Waikato Outdoor Society



Events Calendar

- 16th November 11am-3pm xmas card making with Trudi \$5.
- Friday 29th November committee meeting 7:15pm .
- * Sat 30th November annual working bee-lunch supplied BBQ night BYO meat & share salad.

Visitors Welcome

WOS Accommodation available

Cabin

[No Pets.]

Tent sites

Powered sites

Club Rooms with all Facilities

Solar heated pool

Wood fired hot tub

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From the Editor

Another great social month for WOS although you may have noted a skipped issue of our newsletter. This is because my wife and I took time out to indulge in an extended trip away to Europe and U S A during September and October, we stayed at naturist Clubs in England and a large resort in France where we had the chance to see how other clubs operate while we enjoyed their hospitality.

The main aspect of our trip was to again catch up with relatives from Italy, Spain and Tenerife as we basked in the balmy weather and succumbed to the overwhelming hospitality generated during the various family gatherings.

So with feet back on the ground here at WOS we find members springing into action for the forth-coming warm weather with naked enthusiasm forgetting maintenance jobs sorted but with the usual time out for games and events. The option of a dip in the hot tub is always there as is an evening socializing by the fire and/or playing cards - especially if one of those sneaky cool nights drop in to remind us that October is not quite summer.

We still have a few other intrepid members not yet back from their overseas jaunts but soon they too will be back home for the WOS summer sun.

National Nude gardening day at WOS

The weather was somewhat changeable for the national nude gardening day on 26th October so there were times when some of us almost tuff WOS Kiwis donned an item or two of clothing as we frolicked in the flowers and tilled the soil during our not quite nude gardening day. However a bit later in the day it warmed up then most of us took off our shelter belts etc and dug out our naked gardening uniform which we had kept handy, so yes it was a big tick for naked

gardening day at WOS - just not all day.

The sneaky cool morning breeze kept the keen team active in setting out borders for a new garden beside the hot tub area then all stages of preparation were completed with cool precision. By the time planting was done and the new garden was dressed and looking pretty







the weather decided to change for the better so we changed into our naked gardening gear to complete a few other tasks before planting ourselves on the deck



for an extended coffee break as we reflected on the benefits and pleasures of working together for naked gardening day.

Tomorrow is looking good - we might rake out our gear and do some more tomorrow!

WOS member Angela shares with us one of the highlights of a trip she and her husband did while visiting Brisbane this October.

Eagles View Naturist Retreat, Toowoomba, Queensland

After spending a few days with a friend in Brisbane we picked up a rental car and headed for the hills. The biggest challenge of the day was getting out of Brisbane, but we eventually got onto the highway heading west and 90 minutes later arrived in Gatton. Shelley at Eagles View had advised me that they were 30 mins from town so stocking up on food on the way seemed like a good idea, we certainly didn't want to get back in the car to go to the supermarket once we arrived. It was a blistering 36° and walking out of the supermarket was like walking into a furnace.



After 30 mins of winding country road, the last bit is gravel, we arrived at Eagles View Naturist Retreat, or as they also call it Naked Acres. A steep driveway brought us out onto a plateau that looked out across the valley for as far as you can see. Harry came out to meet us and showed us around the complex and to our cabin which looked out right across the valley. He also invited us to happy hour at 5pm. We seemed to be the only guests in the park, other than the resident wallabies. Harry advised us they were expecting a storm during the afternoon and it might be a good idea to park the rental car

in one of his sheds until it passed just in case there was hail. We took him at his word and put the car in the shed and sure enough a couple of hours later the wind got up, the sky clouded over and the heavens opened. The storm blew over fast but unfortunately for Harry by the time there was enough rain to run into the gutters it had passed over. I don't think any water made it into the tanks. They haven't had any summer rain for two years and are on constant water restrictions, the only source of water is rain. There are many water tanks



around the camp and Harry made a point of telling us how important water conservation was for them. The nice thing about the storm was it cooled the temperature a bit. At happy hour in the 'Bush Lounge' we met Shelley, a fellow Kiwi from the Naki, where I was brought up. So, we had lots to talk about over a couple of drinks.



The following day we still had the whole place to ourselves so went exploring on the track to the lookout above the valley and around the camp. Being so high (600m above sea level) there was almost always a pleasant breeze to keep it a bit cooler and the many trees provided heaps of shade. After a walk it was time to try out the swimming pool, a balmy 26°, refreshing but so nice to cool down. The spa was 36° so a quick dip afterward took the chill off. Both the pool and spa are heated by solar.

