

Madame President's Piece

Tēnā koutou katoa

Gosh, we have been unbelievably lucky with this run of warm Autumnal weather,

but I figure that it won't continue for much longer. Already it is much colder at night and the little southerly this week was a reminder that Winter is well and truly on its way, as is the return of the clubs monthly hosted dinners.

The upcoming social calendar is a good way to keep in touch with other club members over the cooler months, so make sure you mark the dates in your diary. Plus feel free to bring along any friends that might be curious to know what naturism is all about. It's an opportunity for them to mix and mingle (clothed or not) and discover that we are pretty normal and don't bite.

I know some of you will have heard this news on the grapevine, but I will be stepping down as your club president at the forthcoming AGM. I plan to head north to house/dog sit on Aotea/Great Barrier Island for 5-6 months. It is an amazing opportunity for me to go away and do some serious writing, with no distractions.

After the stressful year that we on the committee have had, my mental health has suffered and I need some time out. In case you weren't aware, I have served on the committee for these last six years and I am looking forward to a well earned break. Hopefully it will be warm up there too!

While the club runs like a well-oiled machine, it will be good to have some new members on the committee who are prepared to offer their time and service, no doubt with a fresh perspective to maintain the club and continue its growth. I am sure you will all be in capable hands.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank my fellow committee members (again) for their support. It has at times been very trying but we got through it. Anyway, until we meet again...

Ka kite anō Constance

UPCOMING EVENTS May Fri 27th 6pm Takeaway Friday 1:30-2:30pm Festival Workshop Sat 28th Finish decorating tins for the Festival Goody Bag Sat 28th **3pm Festival Planning Meeting Mexican Catered Dinner** Sat 28th 6pm Nibbles Working Bee 9am start Sun 29th Lunch provided June 2pm Annual General Meeting Sat 11th Followed by afternoon tea

1pm Committee Meeting

6pm Takeaway Friday

2pm Polar Bare Plunge

Working Bee 9am start

Lunch provided

Mid-Winter Catered Dinner

All members welcome to attend

Sun 12th

Fri 24th

Sat 25th

Sat 25th

Sun 26th

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Attached separately with your newsletter is a Next of Kin document to be completed by every member.

The purpose of this document is to enable a committee member to contact an appropriate person in the event of a member having a serious accident or becoming unwell on the club grounds. The person identified will <u>not</u> be contacted for any other reason. The information will be stored in our financial system Xero and is only available to nominated Committee members.

Hard copies of the form will also be available in the lower lounge. Please complete the document and either scan and email it to the Treasurer or leave in the folder in the bar area.

Gate and Hall codes

The codes for the gate and hall were changed on Monday 15 May and only full and provisional members who are financial were advised of the new codes. If you have any questions please contact the Treasurer.



to Chris J



to
Tony L, Bruce & Kerry G
Elliot F, Scott S
Dean B

We wish you well for the future.

Site Owners

Sites at our club are there so that members can enjoy the facilities and stay overnight on occasions. They are not there for long term residence, low cost storage of caravans, campervans or other items. Where the committee decides a site is being used for storage with the member seldom coming to support the club that member will be contacted and may need to relinquish their site to a member wishing to take advantage of the clubs facilities who may be on a waiting list for a site.

Where there is a waiting list full financial members will be given priority over provisional members.

Members wishing to stay on their sites for longer than the 100 days or nights per financial year must apply to the committee for an exception to be granted. Exceptions will only be granted when reasons for the prolonged stay are reviewed and agreed by the committee. Additional fees will be applied for the additional days to cover power and water consumption.

Electricity is the biggest single expense for the club costing around \$1,500 per month. We estimate around \$800 of that use comes from sites.

Sombreros and Ponchos Mexican Night

Saturday 28th May Nibbles from 6.00pm



Dig out your colourful ponchos or sombreros, sport your favourite moustache and join us for a warming evening of Mexican cuisine!

\$25 per head

RSVP by Thursday 26th May to claireanicoll@gmail.com

Pay your \$25 online to WNC account 02-0500-0465779-000 using Mexican as reference

Licenced Bar operating

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Sunday 29 May 2022 - 9am start - Lunch provided

We encourage all club members to come along to help maintain our wonderful grounds and enjoy the club spirit. A list of jobs will be posted on the board in the hall prior to the first working bee. A few of the jobs are listed below:

- Chainsaw tree stumps on golf course, please bring your safety gear
- Spray footpaths for moss
- Clear drains
- Sand and varnish coffee table for Cabin 1
- Clear weeds on bank below Faraway Land
- Box up path from steps to main lawn ablution block
- Sand Cabin 4 door and paint
- Take out old bark in kid's playground......

Please remember to sign in on arrival, for catering purposes and health and safety. If you notice anything that needs attention please let Ken know on 021 152 5940.

