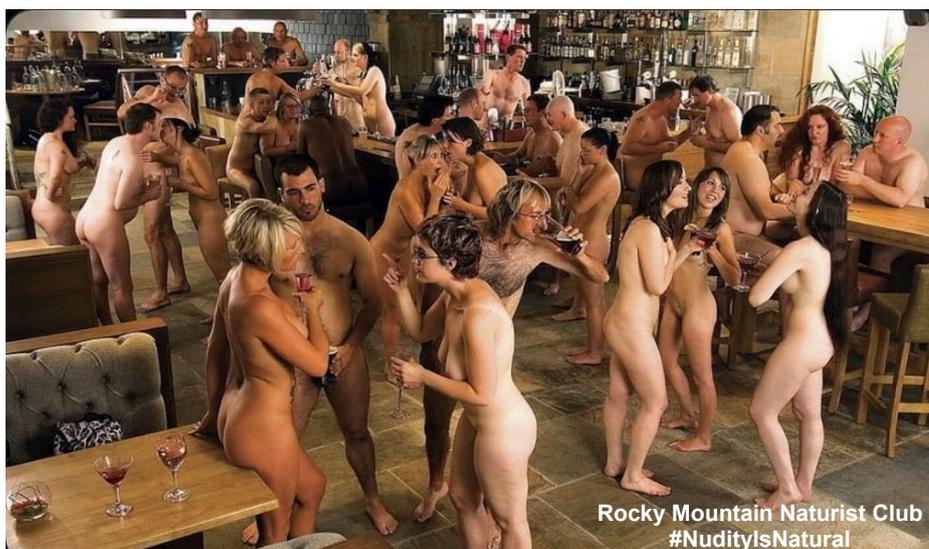


February - March 2022

## Lynn River Nude Gardening Day Competition



Congratulations to AONC secretary Alice for being selected this year's winner of the Lynn River nude gardening day competition. From over a 100 submissions, twelve finalists were selected and put forward for public voting. Alice was voted as the winner from the finalists and gets the title "2021 NZ Nude Gardener of the Year". This is the second year the competition has taken place and we hope it will be continuing going forward. Two other members also submitted photos: Dion and Ryan. The competition serves as a great tool for promoting naturism and has attracted quite a following under Instagram. (Alice is now Marketing Officer for the Federation.)



Staged photos aren't nudism, real nudists sit on towels. Indeed, that was the first thing I noticed. Especially the lady with her naked behind on the table

Exactly

This looks a good bar is it real or just a one off?

How do they pay for their drinks? Looks extremely staged... hmmm

How can WE be trusted as natural nudist if we can't be honest? Our advertising reflects

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For the second time I've found nudity on Twitter - although there was a normal caveat:

The following media includes potentially sensitive content. Change settings and there was a button: [View]

So I did hit the button, you'll be surprised to discover...

And then I selected a few of the comments reproduced in order, below. The twitter itself is an advert for the Rocky Mountain Naturist Club (Denver, Colorado). (JL)

our values. If this club is advertising a different "Lifestyle" then disregard this response.

I wanna be there!

# Presie's Piece

What a year 2021 was! Let's hope 2022 is better. Navigating the traffic light system was a particular challenge for clubs at the end of last year, as it was difficult to determine which set of "rules" applied to each of the clubs. Not everyone may be happy with the final policies, but the clubs have taken considerable time, done research, and in most instances, made collective member decisions, to safeguard members and visitors while still remaining open.



## This March & November!

### 2 x 2 World Naked Bike Rides

From north to south we have:-

Place	Organiser	Contact
*Waihi	Andrew Cook	haurakinaturally@gmail.com
Hamilton	Paul (WOS)	wosse.nz20@gmail.com
*Takaka	Bryan Badger	bryan.badger@yahoo.co.nz
Waitati	Brent & Julie	southernfreebeaches@gmail.com

- The Waihi Beach ride runs along Seaforth Road with preparations starting from **10am**, at the Bowen-town Boating Club; ~~March~~ **November 19th**.
- The members' only Hamilton club ride, runs from Waikato Outdoor Society grounds, for about 5km; **March 5th**.
- The Takaka event preparations start at Tarakoe and end at Kiwi Spirits Distillery; ~~March~~ **November 5th**.
- The Waitati ride still definitely starts at **midday** at the Waitati Hall, to go around Waitati several times then up to Kowhai Heights for a pot-luck lunch & spa (bring your own lunch & towel); this Sunday **March 13th**.

\* Please note the Waihi & Takaka rides have had to be postponed, due to the risks caused by the Red light on Omicron!

The **Federation's AGM** last year was a novel one. For the first time most of the participants were not in the room! Several of the participants were 'up in lights' on the back wall of the Pineglades' lounge. But, as you might guess, it wasn't that easy to see (or hear) who was speaking at any given moment.

