

From the President

I often wonder where we are heading as a civilisation. Things are far more complex these days and technology plays such an important role for better or for worse.

Life is more hectic and there are so many demands upon our time. There are also so many demands upon our mind. We are continually bombarded with information and being told what we should buy, how we should bring up our children, how we need to climb the property ladder, invest, save for retirement, and eat the right food. The list goes on.

In addition we have an international pandemic and one of the greatest nations in the world imploding with divisiveness and hatred. We have technology and social media that promotes idealism that most of us can't achieve. This is damaging our young people.

How refreshing it is to have a place of peace and calm to escape to. A place where people do not judge you on what you believe, what you have achieved, how old you are, or what you look like or wear. A place where people are accepted for what they are and can be themselves. This is what we have in our club.

Lets ensure we hold onto this. Lets allow people to be relaxed, to be themselves. Extend the hand of friendship but allow people their own space. I believe we have something unique in naturism. We have an answer to the pressures of life. A place where members can come to regenerate and energise so that they are better equipped for the outside world.

Lets not lose sight of this. The cliché of shedding your troubles with your clothes is so true.

Yours naturally Malcolm

COMING UP

Afternoon tea every Sunday @ 3pm
Have you put your name on the roster yet?
There are a few spaces still to be filled please

BYO barbecue most Saturday nights

November

Sun 15th Life Drawing, 11am - 3pm

December

Sun 6th Life Drawing, 11am - 3pm

Sun 13th Committee meeting, 1pm

Fri 25th Xmas Day 'Waifs and Strays

Thu 31st New Year's Eve

January

Sat 16th Mass Nude Photo Shoot 10am

Sun 17th Life Drawing, 11am - 3pm

23-25 Wellington Anniversary weekend

Details in December newsletter

February

Sun 8th Nude walk in the Wainuiomata Water Collection area

Details in December newsletter

More information on these events can be found further on in the newsletter.

The committee would like to apologise for the last minute postponement of last Saturday night's BBQ and the offer to provide salads. Unfortunately, too many committee members were away to make this viable. We hope you had a good Halloween regardless.

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Introducing one of our newest Executive members

Hi, my name is Michael and I've joined the committee this year, after being a club member since 2016. It is a great feeling of freedom being in the sun and swimming without being confined by clothing - and I feel like I see a lot more summer since being a member of the club.



I managed to convince my family to join too, and despite being busy with work and other activities, we do make time to visit whenever we can. I think it is a wonderful, safe, relaxing environment for young families, and we would love for more to join. The heated outdoor pools are a particular favourite, and are pretty unique (especially for Wellington).

When I first started coming to the club, I was conscious of what other people might think. As I turned into Molloys Road, I wondered if someone might guess where I was going to. It turns out I needn't be worried, and opening up about the great lifestyle at the club can also be liberating. These days I'm happy to talk about it with anyone who's interested. Many people may not be

brave enough to give it a go themselves, but are curious to hear about it. It is also good to dispel common myths and show that it is just a normal bunch of people enjoying a range of everyday activities - just without clothes.

We have amazing facilities and a great group of people but I'm convinced there are many more who would enjoy the club. I believe there are potentially hundreds of parttime naturists in the Wellington region who either haven't heard of our club at all, or haven't considered joining. It is essential that we build the membership so we can continue to operate and improve what we have.

People are frequently astounded by our grounds when they visit, and I've tried to give a taste of what we've got through our website.

I am a computer programmer and enjoy working with technology - hence getting involved in the website administration a few years ago. It is a continuous improvement process, and I have a number of other ideas which I plan to do when I have time - such as being able to see the pool/spa/sauna temperature and the current weather at the club via the website.

Michael

Committee highlights

8 November 2020 meeting

- Faraway Land ablution block nears completion
- Pool repaint completed with finishing touches being added
- Outdoor spa pool donated by member is being installed for trial
- Club credit card application approved. This will make minor purchasing much simpler.
- Volunteers called for to assist in maintaining cleanliness of the Main Kitchen Block.
- Site owners contacted for electrical certification updates, if required.



to the following new member:

Kim N

We wish you a long and enjoyable time at our club

Please take care in the spa and sauna area as the floor can be slippery at times.

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Works and Grounds Update

Caravan warrants

Warrants that are due 30 October will be done early December. Those affected have been contacted.



Faraway Land ablution block

Ray will be working on this on Saturday 28 November.

Untidy sites

Please ensure your site is tidy. If you have an email requesting you attend to your site please get this done as soon as possible.

Are you getting the most out of your site?

If you are not making use of your site maybe you could think about relinquishing it. Club cabins are available at \$40 per night, you would need to use your caravan at least 10 times a year for it to be economic. We have a waiting list for sites so to be fair to others please consider this option.

New signs for trimmings

Please note there are new signs on the far golf course showing where trimmings, kitchen and garden waste (grass and lawn clippings and wandering willie) can go.

