The Buzz from the Buzz

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter, December 2024.

Celebrations

Congratulations to Beau Prosser and Sarah Fisher who recently attended job interviews at Nelson Golf Club, they both did very well and have been offered jobs in the cafe.

Thank you to Lisa and Tony at Nelson Golf Club for giving Beau and Sarah these wonderful opportunities. We look forward to watching them progress in these roles.

Congratulations to Jeffrey who is working in the Nelson Foodbank on Wednesday and Friday mornings, this is a great transition out of the supported Buzz environment and it shows his growth in confidence and skills to be able to work independently alongside the other volunteers.

Congratulations to Jordan McBride who has passed his Team Leader Savvy Service IQ. This qualification has required Jordan to undertake lots of self lead learning and demonstrate his skills in practical activities within the Buzz.

Yay!! excellent work Jordan

Honey Sales

Our relationship with Tasman Honey NZ has been firmly embedded and we have been doing tasters and working hard to get the tastiest Buzz honey on the shelves.
We think we have made the right choice, settling on the multifloral honey, but ultimately it's up to you to decide, so come along to the Buzz or Nook Cafe and buy a jar, we'd welcome your feedback.

Blueflowers has supported us in designing the new labels and we now have square jars instead of the round ones…!
Thank you to the Nook Cafe team for selling our honey at the Counter.

Pretty Crafty Market

We attended the Christmas Pretty Crafty Market at Richmond Town Hall, thanks to Karen Cooper for the opportunity to sell our honey and provide our young people valuable sales experience.

Rata Foundation

Rata Foundation continues to be a great supporter of the Buzz and we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for their generous donation in the recent funding round. We are grateful for their support and their belief in what we are doing for young people at the Buzz.

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Welcome to Lorraine Nowland who has started volunteering with us on Wednesdays and some Fridays.
Her easy nature and motivation to improve outcomes for the Buzz young people has been wonderful. She has built great relationships and we value her support in all aspects of the Buzz. Thank you Lorraine.

Our Groups in brief

Our attendance has grown with 24 attendees in the groups across both our Weds & Fri mornings. We continue to have enquiries from potential new young people and we continue our good relationship with the local colleges to support young people through their transitions from school to the community work opportunities.

We have been very fortunate to have the skills and expertise of Astrid and Arjen, with their daughter Nienke, who have been part of our group for 3 months while on sabbatical from the Netherlands. They have bought a new perspective to the Buzz and we have valued their professionalism and work ethic, they have set high expectations and the Buzz crew have responded really well to this.

Christmas Party

The Christmas Party was a joyous occasion….
Huge thanks to Lucky from Hells Pizza who provided the yummy pizzas

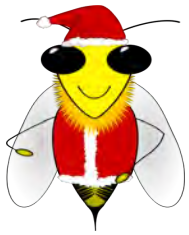
Dates for you Diary

The Buzz will be closed from December 13th 2024 until January 15th 2025

Merry Christmas to all
Have a fun filled festive season - see you in 2025!

Thankyou

As always we would like to extend our warm thanks and huge appreciation to our wonderful volunteers: Gera, Carolyn, Philippa, Sal, Lorraine & Jordan and all our amazing committee who work above and beyond to ensure the Buzz runs seamlessly and smoothly.
We wish Jana a safe and wonderful trip to visit her family in Germany for Christmas and we look forward to her return in the New Year.
Thanks to Greg for keeping the 'hive alive' on a daily basis & creating opportunities and providing valuable support.

Extra, Extra…read all about it!!

Congratulations to Alfie Linn who was recently invited to Government House to receive a prestigious NZDSA National Achievement Award, from Dame Cindy Kiro and Dr Richard Davies, for his advocacy & contribution to inclusion in sport for people with disabilities and his success in Table Tennis at national and international level.