Despite her non-presence Wendy again made fairly short work of the agenda, with everyone walking out for refreshments in record time, at around 10.37am.

At Pineglades, SIVP David helped to get things moving over the zoom-style communications with Wendy in Napier and several other delegates. There were ten of us 'around the table', and about four observers by the wall, out of shot to the right, in the photo below. (JL)

Just as much as over the last two years, we need to continue to be kind to others, and also to respect other people's points of view and decisions.

We are well into the summer season, and hopefully you are getting to spend lots of time at your club, and/or visiting other clubs. There are quite a few social events coming up in the next few months, so why not organise for a group from your club to make the trip to an event at another club? Road trips are always fun and you just might get a return visit from a group.

The AGM was held at Pineglades, as you will read in the next column. I would like to welcome Matt Alexander, Joanna Schumaker, Ken Mercer (again) and Alice de Wet to the Executive.

We say good bye to Nick Lowe, Wilma Kremer, and Murray Nash (although not entirely in Murray's case), who have contributed a great deal to the Executive. Thank you for your outstanding efforts.

I would also like to thank the returning Executive members, for their dedication to their roles. We have a great team and I am sure we will work well together to represent all naturists in New Zealand.

For many of us, it has been back to work in recent weeks. Personally I was happy to have remembered the password to log in! Everyone is feeling refreshed and hopeful for this new year.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer, which hopefully will continue to be warm and sunny, although here in Hawkes Bay it is already browning-off due to lack of rain. Oh well, we can't have everything...

Stay safe, stay strong, stay kind.

Yours naturally, Wendy Lowe



# Passports? Masks? The vaccination vexation!

After a youth spent attending many local churches, I eventually concluded that there were no absolutes - in the form of 'God'. The consequence: my beliefs had to survive on a 'floating foundation'. Then, for me, the logic of democracy indicates that 'truth' could be determined by counting heads - but only given the critical caveat: those heads must be adequately informed!

So far, the subsequent 60-odd years have proven my floating foundation to be quite adequate; so I've applied them to the latest conundrum: covid-19. This is quite a test: belief vs law, in the context of a number of unknowns!

In the naturist context we really only have legal issues for clubs, because on beaches we have just whatever the current 'law-colour' specifies.

The first relevant variable for clubs is their membership number versus the number attending on the grounds. At specified points those variables are, Red: 25, Orange: 100, Green: no limit.

Then there is the question of vaccine 'passports' - to use or not to use; that is the question.

Some assert that because naturism (by implied definition) is 'all inclusive'; a government issue passport is irrelevant. All that matters is one's own personal belief.

Otherwise stated, it's; faith: 'certainty of the unknown' versus science: 'uncertainty of the known'.

But life is not easy for club executives! Mandate the official passports? Leave it to the members to come as they desire on the day?

Mandate or reject only the non-members: dependent on a passport, or independent of it?

