

## What Are You Doing For Labour Weekend 2020?

What? You don't have any plans for this Labour Weekend (October 22, 23 and 24) since the NZ Mega 2020 was postponed until next year? Well, we might have the answer to that very question for you then. Spoiler alert, it's not 42.

The whole NZ Mega Team were very sad when we had to announce the [postponement](#) of the Mega until next year – information and predictions were changing on a daily, if not hourly, basis. And as we come out of another period of Level 3 lockdown, in Auckland anyway, we still feel it was the right decision to make to get the best outcome for the Mega.

But, it has led to the situation where Labour Weekend 2020 is now a gap on many of our calendars. So we thought we'd better do something about that!

We've got some events and fun community activities lined up for the weekend – and since we can't call it Mega weekend anymore, let's settle for just plain old Super weekend instead.

We hope this Super weekend of fun will be a good consolation since we must now wait until next year for the proper real-deal Mega weekend, so if you are in Auckland on Labour Weekend we look forward to seeing you!

## There's a New Sheriff in Town!

And he wants to kick COVID-19's *you know what*, if you know what I mean. We all want do that, really.

So as we go about with that task, doing whatever we can do, day by day, to stop the spread of this nasty virus so that we can get back to "normal normal" (this "new normal" is getting boring really quickly!), you can show your support for NZ Mega 2020 by visiting the [NZ Mega store](#) and purchasing our new fundraising [pathtag](#). It is available now, in [packs of three tags](#).

Stocks of this tag are limited so get in quick and don't miss out. As always, all proceeds from sales of [this tag](#) go to the NZ Mega 2020, and this will be another great swap tag or addition to your collection – ain't she a beauty!



### SATURDAY, 24 OCT 2020

#### **Duder Regional Park Track Improvement (CITO)**

**GC8YGR1** – 09:30 to 14:00

Since geocachers love to have nice dry tracks that lead them to GZ without having to go through mud, here's a great chance for you to help make this dream a reality at [Duder Regional Park](#).

Duder Regional Park is located southeast of Auckland City on the western shores of the Firth of Thames, near Maraetai. There are more than 40 geocaches already scattered around this very picturesque park waiting for you to find them.

Everyone is welcome - there will be jobs for everyone, based on ability, so don't think that you need to be a body builder in order to help! All tools required will be provided - you only need to bring something to eat and drink, sunscreen, hat, etc and your usual overwhelming enthusiasm.

You'll even get a [CITO souvenir](#) for your efforts! The only way it gets better than that is if you were to get paid!

### SUNDAY, 25 OCT 2020

#### **Labour Weekend Sunday Picnic (Community Celebration)**

**GC8K04H** – 11:30 to 13:30

After all the hard work on Saturday and a nice lie in on Sunday morning, head to [Pulman Park](#) (where the NZ Mega 2020 will be held next year) for a lunchtime picnic in the park.

Bring your own lunch and maybe something to share, along with your picnic blanket or lawn chairs. And of course don't forget to bring all those amazing caching stories - you know, the ones that were this big, no thiiis big, no wait, thiiiiis big, ah you had to be there... and the ones that got away too.

After the picnic there will be a fun and competitive teams game around the area that should last until around 5pm.

#### **Labour Weekend Sunday Awards Dinner (Event)**

**GC8Z0XV** – 17:00 to 18:30

Whether or not you took part in the afternoon of games that followed the picnic event, come along to the "awards dinner" afterwards for a fun time wrapping up a couple of days of Super (not Mega, not until next year) fun.

This event will take place at [Satay Noodle House](#) in Papakura. Bring a healthy appetite, whether it's for food or laughs or any combination of either of those.

# Spread the Word!



It's fair to say that amongst the **NZ Mega Team** – Chris, Harsha, Ron and Grant – that we've seen a lot of the country through geocaching, and met a lot of wonderful people along the way. Yes that's you the reader, it's likely you're one of them! But try as we might, we simply can't be everywhere and can't meet everyone. And that's where all of you come in – yes, even **you**. Or since you're reading this maybe that should say **me**, but that doesn't matter. Just point at yourself. The point is that we need you to help us get the **NZ Mega 2020** message out to all of there – young, old, new and long-standing – so that everyone knows about the



the geocachers out  
Mega event.

So basically we need you to *spread the word* for us – whether it's in your logs on geocaches, at events, or when a new cacher logs one of your geocaches, send them a message! With everything going on at the moment, what better time to welcome that new geocacher to the community and encourage them to join us at the NZ Mega 2020 event next year. A mega event is a great way for the community to get together, put faces to names, socialise, share adventures, meet the incredibly talented crafts-people behind all of those amazing geocache hides that you have come across, learn lots of new skills, and have a load of fun.

## Why buy a Supporter Pack?

An event like NZ Mega 2020 can only be great with the support of the geocaching community. Events like NZ Mega 2020 are complex and expensive to organise, and while our principal partner, [geocoins.nz](http://geocoins.nz), provides the event with much needed financial and administrative support, there is still a considerable amount of funding we need to raise.

Many hands make light work - and if everyone helps out then everyone wins and then we will have the best event we possibly can.

One of the best ways you can support the NZ Mega 2020 and help to ensure the organisers do not end up out of pocket personally is by purchasing a [Silver](#) or [Gold Supporter Pack](#).

Not only do Supporter Packs provide the event with some well needed funding, but they are also jam-packed with awesome goodies and great event merchandise!



Please email [nzmega2020@gmail.com](mailto:nzmega2020@gmail.com) to find out how you can support the event and become an NZ Mega 2020 Partner or Friend of NZ Mega.

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## New cool stuff instore now!

As the [official online store](#) for NZ Mega 2020, [geocoins.nz](http://geocoins.nz) has all the cool [NZ Mega merchandise](#) available, including the brand new [fundraising pathtags](#) we told you about on the first page of this newsletter.

Also recently added to the range of [geocoins](#) available from the store is the new [Aotearoa Deluxe Geocoin](#). This large and beautiful coin features a detailed contour map of New Zealand on the front. On the flip side is an accurately dimensioned New Zealand flag embedded with an intricate design incorporating cultural and kiwiana icons.

This stunning 76mm (3") geocoin is a worthy addition to any collection!



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