

Te Marua

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August 2018

The Official Newsletter for the Wellington Naturist Club Inc.



What's on at WNC

August

Sat 25th **Pizza & Quiz Nite** 6pm
with Quiz Masters Murray & Sarah
R.S.V.P. to Constance with pizza orders

Sun 26th **Club Working Bee**
Meet at the Hall at 9am. Remember to sign in.

September

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

Sat 29th **Rubik's Cube Party** 6pm
Hosted by Constance (details to follow)

Sun 30th **Club Working Bee**
Meet at the Hall at 9am. Remember to sign in.

October

Sun 14th **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm
(all members welcome to attend)

Sat 20th – Mon 22nd **Labour Weekend**

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Working Bee – Sunday 26th August

- Tree Trimming in Midlands & Highlands.
- Drains to be cleared.
- FAL toilet upgrade. – assistance required.
- Ablutions blocks & main kitchen to be cleaned.
- Steps to be swept.
- Plumbing work in the main kitchen – assistance required





From The Chair

Well I thought the weather was warming up but woke up this morning feeling really cold.

We never had a committee meeting this month mainly due to people being away. I am very jealous of those in warmer places like Costa Natura in Spain.

Jim's dinner in July was really good as usual and I thank him for taking his time to prepare all the food. This month is Pizza month as you will all know. Constance has managed to get the required numbers and of course it is quiz night also put on by Murray and Sarah. Should prove to be fun. We will watch the All Blacks delayed at the end of the quiz for those who are interested.

Have you been to the club recently? Pop over to FAL to view the new path from cabin 4 to cabin 3 and then to the ablution block. The daffodils alongside cabin 1 are looking just stunning. There are so many. Also the Rhododendrons are also all in bud and will be in full bloom soon, Don't miss seeing this display as Jeff has spent many hours developing these gardens. Yes spring is almost here. New lambs can be seen everywhere and our Ewes are due to lamb shortly. I just hope the weather gets warmer for them.

The lawns are starting to grow but our mower just refuses to go at present so that will have to be attended too. Don't forget to tidy up around your site. The club had small mowers you can use. We will be concentrating on tree trimming up Midlands and Highlands this coming working bee. This trimming is necessary to get bushes to spread out at lower levels rather than getting tall and lanky. There are also plenty of leaves to rake up and drains to clear. We need to prepare the club for a bumper visitor year. Brent H will be on the grounds to take on his new role as cabin manager and implement some ideas he has to boost club and visitor numbers. Please support Brent where you can.

Well that is it from me this month. As usual if you want to talk to me please feel free to do so. I hope to catch up with some of you at the Pizza/Quiz night.

Ken

Please turn off the Sauna after use

A couple of weeks ago it was noted that the sauna had been turned on for a couple of hours & it appeared no-one was using it. Please ensure you turn off the sauna after you have finished using it. Also with other lights & doors. If no-one else is using our facilities, please turn off lights, close doors & make sure everything is secure when you are leaving.

Pizza & Quiz Nite – Saturday 25th August

Thank you to everyone that placed an order for the pizza and quiz night. We have made the quota, so you can expect your delicious pizza for dinner.

I know of one instance where someone sent me a text message to RSVP but because I was out of the country I did not receive the message. I don't want to miss anybody so if I did not personally respond to acknowledge your order then please let me know ASAP and I will get you added to the last minute list.

It has also been brought to my attention that there will be a rugby match (All Blacks vs Wallabies) on Saturday night. There will be a delayed telecast after the quiz for those that may be interested in watching.

I will kindly ask that people refrain from using their mobile devices during the quiz to check up on answers or the score!!! We do not want any spoiler alerts!!!

Cheers Constance :)

Overnight in Jans Hut

We gathered in the Catchpool carpark, we were certainly not alone. There are many public and private huts in the Orongorongo Valley and it looked like they were all in use for the weekend. We had booked Jans Hut, run by DoC, and had sole occupancy so would not be competing with anyone for space.

As we walked over the Orongorongo Track we passed numerous groups, some going much faster than us. We were old enough to be the parents of many of them so we did not feel so bad. The track climbs gently to a broad saddle then drops steeply to the Orongorongo River. The river was running low but still had enough water in it to make sure your feet got wet, regardless of the crossing technique employed.

