



Adventure Wellington Newsletter

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Then and Now

Way back on November 1st 2009, Tim took 16 people for a hike in the forest behind Eastbourne. Nobody died and nobody said they had a horrible time... Adventure Wellington was born!

Two years and 220 events later, Adventure Wellington is one of the biggest social clubs in Wellington. It's all thanks to those who have given up their valuable time to help host events and join in the fun - you know who you are - thank you!

Our goal has been to make the group sustainable for all to enjoy into the future. We've just applied for charitable trust status; hopefully this will help us achieve this goal! Bring on 2012!



Newest member of the Adventure Wellington Leadership team: Keith!

Keith is famous for his thorough knowledge of the tracks around Wellington and sound guiding skills. We are very glad to have him aboard! The Leadership team now consists of:



Andrew



Roy



Linc



Tim



Michael



Keith



Last month's events

We organised 46 amazing events during the last six weeks! With a big smile we think back on...

- Running through mud in business attire during the Brookfield Bog Challenge
- Rafting the Otaki river by day and by night
- Finding 'Bear Grylls' Andrew during Ninjas vs Pirates
- Walking up the Colonial Knob and, for some of us, all the way back to town afterwards

And many many more...



AW on Facebook

Did you know that Adventure Wellington has its own facebook group?

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/adventurewellington/>



Damn rules

Yup, we have rules! We do try our hardest to not get bogged down in rules. However, we really have to have a few just to make sure that everyone stays safe and happy.

Unfortunately we had to delete the first membership as a result of no-shows last week. Therefore, please take a moment to refresh your memory of our group rules:

http://www.adventurewellington.co.nz/pages/Group_Rules/

AW 2011 Photograph of the year

AW members took over 4,000 photographs at over 120 events during 2011. From these, the top ten finalists have been selected for the Adventure Wellington 2011 Photograph of the Year!

Now it's up to you to help choose the winner. Click the following link to see the finalists, and vote for your favorite. Voting closes on the 31st December.

Link:

<http://booroo.com/app/showpoll.asp?sid=hg9px201iu9txm220442&qid=20442>

Stats are always fun!

September 2011	55 newbies	15 events
October 2011	59 newbies	19 events
November 2011	90 newbies	21 events
December 2011	40 newbies	25 events

(first half)

AW TV & Radio debut

As part of the recent Santa run, AW members featured on the Breakfast show on TV 1 and on the More FM radio station - helping to promote the Kidscan Charity for disadvantaged Kiwi kids.

Eight of us discovered hidden acting talent *cough* and we all eagerly await more high-profile call-ups!

“Life is an adventure, so join in!”

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Upcoming Events

We try to organise the biggest range of Adventure events possible. There are 30 events already planned in the next couple of weeks and more to come! A selection include:

All Day Christmas Party on the Beach: celebrating Christmas on the beach during a day packed with kayaking Santas, Christmas presents, eating yummy food around a real Christmas tree, beach games, sunbathing and swimming.

We just received Council permission for the **Christmas BBQ** afterwards on one of the best locations in Wellington!

And for the real fans of the Christmas theme we organise even more: **Flash Mob Santa Sackfight**, **Santa Pursuit Go karting** and **Shoot Santa Paintball**. Hohoho!

The Amazing Adventure Wellington Race! The biggest and most ambitious project we have ever undertaken; a massive race in which teams compete doing challenges and solving puzzles in and around Wellington.

Weekend trips: Kayak to Somes, Zoo Sleepover, Camping in Tararua Forest, Kayak Abel Tasman and Tongariro Crossing.

Plus....Lots of walks, more rafting, kayaking, tubing, fencing, snorkeling....and more!