

MARCH 2015

Te Rangimarie Visiting Hours:

Family members are welcome to visit anytime.

General visiting is

10am—7pm

We are available:

24 hours/7 days a week for patient care

telephone 06 753 7830

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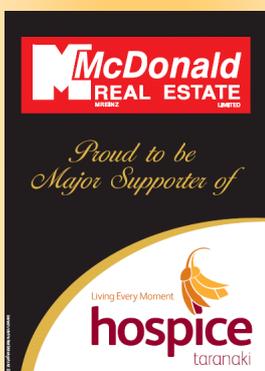
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Dorothy is Living Every Moment ...

Story by Lyn Humphreys

Each day of the school week, Dorothy Wheeler caught her horse and rode down her rural Northland road from the family farm before getting on the bus taking her to Kaingaroa School.

“I would ride three miles on a gravel road, leave the horse in a paddock and go the next five miles on the school bus. I was forever watching out for the cream cart which would come hurtling down the road. I used to help my brothers muster stock. My eldest brother Dick broke in the horses. I can still visualise it. It was hair raising growing up with three brothers,” she laughs.

It's now a long time since she was on horseback, but when the Hospice Taranaki Day Programme organiser – Heather Ternouth, took 77 year old Dorothy under her wing, she asked “...what would you most like to do, as part of your bucket list.” Dorothy had no hesitation with her answer: to again ride a horse.

And before she knew, there she was on horseback at the Disabled Riding School having a fine old time.

“I had a girl either side of me. They were very caring. I hung onto the reins. The horse's name was Maiden and she was a beautiful bay. I got on all right. It was a little more difficult to get off!”

Sharp of mind, Dorothy is a big fan of the day programme at Te Rangimarie Hospice and is a regular attendee twice a week on Wednesdays and Fridays.

“It's a particularly good programme. Heather organises it and looks ahead and brings in wonderful speakers.”



The Taranaki-based country band Gumboot Tango came in recently and was “fantastic”, Dorothy says beaming at the memory. A couple of weeks back the group was taken off to Paradise Berry Farm at Corbett Rd and had a feast when they returned for lunch.

Dorothy has cancer following a double mastectomy because of breast cancer 20 years back. She now regularly suffers from low haemoglobin levels which cause her to become very tired. “I have difficulty walking.” Each day she takes a siesta to help her get through.

But she sure isn't about to let illness rule her life.

...Dorothy's story continues over the page ...

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Dorothy's beautiful story continues ...

"The good Lord kept me going. I've got a lot of help. Jesus helps me. It helps me so much. It's very seldom anyone sees me miserable. Several have said to me, 'If only I could be like that'."

It was her Palmerston-North based oncologist, Dr Richard Isaac, (who calls her his star patient), who suggested she became a Hospice patient after she was spending a lot of time at the Emergency Department.

"He said I'd advise you to go to hospice. I didn't know much about it but I've been going there for eight months now. It's made a big difference to me. It lifts you out of yourself. I now look forward to the things coming up. And I find I can contribute."

Before marrying Don and having a family, Dorothy trained as a nurse after leaving her family farm at Utukai. Her UK-born father emigrated to New Zealand having suffered bad head wounds while serving in both world wars.

"He was told to get out of England," she says.

He became a farmer, married a Kiwi, and went on to become an expert dahlia grower and judge. "I had wonderful parents," she recalls of her upbringing.

As a young nurse, Dorothy headed off to England on a working holiday and caught up with her UK relatives. At one time, she took up an opportunity to go to Stratford on Avon and found she had developed a deep love of poetry.

She has taken to writing her own poems about the things she experiences around her. "I write them, then poke them into my book. I hope one day they will be read to my grandchildren."

She often reads her latest poem out to the others who go to the Day Programme with her and is heartened to see them being well received. "I saw a lady's face come alive and I realised what a therapy it was."