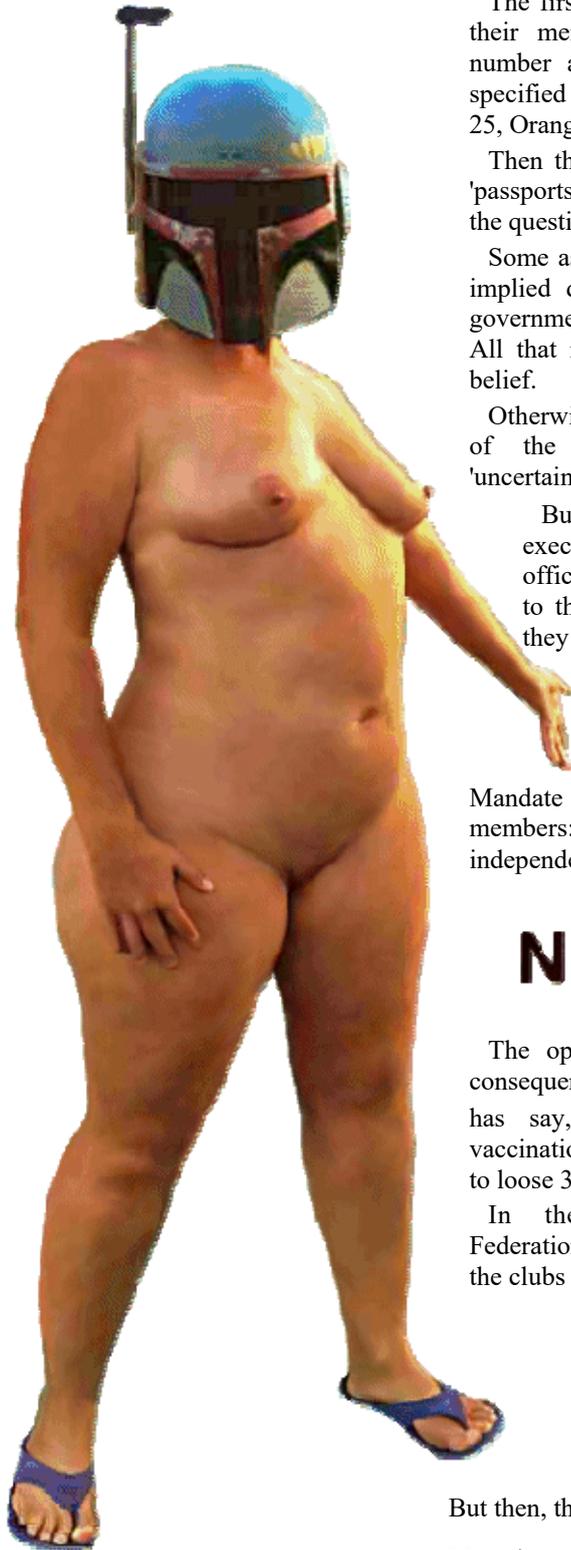
## NUDISTS

The options are multiple, but some consequences are significant. If a club has say, a 30% non-disclosure of vaccination status - can that club afford to loose 30% of its income?

In the circumstances, Wendy's Federation decision to hand the choice to the clubs makes sense to me. (JL)

My thanks (again) to Mike Moore for his classic photo of Trevor and Christine Shanahan; originally on the back page of his last published *gonatural* magazine - December 2019. (Trevor and Christine also run the MeWe group: New Zealand Naturists.)

There's plenty more to see at:- [www.mewe.com/join/newzealandnaturists1](http://www.mewe.com/join/newzealandnaturists1)



But then, there's still the question of mask use...

Meantime, for another take - see the next page

## A wee note to the editor

With the magazine gone, one thing I feel is missing from the *gonatural* format, is a forum where the naturist community can write in to comment on published items; or express views about other subjects that may be of interest. So on that basis, please note this personal letter to all naturists in NZ and abroad.

My name is Constance. Some of you may know me. For those that don't, please allow me to fill you in. I'm in my tenth year as a member of the Wellington Naturist Club and over that time many would say I've been a contributing member. For example, I helped coordinate the 2017-2018 Pioneer Festival and I'm one of the coordinators of the 2022-2023 Carnivale Extravaganza Festival (See page 16.)

I have served on the committee for the past six years, mainly looking after the social portfolio and I've helped with cabin management, bookings and also had one year as VP. At the moment I am the Wellington Club President. I've also done two years on the NZNF Executive as Marketing Officer; but I relinquished that role at the recent AGM. I'm currently in charge of Social Media

It would be fair to say that the club and naturism in general has consumed a lot of my life this last decade. Let it be noted that I have done all of this willingly, voluntarily and out of love because I wanted to be involved and a part of the tribe. We naturists may be on the fringes of society but we are an amazing community with a unique spirit.

Until I discovered naturism, I had lived a rather transient nomadic existence for pretty much the whole of my adult life. My career choices and lack of familial obligations meant that I travelled a lot and rarely had a fixed abode; so when I stumbled across the WNC, it felt like I had finally come home.

I absolutely love being a naturist and I took to it like a duck to water and for the last six years I have had a caravan site on the grounds. My tiny abode is the closest thing (in today's current market) to a house that I may ever own.

I consider my van, the club and the pool to be my happy place; where I come (and try) to recharge my batteries, exercise, get my fix of vitamin D and socialise with friends, who over the years, have become like a family to me.

I was also drawn to the naturism ethos, described as "...a way of life in harmony with nature, expressed through social nudity, linked to self-respect, tolerance of differing views together with respect for the environment."

Another key aspect of naturism is centred on individual health and well-being. This idea resonates with my approach to health and the way I take care of myself.

Not that my personal health information should be anybody's business but my own... I will share with you that aside from my recent brushes with breast cancer, I have never had the flu, rarely suffer a cold, but am occasionally afflicted by hay fever.

Despite also having a compromised immune system, first diagnosed in 1997, I have never let this slow me down. It was then that I made my careful choice to follow an alternative health regime. Now, I *can* trust my immune system!

So, it has been rather surprising to me that the government, who are politicians, and not medical professionals, have 1) pushed the vaccine as the only solution to this virus and 2) quashed information about how we can, as people take precautions, to reduce the viral load and perhaps lessen the need to go to hospital; should anyone contract Covid-19 and any of its variants.

