

ARAC NEWS



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It's been a while, but here's the latest news:

ARAC and GW in new talks to establish closer dialogue.

Over the years, the relationship between ARAC and GW has become somewhat confused and perhaps too relaxed. A new round of talks aimed at reigniting a more productive working relationship has been underway for several months.

Initially facilitated by Corydon Consultants, the talks are now at the stage where we can proceed without expert guidance (we hope).

A full Memorandum of Understanding is our goal from these negotiations that will augment and perhaps supersede the 1997 Management Guidelines

Orange Hut is Completed

The second rebuild of the Orange Hut is complete, although the interior is still in need of painting – do you know anyone who can donate some suitable paint? If so let us know – email info@arac.org.nz

Someone tried to put a bullet through one of the windows, but to little effect.

Watch out over the next months as the barbeque area comes in for scrutiny, and additional furniture is added – sorry it'll have to be bolted down just for the idiot element.

Two Douglas Firs behind the barbeque have been felled to let more light in – just to help keep the Hut warm and dry.

Track Damage

Hydro Road and the Pram Track have seen a lot of wear and tear over last winter and autumn, and although some reparation work has been done, they can be “entertaining” in places. If you come across others that we need to know about, let us know info@arac.org.nz

Link Track

GW have been raising lots of issues over the Link Track, and indeed, the reason we are now around the table discussing the GW/ARAC relationship stems from the debate started here.

Previous Management Plans allowed only a 2metre deviation from the centreline – those who know the Link Track know how wide it is getting in places – please try and avoid any more damage or see the track under increased threat of closure

Sampling Towers

Some eagle-eyed ones may have noted the demise of a sampling tower on Puketiro Road – hope they build the Windmills of sterner stuff