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the WELSHIES SPORTS CLUB

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MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our members and guests for all your support in 2023 and wish members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year in 2024.

We will be holding a New Year's Eve Party on Sunday, December 31 from 8pm on the flat area to the left of the boat ramp car park. The Welshmans Reef WSC Social Club will be providing glowsticks, party blowers, zooper doopers and lollies for the kids and non-alcoholic slushies. There will also be some items set up for a photo booth so you can capture your memories.

There will be music throughout the evening. Bring your own chair and refreshments and join the fun.

On New Year's Day the Committee of Management has also organised some live entertainment with acoustic duo 'Cut Lunch' set to perform on the foreshore from 1pm.

This will be a great way to see in 2024 and we hope to see you there.

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WELCOME JANET & DEAN

Welshmans Reef Water Sports Club welcomed new Caretakers Janet Phillips and Dean Larsson on July 3. Janet has lived in Maldon all her life and worked locally at Australia Post and as a chef and Dean hails from the Ballarat region and is a former jockey and worked in the racing industry for 38 years. The pair have enjoyed their challenging new role to date and getting to know our Welshies members. They have worked hard to revamp and restock the kiosk and Janet has created a delicious new menu. See page 4 for more details.

New committee elected

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, November 25.

The meeting was kindly chaired by member Brad Cerni and heard the reports of the last 12 months.

The new committee includes: President Renee Whatley, Vice President Cameron Griffiths, Secretary Lisa Dennis, Treasurer Derek Henry and general committee members Carl Baillie, Mick McCracken, Nathan Harman, Dean Hughes and Rob Tait.

Thanks to everyone who attended the AGM and put their hand up for a role and thanks to outgoing committee members Anthea Knight and Martin Wahlert for their contribution.

We look forward to another successful 12 months with works planned on our grey water system in the coming months.

We will then look at what other priority improvements are needed around our park such as improved lighting, a new multi-purpose court and other projects.

PLAY IT SAFE ON THE ROAD AND IN THE WATER

Members and guests are urged to play it safe on the water, boat ramp and roads within the park to ensure everyone has a safe and happy Easter. A few reminders:

- Over the last few months we have continued to have concerning behaviour reported. Please do not allow children and adults to ride on the side steps of utes, holding onto trays or on trailers. Road rules apply. Please ensure everyone is safely seated within your vessel or vehicle. We would hate to see anybody injured while enjoying the park.

- No marquees, cars etc should be within 50 metres of either side of the boat ramp.

- Boats and jetskis should travel in anti-clockwise direction out through the trees and around.

- Vessels and PWC should travel at 5 knots within 50 metres of the bank, those being towed or those in the water.

- Jetski operators please no showboating near bank —make sure you are safely out through the trees away from other vessels and swimmers.

PLAYGROUND COMPLETED

Welshmans Reef Water Sports Club members were excited to see our new playground installed just after Easter.

The playground ties in nicely with our lakeside theme with the boat and fish rocker.

Thanks to the team at Adventure + for their professional install, maintenance extraordinaire Carl Baillie for refurbishing the timber surrounds and Carl and Dean for installing the new seating. Thanks also to Carl, Janet and Dean for installing the new softfall.

We would also like to send a big shout out to Carl for building the ramp to our new disabled bathroom, installing our new basketball hoops which have been a huge hit, new signage and fantastic new flags and 'Welcome' banners. The park is looking great!

A special thank you also goes to member Jason Whatley for repairing the large pothole in the boat ramp car park before the festive rush.

Welshies Social Club News...

The Welshmans Reef WSC Social Club has recently completed a large merchandise order and has a range of items on offer from t-shirts and t-shirt dresses, polo shirts, jumpers, hoodies and jackets to broad brim hats, baseball caps and stubby holders. If there is anything you are after that is not in stock just reach out to the social club via email and they can order it in for you.

Social Club members Naomi Reid, Sharon Findlay, Bridget Findlay, Debra Hughes, Mark Brumby, Mick McCracken and Nikita Scott have been working hard again over the last 12 months recycling our cans, holding wood raffles and another successful fishing competition and will be using the funds raised to install a new shade sail outside the seating area in front of the kiosk in the coming months.

The Social Club has just announced the dates for its 2024 Fishing Competition on March 2 & 3, 2024 and early bird registrations our now open. See our web-site for details.

If you have a Social Club or merchandise enquiry you can email them direct at welshmansreefso-cialclub@gmail.com

Welshmans Reef Water Sports Club
Fishing Competition 2024

Fishing Competition
Saturday March 2nd and Sunday 3rd

213 Fishermans Rd, Welshmans Reef

Prize categories for biggest native, biggest redfin and raffle ticket for each carp caught.

Loads of prizes to be won!

