

WAIPU COVE RESERVE(S) BOARD

Tuesday 22nd September 2020, 7pm

Camp Waipu Cove all-weather room.

ALL WELCOME

AGENDA (E & OE)

PRESENT:

APOLOGIES:

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

MATTERS ARISING:

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

02/09/2020 – Waipu Cycle & Walkway Trust – Thank you for donation

Outwards:

REPORTS:

- **Management report**
- **Financial report**
- **WCSLSC Report (verbal)**

GENERAL BUSINESS

- **Rick Stolwerk appointed as Board member**
- **Management Plan**
- **Accrual based accounting - pros and cons**

Upcoming events on the reserve and local area

- **Waipu Saturday Market:** First Saturday of the Month in Presbyterian Church Hall 9-1pm
- **Waipu Boutique Sunday Market & Café:** 2nd Sunday of the Month, Waipu Coronation Hall 9-1pm
- **Waipu Street Market - Saturdays of long weekends 9-1pm**
- **Waipu Antiques and Collectables Fair – Sunday of Long weekends 9-4pm**

Meeting ended:

Next meeting:

Managers' Report September 2020

The month of September marks the start of spring and we are now starting to see warmer, less rainy weather. Since Auckland's COVID alert level went down to level 2.5 several weeks ago, we have seen another influx of campers, particularly on the weekends. It has been great to see so many New Zealanders getting out and exploring their own back yard. We are anticipating a busy season ahead, given travel of the domestic kind is the only sort that will be taking place until at least next year realistically. Our forward bookings are looking healthy, with all our self-contained cabins fully booked every weekend until next April.

We recently launched our new Camp Waipu Cove video tour online, which updates the previous one which was made quite a few years ago now. The new video tour has been shared on our Facebook and Instagram pages, with over 46K views so far. It has also been added to the home page of our website. The feedback has been fantastic. The video is a great marketing tool, as it showcases the best that both the camp and surrounding area of Waipu have to offer visitors. Another exciting development that has finally come to fruition is that we are now offering free WIFI for guests at the camp. We have been waiting a long time for fibre to finally be installed down Cove Road. Now this has happened, it has enabled us to upgrade our hardware and we now have the capacity to reliably provide WIFI free of charge. We know this will be a welcome improvement, as internet access has been less than ideal in the past, especially at peak times when there are so many campers using the WIFI.

