

Te Marua

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September 2018

The Official Newsletter for the Wellington Naturist Club Inc.



What's on at WNC

September

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**

Sat 20th **New Zealand Naked Gardening Day**

November

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.

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

Wanted builder/handyman

to build a small lean to roof
over an existing deck.
1200 wide by 4m long.
Preferably week 17 to 21 Sept.
Contact Jacky on 0272295444

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From The Chair

Another committee meeting has been and gone and it was a rather arduous one due to a 2 months break. Brent H (Aussie Brent but now Kiwi Brent) was also at this meeting and added some new and vibrant ideas for the committee to consider. His focus as marketing and membership is more on retaining existing members and wowing visitors and prospective members with awesome facilities. I will try to summarise what was discussed below;

- Purchase more sun lounges for pool area. (8 approved)
- Paint block work around pool. Try to use existing paint.
- Move gas BBQs off deck to a new concrete covered area by camp kitchen.
- Build more seating with bar leaners where gas BBQs were on deck.
- Cover pipework on spa deck with planter boxes and put lounges on the deck. Will use the ones kindly donated by Wayne.
- New concrete pad between FAL ablution block and cabin 2, already started.
- Complete upgrade of FAL ablution block. Well under way.
- Upgrade cabin facilities and linen (already being done).
- Keep children's area up to scratch.

If you can help with any of these jobs contact Brent H on 021877237 or club phone 0273306212.

OK that is enough about Brent's projects. We have had our books audited with some interesting findings. With the help of the auditor we will be work through these. Most are just tidying up loose ends. Helen has worked relentlessly in obtaining this result.

Constance has been very busy organising our social calendar. The pizza and quiz night was great thanks to Murray and Sara for their quiz. Over 40 attended this event. The next event is the Rubik's Cube night which should prove a lot of fun. Read about this further on in this newsletter. Keep an eye out for what's coming up in October. Best of luck with your operation Constance.

The newly formed garden group is off with a rip and roar. Many keen people have shown an interest in this so read more in this newsletter. Murray and Thelma have donated tools and some will be given to the garden group for their use and stored in one of the lockers.

The NZNF have been approached by the PR agency for Yates about aligning our Naked Gardening Day with their National Gardening Week which runs from October 15th to 22nd. More in the garden group article in this newsletter.

Our mower has once again been to the shop to get repaired. There are only nominated people allowed to use the mower so please do not use it as damage has occurred in the past.

We have a new robotic vacuum cleaner which will be in operation this year. Brent H, Ross and Shirley D are the contact people to remove it from the pool when required.

Nick L. has been removing the old steel poles so please take care until this job is complete.

The "Outside the square" road trip is on with 10 people confirmed so a mini bus will be used. See information attached with this newsletter.

Yours naturally

Ken

Time for Spring Cleaning

The next club working bee is on Sunday 30th September. We will be finishing trimming the trees, cleaning our facilities & generally tidying everything up for summer. This is also a great time of year for everyone to tidy up their sites, so the place looks great & we can all enjoy a hopefully long, hot summer.

WNC Garden Group

At the last working bee a few members held an impromptu meeting to discuss setting up the Garden Group and suggestions on how it could work and what it could include. The following objectives and aims were discussed and agreed at the Executive meeting on 9 September. A budget has been allocated to the group.

Objectives

1. To offer an opportunity to share and learn about gardening in a friendly and relaxed environment.
2. To encourage beautification of WNC grounds for the enjoyment of members and visitors.

Aims

- To work when and where practical, not necessarily at all working bees, but at least monthly during the year.
- Have available basic garden tools (ie, secateurs, loppers, trowels etc) stored in a locker allocated for the garden group.
- Maintain a garden plan with requirements each month to be posted on a whiteboard on the door of the garden group locker.
- Encourage members to maintain specific areas.
- Experienced gardeners to buddy up with less experienced or novice gardeners.
- Include articles in WNC monthly newsletter.

NB: the Garden Group will not be responsible for the maintenance of trees and the top walking tracks.

If you are interested in being part of the garden group or have any suggestions, please contact:

Jude: 528 5258, email: judemercer@slingshot.co.nz or

June email: junect@xtra.co.nz

National Gardening Week



The NZNF have been approached by the PR agency for Yates about aligning our Naked Gardening Day with their National Gardening Week which runs from 15 – 22 October (Labour Weekend).

This is a really awesome opportunity and shows that the efforts of promoting naturism and normalising nudity are working to an extent. This is the second time the NZNF have been approached directly by a well-known brand, the first being LUSH, and asked to collaborate with them.

The focus of National Gardening Week this year is a drive to get people to plant butterfly friendly plants in order to avert a similar crisis to this year when there was a national shortage of swan plants, the main diet of monarch caterpillars, causing a large number of the population to be wiped out.

This PR agency is wanting to pitch a story to Seven Sharp, The Project, Dominion Post and Sunday Star Times as well as other media outlets about the benefits of gardening naked for physical and mental health.

WNC has a number of members keen about raising and caring for swan plants, caterpillars and butterflies. With this in mind, and the location of the club in proximity to TV studios and equipment, the NZNF would like to use WNC as a location for the story on 20 October and hopefully get a number of our members keen to garden naked, focussing on planting swan plants.

Yates will provide Swan Plant seeds and other butterfly friendly plant seeds plus fertilisers and other gardening products for you to use.

The WNC Committee has asked the Garden Group to coordinate this exciting event and we encourage all members to get involved in this very worthwhile event.

Judith and June



Saturday 29 September 2018



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Catered Dinner

\$20/person

starting with nibbles at 6pm

Spot prizes

Everyone needs to come dressed in items of clothing and/or accessories in each of the six colours of the rubik's cube: white, yellow, orange, red, green and blue. (for example, hat, belt, vest, hair ribbons, scarf, head band, gloves, t shirt etc).

Decide which colour you want to be and over the course of the evening, you have to "barter" to "earn" the other items of clothing or accessories to become entirely dressed in one of the six colours.

Arrive in all six colours, leave in one

RSVP by Tuesday 25 September

Please text Constance on 021 123 7577 or
email onepurplefish@gmail.com

The main course is being provided by an outside caterer so it is very important that you **book by 25 September** at the latest.

Visitors are asked to bring their own crockery and cutlery please.

Discount on Cabins for NZNF members

From now until 17 October NZNF members are offered the use of the cabins for \$40.00 per night, on the condition that they use their own linen and towels, plus clean the cabin when they leave. Please book with Ken on 021 152 5940 or the club phone on 027 330 6212.

67th NZNF Rally



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

**New Year's Eve Party
Monday 31 December 2018**

Followed by

Outside the Square Convoy

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 3.30pm

Download from 30939203
The minibus is full, so registrations are now open for anyone wanting to follow in their own vehicle. You will need to bring / book your own accommodation.

For catering purposes registration and deposit must be made by **31 October 2018** - registration form available at gonatural.co.nz/outsidethesquare

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