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Environment Network Manawatū

## ENM Pānui

### Palmerston North Repair Cafe has been Launched!

Palmerston North Repair Café held its first event to enthusiastic community response on Saturday 24th of September at Te Manawa Museum.

Repair Cafés (RC) are a place for community to meet, connect and fix broken items, thus reducing waste going to landfill. There are 35 RC's around NZ the Palmerston North one being made possible by a groundswell of interest which ENM coordinated and made possible through a successful application to the PNCC Resource Recovery Fund.

18 skilled volunteers from organisations including Supergrans Manawatū, Menzshed and RECAP made 24 successful repairs of toys, books, furniture and clothing in what was a vibrant morning of conversation, coffee and connections. All repairs were completed alongside the customer as a means of educating and informing them on how to do this themselves. To keep kids entertained there was also a take-it-apart table which was a huge hit and which created conversations that 'we hope will sow the seeds for a repair mindset in the younger generation' Repair Café committee member Viv Aitken noted.

The next Repair Café will take place on Saturday 29th of October. From 10am-1:30pm at Te Manawa Museum. Follow us on Facebook [@PalmerstonNorthRepair Cafe](#)



## Welcoming our new Food Rescue Project Lead.

Environment Network Manawatū welcomes Jono Naylor as our newest staff member. Jono will be taking on the new role of Food Rescue Project Lead working alongside Kai Resilience Project Manager Dave Mollard.

Jono's role will see him working alongside food industry organisations and community advocates in the Manawatū River catchment to help increase commitment to a significant reduction in avoidable food waste.



## Celebrating Volunteering.

**A passion for Food Action. Stephen Hamilton, volunteer at Whakapai Hauora Māra Kai.**

Stephen Hamilton has been an active volunteer within various community organisations, most recently at the abundant māra kai at Whakapai Hauora on Maxwells Line. The Manawatū Food Action Network holds a weekly educational working bee in this space with the aim of ensuring there is food for sharing, and that volunteers gain skills and tips for their own gardens.

A passionate volunteer, Stephen notes "I guess I really got going as a volunteer in Hamilton...I was part of a group that



got together to protect a local bush remnant from a polluting industry. [We raised a substantial amount of money to fund our involvement in the resource consent process...](#)



## ENM AGM and search for new Management Committee Members

Please pencil in **Tuesday 25th of October 5:30pm -7:30pm** for the ENM AGM which this year will be held at Te Manawa Museum.

We are also eagerly looking for **new Management Committee** members to join a dynamic team of dedicated people in the exciting role of ensuring the vision, direction and future of ENM and it's ongoing support of member groups though collectives and projects.

The role requires a commitment to prepare for and attend a monthly meeting. This takes approximately 2 hours per week on average. MC members need to be nominated by a member group, and may be representative of that member group, or an individual affiliate member of ENM.

[Contact Madz BatachEI for more information.](#)

## Registrations Still Open for Future Living Skills

It's not too late to join the Future Living Skills Programme, an eight-week series of interactive workshops on a range of sustainability-based topics.

The programme is 2 sessions in and receiving much positive feedback, one participant noting "This was such a great workshop, with lots of amazing conversation and learning. I just wish more people were there to be able to benefit from it." The programme takes a break in the school holidays and resumes 18th of October focusing on Building and Renovation, on 25th of October, Energy.

[You can find out more and register by clicking here.](#) There is a small, flexible registration fee for the programme. If you join the series part way in, you can still attend any topics you've missed in the next series (which we hope to run in 2023).

Future Living Skills was developed collaboratively by local government in NZ and is supported by Palmerston North City Council. It is published by independent charity Sustainable Living Education Trust.



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## Kids Kiwi Conservation Club to start again.

