WAIKATO OUTDOOR SOCIETY



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

THE NAKED NEWS

Upcoming Events 2024



- October 26th Labour weekend spring cleanup.
- November 15th Committee meeting?
- November 16th
 "Movember" evening.
 See flier below.
- December 25th Waifs and strays lunch
- Dec 31st New Year's Eve 'Do' See flier below



From the Editor: Another month gone by and we are definitely heading into summer with the start of daylight savings and also now closer to our "Naturist season". Which means our busy time as well. This month sees all our busy bees swarming ground WOS getting ready for our annual spring clean and fun Labour weekend. See details later in this edition. Hedges getting cut this week with the tidying up of cuttings no doubt taking place over the next few weeks as well.

So we start our season again with all the normal activities scheduled to take place each month. Of course if anyone can come up with a new activity that we could take on with not too much organization, please let us know. Don't forget also to put your thinking caps on for Waitangi weekend and come up with a few new ideas for catering

September 2024 - Titbits



There was no meeting in September, but here are a couple of titbits for the month.

- Graeme has water blasted the back of the clubhouse and ramp etc.
- Jenny (& Brett) have planted some pansies and completed some other garden tasks around WOS (PS: we love their visits as they always seem to brighten up the gardens each visit, I do hope they take some time while there are here to just chill out and "smell the roses")

Our heartfelt thanks to those people, every little bit helps and we appreciate the time these people have taken out of their day to make WOS great.



Larger Expenses:

Power/Gas Yearly NZNF members fees \$ 653.39 \$1660.00



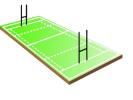
We were saddened to hear of the passing of one of our members recently. Bryan Porter was born in Dublin in 1966 and trained as a mechanic before emigrating to NZ as a 20 year old. He married Ruth and they travelled the world for 5 years before settling in NZ. He retrained as a carpenter. As well as being Naturists throughout their 55 + years of married life, Ruth and Bryan were talented ballroom dancers and passionate St Patrick Society members. St Patrick's days were always celebrated in style. Their green 'Irish Kiwi' bus was a familiar sight at numerous naturist venues. The naturist community was well represented at Bryan's celebration of life in Thames on Saturday 28th September

WOS extends condolences to Ruth. Bryan, and his Irishness will be sorely missed at WOS









WOS hosted a Fish and Chip and Rugby weekend on the 20/21

September. In excess of 20 members attended, with delicious Fish and Chips from Hillcrest served up, and Rugby being the main attraction – seeing as we won!

Wow – What a beautiful weekend with lots of socialising by all who attended. Lots of sun also meant lots of sunbathing, with the spa being lit with only Rolfe being brave enough to enter.

Darts was a challenge for the participants. Graeme and Anna fought a great battle for the final match, with Graeme the eventual winner. Well done Graeme.

The final of the indoor bowls was between Jose and Mike. It was a nail biting finish with Jose winning. Congratulations to the winners.

Anna

And now for something completely different.....

Time to put your dancing shoes on folks. Is anyone interested in teaching/showing members how to ball room dance. Perhaps a club weekend or even labour weekend. Sounds like fun -

Please let Anna know.



I put an invitation our recently for anyone interested in telling us their story in how they got into Naturism.

Marlene was brave enough to "bare" all and tell us hers. Thanks Marlene.

My Story – Marlene Burrows-Maulder

I was Widowed very young – forty-seven – and after a year or so I decided to get out socially again. I went along to a number of clubs and groups however never felt welcomed. I have gone to every dance group known to Man including Pole Dancing. I went along to a Square Dance group. The couple running it said, "Hello, take a seat we will get you up for a dance shortly." I sat there watching the dancers and a woman walked in who looked like she was sucking on a lemon. "What's your story ?" she asked me. "Well" I said – I was Widowed recently and thought I would get out socially again. "Just what we need in this club" she said, "Another bloody Widow." Needless to say I didn't return to that group.

I gave the Widow and Widowers Club a call. I thought they would be a safe bet. I asked the woman on the phone if I could come along to their Club. "How old are you ?" the woman asked. "I'm forty-nine" I replied. "Oh we don't want you" she said, "You are way too young."

I joined a Travel Group and as I walked on the bus the women physically grabbed their Husbands arms. I thought to myself, "I don't want your Husband woman. I'm more than happy on my own."

This was the pattern as I contacted or made enquiries with clubs and groups around my area.

