

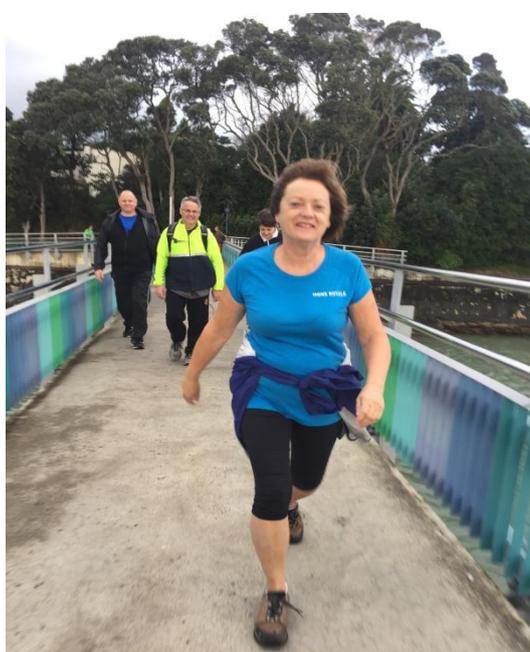
## HELLO AND WELCOME TO NEWSLETTER NO. 7

### Raglan Run 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> May

Being a South Islander and travel the South far more than the North, I thought this was a good opportunity to cover a bit of virgin territory and what better way to do this but to attend the weekend run at Raglan hosted by Mooloo H3. It was great to meet hashers who's names I'd heard but never personally meet, Farkin Princess, Toetruck to name a couple and to be made to feel most welcomed amongst their group. There was a good turn out from visiting hash clubs and great seeing some old faces that I hadn't seen in a long while. We even had the lovely Augelie all the way from Germany whom was promptly kidnapped when he arrived into New Plymouth to visit Wantie & Rigid only to be ushered into a car and whisked off to Raglan.

On the Saturday we were treated to watching 40 odd teams race their Waka's on the river, magnificent sight it was. Then off to do the hash run taking in the sights of Raglan. It a great run covering alot of turf, brilliant way to experience Raglan. Local pub on the main street was a good place to gather on the front veranda and enjoy a few beers and the company of hashers.

Thank you Mooloo for a great weekend.



### FIJI Interhash 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> May

On arrival at Fiji International airport we were greeted with song and shell lei necklaces. The easy laid back "Your on Bula time now" set the scene for what would become a great stay on the Island.

Getting around was so easy and you never went too far without bumping into someone you knew.

I really enjoyed Interhash with 1600 attendees. Tropics sat around 26-28 degrees, good venue, plenty of food to choose from and some good music with alot of dancing was enjoyed over the weekend. The runs were very much a topic of conversation, many mixed views and comments. I however cannot comment as I missed the buses, they were quite punctual with leaving times, so started out on the Old Farts run then did our own run which turned out to be really good and with the company of the local police "Chips" who stopped to make sure we were OK, we enjoyed some good hearted conversation on first name basis and learnt alot about the Fijian driving laws.

Well done to Teazemaid and Deep Throat who won hands down the womens and mens drinking competition in the fastest time. Women had to drink a 1 Litre vessel and the men 2 Litres. I cant drink to save myself and don't know how they do it but great stuff keeping NZ as Interhash world Champs.

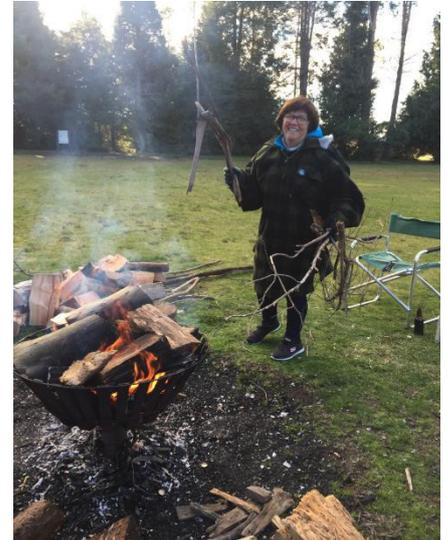
In summary, I had a fantastic time catching up with Hashers from all over, meeting new ones, enjoying all that Fiji had to offer and the very easy going relaxed atmosphere, loved it. Next Interhash will be hosted by Trinidad & Tobago - 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> April 2020

A special mention and thank you to Bluevein and his team for all their time and effort put into presenting NZ as a contender for Interhash 2020. Wasn't to be this time.

