

# WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY



## July 2024 NEWSLETTER

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

### THE NAKED NEWS

#### Upcoming Events 2024

- July 20<sup>th</sup> Pirate/Hi-waymen/women evening(see details below)
- Aug 17<sup>th</sup> Polar plunge @ Midday - Soup to follow. Evening Darts/Bowls/dingbats
- Sept 21<sup>st</sup> Fish & Chips. Rugby or darts/bowls/dingbats
- October 28<sup>th</sup> Labour weekend spring clean. Brew and Pickle afternoon. Vinyl record evening
- November 16<sup>th</sup>?  
November Mo night
- December 25<sup>th</sup> Waifs and strays
- Dec 31<sup>st</sup> New Years Eve 'Do'

**From the Editor:** Well folks, here we are in the middle month of winter again, and its no different than any other winter - we've had enough. So - is there any good news? SPF 50 is on special at Chemist Warehouse, go get it! We need to be prepared for summer, judging by the many suspicious looking blemishes on several members' anatomy over the last few months. There are a few social functions coming up, I would encourage you to attend. These are listed on this front page and are sure to be very popular. Our Matariki evening was well attended just recently, pity the clouds showed up as well. I can testify how awesome it is to see the Matariki stars in the sky though, having seen them on previous occasions, thanks to Ron's telescope and expertise. Our next evening is our Pirate evening in a few weeks' time, sure to be a fun night, and thanks to those who have put time into making what I am sure will be a great evening. Our polar plunge coming up also in August, always fun to watch from the side of the pool, lets have a few more brave souls taking the plunge this year.

PS Just joking about the Chemist Warehouse

## June 2024 Committee Titbits.

- Hedge trimming this year will take place after mid-July
- Site leases have been renewed for the coming year
- WOS has received its reregistration certificate under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.

A copy is on the noticeboard in the clubrooms to view.

- Thanks to Peggy and Kevin for fixing the current crop of potholes in the driveway-bravo!
- Thanks to Kelvin and Robyn for Matariki Dinner again this year- nobody went hungry! Thanks to cook's helpers (Daphne, Glenne, Ann, Ron, Yvonne, Gail, Wendy, Mike G, Sherida & Anna)
- Thank you to Ron for a fun Matariki Quiz, Wendy for delish canapes, Anna for gluten free sponge pudding option, Sue C for after dinner themed star chocolate bars - Mars and stars! Much appreciation also to Mike for making massages available.