Early bird registration $20

(pay before 29/02/2024)

Entry on the day cost $25

Kids under 14 free

Check Welshmans Reef Water Sports Club Facebook page for updates

Pre Register at 0420 491 037 or welshmansreefsocialclub@gmail.com

Book a campsite now at 0417 100 632

Do you follow us on Facebook?

Like our page Welshmans Reef Water Sports Club for all the latest news and happenings at the

DOGS ON LEADS

Annuals and guests are reminded that dogs **must** be on leads or safely se-cured within your site at all times in the park.

We are proud to be a dog friendly park but this is a privilege not a right. Warnings will be issued to those who fail to keep their dogs on a lead.

OUT OF ORDER

We are disappointed to advise that we have experienced some drainage issues with the shower in our newly opened Disabled Toilet Facility. We have temporarily closed the shower until this can be re-solved but the toilet, hand-basin and baby change table is still accessible. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Thank you to our supporters

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New look and new menu!

Our Caretakers Janet and Dean have undertaken extensive works on the kiosk to install a commercial kitchen to enable Janet to put her chef talent to work serving the needs of our members and guests.

Janet has created a fantastic menu with everything from Janet's Fried Chicken and Chips to wood-fired pizzas. There is sure to be something for everyone.

The kiosk also has a coffee machine ensuring our keen fishing enthusiasts and early risers can get that much needed caffeine hit and a wide array of general kiosk items from ice creams and lollies to toiletries and other essentials.

LET'S BE PREPARED

With the warm weather upon us we ask annuals to please ensure that their sites are clean and tidy, trim long grass and remove any piles of material where snakes can hide. If you need any assistance please reach out to the Committee of Management.

KIOSK

OPEN DAILY

KITCHEN CLOSED 2PM-5PM DAILY
CLOSED FROM 5PM TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

BREAKFAST/LUNCH UNTIL 2PM

EGG & BACON SANGA	$5.00
EGG & BACON ROLL	$6.00
FRESH/ TOASTED SANGA	$4.50
SALAD ROLL WITH LOT	$7.00
ROAST & GRAVY ROLLS	$6.50
CHIPS, CHEESE & GRAVY	$6.00
H/MADE POTATO GEMS & GRAVY	$6.00
DIM SIMS	$1.20
MINI SPRING ROLL	$1.00
BATTERED SAV	$4.00
REGULAR CHIPS	$4.00
JFC WITH CHIPS	$10.00
JFC BURGER & CHIPS	$12.00
HAMBURGER WITH LOT & CHIPS	$12.00

KIDS

SMALL CHIPS	$2.00
H/MADE POTATO GEMS (6)	$3.00
H/MADE CHICK NUGGEST(3) & CHIPS	$6.00

SPECIALS

VARIOUS SPECIALS AVAILABLE PLEASE CHECK BOARDS AT KIOSK

DRINKS

CAPPUCINO & LATTE	$5.00
ICED COFFEE	$6.00
MILKSHAKES (CHOC, CARAMEL & STRAWBERRY)	$6.00
SMOOTHIES (SEE SPECIALS BOARD FOR FLAVORS)	$7.00

DINNER 5PM- 8.45PM

CHIPS, CHEESE & GRAVY	$6.00
H/MADE POTATO GEMS & GRAVY	$6.00
DIM SIMS	$1.20
MINI SPRING ROLL	$1.00
BATTERED SAV	$4.00
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PIZZA - FRI & SAT NIGHTS FROM 6PM $15 EACH

MEATLOVERS
NAPOLI, BEEF, BACON, SALAMI, CHORIZO &CHEESE

SUPREME
NAPOLI, HAM, MUSHROOM, SPRING ONION, CAPSICUM & CHEESE

HAWAIIAN
NAPOLI, HAM, PINEAPPLE & CHEESE

MARGHERITA
NAPOLI, BASIL & CHEESE

MEDITERRANEAN
NAPOLI, MUSHROOM, CAPSICUM, OLIVES, SPRING ONION,GOATS CHEESE & MIX CHEESE

ADDITIONAL TOPPINGS: JALAPENOS, EGG, GOATS CHEESE, SUNDRIED TOMATOES, ANCHOVIES **+$1 EACH**

GLUTEN FREE BASE AVAILABLE + $1

SIGN IN

Please ensure you ask any visitors to your site to stop at the office and sign in on arrival. Overnight guests are welcome and are just required to pay $15. We need a record of who is in the park in case of emergency.

A WORD ON WASTE

Members are asked to note we no longer have scrap metal and green waste disposal areas. EPA inspected the park and advised these had to be removed. Please take any hard rubbish or scrap home or to Castlemaine Landfill.

PLEASE RECYCLE

Please recycle your cans and plastic bottles in our dedicated bags located near the rubbish bins. This helps us to reduce waste and all funds raised are used by the Social Club on beautification projects around the park.