



NUDESLETTER



The Australian Naturist Federation

President's Message



It's that silly time of year again, where everybody is racing around trying to get the last of whatever they are doing finished before the Christmas and New Year's break, myself included. Christmas means different things to different people. If you are a religious person then it is a time of rejoicing about the birth of Christ, for those that are not religious it might be the time that you get to enjoy your families and for others it is just a time to rest before the New Year.

Whichever of these you ascribe to I would like to ask that we take a moment to think about those that have not got family and friends and are lonely or are not as fortunate as us and that we take the opportunity to reach out to them.

For a lot of us we now find ourselves a bit nervous, what is 2022 going to throw at us? what's around the corner as it were? whatever it is with the help of our fellow naturist family I sure we will get through it together. Have a very merry Christmas and try not to overindulge too much and see you all next year.



Nude Up Australia Festival

What are you doing on the 21st to the 23rd January, 2022???

How would you like to be part of the inaugural Nude Up Australia Festival?? Yes, that's right a three-day Naturist festival. An event that has been done in the UK and the USA. An event where you arrive on the Friday afternoon set your tent, caravan, camper trailer or even your swags and then just enjoy. Or how about doing it in style in a glamping tent that's right just rock up and drop your bag and enjoy camping at its finest. Listen to music coming from centre stage, eat like kings and queens from food trucks. Don't forget waking up to freshly brewed coffee from the onsite coffee van, birds chirping away, the sun rising over the mountains of Tamborine Mountain in Southeast Queensland's scenic rim.

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Saturday will be a day of fun-filled events that include those games you used to play as kids. Egg and spoon race, egg toss, 3-legged race, tunnel ball with a water balloon to name a few. Saturday afternoon will see us party the afternoon away with a one-man band.

Don't party the night away too much because Sunday morning sees us rise to the same coffee van and myself bashing on a frying pan before the sunrise cause it's time to catch a hot air balloon to see the sun rise over the hinterland's mountains. Once we have collected the world record for the largest amount of naked people in hot air balloons at once, we will return to a fully catered breakfast. After our taste buds have been tantalised; we will sit back, relax and enjoy more music for Sunday on the green.

Don't want to camp??? That's fine as we have day passes also available.

So, who is up for a fun filled nude event.?????

Check out all the event details on the Facebook group "Nude Up Australia Festival".



See you there you don't want to miss this!

Cheers Josh

ANF Clubs, Resorts, Groups Messages

Sunland Holiday Village

Sunland will be celebrating New Year's Eve with live entertainment from Johnny Bongo and a theme of "World Travel"...(because we can't do it for real right now).

Australia Day will be recognised in the proper Aussie way, with beach cricket, sausage sizzle, a golf tournament, an Aussie Trivia Quiz and more.

We would also like to send seasonal greetings to all ANF members and wish everyone the best for 2022.

Kind regards,
Sunland Holiday Village

Northside Country Club

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all from Northside.

Finally coming out of lockdown we had our Christmas Dinner in mid-December and held our long overdue AGM. It was great to catch up with some old faces. We look forward to a lockdown free 2022.

Our NYE's bash is always a highlight on our calendar – this year's theme is the letter "E". On January 23rd our Social Group will be providing an Aussie Breakfast to help celebrate Australia Day and then on February 20th, some boot scooting fun will be had by all, with some line dancing. No experience necessary!

Check out our website at www.northsideclub.org.au for further details. Visitors welcome but bookings are essential.

Townsville Naturist Community

Hello all from Townsville Naturist Community.

We wish all our travelling friends and fellow nudists a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We will be holding a combined Christmas party and NY party on New Year's Eve as we usually do so if you are in the area you are welcome. Food will be catered for so numbers are necessary.

On the news front, our club looks a million dollars with 40 camping sites with good water to all. We are not powered but Sol does shine a lot up here so solar works great. We are in the process of extending our under roof area to double the previous size to give us a bit more room as we are expecting a good roll up of visitors through the tourist season.

We are a not for profit club so if you are in the north give us a call on 0417666226 and have a chat to Greg.

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Town and Country Naturists

Town and Country Naturists have a Skinny-Dip on the second Sunday of each month. Couples and Ladies 9am - 12pm which is perfect for new or shy folk. From 12 - 4 we have a session for all those relaxed in the lifestyle.

We give a \$5 reduction to all current ANF members upon entry. In fact - we give a reduction on everything we do for ANF members.

Stay safe.

Queensland Social Nudists

Hi everyone, season greetings from Queensland Social Nudists. I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year break. I am looking forward to seeing many of you at Pacific Sun Friends or Balkaz during this time. Just an update on what has been happening with QSN and some future events for early 2022.

We have had a few events in the last couple of months. Starting with a Toga Party at Pacific Sun Friends. It was so great to see everyone turn up in costume great effort by all who attended. Pacific Sun friends is such an amazing place, very laid back and relaxed with huge camping grounds. If you have not been put it on your list when you travel Jan and James would love to see you all.