I can't help but think that as naturists, we should be embracing this type of information, to help keep ourselves fit and healthy? I'm well into my fifties and to date I have not required medication of any description. Maybe it's in the genes, as my dad was 78 before he had to take anything. But it is alarming to note that many people my age, that I know of, do rely on a daily concoction of pills to help keep them going.

It has also been rather disappointing for me to see how the naturist clubs around the country and in particular the WNC have responded to this global pandemic, in light of the government imposed mandates and traffic light system on our nation. Sadly this has meant that clubs like ours have been forced to do the governments dirty work for them.

I know I'm an idealist, but I had really hoped that the naturist community would be able to withstand events in the outside world and remain impartial, inclusive, accepting, non-discriminatory, compassionate, empathetic and understanding and be respectful of people's choices, especially those that might not align with their own.

In creating our recent club Covid-19 policy, we took into consideration the fact that we had vulnerable members, particularly those of a certain age demographic or those with underlying health issues. Our biggest concern was around the safety of all our members and wanting to be inclusive of everyone, regardless of vaccination status.

I have to admit that the use of vaccine passports seems ludicrous to me, given the majority of New Zealand's population are already mingling in the workplace, family units and living arrangements, social events and gatherings, going to retail shops or the supermarket and catching public transport; like planes, trains, buses and ferries.

The vaccine free among us can and do all of the above, except get a haircut or eat out and in some extreme cases they are losing their jobs and livelihoods, all due to government mandates, which are not legally a law but a requirement only.

All the vaccine passport suggests to me is that you have been a compliant citizen who has dutifully received your two jabs and/or a booster: thus rewarded with a pass to participate in society.

It does not make you bulletproof and I would hate to see members become complacent because regardless of vaccination status, one is still able to contract or transmit the virus and easily pass Covid-19 onto vulnerable members who may believe they are safe at our clubs.

It concerns me that many people seem to be driven by fear and are looking at risk elimination instead of risk management. Personally, I'd have more confidence in a negative test result on arrival at a club as opposed to a digital pass.

If clubs were to adopt rapid antigen tests, those results would be available within 15-20 minutes. I consider this to be a more positive welcoming image for clubs to project instead of the intrusive nature of policing private medical information. With a level playing field we could also welcome back our vaccine free members, who should not be penalised by medical apartheid.

It would be great to see clubs united in their fight against this virus; places to be proud of, by not discriminating or endorsing such segregation. I can't speak for you, but for myself, the current situation goes totally against my morals, ethics and what I believe in and stand for.

It has been difficult for me to sit back and listen while a lot of people have tried to project fear or impose their own points of view. I can only liken it to an hysterical witch-hunt out there which is becoming increasingly abhorrent to me.

Our clubs are incredible sanctuaries. But I firmly believe that if we are to keep ALL of our members truly safe, so that we can ALL experience the health benefits of sunshine and fresh air; then I think that clubs need to bend the rules a little, take a stand and consider abolishing the use of vaccine passports for antigen tests instead.

Constance



# Southern Free Beaches

## “We’ve been busy”

### SOUTHERN FREE BEACHES VS ALPINE LAKES EVENTS

Over the past couple of months Southern Free Beaches have been busy with our good friends from Alpine Lakes. Every year both our clubs participate in several joint events, including a Quiz Nite and a Ten Pin Bowling Challenge. Both of these events are great fun and always tightly contested, but I am pleased to say that this year Southern Free Beaches won both of these events.

#### Saturday 16 October – Quiz Nite

Members of the winning team were: Brent, Julie (taking picture), Paul, Shirley, Gordy, Steve, Shelli & Julie (yes another one).



#### Saturday 13 November – Ten Pin Bowling Challenge

Brent receiving the winning trophy from Alpine Lakes President, Alan Joss.

Steve won the Inaugural Jacinda’s Choice MVP Award. Well done Steve!

#### Saturday 14 December – Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party was held at Brent and Julie’s this year. We had a great bunch of people over who brought lots of wonderful food, desserts and



A huge thank you to the members of Alpine Lakes who regularly participate in these events. You are a great bunch of people and we enjoy your company (especially when we win – hee hee).

It just shows you that you don’t have to have grounds and buildings to have regular fun events and be surrounded by positive people who love to get together and enjoy celebrating naturism as way of life.





# Southern Free Beaches

## “We’re still busy”

### SUMMER SOLSTICE SWIM

Wednesday 22 December – St Kilda Beach, Dunedin

On Wednesday 22 December at 6 pm our regular crew arrived at St Kilda Beach ready for our annual Summer Solstice Swim. The day was not flash to be fair with heavy downpours of rain due the humid temperatures but down here in the South we are not put off by a little bit of rain.

As we made our way down to the water the rain stopped until we had finished our swim which was great and it turned out to be not a bad evening so thanks again to everyone who showed up yet again.



