

Te Marua

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July 2019

The Official Newsletter for the Wellington Naturist Club Inc.



What's on at WNC

July

Sat 27th **Club Pot Luck Dinner**
Plus the All Blacks v Springboks Test

Sun 28th **Club Working Bee**
Meet at the Hall at 9am. Remember to sign in.

August

Sat 24th **Howdy Hoe-Down Club Dinner**
Hosted by Claire & Andy, Gwyn & Bruce
r.s.v.p. to Claire Ph. 027 479 0469
e-mail: claireanicholl@gmail.com

Sun 25th **Club Working Bee**
Meet at the Hall at 9am. Remember to sign in.

September

Sun 15th **Club Committee Meeting** 1pm
(all members welcome to attend)

Sat 28th **Hangi-Roast Club Dinner**
Hosted by Ken & Eru In conjunction with a
QUIZ Night
Hosted by Murray & Sarah

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From The Chair

We are now ensconced in winter where indoor activities have much more appeal than venturing outdoors.

But venture outdoors we did at the end of June. We had a fantastic mid winter dinner organised by Shirley and her band of helpers. Thanks to all members who braved the winter temperatures and came along. Also thanks for the great turnout to the working bee the following day. Another good dent was made in clearing the felled trees on the golf course.

Winter is also a time to reflect on what we have, and to look forward to enjoying what the club offers through the summer months. We sometimes take for granted what we have and it is interesting to see what new visitors with fresh eyes notice.

Take our resident eels for instance. You may have read recent articles on the plight of long finned eels in Aotearoa. Did you realise that they can live for over 100 years and that their numbers are depleted through the damming of our waterways, stopping them from going to their spawning ground hundreds of kilometres out into the Pacific ocean. There are quite a few eels resident in the creek below the hall and they come to meet you when you walk down there with some food.

Have you seen our glow worms in the bank beside the upper drive way? This is again something unique and fascinating for overseas visitors. Perhaps you did not know they were there?

Have you walked around the bush track above the driveway? It is well marked and relatively easy to negotiate. There is a good view from the track over the club grounds and a lovely stand of beech trees that you walk through. For the more adventurous we are developing a track to the top of the hill above the club grounds up to the pine trees on the ridge. There are great views over the valley and river from the top.

Have you played a round of golf on our pitch and putt course? There are 9 holes and it will be a lot easier to negotiate with the trees down. Jeff runs a tournament every summer for those that want to participate.

Then we have the more used facilities like the pool and spa. Roll on the summer when we can get into the pool again. And what about the kids playground? Lets get some more families along so that we can utilise this to its full potential.

Yours naturally
Malcolm.

INF Affiliation

Currently the New Zealand Naturist Federation (NZNF) is an affiliate of the International Naturist Federation (INF). The NZNF executive is reviewing our affiliation with the INF as they question the benefits of continuing to belong. They are canvassing the NZNF membership as to whether NZ should move away from the INF. NZNF is anticipating a formal vote on this at the NZNF AGM on 29 December. If you have any views on this please email editorwnc@gmail.com. If you want to know the background as to why the NZNF is considering this please talk to a WNC committee member or a member of the NZNF executive.

Mid Winter Swim

Several club members joined the Wellington Free Beach Group for their mid-winter swim at Pekapeka beach on Sunday 23rd June. Unfortunately the day was cold, wet & windy, but we still met at the carpark & then wandered down to beach. We co-ordinated timing to quickly strip off, dip into water, take a quick photo to record the occasion & re-cloth before hypothermia sent in.

Only 4 intrepid souls ventured into the water, but later numbers had quadrupled for dinner at Chris' place. While Chris stoked up the fire to warm up his dining room we headed straight to the spa to warm back up. It was then a pleasant evening with a pot luck dinner & socialising. Thanks Chris for opening your home for us.



Upcoming Club Dinners

July 27th – Pot Luck Dinner

Drinks at the bar from 5:30

Later we'll be watching the NZ vs South Africa Test

August 24th Howdy Hoe-Down Hosted by Claire & Andy, Gwyn & Bruce.

