





## Camping NZ Magazine

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## **LET'S CELEBRATE!** It's hard to think that back in November 2015 All Points Camping was just an idea.

Imagine - a club that represents all NZ campers, like young families, active campers and those on lower incomes (not just those of us with blue stickered, self-contained vehicles) Providing support and opportunities to so that everyone can enjoy affordable and easily accessible camping. Perhaps getting recognition from local authorities that responsible camping is more than being self-contained – a balanced and fair approach.

Highlights of 2016 to date would have to be Kiwi Holiday Parks and Park-Sleep coming on board with support for our club and members. We are now also working with Star Underwriters (Camper Care Insurance), OZ Tents NZ, Vantage RV and Tackle Tactics. It is exciting that we are receiving recognition as a progressive and forward thinking NZ camping organisation.

Next weekend we will be heading off to Rosie and Brian's for the NZ Motorhome Travel Group's Taupo Music Festival. We know that it will be a fantastic weekend and a great opportunity to promote All Points Camping.

Gary Stoneley.

FOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION go to <a href="https://www.allpointscampingnz.org">www.allpointscampingnz.org</a>

#### KIWI HOLIDAY COMPETITION



**Congratulations** go out to member Elizabeth from Te Kuiti who won the 7 day Kiwi Holiday prize donated by Kiwi Holiday parks and Bluebridge Cook Strait Ferry. A big thank you to our sponsors.

This year we have given out several Kiwi Holiday Parks Discount cards as prizes and these give the cardholder 10% discount at all Kiwi Holiday Parks, on Bluebridge Ferry and discounts at tourist attractions around NZ.

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Become a Financial Member of All Points Camping NZ for only \$10.00 a year and help us grow or organization or a VIP member for \$20.00 and receive a 2 year Kiwi Holiday Parks discount card (retail value \$35.00) SAVE \$25.00

## FAVOURITE CAMPING LOCATION

This week

**Totara Reserve, Manawatu** 

Nestled under the Ruahine ranges its low cost, affordable and with great facilities.

Check it out on facebook

## Wanganui Vintage Weekend 21/01/17

A fun camping weekend at a location to die for and family friendly prices. Tents, campers and caravans welcome. A retro park over opportunity.

Registration required.

Join us at Wanganui Intermediate School for a fun weekend. Priced for families at \$8.00 and adult per night, discounted to \$6.00 per night for financial members.

You will have access to showers, toilets and limited kitchen facilities. Hey, if you are into music, why not bring along the instruments. Enjoy the pool (adult supervision required) and tennis court. Crank up the BBQ's and best of all... head on down Victoria Avenue to the weekend street parties and events, maybe dress up in vintage clothing.

With a wide range of restaurants, cafes and supermarkets within walking distance this is an opportunity not to be missed. Once we have a better idea of numbers attending we will develop some onsite activities

#### Wairarapa Country Music Festival

Another great weekend that is camper friendly. Yes! you can also pitch a tent.

All Points Camping will be there - will you?

The full line-up - Joining the Topp Twins on stage, and back by popular demand, is Eddie Low. Eddie wowed audiences at our 2016 event, and we can't wait to see him perform again. Also appearing will be the Toner Sisters, Glen Moffatt, Sue Dyson, Molly G Paige, and Murray McMichael.



http://www.tauherenikau.co.nz/countrymusic-festival



#### **WANGANUI REGISTRATION**

To register for this fun, affordable and family vintage themed weekend go to <a href="http://www.allpointscampingnz.org/wanganui-vintage-weekend">http://www.allpointscampingnz.org/wanganui-vintage-weekend</a>.

#### Ohakea Camp Out - RNZAF 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Air Tattoo



A once in a lifetime opportunity to camp with walking distance of the Ohakea air base and enjoy the atmosphere of the air show with a ringside seat. Tents welcome. \$13.00 adults per night, children free.

http://www.allpointscampingnz.org/ohakeacamp-out-feb-24-2017 . This All Points Camping event will be held at the private Harrisville Speedway with access to Toilets and function room. Tickets to the airshow must be purchased separately

#### Taupo Music Festival

This fantastic weekend showcasing NZ musical talent has been organized by the NZ Motorhome Travel group. Caravans, motorhomes and tent are welcome. This is a very affordable weekend with family friendly



prices and some awesome activities being held that you can choose to participate in. Music will be playing from midday Saturday till midnight.

