

## NOVEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

**Hello everyone**

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**F&B Manawātū November Monthly Meeting –  
Tuesday 8th November 2022 @ 7.30 p.m.**

**PN City Library, George Street Entrance, Palmerston North**

**(We are also offering this meeting on-line via Microsoft Teams – info below)**

**Talk: Ruahine Kiwi Project Update**

**Speaker:** Ian Rasmussen, Ruahine Kiwi Coordinator



**Trapping in the Southern Ruahines**

Photos supplied

At the F&B Manawātū July 2021 monthly meeting, Paul Jansen, Dept of Conservation, introduced the Ruahine Kiwi Project, which aims to control predator pests in 13,000 ha of the Southern Ruahine Ranges, with the dream of returning Kiwi to the area by 2026. Ian and members from the Ruahine Kiwi Project will provide an update on the progress on Palmerston North's nearest landscape scale pest control project. The team will cover what has gone well and what areas need to be improved on.

All welcome. Gold coin donation appreciated

If you are unable to attend our Monthly meeting in-person, we are also streaming the meeting via Microsoft Teams. If you wish to join the meeting via Teams, please email [manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz](mailto:manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz) and we will send you the link You do not have to have Teams on your computer to join.

**Any queries**, please email [manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz](mailto:manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz)

## F&B MANAWATŪ NOVEMBER 2022 MONTHLY TRIP

To be advised

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## F&B 2023 CALENDARS AND DIARIES

**\*\*\* We still have some F&B Calendars and Diaries left\*\*\***

**Our November Monthly Meeting will be your last chance to buy a F&B calendar or diary. They make ideal Christmas presents and there is still time to send them overseas.**

If you would like to order a F&B 2023 Calendars and Diaries, please let me know by emailing [manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz](mailto:manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz) giving;

- your name and contact number
- how many calendars and/or diaries you would like.
- The price is the same as last year – calendars @ \$15 and the diaries @ \$20.00

The advertisement features two products from Potton & Burton and Forest & Bird. The top product is the 'New Zealand Conservation Calendar 2023', priced at \$15.00. It features a cover with two birds and a calendar grid for January 2023. The bottom product is the 'New Zealand Conservation Diary 2023', priced at \$20.00. It features a cover with a bird and a diary page with a landscape photo and a checklist.

**pb** potton & burton **Forest & Bird**  
THE BIRD & THE TAMARU (Living Treasures & More)

**New Zealand Conservation Calendar 2023**

Featuring superb photographs of our extraordinary wildlife and wilderness habitats taken by some of our leading nature photographers.  
Weights less than 200g for economic postage.  
Envelope included.

OUR PRICE: \$15.00

**New Zealand Conservation Diary 2023**

Every week brings a new photograph of our unique landscapes, plants and wildlife.  
This quality week-to-view diary features public holidays, and a lay-flat spiral binding.

OUR PRICE: \$20.00

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## HELP NEEDED

**F&B MANAWATŪ BRANCH** is seeking someone with a working knowledge of Microsoft Teams to help them at their monthly meeting. If you are interested, please email us at [manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz](mailto:manawatu.branch@forestandbird.org.nz)

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## OTHER EVENTS

### Alliance Francaise Cafe Scientifique

Talk in ENGLISH

**Date:** Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Time:** 7.00 p.m.

**Where:** Globe Theatre



Juliette Vicente and Jeff Robert, from Massey University, will be talking about Volcanology in New Zealand. Don't miss out on this one-off opportunity to learn on a fascinating topic!

From 6 pm a licensed bar/café service will be available at the Globe Theatre. FREE event, donations welcome.

## POHANGINA DOWNHILL WALK

County Fayre Incorporated

### Pohangina Downhill Walk

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
8:00am – 2:00pm

Take a shuttle bus ride to the top of Ridge Road for an easy walk down The Branch Road Walkway through 6kms of native bush and farmland back to the Pohangina township and to the County Fayre, where a light lunch awaits you (all included in price).

