#### January 2020

## **Waikato Outdoor Society**

# Events Calendar

- Next committee meeting Friday 31st January 2020 at 7:15pm.
- WOS annual Mini-Rally event February 5th - 9th - everybody welcome - Bookings ph Peggy 027 631 6883.

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# Visitors Welcome

WOS Accommodation available

Cabin [No Pets.] Tent sites Powered sites Club Rooms with all Facilities Solar heated pool Wood fired hot tub Contact W. O. S. treasurer.wos@gmail.com Peggy—027 631 6883 Bruce—07 829 5451 50a Trentham Road Matangi

### From the Editor

e Naked New

I recently had a major problem with our WOS website in that the hosting provider insisted that our crashed website was no fault of theirs. I made few fruitless phone calls to the non cooperative very arrogant foreign front person representing the company we pay to host our website but they wanted to abandon me naked up a creek with no paddle and nowhere to go as I think the saying goes.

I should not have been left exposed like this so I quickly covered my options and got in touch with the NZNF Internet Co-ordinator for advice on how to get out of this cold spot.

Murray responded positively, addressed the problem smartly then phoned the company with the bare facts on how to get their ducks all in a row and paddling again.

The moral of the story probably is beware of foreign companies hiding behind a façade of being a Kiwi business.

This company will not be hosting our WOS website in the future.

We are grateful indeed to have the NZNF Internet Co-ordinator come to our rescue with his knowledge and skills to get our website reinstated.







Christmas at WOS was celebrated in style with good numbers of members and visitors on site for most of the time -all adding something to the party atmosphere that prevailed over the festive period here. Naturally Santa dropped everything to pay us a brief







visit and hand out chocolate goodies to all of us although we thought he was spotted again later disguised in full club uniform and mingling with the multitudes. It was notable that quite a few of these holiday makers spent a good portion of their time with full on relaxing in the sun, no doubt in preparation for the usual full house evening line up of punters wanting to join in the even-

ing competition for "King" of the cards and get their initials inscribed in the "Book of Memories"

The new year highlight was the arrival of Murray and Ally bearing a substantial gift for WOS of a craft built bar leaner to enhance the relaxation facilities on the clubhouse deck. A few trial fittings then this new feature furniture was awarded prime positioning on the deck by the main clubhouse entry then everyone proceeded to formally break it in by leaning all around it whilst cracking open a few bottles. Thank you M & A for the fabulous new years gift. W.O.S. Annual Mini Rally Event

# February 6-9th 2020

# Come and spend a fun and relaxed Waitangi weekend af The Waikato Outdoor Society

\$45.00pp for the weekend incl some meals - plus camping fees. Bookings contact Peggy 027 631 6883 Email... waikato.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

Everyone welcome to our extensive & tranquil rural site with easy commute to shops

### 50a Trentham Road Matangi Hamilton

Club rooms with all facilities Powered sites Tent sites Solar heated Pool Wood fired hot tub Nature walkways Bookings Phone 027 631 6883 Email waikto.outdoor@gonatural.co.nz

## DONATIONS

We have a basket in the club rooms available for those who wish to donate gift or grocery items etc. for the February Mini-Rally raffles.

Reminder for everyone to observe the safety speed limit on WOS driveway. Select relax mode.



## Committee notes

Committee has approved a partial upgrade to our kitchen with two main considerations in mind.

- 1. The need to change the single sink bench to a double unit to alleviate the issues we have coping with large events.
- 2. To change the fittings etc to allow us to shift the main refrigerator from it's present impractical position alongside the stove.

### Welcome to WOS 2020 Mini-Rally

#### Thur 6th Feb

- 6ish Early Bird sausage & bread
- 7:30 Darts and 8 Ball
  - Greeting card making -\$5

#### Fri 7th Feb

- 9:30 Croquet & mini-ten
- 10:30 Welcome Morning Tea
- 11:00 Kubb Ladder golf [self score]
- 2:00 Bowls
- 4:15 Eel feeding
- 4:44 H, Hour & QF raffles 7:30 Bowls cont,

#### <u>Saturday</u> 8th

- 9:30 Petanque & Golf [self score] Sat- Massages by Angela J \$40.00 for half hour.
  10:30 M Tea Susanne's mystery challenge
  2:00 3 Down
  4:44 H Hour & Q-f raffles Gumboot throw
  6ish Catered dinner
- 7:30 Bingo

#### Sunday 9th

8:30	Cooked breakfast
9:30	Hammer & Nail
10:30	Prizes, Major raffle draw, conclusion Gold coin left-overs lunch

#### Shop lunches

- Fri \$4 American H.Dogs, \$1 Savouries
- Sat \$4 Wraps,

Dinner Fri \$5 Hamburgers [pre-order Fri morning]

#### A few housekeeping tips.

Please bring your own cup for morning tea, and plates and cutlery for meals.

The urns [in front of the storeroom] will be kept hot for tea & coffee throughout the weekend.

Wash your own utensils at the outside kitchen bench.

Please cold rinse in the large tub first.

Supply your own tea-towel.