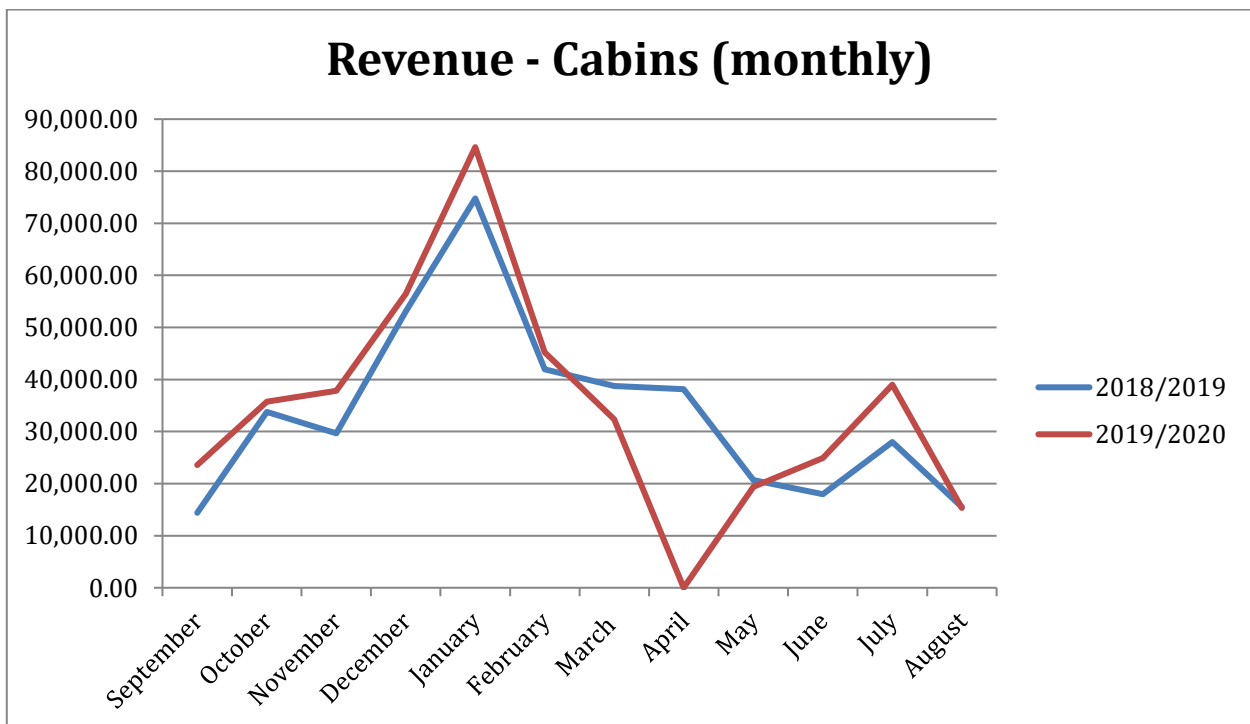
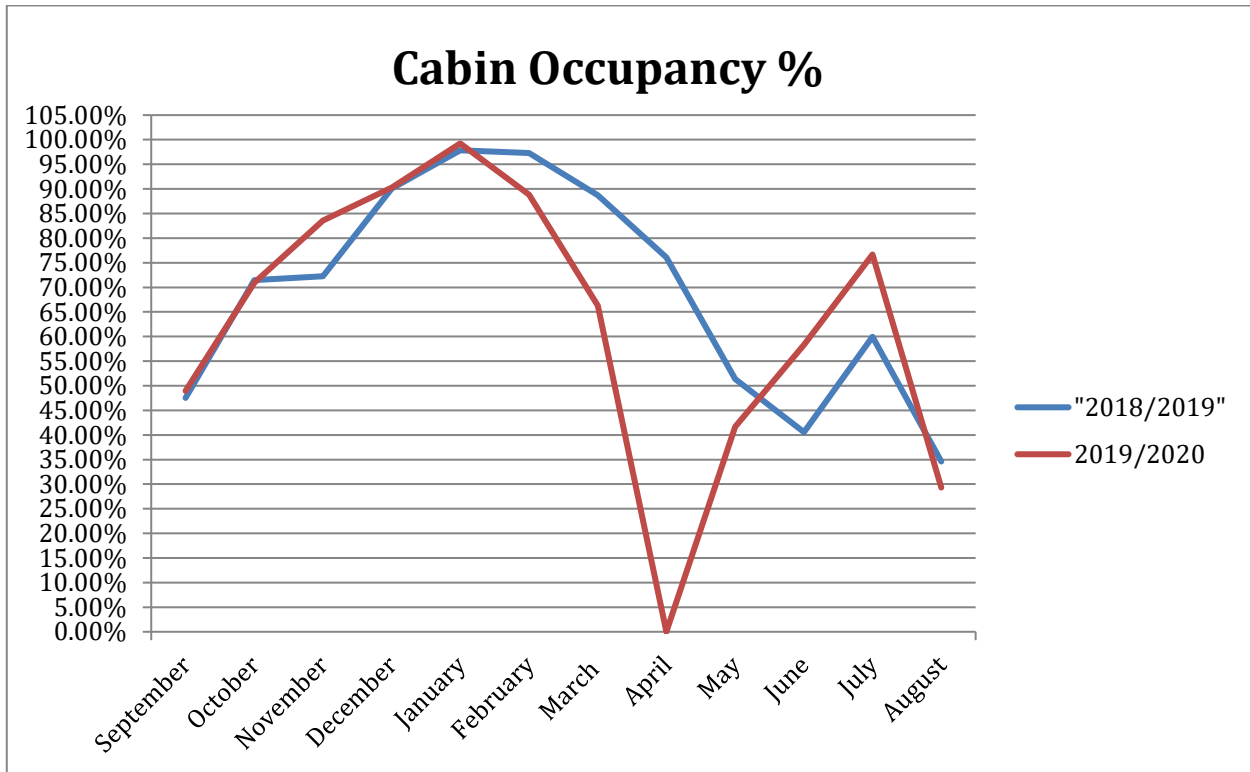
We have just had a contractor spraying for Onehunga weed throughout the camp. This will ensure that the kids (and adults) can happily go barefoot without getting a prickle in their feet. We always aim to have the spraying done around this time, as it is only effective if you get in early before the prickle weed can become established.

