



"We support, promote, value and encourage volunteering"

Kia ora and hello again

I keep saying that I cannot believe where time is going and yet again here it is middle April and already the Start of a new financial year is almost a month in.

Volunteer Recognition Awards

The first thing that I want to share is our Recognition Awards – Nominations are open, and they close on April 29th end of workday 4pm. So please think about those awesome volunteers that you have and consider spending time putting pen to paper or fingers to the keys and send us your nomination. Categories this year are:

YOUTH

COUPLE

INDIVIDUAL

LONG SERVICE

TEAM

TUKU IHO (3 generations or more from one family / Whanau) – they do not necessarily need to all volunteer for the same organisation / group.

Please don't leave this to the last minute – make that time and get it started now.

The nomination forms are available from www.volunteeringnewplymouth.org.nz

Scanning the QR code or Ph: 06 758 8986



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Celebrating and Recognising Our Community
www.volunteeringnewplymouth.org.nz

Training

We are excited to bring you an awesome 1 day - 14th May, 2025 training session **Best Practise Guidelines – BPG –**

Volunteering New Zealand are bringing Ali Marshall here to facilitate this training. The feedback from other centres who have held this session is exceptional and there are limited

tickets available, so get in quickly. We have managed to negotiate an amazing investment of \$11.50 + \$1.23 booking fee per person for a full day 9.30 – 4pm – this includes hardcopy of Best Practice Guidelines.

Here is information about these guidelines:

Come along to this interactive session, where you will be learning more about the Best Practice Guidelines and what other organisations do well in each area.

This session will be packed with tricks and tips to help you effectively manage volunteers at your organisation and is aimed at novices right through to experts in volunteer management.

Specifically, we will explore what others are doing in the areas of:

- Recruiting and engaging volunteers
- Welcoming and onboarding volunteers
- Volunteer support, leadership, and management
- Train and grow volunteers
- Feedback and recognition
- Celebrate volunteer impact
- Exiting Volunteers

We will be learning from everyone in the room, including you!

The workshop will be based on Volunteering New Zealand's 'Best Practice Guidelines'.

You can access these on their website [here](#).

This event is fully catered, and you will have the opportunity to indicate your dietary requirements.

Here is the hyperlink to register:

https://events.humanitix.com/best-practice-guidelines-workshop-new-plymouth?_gl=1*wq6gcm*_gcl_au*MTA5NDUxMzc2Mi4xNzM4MDA3NDcx*_ga*MTY0NDU0MjU1NC4xNjg5MTk1MTg4*_ga_LHKW5FR9N6*MTc0MTg5NTk4NS4xMzAzLjEuMTc0MTg5NjUyMC40Ny4wLjA

About your facilitator:

Alison Marshall is about helping others build capability through learning and development. Ali has over 25 years' experience in learning and development at a senior level. She has worked in a broad range of industries that includes oil and gas, professional services, retail, education and hospitality. She has worked for large global organisations, start-ups and government. Her talent is being able to build relationships across all levels of the organisation



Future Important Dates for your Diary

Date	Reason	Who	Where
08.04.2025	Manager's morning tea	Hosted by Age Concern	33 Liardet St
16.04.2025	Rights & Responsibilities	Taranaki Community Law	Teams
29.04.2025	Nominations close for Volunteer Recognition Awards	VNP	
14.05.2025	Best Practice Guidelines	VNP & VNZ & The Wheelhouse	Barclay Hall
27.05.2025	Managing People	Shona Implement	ACT Hall 33 Liardet Street, New Plymouth
11.06.2025	Health & Safety in Workplace for Volunteers	Taranaki Community Law	Teams
14.06.2025	Volunteer Recognition Awards	VNP	NPDC Chamber
17.06.2025	NFP Community Board Members morning tea	Hosted by Age Concern	33 Liardet St
25.06.2025	TBC 1	Shona Implement	TBC
23.07.2025	Privacy Act	Taranaki Community Law	
30.07.2025	TBC 2	Shona Implement	
12.08.2025	NFP Community Volunteer Managers morning tea	Hosted by Age Concern	33 Liardet St
06.11.2025	International Volunteer - Managers Day morning tea	VNP	@ Starbucks
04.12.2025	International Volunteers Day – Board Members morning tea	VNP	@ Starbucks

Business Promo

I don't usually promo any businesses – however – I have had such an awesome experience with Primo with our Internet and now our cell phones that I am sharing their current promotion. Attached is their latest promo for Not-for-Profit Organisations which I have changed my work phone to – this is a saving of \$16 per month which will be a total of \$192 per year. I walked in on Thursday, and they changed it over immediately and they are so very helpful. This is a locally owned and operated business, and you get to talk to real people who are here in New Plymouth, and they are very patient too.