To meet the award-winning members of the Southern Free Beaches - come and join them for the ride on Sun [MARCH](#) 13th!

Left to right: - Ant, Peter, Brent, Gordy, Russell, Lynn and Paul

## Greetings, Naturist friends!

By now, some of you will have heard through the grapevine about the North Island, World Naked Bike Ride, happening at Waihi Beach on Saturday, March 19th, at 10 a.m.

We'd like to officially invite any members of your club who would like to participate in this open community event.

Obviously, Waihi is a long way to travel for you South Islanders, but perhaps you have folks planning to be up this way around that weekend.

All details can be found on our website [HERE](#).

On the right is an indication of our poster, which we'd love you to copy print

off for your notice boards.

(See **page 15** for a full-size version of the poster.)

We are

**Postponed to November**  
most grateful to our sponsors, Coromandel FM, Waihi Sports and Cycles, Bowentown Boating and Sports Fishing Club, Waihi Stationers and More, and Waihi Beach Hotel.

We also appreciate support from the Waihi Police, who will assist with traffic management and the smooth running of the event.

If you have any questions, please contact me: [aurakinaturally@gmail.com](mailto:aurakinaturally@gmail.com)

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## Nelson: first port of call in the north of the south

In the absence of Wai-natur, and doubt about being able to get up the Sounds due to extensive roadwork; along with dubious weather, our first stop became Nelson Sun Club, to try out our tent. Julie saw our 'vaxed to the hilt' papers, and knew we were coming, thus no trouble getting in the door.

Next morning we headed for Marahau to find Marble Hills. It'd be hard to find a more laid back welcome than that received from the amiable Michael Fry. I shot a couple of photos to prove we'd been there but if Michael isn't around you can stop anyway - it says so in the Welcome Booth at the gate!

On the way back from Marahau we stopped at Riwaka to check out some of the multitude of fresh fruit & vege stalls in the area. The raspberries didn't last long but we still have our different honeys with us, even now.

Back at the Nelson club it wasn't too long before the time for 'Happy Hour' drifted into the afternoon. I suppose it helps when you have ten full-spec houses on the grounds as well as a solid bunch of caravans, cabins and transportables; but getting the enormous round table fully subscribed, did complete a happy scene!

(John & Margaret)



There's a swimming pool of course - with plenty of shade options - and it's heated! (Well, warmed!)

# Our South Island attractions

During my first trip South in several years, what struck me this time was our dependence on trees. (After all one never knows when one may be caught-out naked, without a handy tree in sight...) From the intentional destruction of wilding pines, first evident from the ferry in the Marlborough Sounds, to the pictures I took in each of the clubs we were able to visit this time - just Nelson, South Canterbury and Christchurch - the part played by trees in each venue truly stood out, followed closely by their front gates!



At Marble Hills they're nice for camping



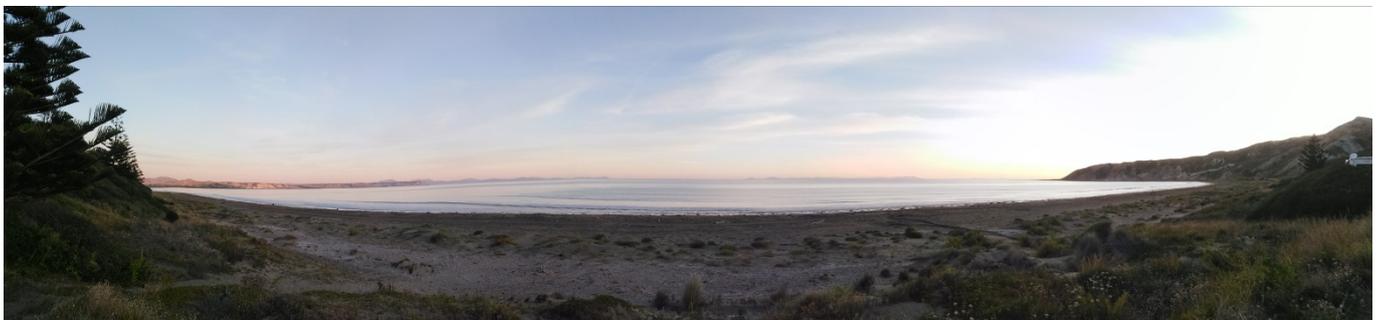
In Nelson they distract the golfers



The South Canterbury Club has even more trees than meet the eye here



Pineglades has extended their variety well beyond pines (and glades) to add colour to their scenery



On our final day in the South Island we camped at Marfells Beach, to be greeted by this view at dawn, before a leisurely trip to the ferry

Unfortunately on this trip Margaret and I were not able to make it to our original destination: Southern Naturally, for various reasons, like weather and travelling time but that is of course a fine excuse for having another trip one day! Each place has its unique charm, but like many other North Islanders, we certainly missed being able to stop over at Wainatur, going to and from the ferry!

