

WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY



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

THE NAKED NEWS

Upcoming Events 2024

- March 28th Thursday
Committee meeting
- March 29th Friday -
Easter Dinner -
Takis - Greek Lamb
Pot Luck
Salads/Veges
- April 19th Mad
Hatters Tea Party
- May 18th AGM
- June 28th Matariki -
Kelvin & Robyn Meal
\$20

From the Editor: We are enjoying (or not) another very hot February, with the forecast for lots more hot weather over the next few weeks. And its having it affects over several areas of New Zealand. For instance, Auckland is having a problems with the heat on the railway lines causing them to expand, hence some of the lines have been closed. Wellington is having water leakage problems, caused by lack of maintenance to the drainage systems, residents can only water their gardens by hand held hoses. Tauranga's traffic problems, with queues normally only seen north of the Bombay's, causing chaos on the roads, hoping the road works will be over soon.

But there is nothing wrong with WOS at the moment, so why not come along and enjoy the summer at WOS, you'll find lots to do, swim, wander down to feed the eels, lay in the sun, enjoy the camaraderie with others enjoying the facilities, or just read a book. Sounds divine doesn't it, so why not pay us a visit.

January 2024 Committee Titbits.

- New mower has wider cut and goes a little faster.
- Septic tank emptied - still wet wipes blockages.
- Membership = 151. 6 members accepted, 1 resignation.
- Inside folding tables and chairs donated.
- Tasks completed: Paddock hedge-line cleared to create a mowing strip; old decking restacked for better airflow, improvement to gully tracks: WOS trailer revamp; spa firewood top-up; roof repair, kitchen splash-back; gardening. Thanks WWW [wonderful WOS workers].
- Shower room revamp & drainage planning to begin later in the year.
- Planning & Sustainability. The WOS Constitution [in accordance to the new requirements under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022] will go to all members in Feb. Any recommendations must be submitted in time for April 18th Committee meeting.
- Social. Brian & Anna - Upcoming monthly events dates confirmed.
Wanted: a beer-fest organiser.

Next committee meeting - Thurs March 28 @ 7:15.

Significant expenses

Power / gas	\$942.39
Septic tank empty	\$833.98
Trailer WOF, Rego revamp	\$378.39

And the work starts for the year again.....



There is always work to be done on the farm – a few volunteers cleaned up the paddock side of the fence in the New Year. Many thanks to Bill & Gail, Tom R, Brent (Wellington visitor), Mike F, Rae & Ken, Kevin & Peggy, Ron and Bruce.

Kevin topped then mowed it so it looks nice and tidy now.



Kevin, Peggy, Sherida and Dave spent more time on the farm – tidying up at the paddock side of the hedge. Looking good! Thanks guys.



Another addition to our kitchen, tiles above both ovens, thank you Anna , you've done an amazing job



A new addition to WOS, (The piano, not the pianist)
I'm told it sounds great – looking forward to hearing some of our club pianists trying it out. The old one has gone to a good home.

WOS Mini-Rally Feb 2024

Once again the WOS Mini-Rally proved to be one of the most popular events on the calendar with a full house of punters welcomed on site to enjoy the full calendar of entertainment and sports/ games for one and all.

Our outstanding organiser Gail R had something going on to cater for all tastes in sports, games and entertainment throughout the several days of the events so everyone seemed to be participating and enjoying themselves to the max whilst contributing to the prevailing atmosphere of fun injected competition to lay claims for champion status with the various titles up for grabs.

The amazing and quality meals laid on by the infamous WOS team led by Peggy M were a hot favourite over this extravaganza weekend of fun and frivolity and always seem to be a notable feature of events here. There was sumptuous food available each day of the entire event and was on tap for smokos, afternoon teas, morning teas, breakfast as well as full evening meals and snacks etc.

The variety entertainment programme included fun themed evenings such as card games, quiz segments where the questions were praised for being down-to-earth and of interest to all, and even a professionally presented Bingo session organised by Mark R. which attracted a full house of keen punters.

