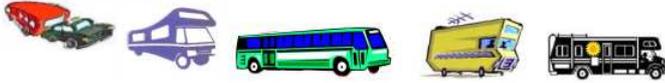




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Summer is here! - it's official as daylight saving has started, but it certainly doesn't feel like it. Somehow we seem to have had a long, cold, damp winter this year and the opportunities to get into club uniform have been few and far between. However it's going to be a busy summer as there are lots of naturist events coming up. At Labour weekend we will be joining with BOP Sun Club at Matata for their craft weekend and extravaganza which promises to be lots of fun. Don't forget to send in your booking for this to make sure you get a site.

We had a very good turn out for our midwinter meal at the Muddy River Café next door to Heather and Keith's home at Turua and were pleased to see a number of guests who joined us from WOS. In fact it was such a success that we have decided to hold our Christmas Rally and meal there. You will find full details later in this newsletter.

The NZNF Rally over New Year will be at Pineglades in Christchurch which is the first time it has been in the South Island for some years. Remember to book by 31 October to get the cheapest rate. Following that I will be joining a number of Nudvanners who are planning to cycle or walk the Otago Rail Trail with naturists from all over the country. This should be a great experience for the fit and not so fit - be aware you don't have to do it all and you are allowed to wear bike pants. See the poster below for details.

In January there is Ngatuhua Naturally in the Kaimais with an open invitation to all bush-loving naturists and in February we have decided to support the WOS Mini Rally which is fast becoming an event not to be missed. We certainly appreciated their warm hospitality last weekend and it was great to share a meal with a number of WOS members.

I have been away on my travels again and am now a director of an engineering design and construction company in Pakistan. In fact, whilst I was there earlier this month, I managed to win my first project in Pakistan working with that company. The weather there was hot, but club uniform is not appropriate in a Muslim society. Life is never dull if you take every opportunity in both hands.

John R



*NEW MEMBERS Welcome to... Ed &
Jutta Knowles*

Rally Reports

23 people including a few members from WOS joined NUDVAN for their annual mid winter dinner at the Muddy River Cafe at Turua

The setting was very pleasant on a cool winter's night with favourable comments on the cuisine, particularly the desserts.

In between courses we filled in time drawing the person opposite on a paper bag. The conclusion drawn was we don't have any budding professional artists amongst our ranks

Parking overnight was next door at Heather and Keith's. A feature of the property was the large area for hard parking, with additional room on the front lawn. A wrap around deck could provide seating for up to 50 people

Although the weather could have been better, a good time was had by all.

Thank you Heather and Keith for your hospitality. Hopefully, you will make your property available for future rallies

*If you are visiting the area, other options in the immediate district include boating, mountain biking or country rambles
Des and Margaret*

MID WINTER CHRISTMAS DINNER.

You can stay at home and be miserable in the wet weather or you can go out and join a happy band of people. This is exactly what a large group of Nudvanners and WOS members did by attending the Mid Winter Christmas Dinner at the Muddy Creek Café at Turua. Of course we did blame the Wellingtonians for bringing the rain up with them. By mid afternoon a large contingent of members had arrived and settled onto our hosts property which was right next door to the Café. Just great so happy hour commenced around 3 p. m. with mulled wine to warm the cockles of the heart. At around 6 p.m. we all invaded the Café for a wonderful evening of eating and frivolity, although I felt that some of the wannabe artists needed a little coaching with their sketching..

After a wonderful well presented meal we retired to our hosts' home where members enjoyed themselves by playing Mah Jong, Trivial Pursuit or just lazing round the fire. What a great evening in most comfortable warm cozy surroundings.

So next morning, just to conclude this happy gathering, Keith our chef prepared a BBQ Breakfast to end a weekend of great comradeship. So as the morning wore on, members said their "Goodbyes" and drifted off into the liquid sunshine, to return again another day. A thousand thanks to our hosts Heather and Keith, who not only organized this weekend but opened up their utopia and hearts to make us all so very welcome.

Ray.

Parakai Hot Pools

This rally was a case of quality not quantity. 1 van from each of the following areas attended, Northland, Auckland, Waikato and BOP giving a total of 7 members. We had our usual happy hour at 4pm at which we had a visitor arrive with fresh veges to share amongst us. Many thanks to the Hari Krishna's as the veges were left over from their market day. This resulted in an invitation at some time to go to their place in Riverhead for lunch.

After dinner we were off for our usual swim, and or, soak in the pools where we were able to stay overnight in their car park.

We were very fortunate with the weather so 5 of us were off to Parakai Wharf for a very nice shared breakfast of Bacon, eggs, chips and toast and a whole lot of chat.

Small rally, small report

Ruth

WOS Weekend - September

Our family turned up late on the Saturday afternoon, in the middle of happy hour, it was so good to see everyone catching up on what has been going on since they last saw each other, and the youngest person there was trying to get all the attention!!

