

# February PĀNUI



**In this issue:** Read about what Ruahine Whio Protectors are getting up to, win a deluxe weekend for two with just zilch and check out the great events coming up!

## WHATS HAPPENING



Supporting the natural burial option in PNCC  
Otangaki-Ashhurst Domain Review



Submission are open **NOW** until 4th March 5pm  
Your voice counts. Please submit to help make natural burials an option for our community.  
You will find the online submission at the link below.

[More Info here](#)

## Just Zilch Fundraiser

Just Zilch is raffling off an Air NZ Deluxe Mystery Break—flights, a luxury stay, and a rental car for two! Tickets are just \$10, and only 400 are available, so don't miss out! Get yours in person at Just Zilch or order online today until 14 March.

The lucky winner will be drawn on Monday 17 March—we'll even live stream it on Facebook! Grab your ticket today and support a great cause!



**Just Zilch**

**ENTER TO WIN**  
**Deluxe Mystery**  
**Weekend for Two**

What's Included?

- Return Seat+Bag Fares with Air New Zealand ✓
- 2 nights (Fri-Sun) at a 4-4.5 Star accommodation ✓
- Breakfast ✓
- Avis car rental ✓
- Open-date package ✓

**TICKETS ONLY \$10 EA**

**DRAW ON 17 MAR 2025**

<https://justzilch.org.nz/raffle225>

[Get Tickets Here](#)

### Just Zilch - Seniors Time

Starting 5 March 2025, Just Zilch will dedicate our Wednesday 1:00 – 2:30 PM shift exclusively to seniors aged 65 and over. This special time is designed to create a more comfortable and relaxed experience for seniors, as our regular hours can be very busy, with around 400 people coming through each day.

- When: Every Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:30 PM starting 5 March 2025
- Who: Ages 65+ only (please bring a Gold Card or ID)

## RUAHINE WHIO PROTECTORS



Ruahine Whio Protectors (RWP) have had a great spring and summer season so far with trapping and sightings of growing whio families. The low river conditions have been kind to whio breeding success.

The North West Ruahine Te Potae project team had successful re-baiting trips in October, December and January.

The Leon Kinvig hut along the Pohangina River is a strategic location for volunteer success. After being pushed off its foundations during Cyclone Gabrielle; it is a significant outcome to have the hut relocated and refurbished with help from the Back Country Trust.

It has been great to see two whio families with ducklings along the Ōroua River.

A new group, known as the Social Trappers, is servicing traps for the Ōroua and Pohangina projects. This team makes the most of trapping trips. They still do the same work loads but take longer enjoying sitings of whio, and a few nights out in the back country.

Photo by Malcolm Thomas "Nearly fledged - Mum, Dad and 3 big babies, Ōroua River December 2024")

## VOLUNTEERS OPPORTUNITIES

### Climate Action Activists

Help organise, promote and be on the ground

**Location:** Palmerston North

**Organisation:** 350 Te Papaioea

**Commitment:** Flexible to you

### Native Tree Planter

**Location:** Awapuni

**Organisation:** Pit Park

**Commitment:** 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM, 3rd Sunday of each month

[See more here](#)

## NOTICES





## Future Living Skills Workshops

Practical hands-on workshops series to learn ways to live more healthily, sustainably and maybe save some money.

**Time:** 5:30 - 7:30 pm

### **Mar 4 - Protecting Water**

Learn about where our water comes from, and how we can use it more efficiently and avoid pollution.

### **Mar 11 - Reducing Waste**

Learn about Council's resource recovery systems and other ways we can reduce, reuse and recycle stuff.

### **Mar 18 - Commute Sustainably**

Consider different ways we could travel more sustainably including active and low-carbon travel.

### **Apr 1 - Healthier Home**

Lots of tips, information and advice about ways to save energy while having a warmer, drier and healthier home

[Sign Up Here](#)



**If you're part of an environmental organisation with a project in palmy, we're here to support your vision!**

Your project could receive a grant between \$1,000 and \$12,000.

From enhancing biodiversity and promoting community food sovereignty to tackling climate action and advancing a circular economy, if your project aligns, we want to hear from you!

[More Info Here](#)

## EVENTS

March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Timona Park Orchard @ Save Dane garden working @ Save the native giant @ Sweep A Niche Working @</p>		<p>Manurewa @ Sweep Arts and Craft Work @ Sweep Future Living Skills @</p>	<p>Manurewa @ Let's Grow Palmy @</p>	<p>Manurewa @ Plastic 1st sorting work @</p>	<p>Ashhurst Library Com @ Extinction Rebellion Ma @</p>	<p>Manurewa @ RECAP Crop Swap @ Manurewa @ Crop S</p>
<p>Timona Park Orchard @ Save Aflatoxins Reserve @ Save Explains @</p>	<p>Water &amp; Environment @</p>	<p>Manurewa @ Future Living Skills @ Manurewa @ Culture Fun @</p>	<p>Green Corridors Working @ Let's Grow Palmy @</p>	<p>Manurewa @ Plastic 1st sorting work @</p>	<p>Central Range - Sustainability @ Extinction - Hope @</p>	<p>Green Corridors Working @ Repair Cafe @ Palmy @ Crop Swap @</p>
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[See all events here](#)

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