I sold my motorbike as I was getting a little apprehensive riding by myself all the time. Yes I did make contact with the Ulysses Club. I was not welcomed there either. I bought myself a little sports car – a Mazda MX5 – and joined the club. I wasn't made to feel very welcome. I did organise a day out for the club which everyone seemed to enjoy however one woman commented on the man I took along with me – a friend of my Brothers – and asked if he was my son. One day we had a run to the swing bridge near Arapuni. There was an unwritten rule in the Club that you keep the car behind you in your rear vision mirror at all times. The day wasn't particularly fine so one by one we pulled over to put up our tops as it began to rain. I was the last one to do this. I eventually made my way to our destination to find everyone was out of their cars and walking across the bridge. I was so upset that they didn't bother to wait for me to arrive so turned around and went home. I immediately wrote my resignation and emailed it off to the Secretary.

I had always been interested in the Naturist Lifestyle however knew nothing about it. I love being in the sun and don't like tan lines. One day I took the plunge and headed to Katikati Naturist Park. At the time it was run by a young couple who were lovely. I paid my day fee, parked up and removed my clothes. While doing so a couple of women came over to me, introduced themselves and welcomed me to the camp. This had never happened to me before. I felt totally at home and realised I had finally found my people. I was made aware of the Bay of Plenty Naturist Group and made contact with Glenne who welcomed me to the group as did the other members.

I feel totally comfortable amongst my Naturist acquaintances. You are all wonderful and very, very nice people. Thank you for accepting me.

Look forward to hearing a few more tales as well

So here is a few more reminders of events that are taking place over the next few months and a good reason to keep WOS on your calendar

Labour weekend cleanup.

Yes it's that time again folks, Labour weekend is fast looming. So time to take your clothes off and don your gardening gloves and any other equipment required for a clean-up and toil away at your hearts content. Hoping for a fine weekend, and lots of enthusiastic workers to once again make us proud to be a member of WOS.

There is a list of tasks on the noticeboard outside the kitchen.

Fri night: Committee meeting Sat am: Spring Clean and Garden Tidy Up Sat Lunch: Sausage Sizzle provided by club for Spring Cleaners and Gardeners 4:44 Sat and Sun Sun am: Kubb and other games Sun Dinner: Potluck Mike G has also kindly offered to pamper us with Massages on Saturday between 10.30am until 4pm. A notice will be put up on the noticeboard for you to put your name down.



Happy hour as usual.

but about 7.30pm Bring your tache. Be it real or fake. Be it new or old. Decorate that place below your nose and have a laugh and maybe pose.







Lets also not forget - have you got a few ideas to bring to the tables?

WOS Rally - February 2025

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, with the costs being reimbursed. 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.

It would be good if we could coordinate well ahead of time, with volunteers thinking about food options. We will have a meeting well before the weekend to formulate a plan, so get your thinking caps on.

6 - 9th February 2025

Have you changed your address, phone number or email? Please advise Peggy (Treasurer) treasurer.wos@gmail.com Or txt the club phone 027 6316 883 with new details. The yearly Subs and Site fees will be sent out 1st week in September. You will still be able to go into any ANZ bank and pay these over the counter as WOS is a business account not a private account.



Link -

Newspapers wanted.

If anyone has any spare newspapers they would like to offload, please bring them to WOS. We all love our nice cosy fires in the clubrooms in winter and are running out of fire starters, so bring them along, we would will make use of them.

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



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>.

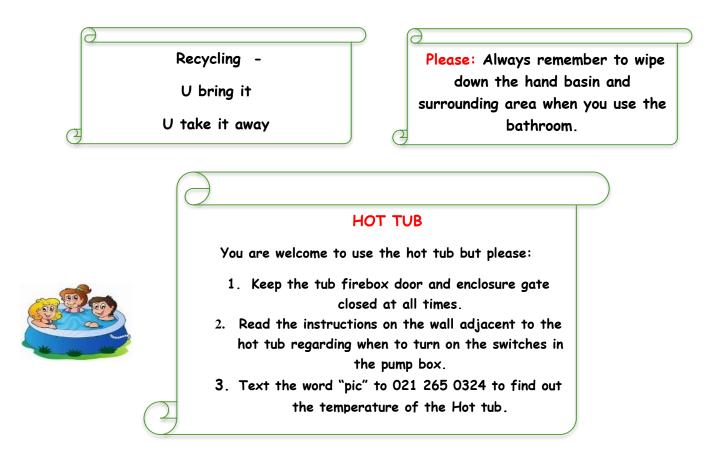
To make bookings, please phone Peggy on 0276316883 or email Waikato.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

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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