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President's Message

Kia Ora everyone

Last night on the way to the board meeting I saw what I think were at least 500 birds flying over Te Awamutu ;weaving in and out of the trees . It made me smile and think of spring-new growth; anticipated warmth; sprouting veges and the promise of summer.

What a lot we have to look forward to as well -our Garden ramble; the grandparents day out and of course xmas with our loved ones! We live in a beautiful town and district. I feel as Altrusans we are an integral part of Waipa's well being; by showcasing the beauty that is within it; and celebrating the kindness of others'

Keep it up ladies -you rock!

Lyn

Editors Musings

Kia ora koutou

As I look out the window on a nice sunny Wellington, I think Spring is finally turning up (last week felt like the very coldest of winters!). So timely to be thinking about planting seedlings for our Garden Ramble stall and maybe investing in a little "leadership fertiliser" – aka – attending the regional IFF Day on the 20th of September. Remember all members are eligible to attend the IFF and that our club pays for the registration for all members for this event.

Leanne

Next meetings:

Business: Monday 1st of
September 2025
Te Awamutu Club, Alexandra
Street, Te Awamutu

Apologies by text to Brenda
McIvor by 6pm Friday night
before meeting.

Club Reminders

FOOD BANK



FEED THE HUNGRY

Please bring along to the business meeting a can/jar/packet of foodstuffs for food bank.

They are always struggling to fill parcels, and the need is increasing weekly.

Sanitary items are also in great demand.

SALE TABLE

From time-to-time club members bring in the bounty from their gardens and kitchens. This is available to Club Members for a donation. All funds raised unless otherwise stated are for the Conference fund to help fund the cost of delegates, alternates and other club members attending Conference and Convention.

So next time you see some wonderful fruit, veggies, jam or preserves on our donation table please help yourself but leave a donation. Thank you

Meeting Hostess

Miriam & Vicky

Please note if you are unable to perform your duties, please arrange your own replacement.

- Note duties include.
- Door – meal & raffle money
- Table set up - place names etc.
- Accent, Grace
- Raffle
- Speaker thank you gift (check with Beth)



**SAVE
the
DATE**

Next Business Meeting:

Monday 1st

September

5.30

Te Awamutu Club

Alexandra Street,

Te Awamutu

Pop Up Store

1st September 2025

5.30 – 6pm

Te Awamutu Club

FFF Coats & Jackets sale

Don't miss out!

Committee Reports

Service Committee Report – Paula

Grandparents Day Out is organised but we need to settle on a date- we are waiting for confirmation about the boat. Brenda has a flyer which will be circulated to schools, kindergarten etc, Paula will contact the cafe at the wharf in Raglan to enquire about food and drinks

FFF is rescheduled for April 2026 and we will donate \$100 to Waipa Women's Hub as a gesture of goodwill.

There will be coats/jackets for purchase at the September meeting 5.30-6.00pm pm. We will give our time to Operation Christmas Hamper when needed and they will also receive some funds.

Membership Committee Report: Leanne

The membership committee met recently and reviewed our section of the annual plan. We reviewed the new membership process document and the new members FAQ, and this has been sent to the Board for approval. The Committee is responsible for organizing social events.

Robyn A will post on the messenger group any upcoming movie events, usually just with a few days notice so keep an eye out. Robyn M will continue to organize the monthly "Brunch Bunch."

We are updating our promotional materials. Robyn M has revised the club brochure, and we are updating the display boards for the Garden Ramble. Leanne has created a new club poster (that can house brochures) for the noticeboard at the Women's Hub. We will need your help with this to get any recent photos of members "active in service." Please email these through to Leanne's email.

We reviewed the August catering event with proceeds to go to the Conference Fund. In addition to this we will be holding a garage sale in Feb 2026 to top this up to support members attending Wellington Conference in May 2026. This fund also provides funding for our members to attend the IFF Day at no cost. This year the IFF day is being held in Morrinsville on the 20th of September – so save this day in your calendar.

The membership committee will be asking for some support from the Garden Ramble (via the club "net proceeds deduction" amount of \$500) to support the conference and training fund.

Without continuing to invest in the training and development of our club leaders, clubs struggle to operate effectively. All members are encouraged to attend IFF Day and Conference, regardless of the length of membership.

Proposed motion: Moved that \$500 from the club "net proceeds" deduction from the Net Garden Ramble proceeds be allocated to the Conference fund.



