

**LATEST EMAILS BETWEEN DENISE
IN HUKANUI/HAMUA WI –
Our New Zealand Link WI
AND JULIA IN BASLOW WI**

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Hello Julia and the Baslow Darlings,

My apologies for not sending a report after last month's meeting – where does time go?

We had our September meeting this morning at Sue's home. A week later than usual as she couldn't host last Wednesday.

Nine of us there, including our new Tararua Federation President Kaye Brabender who hails from Woodville. (Am sure you have a few Woodville towns in the UK too!) Lots of chatting going on with a cuppa and scones. Yummy! We sort of distanced ourselves!

It is the Tararua Federation 1/2 yearly meeting next week and we and the other Pahiatua institute Mangamutu are hosting this at Mangatainoka Hall. We are still at Level 2, so expect to still be distancing with seating etc. Won't be many there as there are two other Federations with meetings that day! We have three competitions that day – floral/cooking and bed socks (any medium) to be donated to rest homes. Then there is the Tararua Federation Craft Show on 17/18th October with lots of sections. Elaine usually tries to make as many as she can! There is a prize for the most entries!

In October we collect grocery items from members and along with a contribution from WI funds we head over to Palmerston North to the hospice. Not sure if we can take goods this time around with Covid but will see. We then go to the beautiful Esplanade Gardens for lunch in the cafe and a short walk around if the weather is nice.

NZFWI is having its AGM on 21st/22nd September at a hotel near the airport in Wellington. It is usually longer than this and should be held in Nelson this year, but Covid changed all that. Elaine is going down for the meeting. They can cater for 180 people (with distancing) there.

Very handy for members to fly in to Wellington and out quickly. Elaine has just heard that she has won one of the sections in the National Competitions – a fabric brooch. She just thought she would have a go! She is such a talented lady.

Another cold and drizzly day here after a beautiful day yesterday – typical Spring weather – can't guarantee two fine days in a row here. Meanwhile we have calves and lambs being born, daffodils nearly finished in the gardens, but other blooms to brighten our day.

Keep safe and well dear Baslow Darlings.

With love from your friends at the Hukanui-Hamua Darlings x