The potluck dinner was amazing, a wide variety of food was brought out (thanks to those amazing people in the kitchen) and after dinner people carried on catching up before retiring to bed.

Sunday brought out some fine weather in the morning, a good morning tea and for those who are on it, a committee meeting before people slowly left to go home hopefully without any rain around.

Naomi & Roger D

It's time to book the FABULOUS FLOYD THE FLOUNDER CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGRANZA!
20th November 2009 6.30pm VENUE: Muddy River Café, Turua

Yes!!! It's the ANNUAL NUDVAN CHRISTMAS WEEKEND!!!

Come and park your bus, motor home or whatever on the lawn at Keith and Heather's place right next door to the café. There is NO CHARGE for staying the weekend.

The cost of the meal at MUDDY RIVER is \$30.00 per person + cost of your own drinks. Includes a 3 course meal, a fabulous band – fantastic to dance to, Christmas crackers and a goody bag.
PLUS!!!!!!!!!!!!!! A barbeque breakfast the next morning.

Friday night: Happy Hour and a pot luck dinner.

Saturday: For the energetic, a walk or bike ride around Turua

Morning Tea: 10am

GAMES: Floyd the flounder rules. Croquet, Petanque (Going to play for Bonkee) and anything else

LUNCH: Pot luck picnic at the wharf?

Let the games continue-----

HAPPY HOUR: 5 minus 5 (4.55pm)

DINNER: Please wear an outrageous wig or hat, prizes will be awarded. Then sing and dance the night away!!!!

Sunday: Breakfast BBQ followed by prize giving. Potluck lunch and farewells

(PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CAFÉ IS A TEXTILE EVENT, but please bring a tarpaulin so that we can have a nude games/ relaxing area in the lawn parking area.

THE \$30.00 is to be paid to **Heather**, in **CASH** before we go to the Café and on receipt you will be given a lucky draw ticket.

There will be raffles at Café and on Sunday morning, so please bring a raffle item to be given to Heather please.

RSVP by the 14th November please to Heather Hooper (07) 867 5470 or heatherhooper@xtra.co.nz

Hello fellow Nudvanners,

Greetings to you all from wet and cold Perth where we are doing a housesit near the township of Mundaring, not too far from Sunseekers naturist club...and the name expresses our sentiments exactly...'Seeking some sun'... at this time of the year it's definitely NOT the weather for going 'au naturelle'.

We were sorry to read of Shirley and Ian's withdrawal as members of NUDVAN and hope all goes well for them in the future. While it's a bit late, we'd like to take this opportunity to congratulate the new committee members following their election at the AGM back in April and we wish them as well as all NUDVAN members a happy and successful year with lots of opportunities to 'get the gear off' !

The 'Navigator' makes a great read, we love it; brings us closer to you all over there (wish we could join you for the get-togethers...they sound great) John, you sure had one FAB trip last summer...what experiences you had, thanks for sharing them with us.

As for us, it's hard to believe that we are here over 2yrs now AND 84,000 kms later (time sure flies by when you are having fun!)

We decided to check out the Yorke and Eyre Peninsulas, bought a camps pass to allow us to enter and camp in these National parks BUT we did not take into consideration the feral bee problem in these

places...we had barely set up camp when I noticed that the damp tea towel was literally covered in bees AND they were even inside the whistling kettle!! They, like all living creatures were after water which is just so scarce over in those parts so anything even slightly damp was fair game to them. Needless to say, we made a hasty retreat out of there made even more so when I got stung on my btm!!

We have had hailstorms and winds bordering on cyclonic force whilst here...power outages for many hours too so we are REALLY looking forward to heading north and hopefully warmer climes. . We will be among the many 'grey nomads' who, like us want to miss the cold and wet winter so are heading up north towards Darwin and the top and maybe then we will be able to enjoy some good naturist times either on our own or with like minded naturist lovers ! Well, time to close and check the home made soup pot so, till next time, take care out there and have fun as and when okay. As the saying goes...'life's too short' and you are a long time 'pushing up daisies'..

Cheers for now...go naturally as and when

Regards Mary and Stan

(This has been shortened due to space – Editor)

Future Rallies

October 23 – 26: BOP Sun Club Labour Weekend Extravaganza – Form attached

November 27-29: Christmas Meal at Turua – Information above

December 28 – Jan 3: NZNF Rally at Pineglades club followed by the Otago Rail Trail – see poster attached

January 23 – 31: Ngatuhua Naturally – open invitation

February 5 – 7: Waitangi Weekend Mini Rally at WOS



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From the Editor

For those who had trouble receiving their newsletters both by email and snail mail, I'm very sorry; hopefully I have worked out the little problems this time.

Thank you to everyone who has given rally reports, it has been really good to read through them. I have had to shorten some of them due to the amount of reports I received (lack of space on the page). If anyone would like the full letter from Mary & Stan please email me, it is not an attachment

For other club newsletters and to see when they are having their rallies, visit the Go Natural Website
.....www.gonatural.co.nz.....

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