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Environment Network Manawatū

## ENM Pānui

### PNCC Candidates Environment Q and A Session

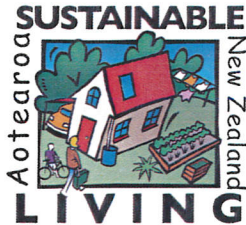
A successful candidates environment Q and A session was held by ENM in association with [Manawatū Peoples Radio \(MPR\)](#) on the evening of the 29th of August. 21 candidates and 25 members of the public were in attendance in what was a lively evening. Questions were asked around climate change, transport, circular economies and other slippery environmental subjects. The session was recorded and videoed by MPR and will be broadcast on [999am or via livestream](#) on Sunday 4th September at 5pm. .

ENM are hosting a similar debate on Monday 5th of September in Feilding for MDC/Horizons candidates which [registrations are welcome for.](#)



## Future Living Skills

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### Future Living Skills begins again!

Future Living Skills previously run under the auspices of PNCC begins a new incarnation under ENM with Sally Pearce as its lead.

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 -

[www.sustainableliving.org.nz](http://www.sustainableliving.org.nz).

The programme takes place from 5:30-7:30pm over an 8 week period starting on Tuesday 20th September (with a break for the school holidays) and finishing on 22 November. Learn how to be more sustainable in your daily life through topics that include energy, water, gardening and waste minimisation and more. The registration fee for the series is \$40, although there is some flexibility around this

[You can register for Future Living Skills and find out more here.](#) Please note there is a maximum of 20 people and enrolments are on a first come first served basis.

### Celebrating Volunteering.

The hard work that forged a hidden gem – Awahuri Forest/ Kitchener Park Trust.

Bessie Nicholls is a regular at the Manawatū River Source to Sea (S2S) cluster meetings on the 1st Wednesday night of every month. She is the voice at S2S representing a special forest on the outskirts of Feilding as well as a passionate advocate for the eradication of *Phragmites karka*. Her voice has sparked interest at the meetings, which led us to [visiting the forest and talking to the other trustees to find out what it's all about..](#)



### 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.

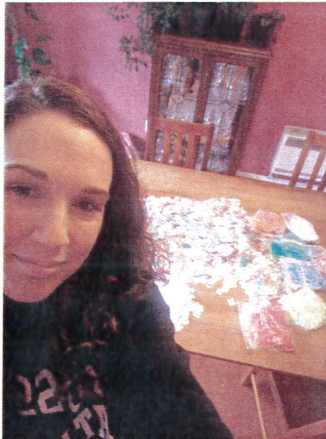
We are also eagerly looking for **new Management Committee** members to join a dynamic team of dedicated people in the exciting role of ensuring the vision, direction and future of ENM and it's ongoing support of member groups through collectives and projects.

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 BatachEl for more information.](#)

## The Egg Project-OOPS!!!!

[The Egg Project](#) has been doing a sterling job supporting the Ruahine Kiwi Project, however our Communications and Events Lead Helen is **not** doing such a sterling job in her accuracy! Business owner **Pip Chrystall** (not Ferguson) is delighted to be involved in the project! You can find out more about their work with Ruahine Kiwi [on our website donations page.](#)



## Bread tags for Wheelchairs.

Over the last few years we have had many an avid recycler bringing bread tags to us for the amazing [Bread Tags for Wheelchairs NZ](#), initiative including a recent donation of 20,358 sorted bread tags from a family who had been collecting them for three and a half years! Pictured here is the incredible Hannah who is the ENM volunteer who oversees the sorting and logistics around these tags. Hannah helps us with lots of important tasks around the office and is a highly appreciated addition to our Tuesday mornings! Cardboard bread tags are very quickly replacing plastic bread tags- great news for the environment, but it means the end of this project is on the nearby horizon. and that ENM will no longer be accepting them.

## A Trap Building Milestone Celebrated.

In August we proudly celebrated the achievements of Julia Wallace Retirement Village residents in making 480 traps which have been deployed as part of Environment Network Manawatū's Ruahine Kiwi project. Staff from both sides of the project were present Te Kāuru Eastern Manawatū River Hapū Collective making the trip from Danniverke especially for the event. We have been humbled by the work of these men (and women!) who noted that as well as supporting something that will hopefully see us predator free by 2050, and that their grandchildren would enjoy, gave them a real sense of friendship and purpose.



## Repair Cafe to begin in September!!!

The first ever Palmerston North Repair Cafe will take place on Saturday 24 September 10am-1:30 pm Te Manawa Museum, Te Rangahau Curiosity & Lab (event room) . The events will continue on a monthly basis.

A website and Facebook page will be live in the coming week, but if you have any current questions [then.get in touch.](#) . We would love expressions of interest from people wanting to share repair skills and those who want to help oversee the project. [You can click here to so do this.](#)

## Manawatū Food Action Network Winter Hui- a popular event!

Incredible food sovereignty kōrero and inspirational ideas for a food resilient future took place at the Manawatū Food Action Network Winter Hui on Friday 12th of August. Over 40 people attended the hui from all walks of the local food action spectrum and made valuable connections and shared some nourishing kai (soups made possible by MFAN Coordinator Morri and Kai Resilience Project Manager Dave both pictured here!!)