Gwyn & Bruce would like to know if anyone in the club plays guitar & if so would they please contact them.

Gwyn & Bruce: 021 246 8901

September 28th Hangi-Roast Dinner Hosted by Ken & Eru

In conjunction with a Quiz Night hosted by Murray & Sarah

October 26th (Labour Weekend) TBC

Rugby World Cup Semi-Final 9:30pm



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to the following member who has left the club

[Chris M](#)

Thanks for your contribution to the club.



Working bee list for July 28th working bee

First off thanks heaps for all those who turned up for the last 2 working bees
Over 50 members to each. Once again a lot was achieved.

The next working bee is scheduled for Sunday 28th July.

Please sign in on main deck for safety and lunch requirements.

We take **health and safety** seriously so please ensure proper safety equipment is used.

Golf course trees

1. Trim and cut rings for splitting. Chainsaw and safety equipment required.
2. Move existing piles of trimmings and put in a pile ready for burning. Gloves required.
3. Start fire and supervise adding material as required. Gloves required. (neighbours to be informed)
4. Move rounds cut to piles. Gloves required.
5. Split wood using a log splitter dependant on weather.

Proper hi-vis jackets required and proper safety equipment for all tasks.

Other jobs

1. Pick up flax trimmings around grounds and take down to golf course for burning.
2. Clear drains of leaves etc. along road sides.
3. Clear leaves at front gate.
4. Clear tree trimmings from lower dell & pull out logs from behind pool fence. Brent H to supervise.
5. Clear out behind pool fence. eg. wandering willy and old mans beard.
6. Spray gravel drive way and sealed areas. Weather permitting.
7. Cut down Sycamores behind cabin 1 and pull out vines.
8. Mow lawns around cabins.
9. Weed eat around edges and along bank by volleyball and minten courts.
10. Clean all ablutions.
11. Clean camp kitchen.
12. Trim tops of trees in FAL left of Brent and Lindsay's cabin.
13. Any other small jobs that you can see.

Gardening group (See Jude)

1. Weed children's play area.
2. Other gardening tasks allocated on the day.

Thanks, Ken

Firewood For Sale

Fire wood for sale. Able to be burnt now but really needs drying for a couple of months.
(Please note that this is well under half the price anywhere else)

Split wood \$50 (1.5 m3) small trailer.

Split wood \$80 (2.5m3) larger trailer.

For those who have helped in cutting up the trees and used their own equipment and fuel may take a free small trailer load of fire wood? Up to you to split it. If you want it split then that would be an extra \$20.

No wood is to be taken without contacting Ken first, 021 152 5940

WIFI around the grounds

Please note that the WIFI at FAL is now operating with good signals.
Also WIFI is now available in spa area and down on lowlands.

NZNF Executive Changes

Since the elections at the NZNF Annual General Meeting at our club in December Donna has had to resign for personal reasons & Hans has also resigned. Wendy Lowe has taken over as President & Murray Nash as the Internet Coordinator.

Both Wendy & Murray are members of our club & have made a huge contribution to naturism in New Zealand over a number of years. Thanks to you both for stepping into the breach & your continued service.

Special thanks to Donna for the great job she has done in her time as President of NZNF. She has been influential in marketing naturism throughout New Zealand and has worked tirelessly in her role.



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modern facilities and beautiful grounds.

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POTLUCK DINNER

Saturday, July 27th 2019

Drinks at the bar from 5:30pm

Raffle tickets available



Plus come and watch the rugby



vs



SADDLE UP AND JOIN US FOR A

Howdy Hoedown



COME DRESSED IN THEME
BUT NO GUNS PLEASE

Saturday
AUGUST 24TH

NIBBLES AT 5.30PM
MAIN GRUB TO FOLLOW
VEGETARIAN OPTIONS



Tickets are \$20 per person

PICCOLL

Please RSVP to: Claire 0274790469
claireanicoll@gmail.com

PIC-COLLAGE

HANGI-ROAST DINNER

Hosted by Ken & Eru
Saturday, September 28th 2019 from 5:30pm
Cost \$20pp



In conjunction with a



Hosted by Murray & Sarah

RSVP to Ken
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