



# ***Welcome to the Waiwaste pānui***

Kia ora, and happy 2025. I hope you all had a lovely break (if you got one), here's hoping the weather starts improving.

We had a great 2024 and the Waiwaste team is looking forward to working with you all again this year. As ever, we thank our donors, funders, supporters and volunteers - your mahi aroha is hugely appreciated. If you're around Masterton and fancy a cuppa, pop in and see us!

***Ngā mihi, Victoria and  
the Waiwaste team***

## Wairarapa Business Awards

We did it! We're thrilled to announce that Waiwaste was named the winner of the Masterton Trust Lands Trust not-for-profit award at the Wairarapa Business awards in November. We had a fabulous evening and the award was the icing on the cake of a wonderful year for Waiwaste. Huge thanks to Masterton Trust Lands Trust for the award, and to Nicola and Business Wairarapa for a wonderful event. See the photo below, don't we scrub up well?!



A photograph of the interior of a shop called Miss Maude. A woman with dark hair, wearing a white shirt and a black apron, is smiling and holding up a large, colorful quilt with a patchwork pattern of red, orange, yellow, and purple. The shop has wooden shelves in the background filled with various items, including books, boxes, and sewing-related objects. The lighting is warm and inviting.

# MISS MAUDE

FINE FABRIC + YARN

[WWW.MISSMAUDESEWING.CO.NZ](http://WWW.MISSMAUDESEWING.CO.NZ)

GREYTOWN, NEW ZEALAND

***Fund  
raiser  
alert!***

Emma and her wonderful team at Miss Maude in Greytown are running a fundraiser for us! From January 18th a percentage of the profits from their remnant sale will be coming to us - how cool are they? Emma says *'I started this business with the desire to share the joy of making - how simple, slow acts can bring calm, share love and build communities. It is a delight to also share that joy through small acts of giving to amazing charities and community organisations such as Waiwaste'*.

Thank you so much, Emma - we're so grateful. If you're a fabric lover, pop in and visit the beautiful Miss Maude shop on Hastwell Street in Greytown - it's an absolute delight.

# Volunteer Spotlight

## *Karina Gough*



Meet Karina, yoga instructor, gorgeous mama and volunteer extraordinaire. Karina has been with Waiwaste for two years and honestly, she could run the place with one hand tied behind her back! When asked what she likes about volunteering with us, she said 'I like that the work we do makes a difference. And I don't like wasting things, I'm very passionate about reducing waste'. You're in the right place for sure, Karina. Your mahi aroha is much appreciated, we couldn't do it without you.

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## T-SHIRTS

Check out our swanky new volunteer tees, don't they look fab? It helps that our models (and wonderful volunteers) Roger and Arra are so gorgeous. Huge thanks to Gordon and the team at Woolworths NZ for the sponsorship, we're very grateful and feeling very profesh!



**A BIG WELCOME TO KATIE, OUR NEW FRUIT RESCUE COORDINATOR. IF YOU HAVE FRUIT TREES AND WOULD LIKE TO DONATE ANY EXCESS TO WAIWASTE (OR IF YOU'RE KEEN TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP PICK), CALL KATIE AND SHE'LL ARRANGE FOR VOLUNTEERS TO COME AND PICK AND/OR PICK UP. EMAIL [FRUITRESCUE@WAIWASTE.ORG.NZ](mailto:FRUITRESCUE@WAIWASTE.ORG.NZ) OR PHONE 0204 368 204.**

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