Come Friday or Saturday, leave Sunday or Monday or just attend for the music.

For more information and to register go to <a href="http://nzmotorhometravelgroup.co.nz/music-festivals/">http://nzmotorhometravelgroup.co.nz/music-festivals/</a> or check out Taupo Music Festival on facebook

Contact us to list and promote your camping events



#### **SUPPORTING BUSINESSES**



Contact Harry and the very friendly team at Vantage RV for the best possible deal on Netspeed mobile broadband for you RV. You do not need to have a caravan or motorhome. Netspeed mobile broadband will work from any 12 volt power source – Now that gives some possibilities.

One of the coolest items Vantage RV sell are the Ute-Opia Camp Canopies. Giving you a work vehicle and a weekend play wagon.

www.vantagerv.nz



Tucked away on a quiet corner in Foxton is Tackle Tactics. A business focused on fishing and with a passion for camping. As well as being NZ's leading supplier of fishing tackle and anything fishing related Phillip at Tackle Tactics has engineered some great gadgets including the Sand Stump.

Phillip will not only give you a fantastic deal but can also keep you informed on fishing competitions and events and I'm pretty sure that we will be able to set up a terrific Fishing Camp Out in the near future. Check out their online store at <a href="http://www.tackletactics.co.nz/">http://www.tackletactics.co.nz/</a>

#### The "SAND STUMP"

The <u>Sand Stump</u> is the Rodholder Accessory you cannot do without if you like to leave your rod in your rodholder while surfcasting. Most of us have had that horrible experience of seeing your rod & reel falling over into the sand or surf and suffer from the effects of sand and salt in your reel OR even worse your expensive rod and reel disappearing into the surf altogether. We

have tested it extensively in all conditions and all types of sand including 90 mile's strong sweepers, from fine sand to coarse sand, sand with stones in it and it will not fall over!....more



The Vantage RV Ute-Opia Camp Canopy





All Points camping is proud to recommend John Edie and the team at Camper Care and are assured that they will give the best possible support to our members.

Camper Care insurance is a brand that has now grown to be one of the most innovative and leading motorhome and caravan insurers in New Zealand with a proven track record.

Free *Journey On* roadside assistance is a bonus as well as offering classic vehicle cover, Star Motorcycle Insurance and Prestigio vehicle insurance.



The OZTENT range is supplied in New Zealand by Heatrite in Palmerston North. The quality of the construction, materials and the ease with which the tents assemble is surprising. Fantastic for back to basics camping and a lot lighter than you would expect. Darrell at OZTENT has offered our members a pretty good discount. <a href="https://www.oztentnz.co.nz">www.oztentnz.co.nz</a>





#### ALL POINTS CAMPING NZ

The Inclusive Camping Club It's about family and fun.



This flyer entitles you to family VIP membership only \$20.00

www.allpointscampingnz.org email allpointsnz@gmail.com

#### Park-Sleep

Rosie and Brian's property just north of Taupo is one of many properties listed on

www.park-sleep.com

#### **CAMPING COOKUP**

#### Let's make Pizza Nachos

Now we think that you can use your own ingredients but it sure looks tasty.

Pizza Nachos Ingredients

FOR THE GARLIC CREAM SAUCE\*

1-1/2 Tablespoon Unsalted Butter

1/2 Tablespoons Olive Oil

3 cloves Garlic, Minced (or Use A Microplane If You Have It)

½ cups Heavy Cream

1/4 cups 2% Milk

1 pinch Salt

1 pinch Cracked Black Pepper

1 pinch Red Pepper Flakes

1/4 cups Parmesan Cheese, Grated FOR THE NACHOS:

