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**Wellington Airport
Urban Garden**
Wellington Airport's Urban Garden is a partnership with Edible Earth, a team of Kiwis who are striving to make New Zealand a better place by turning unused land into food sources for local communities.
wellingtonairport.co.nz/urbangarden



GOOD THINGS GROWING AT WELLINGTON AIRPORT'S COMMUNITY GARDEN

Our community garden at Bridge Street in Rongotai is growing nicely! A shelter belt and large green crop have been planted in preparation for garden beds and a glass house is now on site, ready to grow seedlings.

Over winter we have composted over 80,000 used coffee cups from the terminal and around 100kgs of green waste per week from Rydges Hotel Wellington Airport.

Our fantastic garden Manager April has run several working bees with keen local volunteers, community groups, school students and airport staff. It's fantastic to have the local community involved, helping us reduce waste and create a circular economy.

This project is a partnership between Wellington Airport and Edible Earth.

If you are interested in being involved, please email us at wellingtonairport@wellingtonairport.co.nz.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS – 'ZOOMERS FOR LIFE'

Wellington Airport was honoured to be able to support and farewell the Lower North Island Snow Sport Olympians as they embarked on their journey down to Cardrona for the 2023 National Games in August.

The athletes, whose motto is 'Zoomers for Life' were flanked by the Wellington Airport Fire Service and Wellington Police officers as they carried their 'Flame of Hope' through the terminal to clapping and cheering from fellow passengers.

It was a fitting send off for the team and their supporters and we were thrilled to hear they had a very successful week on the slopes.



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SHOPPING SPREE
& MORE

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AND WELLINGTON
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WELLINGTON AIRPORT RATED 5TH IN WORLD FOR SUSTAINABILITY

We're proud to have been rated fifth in the world for airport sustainability by an independent global assessment.

The assessment was carried out by a company called GRESB who rate the environmental, social and governance (ESG) efforts of companies who choose to take part.

Wellington Airport scored 96 out of 100 and achieved a 5-Star rating once again. While there's still more to do, we're proud of the progress in recent years including our target of net zero emissions for our own operations by 2030.

We've also converted over a third of our vehicle fleet to electric, and last year we diverted a third of our waste away from landfills.



MIRAMAR GOLF CLUB AND WELLINGTON AIRPORT UPDATE

Over the next few years Wellington Airport will gradually start using part of the land covering the back nine holes of Miramar Golf Course that was purchased in 2019.

The first stage will begin in February next year when we begin work to create a new car park in the area marked as 'stage one' below. Golf will continue to be played over a re-arranged 18 holes until 2025 when the airport takes full possession of the remaining area marked in red below.

These relocated carparks are necessary because the airport is losing carparks in other parts of the precinct. In the longer term, extra space is needed to meet traveller demand from Wellington's growing population and to prepare for new technologies like electric aircraft and alternative fuels.

Future development is likely to happen gradually over time, involving community consultation and a new attractive green buffer zone (marked below) which could include new walkways, cycle paths and plantings.



RENEWING OUR SEA DEFENCES

Wellington Airport is investigating options for renewing our seawalls and defences which protect vital infrastructure against storms and flooding.

These coastal defences were established between 50 and 70 years ago and are now reaching the end of their natural lifespans. As well as protecting the airport, they also protect Mōa Point Road and tunnel, along with major sewage pipes to the Mōa point wastewater treatment plant which treats most of Wellington's sewage.

Over the last few months we've been consulting with the community on high-level options which has been very helpful. Further research and consultation will take place before final options chosen and resource consents applied for.

Our first priority is the southern seawall and construction on this could potentially begin in 2025.

More information is available on our website or by emailing wellingtonairport@wellingtonairport.co.nz.



CYSTIC FIBROSIS CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

A forest of Christmas trees is about to pop up again at Wellington Airport. If you haven't experienced the joy of the Cystic Fibrosis Christmas Tree Festival in the terminal of Wellington Airport, be sure to check it out this December.

