

## **Safety of our volunteers**

#### Please look out for each other

If you feel unsafe or feel others may be unsafe we would like to empower you to do the following... **STOP** work, and **STEP BACK** to reflect on such things as the tools being used, the working distance needed between each other and the skill levels.

If using power tools or climbing ladders etc please make sure another club member is present.

Please contact Pip or Ken with any safety concerns.

pip@wellingtonnaturists.co.nz or kmercer@slingshot.co.nz

#### **Gate and Hall codes**

Thank you to those members who have paid their subs and site fees.

The gate and hall codes will be changed on Monday 15 May and only full and provisional members who are financial will be advised of the new codes.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

3pm Afternoon tea every Sunday
Listen out for the bell

#### **April**

Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>4pm Official Opening of the Hot Tub</b> Drinks and nibbles
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday 1pm Easter Egg Hunt 3pm Afternoon tea
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	1-3pm Festival Workshop Decorating tins for the Festival Goody Bag
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	3pm Festival Planning Meeting
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5pm BYO Nibbles 6pm Pot Luck Dinner Mix and mingle in the hall NB "Turn Back Time" event will now be held in August
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	11am—3pm Life Drawing
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10am</b> ANZAC Remembrance Service Morning tea to follow

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> 1pm Committee Meeting
NB the change in start time
All members welcome to attend

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## **Madame Presidents piece**

#### Tēnā koutou katoa

I've always said, once Christmas has come and gone, it will be Easter before we know it...and sadly, we all know what that means for the WNC; that the heat pump on the swimming pool will now be switched off until Labour weekend. Luckily though, members will still be able to use the new outdoor hot tub over the cooler months, if they prefer that to the indoor one.

If you are planning to visit the club over Easter, then come and check out the hot tub if you haven't already, its official opening will be taking place on the Saturday. Sunday will see Jacqui, Rob and Chris running an Easter Egg Hunt.

I would ask each and everyone of us to please be mindful of your water consumption, whatever the season, when having "hygiene" showers and how often; to use the sauna and spas. The WNC water rates (and electricity bill) have skyrocketed in recent months so we must all do our bit to keep our costs reasonable. Let's not forget that water is a precious resource; we must always endeavour to be "green", sustainable and environmentally friendly.

There have been a couple of incidents at the club recently. With the working bees due to commence next month, in May, it is a timely reminder for all to please take care when operating sharp and dangerous tools. Please consider your environment and the people working around you.

This summer, approximately 17 members did not access their club. Whether due to the government mandates or non-disclosure of a vaccine pass or inability to attend for other valid grounds. Whatever your reason, there should be no judgement. Instead we welcome those who were affected back into the naturist fold.

I know everyone is tired and over C\*\*\*\*, members and executive alike; from talking about it among ourselves to the heated discussions that have taken place at recent committee meetings. As an idealist and pacifist, all I wish for is peace, harmony and unity within our unique community.

I'm aware that this pandemic has taken its toll on society in general and I know there is some division and hurt feelings out there but please be assured, time does heal all wounds and some goodwill might go a long way. How about we build a bridge, let go of the past and move forward?

Ka kite anō Constance

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#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Wellington Naturist Club Inc. will be held on the Club premises:

at: 20 Molloys Road, Te Marua

on: Saturday 11 June 2022, 2:00pm

**Note:** All Club members are welcome to attend the meeting, however, only financial Full Members and Life Members are entitled to vote.

Attached with the newsletter is a Remit Form and a Nomination Form for membership of the Committee.

The Committee consists of nine members including four 'Executive' positions (President, Vice - President, Treasurer and Secretary) and five Executive Officers. Nominations can be made for any one of the nine positions.

Have you considered becoming more involved with running the Club? Now is your chance.

**Note** that all written and signed remits and nomination forms must be in the hands of the Secretary by 21 May 2022.

Please bring along a plate of food to share after the AGM



#### Provisional to full membership

Liv and Carl

We hope you continue to have an enjoyable time at our club



to

Cathy S, Paul & Chantel D, Neil D.

We wish you well for the future

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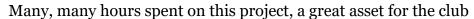


## Easter Saturday 16 April 2022

Drinks and nibbles @ 4pm



Join us to celebrate the official opening of the already very popular hot tub











## Easter Sunday 17 April @ 1:00pm

You are all invited to participate in the Great Easter Egg Hunt.

Meet on the deck at 1:00pm to get your first clue. Easter egg hunt will be mobility friendly plus Covid friendly.

Thank you to Jacqui for donating the Easter eggs and to Rob and Chris for setting the trail.

