

Charity shop raises thousands

The Pelorus Area Health Trust made a donation of \$3000 to the Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter at the Mussel Festival in Havelock last Saturday.

The volunteers at the Havelock Charity Shop have had a very busy summer, which has meant that funds are available to PAHT to donate to local organisations who contribute to the health and wellbeing of the Pelorus community.

The Rescue Helicopter also had a busy summer, unfortunately, so welcomed the substantial donation.

Paula Muddle, the general manager for Nelson Marlborough Rescue Helicopter and was very grateful to the volunteers at the Havelock Charity Shop for making this donation possible.

PAHT has also been able to donate \$3000 to the Havelock Police so that they can purchase two defibrillators to carry in their

vehicles.

As first responders to many accidents, the police need these life-saving apparatus on board.

The Health Education Grant was also awarded by PAHT this year to Deb Hartley - a palliative care nurse for the Fare-well Trust and Hospice Marlborough.

This allowed her to complete a lymphatic drainage course, adding another skill to her provision of care to the dying in the Marlborough Sounds and in Blenheim.

These donations by PAHT all contribute to the health and wellbeing of the wider Pelorus community.

Last year PAHT donated over \$16,000 to various organisations and is on track to do the same again this year.

This is made possible from sales in the Havelock Charity Shop and the fact that it is staffed by hard-working volunteers.



Havelock Charity Shop volunteer, Ruth Bray, with a cheque placard.