library](#)

[Garden Working Bee](#). Keep connected on

Facebook for dates and times.

Sharing Tables and Shelves

Pātaka Kai is the Māori term for a food storehouse or basically a pantry.

Pātaka Kai are a space for people to leave what they can (excess garden produce and food for example) and for people to take what they need. This is not an exchange system, nor is koha required. Pātaka Kai are open 24/7.

[Click here for a link to sharing tables and Pataka Kai in our area.](#)

Food Distribution

Just Zilch, Te Pataka Kai 4412, the Salvation Army, Methodist Social Services Manchester House, Community Fruit Harvest, Manawatū, Te Whare Koha and other are working together to rescue and distribute food. If you know of food that is

Meetings.

Join an active conversation.

Oct 2 [Water and Environmental Care](#)

[Horowhenua](#)

Oct 3 [Manawatū Estuary Trust](#).

Oct 4 [Manawatū River Source to Sea meeting](#).

Oct 11 [Green Drinks](#)

Oct 26 . [Manawatū Beekeepers Club](#).

One-of Events

Oct 7. [Free household chemical recycling PNCC](#).

Oct 28 [Totara Reserve Open Day](#).

The Egg Project

Supporting the Ruahine Kiwi Project one egg at a time! [You can buy from them and support the project by clicking here.](#)

Small Gardening Tools

Tools are 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. [Click here to learn more.](#)

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.

going to waste, or anyone that is struggling to get food, please contact one of these agencies. [Click here for a list of places to access food support.](#)

Notices

- 1. Palmy Homegrown: An edible garden trail of Palmerston North's most productive backyards** will be taking place on 25th and 26th of November- [you can find out more by clicking here.](#)
- 2. Volunteer Central's Volunteering Expo Manawatū** will take place at the **Palmy City Library**. Mark your calendars for **24 November 2023**, from 10 am – 2 pm. Be sure to keep an eye on emails and social media as registrations will open soon. We will have 25 spots available, so it will be on a first in, first served basis. 06 354 6027 info@volunteercentral.nz www.volunteercentral.nz
- 3. 'Let's Grow Roslyn'** gathering at Roslyn Library every second Thursday 10.30-11.10am will start on 19th October. Talk about, share and learn tips from like-minded people in the Roslyn community about gardening and growing kai. All welcome.
- 4. Te Patikitiki Rongoa:** Helpers are always welcome on Monday afternoons 2-3.30pm and Friday afternoons 3-4.30pm to help with the gardens at Te Patikitiki Library. Contact Niki Burtenshaw for more information 021362873
- 5. Growing Gardens and Communities** sets up gardens for people who need help to get started growing kai most every Thursday from 10 AM to 12:30. Volunteers are hugely appreciated. Contact Beth Lew at 0274 399 565 for more information.
- 6. Manawatū River Catchments Collective** is very excited to announce their website is now up and running. [Manawatu River Catchments Collective - MRCC \(manawatu-river-catchments-collective.co.nz\)](http://Manawatu River Catchments Collective - MRCC (manawatu-river-catchments-collective.co.nz)).
- 7. In** the spirit of active transport, the **Cancer Society** is holding a fundraising event 'Marathon in a Month' happening in November encouraging people to get active and get outdoors with proceeds raised going towards supporting Cancer Society's services. <https://marathoninamonth.org.nz/>

Apply for funding

Environmental Initiatives Fund Small Grants.

The main purpose of the ENM Environmental Initiatives Fund is to support community projects that align with priorities of both Palmerston North City Council (PNCC) and ENM, to improve environmental outcomes for the city. [Applications for Small Grants \(up to \\$1000\) can be made by individuals and organisations at any time.](#)

[For an up-to-date local funding calendar developed by ENM's Communications and Events Lead Helen King you can click here.](#)



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