

CosieVic Newsletter - February 2024

Hi fellow CosieVic'rs,

I guess everyone has been out and about taking advantage of the warm weather and hopefully visiting any one of the 3 clothing optional beaches that Victoria has to offer. For those who are unable to get to the beach luckily, we have CosieVic to go to.



Next Event:

Our next clothing optional event is scheduled for Sunday the 25th of February 2024, starting 4:30pm at our regular swim location.

Latest News:

Pool Update

This newsletter brings us bad news and good news.

As Andrew announced at our January event, due to the long overdue renovation works starting early March at the pool, CosieVic will not be holding any events in the short term... our understanding is the venue will be closed for 3-4 months which means we won't be running any events until the end of June or July.

The good news is when we come back to enjoy CosieVic we will have a nicer venue to indulge in our clothing free activity... at this stage it looks like we will see renovated changerooms, a new spa, new / improved pool equipment and other general works that possibly include upgrades to the sauna. Keep an eye out for the newsletter and associated websites which will announce the reopening date.

CosieVic AGM

The first CosieVic Inc. AGM was held last Monday (19th). We had a positive year with achievements including:

- We ran 12 successful events in 2023,
- All our start up and re-occurring debts have been paid for,
- We have some money in the bank for unexpected expenses, equipment upgrades or other ideas that come along to benefit the CosieVic community.

All committee positions were spilled and the same committee members from the last year will continue in their previous roles + Steven Aquilina joined the committee.

For those that don't know they are:

President - Andrew C
Vice President - Rod M
Treasurer - Mario Z
Secretary - Walter P
Ordinary Committee Members - Barbara R

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Previous Event:

Once again, we had 54 people attend our first event of the year which included a few first timers attending. I noticed the supper was plentiful and there was a good variety of food, with the sandwiches being very popular. When we resume the CosieVic events after the renovations, hopefully people will continue with the quality of the food that is brought to our events.

We would also like to remind people that the women's changerooms are only to be accessed by women, same goes for the men's changerooms, men only. For those men and women who want to share a changeroom there are two all-gender changerooms available to use.

We have also had a few incidents of people sitting on other people's towels, bags etc. Please be mindful of where you sit and remember to use your own towel when sitting down anywhere in the venue... which includes sitting in the sauna.

Getting Involved:

If you would like to get more involved with the CosieVic community, feel free to arrive at 4:00pm and help the regular volunteers with setting up the event. Once we are setup you can start indulging in the activities at our venue.

After Swim Gatherings:

If after the event you feel a bit peckish and still feel like doing more socialising, join us at the Laverton Hotel (15 Aviation Road, Laverton) and share in a bistro meal with our fellow CosieVic attendees.

For those that work the following day, the dinners usually wind up by 9:30pm.



Other Events:

Promote

As previously advised all participants can take the opportunity to promote other clothing optional / nudist events and gatherings at CosieVic. There is a table provided next to the coffee station for this purpose, and you can put out forms to collect interest from others so as you can promote and plan your nudists events directly with them.

We will continue to circulate details of the other clothing optional / nudist events Russell talks about via our mailing list... if you have events to add please let Russell know.

Nomads

Nomads has a few more gathering scheduled... including the World Naked Bike Ride, 2 Naturist Bushwalks and a Clothing Optional Social Afternoon. Russell will make an announcement of upcoming events during the supper.

Confest

Next month if you think you are going to miss your monthly nude swim, sauna, spa & massage because the CosieVic venue is being renovated... consider spending your Easter break at **Confest** where you can indulge in the same activities (under the stars) as well as having a dip in the mud bath, partake in life drawing or body painting and enjoy any of the large variety of workshops, activities and music on offer.

Confest cost is \$180.00 per person with gates opening on Wednesday the 27th March and finishes on Monday 1st April.

You can buy tickets online at: https://confest.org.au/index.php/about/next-confest/2024

<u>Massage</u>

If there is enough interest there may be some monthly massage workshops coordinated so as a community we can stay connected while the pool is being renovated.

If you are interested a form will be provided on the events table where you can enter your name and contact details.

This month's massage workshop:

This month we are doing a blindfold massage workshop which is a fun way to give and receive a massage.

If you are interested in contributing or facilitating a future massage activity or workshop, feel free to approach any of the CosieVic organisers (wearing a green wristband) to ask how to get involved.



The CosieVic committee looks forward to seeing you all at the February social swim event.

Regards Walter, on behalf of The CosieVic Committee

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