This Christmas had special meaning for her and Don when the whole family gathered to spend time together. Those who came from Texas in the United States and from Gisborne stayed at Belt Rd campsite and enjoyed all the New Plymouth festivities. Some even climbed Mt Taranaki.

"It was fantastic," she says.

And after a long hot January, Dorothy is about to add a new item to her bucket list.

"I want to go swimming in the sea."



Wanted / Needed:

Volunteers are needed for our bereavement team. A unique skilled role that makes it preferable for you to have had experience with counselling/telephone counselling.

For more information please phone Jenny Blyde, *Family Support Co-ordinator*, 06 753 7830, ext 8669 Monday–Thursday.



Murray's reflection:

Murray Elliot is our Hospice Chaplain— providing spiritual or pastoral support. Murray is extremely easy to talk to.

We have asked Murray for a few words that we can take a moment to reflect upon...

"The heaviest burdens we bear are really untold stories so ease the burden and tell your story to those who love you."



Hospice Taranaki Inc Board members;

Mike Brooke (Chair), Peter Cottam, Dianne Bezuidenhout, Dr John Doran, Christine Taylor, Tim Coleman, Judy Drummond, Neil Evetts and new appointee Paul Lamb.

From the Chief Executive: *Kevin Nielsen*

A very warm welcome to all our supporters and readers of our newsletter in 2015. What a warm start to 2015 it has been! I trust you have all been able to enjoy our wonderful summer.

We have started the new year (sadly) with a record number of patients needing hospice care and support. We reached 167 PATIENTS ACROSS THE PROVINCE IN JANUARY, the highest total ever. It has meant a very busy time for our team but as always it is a privilege to be involved with patients and family/whanau at what is a very traumatic and stressful time.

It is a sad fact but true, that with Taranaki's aging population we are unlikely to see any significant drop in the need for hospice service in the future, in fact the need is only going to grow for the next 20 years or so.

I want to thank all of you who support us in so many ways, without your support we could not do what we do. Whether you donate financially, support us through your time and effort, donate or buy from our HospiceShops, you are all a critically important part of our organisation.

I know you will have enjoyed reading Dorothy's story on the front page of this issue of HospiceTalk. Like all of our patients she inspires us with the approach she is taking to this closing phase of her life. It is great when we can help facilitate patient's (bucket list) wishes and achieve our goal of helping patients to "Live Every Moment".

This year it is time to look at our planning for the next 3 years. That will involve seeking input from people and organisations with whom we are involved as well as taking into account the likely demands on our service in the ensuing years and then planning our strategies so that we meet the needs of Taranaki people.

While the fundraising environment is becoming increasingly competitive we are absolutely committed to ensuring hospice palliative care remains free of charge. We will as a sector continue to lobby strongly with the government (of whatever colour) to retain an appropriate share of the health budget. We have had success in the past and we are anticipating additional funding this year as was promised during the election campaign.

However irrespective of that very welcome boost we still need the support of Taranaki people to meet our annual funding need. Our HospiceShops continue to thrive and they will contribute a large part of the \$1.7m we need to raise this financial year from the community. Our 4 HospiceShops, supported by the Borrell Ave warehouse are all producing excellent results thanks to the support from you, our donors and customers! Stratford HospiceShop will be relocating to a new, much larger shop in the middle of this year and we are also looking at the possibilities of enlarging the Waiwhakaiho HospiceShop.

Being involved with hospice provides a constant reminder that the philosophy of "Living Every Moment" should not be reserved for the time when we are nearing the end of life, it is the way we should always live our life!

Life is not a trial run, we have one opportunity and so let's make the most of it!

Best regards to all until next time —*Kevin*.



Colin Muggeridge 25.2.1928—19.11.2014



We were all shocked and saddened with the sudden passing of our patron and founding trustee Colin Muggeridge in November last year.