There were many feature and highlights at all segments of this sports and entertainment festival that we call the WOS annual Waitangi Mini-Rally but I guess it is becoming so famous because it is a feature event where naturist and fun orientated groups of happy people gather to have relaxed competition and fun times together sharing all of the good things in life that can be available to those of us prepared to shed our inhibitions in the interest of relaxing and enjoying the company of friends.

Kevin M

See report below.



WOS Mini Rally 2024 2 - 6 February 2024

I think it is fair to say WOS had another successful Mini Rally, the inclement weather on 2 days did not dampen the enthusiasm and determination to keep the events rolling with the minimum disruption. With the participation of in excess of 60 attendees at the weekend, meant that all events were well patronised with some interesting results.



The early bird sausage & bread started off the proceedings on Friday night cooked outside on the BBQ.



Quick darts followed. This event can be played by anyone in teams of three, and any dart that lands within the circle on the board wins a point. A great way to get everyone involved with some interesting results. Winners of the darts were Kirk, Greg and Ken.



Next came the 8 ball, some great partnering in this game, with a closely fought final, which was completed on Saturday morning. Well done to all those participants, with the winners Mike F and Ken.

During Friday, the weather turned on us and wind gusts uprooted the gazebo, causing a few brave souls to venture out and save it from damage.

Morning tea and our Presidents Welcome was on the agenda for Saturday morning, the delicious morning tea by our kitchen ladies was most welcome and set the scene for Saturday's activities.

Saturday was wet and windy, as was forecast, so a few hasty changes to the programme were made. Indoor bowls were played indoors amid many spectators, with the eventual winners, Sue E and Ken claiming the title for the next 12 months.



3 down was next on the agenda, always a club favourite, with it being played indoor, due to the weather. It didn't dampen the enthusiasm though and was eventually won by Takis and Dina when play resumed on Sunday outside. WOS has really adopted 3 down and Kubb as club favourites making the games very competitive.



Happy hour at 4.44 and quick fire raffles was most enjoyable and a few lucky punters were awarded with a few choice raffle prizes. The committee are always surprised at the high quality and quantity of the prizes donated, well done.



The catered dinner was once again superb and full marks goes to Peggy and her band of workers who dished up a magnificent dinner. Enjoyed by all



The evening finished off with a Quiz, - and I think it is fair to say we all came away feeling more knowledgeable after the night's entertainment

Sunday dawned another beautiful day and the sport continued outside with petanque, noughts and Crosses golf, Mystery challenge and a game of water polo. Water polo was a new introduction to our games and a lot of fun for those participating as well as watching, and was a definite favourite for those in the water on a sweltering day. Winners of the petanque were Eileen and Johan, runner up Berta and Dave with the plate going to Taddy and Barry. Brenda and Johan won the golf. I think there were many winners for the Water Polo which was overseen by Greg, and great entertainment for all.



the honours here with Urban runner up. Best played outside as it does generate noise from players and onlookers alike but a new fun game which I am sure will be an ongoing favourite.



There was also a mystery challenge, set by Glenne and Col, which had many participants roaming around the grounds, looking under trees, behind bushes and in gardens, for many different "species". Winners, Marlene and Yvonne and Mike T and Brenda found 17 creatures out of 20. Shelley and Clint were the only couple to find number 20 so were awarded a special prize. Thanks Glenne and Col for your contribution, it was fun.

Croquet was also the game of the day on Monday, with Peter I and Marlene the winners here, as well as Kubb, won by Eileen and Johan. Raffle winners were Wendy and Mike G, Kirk, Robert. Guess the number of M & M's in the jar - Peter L. I'm informed they are disappearing very quickly.



Of course if you prefer, there is always a chance to just sit and smell the roses or just sit and watch the proceedings.



What another wonderful weekend we have had at WOS, a chance to catch up with old friends, make new ones, learn new things, makes a person want to visit WOS again. And with our extra toilets in place, how good is that. A big thank you to the organisers along with the myriad of helpers, too many to name, but you know who you are - just know that we do appreciate the time you have given WOS to again make this another successful Mini Rally.

Refer titbits above. The revamped WOS constitution is going out to all members. Please read and understand this and if you have any recommendations, please submit them in time for the April 18th Committee Meeting.



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.

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