

# WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY NOVEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER



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## THE NAKED NEWS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Next committee meeting: 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Challenge day: November 20<sup>th</sup>

(Details to follow lockdown permitting)

**COMMITTEE TITBITS** - Nothing to report at this point.

### SIGNIFICANT EXPENSES:-

Power and gas	\$486.99
Rates	\$202.22
Final payment for Paving stones and installation	\$11,380.12

## EDITORS NOTES:

What a crazy month and how our lives have changed since COVID became entrenched into our everyday life. COVID seems to be here to stay and we must adapt to further disruptions at very short notice. The question is how do we do that. Our leisure time at WOS has become very valuable and we should enjoy the summer as much as we can, when we can. Lockdown of any type can play a big toll on people and it's been a time for a lot of people to reflect, analyse and do some deep thinking. This may be a good thing or may not, depending how you take it or where your mind has been going.

Before I continue, though, I want to just say: please be kind with yourself regardless of what's going on for you. These are strange and unfamiliar times. We cannot expect normality in a time where we are facing large uncertainties and unfamiliar ground.

These are not normal times.

The committee is planning an event each month lockdown permitting where club members can come and enjoy the event as well as each other's company. Back to my question - how do we adapt to further disruptions? The key is to not to sweat the small things, make sure the little jobs don't turn into majors and most importantly recognise that you are not the only one under governmental restraints. Your family, extended family living away from home may be experiencing stress unbeknown to you, yet not wanting to be a burden keeping it to themselves. I've heard some of our members are handling the disruptions better than others, with some having difficulty with day to day tasks amongst other things. We are very fortunate within WOS to have a membership that supports each other regardless of our gender, race or position in life. It's amazing how we can solve the problems of the world at our 4.44 pm meetings. We've all been in circumstances in our life where we look back and wish we handled the situation differently. A wiser man than I said, in life keep to the principles of four key elements:

Clarify - make sure you understand the issue or concern.

Respect- whether the issue or person is right or wrong, it is important to treat them with honesty and respect.

Patience- stay calm, be happy don't over react

Communicate - don't take sides, listen, listen, listen and don't be judgemental. Be positive. If possible suggest a solution or at least a path towards it.

I would encourage you when WOS reopens to come and enjoy each other's company and if you feel comfortable share your concerns, I'm confident you won't be disappointed

In place of our **WOSSE** report this month, we have a report from our President Kevin on the progress of our pool refurbishment. We are all very excited and looking forward to testing the waters once COVID is over and extend our heartfelt gratitude to those who helped to make it happen.

# WOS swim Pool gets a Major refurbishment/rebuild — after 25 years of service



This year the planned full recon project of the WOS pool got under way with the members putting in many cost saving hours of work removing tiles and pavers and setting up the area ready for the contractors to take over the work zone. The scaffold team erected framework for making the work zone weather proof and to enable management of the temperature sensitive curing of the new coatings.

To give you an insight of some of the steps and processes involved to strip away the various damaged segments of the structure and the phases of the rebuilding and re-surfacing the pool our president

Kevin has put together a few photos to record some of the stages of this extensive necessary rebuild.





