WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY



MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER

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

Upcoming Events 2024

- May 17th Committee meeting
- May 18th AGM Afternoon tea provided, Pot-luck evening meal.
- June 28th Matariki (Friday) -Kelvin & Robyn meal \$20
- July 20th Pirate/Hi-way person evening
- Aug 17th Polar plunge Midday
 Soup to follow. Evening Darts/Bowls or rugby



From the Editor: Another Anzac day passed, and another chance to reflect on those who fought for us in various conflicts. We sometimes find that those who fought in more recent conflicts often get forgotten. It is those who I want to remember now, some of those still with us today, and who will still recall the horrors of war. Isn't it frustrating to hear of conflicts still going on in the world, as if the mistakes of the past have not been learnt?

So let's now reflect on how lucky we are to have the sanctuary of a place like WOS, where we can stay and enjoy each other's company, with no thoughts of war or conflict. Grateful in the knowledge that those who have worked hard before us, and are still working hard, have created a happy place for us all.

Let's see you all at our AGM on Saturday 18th May at 1pm.

April 2024 Committee Titbits.

- Membership. 2 members accepted and welcomed.
- Nelson Tourers enjoyed their 3 day stay. Some returned after their tour. Very positive comments from them. Thanks WOS folk who helped make this a wonderful time.
- Defib. battery purchased.
- Jenny & helpers to be thanked for fantastic magical garden around the pool palm.
- Reminder needed that leased land and driveway are 'textile' areas.
- Thanks to Mike T, Brenda, Gary & Sue for great Easter Weekend.
- Wasp nest on pool fence & driveway hedge eliminated by professionals. Grass growing in central recreation area. Thanks to NZNF cyclone Gabriel funds given to assist in reducing flooding.

Next committee meeting - Fri May 17th @ 7:15.

AGM.

Sat May 18th @ 1:00.

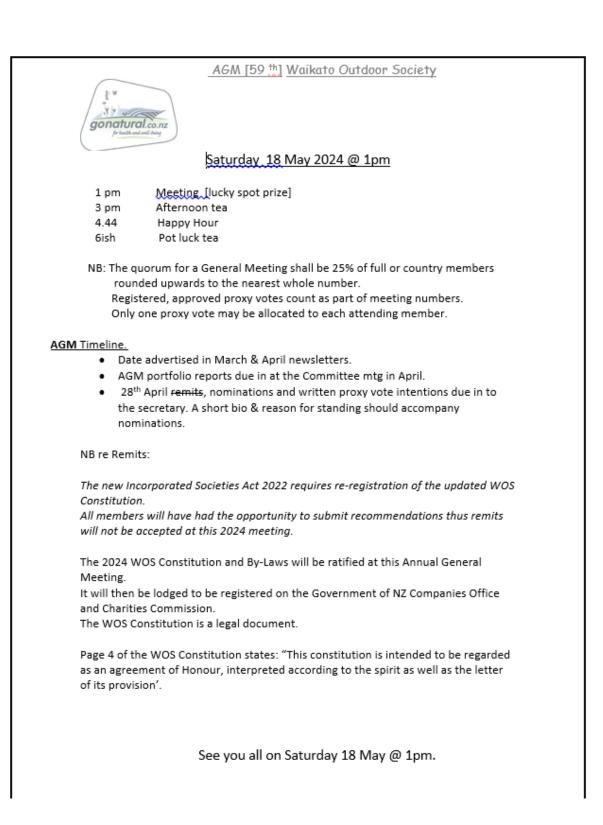
Gratis Saturday camping, afternoon tea provided, Pot Luck tea.

AGM agenda, nominations & 2024 Constitution & Bylaws emailed out by $10^{\rm th}$ May.

Proxy votes must be received by 15th May. An email stating the following will be accepted. I,, give my proxy vote to I have made my voting preferences known to him/her.

Larger Expenses:

GST Paid	204.11
Recreational area earthworks	759.00
Filter pump repairs & spa pump repairs	689.37
Grass seed & Fert	410.00
Defib replacement battery	212.75
PO Box yearly renewal	295.00
Pool pump maintenance	387.00
Accounts vearly review	530.00



Here are some snaps of WOS's latest production - coming very soon to a theatre nearby! Director: Gail Producer: Jenny Staring (contributors): Suzanne (Assistant Director), Rod (steps), Julian (rabbit, teapot and cup), Nadia (little mugs from Ukraine) Official Supplier: Mitre 10 (if only they knew!) Video Production: Brett Official Opening: Thursday.





