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Spring
Newsletter
2021

The difference you're making in the lives of people being cared for by Hospice

Hospice nurses hold the hands of people, guiding you through this new unknown path... Giving knowledge for the path ahead so you can live as well as you can for as long as you can.

Read more on how your support helps people like Lynlee on page 2



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Cranford
hospice
hawke's bay

Ngā mihi nui Nurse Champions!

"Cranford Hospice nurses really care and their experience, they've seen it all. That's very reassuring to know that they are experts in their field. They're just incredible."

You make our work possible, and I couldn't be more grateful. In the lead up to our Winter Nurses Appeal, we tried something new. I invited a special group of Hawke's Bay supporters to become Nurse Champions by donating towards a Matched Giving Fund. This fund reached \$11,785, which meant, in our annual Winter Nurses Appeal we were able to say that every dollar donated would be doubled up to the value of \$11,785, this is amazing! The Winter Nurses Appeal has reached \$50,136.52 thanks to the incredible generosity of the Hawke's Bay community.

The star of our Nurses appeal was the lovely Lynlee. When I met with Lynlee we talked about how she began her journey with Cranford two years ago. The support that our nurses provided to Lynlee and her whānau was invaluable. Lynlee loved nothing more than spending quality time with her friends and whānau, and your support ensured



ABOVE: Lynlee and Manaia in the garden.

she was able to do this.

Sadly, Lynlee recently died. I spoke with her daughter who told me that it was a peaceful process and that Lynlee died just as she wanted to, at home, in her bed surrounded by her loved ones. I wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to Lynlee's whānau, and give thanks to them for allowing us to share her story.

At all COVID-19 Alert Levels, Cranford Hospice is here to care for you and your loved ones. Our team works around the clock to deliver care to more than 200 patients and their whānau in their homes. I acknowledge that receiving palliative

care on a 'normal' day has challenges, and we are all dedicated to ensuring the best possible palliative care remains available during COVID-19 Alert Level changes.

Thank you for helping us help people like Lynlee and her whānau. I am continually humbled by your incredible compassion and generosity.

Ngā mihi mahana – warm regards

Janice Byford-Jones
Chief Executive Officer

Helping people treasure every moment

It's no secret that our four legged friends are firm favourites here at Cranford.

We are so lucky to have had hospice therapy dog, Fox and her owner Jo, part of our Cranford team. This incredible duo volunteered through Canine Friends Pet Therapy visiting patients every Tuesday. I am very sad to report that Fox has recently died after a short illness. From all the team we pass on our sincere condolences.

It is a truly special experience for animal lovers who are admitted to the Inpatient unit to be able to make that connection. We welcome patient's beloved pets to come in for a visit.



ABOVE: Jo and beloved Hospice Therapy dog, Fox.

Fundraising for families

Every year, we can offer our services at no cost to patients and their whānau thanks to our beautiful community supporting us through fundraising.

We recently spoke to Holly whose dad died at home in Havelock North during lockdown last year. Holly has just spent a month on her feet running 65km to raise funds for Cranford Hospice. Finishing her month on what would have been her dad's 65th birthday, Holly has raised an amazing \$5,530.

Although a short journey with Cranford, Holly and her family were so grateful for the support they received for David from his diagnosis to death.



ABOVE: Holly and her dad David.

BELOW: Malcolm Cox presenting a cheque to (from L to R) Abbie Harris, Janice Byford-Jones and Alesha Hope from Cranford Hospice.



'Fundraising for the Hospice was a no brainer after seeing the selfless love and care Dad's hospice nurse gave him during his last days, and right up until his last breath. We were in unknown territory but our nurse knew what Dad would need before we did.'

Holly wondered how to raise money for Cranford for a while, even trying to convince her partner to run a marathon to raise funds and 'let her off the hook'. In Holly's words, '*Cranford was not just for dad, but for all of us*' and she was keen to give back.

You are inspiring Holly. Thank you so much!

We are extremely grateful to everyone who donates to Cranford Hospice. In addition to amazing individuals like Holly, we also have businesses and other community groups who support us.

Malcolm Cox from Cox Partners recently visited us with a donation of \$3,000 from their Giving for Good programme. You can find more information about this at www.coxpartners.co.nz

Abbie from our fundraising team was also presented with not one, but two cheques from the Wine Country chapter of BNI who ran a fantastic movie fundraising event recently, in addition to the member contribution they regularly donate.

If you're interested in running a fundraiser for Cranford Hospice, please contact Abbie, our Community Fundraising Co-ordinator on **06 878 7047** or email abbie.harris@cranfordhospice.org.nz

Dates for the diary



Hawkes Bay Wine Auction

NEW DATE

When: Saturday 13th November

Visit: hawkesbaywineauction.co.nz



Compassionate Friends Coffee Group

If someone you care about has died, then you are invited to attend Cranford Hospice's 'Compassionate Friends' coffee support group. Providing you with an opportunity to connect with others also experiencing grief, and to gain support from each other. It does not matter how short or long ago your loved one died, you are free to come and observe or participate.

Occurrences: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month

Time: 10.30 – 11.30am – feel free to drop in at any time

Where: No5 Cafe & Larder, 248 State Highway 51, Mangateretere, Hastings
No RSVP required

Visit cranfordhospice.org.nz/for-patients-families-whanau/bereavement-support/ or call 06 878 7047 for more information.



Do you want to help people now, and in the future? Your support changes lives.

By leaving a gift in your will to Cranford Hospice, you help people who are dying have quality of care. Your generosity will keep on giving for years to come. Your gift will mean that patients and their family and whānau are prepared, informed and cared for in their final journey. **Including a gift in your will is easy to do. For more information, please contact our Fundraising team on 06 878 7047.**



Spotlight: Retail Store Team Leader

Each of our stores have Team Leaders, they are a vital part of how the stores are run. They are the go-between of Store Managers and the volunteers. They are the glue that contributes to and fosters the fantastic team working environments.

I would like to extend a special extra thank you to Carol who is nearing 12 years of service. I admire Carol's dedication, she regularly goes above and beyond. We are hugely grateful for her support. Thank you so much for continually going the extra mile.

Visit your nearest store:
Hastings at 306 Queen Street West
Waipukurau at 36 Ruataniwha Street
Napier at 126 Dickens Street

Te Wiki Tūao ā-Motu – National Volunteer Week

The end of June saw us celebrating National Volunteer Week, with this year's theme being "Recognise. Connect. Reimagine".

We are incredibly grateful for the support we receive from our amazing volunteers. From the volunteers in our retail stores and inpatient unit, through to those who run events, farm for hospice, or who are Trustees on the Board, each volunteer is a special part of the Cranford whānau. In recognition of these amazing people, we held several events over the week.



LEFT: Hastings Store morning tea.

RIGHT: Waipukurau Store volunteers enjoy a well-deserved drink.

A well deserved drinks and nibbles evening was held at Cranford as well as each of our retail stores putting on a special morning tea or pizza night as a thank you for their much appreciated time. We can only do what we do with the support from our community.

If you would like to join the Cranford whānau, helping patients and their families, please ring Amanda, our Volunteer Coordinator on 06 878 7047, or sign up on our website.

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