The scene above is deceptively tranquil - I've never seen so many camper vans, tents and utes crammed together on both sides of the road, right behind the camera.

But then it was New Year's Day, after all. I suppose the really surprising thing was not being kept from any sleep over New Year's Eve - and the behaviour of the teens in particular, was impeccable!

## More WNC - from the grounds



## The naked bike rides: Waitati's **IS** still on: Sunday March 13th



Victoria Davis (left) who got us started



It's an obvious camera magnet



Body painting is becoming more elaborate...



Waitati Southern Free Beaches is still spreading the message, this **MARCH!**



but hasn't reached the bystanders yet

This year (hopefully) sees an inaugural bike ride in Waihi (pg 2 for postponement details), as we approach the 20th anniversary of these events in New Zealand. We have seen them occur in Auckland, Hamilton, Hawkes Bay, Takaka and Otago so far. The World Naked Bike Rides have been very useful for educating the police on the (**non-**)laws in New Zealand, and also around 'innocent nudity' in public places.

Surely now is the time to add say, body-painting into the mix of the ride preparations, with view to piquing better public interest in more colourful events!

## Jimmy's story

Everybody has a story as to how they came into naturism, or naturism found them - there are often commonalities which people share (at the right time) - the result being to encourage other people to give it a try if there is a connection for them or an experience that may have shaped them at a young age.

I was no different from other children growing up - I remember the freedom of being naked in a paddling pool - with photographic evidence to prove this! And then from there, if there was a chance to be clothes-free in the right environment I took it!

I remember staying at a friend's place in the country - his Mum game out into the garden with nothing on, to sunbathe and read a book - she simply said 'take your clothes off boys if you want to' and we did - and continued to play as before - but without clothes - cowboys & Indians as it would have been at the time.

And it all felt perfect and okay to me!

From then onwards in the summer months if the opportunity arose to be clothes free I would take it - I even recall a friend's parents having copies of Health & Efficiency magazine in their house, which I found fascinating - here were pictures of people at beaches and camping grounds doing exactly what I longed to do.

Time marches on. Secondary school arrives and I learned that it was not everybody's cup of tea to be clothes free when the moment or mood arose - but it was very comforting to learn that some people of my age shared my view. I had a cousin who had a similar perspective - especially when it came to swimming. When we stayed at their bach we would go well past the end of the road and around the point at the end of the beach to go swimming - it was really wonderful to be in the ocean unencumbered by togs.

(Do we lack a private beach, with controlled entry, in Aotearoa? I have been to a few clothing optional beaches as an adult - unfortunately they seem to attract the wrong type of people at different times - if my lotto numbers come in I'll buy some access and set up a camping ground etc. - the beach and naturism are perfect partners in my view)

At that time I would go to a neighbour's place to do what most rural kids would do - eeling, possum hunting and ride horses. But after a hot day in the sun we would jump in their pool - but with togs on. Although that didn't stop their Mum hopping in without togs! I wanted to join in but often there were other siblings in attendance so it may have made for somewhat awkward conversations with parents...

Leaving school and working lead me into sport: rugby and cricket, and it was interesting, particularly with rugby, how all the chaps back then, showered together without the blink of eye - the most natural thing to do and it makes a lot of sense. Now though, my understanding is that most shower in their underpants; not judging - each to their own, but it is a contradiction in my view, given that we are living in what appears to be a more liberal time, as evidenced by television programmes like "Naked Attraction". (The best part of this programme is the fact that it makes the point that being different is normal.)

As my interest in naturism continued I purchased the *NZ Naturist* (now *gonatural*) magazine and the occasional *H & E* magazine to understand a wider view of Naturism. I also enjoyed the television programme *Nude Zealand*. (It was funny how a number of conservative family members

watched the programme and said they would never go naked in front of other people, yet they made the point of watching the programme!)

Although I managed to be clothes free at different opportunities, I still wanted to experience what it would be like at a place specifically set up for clothes-free recreation. We never want to look in the rear vision mirror and say; should've, could've, didn't; so I emailed the HB Naturist Club to arrange a visit.

I could not speak more highly of the whole experience - from the prompt and courteous initial email exchange (thank you Jody!) to Bob showing me around.

As to the day itself - I found myself in Hawkes Bay on a day that suited so I phoned ahead to clear it with Bob. I got myself slightly lost on the way - I should have Googled it!

As I entered the gates, I thought - this is it! Smiled at the big welcome sign - drove to the car park - hardly anyone there! Heart racing a little!

