

Te Marua

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**November 2016**

The Official Newsletter for the Wellington Naturist Club Inc.



## What's on at WNC

Each Saturday Evening **BYO BBQ Dinner**

Gather at the BBQ at 5pm

BYO Food & Drinks

Each Sunday Afternoon **Afternoon Tea** 3pm

Listen for the bell & meet on the deck.

## November

Sun 13th **Plateau School Gala** 11am-3pm

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> – Sat 19<sup>th</sup> **INF Congress**

Further details in the newsletter

## December

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm  
(all members welcome to attend)

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> **Waifs and Strays Christmas Day**  
Meet at the club to spend Christmas Day together

Sat 31<sup>st</sup> **New Years Eve**  
Meet at the club for a Karaoke evening.

## January

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> – Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> **Wellington Anniversary Weekend**

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> **Club Spit Roast Dinner** r.s.v.p. to Ken  
kmercerc @slingshot.co.nz or call 021 1525940

## February

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm  
(all members welcome to attend)

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## From The Chair

Well the congress is nearly upon us and the grounds are looking great. By now everybody who wishes to attend the conference will be registered and all registered people have received from Murray what is expected of them particularly at the Powhiri. Included in this newsletter again is information to WNC members. NON registered WNC members can use the club during the Congress but fees apply to anything outside normal use and after 6pm.

Have you noticed that the power poles and wires have gone and we now have no visible pollution. Wow what a mile stone that is for the club. It was a very exciting day watching 7 poles being hauled out of the ground. They made very little mess in doing this job and even filled in the holes and grass seeded. 7 vehicles, 7 guys, 7 poles and all done in 4 hours. No wonder our electricity prices are so high?

Many have cleaned up their sites but there are still a few who have not so if you can do it soon that would be great. Don't leave it up to others.

Barry has had the caravan warrants sorted but there were a few who didn't realise that theirs has run out so I had them sorted last week. Just another 5. Keep in mind that it is your responsibility to make sure your warrant is current. If it is not then you will be unplugged and it is an offence to plug it back in. If someone should get electrocuted then it is me, being the President, who is in for the high jump. Be safe out there.

There has been a great push by Rob, Dave and others to establish the path from the back of the hall down to the bottom by garage. It is looking awesome and is a credit to Rob and Dave to get this done.

Marie and Rob celebrated their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary at the club at afternoon tea on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Congratulations this is awesome. Only 14 years for Jude and I and we can also celebrate.

Perry has almost finished all his painting around the grounds and the ablution block looks great along with the hall toilets. Wow do we have a club to be proud of.

There are now new signs around the club marking the tracks and club areas thanks to Richard. Alan has painted the back of midlands shower block and all the fire hose reels have been installed. The pool steps are back in with a hand rail as requested by some members. The pool is at 26 degrees so good for swimming in. Ross will have the pool vacuumed so good to go. Murray M has been beavering away on the main ablution block roof so that will be ready for its final coat soon. Jeff June and Jude have been planting plants all over the place and they are now flowering. The BBQs are now up and running. We also have a new bar area by the BBQ with a canvas screen on one side. Thanks Ross. Check out the fence pool painting now completed by Albert. It looks great and he worked into the night to finish it. Many people have helped to make our club great so thanks to you all.

The main ablution block now has instant gas hot water which means that there will be hot water available all year around. This should cut down our power bill and take the load of the system at peak times. Be patient when using the showers as it may take a short time for the hot water to arrive.

The driveways are now looking great thanks to the efforts of club members who spread the 24 cubic metres of gravel I had dumped around the grounds. Many hands make light work. (Old Chinese proverb.) You may have noticed that the club has a mail box now, 20 Molloy's Road. We are looking at doing away with our Wellington box number.

Your committee has been working hard to make your club the best in the country. The open day went well and Jacqui was happy with the turn out. She thanks all who volunteered to show people around. More work to do to get to 200 by next AGM. Keep up the good work.

The small rally team is progressing well. The poster has been done and registration form is being prepared. Thanks to Heidi, Constance and Murray N for getting this sorted. We need to do advertising at the Auckland rally.

Mike H has had a spell in hospital and we all wish you a speedy recovery. Thanks Jill for keeping me informed.

OK that's about it from me. I hope I haven't forgotten anything or anyone. I am now off to the club to pour concrete and finish pool steps.

Sunny days to come.

Ken

# OPEN DAY

Thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the successful Open Day.

Murray's music created an ambiance which was very pleasant and the weather was kind to us.

