

# ESUPPORTED THE LIFE STYLE RAURAKI \* TRUST

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## How we Celebrated Easter



**John Harrod** and **Jonda Lipsey** stand outside their home with Amanda Ewings Easter Egg artwork in the window bringing lots of Easter Cheer!

Happy Easter from **Wayne Mitchell** enjoying some fresh air and sunshine.





Someone was very happy to get an Easter egg....they were gone real quick!



Arty Chambers



Ali Lye



Adam Larkin

## **General Manager Update**

Hello Life Stylers, Staff, Families and Friends of the Trust,

The past month has flown by!! Something the Trust has never seen before or want to be in again; a nation wide lock down.

I must say everyone has done remarkably well during this time, and we hope you saw some of the fabulous activities that have been happening within the Trust bubble on the Trust Facebook page.

Often during times of adversity people pull together with a collective mindset and this is what we have seen not only in the Trust bubble, but across the Thames community and other New Zealand communities.

We have been very blessed with the support we have received from

many people that has not only encouraged us to have courage to get through this pandemic but help us with useful resources for Life Stylers and Staff.

Here are just a few of these Organisations and their Champions:

- Mickael Dernoncourt MD3D Engineering
- Felicia Te Kani Waikato District Health Board
- Barbara Walters & Nellie Harris-Disability Support Link
- Anil Edekar Medshop
- Karen Vause- MSD
- Total Health Pharmacy Thames

I feel as a Trust we have become closer, stronger and more united. People feel safe, respected and valued and therefore able to express themselves fully even during a pandemic.

Please view the video of Jamie Kininmonth signing to Alice Huggard or/and the Life Stylers honouring the fallen for ANZAC outside their houses, on Facebook.

This is what the Trust is about!

Hopefully some of these photos in the newsletter or on Facebook warm your heart and bring you joy, as it has for many of us.

Thank you everyone,



Until next time,

Phil Wightman GM



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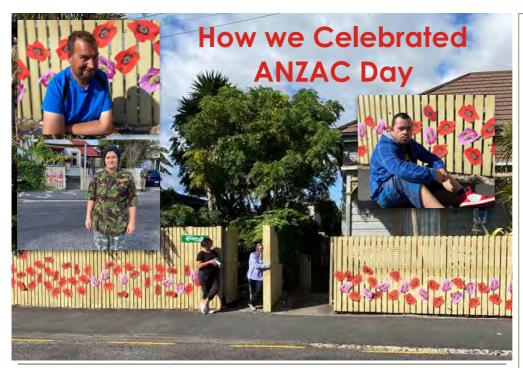
INTEGRITY



COURAGE



**INCLUSIVENESS** 



# Community Access Workshop Catchup

#### **Workshop News April 2020**

Creativity Workshop during lockdown

Although the Trust remains under Level 3 lockdown and the Creativity Workshop is closed to visitors we have had lots of demand for deliveries of creativity materials to different houses and locations.

Usually we get a call from staff with requests for particular craft and art items. Deb or I then make up a work box with what's been asked for and then add a few more things to spark creativity and inspire new work.

We have sent screen printing supplies and a newly strung loom out to the farm along with jewellery making items. David Broad has continued making mosaics at his home in Beach Rd.

We have also delivered individual creativity care packages to many households at the request of Life Stylers or their support staff.

Meanwhile our creativity workshop space has been organized into

logical zones (always a challenge when you're very busy with visitors every day) with materials organized in a way that makes them easy to locate. We have also operated as a mask making workshop where we've produced cloth masks for our onsite staff.

Despite huge changes to Grant funding as a result of our current economic situation we were successful in receiving some funding from Trust Waikato towards the materials we use here at the workshop and thank Trust Waikato for their generosity.

I've also worked with a range of staff mentoring and marking their Careerforce education unit standards and conducting annual appraisals with staff where possible, using appropriate social distancing.

I'm not sure when we'll get back to the new 'normal' but even in lockdown there's been lots to do helping to support people at the Trust with their creativity projects and education.

Ka kite ano, Nigel



Alice Huggard celebrated her birthday in style during the lockdown. Alice's birthday afternoon celebrations at Beach Rd. Special thanks to staff who went the extra mile to make this a special day and to Jamie Kininmonth for the beautiful song he sung to her.

# wishing -YOU a very happy BIRTHDAY







Louise Seagar celebrated her 36th Birthday on 3rd April. She had cake with a candle and flowers. Staff, Rai Schiewek sang Stevie Wonders "Happy birthday to ya" on the phone to her

Many Life Stylers and staff passed on birthday greetings to Louise in making her day special.

# How we are Keeping Busy During Lockdown





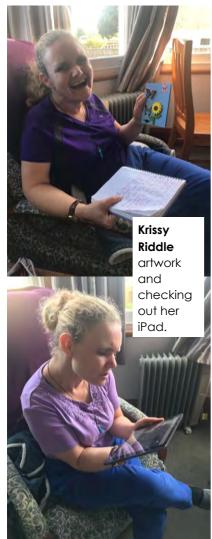






**Sunny Howett** has been busy with her crochet needle again and made this hat in one day.

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Thank you to Amanda Ewing and her Mum for making the staff these pouches to put their hand sanitisers in. Moe Williams is modelling a pouch.