After a hiatus of several years the Forest and Bird Manawatū branch is excited to announce that its Kiwi Conservation Club has a new coordinator Anna Regtien. Anna lives in Palmerston North with husband Daniel and

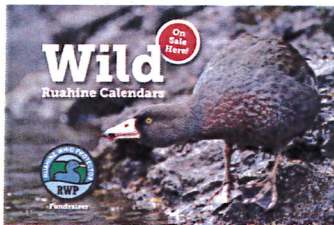
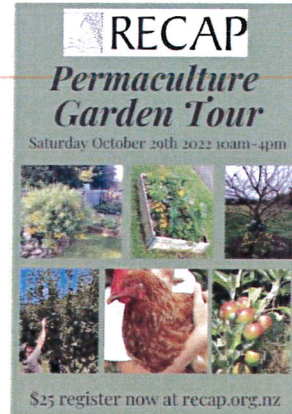
two kids, Eliza 5 and Ryan almost 3. When she is not being a parent to two energetic children, Anna works as a biodiversity advisor at Horizons Regional Council. Anna will be aiming to organise a variety of trips throughout the rest of the year and into 2023. [To find out more about how your kids can join KCC you can click here.](#)

### RECAP Permaculture Garden Tour

Ashhurst based organisation RECAP's Permaculture Garden Tour will be a day of inspiration, education and discovery. The event takes place Saturday 29th October 10am-4pm. The cost is \$25 per person, with free entry for those under 12.

People can learn more about [long term RECAP projects](#) (The Ashhurst Community Garden, Olsson Orchard and McCrae's Bush) and visit a range of private permaculture based properties based on the core principles of Earth Care, People Care and Fair Share. You'll see young gardens at the beginning of their creation, to well established areas of various sizes with experienced caretakers. Enjoy a self guided tour around locations in Ashhurst and the Pohangina valley, while gaining knowledge and insight into permaculture principles.

[You can register for this popular event here.](#)



### Wild Ruahine Calendars for Sale

Stuck for a Christmas present? [Ruahine Whio Protectors](#) are selling beautiful calendars as a means to raise funds and raise awareness about the Whio, a beautiful endemic NZ bird. Calendars are \$20 each and can be purchased from the ENM office or from Janet Wilson who can be contacted on [jwilson@inspire.net.nz](mailto:jwilson@inspire.net.nz)

## Opportunities to get involved

### Regular Events

**All welcome to meet, talk, swap and connect**

Every Second Saturday [Repair Cafe Levin](#)  
Don't throw it out - bring it in for mending!  
Every Friday [Fridays for Future](#)  
Peaceful protest for climate action.

Oct 8 [Crop Swap Awapuni](#)  
Bring what you have, take what you need.  
Oct 15 [Upcycling Club 1 workshop at Te Manawa](#)

### Workshops, Talks and Special Events

Oct 6. [Growing Terrific tomatoes and Perfect Pumpkins](#) workshop.  
Oct 6 [Keep Ashhurst Beautiful clean up.](#)  
Oct 6-7 [NZ Landcare Trust Catchments Forum.](#)  
Oct 8 [Welcoming the birds back to the Manawatu Estuary.](#)  
Oct 15 [Reverse the Tide Art Exhibition.](#)

Every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday [Wildlife Foxton Trust](#) is open for visitors.

## Local Markets

**Eat seasonally, buy locally.**

Every Friday [Feilding Farmers' Market](#)

Every first Sunday [Summerhill Farmers Market](#)

Every third Sunday [Hokowhitu Farmers Market](#)

Oct 19 [Lets Grow Highbury Garden Conversations.](#)

Oct 22 [Foraging workshop.](#)

Oct 29 [RECAP 2022 Permaculture Garden Tour.](#)

Oct 29. [Palmerston North Repair Cafe.](#)

Oct 30 [Working bee at Te One Forest Remnant.](#)

## Working Bees

**Create better places and communities**

Oct 2 [Ahimate Reserve](#)

Oct 8 [Green Corridors Summerhill](#)

Help maintain corridors of native trees.

Oct 9 & 23 [A Rocha Nursery](#)

Growing natives from eco-sourced seed.

Oct 9 [Apollo Butterfly Park](#)

Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc..

Oct 16 [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 Trust](#)

Keeping exotic species out of the wetland.