Once across the river, Jans Hut is a short walk away. The hut is set in a small clearing with a covered deck, a good stove and lots of coal. After a bit of fossicking around to find some good wood to get the fire lit, the hut was soon toasty warm and pre-dinners were served. The stove's flat top was just right for a frying pan and became an integral part of dinner preparation, the gas hobs on the bench worked but using them required a lot of watching and waiting.

The stove chimney took on a rosy glow for a short while, all clothes were rendered unnecessary. The hut also had a shower, but despite our best efforts with the stove the water was only lukewarm.

The night was calm and one person volunteered to sleep outside. Apparently it was something to do with snoring. In any case, we all had a good night's sleep.

After a leisurely breakfast and the regular chores we headed back across the Orongorongo River, most just plodded straight through as they were wearing their wet socks from yesterday. We climbed back up yesterday's steep descent to the McKerrow Track junction, some went back to the Catchpool carpark and the rest of us took on the McKerrow track. The track rises steeply, then flattens off, then rises steeply and so on. The McKerrow peak itself is only identifiable by the short piece of pipe set in the middle of a flat section of track. We stopped for a few summit photos then carried on.

Along the ridge toward Wainuiomata there are a few breaks in the trees that give good views of the Wellington south coast and the harbour. We chose one of these breaks for lunch, which was occasionally disturbed by a gust of wind lifting the tree roots we were sitting on. The big long descent into Wainuiomata took its toll on some of the knees in the party but everyone was smiling at the end. After a bit of a road walk we were treated to a sumptuous afternoon tea while some went back to pick up the car left at the Catchpool car park.

Thank you to all that took part in the trip.

Patrick.



Upcoming Monthly Dinners



Pizza & Quiz Nite

with Quiz Masters Murray and Sarah

Saturday 25 August 2018



Tobilo's Pizza Bus have agreed to sell pizzas for the Quiz Nite, however, they need to sell a minimum of 30 pizzas.

We would like members to pre-order which Pizza they want when they RSVP so that Tobilo's know how many pizzas they will be making.

Menu for the pizza night

Margherita - fresh basil \$15 Hawaiian - ham and fresh pineapple \$16.5

Vegetarian - spinach, olives and Gorgonzola \$17

Roast Chicken - thyme roasted chicken with cranberry sauce and Brie \$19.5

Chilli prawn - prawns, garlic and chilli \$19.5

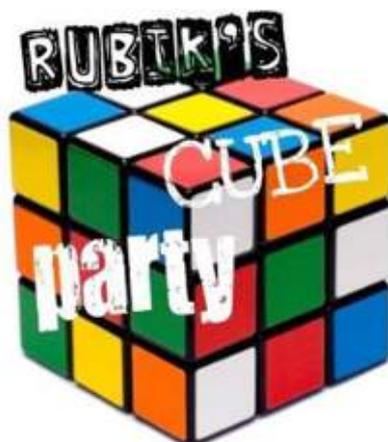
Carnivore - ham, Italian salami and home-made pork sausage \$19.5

Please RSVP **by 3 August** to Constance on mobile 021 123 7577

or

email: onepurplefish@gmail.com and include your pizza order

FYI Tobilo's provided lunches for two days at the recent rally on our grounds, the pizzas were absolutely delicious



Saturday 29 September 2018

Hosted by Constance

The basic idea of the Rubik's Cube party is for guests to show up in an outfit that features one item corresponding to each colour on a Rubik's Cube (red, white, blue, yellow, green, and orange). As the night goes on, guests mingle and swap articles of clothing with the other guests. The goal is to leave in an outfit that's all one colour—if you do, you have solved the Rubik's Cube.

Further details available closer to time.

67th NZNF Rally



**Annual General Meeting & Catered Dinner
Sunday 30 December 2018**

**New Year's Eve Party- Live Band
Monday 31 December 2018**

Followed by

Outside the Square Coach Trip

Tuesday 1 January to Sunday 6 January 2019

Departing Wellington Naturist Club 1.00pm

Staying at Taranaki Naturist Club

Waikato Outdoor Society

Hawkes Bay Naturist Club

Returning to WNC 4.00pm

Limited seats available so get in quick!

Sports will be played at each club. If you are not on the coach trip, you will need to check the program for when and where each sport is played, and ensure you register 24 hours before play commences.