The technical work underway inside the created workroom

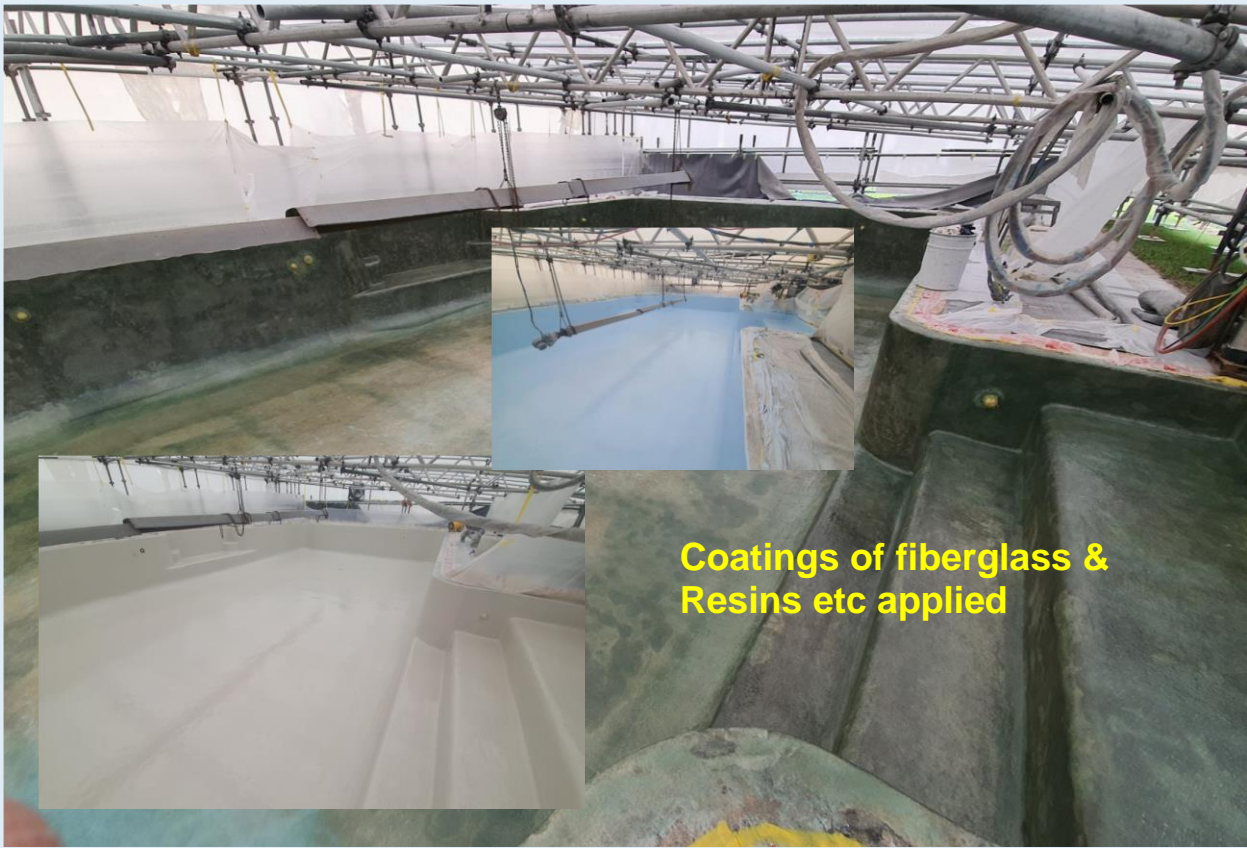


There were many damaged areas to repair



Extensive repairs and Rebuilding completed





Coatings of fiberglass & Resins etc applied

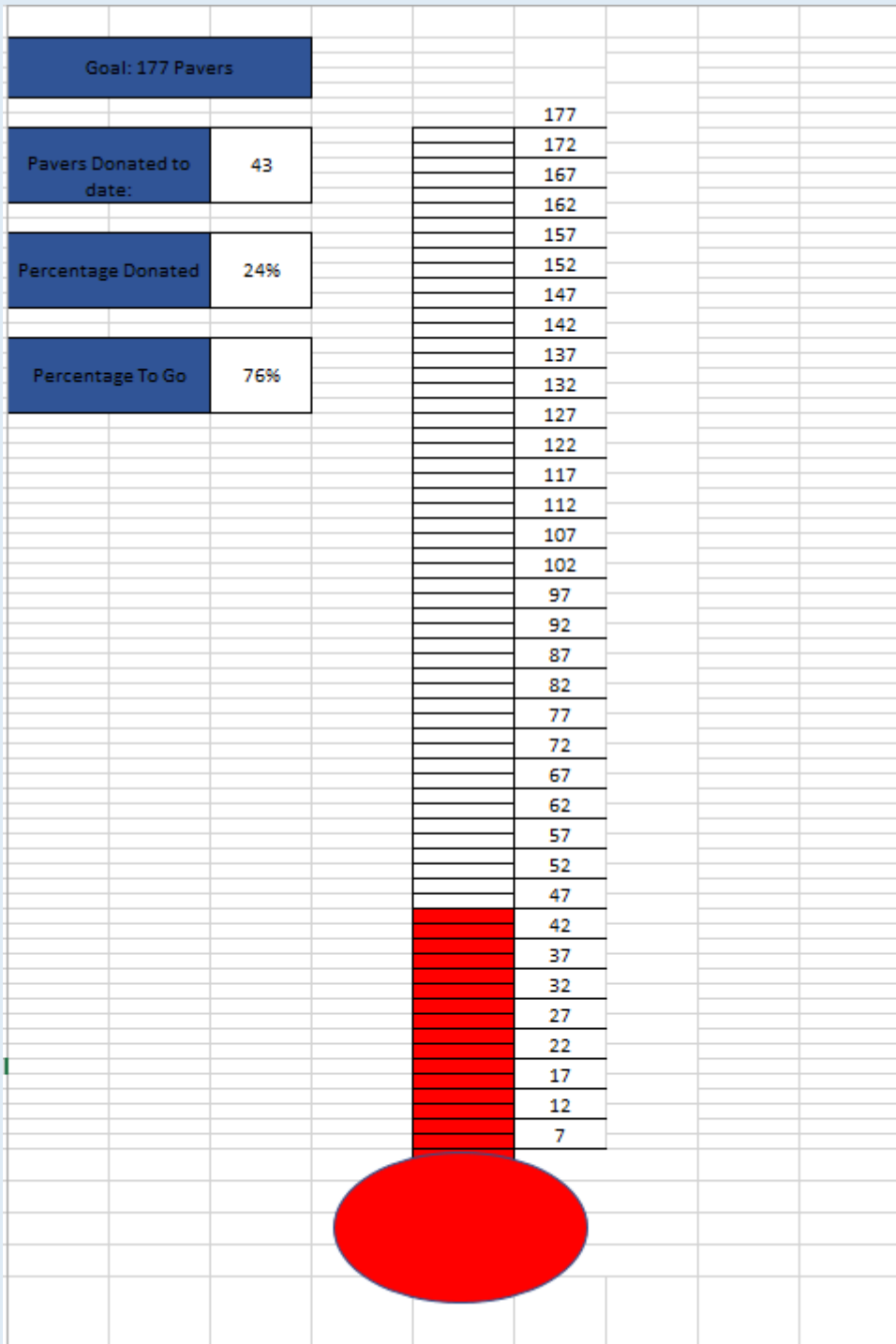
You will all be aware that this major project incurred unexpected costs over budget because we had to replace the two rows of capping pavers with an upgraded superior quality product. That is why we launched the [buy a Paver campaign](#), which has already raised several thousand \$\$\$\$\$\$ towards this. Your contributions will all help with funding our fantastic new pool to enjoy for at least another 25 years. *Regards from Kevin*



Weatherproof canopy removed, finishing work completed, just add salt & water then bingo the new pool emerges

## Buy a Paver

There is still time to support the novel scheme for financially able members/or anyone to help us avoid all our club's savings sinking into the pool by "buying a paver" for \$100. (Or a lesser or more preferred amount). Your generosity will be recognised on a special notice board on the Club House wall with your approval. To make a donation please either personally give donation to Peggy or direct credit the amount to ANZ 06-0583-0201647-01. A donation receipt will be provided if you wish to claim on your tax returns



## Reminder from our Treasurer.....

### Note to all club Members



**Your annual subs are due 1/10/2021**

**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.**

**Just a reminder that subs were due in October and reminder letters will be sent out shortly. We also had a local member who paid on the 7<sup>th</sup> September with no name with the payment. Could that person please contact the Treasurer.**

#### New Subcommittee Planning & Sustainability

As you may remember there was a remit passed at the last AGM to introduce a new subcommittee - Planning & Sustainability.

Here is a recap of the remit that was passed.