Colin was an initial trustee in May 1993 when the Taranaki Hospice Foundation was formally incorporated. In October 1993 a fundraising campaign was launched to raise \$1m. In November 1994 Iona House was opened as a 2 bed day unit. It would have been a very proud day for Colin and all the others involved. Those people on the trust at that time were visionaries, whether they knew it or not – they had established the basis for what has become a highly regarded hospice service by our community and stands well alongside other hospice services in the country.

One of Colin's fortes was raising funds. The Board, with Colin as chair and others involved, purchased additional properties adjacent to Iona House as right from the outset they had the vision of having a stand alone hospice in-patient unit to support the community service.

Colin has always been a regular supporter and advocate for the HospiceShops and he had great pride as we opened in Stratford, Hawera and Waiwhakaiho. It was fantastic that the last official function he attended was when we opened the newly completed warehouse on Borrell Avenue two weeks prior to his funeral.

We have gone from nothing back then to now where we have an excellent in-patient unit, an excellent community service, our education facility, and headquarters supported by 4 HospiceShops and our warehouse precinct, without debt, with a Foundation which can provide financial certainty in what can be uncertain times as we face huge increases in need for our services. Colin deserves every accolade for the part he has played in those achievements. He will be missed in many parts of Hospice Taranaki and it will take some time before we stop expecting him to appear, but he certainly will not be forgotten. Colin was one of life's true characters!

RIP Colin.

Our HospiceShops are supporting hospice palliative care for the people of Taranaki. They are vitally important to our fundraising— please support by either **donating saleable items** of books, clothes, electrical goods, bric a brac and furniture or by being a **shopper**.

What is happening in the Westown HospiceShop—Lynda?

Gosh it will be March when you receive this and Christmas has disappeared to a pleasant but distant memory.

I have great pleasure in welcoming Kay Looney to our team. Kay is working in our Furniture area and doing a great job—she has wonderful ideas and **furniture, sports equipment, electrical goods** are all racing out the door. Now is a good time to purchase **lounge suites and lounge chairs** as they are half marked price, **suitcases** \$1.00 each, odd single **mattress and bases** are \$1.00 each, Queen, King and Double are at half marked price. These are going fast so be quick!!

Our Shari has an array of bargain's for all including – **boxed linen \$3 per box** and **Jeans and T Shirts** in the bins out the front for “fill” a supermarket bag for \$1.00. These are going fast so be quick.

In **Bric 'a' Brac** we have 10 dinner plates for \$1 along with more specials out the front in the bins.

We welcome your donation of saleable items—if you need to arrange a collection of your donations, call us 753 8640 , as we have a service available from Tuesday – Saturday mornings weekly.



What is happening in the Waiwhakaiho HospiceShop—Ainslee?

It's been a busy start to the new year beginning with the wonderful array of donations we received over Christmas, this means we have a wide range of stock available. We have **linen**, including summer and winter sheets, duvet covers, **cushions, knitting and sewing patterns** and all sorts of **haberdashery and craft goodies**.

We would like donations of **net curtains** that are in good re-saleable condition.

It is an ideal time to refresh the toy box and keep the kids entertained - we can help as we are offering all sorts of weekly **specials on toys**.

Upstairs in clothing look out for our **half price specials** on selected priced **clothing**. We will also be adding to our \$1 fill a bag range outside, keep an eye out before you enter the shop.

You have been demanding that we provide a wider range of popular **electrical** goods to keep up with demand—Simon in our **Furniture** area, has moved things around for your shopping pleasure.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

WE NEED YOU

FOR A MORNING OR AN AFTERNOON PER WEEK

All 4 of our HospiceShops & Borrell Ave

Warehouse have vacancies with a variety of roles:

Cashier, Customer service, Sorting stock items, Lifting & shifting stock items, Pick-ups & deliveries.

Ask in your nearest HospiceShop for an application pack.

Volunteers are a vital ingredient in the lifeblood of our organisation.

WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO JOIN US.

Where can you find a HospiceShop in Taranaki? ... here, here, here and here...