A men's outdoor pissoir {urinal} is in a tent, behind the toilet block.

No emptying of toilet cassettes into the toilets -this causes major problems with the septic tank.

Please take bottles and plastics home with you – our recycling bins can't cope!!!

Thank-you.

Enjoy yourselves. Re-acquaint yourselves with your friends from previous years and make new friends with first timers.

BOP Naturists would like to invite all WOS members to our event at...

#### Ngamuwahine Lodge on the weekend of 6-8 March

As Cat Steven's song goes "Remember the days of the old schoolyard...". Well we are going back to school – or more precisely to school camp! Yay!! This will be a 'school themed' weekend, so be prepared for some fun!

I have booked the Ngamuwahine Lodge on the Tauranga side of the Kaimais for Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March through to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March for a naturist event (wet or fine). The lodge, which is a school camp, is only 16 km from the outskirts of Tauranga and not far from Hamilton and Rotorua. It is at the end of an unsealed public road and at the start of the DOC Ngamuwahine Track <u>https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/bay-of-plenty/places/kaimai-mamaku-conservation-park/things-to-do/tracks/ngamuwahine-track/</u>. So, for those of you who like bush walking, this is an easy 3.5km return walk *via* the same track, taking about 1½ hour each way. Across the road from the lodge there is a creek and swimming hole. If you have a kayak, bring it along.

The accommodation is dormitory-style in huge bunk rooms. You will need to bring your own bedding (pillows, sleeping bag, etc). There are plenty of mattresses available. Due to a lack of parking space and a narrow unsealed road in, the venue is not suitable for motorhomes.

You will also need to bring your own food, and some warm clothes as it can get cold at night in the Kaimai Ranges. As the venue is at the end of the road, it is reasonably private so club uniform should be OK on the property. There is plenty of crockery etc at the lodge, so no need to empty your cupboards to come! There is also a BBQ, ovens and plenty of frig and freezer space. However...

**Important:** To make this weekend a viable proposition, I need to have at least 35 attendees attending for sole use of the facilities and I need you to commit now as I have already paid the deposit. So I am requesting non-refundable deposits from you all (refundable only if the event is cancelled due to lack of numbers). You do not have to be a member of BOP Naturists to attend.

The venue hire for use of the facilities is a very reasonable \$45 per person. This is the fee, whether you stay 1 night or 2, or just come for the day. If anyone is interested in coming along, please contact me on <u>bopnaturists@gmail.com</u> for more information.

If we can't get 35 people confirmed by **20<sup>th</sup> January**, I will have to cancel the whole weekend. This would be a shame for those who have committed to coming and it will put in jeopardy future weekends at Ngamuwahine or similar places. Cheers Glenne

Co-ordinator BOP Naturists Check out the WOS website at: www.waikato.gonatural.co.nz



Come & hang out for a few days at W.O.S



A reminder to our visitors and

<u>members</u>:- Here at WOS we have NO paid staff of any kind. The nice tidy and presentable grounds and kitchen and ablution areas you see here are kept to a standard entirely by volunteer members. You are expected to adhere to the traditional camping laws of cleaning up after yourselves and **taking your rubbish** with you. Don't tag yourself as the type that expects others to clean up your mess.

We are on Facebook and Twitter as well

Special thanks from WOS go out to NZNF Internet Coordinator for being on hand to help us sort out our website issues in our time of need.



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## February 6th to 9<sup>th</sup> 2020

Fees include: Thursday evening Sausage & Bread.

Dinner on Sat.

Fri & Sat morning teas.

And cooked breakfast on Sunday

Booking:	Number of Adults	Number of Children	Total \$
The Mini Rally (Adults (18+) \$45 each plus camp fees \$40.00 plus camping if paid by 31/12/19 Children aged 5 - 17 = \$1 per year of age. Under 5 years free.			
<b>Camping Fees</b> Adults (18+) \$12.50per night - Children Free WOS members \$6pn			
TOTAL			

Limited power sites - please confirm availablity - \$40 deposit required. Deposit will be deducted from your fees on arival. Bank account for deposit: ANZ 06-0583-0201647-01

Registration					
Adults 18 and over			Under 18s		
Surname	First name		Name	Age	
Address					
Club					
Home Phone			Mobile		
Email					
Arrival date		De	Departure date		
Home Phone Email		Mobile Departure date			

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## House work is a cruise.

Bill's wife was away recently on a cruise and he was telling us that doing the house work is a piece of fruit cake for him "bloody boring though" he said. "Just make the bed, do the washing, sweep the floors, wash the dishes and change the sheets. - Then about a month later you have to do it all again"





W.O.S grounds and facilities are yours and of course open to you and visitors at all times throughout the year so com'on over any time, any day and enjoy holiday and leisure breaks here among friends—use the unique wood fired Hot Tub, the BBQ, help out with a few chores if you want—explore the walkways, feed the eels, relax and enjoy, stay over for a night or two.



Popular after dinner game at WOS clubhouse.

**Reminder** \_ Members as well as all visitors to the club grounds are required to fill out and sign the visitors book in the clubhouse on every visit. We have to meet local authority compliance requirements.

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