We then had our yearly B.B.B event, Nude Bowling, B.B.Q and Balkaz. Its always such a great day starting at 8.30 in the morning. 60 people attended, it was so nice to see our regular attendees and many new faces. Its always wonderful to welcome new people to the lifestyle. I believe bowling is a perfect introduction as it is so much fun and such a good laugh. Then back to Balkaz to chill out and enjoy a B.B.Q lunch. The weather was perfect, so perfect that many enjoyed a dip in the pool, oh and don't forget the spa it got quite a work out that day. Thanks Karen for allowing us to hold this event at your beautiful property.

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We then had our yearly Body Colour event again at Pacific Sun Friends. This is held on the 3rd Saturday of November to co-inside with the beginning of National Nude Week. What a smashing day. . . So good to see so many people painting themselves up. As always we had professional body painters there, this year we had a new lady Debra come to join Corina. Wow she did some fantastic work we hope to have Debra back again next year. A huge thank-you to Corina who has supported us for many years. The day was filled with painting, laughing, music, food and frivolity. Judging was so hard this year as there was so much amazing art work done. All that done and dusted we danced the night away, the dance floor was packed. The DJ played some great music. Personally my legs hurt for a week I danced so much. Hope to see some of you there next year.

The ANF annual general meeting was held the same day as Body Colour and I am very proud to say that myself and Jenni Parry both took up positions with the ANF. Jenni has taken on the role of Vice President and I took on the role of Individual Membership Admin. Really looking forward to working with a great team of people.

Last but not least we had our first financial members swim and B.B.Q day in late November. QSN now has 50 financial members, one of the benefits of becoming a member is free members days held at a private residence. It had been raining for awhile and the forecast was for rain all weekend. This put a few people off but mother nature smiled on us and we did not get a drop of rain all day. It was a fabulous day and evening, great food, great company cant wait to do it again in January.

Up coming events for Queensland Social Nudists

Our next event is a fund raiser for the McGrath Foundation, it is a breast casting day. Using plaster bandages you will create a beautiful piece of art, that of your own form. This event will be held at Balkaz on the 26th /27th of February 2022. For event information please email qsnevents@gmail.com

We are also holding a roaring 20's Casino night at Balkaz a date is yet to be decided. Will keep you posted about this event.

Our yearly Night Nude Bowling will be held on the 26th of March 2022. This event sells out fast, we have tickets for 106 people bowling and 20 tickets for social only currently 50% booked. It starts at 8.30 pm tickets price includes shoe hire, bowling till 11pm and finger food. Mini golf is also available on the night. For further event information please email qsnevents@gmail.com

Well that it from QSN have a good one, stay nude and don't forget the sunscreen cheers.

Jay

The INF-FNI World Congress 2020/2021: Double Potential

First of all, I would like to start by thanking the Australian Naturist Federation for their trust in me as their delegate at the 37th World Congress of the INF-FNI. Due to the ongoing COVID-related travel restrictions, it was impossible for many non-European naturist federations to attend the congress. Because I strongly believe that the voice and votes of these federations are very important, I was very happy to represent the ANF.

In official documents, you'll read about the World Congress of 2020. To avoid confusion, this is indeed the congress that happened in Terme Banovci, Slovenia in October 2021, but for administrative reasons, they kept the name "WC 2020".

The World Congress is an event that happens every other year in a country that has an INF-affiliated naturist federation. The initial goal of the congress was to bring naturist federations from around the world together to discuss the mission, the visions, the values, and the future of the International Naturist Federation. Unfortunately, in recent years, this congress became mostly a political debate about details in the rules and statutes of the organisation. As Christine Koeman, president of the Dutch Naturist Federation (NFN) mentioned during the congress: "We're keeping ourselves busy with applying patches instead of looking at the source of the problems". (Continued Page 7)

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Who knows how to use a defibrillator?

[Watch this video](#) as it might help one day.
(This is no replacement for a training course)



Remember, in an emergency in Australia,
we call 000



Every third Friday at 7pm (EST), we have our virtual Aussie Naked Pub Night! If you are an ANF Individual Member or a member of an ANF affiliated club/resort/group or a Sponsor then you are welcome to join in, just contact your club committee for the zoom link that is sent out each fortnight and join in to catch up with ANF members from all across Australia.

'Naturist/Nudist uniform is obviously acceptable, but the facilitator has all the power, to stop audio, video, or block you altogether. Therefore, it is in your best interest that you are always appropriate in alignment with the pure spirit of Naturism.

Host: Richard - ANF Secretary
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Help us to promote your clubs, resorts and groups!

If you have something you would like to have added to the next newsletter (Mar 2022) then send it to editor@ausnatural.org.au (and don't forget to attach a photo or two)



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We believe that she was absolutely right. In this article, I will try to skip most of the boring stuff and focus on the parts of the congress that, in my personal opinion, really mattered for Australian naturists and worldwide naturism in general.

INF membership becomes more expensive

Let's start with the "bad" news. Becoming an INF member will become significantly more expensive in the coming years because a motion to increase the yearly license fee by €0.57 (\$0.90 AUD) has been approved. This may not seem like much (where in the world can you still get a coffee for \$0.90?), but keep in mind that this is the fee that the national naturist federation needs to pay to the INF for every single one of their members. If a federation has thousands of members, we're talking about a significant extra budget that needs to be allocated to INF fees.