112 Tukapa St Westown, NP 06 753 8640 Shop hours ... Monday 9am—1pm Tues—Fri 9am—4pm Sat 9am—1pm	Cnr Katere & Devon Rds Waiwhakaiho, NP 06 758 8647 Shop hours ... Monday 9am—1pm Tues—Fri 9am—3pm Sat 9am—1pm	104 High St Hawera 06 278 4593 Shop hours ... Monday 9.30am—1pm Tues—Fri 9.30am—4pm Sat 9.30am—1pm	278 Broadway Stratford 06 765 0900 Shop hours ... Monday 9.30am—1pm Tues-Fri 9.30am—3.30pm Sat 9.30am—12.30pm	Borrell Ave, Westown Borrell Ave Warehouse Westown, NP Donations—Drop offs Mon—Fri 8am—2.30pm Saturday 8am—noon
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Ngakiri, what is happening at our Hawera HospiceShop?



Hello from the Team at the Hawera HospiceShop, hope every one had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

You'll be amazed at what we have to offer in our HospiceShop, if you are looking to lose some unwanted kilos we have exercise machines to help get you back in shape after Christmas- **Ab-king pro, Ab circle, striders, steppers and stationary bicycles**. For the sports athletes we have **golf clubs, squash racquets, swimming flippers, cricket gear, snow skis, snow boards, bowls etc**.

Going to the beach? We have fold-out **sun chairs, tents, sunhats** and lots of **summer clothing** to go with the sports equipment.

Having a picnic lunch? We have what you need ...plastic **containers, chilly bins, flasks** for your coffee, **cups, plates** and the all the **cutlery** for this perfect picnic.

Grab a **blanket** to sit on while eating your lunch, grab a **pushchair** for the toddler save you carrying them in this heat and a **toy** to entertain them, always good to have spare set of **clothing for the toddler** in the car; we have all sizes of children's clothing from newborn up to size 10.

We have loads of **adults clothing** for sale— everything you can think of and more. For your craft & sewing needs are met here - we have a range of **buttons, zips, wool, cotton, patterns, knitting needles and fabric**.

We have a great range of **wooden tables and chairs, cabinets, lounge suits** all reasonably priced for sale.

After that big day you'd want to put your feet up watch some T.V! You don't have one? We have some for sale, or you may want to read a good **book**, a thriller, romance or humor. Time for **bed** we have king, queen, double or single mattresses for sale as well as all the **linen** you need. Your donations are so appreciated and welcomed - we are able to pick up larger donations with our truck- phone us to organise ...06 2784593.

Stratford HospiceShop is bursting at the seams... Is it time for more space?

Hello to everyone welcome to Stratford HospiceShop 2015—this is going to be a really exciting year for us.

Our number one thing is to make every one welcome to our HospiceShop, and to help in any way we can.

We have a great range of very nice, modern, **ladies dresses and tops**, in great colours for the summer, which are flying out the door. Also we have **ladies tee shirts, shorts, summer weight trousers and summer foot wear** and a lovely array of **sleep wear** also available.

A good range of **men's short and long sleeve shirts, and trousers**. Also good range **baby and children's wear** (which the young mums want), **new hand knitting, booties, hats, jackets, hot water bottle covers**.

We have a good range of HOUSEHOLD GOODS, **bowls, sets of glasses, mugs, plates, ornaments, utensils, knives, forks, spoons, candleholders, pots, frying pans, baking tins**. ELECTRICAL, **coffee machine, radio, toaster, jugs, cake mixers, and more!** Also **linen, sheets all sizes, pillow cases, duvets, pillows**, very nice range of **cushions, table cloths, runners, towels, plastic bag holders, curtains, drapes and nets**.

In the "Book corner"; a good selection of **adult and children's books**, with good and well known author's. Also in the Book corner - **Jig saw puzzles, cd's, tapes and bags of toys**. We stock all size **jars for jams and pickling**, and of course we also sell jams and pickles.

Upcoming raffle—our fantastic **Easter raffle** will have tickets available shortly.