Thank you to the little Elves responsible for the garden at the bottom of our palm tree by the pool. How cool it is to visit and admire, it will be treasured by the club for many years, with such a lot to look at. The fairy lights around the top of the pool just finish it off, no doubt will help to guide members at night should they lose their way home!

Mad Hatters Tea Party Sat 20th @ WOS



The WOS Mad Hatters Tea Party goers were an enthusiastic jolly bunch intent on havin a great time so it was not long before inhibitions were stripped off and we were armed with pinky pokin cupsa tea. Gone were the standard plates of nosh and snack foods – replaced with a delectable array of cakes and goodies tempting us from posh LQQKIN colourful lightweight China platters on decorated tables that were unrecognizable from our usual furniture fare.

Naturally our " grin and bare it" time honoured motto graced our thoughts so we deviated from the normal on this day Saturday the 20th of April to dress and snack Royally under the umbrella of WOS Mad Hatters Tea Party. Yes our club room was blooming with a colourful and stunning extravaganza of blooming hats and attire of many colours lighting up the room a treat as we joined the fun and somewhat gingerly got stuck into the flash food and drank the beverage of the day from these fancy type cups we were coming to grips with.

Of course every mad one of us loved the party – had a great time – offered a truck load of thanks to Michelle and all who contributed to make this another special gathering at WOS.

Kevin M







Thank you so much Michelle for being the' hostess with the mostess' at the Mad Hatters Tea Party.

All positive reviews received. Wendy & Mike G went the extra mile with their hats and table setup and were rewarded for their efforts with a bottle of wine. The teacup prize [chocolates] went to Anna & Brian who also put a lot of effort into their hats.

The tea party morphed into Happy Hour with some playing 'bare pong'.

Not many bothered with tea rather continuing the hilarious conversations.

Yvonne emerged the overall winner of the 4x4 games.

A fantastic afternoon and evening.

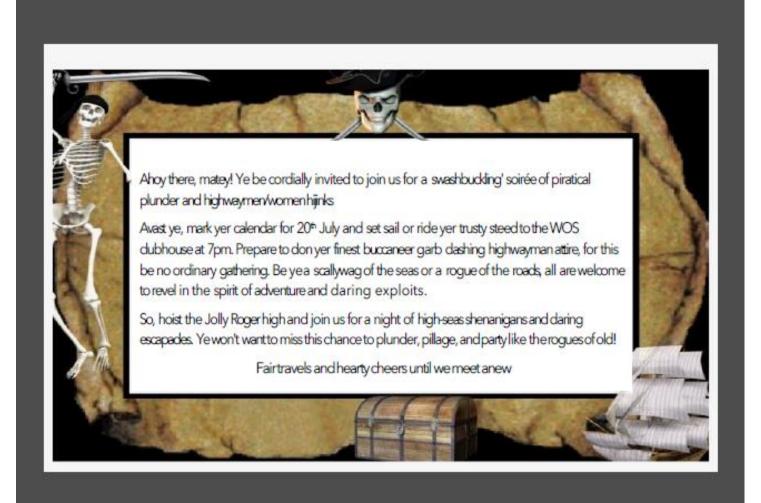
Where did the Mad Hatters name come from?

The name is actually historical and is a trope of people who made decorative hats. They were called mad hatters at the time because hatters would use Mercury in the making of hats; As they would heat it up they would inhale the vapors and since Mercury biologically accumulates it affects your brain's function and makes you paranoid, prone to hallucinations, and have a disposition seeming erratic and unstable.



Don't forget our Matariki evening on Friday 28th June, with a lovely meal to be provided by Kelvin and Robyn.

Another fun night on our agenda is our Pirate/Hiwayman evening on 20th July!





It's really relaxing here at WOS and a place where you can literally sit and watch the grass grow. The spring weather is just what we need. No puddles this winter! Won't be long before the lawnmower will be out. (Photo taken end of April)



Bookings:

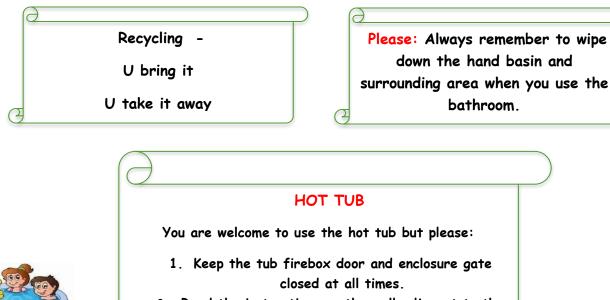
Our facilities offer tent sites, power sites, wood fired hot tub and clubrooms with all facilities, solar heated pool, cabin and BBQ. <u>No pets allowed</u>.

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.





- 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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