Changes like these always bring up the question of whether an INF membership is still required and what the benefits are for a naturist federation. As more and more federations have been losing confidence in how the INF is run and what it stands for, this question only became louder. Is the INF membership really worth all that money?

On the other hand, if the INF lacks budget (the main reason for the increase of the membership fee), we can be absolutely sure that its working will only become worse. In other words, if we still hope that the INF has a future, we need to pump some money into the organisation in order to give it the resources to improve. The majority of the federations agreed with this and hence it was approved that the membership fees will gradually increase during the following years.

The maximum mandate of a board function is limited to 8 years (2 terms)

In my opinion, this is one of the most important things that have been agreed on during the congress. Until now, there was no limit on how long someone can hold office. Of course, board functions are re-elected every 4 years, but due to an often lack of candidates, many board functions are just extended automatically.

I believe that the lack of candidates is partly because it's intimidating to go against someone who has many years of experience. So this new rule might encourage more people to apply for a board function.

And there are other advantages. First of all, it enforces the creation of space for new ideas and visions. Secondly, the longer that someone has the same function, the more difficult (and often expensive) a future transition becomes. The federations realise this as well. Even though they might like a new candidate, if it will take years and lots of money before this candidate becomes a productive board member, is it really worth it?

Lastly, this limit might encourage the current board members to actively search for successors and to prepare them for the function even before they are elected.

The things that really matter

As mentioned before, it seems that we are finally realising that we have been trying to patch up an organisation that is more broken than we thought. So the call to have a deep look at the fundamentals of the INF is louder than ever but we all realise that this is not something that can be done during a three-day congress.

During this world congress, two working groups have been organised. One group consisting of the legal officers will revise the current statutes, identify the pain points, and rewrite the whole thing in a more solid and understandable way.

The other group consists of several delegates of different naturist federations and has the task to analyse and revise the current mission and vision statement and to propose new ideas that can prepare the INF for the future.

Both working groups will present their reports in one of the next world congresses.

Two INF presidents?

One of the fundamental issues in worldwide naturism is that there is a significant difference in how “naturism” is defined, which reflects on the national federations. Basically, we can divide the federations into two groups, which I call the “conservatives” and the “progressives”.

The “conservatives” like to keep things the way they are today. They don’t really think that the INF should be modernised and they believe that there is a strong distinction between those who follow the naturist philosophy and those who just enjoy social nudity (often called nudists, nude sunbathers, home naturists, etc).

The “progressives” believe that it’s time to take naturism into the 21st century, that we need to use modern tools to promote naturism, and that the naturist organisations should be inclusive to everyone who enjoys (non-sexual!) social nudity as these other forms may be a stepping stone towards embracing the naturist philosophy.

The sitting president Sieglinde Ivo can be considered a “conservative”. Personally, I belong to the “progressive” group, and therefore I was delighted that Stéphane Deschênes was the other candidate for the president function during this congress. In case you don’t know Stéphane, he’s the owner of Bare Oaks Family Naturist Park in Canada (<https://www.bareoaks.ca/>), for more than 10 years he has been running the Naturist Living Show podcast (<https://www.naturistlivingshow.com/>), and he is very present in both social media and traditional media. So we can definitely say that he believes in modernising naturism, but he also very much holds on to the naturist values.

Needless to say that the election of the president function would be one of the most important items on the agenda of the world congress. Nobody knew what would happen. Nobody could estimate who would win. In the case that Stéphane won, would we be looking at a hostile takeover and an extremely difficult transition? Or would Sieglinde win and would everything remain the same as it has been for so long? Either case would not have been very beneficial for worldwide naturism.

And then, Christine from the Dutch Naturist Federation came with a proposal: What if we went for a transition period with two INF presidents? This had never been seen before but it did make absolute sense as it would enormously facilitate the transition and the combination of Sieglinde’s experience and Stéphane’s vision might be exactly what the INF needed.

The General Assembly almost unanimously agreed that this is the way forward. As a result, the long-feared thriller election never took place. For the first time in history, the INF has two presidents. At the world congress of 2024, Stéphane will officially take over the torch and Sieglinde will resign.

Why I believe in this solution

As mentioned before, having Stéphane and Sieglinde working together will definitely facilitate the transition. Stéphane will be supported in the whole administrative process, which will give him more time to work on improving the INF. To work on the fundamentals to make the INF once again an organisation that people believe in and that naturists are proud to be a member of.

Stéphane is also the first elected non-European president of the INF. In times when the INF is often considered a Eurocentric organisation in which most of the votes are in the hands of European naturist federations, I think that this is a strong message that the INF is truly the INTERNATIONAL Naturist Federation.

Maybe most important of all, having a “progressive” and a “conservative” president at the steering wheel might be the unique chance to resolve the disputes between the different federations and unite them again to one group. One group with the same mission and vision. And that, if you ask me, might result in a bright future for worldwide naturism.

Nick