After parking my vehicle, I went for a walk to find Bob. I was greeted by a friendly chap - naked clearly - which for a millisecond, threw me. But then, hang on, isn't that what I'm here for?

He directed me to Bob, who gave me a full, guided tour of Rapere and all its delights - then he left me to it!

I went to my car - disrobed - apart from jandals and a water bottle and cap - then went straight to the pool and had the most wonderful swim I could imagine - with the whole pool to myself.

I went for an exploratory walk. It was like stepping back to a bygone era - no phones or noise. It seemed that nature was connecting with me in a way I didn't think possible! To feel the breeze over my whole body, in touch with all my senses; is something that has to be experienced to understand.

I met another chap who was doing some maintenance - we chatted away and it was like we were both really present - 100% focussed on what the other person was saying.

I then introduced myself to another gentlemen who had just arrived - we talked about a lot of things. That we weren't wearing clothes seemed to make it perfectly natural.

I loved my time at Rapere - it reminded me of the time when there was a real sense of community, that people wanted to connect for the sake of being people and to enjoy the wonderful delights of clothes-free recreation and all its associated benefits.

I have had a reset of my view on life, in no small way due to the day at Rapere, as well as the world being in the state that it is in. And my angle is this: I used to be chasing a corporate dream that was always unattainable, wanting to be part of a race on a treadmill to goodness knows where, looking for the answer to a question - but I didn't know what the question was...

My visit helped accept where I am - right here, right now, is just where I want to be. I don't want any of the corporate rubbish that goes with trying to create as much shareholder return as you can!

I am enjoying a slower, mindful life and enjoying people for who they are and how they treat others... So if you are reading this, thinking 'I would like to have a go' but are hesitant... go during the week... chances are there won't be many, if any; people there... and I can guarantee you this - you will be counting your sleeps until your next visit - I know I am... Jimmy

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# South African traditional cultures struggle against online censorship



by Dion



I remember speaking to a Zulu colleague of mine in Johannesburg, South Africa back in 2008 expressing his frustration at having his Facebook account blocked because he uploaded his wedding pictures. Why? Because they included cultural clothes which featured topless women. The traditional dress of many African cultures feature bare-breasted males and females. Despite multiple protests over many years, it seems little has really changed when it comes to online censorship.

Prof. Bhuyeni from the Zulu Cultural Heritage Centre says: "It boils down to cultural discrimination. The internet and social media giants are imposing Western cultural ideals on traditional African cultures. As Zulu's, we consider female breasts and nipples as natural, but it's Western cultures that have sexualised a woman's breasts. Whilst YouTube has conceded on some grounds and for some channels, we are still struggling with the everyday reality where Africans want to share pictures or videos of a wedding or birthday or celebration on social media and are having their accounts blocked. Or even worse, having their pictures falsely labelled as child pornography where bare breasted girls are in puberty. It's even worse these days because censorship used to be done by human agents who could apply a degree of common sense. Now it's all automated algorithms, and the algorithms seem to target large breasted women more than small breasted women, and darker nipples more than lighter nipples - hence worse for black women."

She adds, "Mothers are telling me that they struggle to get their daughters interested in traditional dancing and traditional clothes, because for the younger generations - if they can't share something on YouTube or TikTok or Instagram... well, then they simply aren't interested. It also makes them question their own values in favour of Western beliefs. So this relentless and senseless censorship is becoming a direct threat to our culture. It prevents Zulu - and other African cultures - from moving forward, and modernising with technology. It's a very serious issue that deserves more attention".



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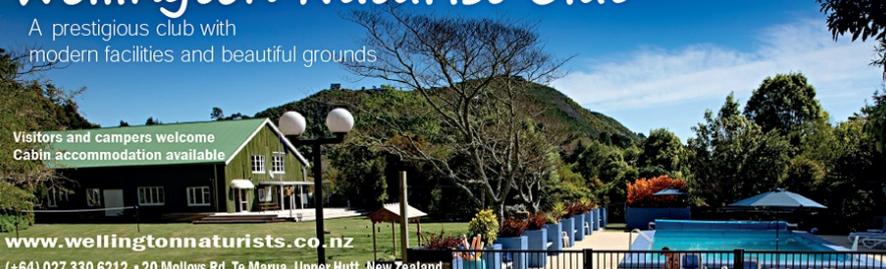


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If you do end up running late you can text Trev no later than 9:30am on 027 311 3349.

Once competing please ensure you are available for your next heat or game and arrange with whom you are playing, immediately afterward.

(Also this year, like last year, we are not chasing around looking for you.)

Games will be Kubb, Petanque, Bowls and Table Tennis (singles and doubles).

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## Some places to go

Below is an alphabetic list of the known naturist options one can contact around this country. (Please let me know of any that have been missed!) No clubs are now under lockdown!