Every Friday [Best Care Whakapai Haora Māra Kai](#)

Every Friday. [Ashhurst Community Library Garden Working Bee.](#)

## Meetings and AGMs

**Interested people always welcome**

Oct 3 [Water and Environmental Care Horowhenua](#)

Oct 4 [Manawatū Estuary Trust.](#)

Caring for the Manawatū River Estuary.

Oct 5 Monthly meeting [Manawatū River Source to Sea](#)

Oct 13 [Forest and Bird Manawatū Branch.](#)

"The effect of weather on survival and reproduction of our NZ Icon the kiwi"

Oct 12 [Green Drinks](#)

Oct 27 [Manawatū Beekeepers club](#)

## ENM on the Radio

Every Tuesday 12:30-1.

Manawatū Peoples Radio show '[21 years of ENM](#)' Listen live or via podcast.

## Sharing Tables and Shelves

Community food sharing tables and shelves linked to PNCC venues are now operating within 'orange' of the COVID Traffic Light System. . [Click here for a link to sharing tables and Pataka Kai in our area.](#)

## 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](mailto: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.](#)

## Food Distribution

Just Zilch, Te Pataka Kai 4412, the Salvation Army, Methodist Social 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, please contact one of these agencies or reach out to ENM's Manawatū Food Action Network. [food.action@enm.org.nz](mailto:food.action@enm.org.nz).

## 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.

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## Notices

[Moheke Community Berm Gardens](#) will be hosting a working bee weeding, feeding and mulching the Moheke berm gardens from 1pm Sunday 2nd October, meeting at 7 Moheke Avenue. Bring spare wheelbarrows, spades, forks, spray bottles for liquid fertiliser, and trowels if you can.

[Palmerston North Dress for Success](#) is an initiative of Work Manawatu. They support women to succeed in work and life by providing quality clothing, styling advice and a network of support as they pursue their journey. No referral is needed and you can contact them for a free session on [palmerstonnorth@dressforsuccess.org](mailto:palmerstonnorth@dressforsuccess.org)

[Whatunga Tūao | Volunteer Central](#) are really pleased to support the planning of the "Kai at 4412 Strategy" handover, and recruiting volunteers for the new Repair Café - both great initiatives. We have also distributed 17 pallets of free anti bacterial wipes (eco friendly ones!) around the rohe!

[Voting for Bird of the Year 2022](#) will open at 9.00am on Monday 17 October and closes at 5.00pm on Sunday 30 October.

[Welcoming the birds!](#) Members of the Manawatu Estuary Trust, extend a welcome to everyone to our Manawatu Estuary, at Foxton Beach on Saturday 8th October 2022 at 10.00am to welcome our migratory birds back to the Manawatu Estuary. We will be meeting at 10.00am at high tide, by the viewing platform at the end of Dawick Street (off Seabury Avenue) Foxton Beach.

[A Rocha Manawatū](#) has native plants to distribute for a koha and pots to give away. If interested please contact Christine McArthur on 06 353 6820.

## Have your say

### [Homegrown Energy Campaign](#)

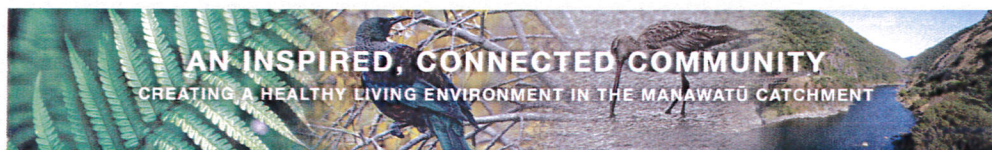
New climate changed focus member group 350 Te Papaioia are calling for signatures for a petition to submit to PNCC encouraging them to install a series of solar banks across key council-owned buildings, and to incentivise insulation and heat pump installation by providing funding and low interest loan options for homeowners and landlords who do not qualify for the Warmer Kiwi Homes subsidy, so that all members of our community can be lifted out of energy poverty.

## [Apply for funding](#)

### [ENM Environmental Initiatives Fund.](#)

Open year round for small grants of up to \$1000

[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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