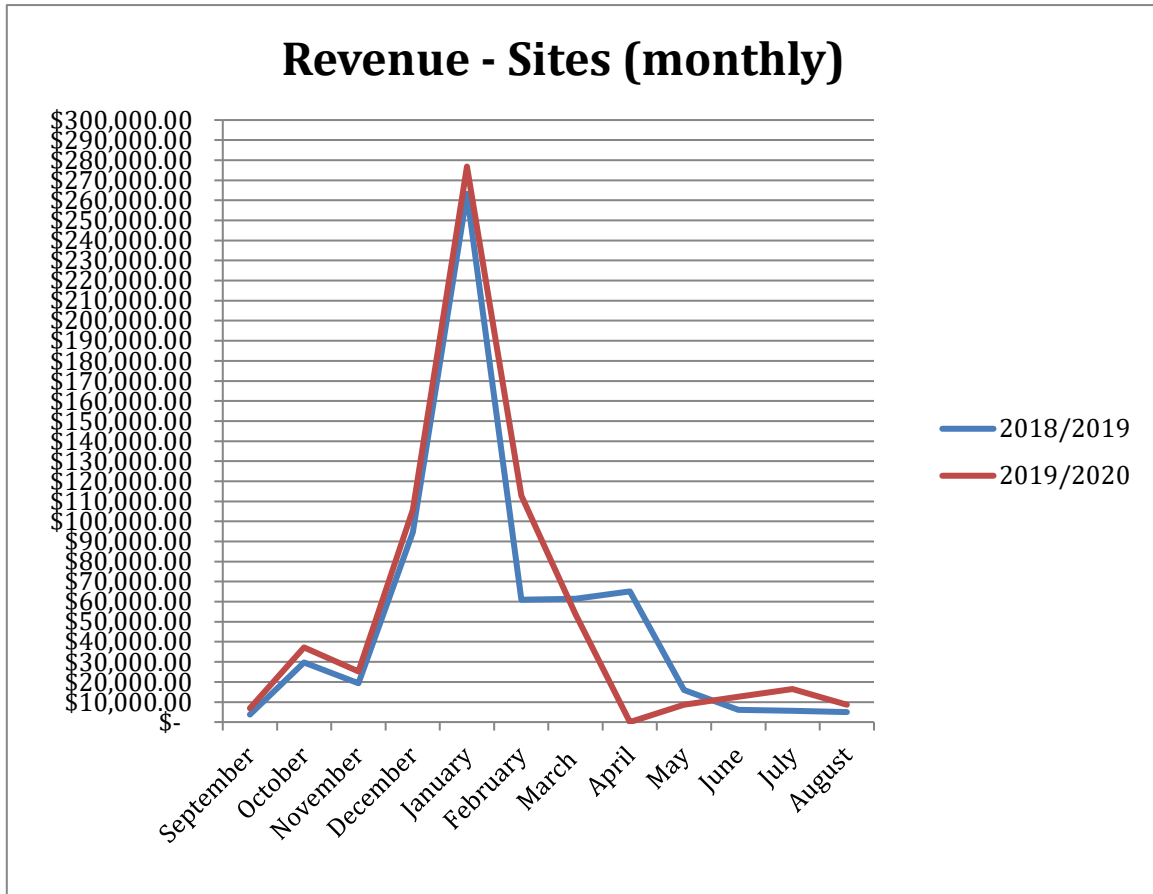
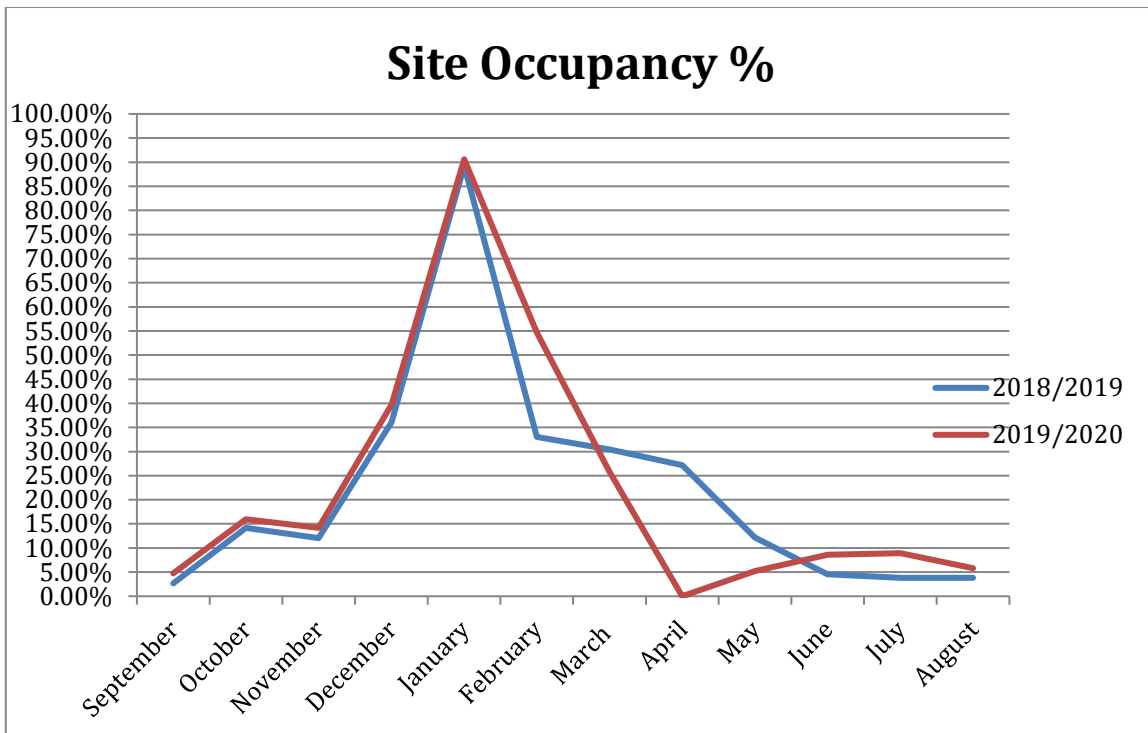
Our receptionist Grace has been busy extending the vegetable garden beside the All-Weather room. All sorts of vegetable have been planted, including broccoli, radishes, and green beans. The garden is really starting to take off and we are looking forward to seeing it continue to grow. The garden is a work in progress, and we plan to continue planting other types of vegetables.

This month Victoria attended an EMA course on leadership and team building. This is relevant for her as she oversees the reception team.

Lucy, Anton, Robert, and Tania attended a workshop at the surf club recently. The aim of the workshop was to see how we can provide support to the surf lifesaving Emergency Call Out Squad (or ECOS for short). ECOS attend emergency rescue callouts on the water that occur outside the times lifeguards are patrolling. These types of situations often occur during the winter/off-season. We can provide support by going and opening the surf club and mobilising the equipment needed (including the IRB and mule). This cuts down around 7 minutes of precious time for the ECOS squad, meaning they can get out on the water more quickly. All users receive notification from surf coms via the Active 911 app, and whoever is on site at the time will respond to the alert.

Occupancy and Revenue – August 2020





Results for August impacted by Auckland going into alert level 3.

Regards
Anton and Lucy Trist