Our thanks to all who came. If you are interested in the work of the network and want to get more involved [please email us.](#)



## The Manawatū Guardian

ENM enjoys working with the Guardian (Editor Judith Lacy pictured here) who often cover our events, and help us celebrate our volunteers in a monthly column that we write. The Guardian is delivered each Thursday by ReachMedia to Ashhurst and most parts of Palmerston North. It is not delivered to mailboxes with no junk mail, addressed mail only etc. signs. You can also pick up a copy from their office at 619 Main St, Central Library, i-Site in The Square, Te Manawa, The Palms Medical Centre, Export Meat Warehouse, Westbrook Four Square, Highbury Superette, Goshen Foodmart in Vogel St, Awapuni Library, and Four Square Awapuni.

You can read a free e-edition at [communitynews.co.nz](http://communitynews.co.nz).

Many stories are on the website [manawatuguardian.co.nz](http://manawatuguardian.co.nz).

For late or missed deliveries please ring 0800 111 200.

## 2 new staff members for Ruahine Kiwi.

Cat McNabb joined the team as Trainee Project Activator and Theo Manley as Trapper, both in August of 2022.

You can find out more about them and the skills and passion they bring to the project [on our website](#).

Theo and Cat join Ian Rasmussen and Nina Ryan and on the western side of the project, with three staff currently working on the Eastern side under [Te Kauru Eastern Manawatu River Hapu Collective](#).



## 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.

Sept 10 [Crop Swap Awapuni](#)  
Bring what you have, take what you need.

Sept 17 [Upcycling Club 1 workshop at Te Manawa](#)

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](#)

### Working Bees

**Create better places and communities**

Sept 4 [Ahimate Reserve](#)

Sept 10 [Green Corridors Summerhill](#)  
Help maintain corridors of native trees.

### Workshops, Talks and Special Events

Sept 3 [RECAP hosted Permaculture Workshop. a process approach to small garden design.](#)

Sept 5 [MDC Candidates Environment Q and A.](#)

Sept 6. [NZ Landcare Trust. enhancing drainage for improved water quality and biodiversity.](#)

Sept 7. [NZ Landcare Trust. Farm Dam Biodiversity.](#)

Sept 7 & 21 [Lets Grow Highbury! Gardening Conversations.](#)

Sept 19. [PNCSC Succession Planning Workshop](#)

Sept 20 [PNCSC Raising your Profile workshop.](#)

Sept 23 [PNCSC Attracting donations Workshop](#)

Sept 24 [RECAP crop swap and drop in session.](#)

Sept 27 [Volunteer Expo](#)

### Meetings and AGMs

**Interested people always welcome**

Sept 5 [Water and Environmental Care Horowhenua](#)

Sept 6 [Manawatū Estuary Trust.](#)

Sept 11 & 25 [A Rocha Nursery](#)  
Growing natives from eco-sourced seed.

Sept 11 [Apollo Butterfly Park](#)  
Planting for Monarch butterflies, etc..

Sept 18 [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](#)

## 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.](#)

## 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).

Caring for the Manawatū River Estuary.

Sept 7 Monthly meeting [Manawatū River Source to Sea](#)

Sept 7 [Green Drinks](#)

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

Sept 20 [Volunteer Central AGM](#)

Sept 22 [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.

## 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.](#)

## 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.

## Notices

ENM is part of The Environment and Conservation Organisations (ECO), is a non-profit network of 45+ organisations with a concern for conservation and the environment. [They have a new, informative website.](#)

## Employment Opportunities

[Manawatū Food Rescue Declaration - Project Lead](#)

Environment Network Manawatū is looking for a Manawatū Food Rescue Declaration Project Lead. The role will be focused on supporting and advocating for food industry organisations and community groups in the Manawatū River catchment to commit to a significant reduction in avoidable food waste. The Manawatū Food Rescue Declaration Project's goal is to create a platform to divert all edible, but unsalable food to the community, thus reducing food waste and increasing food resilience. The project will have a significant impact on people's ability to access healthy nourishing food and the overall wellbeing of people residing in the Manawatū River catchment.

## [Have your say](#)

### [Reshaping Streets.](#)

There is a current consultation that links to proposals to increase Councils' ability to trial changes to the road to increase active transport. Submissions close Monday 19th September.

### [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.

### [Kahikatea Dieback](#)

Kahikatea Dieback is a new disease that has been affecting trees in the Waikato Region. It is relatively unknown and further research is required.

If you have seen any unhealthy looking Kahikatea trees, we would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey on the link above.

## [Apply for funding](#)

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

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

### [Mazda Foundation.](#)

Funds environment, culture and education based initiatives. Closes 30th of September

### [Manawatū District Council Annual Plan Funding Requests.](#)

Closes 30th of September

[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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