

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

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To: Julia



Cards made at the HH WI Christmas meeting

Good morning dear Julia and the Baslow Darlings,

We had our Christmas meeting on Wednesday at Elaine's home. 8 of us there, so we fitted around the table quite nicely!!

We opened your Christmas parcel and delighted in the gorgeous bag and calendar was so cool with recipes and craft instructions. Very clever we thought.

Put our names in a bowl and drew out Gladys' name for the bag. She was very pleased, thank you very much.

After our meeting, Elaine showed us how to make a card from a kit that she had made for all of us and also a dear little box to maybe put a few chocolates in.

We enjoyed a shared lunch – (Pat made Bakewell Tarts!) and then moved outside to make posies to leave in random places around town. I went to get some groceries and saw a lady driving out, so flagged her down and gave her a bunch! 'You made my day', she said. Then found another to give to as well. Finally took two bunches to our local veterinary clinic and they were delighted too!

A few of us took about 4 bunches each. I think we all like receiving flowers! Just walking around my garden and smelling and seeing the blooms gives me great joy.

Elaine and her husband are going to Adelaide for Christmas to be with her twin sister Shirley and partner. Elaine and Shirl haven't had a Christmas together in Adelaide at all and Shirl has been there many years now.

Pat's daughter Claire is coming from Melbourne with her husband and children. Colleen's daughter Katie is coming back from Australia for Christmas and I think the rest of us will be with family in one way or another.

Our next meeting in February is at a garden in Eketahuna. We have been there before to see the rhododendrons and I went there last year to see the hydrangeas. The property has been sold, but the new owners are only too pleased to share the garden with us. They aren't in the garden full-time as the previous owners were, but we all have weeds!!! The hydrangeas are in a gully and are just magnificent.

So, from the Hukanui-Hamua Darlings, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas with family and friends and a Happy New Year, with whatever restrictions it may bring!!

Love to you all, Denise x x