

Newsletter – August 2026.

2026 Theme: - 'Reconnect & Rediscover'.

Project: - 'Involvement in Your Community'.

Dear Members,

Spring is upon us. Lots of lambs gambolling around on these sunny spring days. When it's not raining or windy! I'm not sure how everyone's spring flowers are doing. My daffodils and miniatures are just about finished. Another 2 weeks until our Home Industries Show.

August is Medical Research Month:- Thank you all for sending your monetary donations into Wairarapa Federation Bank account by the end of August. This money goes into the NZFWI Medical Research Account. This year \$15,000.00c went to Ovarian Cancer Research.

Discussion Afternoon – August 19th at 12.30 pm. We had 1 -2 members from each WI attend this afternoon. We had good discussions about issues, complaints, compliments, your viewpoints. Everyone had time to speak. We will write up a precis of the afternoon's subjects.

WI Annual Reports – Thank you for your 2025 Annual Reports.

Home Industry Show – 11th September at Masterton Club.

Remember the doors are open from 9.30am – 10.30am for entries. Don't forget to stage your blooms as per the Judging Day last year. We look forward to seeing all your entries. Don't forget to read your Schedules.

WFWI Half Yearly Gathering – Hostess is Dalefield WI, to be held at the Dalefield Hall.

On Thursday **22nd October**. The Half Yearly will start at 10.00 am with morning tea.

Bring a plate for lunch. **Entry** to be **\$10.00** including raffle and morning tea provided by Dalefield.

Jessie Hewin Lett Competition is Baking – Honey Cream Biscuits – Recipe Already Supplied.

Handcraft – Bertie the Knitted Bee – Already Supplied.

Extra Competition is Knitted Izzie doll. Extra dolls welcome, to be donated.

Xmas Coffee Morning – Thursday 3rd December at 10 am. Will be held at Kandahar Recreation Centre, Totara Street, Masterton.

The Shirley Mortenson and Betty Finlayson Cups to be returned, bring to Half Yearly.

Founders Day 21st February 2027- Ideas are needed to celebrate 106 years of WI.

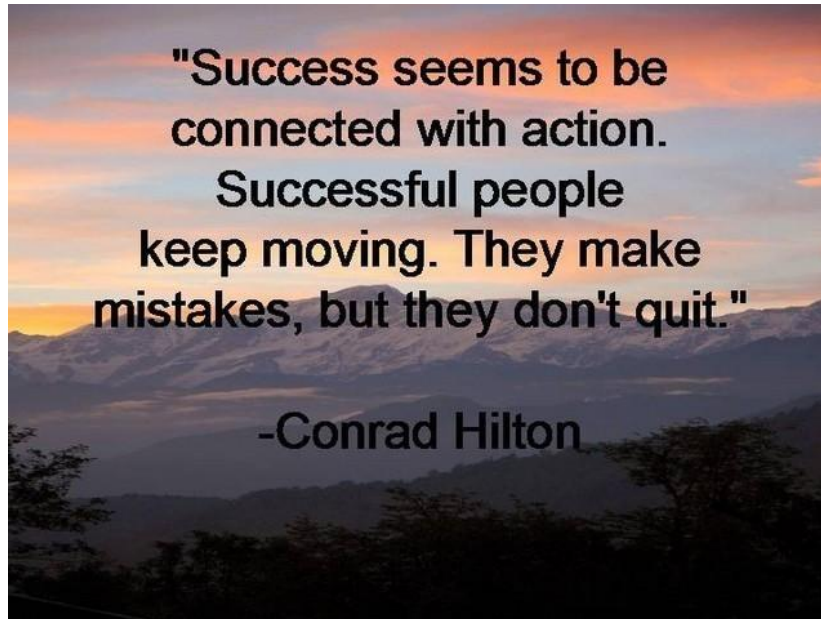
Send them into Secretary Rhonda by **September 14th**.

NZFWI AGM - 24th & 25th May 2027. To be held in Gisborne. We need **Names** of who would like to attend. When we know how many are going, we can organise accommodation.

Please send names to Secretary Rhonda by **September 14th**

WFWI Bank account # **06-0689-0962946-00**

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Yours in WI Friendship.

Suzanne Bannister.
(WFWI Federation President.)

Dates to Remember

Home Industries Show.	11th September 2026.
Half-Yearly Gathering -Hostess Dalefield	22nd October 2026.
Xmas Coffee Morning	3rd December 2026.
Founder's Day - TBA	21st February 2027.
NZFWI AGM – Gisborne	24th & 25th May 2027