

Waste Awareness Newsletter

WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE LANDFILL OUR LAST CHOICE



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WELCOME TONI!

In November we welcomed Toni Bye to the waste minimisation team at Hastings District Council. Toni joined the team as waste minimisation specialist with a focus on the commercial and rural waste sector. Toni has been working in the resource recovery sector for nearly 15 years with local company, 3R Group, and is looking forward to working with local businesses to reduce commercial waste to landfill.

LOCAL WASTE NEWS

"It's an exciting opportunity to collaborate and find solutions that can help recover valuable resources for reuse, repurposing or recycling. The new Aotearoa New Zealand Waste Strategy and the Emissions Reduction Plan set new targets for all of us to reduce waste and I'm excited to see what we can achieve together."

If your business has a waste challenge that you'd like to solve, please get in touch with Toni via reducewaste@hdc.govt.nz

FRUIT BINS CLEANED FOR REUSE

An initiative to clean silt-covered wooden apple bins has achieved some great results. An impressive 20,000 apple bins have been cleaned and sanitised to regulatory standards, then returned to growers. Around 30,000 apple bins were caught in flood waters during Cyclone Gabrielle and strewn across the landscape.

The bin sanitisation programme has saved growers money and enabled them to get enough bins for this year's harvest. The Evergreen Foundation provided \$100,000 to set up the programme, with additional support from Ministry of Social Development and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.

To read more, see www.evergreenfoundation.org.nz/our-relief-initiatives/horticulture-sector-support/



Image: The Evergreen Foundation



Image: Bay Buzz

RE-SOURCE RENEWS

Re-Source takes things that someone no longer needs and gets them people who do. This article from Bay Buzz tells the story of ReSource and shares all the fantastic work its team does.

www.baybuzz.co.nz/re-source-renews/



OP SHOP SAVES HISTORY FROM LANDFILL

PSEC Charity Shop in Taradale has recently helped some historic clothing get donated to Napier's Faraday Museum.

Read more at nzherald.co.nz



Image: Te Piringa Manatapu Māori Wardens

EVENT RECYCLING WIN

Congratulations to Te Piringa Manatapu Māori Wardens for their amazing recycling efforts at the recent Kia Rite Hauora Expo. The health and wellness event collected 480L of recyclables that would have otherwise gone to landfill. That's the same as four kerbside wheelie bins' worth.

Getting good recycling results at events requires a bit of extra effort. The team had a dedicated person stationed at the bins during the event, to help attendees choose the correct bin. They also checked inside the bins regularly and took out incorrect items. Thanks Te Piringa Manatapu Māori Wardens, for showing how effective event recycling can be with the right steps in place.

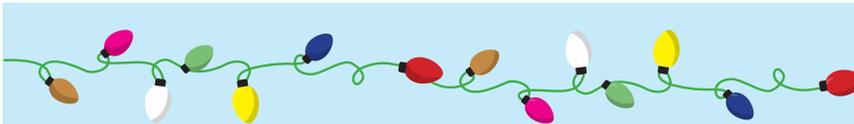


Image: Brother

BROTHER PRINTER RECYCLING SCHEME

Brother's Printer Pick Up is a print industry first in Aotearoa New Zealand that makes it easier than ever to recycle an old printer. When you buy a new Brother printer, Brother will pick up your old one and recycle it for you – regardless of the brand. Alternatively, you can drop your old printer off at any of our nationwide drop-off points to be recycled.

See more at brother.co.nz/recycling



COLLECTION DAYS FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

There will be changes to kerbside recycling and rubbish collection days over the summer holiday period. Your recycling and rubbish collections will be one day later than normal, for two weeks. For example, if your recycling is normally collected on Monday and your rubbish on Tuesday, it would change to: recycling on Tuesday, rubbish on Wednesday.

Normal service days return from Monday 8 January 2024.

CHRISTMAS 2023	
Normal collection day:	Changing to:
Monday 25th December	Tuesday 26th December
Tuesday 26th December	Wednesday 27th December
Wednesday 27th December	Thursday 28th December
Thursday 28th December	Friday 29th December
Friday 29th December	Saturday 30th December

NEW YEAR 2024	
Normal collection day:	Changing to:
Monday 1st January	Tuesday 2nd January
Tuesday 2nd January	Wednesday 3rd January
Wednesday 3rd January	Thursday 4th January
Thursday 4th January	Friday 5th January
Friday 5th January	Saturday 6th January



EDUCATION

REDUCE FOOD WASTE THIS CHRISTMAS

When we waste food, we don't just lose the opportunity to enjoy that food, but we also waste the inputs that have gone into making it, like energy, labour, ingredients, packaging, not to mention emissions. You can make a difference.

For a Christmas without food waste, use these tips: Plan your meal, have a shopping list, store things correctly, serve only the amount needed. Get creative with leftovers, share them with guests or freeze them.

Read more at lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz/zero-food-waste-christmas/

For other great Christmas food tips, check out these ideas

Use Christmas treats to flavour icecream.

lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz/leftover-christmas-treats-flavour-ice-cream/

Edible Christmas gifts from:

lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz/edible-christmas-gifts/

Images: Love Food Hate Waste



TAKE NOTE

Event waste volunteers needed

Help events reduce waste to landfill by assisting people to use recycling bins correctly. Use your passion for the environment to help others make sustainable choices.

Potential fundraising opportunities for groups.

Register your interest with [Sustainable HB](#) or [Volunteering HB](#)

My Walk in Wardrobe

Sustainable Fashion Market

Saturday 2 December, 10 am – 2pm

Tomoana Showgrounds,
Kenilworth Road, Hastings

Gold coin entry

Buy and sell preloved, vintage, upcycled and handmade – clothing, shoes, jewellery and accessories.

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