The weekend brought more visitors to the camp, locals who spend as many weekends as they can there. Eagles View have three self-contained cabins, one of them wheel-chair accessible, and four standard cabins. A big lounge with TV, and a massive selection of DVD's, leads to an outdoor kitchen and BBQ area. We spent a couple of afternoons chilled out on the couch watching movies. The usual ablutions are close to the main building but as we had a self-contained cabin, we didn't need to use them.





The camp is situated

30 minutes from Gatton and Toowoomba, we didn't visit Gatton other than picking up groceries on the way. Toowoomba is a beautiful city with tree lined streets, gardens, parks and there is lots of things to see and do there, should you want to leave Eagles View. Harry and Shelley have a couples only and no children policy. After a lovely five days we reluctantly said goodbye to

Harry and Shelley and Eagles View.

Our time there was so relaxing, no traffic, lim-

ited internet (data connection only), and almost no one else in residence. This was about to change the day we left, they had quite a few bookings coming up for the next few days. Eagles View Naturist Retreat is an awesome place to stay if you really want to get away from it all, but still can pop into the city if you feel like it.



Angela.

WOS Indoor Bowls event held Saturday 21st September

Yes we had two consecutive days of spring sunshine, the Saturday social congregation of sun worshippers gathered at WOS jostled for front row pews on the north facing deck - however the warming solar devotion service did experience diminished popularity during the day as the indoor bowls games tournament got under way with it's keen contingent of boisterous followers. Everyone had a go for the top of the ladder spot along with the usual good natured ribbing and perhaps also the honour of shouting a round or two of drinks. A great time was had by one and all as the fortunes of potential champions ebbed and flowed and then after a time of wonder the winner was applauded following the crowd pleasing finals where David D emerged as winner over Brian and last year's champ Cor M beat Johan in the plate.

This rewarding WOS day's event was celebrated with happy hour on the deck followed by a pot luck dinner - with time out for cards and the hot tub in the evening.

W.O.S. Annual Mini Rally Event February 6-9th 2020 Come and spend a fun and relaxed Waitangi weekend at The Waikato Outdoor Society Mark the date on your calendar -- more details later

Everyone welcome to our extensive & tranquil rural site with easy commute to shops

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Nature walkways

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Note to all club Members



Your annual subs were due 1/10/2018

Subscription letters have been posted with all payment details, email or contact the treasurer if you did not get yours. We have another great year in store for all so don't miss out.

Check out the WOS website at: www.waikato.gonatural.co.nz



Come & hang out for a few days at W.O.S

All welcome to WOS club-rooms for Xmas card making with Trudi Saturday 16th November 11am-3pm \$5.00



<u>A reminder to our visitors and members</u>:- Here at WOS we have NO paid staff of any kind. The nice tidy and presentable grounds and kitchen and ablution areas you see here are kept to a standard entirely by volunteer members. You are expected to adhere to the traditional camping laws of cleaning up after yourselves and taking your rubbish with you. Don't tag yourself as the type that expects others to clean up your mess.

We are on Facebook and Twitter as well

BIG thank you goes out to John B for sorting all the electrical equipment for the new pool shed.

Thank you John you have done a lot here for your WOS friends.



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Fees include: Thursday evening Sausage & Bread.

Dinner on Sat.

Fri & Sat morning teas.

And cooked breakfast on Sunday

Booking:	Number of	Number of	Total \$
	Adults	Children	
The Mini Rally (Adults (18+) \$45 each plus camp fees \$40.00 plus camping if paid by 31/12/19 Children aged 5 - 17 = \$1 per year of age. Under 5 years free.			
Camping Fees Adults (18+) \$12.50per night - Children Free WOS members \$6pn			
TOTAL			

Limited power sites - please confirm availablity - \$40 deposit required.

Deposit will be deducted from your fees on arival.

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

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

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Dead right !!

We were getting the full tourist trip around various sectors of Houston city in Texas including a maze of side streets. The Knowledge and skill of the driver negotiat-

ing in heavy traffic was very impressive - especially driving on the wrong side of the road as they do in America.

Kev was voicing his praise and asked "Have you lived here all your life?"

The American driver smartly replied "Not yet!"





W.O.S grounds and facilities are yours and of course open to you and visitors at all times throughout the year so com'on over any time, any day and enjoy holiday and leisure breaks here among friends—use the unique wood fired Hot Tub, the BBQ, help out with a few chores if you want—explore the walkways, feed the eels, relax and enjoy, stay over for a night or two.





Reminder _ Members as well as all visitors to the club grounds are required to fill out and sign the visitors book in the clubhouse on every visit. We have to meet local authority compliance requirements.

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