Work to be done

If you are at a loose end and want something to do please contact Ken.



The committee would like to inform members that due to Covid-19, Brent H will not be on site this summer to take on the cabin management or look after some of the day to day chores of keeping our grounds and facilities immaculate for our visitors.

It would be wonderful if members might consider taking it upon themselves to dispose of rubbish appropriately, keep toilet paper and hand towels stocked, liquid hand-soaps and dish-washing liquids topped up, wash any dirty tea towels etc. Any help in this area would be much appreciated.

Celebrating Christmas & New Year

Wayne will host the Waifs & Stray's Christmas again this year on Friday 25 December at the club. Add your name to the white board in the hall, further details will be included in the December newsletter.

If you are going to be in Wellington and plan to be at the club for New Year's then please put your name on the white board in the hall. Nothing official has been planned for New Year's eve but you may wish to have an impromptu party/bbq amongst yourselves. There will be visitors staying in the cabins etc so they may like to join in.



WELLINGTON NATURIST CLUB LIFE DRAWING

11am-3pm Sun 15th Nov 2020 You can model for the artists,

or be an artist and draw the models, or swap between the two. Bring your own art materials, or use the materials provided. Join in on creating the art of the nude.

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Swimming pool update

The pool has now been painted with three coats and is waiting for the turn/end lines to be painted on the bottom. This will be done when the weather is fine and will need seven days drying before filling the pool. Earliest fill date will be Wednesday 18th but more than likely Saturday 21 November. Thank you for your patience.

Ken



The Empty Nest

There once was a couple, whose kids had just left, The guy was upset and the wife was bereft. For what should they do with the rest of their lives, Perhaps they could swim, or keep bees in their hives. They pondered and pondered and visited clubs, Petanque and swimming, tennis and Kubbs. To occupy all their spare time they tried, And then saw an ad where no bodies can hide. It said there was Sunday afternoon tea, At the Wellington Nature Club, there should you be. They plucked up the courage and got to the gate, And were met by a member, that's totally great. To come to this club and take off all her gears, She had overcome bravely all of her fears. They had the most wonderful afternoon meal, and went naked swimming, how great they did feel. From that moment on, they were wonderfully

And every fine day was most certainly booked.
Up to the club, where they lay in the sun
went into the pool or played games, just for fun.
Life felt so good with nature so near,
The solution to problems was now very clear.
All of their friends could just not understand,
How they were now with this wonderful band
of people all naked unbiased and free,
Whose lives were all lived with vitality,
The couple lived lives that were so much improved,
That they never looked back, they would never be
moved!

Richard H.



If your contact information has changed, remember to let the Treasurer know!

email: treasurer@wellingtonnaturists.co.nz

This includes home address, phone number and email.

The monthly 'Fush n Chup' night will take a hiatus over the summer months and resume again in the winter.



The committee would like to sincerely thank all the members who hosted a social event over the winter months, those members who contributed in some way to make those events happen and lastly all those members who participated and attended those events. It was wonderful to have some fun social times in such a strange year.

Have you checked out the Library?

A good range of books, however, we are always on the look-out for new books so if you're having a tidy up we would welcome your books

The library is upstairs above the stage.



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Nude Photo Shoot 16 January 2021

Inspired by the works of Binh Trinh, amateur photographer Blair Hinton is planning a mass nude photo shoot at Wellington Naturist Club on 16 January 2021 between 10am and 1pm.

Using the human body, Blair is looking to create shapes on the ground specific to NZ (ie, a kiwi, silver fern and/or a koru) which he will predominantly capture by using a drone.

Please direct any queries or register your interest in participating to:

Blair Hinton M: 027 524 8058 E: wainui44@hotmail.com



For hygiene reasons, always sit on a towel when naked



Photography

The WNC has an appointed official photographer to take photos of official events and maintains a photographic record for the club files..

It is a requirement that where any photography takes place on the grounds any person (clothed or unclothed) included in the photograph must grant their approval before any photography takes place. In the case of children the parents or guardians must give their approval before any photography takes place.

Photography by other members is generally not permitted.

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Labour Weekend Games/Bush Bathing/Tulip Cream Tea

Catered Roast Dinner lovely weather on Saturday for the roast dinner which was held outside at the barbecue area. Ken used the gas roaster that Wayne purchased, fantastic, just needing some fine tuning for cooking times. **Thank you** to everyone who helped prepare the dinner and the clean up afterwards. The indoor games with Ruth and David were fun and enjoyed by everyone.

Sunday's weather was not kind to us, quite wet, so no outside games or bush bathing. However, we did play some indoor games which kept us occupied.

Tulip Cream Tea 37 members attended and were treated to some very delicious food. We raised \$275.50 for Parkinson's NZ.

A big thank you to the wonderful bakers and for the kind donations.











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