# WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY



## **NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER**

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

# THE NAKED NEWS



From the Editor: Members will know by now that my husband, best friend and co-editor of this magazine has passed away after a battle with cancer.

I would like to say thank you to the many members of WOS who have passed on their best wishes to both Peter and I as he has battled illness over the last couple of years. It has been so much appreciated.

In fact we were at WOS on a Sunday morning in August 2022, when Peter's Doctor rang to tell us that his cancer had come back after 8 years. And that's when his journey began again.

I would like to acknowledge the passing of several of our members over the last couple of years as well. I'm sure their spouses/partners will agree it is really hard to express their sadness and despair for a loved one in times like this, words just don't seem enough. But it is the love and support that we receive from a club like WOS that truly does make a difference. Just a phone call or a text message with an acknowledgement that they are thinking of us helps so much. So thank you to those who have kept in touch, who have reached out to share their condolences. It does mean a lot.

### October 2024 - Titbits



Welcome home to our travelling membership! Kevin, as President, in this month's committee meeting expressed great sadness at the passing of Bryan Porter and Peter L, whilst he and Peggy have been overseas. Kevin noted Bryan made many contributions to the club, and brought a wonderful dry sense of humour to everything. Kevin remembers Peter for his happy disposition and wide-ranging management skills that enabled him to charm everyone into getting things done. Love to both Ruth and Diane at this time from the committee on behalf of all members.

The hedge trimming has been completed and the tidy up done. The committee has decided to explore employing someone to do the tidy up in future. It's a tough job that to date has been done by a faithful few. More on this, when the committee has found a reasonable solution.

We welcome 5 new members this month, Doug and Carol and Shelley have spent Labour Weekend with us at WOS, so they are in the groove already! Please make yourselves known to new faces when you are at WOS this summer- show them we're a friendly bunch!

We say goodbye to few members as well this month, some have moved away, others are moving on. Some will stay in touch via our newsletter. We wish them all the best with their future naturist adventures.

The committee has agreed to a dedicated barbeque area in principle. A Percy Cousins grant application for help with the cost is currently being made. At this stage, the where, budget and how of this project have not been decided. If you wish to offer suggestions or help, please utilise the suggestions box or email Robyn who will pass the info on at a committee meeting.

*Movember* event has been postponed to 2025. There will be a pre Mini Rally planning meeting in November (see Peggy's details).

Please note, your committee is working hard on your behalf to create a lovely club for all members to enjoy. Members are welcome at observe at meetings. If you do so and want to say something, please email Robyn as Sec, who will pass on your input at the next meeting.

Next meeting - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 7.15 – 30pm



Larger Expenses:

Hedge cutting GST return Power/Gas

\$1863.00 \$1129.35 \$723.87

The Big Rake-Out.

The email went out...'The hedges have been cut; rakers needed. If you can make it along you'll be a treasure beyond measure, so come and lend a hand.'

While Saturday was to be 'THE' day, a prediction that the Dunedin storm was heading north motivated an earlier start.

Saturday volunteers completed the job [with the usual help from the neighbours on the road frontage]. A BBQ sausage [or 2 +] wrapped in Nigel's homemade bread was the reward. Lemon juice quenched the thirst and the hot-tub eased the muscles.

A huge thank-you to the 17 treasures who toiled away and beat the rain.

The rake out was completed over three days.

Then in came the 2 large tractors to scoop up the raked-up hedge-clipping piles.

8 WOS lads assisted in loading the tractor forks. The loads were then transported to a pile in the leased land. This was another day's work.

Next, of course was another raking tidy-up which was finally finished during the working bee, before the WOS mower could be used to neaten the grass in front of the hedges.

Thank you to the folk who helped with this huge, physical task - an annual necessity. When you admire the neat and tidy hedges, which provide shelter and privacy, give a thought to the effort a few put in to keep WOS grounds looking immaculate..

Gail

From our Secretary....

### THANK YOU TO SPRING CLEANERS!

Labour Weekend has been and gone with on and off weather.

Despite the rain showers, 30 plus members turned up and worked

their fingers to the bone. The grounds and clubhouse are now looking

spiffing so very many thanks to all those who turned up.

If you didn't turn up this time, be aware, you missed out on lots of great socialising too

so make a mental note to lend a hand next year if you can.

## Some photos to record the event.....



















Gardening, measuring, sanding, cleaning the kitchen, water blasting, changing light bulbs, cleaning the bathroom, cleaning windows, and lots more. Our ever present Secretary was keeping an eye on things too - and the food.





We were saddened to hear from Diane of the passing of her husband Peter who was the WOS popular Vice President for a term or two, and everybody's friend, who was renowned for his happy disposition and wide ranging management skills.

Peter was one of those special people whose name will remain etched both on our minds and the records of WOS because of his amazing ability to seemingly get things done without hassles. Nothing was a problem with the ever smiling Peter around as he charmed any or all of us to chip in with team work to ensure tasks or events went smoothly without any issues or the wheels falling off.

Rest easy Peter – you have left us an ever lasting legacy.

Kevin M



#### FUN GAMES WEEKEND on 29 November to 1 December 2024

The next event for the Bay of Plenty Naturists Group will be our fun games weekend at Waikato Outdoor Society (WOS), 50A Trentham Road, Tamahere, and enjoy the unique hospitality of the members of this well-equipped club. Come for the day or the whole weekend. Camping and day fees apply – see below. For accommodation bookings, email wosoutdoor@gmail.com

#### Programme (subject to change):

#### Friday 29th November:

Arrive, check in, sign the book and pay your camp fees for the weekend.