## **Licenced Bar operating**

Saturday 16 & 17 April

Please support the Club

## **Saturday 23 April**

#### **Festival Workshop**

1:00 - 3:00pm

**Thank you** to everyone for collecting tins, we now have a big stash.

Here comes the fun part - decorating them for the Goody Bag.

**Lots of ideas** planter, tea light holder, mobile, insect hotel etc

**Everyone is welcome** to join in with us, bring along any paint, cord, bric a brac, you don't want and have some fun with us.







# **Festival Monthly Planning Meeting**

3:00pm

Hall mezzanine floor

Come and see what the festival is all about

Share your ideas

Everyone welcome



# Saturday 23 April 2022

**ANZAC WEEKEND** 



# 5pm BYO Nibbles



# 6pm Pot Luck Dinner

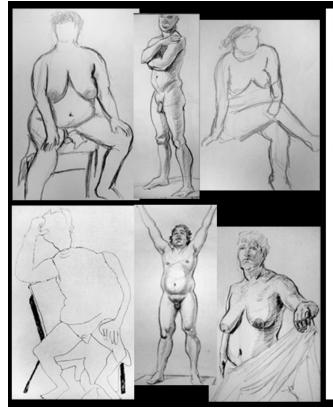
Bring a meal to share

Then let's see where the evening takes us, a bit of music, a bit of dancing??

NB: the previously advertised "Turn back time" event has been postponed to August.

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# WELLINGTON NATURIST CLUB LIFE DRAWING

11am-3pm Sun 24th April 2022

# (Anzac Weekend)

You can choose between...
- modelling for the artists,
- being an artist, drawing the models,
- or, of course, swap between the two.
Bring your own art materials,

or use some that are provided. Rain or shine. Join in on creating the art of the nude.

# **ANZAC Remembrance**



## Monday 25 April 2022

10am on the hall deck

Bring along your memorabilia (medals, photos, poppies etc)

Morning tea to follow





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## FESTIVALS - so what are they all about

In earlier times rallies were designed as an opportunity for naturists from around the country to gather and socialize. They were essentially weekend affairs in those early days with little by way of sporting activity.

As the clubs in Auckland, Wellington and Canterbury began to get established by way of securing grounds and with a growing membership, activities such as



Tennikoit and Handball were added to the social activities. As more and more immigrants from the UK and Europe arrived in New Zealand during the 1950's, many who had experienced naturism overseas joined in clubs bringing along such games as Volleyball and Miniten to add to the sporting activities of clubs. With limited space for games courts, these games were ideal as they took up little room on the small club sites and soon became very popular with the members.

Later on as the clubs became more financial and with a growing membership, swimming pools were able to be built.

The first rally hosted by the Wellington Sun Club, as it was known by then, was held in 1958, then in 1962/63, 1967/68, 1070/71, 1973/74. Themes for rallies were introduced at the 1975 'Come Alive' rally held at Auckland Outdoor Health Club and from then on they gave the rallies a focus upon which to set their social activities.

#### Wellington Sun Club has hosted the following themed rallies:

1976/77 Silver Jubilee 1979/80 Gumboot Rally 1989/90 Naturally 1995/96 Hollywood 2003/04 Garden Fiesta 2008/09 Cruising Naturally 1986/87 Harbour Capital 1999/2000 Wellington 2000 2012/13 New Age of Aquarius

The many and varied rally themes put together over the years has provided lasting memories to those of us who have been fortunate enough to spend our many holidays in naturist settings throughout the country. The forthcoming Carnivale Extravaganza being held at our club will again prove to be a most enjoyable and indeed memorable naturist experience.

#### **Carnivale Extravaganza - Ticket price of \$229 includes:**

- Entry to all on-site festival activities, sports and entertainment, from 28 December 2022 to 3 January 2023 inclusive
- One catered breakfast

2017/18 Pioneer Village.

- One catered dinner
- All morning and afternoon teas

 Motorhome/caravan/tent sites included for the nights of Wednesday 28 December 2022 to Monday 2 January 2023.

#### So what are you waiting for? Register now!

#### Judith

Excerpts taken from an article by Les Olsen, 2017



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#### **Call for Winter Dinner hosts**

The Committee is seeking volunteers to host dinners on the dates listed below. Get together with two or more members, plan a menu/theme and show off your culinary delights. Dinners are held on a Saturday prior to a Sunday working bee.

#### Dates for this year's dinners are:

28 May: 25 June 30 July: 27 August

24 September

Please let Constance know if you are interested: president@wellingtonnaturists.co.nz

## Working Bee dates for your diary

To be held on the following Sundays:

**29 May** 

26 June

31 July

28 August

25 September

A list of jobs will be posted on the board in the hall prior to the first working bee.

If you notice anything that needs attention please let Ken know.

#### WNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTE

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