### Larger Expenses:

Power and Gas

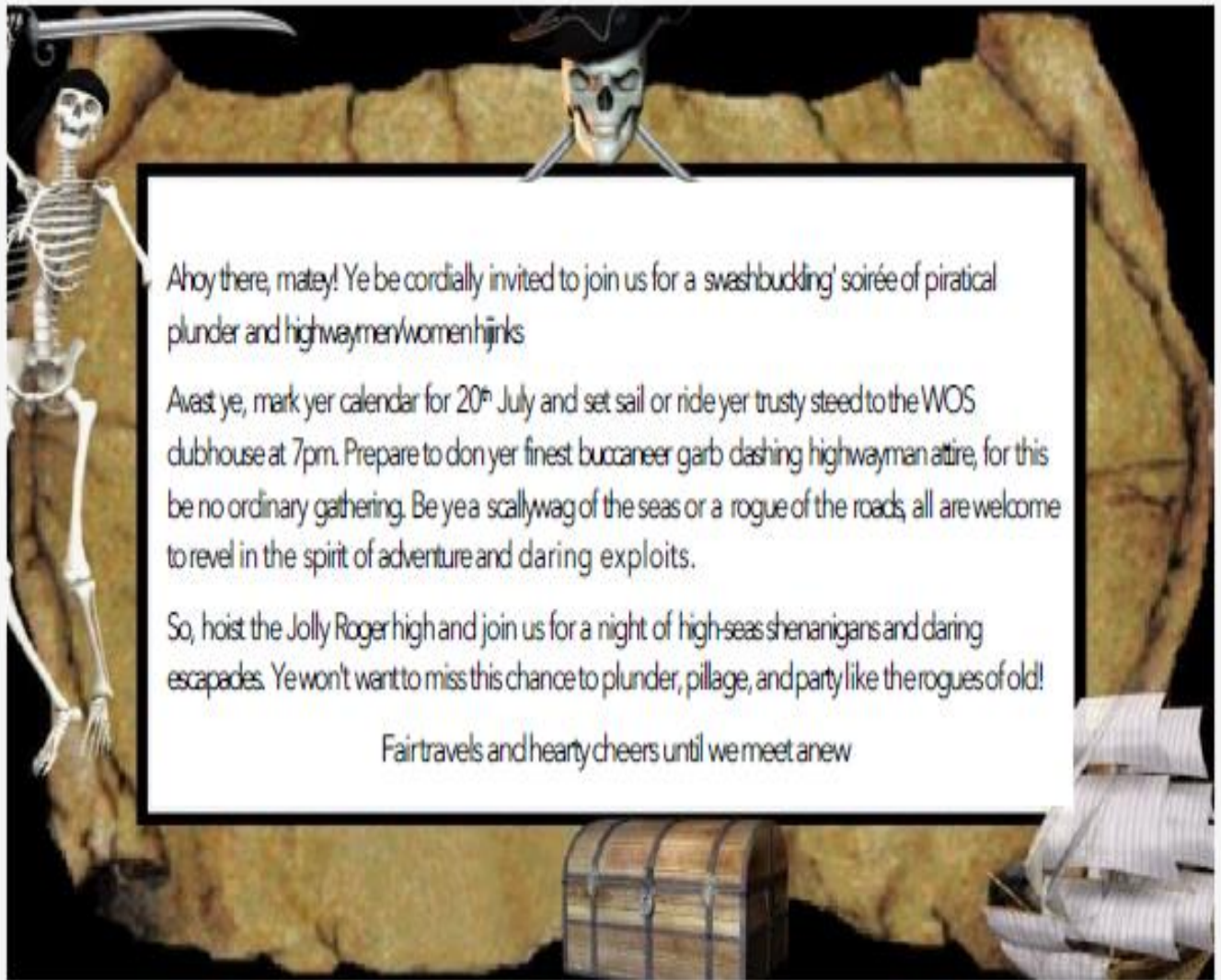
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We are looking for volunteers to provide soups for our midday polar plunge on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Buns will be provided by the club. Swimmers, free lunch, non swimmers \$3. Sustenance is always welcome after these activities, and in the past we have been lucky to have a variety of soups provided by members, which has been most appreciated. Please let Robyn know prior to the day if you are able to provide one of your favourite soups. Or some of your favourite baking might be nice as well.



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**Another fun night on our agenda is our Pirate/Hiwaymen/women evening on 20<sup>th</sup> July!**



Ahoy there, matey! Ye be cordially invited to join us for a swashbuckling' soirée of piratical plunder and highwaymen/women hijinks

Avast ye, mark yer calendar for 20<sup>th</sup> July and set sail or ride yer trusty steed to the WOS clubhouse at 7pm. Prepare to don yer finest buccaneer garb dashing highwayman attire, for this be no ordinary gathering. Be ye a scallywag of the seas or a rogue of the roads, all are welcome to revel in the spirit of adventure and daring exploits.

So, hoist the Jolly Roger high and join us for a night of high-seas shenanigans and daring escapades. Ye won't want to miss this chance to plunder, pillage, and party like the rogues of old!

Fair travels and hearty cheers until we meet anew

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I think I can speak for everyone at WOS how saddened we were on hearing of Taddy's passing recently.

Taddy was a highly thought of member of our club for many years. We will miss his cheerful nature and willingness to help and to share his knowledge and experiences. He always enjoyed our 4.44pm happy hours, games of 5 crowns and the occasional match on TV.

We shall cherish his memory, his warmth and sense of fun and laughter.

We send our condolences and love to Beth and family.



