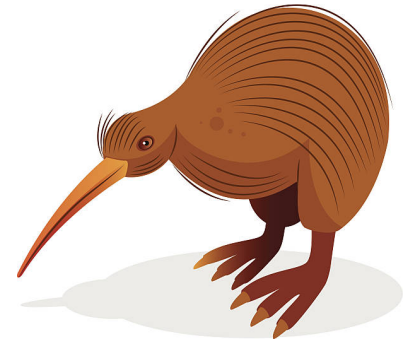


LATEST EMAIL FROM DENISE IN OUR NZ LINK WI

From: Denise Gavin
Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 11:48 PM
To: Julia Warne
Subject: Re: September



Morning Julia,

It is wet over here too!

Thank you for the translation of the names – I would never have pronounced Sough as Suff for starters!!! Sue P and Pat may have corrected me though!

Think the links started after the war when a list of institutes from the UK were sent to national federation in NZ. They then asked if institutes would be interested in sharing a link with the UK. Hamua said yes and off we went! The minutes said that Hamua WI sent tins of fat etc after the war. Plenty of animals up here to get lard from. I might have to go into the Pahiatua Museum one Sunday arvo and re-read the earlier minutes for more information. Am sure there was no immediate family/soldier connection.

I usually take the photos, but found this one – nearly 5 years old now, but don't think I have changed much apart from different glasses and slightly shorter hair! Can you do something with this one or does it need to be an attachment?

OK. Still have a bit of housework to finish. Going over to watch my daughter Laura play netball in Palmerston North for 2pm game. Won't be pleasant if it is wet!

Majorca sounded fantastic. You are so lucky to be relatively close to holiday places and with cheap flights too I think. It isn't cheap to go far from here. Although in saying that my son Daniel and partner Amy are in Bali at present. I saw an ad for Luxury Escapes.com in the paper where they advertise newly built and unknown resorts at extremely cheap prices. They are at a 5 star place for \$1600 for two of them for 8 night (fares were a bit more than that I think). Absolute luxury with spa treatments and massages included plus breakfasts and two dinners each. Dan text on Tuesday to say it was very 'fancy pants'! The price goes up to nearly \$4,000 for the two of them after the original offer. Liv and Jymahl went to Thailand in June under the same site and absolutely revelled in the luxury. Will be keeping an eye out now for more of these!

All for now, lovely to hear from you Julia, enjoy those grand-daughters!

*Love to you,
Denise x x*

From: Julia Warne
Sent: Saturday, August 12, 2017 9:34 AM
To: Denise Gavin
Subject: Re: September

Hello Denise and Hukanui/Hamua girls (We are practising the pronunciation!)

How exciting that you have a grandchild on the way – and just next door! So lovely for all of you and

October is a lovely time with your Spring and Summer coming up. My 10 & 12 year old granddaughters are arriving on Sunday for four nights, so that will be fun, although I have to admit I send them to a Sports Club in the village. They are happy and I am happy! Since the start of the school holidays it has rained every day. How great we had such a wonderful day for Keith's visit. Not had another day like that since then. Hope Leonie is making a good recovery and coping with the frustration.

We enjoyed a good family holiday in Majorca, 10 of us, age range 10 to 74, and celebrated four birthdays including my daughter, Claudia's 50th. The weather was very hot – consistent 38-40C, so I didn't do much apart from spending time in the pool and in the shade. The younger ones did venture out.

Sorry, no report from Jane this month as we don't have a meeting; so it's her month off. Today 14 of us met up at Calver (pronounced Carver) and enjoyed an easy 3 mile round walk to Froggat and back. Then lunch at the garden centre at Calver Sough (pronounced Suff). We joined up with members from the newly re-formed Calver WI, who already have 22 members. It's good to see a group that has 'died out' being revitalised by younger enthusiastic women and because we are so close, we can share activities.

Next Wednesday we are looking forward to our Lunch Club at Michelin starred Fischer's in Baslow. So lucky with all the good restaurants/cafes in the area.

Two requests:

1. Ann wants to put a photo of the two of us on the website attached to our emails. She says she has one in mind for me, heavens knows what it is as I take a terrible photo. So, she is asking if you would let us have a photo of you.

2. Jane is intrigued as to how our connection started. I remember you researched it and mentioned you were sending us tins of fat in the 1940s. She is wondering whether it was something to do with soldiers/family connections. I think you probably only have Minutes to go on. I wonder what was the instigation for this wonderful communication we now have? It's such fun now by email, whereas they would have been writing letters which would have been slower and probably more stilted.

Lots of love to you all,
Julia and Baslow WI girls.