



NUDVAN NAVIGATOR



Mid Winter Christmas and Events update

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NUDVAN Mid Winter Christmas held at WOS

A write up of the event by one of our members

Giddyay.....you had to be there. However, if you had been, there would have been even longer queues for the outside amusements, the Xmas Dinner, the Famous Nudvan Breakfast, and missed out on a 'prize'. Father Christmas would have been totally exhausted handing out gifts to more than 30 giftees. And if you had been there, you would have been kept warm and cosy by the efficient wood burners (inside and out), and the warmth and friendship of WOS members.

By my count, Nudvan supplied 12 members in 5 vans, 1 onsite caravan, and 1 local AirBandB. The rest were WOS members, ready to enjoy our combined MidWinter Xmas 'do'. Saturday was glorious- storm clouds on the very far horizon- so we played Kubb, Ladder Golf, and a curious tossing activity based on an American corn-cob throwing competition. So, once we got our 'eyes' in with gentle throws of linked golf balls, longer tossing of rice bags through a hole in a cantilevered 'box', Kubb seemed easy by comparison. If anyone kept score, it wasn't me.....always pleased just to take part rather than win. Of course the spa was kept cool enough for long soaks, then hot enough to be thoroughly warmed through.

Saturday afternoon was calm before the storm (as it were) - some went to Hamilton Gardens (still interesting even if in winter dress), some walked...and I didn't dare ask what everyone else did. The evening was sumptuous- shared food is always pleasurable, and the range of mains and desserts prepared were quite wondrous. Tasted good too. In between we managed a Happy Hour, Pa Xmas and his sack of goodies from op-shops (thanks Bruce), and after dinner there was a Surprise Activity. Lei making, with straws, paper, appropriate oddments all threaded onto some electrical wire innards. supplied by Alison. Not enough prizes, but they were kindly shared by all the winners.....the Prettiest, the Ugliest, the Best Model, the first finished etc etc.

Sunday's focus was WOS Polar Plunge.....we were represented....I think Berta was first in, last out.. The weather had most of us scurrying North to either avoid the worst or check up on properties.

Thank you WOS- you deserve The Friendliest Club accolade. You share your amenities, time and company unstintingly....it was an absolute pleasure to be invited to share our MidWinter Xmas Rally at your place.

Alison

Another write up with photos is in the WOS newsletter for August 2018. You can read this on line at WOS website:-
<https://waikato.gonatural.co.nz/pdf/WOS%20August%202018%20Newsletter.pdf>

Coming Events

NUDVAN Christmas

This will be held at Counties Sun Club on Saturday 17th November. Members may arrive any time after lunch on Friday 16th.

We are very unlikely to have a sports challenge for the shield as it is we are unlikely to have sufficient Counties members present. So games will be for fun. Bring your ideas for something new to play, otherwise it will be old but goodies. Santa is unlikely to make it as he will be busy getting ready for his next big day. However we hope to have one of his helpers available.

Bring:-

Yourself

Something to sleep in be it camper, caravan, tent or the horse float!

Your contribution to the pot luck dinner on Saturday. (The committee are bringing deserts)

Christmas gift up to the value \$5 from charity shop, opportunity shop, or home made.

Programme for the weekend.

(This is flexible and will be modified to suit the weather and those attending).

Friday 16th Nov

Arrive any time after lunch.

Decorate the club rooms (many hands make light work)

4:00pm (ish) Happy hour.

Saturday 17th Nov

Have a swim, play some games or lay in the sun.

4:00pm (ish) Happy hour.

6:00pm (ish) Pot Luck Christmas Dinner followed by Christmas presents.

Sunday 18th Nov

9:00am Traditional NUDVAN BBQ breakfast.

Some members have put together a Safari for 2019. Unfortunately they may be unable to join it themselves due to work commitments. So if you would like to lead a Safari please let the Secretary know. We are still looking at a new spot for a Stay Put Rally. If you know of a good place, preferably where we can get into club uniform, please let us know.

We have had a member ask about places to stay. A few years ago NUDVAN had a list of members that had the space and were willing to let other traveling members stay overnight. If you have the space and would like your contact details (name, phone, approx. or exact location) on such a list please let us know. The list would then be available on request to NUDVAN members. It is not intended to publish the list in the Navigator or the web site.

The NZNF AGM 2018 will be held at Wellington Naturist Club. The AGM and New Year celebrations to be at Wellington, followed by the "Out of the square" bus trip to other clubs.

Some of us are making our own way to some or all of the clubs visited.

Cheers for now
John & Christine