

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



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From Denise

Date: Thu, Apr 13, 2023 at 9:36 PM

Subject: April 2023

To Julia

Hello dear Julia,

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Am getting ready for ANZAC Day now. Have put in a form to get a speaker from Defense Forces. We usually get someone from base as they are about an hour away. Have sprayed the weeds outside our local hall now need to weed-eat the remainder! Am trying to work out a way to bring the Australian National Anthem in to the service too! Might just play it as we finish - can't shock them too much!!! Bad enough that I get them to sing the NZ anthem in te Reo and English and then God Save the King!!

Our local hall was broken into yet again last year - third time. They once again took the small under sink water hot water cylinder and the instant hot water heater from the wall and the fire extinguisher..... have bought a new fire extinguisher that I keep here and take down when hall is in use. Will take down portable water urns for the cuppa and dishes and have local council on board as they look after the hall (minor things). Need a plumber to sort out the water as we just have the plastic pipes tied together, so they don't leak when taps turned on. Have told the council that we can get buy with portable water urns and if they bought us a couple, that would be good! Also want the exit doors strengthened so they can't push their way in. The hall is on the main road, but the sneaky b..... do it anyway.

Have printed out Jane's newsletter! More tongue-twisters for me to read out!!

Love to you

Denise x



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From Denise
Sent: 21 April 2023 08:49
To: Ann
Subject: RE: St George's Day Lunch

Oh well done Ann! So, what are you celebrating on St. George's Day? He is the patron saint of England I think and did he slay the dragon??? Maybe that is the red – for fire and the dragon???
Lunch sounded delicious. I love Yorkshire puddings – sometimes I buy them, not to have with roast beef, but just to have them!!!! Now that really sounds 'downunder', doesn't it??

Am getting my check list ticked off for ANZAC Day. Had a call from Squadron leader Deane Wilson today from Ohakea Air force Base and he will be coming to be our speaker which is great. Last year they cancelled at the last minute, so we just had to 'wing it'!!!

Right, the "Repair Shop" is on telly now, so will make a cuppa and settle in!

Thanks Ann and Julia,
Love to you
Denise x x

From: Ann McPhie **Sent:** Friday, April 21, 2023 9:10 PM
To: Cc: Julia
Subject: Re: St George's Day Lunch

Hi,

Yes, you've got St George sussed!

Re Yorkshire Puddings many of us eat them with all sorts of meat not just beef and people from Yorkshire apparently eat them as a starter with gravy from the meat! There is also 'Toad in the hole' which is sausages cooked in batter/Yorkshire pudding. I used to cook that years ago but haven't for ages. My Mum did spectacular Yorkshires!

Good luck with your Anzac Day celebrations. I hope the Air Force don't let you down again. Like the 'wing it' joke! Very clever!

Say 'hi' to all your WI friends from us all in a very wet Baslow today.

Bye for now, take care Denise,

Ann 🌂

From: Ann
Sent: Friday, April 21, 2023 2:05 AM
To: Denise Gavin (NZ Link WI) **Cc:** Julia Warne
Subject: St George's Day Lunch

Hi Denise,

Julia and I thought you'd like to see some of the photos taken at our early St George's Day lunch held yesterday. We had a great time. 43 members attended mainly wearing red and white. The hall was decked

out with flags and we had a very traditional English lunch, roast beef, Yorkshire pudding with roast potatoes followed by apple crumble and custard! There were vegetarian options too!

The first photo is of Darlings Jane, Roving Reporter and Linda, they were pouring the welcome drinks!

I've enjoyed reading your latest email and am so sorry to hear about the break-in at your WI hall. That is a terrible shame.

Enjoy Anzac Day. We will give your WI a shout-out on our web and Facebook page on 25th.

You could see more photos if you click and go to this page of our website:

<https://baslow-wi.weebly.com/newsphotos.html>

The latest on our New Zealand page is:

<https://baslow-wi.weebly.com/new-zealand-link-wi.html>

We love getting your emails. Keep them coming 'Darling'!

Bye now,

Ann 

From: Denise

21 April 2023

Extremely wet here too. Tipped out 40mls this morning from overnight, then another 35mls by 10am and there is another 20 in there at least now. Our river is over our flat land, but hasn't breached our drive yet. Rain has slowed down. So hope it has in the mountains too!

X x