NEW PLYMOUTH HOSPICESHOP ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES AUCTION—SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2014,

Hobson Room, Devon Hotel & Conference Centre, 390 Devon St East, New Plymouth

catalogue will be available on our website (close to event date) hospicetaranaki.org.nz

New Plymouth Knitting news:

The Hospice Knitting Group had another very busy and successful year. **Well done**. This is made possible by the wonderful donations of wool we receive from the community, people buying the knitting and of course our great band of knitters. Thank you all.

More wool is needed and we would appreciate your donations—please. Phone Cathryn Phillips 758 2521, Hazel Reed 753 6025, or June Jamieson 757 5252 if you would like us to pick up any wool donations—thank you.

Our New Plymouth sales stalls will begin in April (April dates are below) The full schedule is available from Te Rangimarie reception & our website). Meantime ... we do have a selection of knitting (baby size knitting to toddlers) available in Te Rangimarie foyer.

Knitting stalls will be starting in April on Friday's (subject to the weather) beginning with...

10th - Countdown (NP on the oneway) 17th - Merrilands Pharmacy and 24th—The Warehouse (NP)

Vanessa & Letiesha spread the knowledge. Our Education programme...



Working hard putting together the Education programme for 2015 are - Registered Nurses Vanessa Philp. and Letiesha Sue . The main focus they have said is to communicate, build relationships and support those that provide palliative care. They will be providing the latest up-to-date information, policies and skills. Combined they have over 16 years of 'hands on' experience of palliative care.

Vanessa and Letiesha are networking with the GP's, RN's, ward staff at the TDHB and carers in the aged care facilities— covering all of Taranaki. Vanessa

& Letiesha can be contacted at Te Rangimarie 06 753 7830.

Palliative Care Services we provide...

- ♥ In patient care
- ♥ Wellness clinics
- ♥ Community care
- ♥ Symptom management
- ♥ Respite care
- ♥ End of live care
- ♥ Equipment provision
- ♥ Social work
- ♥ Physiotherapy
- ♥ Occupational therapy
- ♥ Bereavement support
- ♥ Counselling
- ♥ Day programme
- ♥ Biography service
- ♥ Remembrance service
- ♥ Carer support
- ♥ Education
- ♥ Volunteer Support

Thanks to YOU all— outstanding support ...

The support we receive from the people of Taranaki is outstanding. To all those people who have donated through **funerals**, or other **donations**, those who donate **regularly** or responded to our **Wish list**, those who purchased a **paver or plaque**, to those who donate goods for our **HospiceShops** or assist us in any other way, WE THANK YOU ALL...TSB Community Trust; Taranaki Electricity Trust; Lotteries (National Community); Dilmah; Tegel Foods; Green Meadows Beef, Liquorland, McCurdy Engineering, Paradise Berry Farm; Amanda Keat, Strandon Pharmacy, Nancy Leahy, Darcy Larking, Huirangi WI, M. Hawkes, L Pringle, M Robinson-Davies, P Doodles, Terry Clare, K Davies, J Thomson, J Francis, Kath Leeman, Graeme Phillips, Patricia Gall, Eileen Kiffins, D & M Palmer, the anonymous donors, Those people who supported our Telemarketing campaign. **THANK YOU ALL Fundraising events:** Busing Russell—Charity Golf Day, Bell Block Puketapu Lions Club guest speaker—Bill Hohepa, Paper Plus—Jo Seagar book launch at Central School, TACT, UpperCuts Lawn & Garden Service, Brebner Print, VBW and so many others...



De Burch Adams Lodge No 446 Irish Constitution— celebrated their 150th birthday and we received the fabulous present. A gift of \$ 15,000. This is so wonderful for us, the money will be directed to our need for Air Mattresses for the patients and Laptops which are now an essential part of equipment for the community nurses. Thank you so much to the members for presenting this fantastic cheque to our Heather Koch at the celebration dinner.