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

Working Bee dates for your diary

To be held on the following Sundays:

29 May 26 June

31 July 28 August

25 September

First Aid Kits

Thank you Melissa for purchasing our new portable first aid kits, placed in the Faraway Land bathroom, Catering Kitchen and main entry to the hall.

The First Aid Kit has also been replaced in the camp kitchen, plus we now have a small excursion kit that can be taken on club bike rides etc.

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Great Film opportunity for our club

Earlier in May our club was approached by a film company, "Miss Conception Films," looking for a suitable camping ground to shoot the final segment for their latest comedy TV series "Not Even". The film crew have had two further visits and really love the location (beautiful native bush and the various camping areas).

The Committee agreed that the film company can use our grounds for filming. They will bring in their own caravans, tents etc. They will avoid getting any vehicles on grass wherever possible and will use the visitor parking area for crew, however, they may need to move equipment around the rest of the site on the roads.

They are planning on filming for three days from Tuesday 31 May to Thursday 2 June. They are keen to film in different camping areas and have asked if any members, who do not want their vans in any shots, to advise Andy or Judith, and they will obscure their number plate.

Further details will be sent out to all members prior to the filming.

Check out the link below: https://www.missconceptionfilms.co.nz/not-even

If you have any questions please get in touch with Judith 027 330 6212 or Andy 021 375 283.

Using the Sauna

The sauna temperature should only be set to 80°, **NEVER** turn it around to maximum, it is a waste of power and could blow the whole system.

Undress / Dress code

So where and when is it appropriate to wear a dressing gown?

There has been much discussion around this. yes they're cozy and warm, however, it is suggested that in the winter it's okay to go to and from the ablution block, hot tub, spa and sauna, but not appropriate to attend events in the hall or generally wear them around the grounds. Thank you.



Hot Tub Opening

Over 40 members attended the official opening of the hot tub, officiated by June and the ribbon cut by David who spent many, many hours building hot tub and decking. The drinks and nibbles went down well. A fabulous new asset for the club.



The committee are looking for a few volunteers to assist in looking after the hot tub. This would involve testing the water, dosing as required and cleaning and replacing the filter. Training will be given.

Please contact Ken, 021 152 5940, if you can assist.

Saturday 28 May 2022

Festival Workshop

1:30 - 2:30pm

Thank you to everyone for helping to decorate the tins last month, we just need to add the final touches to the tins now. We now have plenty of craft materials kindly donated by members.

Everyone is welcome to join in 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



Register now, for just \$100 deposit



Time to reconnect, meet new people and have some FUN!

Festival Update

- Registrations are steadily coming in. The online form is now available on the WNC website/ Festival page making it easier to register.
- Options are being explored for providing lunches, making catering easier for attendees
- Monthly newsletters sent to those who have registered
- Four members have offered their caravans for visitors so far, plus one site, however, if you are not attending the festival please consider making your caravan or site available. We are suggesting \$50/night. Some members have opted to donate the full amount back to the club, some donating \$30/night to the club.

We are seeking: 2 litre ice cream containers, small shells, buttons for the kids programme.

Doors, doors, doors

A reminder to please keep the door closed to the spa and sauna area at all times and lock the door from the sauna area to the outside deck when you leave.

If it is after 5pm and you notice the hall or other doors open then please feel free to close and lock them.



Another very successful Easter Egg Hunt, lots of fun with great clues.

Thanks Chris, Rob and Jacqui.

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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 are entitled to vote.

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.

If you wish to attend the AGM remotely please contact Andy so you can be put on the list to received the zoom/messenger code.

A proxy vote by a Member not able to attend an Annual Meeting or Special General Meeting, received by the Secretary seven (7) days before the Meeting shall be allowed on any Agenda item for vote put before the Committee and the general membership, provided it is cast by a current financial member at the time of the meeting.

Proxy votes can only be accepted from members who live over 100kms radius from Te Marua, or in the South Island at the time of the meeting.

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

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Winter Dinner hosts for 2022

Thank you to the following members for volunteering to cater a dinner. Catered dinners are held on the Saturday prior to a Sunday working bee at the end of the month. They are a great way to catch up with other members and a good fundraiser for the club.

Date Hosts Theme

28 May: Claire Mexican — Sombreros and Ponchos

25 June Shirley Mid-Winter Xmas

30 July: Looking for a volunteer(s) Please let Constance know if you can do this month

27 August Rustic Kitchen Turn Back Time

24 September June Italian plus Quiz Nite

ANZAC Weekend



What a great weekend, starting off with the pot luck dinner on Saturday night, a tasty array of food, then a bit of music and dancing. Sunday was warm enough to have Life Drawing on the main

Monday morning saw some 20 or so members gather in the hall. The Remembrance service was organised by Steve S. and what a very heartfelt service, speeches from Life Member Jeff and Andrew S and the last post spoken by Dave C, I don't think there was a dry eye in the hall.



WNC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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