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**Mini working bee held during the month with the wood shed being full again for winter. Looking forward to a lovely warm spa. Thank you to those responsible.**

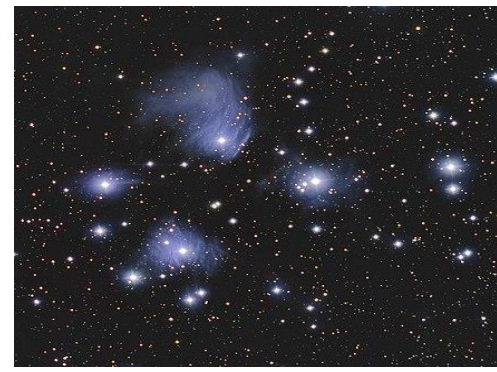


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## Matariki Musings

Another year goes by, and we reflected and remembered those that have passed in the last year, Taddy, Roy, Grace and Val being close to our hearts.

Congratulations on the nearly 40 members and visitors who braved the traffic to call in and celebrate another Matariki Weekend, the weather was great on the Friday, sun all day and not too cold, plenty of club uniforms catching the winter rays on the deck. Unfortunately, the weather decided that we were not to see the star cluster on Saturday or Sunday mornings, we were however entertained with Ron and his fact filled quiz, interestingly that the star light we see today was sent out in Queen Elizabeth's 1<sup>st</sup> day, just to prove what a large universe we are in! Time travel is, maybe, slow!!



The fire had a welcome glow to warm us all up while several members rolled up their sleeves (if they were wearing any) to peel the spuds, kumara and cut up the pumpkin and broccoli while chef Kelvin and Robyn put their hands to good use preparing the seafood rice risotto, steam puddings also lots of goodies for 4.44 happy hour.

It may have been a little chilly but the social banter and catch up made up for that and the Friday and Saturday evenings were enjoyed with several rounds of Five Crowns, with some very unwanted high scores!! No names here!

Friday afternoon several members found the time to do some pre-emptive maintenance chores around the grounds to ensure the club runs efficiently. The new level grass area is looking good for the summer.



So as we reflect on past times we consider the times to come and plan to have some fun in the months ahead, look out for the next events to entice you all to our Happy Place in the Waikato.

Look after yourselves, take care and we will see you all soon, on board the pirate ship, maybe.

Charles.

Some photos of the weekend...





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Heads up...WOS Rally 2025, Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Feb to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb.

It has been decided by the committee that next year's Rally 2025 will see a change in the way the catering is done for the weekend.

We are looking for volunteers to be responsible for catering for each meal, i.e. dinners, lunches, breakfast, morning and afternoon teas for the weekend... This includes the preparation of the meals as well as the purchasing of food for each meal, with the costs being reimbursed for each purchase. So it's going to be several volunteers responsible for a meal, not just one person doing the lot.

So, have a think about having a go at some of the catering for a meal or two. It might give you a chance to try out some of your favourite recipes and it gives everyone a chance to enjoy the fun of the weekend.

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- ◆ I read that 4,153,237 people got married last year. Not to cause any trouble....but shouldn't that be an even number?
- ◆ I find it ironic that the colors red, white and blue stand for freedom until they are flashing behind you.
- ◆ When wearing a bikini, women reveal 90% of their body. Men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.?
- ◆ You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's common sense leaving your body.
- ◆ My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that!
- ◆ I think my neighbor is stalking me as she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.
- ◆ Money talks ... but all mine ever says is good-bye.
- ◆ If you think nobody cares whether you're alive, try missing a couple of payments.
- ◆ Money can't buy happiness, but it keeps the kids in touch!

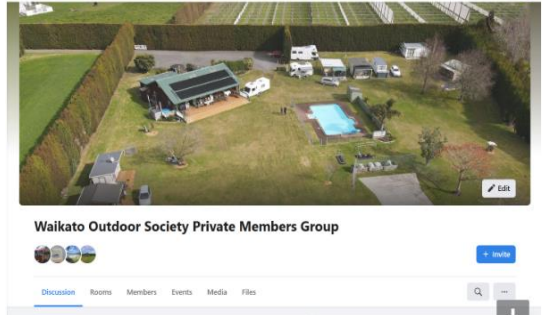


"Nothing to worry about.  
Happens every autumn."

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**Private WOS Facebook page:** 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](mailto: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.



**Blood Pressure Monitor:** We now have a blood pressure monitor available for all members and visitors. Please ask a Custodian to access it if required.

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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