First are all the ('landed') clubs (Alpine Lakes is an exception) then are listed the known privately operated venues, ending with the National organisations. \* Indicates an ad elsewhere.

There are two main ID systems: the Federation's **Central ID** number, and the Free Beaches' (yellow) **ID card**. Both indicate your naturist credentials if visiting a venue other than 'one's own'. But please note that the host being visited has complete authority over any visitor - the ID's do not bestow in any 'rights' whatever, over the host's absolute authority.

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3. First Light Mangawhai Jude Road, Mangawhai, [firstlightmangawhai@gmail.com](mailto:firstlightmangawhai@gmail.com) 021 544 820
4. Hauraki Naturally 1094 SH 25, Andrew Cook, [haurakinaturally.nz](http://haurakinaturally.nz) [haurakinaturally@gmail.com](mailto:haurakinaturally@gmail.com) (07) 211 9106
5. \* Marble Hills Retreat, 78 Moss Road, Marahau, Motueka Michael & Elaine Fry, [kmfry@farmside.co.nz](mailto:kmfry@farmside.co.nz) (03) 527 8212
6. Mapua Leisure Park 33 Tory St, Mapua, Nelson, [bookings@mapualeisurepark.co.nz](mailto:bookings@mapualeisurepark.co.nz) (togs optional February & March)
7. Northland Naturists Whangarei, [nothlandnaturists@gmail.com](mailto:nothlandnaturists@gmail.com) (09) 438 7163, 027 483 1724
8. \* Palmerston (south) Steve & Shelli Mears, SH1, Palmerston Otago, [steveandshelli@xtra.co.nz](mailto:steveandshelli@xtra.co.nz), 027 221 8500
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## A message from Christine

Congratulations to Manawatu Naturist Club on winning the Mowlem Trophy for achieving a 38% increase in membership - in very trying times.

As Nudvan had won it last year and John and I would be calling into Manawatu on the way home, it seemed appropriate for us to hand it on to them. Norm was very pleased to accept the trophy on behalf of the club.



Norm (PRO) & Christine (Database Secretary)

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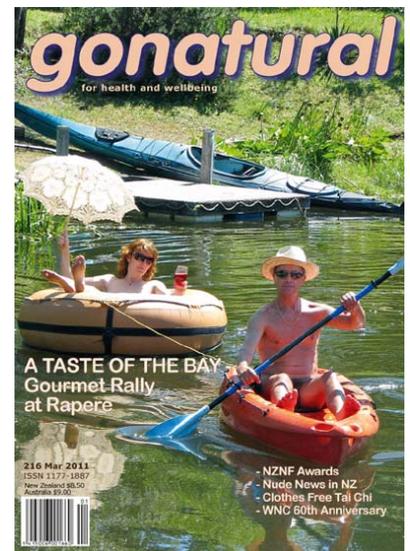
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***Programme for K-Cup weekend***  
***11-13 March, 2022***  
***at Orchard Naturist Park Sutton***

<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup></b>		
5pm - 6pm	BYO Happy Hour	Community Area
6pm - 8pm	Own time: Dinner etc	
8pm - 9pm	Meet and Greet, Ice Breaker	Community Area
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>K-Cup Competition</b>	<b>MINI TEN Court</b>
10.30am	Gather and get ready	
11am	Competition Start!	
2pm (ish)	Afternoon tea	
<b>SOCIAL TIME</b>	<b>Theme: US Western</b>	<b>(BYO REFRESHMENTS)</b>
5pm	Gather	Community Area
	Prize giving	
7pm -	<b>Catered 2 COURSE MEAL</b>	<b>RSVP. by 28 Feb: \$25 pp</b>
	Music and dancing	
	Raffles	
	Best dressed	
	Blind Bottle Auction	Winners announced
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Relax 'n' play	Club Sites
Own time	Kubb      Pickleball	
	Petanque   Corn hole	
	Golf      Swimming	
	Sauna      Spa	

***Note for members of the Orchard Sun Club***

**Blind Bottle Auction**

***Orchard Club members, please bring a bottle of something per family, wrapped up to disguise what it is. It can be anything in the bottle!***

Participants in a blind auction bid for each bottle having no idea what they are bidding for but hoping to score a bargain in the blind auction.

***(Don't tell anyone what you bring as it is a BLIND auction.)***

The Fun part is that no-one knows what's in the bottle they're bidding on. It could be Jam, Coconut oil, Peanut butter, Cooking Oil, Maybe a real booby prize, like a bottle of coloured stones or maybe a great win like bottle of whiskey, or wine.

The winning bidder could be wildly happy or depressingly disappointed, but they WILL be laughing, It's all great fun and a fund raiser for the club!