



WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY

DECEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

Waikato Outdoor Society: Woodside Naturist Park
50A Trentham Road, Tamahere, Hamilton RD4 3284

THE NAKED NEWS

Upcoming Events 2023

- Dec 25th Waifs and strays Xmas dinner. Please bring a vege dish or salad to share.
- Dec 31st ABC New Year Party. See flier later in this edition. BYO drink and plate of food for supper
- Feb 2nd - 6th Mini Rally

From the editor:

The wee elves have been busy around the grounds again in November, (see photos below in this edition) carrying out the never ending list of jobs requiring care and attention.

We thank our Custodians for their ongoing care of the grounds during 2023. Additional to our Custodians, are the many individual members who voluntarily give of their time and expertise to tirelessly work - making improvements, fixing, upgrading, maintaining, cooking, cleaning, painting, gardening, chopping wood, mowing - to name but a few. We truly appreciate the hours these members put in to help maintain the standards we adhere to at WOS and are proud to welcome visitors onto our grounds to enjoy the facilities that we so fiercely protect.

We welcome the NZNF onto our grounds on the 9th December for their AGM, our Xmas/NY festivities are on the calendar as well - and we are also working hard to organise our Mini rally in Feb - and so the year starts again.

November 2023 Committee Titbits.

NZNF AGM @ WOS on Sat 9th Dec. David WOS rep. WOS members welcome to attend. Cost for meal etc. RSVP essential [see below].

- Grounds & building work completed;
Club-house & cabin terraces stained, Hot-tub filter repaired & tile surrounds in-filled, main pool pump leak glued, ride-on serviced. Peggy & Kevin have been busy, thanks.
Office shelving - perfect construction and installation by Cor V. Thanks.
Onehunga weed spray by Barry & Bruce & bee swarm removal organised by Bruce. Thanks guys.
- Planning & Sustainability. The WOS Constitution [in accordance to the new requirements under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022] is available for perusal [and constructive comments] in the clubrooms.
Legal consultation and input have occurred on this WOS document.

The document will go to all members prior to ratification at the AGM.

- Health & Safety. First Aid box checked and added too.
- Social. Upcoming events;
- Catered dinner (Main & dessert) on Saturday 9th Dec 6pm, after the NZNF AGM @ WOS, cost is \$19 p/p please RSVP by Tuesday 5th Dec email: wosoutdoor@gmail.com or phone/txt : 027631 6883
 1. Dec - Waifs & Strays Xmas dinner
 2. New Year 'do' - Brenda & Mike organising an ABC evening
 3. Waitangi Mini-rally. 45 applications so far, [limited to 80].
Donation box for raffles and prize donations in the club rooms.

Next committee meeting - Fri 26th Jan 2024 @ 7:15.

Have you noticed...

Under the TV on the bottom shelf there is a collection of Cowboy books written by Chuck Tyell and 'The Ship of Dreams' by the same author using his birth name: Charles Whipple. See below for more info.

Significant expenses

Power & Gas	774.65
Gazebo	249.10
NZNF x10 cards	125.00
Store room fitted shelves	202.00
Rates	228.29

Charles Whipple - part of WOS Matangi History.

Charlie lived at WOS while he was building his dream boat 'Resolution' for his intended round the world solo voyage. He was also a 'writer in residence' publishing several of his western books. Some of the characters bear the names of WOS members. Read them and find out 'who.'

John W a boat designer and WOS member [later a president] guided Charlie through the boats construction, which took 2 ½ years.

In 2005 -Charlie rented the tiny WOS caravan before buying his own small caravan. His book 'Ship of Dreams' describes the building of the boat with several references to his time at WOS. Of special interest pages 33,34 and 45, 62 talks about WOS and several of the members.

Other references are mentioned throughout the book.

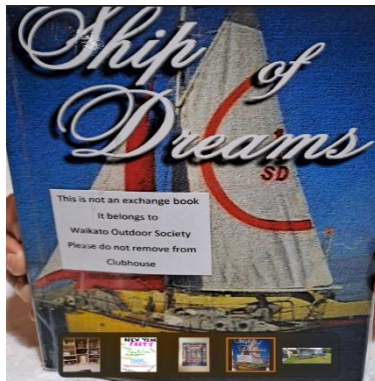
In 2006 an accident with the bench saw his left index finger and part of his thumb cut off. Undaunted he carried on building.

Charlie, an American by birth, had lived in Japan for many years with his Japanese wife. She came out to NZ for a short time also staying at WOS.

In 2008 Charlie set sail with several WOS members waving him fare well, little expecting to see him featuring on the TV news the next day.

A mayday call was received off Great Barrier and Charlie was winched off a rock. In his words: " Boat Break, Dream Break, Heart Break".

Charlie died in 2020 but he and his books remain part of WOS history.



WOS members are invited to mix and mingle with NZNF Exec & club reps during a light luncheon [\$7] p/p and evening meal {\$19} p/p.

RSVP for meals essential by Tues 5th Dec. wosoutdoor@gmail.com
or ph/txt 027 631 6883

Online payment stating name to 06 0583 0201647 00 or cash on Sat 9th.

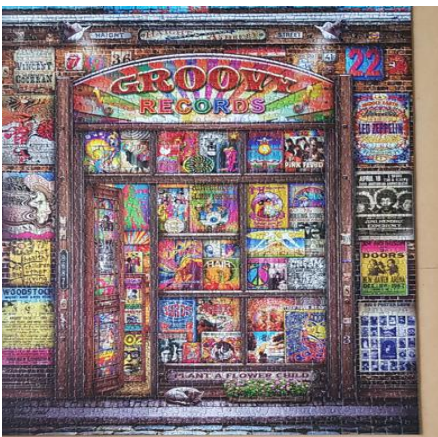
Some deck staining has been going on recently by Kevin and Peggy. Great to have some warm dry weather to complete these jobs. And they look great too.