Registration and deposit must be made by **31 July 2018** - registration form available at gonatural.co.nz/outsidethesquare

Enquiries to Nick Lowe 021 495 021 or Wendy Lowe 027 363 0407

Great news! Because we still have seats available we are going to hold registrations open for another month to 31 August. Get in quick, because we will be closing off at the end of the month.

If payment of the deposit by 31 August is an issue please contact us ASAP to discuss options. We don't want you to miss out!

A copy of the program is attached, and if you need contact details for the host clubs to book your accommodation contact us.

If you or your members have any queries about anything please contact us!!!

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DAY	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
DATE	30-Dec	31-Dec	1-Jan	2-Jan	3-Jan	4-Jan	5-Jan	6-Jan
LOCATION	WNC	WNC	WNC	TNC	TNC	WOS	HBNC	HBNC
BREAKFAST	Self-Catered 9.00am	Self-Catered	Self-Catered	Catered Continental	Catered Continental	Catered cooked	Catered Continental	Catered cooked
8.00am	NZNF AGM	Miniten	Miniten Finals and awards	Kubb / Petanque	Kubb / Petanque	Board games, darts, tenniquoits	Indoor bowls	10.00am Coach departs
12.00pm LUNCH	NZNF-catered - delegates only	Self-Catered	Self-Catered	Self-Catered	Self-Catered	Catered	Self-Catered	12.30pm Lunch stop at Tui Brewery Mangatainoka
1.00pm	NZNF AGM resumes	Miniten	Coach departs Bus trip costs apply from this point	Kubb / Petanque continue	Kubb / Petanque Finals / Awards	Swimming	Optional wine tour	2.00pm Coach departs
3.00pm	Afternoon Tea & Members' Meeting Sports registrations open	Afternoon Tea	Pitstop as required	Optional beach walk Happy hour	3.00pm Coach departs	3.30pm Coach departs	Indoor bowls continue	4.00pm Arrive WNC
5.00pm	Happy Hour	Happy Hour			as required	5.30 - 6.15pm Taupo Pizzas on coach	Happy Hour 6.30pm Catered dinner	Final sports awards
6.00pm	Miniten registrations close	Self-Catered	Arrive TNC Fish n Chip dinner - catered	6.30pm Arrive at WOS Catered dinner				
7.00pm	6.30pm WNC Catered Dinner Cost per head applies			BBQ - fully catered				
8.00pm	Social evening	NYE Party Band cover charge applies per person	Set up camp, social evening	Festival of Lights Pukekura Park <i>(optional excursion, \$10pp)</i>	Set up camp, social evening	Arrive HBNC set up camp	Social Evening	

Notes

- 1 While the coach trip starts on 1 January, the NZNF annual festival officially commences at 3.30pm on Sunday 30 December.
- 2 30-31 Dec costs (catered dinner, live band cover charge) are per person and are additional to the coach fare
- 3 The coach fare includes the bus and driver, 5 catered breakfasts, 1 catered hot lunch, and 5 catered dinners
- 4 Tea, coffee, sugar and milk will be provided at each venue as part of the bus trip cost
- 5 Any optional day/evening excursions organised by each club may carry additional costs
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- 7 Pit stops will be made each travel day for toilets and purchase of lunch/alcohol/personal supplies as required – there will be only one pitstop per trip
- 8 Discounted camping prices have been negotiated with all clubs, and these are additional to the coach fare and payable direct to each club – more details below
- 9 You will need to make arrangements with each club for accommodation bookings.
- 10 If you are tenting, make sure you bring appropriate bedding.
- 11 All sports played at each club will be eligible for NZNF medals, so your participation is vital.
- 12 If you are not on the bus trip, you will need to check the program for when and where each sport is played, and ensure you register 24 hours before play commences.
- 13 We will endeavour to play all finals at the designated host club and award medals at that club
- 14 Where finals cannot be played at the designated host club, e.g. due to weather, numbers, etc they will be played at the next venue.
- 15 Your deposit will be refunded only if the trip does not go ahead for any reason

Camping costs

- WNC
TNC Camping \$5 per person per night, 2 caravans available (1 x double, 1 x 3 berth), maybe communal tenting available
- WOS \$10 per person per night, marae style sleeping option available in clubrooms, maybe some member caravans available for rent
- HBNC Camping \$5 per person per night, Bunk room \$10 per person per night, Lodge double bedrooms \$45 per night, maybe some member caravans available for rent