Your Favorite Crispy Tortilla Chips

1/2 cups Garlic Cream Sauce \*

1/4 cups Onion, Diced

½ cups Pepperoni, Cut Into Bite Size **Pieces** 

½ cups Black Olives Sliced

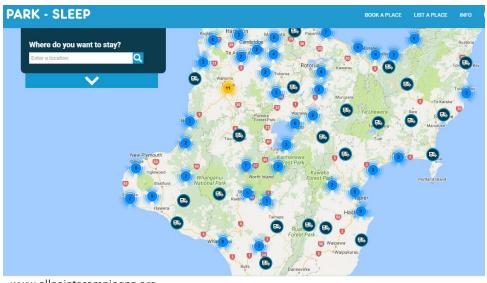
1/2 whole Green Bell Pepper, Seeds Removed, Diced

1 cup Colby-Jack Cheese, Shredded Recipe courtesy of

http://inspiredreamer.com/pizza-nachos/

Land owners and business owners who offer overnight camping can list their properties and enjoy the friendships and possible revenue that comes from increased visitors. All Points members can list their properties at no cost.

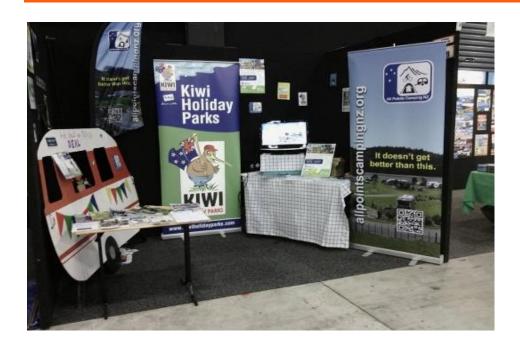




Do you have an event with a camping component that you would like us to promote?

Would you like to contribute to our next newsletter or help us with promotion?

Contact the team at All Points Camping allpointsnz@gmail.com Ph. o6 323 4774



#### WRITERS AND PUBLICISTS WANTER

**HELP!** We need some great writers and publicists to help us take All Points camping to the next level.

If you are passionate about camping, enjoy talking to other campers and businesses we would like to hear from you.

Would you like to write short articles (blogs) about your camping travels and experiences, write reviews on campsites or just express your opinion?

We will be making submissions to local authorities, asking them to consider all NZ campers including our mokopuna. If you would like to help with this – we need you.

Contact allpointsnz@gmail.com ph o6 3234774

## CAMPER CARE SHOW MYSTERY CREEK 2016

When we arrived at Mystery Creek, there was a steady stream of vehicles entering the venue. At the bottom of the hill, people were lined up waiting on being assigned a campsite.

We were able to take the Jeep and Caravan right up to the stadium and after finding our stand location were able to quickly unload. Then it was time to catch up with our friends Vicky and Rex from Dargavile.

We were lucky enough have a stand close to an outside door making it easy to get everything in and out.

Motorhome and caravans continued to arrive late into the evening. I have never seen so many in one place at any one time before.

Friday morning was wet, and we didn't see many people for nearly an hour, but then we were really busy till late in the afternoon. Quite a few of the people we spoke to had already heard about us online, with many already receiving our newsletter.

Saturday was again wet, with more families attending. Again we managed to see more of our on-line followers and met some more very positive people.

Sunday the weather turned quite nasty early in the morning, and the crowds were much smaller. This gave us the opportunity to have a bit of a look around at some of the other fantastic sites. By early afternoon the crowds had diminished and we started an early pack up. The exposure was great with some terrific contacts being made.

**Beverley Stoneley** 

#### **VIEWPOINT – FREEDOM CAMPING**

## IS Your District Camper Friendly or Just Motorhome Friendly?

Summer is about on us and so is the influx of overseas tourists wanting to explore our wonderful country. Many of these tourists will be from Europe or North America on a shoe string budget and wanting to do their big OE before they settle into careers or fulltime study.

Mixed in with this are our own NZ campers, many with caravans and motorhomes, many with tents. Regulations and bylaws are making it increasingly more difficult to find suitable, safe camping locations for camping.

All Points Camping NZ need you help to develop a 'Statement of Position' on freedom camping. Please send you ideas and comments to allpointsnz@gmail.com

We need your member contributions – favourite campsites, recipes, opinions, articles and photos

STOP PRESS At the time of editing this newsletter the GOVT has issued councils with a warning regarding the upcoming Lions Tour and freedom camping.

