

September 2016

The Official Newsletter for the Wellington Naturist Club Inc.



What's on at WNC

September

Sun 25th **Working Bee** 9am start

October

Sat 8th – Sun 9th **INF Congress Committee Meeting**

Sat 8th **Special General Meeting** 5pm
Refer to the notice below for the resolution to be discussed.

Sat 8th **Surprise! Dinner** 6pm
Hosted by Constance. Please RSVP by 1st Oct.

Sun 9th **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm
(all members welcome to attend)

Sat 22nd – Mon 24th **Labour Weekend**

Sun 23rd **Open Day** 2pm – 4pm

Sun 23rd **BYO BBQ Dinner**
Gather at the BBQ at 5pm
BYO Food & Drinks

Sun 30th **Working Bee** 9am start.

November

Wed 16th – Sat 19th **INF Congress**

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From The Chair

Well here we go again. Almost 4 weeks since my new hip was done and I am up and away. Walking without crutches and trying to get some fitness back. I even made it to the committee meeting 11th September.

Well what am I going to talk about this month. It just has to be a big thanks to all who showed me support after my operation. May not seem a biggie to those in the club who have had hip replacements, but sitting at home not being able to drive or do much it is so nice to receive calls and texts and visits. Also those who have stepped up to the plate and really done heaps to make my presidents job so much easier. It was great to see and catch up with so many at the afternoon tea on 11th September and really nice that we celebrated Murray Ms birthday. The banana cake was to die for thanks Thelma.

Constance and Heidi have been working in the back ground with preparations for the 2017/18 rally to be held at your club. More about that once details are sorted. We will obviously need a lot of helpers to make this event successful so let Constance or Heidi know if you are willing to be on board. Early days yet though. Now that I am on rallies this is a good time to have a plug at trying to get more Wellington members at the Auckland rally. I know of only 8 who will be attending and I would like more so we can show Auckland what we have to offer. Go on give it a try. It is so much fun and also very relaxing. It is value for money and a chance to see other clubs and what they have to offer. This will be Jude's and my 27th rally and we have enjoyed them all.

Congress organisation is going well and some more work around the club will be required to get it looking like we want. Please tidy up around your site and help keep the toilets clean.

The main ablution block is looking really good with new partitions, toilets basins lockers and walls. Unfortunately the hot water cylinder has come to grief so are now looking at replacing this with instant heat units as have been installed up in Park Lane North shower block. Hopefully installation should be soon.

I have just had a text from Alan our electrician who has just completed the wiring for all the power boxes down below the hall. The light at the bottom of the track is now working and improvements are under way to make the new concrete paths safer at the ends. Paul has arranged for the poles to be removed so I hope this takes place soon. Dave has put in a handrail on one of the paths and is working on the concrete path from back of spa down to the bottom. Greg is working on improving the entrance to the men's main toilet block and other projects to tidy up the club grounds are in the pipeline. Greg has also taken the steps out of the pool for the yearly paint and a handrail put in place.

Well that's it from me.

Bring on summer.

Ken

Caravan Electrical Warrant of Fitnesses

Barry Williams is looking after the Electrical Warrants. Home No 9383656.

He would like to get as many as possible together to keep the price down. Barry has asked everyone to supply the key with an address envelope and phone number.

The phone number is for contacting the owner if the caravan requires extra work to bring it up to the regulations. The address envelope is so he can post out the account.

In the past he left the account in the caravan and if the owner does not come up to the club very often he had to chase them for the money.

Surprise! Dinner Sat 8th October 6pm



Constance is hosting the Surprise Dinner on Saturday 8th October & is looking for helpers to assist. She also needs everyone to r.s.v.p. no later than Saturday 1st October.

Please contact her on 021 123 7577 or onepurplefish@gmail.com

Working Bee Sunday 25th September 9am

One of the jobs that needs to be done at the working bee is scrapping the rust off the roof of the main ablution block. If anyone has wire brushes, please bring them along.

We will also be cleaning up vacant & absent sites & cleaning the main ablution block now that the renovations have finished.

Site/Caravan Working Bee

At some stage in the remaining weeks before the Congress can all those with sites spend some time doing a tidy up of their site & clean their caravan/cabin. We want to present the best appearance to all the visitors we'll have on the grounds.

Afternoon Tea Roster

The afternoon tea roster for summer is now on the wall by the kitchen. Please select a Sunday afternoon you can organise the afternoon tea. It is not difficult. You just need to bring something to eat & some milk. If you're not a baker a couple of packets of biscuits is fine. Then have it ready to ring the bell at 3pm. If you are unsure please contact Shirley or one of the regulars who will be happy to advise you.

Lockers available for members/day visitors

There are now lockers in the main ablution block for members/day visitors to store their gear. They can be rented for \$50-00 per year. If you are interested, please contact Helen at ellotomo@live.com.

INF Congress

As you are all aware the INF are holding their Congress at the club from Wednesday 16th November to Sunday 20th November. Access to the club for members will be restricted over this period, as the INF have full use of our facilities. The best option for members is to register as an attendee. Check out the website <http://congress.nznf.nz/>. Further details we be advised after the Congress Planning Committee meeting at the club in October.

Hygiene & Cleanliness

Please make sure you clean up after yourself when using our facilities.& if you see something dirty please help out by cleaning. This is especially important for our facilities in Far Away Land, which are also used by our guests who pay to stay in the cabins.