Buses leave County Fayre every 45 minutes at the following times:  
**8:00am; 8:45am; 9:30am; 10:15am; 11:00am; 11:45am; 12:30pm; 1:15pm and 2:00pm.**


Time slots must be booked, please advise when booking which time you would prefer, we will try to accommodate you.

**YOU MUST BOOK and PRE-PAY for this event**

To book your ticket email: [countyfayre@inspire.net.nz](mailto:countyfayre@inspire.net.nz)

Adults \$30, Children \$15.00 (5 to 15yr),  
Family \$100 (2 Adults & 4 Children), under 5's free

**NO Dogs or Pushchairs/Prams** allowed on the track



**DATE: Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2022**

**TIME: 8.00 a.m. to 2.00p.m. (Time slots must be booked)**

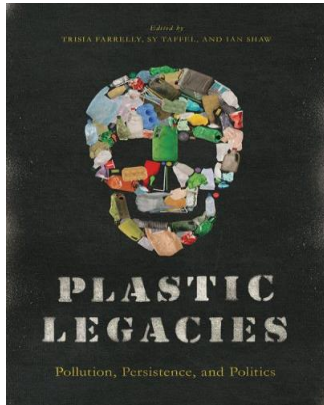
## **November 2022 Lecture**

Tuesday 15 November, PN Central Library, George Street entrance @ 7.30 pm

**All Welcome**

### **Talk: The Politics of Plastic Pollution**

**Speaker:** Associate Professor Trisia Farrelly, Massey University



Associate Professor Farrelly is an environmental anthropologist who researches plastic pollution and its relationships with climate change, human health and rights, and biodiversity loss. Her most recent work focusses on plastic pollution as waste colonialism, and includes *Plastic Legacies: Pollution, Persistence and Politics* (2021), to which she contributed as co-editor and author. Trisia will talk about her involvement in the United Nations Environment Assembly since 2017 and the resolution for a global plastics treaty. She will also discuss her role as technical advisor for Pacific Island countries and New Zealand's potential role in negotiating a comprehensive

and effective treaty.

## **Pukorokoro Miranda Shorebird Centre**



### **Exciting news: A New World Record Godwit Flight!!**

Late yesterday a juvenile godwit just 5 months old (tagged in Alaska) touched down in Ansons Bay in northeast Tasmania and already a local birder is heading that way to look for it but very heavy rain in the area may make travelling to the site difficult. This godwit with the great number 234684 departed from Alaska on 13 October and certainly looks to have flown non-stop to Tasmania. This will not be the first one to make this flight as godwits are frequent summer visitors to Tasmania and we are sure this one was with a group but it is the first time a tagged bird has flown between Alaska and Tasmania. In the process it flew a minimum of 13,560km in 11 days 1 hour. The previous long-distance record of 13,050km set by the

adult male 4BBRW in 2021 is blown out of the water by this young upstart. Many years ago, Mark Barter and others wader biologists calculated the potential flight range for these birds was possibly 11-13,000km based on departure weights. It is a pity Mark is not alive to see this but this one is for you Mark. By Adrian 25.10.22

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## An Exciting Egg Milestone!!!



To date customers of [The Egg Project](#) have supplied just over 2000 eggs to support the Ruahine Kiwi Project which total \$1170.00 in value. Quite the contribution! Eggs are used in the 1000+ traps used within the project to eradicate pests and ensure that kiwi can be reintroduced by 2023.

Our sincere thanks to Pip Chrystall and her team for their ongoing support, advocacy and mahi.

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## F&B DECEMBER MEETING

Manawatu Branch Annual Social - details to follow

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2022



We shall have a short presentation about

Carnivorous plants

by Pete Sebborn, F&B Manawatū Committee

*Drosera spatulata*

Photo: Jess Byrthell

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I do hope I will see you at our November monthly meeting next week.

Best wishes

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