Cor has created great things in the office with these handy shelves.



A new pool cover has been purchased - an optical illusion, the covers are actually the same size



Another jigsaw puzzle has been completed in our clubrooms. Our latest participant was determined to finish the puzzle before the end of the weekend - and they succeeded. The puzzles continue to be a popular time waster and there is now a stock of them available if you feel like trying your hand. Great for rainy days.

NEW YEAR

PARTY

8pm
start

Theme:

Anything But Clothes

use your imagination
Less is Best

MUSIC

DRINKING GAMES

- * Pat the Rat
- * match box
- * ZUMA ZUMA
- * Shave the balloon
- * ICE cube relay

Please bring your drink and a
supper plate with goodies on

Lets have some
FUN

PRIZES

PS See google for suitable Anything But Clothes attire

W.O.S. Annual Mini Rally Event

February 2-6th 2024

Come and spend a fun and relaxed
Waitangi weekend at -----

The Waikato Outdoor Society

Mark the date on your calendar

Website www.waikato.gonatural.co.nz

Bookings contact Peggy 027 631 6883 or use the form on the website

Email.. waikato.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

The Waitangi Weekend task List will soon be on the notice board.

See or email Gail to be a volunteer or wish to change what you have been volunteered for.

Waikato Outdoor Mini Rally Booking form 2024

February 2nd to 6th 2024

Fees include: Friday evening Sausage & Bread.
Dinner on Sat.
Sat, Sun & Mon morning teas.
And cooked breakfast on Tuesday

Booking:	Number of Adults	Number of Children	Total \$
The Mini Rally (Adults (18+) \$55 each plus camp fees \$50.00 plus camping if paid by 31/12/23 Children aged 5 - 17 = \$1 per year of age. Under 5 years free.			
Camping Fees Adults (18+) \$15.00per night - Children Free WOS members \$6pn			
TOTAL			

Camper/Caravan/tent (circle) Size.....

Bank account for deposit: ANZ 06-0583-0201647-01

If for any reason WOS needs to cancel all monies will be refunded.

Registration			
Adults 18 and over		Under 18s	
Surname	First name	Name	Age
Address			
Club			
Home Phone	Mobile		
Email			
Arrival date	Departure date		

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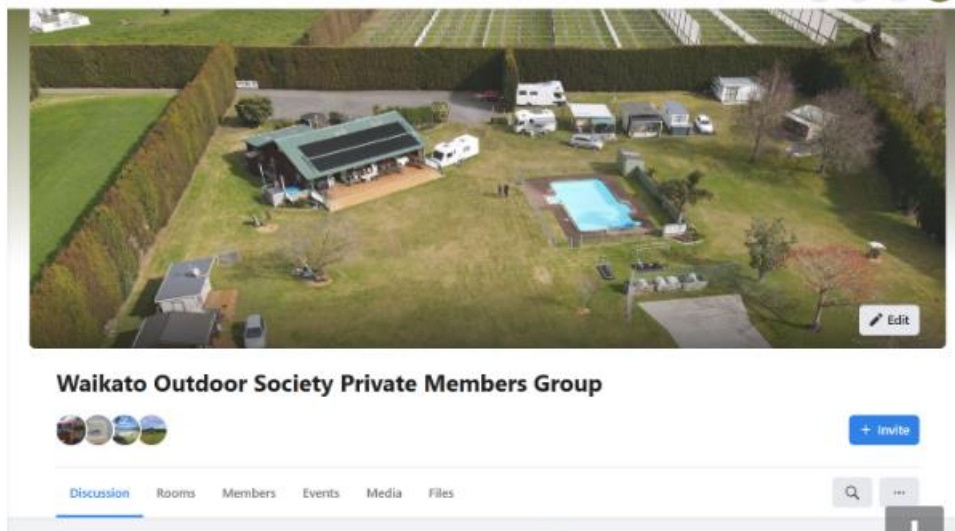
Here is the link to our private WOS Facebook page. This is for current members only and shouldn't be visible to others. Of course all Facebook rules will need to be followed.

This is by no means compulsory and is up to the individual whether or not they join but it is another tool to help us as a committee and members to communicate with each other.

Cheers David D

Link -

[Waikato Outdoor Society Private Members Group | Facebook](#)



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BOOKINGS:-

Our facilities offer tent sites, power sites, wood fired hot tub and clubrooms with all facilities, solar heated pool, cabin and BBQ. No pets allowed.

To make bookings, please phone Peggy on 0276316883 or email Waikato.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

Members, as well as all visitors to WOS grounds are required to fill out and sign the visitor's book situated in the clubrooms beside the registration desk.

First Aid: FYI – We have a defibrillator on the wall and first aid kit on top of the fridge on the left as you walk into the clubrooms from the deck.



Recycling -

U bring it

U take it away

Please: Always remember to wipe down the hand basin and surrounding area when you use the bathroom.

HOT TUB

You are welcome to use the hot tub but please:

1. Keep the tub firebox door and enclosure gate closed at all times.
2. Read the instructions on the wall adjacent to the hot tub regarding when to turn on the switches in the pump box.
3. Text the word "pic" to 021 265 0324 to find out the temperature of the Hot tub.



Check out our website at WWW.waikato.gonatural.co.nz

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We're on the web: <https://waikato.gonatural.co.nz/>

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The Committee wish our readers a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New year and look forward to welcoming our members and visitors to WOS in the coming year

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