Wishlist

- Reflex hammer**—\$35 we have one and we need a second.
- Spenco mattress covers**—these we have available for patients in the community. *We actually purchase the special fabric and our fabulous EN—Isobel sews it up*—\$95 for fabric that makes 2 covers.
- Sensor Mats**— one please. This is used in the inpatient unit. The mat alarm alerts the staff to a patient moving— particularly useful in preventing patients from falling unnecessarily.— \$250 each

— TREE OF — **THANK YOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS WHO ASSISTED WITH TREES OF REMEMBRANCE**
Remembrance ... Bell Block & District Lions, Catholic Womens League, Inner Wheel, Lower Mangorei WI, NP West Rotary, Pakeke Lions, Soroptimist NP, Taranaki Patchworkers & Quilters, TRFU and our many friends of friends. **THANK YOU** to Tina & Carl Turner for Tree of Remembrance in Kaponga Four Square and Rosalie Drummond for our Opunake Tree. Thank you so much for volunteering your time to ensure the success of Trees of Remembrance.

Tree of Remembrance at Farmer New Plymouth



A newly established relationship between Hospice and Farmers Trading Company called Caring Connections in Our Community, was hugely successful raising over \$ 13,000 for Hospice Taranaki.



"We are delighted", Hospice CEO Kevin Nielsen said "with the support and funds raised during December from our local Farmers store. The Farmers Store staff whole heartedly supported this promotion – and customers very generously donated whether it was for the Tree of Remembrance, the purchase of the Tim Beveridge CD, or making a donation. We need to raise over \$ 1.7m this year so these funds will be a big help in ensuring our services remain free of charge to those patients and families."

"Despite being the busiest time of year Farmers staff took time to ask customers to support Hospice Taranaki, finding the experience rewarding and often humbling seeing the generosity to support the work of hospice" store manager Herman Petrick explained.

Lianne, what are the Volunteers up to?



Aaron Lock, Angela Ferguson and young Greer Lock presenting the wonderful cheque on behalf of the Taranaki Chefs Association to Lianne & Kevin

Hospice volunteers, just quietly behind the scenes, continue to look after the building and people in it, and help in a huge way to make this service available to the people of Taranaki.

Every Thursday two ladies come in and replace current flowers with fresh floral arrangements. The team of five alternate each week. They do a really great job and their efforts are enjoyed by patients, families and staff.



Just another example of what the hospice volunteers do.

Recently we had a wonderful donation of \$2000 from the NZ Chefs Association, Taranaki branch. This was raised by them through making a lot of lamingtons, then selling them. Each year they raise money and donate to different causes, this year we were the lucky recipients and they requested the money be spent on our kitchen. Through their generosity we were able to upgrade and / or purchase things that would have otherwise not been possible. It has made a huge difference and our housekeeping staff are thrilled with all their new kitchen appliances. We also bought things like sun umbrellas for picnics outside. So a huge **thank you** to the Taranaki Chefs association.

Heather, what activities have the Patients been involved with?

Mid January saw us leap into action with our **Day Programme**. We have already had a great deal of pleasure enjoying; Storytellers, Pianists and Sports Taranaki (helping us to keep mobile).

The weather has been playing its part and we have been lucky enough to visit Paradise Berry Farm (yummy) and Brooklands Zoo. We then have; a morning tea scheduled for the Tea House & Buggy Ride in Pukekura Park and a Garden Party in the beautiful gardens we have here at Te Rangimarie.

There's plenty more to look forward to - in the coming months."



Purchasing strawberries ...



Bringing a smile ...

Newsletters by email... Receipts by email ...



Please, help us cut back on costs - but still keep you informed about what is happening—by having your newsletter emailed and your receipts emailed.



Also check out our facebook page "Hospice Taranaki" - no not competitions but we do have interesting stories to share.

Please send an email to us at: hospicetalk@hospicetaranaki.org.nz with your name, postal address & your landline phone number.