Please let us know of any districts that are currently reviewing their camping bylaws in order that we can put in submissions.



Visit the Award winning Kauri Museum at Matakohe. It's one of those places you really must visit. http://www.kau.nz/

Use your Kiwi Holiday Parks discount card for savings here.

#### **MEMBERS VOICE**

For All Points Camping NZ to be able to advocate and make valid and responsible submissions that represent NZ campers, it is important that we listen to and consider many opposing opinions. It can be a passionate topic.

The following is a public letter (opinion) which has been recently circulated.

The letter is reproduced here in part and the full content can be read at the following link http://media.wix.com/ugd/4d565f \_c3074181cdf044b08a7a6db3ff6e dc6f.pdf

Individually we may not agree with all the comments however it is food for thought and there is a strong legislative foundation. It is topical and you may agree or disagree.

The opinions expressed in this public letter do not necessarily represent the opinions of the All Points Camping NZ team.

"Certified Self Contained Only Vehicles" is actually an illegal bylaw. Read this open letter to the Mayor of Whangarei. By Jimi Hart

Open Letter To Mayor Sheryl Mai. Whangarei District Council 11th September 2016

CC. All current Mayors and Councillors. All Members of Parliament, All National Newspapers in New Zealand.

For your consideration

Dear Sheryl

I am writing this to inform everyone involved in tourism and freedom camping in NZ that there is a serious flaw in the new council rules applying to freedom campers. The Whangarei District Council has conceded it 'got it wrong' and has now done a total U-turn on their proposed freedom camping bylaw, stating it was a 'legal shambles'. They will now, make land available for the real freedom campers in

This legal shambles has come about,

because this Council has taken too much advice from a private organisation, the New Zealand Motor Caravan Association, who have taken a self-appointed leading role with council's all around the country, shaping, advising, establishing and promoting an illegal bylaw. Certified Self Contained Freedom Camping Only. Once upon a time, freedom campers all coinhabited quite nicely. Motorhomes parked next to tents, young old, alternative, scruffy or stuffy. We were ALL just freedom campers. Doin' our thung! It was our right, as Kiwi's. As I was growing up, as a grubby teenager sprouting out in rural NZ, it was considered a rite of passage for a group of us to go out and sleep in a tent.

It was a right also, for any overseas visitors. People climbed the mountains, walked the trails and pitched tents and slept in vans and cars. An allowable pastime all could enjoy. A guintessential part of our culture everyone shared. It is something we have always done, for generations, since the earliest of settlers.

But now, it has boomed into a very large industry. Tourism. The largest single industry we have in NZ. We have done very well promoting our country as a clean, green, modern and multi-cultural society. Our country is viewed by the rest of the world as one big adventure park on a borderless landscape, full of outdoor pursuit's and always with stunning and breathtaking views.

In fact we have done so well at promoting it, we now find ourselves in quite a pickle. We are under-resourced, we have a major lack of infrastructure, but most importantly, we lack fair and honest leadership on how we ought to deal with it. Since 2011, Councils around the country in their panic to come up with solutions, have been coerced into bad decision making by this private organisation. We have allowed them, as expert advisers, to help create a new law, just for themselves. And that is the reason behind the legal shambles. That is where it has all gone pear-shaped. That, is the very reason common sense has not prevailed and that, is why we now find ourselves in this horrid predicament of not knowing how to deal with it.

Instead of naturally coming to the obvious conclusion of creating spaces and building new infrastructure as we went along. council's have been blindsided ... and we'll make it a law all around the country. If you don't have a toilet on board, you just can't go freedom camping anymore." Like Dad's Army setting off to fight a

modern war.

And they almost did it. And we almost let them. In fact they did do it here in Whangarei, albeit briefly. They did it, in many other districts around the country too. Those who allowed them to cleverly

... But the fact remains. It is illegal and here's why;

THIS is THE legal description of what it means to freedom camp. According to the Freedom Camping Act 2011 it means to camp in 1 or more of the following:

- a. A tent or other temporary structure
- b. A caravan.
- c. A car, campervan, housetruck, or other motor vehicle.

no-where, not even once, does the FCA mention certified self containment. To have this important 'fix-it-all' term left-out entirely from this document, says a great

You see, if we alter and re-label what it is to freedom camp, especially when it enables one group more privilege than others. If we take it off the poor and give it to the rich, or if you like, we take it off youth on a shoestring budget and allow it as only a rite of passage for those who can afford a CSC vehicle, it breaches another act, our rights (abridged).