1. To investigate what members would like and already expect as a member of WOS.
2. To review current site plan in line with current membership numbers i.e., determine if there is a need for more permanent sites, if needed where future facilities (toilets/showers etc.) could go.
3. To investigate sources of income from the vacant land that may be more sustainable.
4. To investigate if more land needs to be opened up for WOS use from the currently leased land.
5. To formulate possible 5- and 10-year plans for WOS
6. To investigate different ways of promoting WOS to increase membership.
7. To keep the Committee updated and receive feedback regularly.
8. To present a range of options to WOS at the AGM for members to decide on which alternatives they would like investigated further, implemented, or discarded.
9. To present finalised options for voting at the AGM prior to lease of the vacant land being renewed

If you want to be involved in this, please email Paul at [wosse.nz20@gmail.com](mailto:wosse.nz20@gmail.com)

## Still in Lockdown Quiz.....

Answers on last page

1. The birth stone for September is .....?
2. What do you call a 7 sided shape?
3. What are the 7 colours of the rainbow?
4. Who won the most gold medals at the 2021 Olympic Games?
5. What doesn't a starfish have?
6. When was the first James Bond movie made?

## WOS members visit to BOP Sun club:-

A few of us from Tauranga went on a wee trek to BOP Sun club for the weekend.

Ken and Rae, Roy and Sue, Gary and Sue and Warren and Robyn. We had a very jovial weekend as we were the only ones there. Arrived Friday afternoon/evening, enjoyed an evening of jokes and tall tales and the odd true story. Saturday, got up late to glorious weather, lazed around in club uniform, happy hour followed by dinner and a hilarious game of five crowns where Gary proved to be the biggest loser followed closely by Robyn. Sue C won.

Sunday turned out to be a bit of a fizzer weather wise so we had a spa, light lunch and went on our merry way. All in all a very lazy laid back weekend.



From the Editors: Oh how envious we are of you....

We invite others to send in their experiences of their travels when visiting other clubs, or around our country. Email us at [wos.editors@gmail.com](mailto:wos.editors@gmail.com)





Summer is almost here.... Keith found a novel way to "celebrate" lockdown, whilst enjoying the warmth of the sun, hoping there will be plenty more of it.



## 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 the club grounds are required to fill out and sign the visitor's book as well as log into the **Covid QR code**: Please remember to scan the Covid QR code in the clubrooms when you enter our premises. Situated 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.



## HOT TUB:



You are welcome to use the hot tub but please:

1. Keep the Hot 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 the switches on in the pump box.

## REMINDERS:

1. Speed limit on the drive way is 20km/h



2. Please clean up after yourselves and take your rubbish and recycling with you.



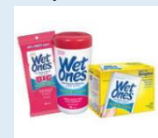
3. Please replenish the wood box from the shed down the back after using the hot tub.



4. Text the word "pic" to 021 265 0324 to find out the temperature of the Hot tub.



5. **WET WIPES**; Members are reminded not to use wet wipes when using the toilet facilities. They clog up the septic tank.



6. Members are reminded NOT to divulge other members' names to others outside our club.

7. Cheques are no longer legal tender and will not be accepted for any payments at WOS.

If you wish to receive the Gonatural Nudesletter, please email Murray at [webmaster@nznf.nz](mailto:webmaster@nznf.nz).

If you wish to contribute, please email John at [editor@gonatural.co.nz](mailto:editor@gonatural.co.nz)



# WOS Mini Rally February 4th to 7<sup>th</sup> 2022

**Fees include:** Friday evening Sausage & Bread.

Dinner on Sat.

Sat & Sun morning teas.

And cooked breakfast on Monday

Booking:	Number of Adults	Number of Children	Total \$
<b>The Mini Rally</b> (Adults (18+) \$45 each plus camp fees \$40.00 plus camping if paid by 31/12/21 Children aged 5 - 17 = \$1 per year of age. Under 5 years free.			
<b>Camping Fees</b> Adults (18+) \$13.00per night - Children Free WOS members \$6pn			
<b>TOTAL</b>			

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

Deposit will be deducted from your fees on arrival.