Donation Form

We need your ongoing support as much as ever.

All donations will be acknowledged and qualify for income tax exemption in accordance with IRD rules.



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- **Internet banking to: TSB Bank—15 39 48 0365008 80 Please use the reference HT with your name & phone number—so we can acknowledge your donation**
- **Please make cheques payable to Hospice Taranaki Inc.**

Bequests: If you are interested in receiving information on making a bequest to Hospice please tick the box

Newsletter: If you **do not** wish to remain on our mailing list to receive our Newsletters please tick the box

The Privacy Act 1993 requires us to advise you that we keep the names, addresses and telephone numbers of our supporters on file to help us with our fundraising. If you do not wish us to store this information, please advise us. If you wish to check the details on your file, you are welcome to enquire.

There is nothing nicer than a cuppa ...

We thank Dilmah: Dilmah have over the years supplied tens of thousands of tea bags to us. Thank you Dilmah team for your extraordinary on-going generosity.

They responded: Merrill J Fernando & Family and Dilmah New Zealand thank you (Hospice) again for the wonderful service your team provides and trust that our small contribution is able to offer a "little cup of comfort" for your patients and their loved ones who spend time with you each year.

Acknowledgment ...

We acknowledge the passing of long serving volunteer Shirley Adams.

Shirley had been a strong advocate of our Biography service.

We recognise Shirley's contribution to Hospice Taranaki.



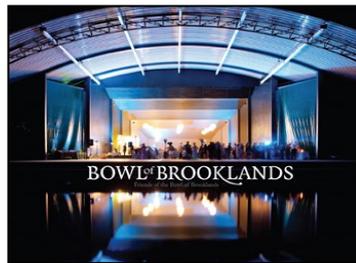
Available for purchase ...

Loving memory candles are available in Te Rangimarie for \$10, these are beautiful vases with candles nestled in a bed of soft white sand "a gentle reminder shining brightly, of those not with us, but whom we never forget".



In our glorious Te Rangimarie garden we have **plaques & pavers** nestled amongst the trees shrubs and flowers. If you would like to have a paver placed in the garden or a plaque hung on the surrounding walls then please pop into Te Rangimarie or go onto our website for further details—www.hospicetaranaki.org.nz

The Friends of the **Bowl of Brooklands** produced this wonderful book with all of the proceeds to come to Hospice Taranaki. We have copies of the book at Te Rangimarie reception desk, for \$30 per copy. This is a wonderful hard cover book with 225 pages of great photos and wonderful anecdotes.



Local support in Stratford...

Thank you Abstract Signs for donating the sign in Stratford for Trees of Remembrance. This sandwich board was sponsored by Stratford Timber and G & J Drummond.

— TREE OF —
Remembrance

Trees of Remembrance in Stratford raised nearly \$700. congratulations to the donors & volunteers involved.

WELL DONE—THANK YOU

Part of our hospice service includes providing equipment to patients for in their homes. This can pose a bit of a logistical challenge at times. For many years in Stratford -Vaughan McSweeney has provided this service, doing a great job— really awesome thank you. Recently RJ Eagar have said they will take up this challenge in the Stratford area of shifting our equipment for us.

BRILLANT—THANK YOU

Fabric-a-brac 2015—fundraiser:

ATTENTION CRAFT & SEWING PEOPLE—do you have craft, sewing and scrapbooking supplies, patterns, beads, leather etc (unfinished items). Then **your** options are; **hire a table** to display your 'hoarding's' or donate the items so we can sell them at this fundraiser.

When:: Saturday 12th September 9am—1pm

Where: Bell Block Hall (this is at the end of the row of Bell Block shops before the Bell Block school). Plenty of parking behind the shops.

Who do you contact for more information:

- Carolyn 758 0644 or June 751 0775
- www.fabricabrac.co.nz or fabricabracnp@gmail.com

Hospice Awareness Week:
 Monday 18th—24th May 2015

Hospice Taranaki Inc.

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