A Walker's guide to the Beech Track

Some signs have been placed on the Beech Track to help you navigate your way along it.

Follow the driveway that runs behind the hall, go uphill and go straight ahead at the top. Climb the wooden steps on your right and follow the track. The track is marked regularly with red tape, if you can't see any red tape you may have strayed off the track.

Sign	Notes
Hand Brake Turn	This is the sharpest turn of the track.
Easy As	A long straight run, good for a bit of pace.
Rocks	Never was so much owed to so many by so few as when this piece of track was made.
Speed Bumps	We don't want you going too fast.
Whoop-de-do	Keep at least one foot on the ground through here.
The Squidge	A creek runs across here when it rains, conditions may be malleable underfoot.
Tree Hug	Hug the tree and you will be ok.
Beech Trees	Here there is a grove of beech trees and a view of the grounds. A bench seat should appear near here one day.
You've Got To Be Joking	A steep descent, take care here.
Persephone's Decent	This is a comment that was made by someone doing some formative work on the track.
Squeeze	These two trees are close together and in the way, but we did not have the heart to cut them down.
Old and New	This is where the new track meets the old one that goes to the top. Take the right turn here, or left if you are going the other way.
Level Playing Field	Be careful not to lose your footing through here.

You should come out on the driveway just above the hall car parks.

Patrick Fotheringham

Katikati Naturist Park for sale

The Katikati Naturist Park is currently for sale either as a leasehold business or a freehold going concern. If you or anyone you know may be interested in a lifestyle change check out the notice on the noticeboard at the side of the stage or contact Kevin & Joan at sampsons@clear.net.nz.

OPEN DAY – Sunday 23 October 2-4 pm & BYO BBQ Dinner from 5pm

Please bring a plate to share for afternoon tea. Our member Murray S will be playing music on the lawn.

If you can help out with showing people around the grounds, sitting at the gate please let Richard or Jacqui know.

Then meet at the BBQ at 5pm for drinks, followed by a BBQ dinner. BYO food & drinks.

Special General Meeting 5pm 8th October.

Currently the club is exempt from paying tax, however we have been advised by the Inland Revenue Department that to maintain this we must amend our constitution. To amend the constitution requires a resolution passed by the members at a general meeting. As such the committee is calling a Special General Meeting to be held at 5pm on Saturday 8th October in the hall on the club's grounds at Te Marua (Note: The meeting will be followed by the Surprise dinner being hosted by Constance).

The advice we have received from the Inland Revenue Department is as follows:-

"Wellington Naturist Club Incorporated currently has an income tax exemption under section CW 46 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and an exemption from paying resident withholding tax (RWT).

I have checked the constitution lodged with the Companies office and the following changes need to be made to retain the above exemptions and for confirmation be issued.

Personal benefit

As the organisation can employ, the constitution requires a personal benefit clause. Please add the following:

"Any income, benefit or advantage shall be applied to the objectives of the organisation, No member of the organisation or any person associated with a member, shall participate in or materially influence any decision made by the organisation, in respect of the payment to or on behalf of that member or associated person of any income, benefit, or advantage whatsoever. Any such income shall be reasonable and relative to that which would be paid in an arms length transaction (being open market value). And the provisions and effect of this clause shall not be removed from this document and shall be included and implied into any document replacing this document."

Alteration of rules clause

Clause 5.1 allows for the rules to be altered. To qualify for an income tax exemption there must be a clause stating that the objects, personal benefit clause and winding up clause cannot be altered. Please include the following paragraph:

"No addition to or alteration of the non profit aims, personal benefit clause or the winding up clause shall be made which affect the tax exempt status. The provisions and effect of this clause shall not be removed from this document and shall be included and implied into any document replacing this document."

Once the changes to the constitution have been adopted by the organisation and registered with the Companies Office, please let us know.

Confirmation of the above exemptions can then be issued."

The Club Treasurer has advised:-

"The options are quite simple: either we comply with their request or subs will have to go up to cover the tax we are receiving an exemption on. My guess is at least 20%! It's no big deal, and should have been done quite some time ago, as legislative requirements keep changing."

INF Congress Photo Competition



Entries are invited from photographers to submit up to 5 of their own images to the International Photographic Competition being held in conjunction with the 2016 International Congress of Naturism.

The theme at the Congress, being hosted by the New Zealand Naturist Federation at Wellington Naturist Club, is “Health and Wellbeing” and the photographic competition is aligned to the same subject matter. How that is interpreted is up to the photographer however the entry must depict naturism as non-sexual social nudity.

Entry fee is NZ\$20 for up to 3 images and NZ\$30 to include an additional 2 images. The competition runs from 1st January to 30th September 2016 with judging in October 2016. See below for a registration form, model release form and Terms & Conditions.

Prize

A fabulous four night stay for two at New Zealand’s prestigious ‘Waitata Bay Naturist Retreat’ in the Bay of Islands, Northland, where the winner and companion will relax in the luxurious ‘Potting Shed’ accommodation, and enjoy the freedom of the sand and blue waters on their own private beach. Check it out at waitatabay.co.nz.

We thank Waitata Bay for so generously donating this unique prize.



Full Details at <http://congress.nznf.nz/news/10/24/Photo-Competition/>