Primo Mobile GoStarter
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Personal & Business Plan

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- Unlimited Texts no a.s.
- Free Hotspot included
- Wi-Fi Calling
- 5G Ready
- Open term plan

*Speed reduced to 1.28Mbps after 40GB data is used.

\$55 / month
Retail Price Normally \$70

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Personal & Business Plan

- Endless Data (100GB Max Speed)
- Unlimited Talk (Mins) no a.s.
- Unlimited Texts no a.s.
- Free Hotspot included
- Wi-Fi Calling
- 5G Ready
- Open term plan

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Access Radio Taranaki – Volly Voices

Each fortnight Graham Ault & myself rock up to Access Radio Taranaki venue in Top Town complex to prerecord our Volly Voices Radio show that is aired on Sunday at 2pm – this show is aired twice and is also available to listen to on Spotify and Apple Podcast the week after the show has aired - to find this go the either Access Radio Taranaki website and these recordings can be found under Community or to Volunteering New Plymouth website and look under Volunteers and Volly Calls - this is where we have guests from Organisations share what their roles is and what that Organisation does and how volunteers can and do help.



Here are a few photos from our Show guests



We are also hoping to have some volunteers share their stories for the shows that will air during National Volunteer Week – so if you have a wonderful volunteer who would be happy to share their why and what benefits they receive from their work with you – please let me know if they would like to share their story on a podcast or be part of our recording on Access Radio Taranaki on Tuesday May 27th, 2025 – message me on 027 541 0577 for details.

Here are some trainings that may be of interest

Mind Over Matter: Neurodiversity Workshop

The Govett-Brewster is proud to partner with Mind Over Matter, to deliver two free Neurodiversity Workshops in May.

These workshops will take place on Tuesday 2 May at 6pm, and Wednesday 3 May at 10am. The session goes for 2.5 hours.

Mind Over Manner's workshops use the power of theatre to normalise what is often viewed as disability or dysfunction and encourage the reframing of cognitive difference. They are designed to provide strategies and solutions for whānau, community and professionals who work and live in close association with neurodiverse people.

These workshops are recommended for whānau and those working in close association with neurodivergent people, as well as anyone who works within a community or in public spaces.

NZ Certificate in Tikanga (Mātauranga Māori) Level 2 – FREE enrolment and assessment

Te Mahi Ako is launching a brand-new qualification suitable for organisations and individuals to strengthen their connection to Te Ao Māori and enhance cultural understanding in the workplace. It's also open to volunteers.

This qualification invites you to explore the foundations of Māori knowledge, understanding how tikanga shapes our interactions, workplaces, and communities.

Now taking Expressions of Interest. See the [Te Mahi Ako website](#) for more information.

What can volunteer organisations learn about leadership from David Kirk?



We're sharing an on-demand webinar featuring David Kirk, a leader with extensive experience in both the social impact sector and business. David is the Chair of NZ Rugby, Kiwi Harvest, and the New Zealand Food Network, and has played a pivotal role in driving positive change across communities.

In this session, as part of Rosterfy's NZ Lunch and Learn series, supported by Volunteering New Zealand, David shares his invaluable insights on how volunteer organisations can foster high-performance teams, lead with integrity and humility, and create lasting social impact.

[This webinar](#) offers practical strategies to help build more effective, mission-driven teams.

I hope that you have found this informative and helpful.

If you are interested in any of these and not yet involved please don't hesitate to contact us on 06 758 8986 or Marie 027 541 0577 email manager@vnp.nz or Wendy 022 571 4228 email admin@vnp.nz

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Till next time

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