We had 7 visitors. Ray from Masterton has now become a member and three have indicated that they will visit again.

One came yesterday. We need to build our membership.

OPEN DAY - Sunday 4 DECEMBER 2-4 pm

This will take the same format. We need more people to assist with showing people around.

Please contact Jacqui

## POSTERS

If you can take a poster to place in your local library, community noticeboard or workplace, please let Jacqui know.

Thanks Jacqui

## 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.

## Plateau School Gala – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 11am - 3pm

Please be aware the school will be using our bottom field for parking around the above times.

Thanks

## Please drive slowly

Can we ask members to drive slowly in the driveways. New metal is being tossed around from excessive speed and they are getting flicked into the grassed areas.

Also by allowing your vehicle to roll gently will help stop mud ruts being formed in the grassed areas. If possible keep cars off soft areas until the dryer weather has hardened up those areas.

Cheers



to the following new member:-

[Ray from Masterton](#)

We hope you have a long and enjoyable association with the club.





## Tramping – Track & Trips

### **Persephone's Decent**

I have been asked to explain the naming of "Persephone's Decent" as described in the Beech track walkers guide published recently.

In Greek mythology Persephone (per-sef-oh-knee) became Queen of the underworld but did not spend all her time there. Persephone's travels controlled the seasons, her descent to the underworld was the beginning of winter and her return to the surface was the beginning of summer. It was most likely on one of her descents, that she chose to walk over the Beech track. For reasons unknown, she wore clothes while on the track. Some people working on the track saw her pass by and one made the comment "Persephone's decent". Those working on the track at the time did not wish to be identified, so you have to take my word for what happened. If you walk the track at the right time of year you may, by chance, see Persephone yourself.

### **Nude Tramping Trips**

I am again running a number of nude tramping day trips over the summer. In order to avoid meeting many people, these trips they are mostly following less visited tracks that are often unmarked, unformed and sometimes hard to find. Given the rough travel we will encounter from time to time you will need reasonable fitness, if you are a regular (not extreme) trumper/runner/cyclist/gym bunny/exerciser you will have no problem.

Most of the trips will be organized at relatively short notice, two weeks maximum and in response to the weather forecast, so they will not generally be advertised in the club newsletter. I have an email list of those interested in these trips and if you want to join in, or want more information, give me a call or just drop me your email address.

These trips are for club members only.

Patrick Fotheringham

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## Pip's Caravan For Sale.

For sale a small little caravan. Very tidy.  
Complete with fridge, microwave and bench oven.  
Also crockery and utensils.  
It can be viewed on Pip's site left hand far corner of FAL  
Price around \$1500 but negotiable.  
Phone Pip on 021 02519273





# 2016 INTERNATIONAL NATURIST FEDERATION CONGRESS

16~20 November  
Wellington, New Zealand

## Information for WNC members during Congress.

NON registered WNC members can use the club during the Congress but fees apply to anything outside normal use and after 6pm. Spa & Sauna can be accessed from rear door. The bar can be used at anytime when in the hall. Access via sliding door.

Delegates, registered observers and registered volunteers can attend all functions and access the hall at anytime. Meal costs are as notified.

WNC members can go on the naked hike and also attend the opening ceremony on Wednesday at no cost. Bring your own lunch. In fact we encourage it as we want as many there as we can get. Please see fees that apply as below.

Wednesday 16th. From 6pm fees are \$35 to attend Hangi and watch Kapa Haka entertainment.

Thursday 17th. From 6pm fees are \$25 to attend Gourmet BBQ. Hall is out of bounds all day unless you are a registered volunteer or pay a \$20 day fee.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. From 6pm fees are \$25 to attend Spit roast. Hall is out of bounds all day unless you are a registered volunteer or pay a \$20 day fee.

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>. From 6pm fees are \$65 to attend Gala dinner. Sorry but no more places available. Hall is out of bounds all day unless you are a registered volunteer or pay a \$20 day fee.

Keep in mind that visitors have paid \$470 full registration fee to participate in the Congress plus site fees which go to WNC.

Any questions please ring me (021 152 5940)

Ken

## Unofficial working bees

From now until the congress there will be unofficial working bees every Sunday. If you can help please turn up and check out the white board in the hall for jobs or contact June (027 233 9904). Also 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.

## Outdoor Heater Required

Does anyone have an outdoor gas heater that we could use at the BBQ area during the Congress, if necessary, due to cold weather. Also if anyone has solar powered fairy lights that could also help decorate the gardens. If so, please contact June.