



## EASTERN BAY OF PLENTY FEDERATION DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

**THEME:** Softening the Hard Times     **Project:** Nourish the Nation

Dear Members,

The holiday season is now upon us. I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you to all who attended the special AGM. We had the numbers to pass our new constitution and a great opportunity to socialise for the end of another successful year. Thank you to S Bell for organising the food for the luncheon.

We have delivered 50 toilet bags to the hospital ready for the busy season. These are very much appreciated by the hospital. We are buying the contents in bulk and that is working out very well so instead of members having to buy items we need you to give monetary donations to us. Either through your treasurers or directly to our Kiwibank account - **Eastern Bay of Plenty Federation of Women's Institutes 38-9023-0045931-00 with your name and "toiletries" as reference please.** We appreciate all of them very much.

**Reminder to Treasurers that your subs for 2026 are due in to our Treasurer before December 31st.**

**Some dates to remember:**

Edgecumbe's Coffee morning Monday 19th January 2026. Starts 10-00 am at 143 College Rd, Edgecumbe. Entry fee \$5-00, plus there is a \$1-00 multi prize draw and a sales table. Funds raised are for the Matata Fire Brigade.

Home and Industries show, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Reminder: If you are contributing monetary donations. Please let S Bell know or bank it into our bank account - details above.

**Please** put this date into your calendar **EBOP AGM 12<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

Start thinking about your WI committees, and if you would like to be on the Committee, or maybe join Federation committee. Secretaries it is time to get your nominations in for years of service e.g. 10 years and also merit awards. Reminder to hand all trophies back to Federation members to be engraved ready for next year.

Hope you are all getting your national entries together reminder. If you entered them in the home and industry show they can be still entered at the AGM

EBOP Federation President

Diane Harvey

Remember this

We can't control what happens but we can control how we respond