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

If for any reason we need 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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## Welcome to WOS 2022 Waitangi Mini-rally

### **Fri 4th Feb**

6 pm ish Early Bird sausage & bread

7:30 Darts and 8 Ball

### **Sat 5th Feb**

9:00 – 4:00 ½ hour massages By Angela J - \$40

9:30 Petanque

10:30 M Tea

12:15 \$4 shop lunch American hot Dogs, \$1 savouries

1:00 Kids slippery slide

1:00 Kubb

4:44 Happy Hour & Q-f raffles Rocket Launch

**6ish Catered dinner**

7:30 Bingo

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 Croquet & mini-ten

10:30 Morning Tea

Susanne's mystery challenge

11:00 3 Down Ladder golf [self score]

12:15 \$4 Shop lunch Wraps

1:00 Kids Bubbles and Bangs

2:00 Bowls

4:15 Eel feeding

4:44 Happy Hour & QF raffles.

6ish pre-ordered \$5 hamburgers

7:30 Quiz

## Monday 7th

8:30	Cooked breakfast
	Market/Boot sales
10:30	Hammer & Nail
10:30	Prizes, Raffle draw, conclusion
Lunch	Gold coin leftovers

### **A few housekeeping tips.**

- Please bring your own cup for morning tea, and plates and cutlery for meals.
- The urn will be kept hot for tea & coffee throughout the weekend.
- Wash your own utensils at the outside kitchen bench.
- Please cold rinse in the large tub first.  
Supply your own tea-towel.
- A men's outdoor pissoir {urinal} is in a tent, behind the toilet block.
- No emptying of toilet cassettes into the toilets –this causes major problems with the septic tank.
- **Please take bottles and plastics home with you –**  
our recycling bins can't cope!!!

**Thank-you.**

Enjoy yourselves. Re-acquaint yourselves with your friends from previous years and make new friends with first timers.



## **NZNF Digital Platforms Coordinator**

### **Expressions of Interest**

The role of DPC on the NZNF executive is up for election at the 2022/23 AGM. I will have done around 14 years in the webmaster role by then, which I feel is enough. It is time for someone new. I am therefore seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified individuals that might like to work with me over the next 12 months as basically a 2IC, with the expectation that you would put your nomination in for the role when it is open to nominations. I will still be DPC, but you would be kept in the loop with what I do, and maybe even take on responsibility for some of the work like assisting a club with their website. If there are several EOI's, there is no reason why more than one couldn't act as a 2IC.

### **Basic requirements:**

- HTML experience (experience in building websites would be great)
- IT literate and able to work with website control panels and CMS systems
- A knowledge of the Microsoft suite of tools
- An ability to write reports and create working aids, job descriptions etc.
- A knowledge of setting up email accounts on a variety of platforms
- A knowledge of social media platforms including video chat programs (the DPC is the administrator for NZNF social media)
- Ability to work with members of all affiliated clubs and associations
- Not time challenged (able to respond to requests for assistance in a timely fashion)
- And, other activities as they pop up.

If you are interested, or want more information, please email me at [webmaster@nznf.nz](mailto:webmaster@nznf.nz) or (027) 664-5526

Sadly, while this year's festival at Southern Naturally has been cancelled, they will still be open and welcome you all to visit.

In its place, Pineglades, based in Rolleston 20km south of Christchurch have put up their hands to host the NZNF AGM on Wednesday 29 Dec 2021 to Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

This will allow anyone who had previously planned to attend the conference Southern Naturally to use their existing ferry bookings and enjoy the balmy South Island weather

And one for our fitness fanatics.....

**Eggs are fantastic  
for a fitness diet.  
If you don't like  
the taste, just add  
cocoa, flour, sugar,  
butter, baking powder,  
and cook at 350  
for 30 minutes.**

Check out our website at [www.waikato.gonatural.co.nz](http://www.waikato.gonatural.co.nz)

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### Quiz answers

1. Sapphire
2. Heptagon
3. Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo and Violet
4. United States (39)
5. A brain
6. 1962 (Dr No)