Literacy Report: Shona

On Saturday 16th August the Literacy Committee hired a movie theatre and invited Grandparents looking after grandchildren full time to come and enjoy a free movie afternoon. There were 70 guests, plus Vicky and myself who organised the event.



Ten tickets were returned due to sickness and a tangi. Wanting to fill these seats, I went out onto the street to see if I could give the tickets away. I found a grandmother with three children who thanked me but said she was too busy. Evidently three children can be very persuasive as they turned up to watch their very first movie. A group of ten people who had been gathered up to fill the ten seats by the guests who couldn't come arrived, so although they didn't fit the criteria we were happy to have all seats filled.

Everyone had a great time with six \$20 Paper Plus vouchers given away as spot prizes. One family came from Tokoroa, while others came from Cambridge, Otorohanga and Te Kuiti. There was a popcorn trail going up the stairs before the movie and lots left on the floor afterwards. Luckily we haven't been charged extra for a cleaning fee.

A very successful afternoon and much appreciated by all.

Fund Raising/Garden Ramble Committee :

Lydia and Claire

Venues: We now have 12 venues. Di and Robyn are working on photos and write-ups and will try to have these complete by the last week of August. People will be strongly encouraged to print their own PDF. A \$2 charge for printing was suggested.

Morning Teas: Citizens Advice Bureau will serve at Rosenvale and Riding for the Disabled will serve at one of two venues on Ohaupo Rd.

Sponsorship: Club members have been asked to make contact with potential sponsors. We would like to have these locked in by the end of August so we can add them to the website.

Advertising: Considering putting part of this towards advertising in TA News, Cambridge News and Kiwi Gardener and putting the Garden Ramble advertising banner up at Isite, along with placing posters around town might have more benefit. The Rose Society is including our poster in their advertising, and we are promoting the Rose Show in our emails to last year's ramblers. They are encouraging residents (and especially children) to put a rose from their garden into

a competition at the Show. We will donate 2 tickets to be raffled at the Rose Show as we have previously. Claire has contacted Rotorua Garden Club along with Hamilton and Taupo. She has also sent information to More FM, The Breeze and Free FM Hamilton Radio Stations.

Raffle: We have pledges from Homeward (\$200 voucher) and Julia Empson (\$250 consultation + \$50 voucher). We have a \$100 Ruby Rose voucher, an Acer tree from Mitre 10 and a \$100 voucher from Payless Plants. The next step is to complete the ticket template and contact Belinda about printing.

Gifts for Homeowners: We have several bottles of wine donated and club members are welcome to donate good quality wine. The contents of the platters will cost around \$20. Vicki will organise.

Guest Speaker

Harriet Dixon – Te Awamutu Information
Centre

**Altrusa In Action Photos
Required**

**Please email to
altrusata@gmail.com**



Area One (Upper North Island) IFF Day 2025

Lyceum Club

14 Moorhouse Street, Morrinsville

Saturday, 20th September 2025

10am to 3pm (9.30 for coffee)

(Lunch provided)

This year's theme is *Weaving Threads Through Our Community*

Information - *from District, International, Convention & Active Hearts Foundation*

Fun - *participating in active workshops and it wouldn't be Morrinsville if we didn't have a cow related activity. Holy cow!*

Friendship- *mixing, mingling and catching up with Altrusans from other clubs*

Registration \$30 with a \$10 discount for first time attendees.

Please register and pay via your club prior to the cut off date of 6th September.

Further details such as the programme and what to bring, will be provided closer to the date.

ActiveHearts
FOUNDATION





performing
TALOS
Arts

presents

A Grand Variety Concert

Let the talents of our Society entertain you!
Enjoy a presentation of light entertainment
featuring singing, dancing and more!

Saturday 30 August 7.30pm
Sunday 31 August 4.00pm

The Woolshed Theatre, Mahoe St

Door sales only, \$30, eftpos available





COLOUR CAMBRIDGE

A KIDS IN NEED WAIKATO FUNDRAISER

Kia ora Christine

We're excited to launch our inaugural **Colour Cambridge** fundraising event, which will be held **Sunday 20th October** at the Hautapu Sports Club grounds, Memorial Park, Cambridge!

A run like no other, this is an epic community event for a great cause! Make your way around our colour blast course to raise funds for **Kids in Need Waikato**. You can learn more about our mahi [here!](#)

