

Te Marua

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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.

December

Fri 22nd **Rally Get Together** 11am

Help fill goody bags & wrap auction prizes

Mon 25th **Waifs and Strays Christmas Day**

Meet at the club to spend Christmas Day in the sun. BYO food & drinks.

Thurs 28th Dec 2017 – Wed 3rd Jan 2018

Te Marua Pioneer Village Rally

(details in newsletter)

January

Sat 20th – Mon 29th **GoNatural Week**

February

Sat 3rd **Club Spit Roast Dinner**

- To Be Confirmed

Sun 4th **Open Day** 2-4 pm

Live Jazz on the deck & afternoon tea provided.

Sun 11th **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm

(all members welcome to attend)

Tues 13th **Hash House Harriers** 6:30pm

(all members welcome to attend)

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From The Chair

The year is almost over and the rally is nearly upon us. Lot's to do yet but the rally team have been working hard to make this event a memorable one. Thanks heaps to all who have helped so far. To those who have volunteered to help over the rally period you deserve a special thanks.

Your dedicated committee are working hard to ensure your club is up to scratch and running like a well oiled machine. With the resignation of Gavin as secretary due to health reasons Pieter has stepped up and will fill this role until the AGM. Thanks Pieter.

So what's been happening around the club? Paul has been working hard pulling cables for the under round power project and our naked electrician has been installing the boxes. This job has been going well except for trying to grow grass seed without rain it is impossible. We have decided no more hand watering due to water restrictions. Thanks to those who have helped Paul pull cables and brought the grounds back to scratch.

Electrical warrants are underway and should all be done before the rally. Thanks Barry and Richard.

You may have noticed that the driveways are now sealed including the parking area behind the hall which was added as an extra at the end. Please drive slowly on these surfaces.

We had over \$60,000 of bills to pay this month but we think that will be the end of large bills.

FAL opening held on Saturday 16th at 5pm brings closure to this project. Thanks mainly to Marcel, Jim, Derek and myself the shower block looks great.

You may have noticed that all the floors in the main ablution block have now been painted and also FAL shower block. Thanks Perry.

The children's playground has been given a face lift thanks to Marie and Rob for painting. Nick is working on making the fort safe and usable and Jude and I added new swing seats. Ross and Shirley have taken on upgrading the trampoline. Bring on the children. 12 coming to the rally.

The hall has been transformed into the pioneer theme thanks to Heidi and Derek. Quite ironical that we have upgraded all our facilities and now where are going back in years for the rally.

At our last meeting the committee discussed the issue of charging electric cars on the grounds, Paul has brought to our attention that without special charging facilities it can be dangerous and illegal to charge these vehicles. A special note is in this news letter.

The pool is now 29.5 degrees so really nice to get into. Just that cold shower to start with is a bit daunting.

There are a couple of articles in the latest *gonatural* magazine worth a read. June is featured and Jude, June, Murray and I are there with miniten wins. Also featured from Wellington is June, Pieter, Jude and I at Costa Natura in Spain.

I hope you all have a great break over the Christmas/new year period and may this fine weather remain over the rally period.

Ken

MEMBERSHIP

Provisional membership to full membership - Sarah and Murray P.

NEW PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

Sheryl (former member) and Sidney, Lower Hutt - buddy Richard

Paul M, Waikanae - buddy Chris B

Roger, Masterton (former member) - buddy Helen and Marcel

Thanks to the members who have volunteered to buddy. Please contact Jacqui if you are willing to buddy. We need more.

VISITORS/INTRUDERS on the grounds

If you see anyone that you do not recognise please feel free to ask if they are members. Day visitors need to pay fees. Please inform a committee member if you are concerned.

We have had incidents of people coming into the club and wandering around the grounds. For the safety of all please be aware.



Not long to go now folks. It's definitely shaping up to be a great rally with last minute registrations trickling in daily.

I know it is short notice but for the kids activities/team games on the village green it would be wonderful to have the following items if anyone is able to help out please?

- 3-4 sets of wooden stilts in varying sizes
- Water pistols &/or guns
- Elastic sewn for the game elastics (x 3-4)
- Large rope for skipping games & also tug-o-war
- Hessian sacks for sack races (1/2 doz)
- Old nylon stockings cut up & tied for 3-legged races

Thanks

PS also don't forget to book & pay for the salad bar if you haven't already done so & ditto for the bar cards.

NZNF Secretary

At this stage no nomination have been received for the NZNF's Secretary position. As such they may be calling for nominations from the floor at the AGM, if you are interested please talk to Ken.

Charging Of Electric Vehicles

The club has received advice that it may not be safe to charge electric vehicles using the electrical set up we have at the club. With the amount of money the club has spent on our power project the committee has decided to take a cautious approach to this. As such, please do not charge electric vehicles at the club. The committee will investigate the possibility of installing a purpose built charging station in the future.

For your information, below is the relevant section from the Electric Vehicle Charging Safety Guidelines published by WorkSafe New Zealand & an opinion received from a renewable energy specialist.

Guidelines Part 2 –

5.3 Division of Installation;

A dedicated final sub-circuit must be provided for each EV charging station or socket-outlet intended for Mode 2 charging.

5.4.1 – Exception:

Sub circuits supplying single phase ac EV charging stations may be protected by a voltage independent Type A RCD identified by the manufacturer of the RCD as suitable for EV charging, or a Type B RCD, in accordance with the RCD manufacturer's instructions.

5.4.1.1

All final sub circuits in domestic or similar premises intended for a mode 2 supply for an electric vehicle must be individually protected by a voltage independent Type A RCD identified by the manufacturer of the RCD as suitable for EV charging or Type B RCD, in accordance with the RCD manufacturer's instructions.

My Interpretation of the above:

I would recommend for the stability and safety of the caravan site installing a dedicated EV charger on a separate circuit with the correct RCD nice and close to the switchboard. When installing Caravan sockets they are able to be de-rated for maximum demand purposes, whereas EV chargers are at their maximum rating and on their own sub circuit.

This would ensure it doesn't stress the existing installation of Commando plugs and would then not need any change to the existing Type A RCD's.

Mode 2 is a reference to the IC-CPD which is the freebie charger that the end user gets with the car. These are more likely to be unchecked, untested or improperly modified. If the provision of a Type 2 Socketed charger was available then the risk to the entire installation is minimized. The option is open to provide a charging cable also but – as mentioned yesterday this would be entirely at the discretion of the Campsite owners in regards to the upkeep of the cable.

Also the site can mandate that EV's ONLY charge at the dedicated Charger – this can be programmed to try and mitigate any overload or peak demand, this would leave the Caravan sockets for Caravans!

Waifs and Strays Christmas Day

Some people will be getting together at the club to spend Christmas Day in the sun. This is BYO food & drinks, so if you wish to join in please bring your own.

Open Day – Sunday 4th February 2-4pm

Murray will be playing jazz on the deck (weather permitting) and afternoon tea will be on at 3pm. Please bring your friends.