### **Nomads - 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Another great weekend in the national park with a good turnout of dare I say it, mainly the older hashers and I don't mean by age. Also, great having a visiting hasher (Tonguee Lasher in picture) all the way from Scotland joining us for her first Nomads. Brazier was kicked into life on Friday arvo and kept blazing until Sunday night. All this possible thanks to the generosity of Hugharz & Verge for bringing the wood all the way from New Plymouth.

Binnie keeps promising snow but again the gods saw fit to dump a load a week before and a week after so nothing but frost to be seen on the ground for the Nomads weekend. Great trail was laid with majestic views of the snow-capped mountain then onto the piss stop for some hot food/beers then on home. Was good to see everyone pitch in and help in the kitchen over the weekend and with the main clean up at the end. A very big THANK YOU to Master Baker for finding my bag containing my wallet, To Binnie who was in Turangi then drove back to camp to retrieve it and to Hugh & Verge for staying at the camp to hand it over. Thank you all again.



Next Nomads will be hosted by Sproggy/Rigid/Wendy/MiMi at a venue somewhere in the middle of the North Island. We will keep you posted.

### **Takaka Run 8<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> June**



As we had a visiting hasher from Scotland it was only right while in Nelson to do a trip "Over the Hill" to join Wendy & Toyboy for a Takaka run. Our hash run took us on a 22 km drive Northwest of Takaka to the Milnthorpe Park Reserve where our walk was to begin from. Awesome scenic walk through native bush where we walked the newly laid track put down by the Airforce in April this year then onto the beach where you took in the sights of the Kahurangi National park mountain ranges. There are many tracks to explore at Milnthorpe, so much so maps are supplied at the park entrance. If you've never walked these parts before I highly recommend it, its well worth it. Wendy/Toyboy and Maya are always more than happy to put on a run for any visiting hasher.



## 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> June Mimi Beach Energizer Mid winter

All these great weekends....phew....



This was another one out of the box. Weather on Saturday morning was absolute shite but the gods saw fit to ease it up for the afternoon so we could all enjoy a walk over private farmland leading down to Mimi's beach dressed as Pirates as was the theme for the weekend. Really good to catch up with some old long time hashers spending some good one on one time along with meeting new ones that were a lot of fun with loads of laughs to be had.

Thank you Energiser for the invitation to join you all for this top weekend, good people, good fun, good food, good walks and with a school with my namesake a road, a beach and a bridge....was it going to be anything but a great weekend. Also thanks to Wantie & Rigid for hosting me. I loved

every bit of my weekend in the Naki and would love to do this again should the opportunity arise.

PS: If you need any tips on where NOT to take your Motor Homes in the winter....have a chat to Hugharz :)

## JULY

July has been a quiet month on the hash front which isn't a bad thing, gives me time to recharge the batteries, catch up on work and get stuck into my garden over the weekends. With my roses now pruned I'm feeling a lot happier and ready for my road trip to Christchurch Winter Camp at Waipara as per dates below.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> August - Christchurch Winter Camp

31<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> September - North Shore Hussies 2000<sup>th</sup> run

26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> October - Pania Plodders Napier 1900<sup>th</sup>

## WEBSITE ADMINISTRATOR -

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**NZHHH needs a new webmaster for the NZHHH Web Page**

**Step-up, all you Hashers & Hussies who have bleated and nagged, Step- forward.**

**You who have stated you have more, and better ideas. You who have assured things would be better under your watch.**

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In my last newsletter we called for volunteers to administer the website and keep it up to date with any new notifications that come to hand. To date we have had no enquires. Interested email Wendy [admin@nzhhh.co.nz](mailto:admin@nzhhh.co.nz)

DON'T FORGET - IF YOU WANT OTHER HASH GROUPS TO KNOW WHATS GOING ON, SEND ME AN EMAIL AND I WILL PUT IT INTO MY NEXT NEWSLETTER.

TAKE CARE, BE SAFE, DON'T LET WINTER KEEP YOU INDOORS, STAY HASHING, BE HAPPY & KEEP DRINKING.

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