

March Update - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Our committee has met and decided unanimously (all 7 of us on the one page on this) to put the health and well-being of our members first.

Above all the health and safety of our members is most important and we understand there is a duty of care to be applied so for that reason the club will cease to have any forms of monthly meetings till NSW Health and our government say its ok to do so.

1. Last night was our last meeting until we get the all clear on social gatherings

etc., and we just had a call from Club Narooma too cancelling our meetings but thankfully we had already made that decision till the health crisis clears.

2. Training nights are cancelled right now. We discussed last night that we will put something together on the website ... we will have to fine tune it.

We are thinking that if you have questions or things you wish to learn about ... shoot me an email with your questions or ideas and we can research and put some printed material and or videos etc on our training page on the website so all our members can view and find things out but if there is anything you are keen to know about or learn... by all means just ask and we will try our best. Maybe we have some of the more experienced members that might like to do up a you tube video on subjects they know about or write up a pdf file on a subject etc, and we can share via the Facebook and website pages.

3. The Easter Exhibition is now Cancelled till later in the year ... depending on availability of a room either October or even January next year. It is Too risky and will be over the 100+ people so now we have to fit with guide lines from the Health Department and also have a duty of care for our members some of whom are compromised etc - apologies on this but there is just no other way to have it and the club cancelled the room today as well. The images sent in for the raffles section will be kept and still used for the raffle when we can hold our exhibition.

4. We will be looking at **still running our monthly competition** we just have to figure out a way to do it. The judges to it remotely so we are thinking after the judge does their bits we can email each person with the comments on their pics from the judge etc... might be a way to do it I suggested making like a video with the feedback and images all recorded in and then streaming or uploading etc... not sure but still trying to find our way on this one. After a suggestion last night you tube video might be the way to go. We will keep you up to date on that one. If you have experience with making you tube clips or think you could help with this can you let us know how to best do this.

5. March Competition – Results of the competition have been updated on our Meetings / Monthly Competitions page.

6. Mogo zoo is the last outing for now too. We are giving members the choice on who wants to go and who doesn't but I understand that some people have cancelled and that is perfectly acceptable in this given health environment.

I called Mogo Zoo a couple of hours ago just to check and yes they are still running. We are below the magical number now to get the cheaper prices and guided tour... but those who still want to just get out and enjoy the zoo... a couple of us are still going...

If you decide you still wish to know it's on your own advice we don't endorse you do this, it's your choice.

If you attend see you in the car park between 8.30 and 8.45am it opens at 9 am. If attending and you got your name lanyard last night can you please wear it on the day just to distinguish we are from our club. You must sign our outings booklet when you arrive to be covered by the FCC insurance if you dont you will not be covered. The club received the advice below form Mogo Wildlife park themselves.

COVID-19 Update for Mogo Wildlife Park Customers

At Mogo Wildlife Park, our priority is the safety and health of our animals, staff and our customers. We are following the advice of the Australian Government and World Health Organisation and their recommendations for minimising the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Mogo Wildlife Park is Open for Business

Mogo Wildlife Park sits in a beautiful, outdoor setting; an ideal location to get out of the indoors and enjoy nature. With plenty of fresh air and ample space for visitors to spread themselves out across the park, the risk of COVID-19 remains very low.

We encourage visitors to practice the best possible personal hygiene during their visit. To help maintain this high level of hygiene, we have introduced additional hand washing and sanitation stations across the park.

If You're Unwell, Stay Home

If you have any flu-like symptoms, we ask that you please prioritise your health and the community, and come back to visit our animals when you're feeling better.

They'll be here waiting to welcome you once you're up to it! If our staff notice that a guest is unwell, they will coordinate with our Duty Manager to assess the guest.

Our Animals Are Our Priority

Our staff love our animals and their welfare is and will remain a priority. The great ape families here at Mogo Wildlife Park share 97% of the DNA we do. To help protect these amazing animals, we have taken the extra precaution to cease primate encounters for the time being.

We'll continue to [update our website here](#) as necessary.

Come Visit Mogo Wildlife Park

Come Visit Mogo Wildlife Park Our doors are open from 9am – 5pm daily. Come in and enjoy the beautiful outdoors of Mogo Wildlife Park and say “g'day” to our amazing collection of endangered and exotic animal species.

******* SHOULD THIS BE CANCELLED WE WILL EMAIL YOU BEFORE ON SATURDAY SO IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO GO CHECK YOUR EMAILS TO MAKE SURE ITS STILL ON *******

7. Lastly the ladies from the Historical Society came along and told us the following:-

They would like some jpg images that you wouldn't mind them using in a history of the fires event. images 1-3 meg but you can send in smaller images and they will decide which ones get picked and contact you for the full size file if yours is one they will use.

We suggest sending in your images to the naroomaccsecretary email address with title of image and somewhere mention that its for the Historical Society Black Summer fires collection.

Things they would like images of....

1. Fire shots / 2. Smokey Skies / 3. Fire Trucks / 4. Red glowing skies / 5. People in face masks / 6. ash on cars / 7. Forests / 8. Helicopters and water bombing / 9. Water planes/air craft / 10. Strike teams at Narooma Oval / 11. Crowd scenes at evac places / 12. Camped and Caravans headlands / 13. Queues for petrol / 14. Volunteers feeding people / 15. Volunteers helping stock shelves at woolies / 16. Line ups at shops for food etc / 17. Animals / 18. Watering and feeding of wildlife / 19. Animal Carers in action / 20. The recovery / 21. Fund raising efforts / 22. Football heroes visiting to boost spirits

That's some examples of things they would like from us if you're willing to share your images that is.

If you send to this email I will pass them onto Susan for you.

Well we hope it has been summed up well. Wishing you all a safe time whilst we bunker down a bit and stay well. We will keep you up to date on changes and things on line.

Talk soon

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