**4:44pm:** Happy hour on the deck or in the clubhouse. BYO drinks and nibbles. Register for fun games in clubhouse.

Provide your own dinner. After dinner, relax in the clubhouse or pool or spa.

#### Saturday 30th November:

Provide your own breakfast.

Registration for fun games closes at 9:30am. The games played will depend on the weather.

10am: Morning tea, provided free in the clubhouse or on the deck. BYO cups.

Fun games begin.

Provide your own lunch.

Fun games continue.

3pm: Afternoon tea provided free in the clubhouse or on the deck. BYO cups.

4.44pm: Happy hour at clubhouse.. BYO drinks and nibbles.

6pm Potluck dinner in clubhouse. Please bring a main course or dessert to share. Sufficient for yourself plus one other.

7.30pm: Quiz. Test your general knowledge. Later head for the pool or spa.

#### Sunday 1st December:

**8am-9am:** Continental and cooked breakfast on the deck – supplied and cooked by BOP Naturists own naked chef. Just bring your own crockery, cutlery etc and an appetite. **Donation appreciated.** 

Complete any outstanding games.

10am: Morning tea provided free. BYO cups.

11am: Prize giving in the clubhouse followed by BYO lunch. Prizes for everyone!

Accommodation: If staying overnight, you will need your own accommodation (tent, car, caravan, camper or motorhome).

#### Camp fees:

WOS club members: \$6/adult/night.

Non-WOS club members: \$20/adult/night.

NZNF, INF & NZMCA members: \$15/adult/night.

Or just come along for the day. Day fee: \$15pp/day. WOS club members: no charge.

Book your camp sites directly with the club at wosoutdoor@gmail.com

Please let Robyn (WOS Secretary <u>wosoutdoor@gmail.com</u>) know by Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November if you are coming to all or any part of this event (ie whole weekend or only day visit(s).

Also, we are looking for volunteers to oversee the individual games. A draw will be provided to you on the day. Please let Robyn know if you are available to help out.





Time to start thinking about.....



### Waitangi Minirally Catering 2025

We are looking for volunteers for food prep & cooking for the 2025 Minirally.

We are having a meeting in the clubrooms <u>on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 2pm</u> to co-ordinate the food for the entire weekend.

Bring your ideas and favourite recipes and Peggy will help to co-ordinate the smooth running of the food prep, cooking, clean up etc.

We still have a variety of jobs to fill over the weekend.

We are planning on having our main dinner on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb (Waitangi

Day), and we need more volunteers for this function.

Jobs still to fill are:

Wed 5th: early bird sausages

Sat 8th: M/tea setup - baking - clean up

 $Lunches: \quad Thur-Fri-Sat-Sun \quad setup-serve-clean-up$ 

Fri 8th: \$10 evening meal

Sat 9th: \$10 evening meal

We will be organising the purchase of the food and reimbursement for

monies spent. The more people that help the easier it is.

If you can't come to the meeting, please email Peggy (<u>treasurer.wos@gmail.com</u>) with any meal you are happy to contribute to.

The success of our rally depends on volunteers.

## Waikato Outdoor Mini Rally Booking form 2025

## February 5th to 9th 2025

Fees include: Wed evening Sausage & Bread. Dinner on Thursday. Thur, Fri & Sat morning teas. And cooked breakfast on Sunday

Booking:	Number of	Number of	Total \$
	Adults	Children	
The Mini Rally (Adults (18+) \$60 each plus camp fees \$55.00 plus camping if paid by 31/12/23 Children aged 5 - 17 = \$1 per year of age. Under 5 years free.			
<b>Camping Fees</b> Adults (18+) \$15.00per night - Children Free WOS members \$6pn			
TOTAL			

Camper/Caravan/tent (circle ) Size.....

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

If for any reason WOS needs to cancel all monies will be refunded.

Registration					
Adults 18 and over			Under 18s		
Surname	First name		Name	Age	
Address					
Club					
Home Phone Mo		obile			
Email					
Arrival date		De	Departure date		
Waikato Outdoor Soc PO Box 619 Waikato Mail Centre Hamilton 3240	iety			027 631 6883 oor@gmail.com	

**Private WOS Facebook page**: Here is the link to our <u>private</u> 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



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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. <u>No pets allowed</u>.

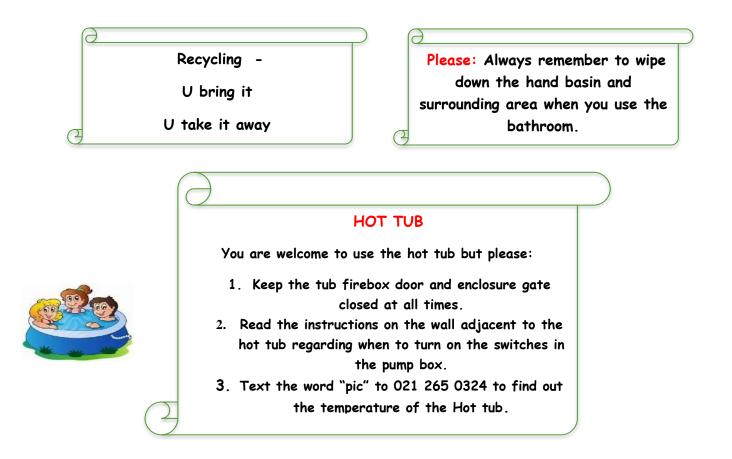
To make bookings, please phone Peggy on 0276316883 or email Waikato.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

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.



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



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