Read the full content of this letter at http://media.wix.com/ugd/4d565f\_c307418 1cdfo44bo8a7a6db3ff6edc6f.pdf

#### **MANGAKINO MEETING**

One the most fantastic places to freedom camp in the North Island is at Lake Maraetai, Mangakino. It's bylaw review time (timely given the Lions Tour)



Have you say or contact the **Bus Stop** Café (on facebook) with your comments.

#### **FEATURED CAMPS**

#### Narrows Park Hamilton

Cabin Rooms \$26.00 per person\*

Powered Sites \$18.00 per person\*

Non Powered Sites \$17.00 per person

Narrows Park is Hamilton's most affordable and only rural holiday park set on 27 acres with cabin accommodation, powered sites and acres of tenting. It is ideal for group accommodation or individual campers 10min from Hamilton City.

The Waikato river is on the boundary,



#### http://www.narrowspark.co.nz/#camping

Ideal for group camps

the Narrows golf course is next door and Mystery Creek and the Hamilton Airport are 2minutes away. Offering over 100 beds, plus buildings the Narrows is also ideal for accommodating groups.

This is a great spot to base yourself for

sports tournaments, Mystery Creek events or when you just want a bit of country space to see the stars at night.

Narrows Park is a Charitable Organization - so by supporting us, you're also supporting the community ministries delivered.

#### **FEATURED CAMPS**

#### GREYMOUTH Kiwi Holiday Park

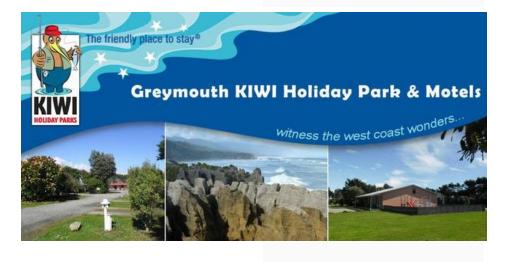
Pet Friendly – your pets can have a holiday too – we have some motel units, cabins, powered and non-powered sites that can accommodate your pets

Child and Family Friendly – there's lots of space for children to run and play, plus a playground on site

Wheelchair access – we have wheelchair access units in the motel complex and the holiday park

Affordable – lowest prices are guaranteed Greymouth Kiwi Holiday Park and Motels

Become an All Points Camping VIP Member (only \$20.00) at www.allpointscampingnz.org



### KIWI Holiday Parks

#### MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT CARD

As an All Points Camping VIP member, with your KHP Discount Card, you will receive the following benefits (valid for 24 months):

10% discount off all KIWI Holiday Parks accommodation, including motels to the maximum amount of \$35

10% off your ferry crossing on the Bluebridge ferry

10% off if you hire a car from Ace Rental Cars in both New Zealand and Australia

10% off the rental of an Apollo campervan

65 discounts off tours, adventure, activities, museums and food around New Zealand

You can also use your KIWI Membership Card to obtain 10% discount at all Top Tourist Parks in Australia





The 30-second Oztent has been designed to be quick to assemble, easy to transport and extra durable, so you can spend more time enjoying the Great Outdoors and less time putting up your tent. It features an auto-locking frame system that eliminates the need for flexible guide poles, allowing for fast setup, and all products undergo a stringent materials assessment including rain, wind, tear abrasion and fire testing. The tent's modular design means you can add two or more tents side-by-side or awning-to-awning and, if you own a motorhome, campervan or a caravan, the Oztent provides an instant extra room which can be freestanding or easily attached to a sail track. The Oztent gives you more time to relax and enjoy the great outdoors.

- 100% Waterproof Guarantee Rip-stop Polycotton canvas
- Double stitched and tape sealed seams 2 Year Warranty
- Heavy Duty, Waterproof heat sealed PVC floor
- Five models available plus many optional accessories
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