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

From: Denise Gavin

Date: Fri, Jun 4, 2021 at 10:26 PM

Subject: June already! To: **Julia Warne**

Good morning dear Julia and the Baslow Darlings.

We had our June meeting on Wednesday at Pukaha, our National Wildlife Centre, just 20 mins south of here. 11/14 were there, so that was great.

An 'ordinary' meeting at which we read the Federation/National and Baslow newsletters and always have a chuckle with Jane's wonderful and descriptive writing.





Images - Pukaha National Wildlife Centre & ZooBorns

Tararua Federation has a Craft Show in October and there is always a competition to be displayed on a card table. This year's theme is camping! Five categories – Craft/Sewing/Knitting/Cooking and Floral. Four out of the five have to be judged.

Gwen is an expert sock maker, so she has knitted us a pair. Pat is a wonderful quilter and she is making a quillow (small quilt and pillow), someone will make a Sultana Cake and we will possibly use one of Elaine's beautiful wooden chopping boards that she has made.

Then we just add bits and pieces to the table to 'set the scene'. Thinking of having a tepee kind of cover over the top to give a bit of height.

It is the National Conference on 14/15th June in Wellington. Elaine is going and hopefully I will be able to if Liv's baby arrives early. She has asked me to be a birth partner, but not down the 'business end'!!!!

A glorious day today. We would actually like some rain – but not like the 300mls in the ranges that has devastated some parts of Canterbury in the last week. Swollen rivers, bridges and roads destroyed. Homes flooded. Mother Nature at her worst.

Liv's main water tank is empty and the second tank doesn't hold much, so we are hoping for some rain.

So this all from the H-H Darlings.

Keep well and safe and enjoy Summer,

Denise xx

From: Julia Warne

Date: Fri, Jun 11, 2021 at 9:37 AM Subject: June 2021 in Baslow

To: Denise Gavin



This slide went with Jane's report to the local press

Dear Denise and all the Hukanui-Hamua WI Darlings

Thank you for your interesting monthly report. It is always so good to hear about the similarities and differences of our WI experiences. Meetings in different locations is not something we are able to do. In fact, at the moment we are not able to hold physical meetings indoors for more than six people. We are awaiting an announcement on 21st June as to whether the Covid restrictions will be relaxed but it is by no means certain. If the announcement is positive Christine will be able to hold our first WISA meeting of the year. There were also a couple last summer. It will be so good to meet up socially again.

We wish you well at the Craft Show. In your small group you have an amazing amount of talent so we have high hopes for you.

We are enjoying warm dry weather at last, so people like painters are extremely busy catching up with external work. The countryside and the gardens are looking glorious. Let's hope that by now you are receiving some of that much needed rain to start filling your water tanks.

You will see that Jane's report is attached describing some of the activities we have been able to enjoy.

Best wishes to Liv, hope she is coping.

Lots of love to you all from Julia and all the Baslow WI Darlings xx

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