Each tree is individually decorated and we'll need your help to choose a winner! Cast your vote to go in the draw to win a \$500 shopping spree prize, and for kids we have a \$250 prize pack to be won in our 'design your own tree' competition.

This festival is a highlight of the year for Wellington Airport. Previous festivals have raised over \$30,000 to support the work of Cystic Fibrosis New Zealand and we hope to reach this again this year.



SPOTTED IN THE TERMINAL: WELLINGTON CHOCOLATE FACTORY

There's a sweet surprise in store for visitors to Wellington Airport's terminal: a festive Wellington Chocolate Factory (WCF) pop-up store is now open until Christmas.

Iconic flavours like salted caramel and raspberry lamington are on offer, along with free samples for the undecided.

It's chocolate for a good cause too, with the WCF donating 10 cents from every bar they sell to Wellington City Mission in the four weeks before Christmas.

GIVEAWAYS FOR LOCALS

WIN \$500 TO SPEND AT WELLINGTON AIRPORT

We've got a \$500 Wellington Airport voucher to give away this edition. What will you spend it on - retail therapy at Witchery, Icebreaker, Trenerly or 3 Wise Men? Books from Relay or makeup from Cosmetique?

To enter, just send us an email to competition@wellingtonairport.co.nz with '\$500 to spend' as the title and tell us your favourite place to eat, dine or shop at Wellington Airport. Entries close 20 December 2023.

WIN \$100 DINING VOUCHER

We also have a \$100 voucher to use at any of the airport eateries. Nachos from UBW, pizza at Peloton, Mojo café or dining at Whiskey Lima Golf - the choice is yours.

To enter the draw for a \$100 voucher, email us at competition@wellingtonairport.co.nz with 'Wellington Airport dining' as the subject. Entries close 20 December 2023.

WIN A VALET ULTIMATE GROOM FOR YOUR CAR

Does your car need a bit of TLC? We have one Valet Ultimate Groom to give away. You don't even have to be flying to use it; you can drop-off and pick-up in a day. Terms and conditions apply.

To enter the draw email us at competitions@wellingtonairport.co.nz by 20 December 2023.

PARKING OFFER SHOP AND PARK FOR FREE ON WEEKENDS

Spend over \$50 at the airport and receive two hours free parking on a Saturday or Sunday.

Talk to our staff when making an eligible purchase and they'll provide a voucher which can be exchanged at the Parking Services Office on level 1 of the Multi-Level Carpark for your free parking. This includes dining outlets such as Whiskey Lima Golf and Peloton Bar and Eatery.

Valid only on the day of the eligible purchase, for up to two hours in the Uncovered carpark or P120 Express (anything beyond is charged at the standard carpark rate). Valid until 31 January 2024.

Congratulations to our Winter newsletter giveaway winners - Michelle E, Bianca M and Ross C.



NEW AIRPORT FIRE STATION ON THE WAY

Construction officially starts later this month on a new Airport Fire Station on Coutts Street in Rongotai, moving across from the existing facility on the eastern side of the runway.

As part of this work, the existing public space at the end of Coutts St will receive landscaping improvements, making it an even better place to relax and watch planes taking off and landing. Construction is likely to be finished in late 2025.



BOOK A LIFE FLIGHT TAKES OFF

This month Life Flight is launching the Book a Life Flight campaign to raise money for their upgraded air ambulance planes. With your help these planes, and the incredible people who fly them, will be able to transfer 10,000 critically ill New Zealanders in the next 10 years.

With demand for Life Flight's services growing, your support now would mean so much. More lives will be saved, and whānau will get more time with the ones they love.

Donate today by visiting www.lifeflight.org.nz/donate-now



WELLINGTON AERO CLUB REACHES NET ZERO EMISSIONS

Congratulations to the Wellington Aero Club who are now a certified Zero Carbon Business Operation.

The Club has measured and offset the carbon footprint of all their business operations for the last financial year. High quality certified carbon credits are being sourced from projects that grow and protect forests in Aotearoa and the Pacific Islands.

Well done team – a great show of leadership and another good reason to learn to fly at Wellington Airport!



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