



# PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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PALMERSTON NORTH

NEWSLETTER

October/November 1983

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## **ENQUIRES CONCERNING OVERDUE TRIPS**

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ALL TRIPS LEAVE SUPERSAVE CARPARK, FERGUSON STREET. IF YOU WISH TO GO ON A TRIP, YOU MUST ADVISE THE LEADER AT LEAST THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN AN ALTERNATIVE DAY OR WEEKEND TRIP, CONTACT THE PERSON RUNNING THE SCHEDULED TRIP.

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## **COMING EVENTS:**

### **27 October – Club Night – Fiordland**

Christine Scott will be talking to us and showing slides on tramping in the Fiordland area.  
7.45 p.m. Thursday  
227 College Street, Society of Friends Meeting Rooms.

### **29 - 30 October – Tararuas**

From Otaki Forks to Penn Creek Hut and up to the main range if weather permits.

Leader: John Barkla, ph 73543  
Grading: Medium  
Departs: 7 a.m. Saturday

### **3 November – Committee Meeting**

At Peter Wiles place, 5 Rongopai Street, 7.45 p.m.

### **5 - 6 November – Rock Climbing**

This is Don's "Guy Fox Hoon-up" at Whanganui Bay.

Leader: Don French, ph 73543  
Grading: Bikinis essential  
Departs: 6 p.m. Friday

### **12 - 13 November - ?**

A "somewhere" trip with Perry Hicks.

Leader: Perry Hicks, ph 39042

Grading: Medium  
Departs: Yet to be decided

### **17 November – Informal Club Night**

Slides of recent North Island tramping trips. Any contributions of slides of places you've been to lately will be welcomed by Daryl, ph 70217

7.45 p.m. Thursday  
227 College Street, Society of Friends Meeting Rooms.

### **19 - 20 November – Dorset Ridge, Tararuas**

Into the heart of the Tararuas. Can we find the elusive Dorset Ridge Hut?

Leader: John Barkla, ph 73543  
Grading: Fitness essential  
Departs: 6 a.m. Saturday

### **19 - 20 November – Day Trip**

Leader: Peter Clough, ph 61271  
Grading: Dependant on demand.

### **26 - 27 November – Armstrong Saddle, Ruahines**

A popular area with the Club. Come and see the new hut in Buttercup Hollow.

Leader: Lorraine Tremain  
Grading: Medium  
Departs: 6 a.m. Saturday

### **1 December – Club Christmas Dinner**

This will replace the formal Club night for November. For more details see NOTICES section.

6 p.m. - 12 p.m. Thursday  
Chalet, Centennial Drive.

### **FUTURE TRIPS:**

- 3 - 4 December Weekend Rockclimbing, Titahi Bay  
10 - 11 December Christmas at Rangī, will be combined with some track and bridge maintenance.  
17 - 18 December Otaki Forks - Neill Forks.

### **NOTICES:**

**New member:** Anne Murray 48 Pahiatua Street, P.N. ph 69387

### **Additions to membership list**

Ross Fletcher	16 Weston Avenue, P.N.	87735
Arthur Todd	2 Heayns Place, Feilding	36246
Louis Atkinson	25 Beatty Street, Feilding	35796
Vern Jensen	Box 27, Apiti	Apiti 873
Glenn Osborne	Flat 2, 1 Pharazyn Street, Feilding	
G.L. Cleaver	106 Gillespies Line, P.N.	82875

### **Christmas Dinner**

The Club's Christmas dinner will once again be held at the Chalet, Centennial Drive, Thursday 1 December, 6 – 12 p.m. Friends and acquaintances welcome.

Smorgasborg dinner commences 7 p.m. B.Y.O. wine or whatever.

**Tickets:** \$12.00 selling fast so get in quickly.  
Available from: Damienne Eder, phone 71785  
Daryl Rowan, phone 70217  
Barry Scott, phone 71731

### **Abseiling**

If you know a good place close to town give me a ring and we can have a Club night where you can have a go. Contact Nigel, phone 89043

Rock climbing over the summer 83/84 will continue this year. If interested contact Nigel, 89043

### **Kapiti Island Nature Reserve**

These trips are now filled but will the following people please ring Peter Clough to confirm their places by 17 November. There are a number of people waiting for cancellations.

#### **20 November**

Catherine Farquhar  
John Barkla  
Philip Budding  
Linda Herdman  
Christine Scott  
Patricia Eder  
Daryl Rowan  
Nigel Seebeck

#### **27 November**

Peter and Nanette Clough  
Michelle Hobday  
Barry Scott  
Damienne Eder  
Kirsten Simonsen  
Janis Frain  
Eric van Toor

### **New Release:**

Bushcraft manuals have been reprinted and are available at discount prices. Would those interested in joining in a group purchase plan please phone 89043 to place orders. 10 persons required for discount. Worthwhile investment for any tramper.

### **For sale**

K2 305 M skis (190 c.m.) \$80 O.N.O.  
Contact Daryl 70217

### **Native Forest Calendars**

1984 calendars available from Lorraine, 61769. At \$6.00 each they are cheaper than most of the "Competition" e.g. Bird Watchers calendar, Underwater calendar.

**Christmas trips** are now being planned. One suggestion is a traverse from Arthurs Pass to Nelson Lakes (only for the fit). Contact Linda Russ, phone 87799. Please talk to any Committee member if you have any other ideas.

### **TRIP REPORTS:**

#### **September 18 – Blue Range**

A splendid sunny day (it doesn't always rain in the Tararuas) was enjoyed by all. From the car park at the Kiriwhakapapa Road end we headed through beautiful bush towards Te Mata Peak. By the time we reached the track junction we had sorted ourselves into two groups and the fitter types headed for Cow Creek Hut and Cow Saddle. The rest of us made for Blue Range Hut for lunch where we enjoyed the sunshine and the great views of Cattle Ridge and Dundas Ridge.

We were; John Barkla, Peter and Nanette Clough, Andrea Forster, Michelle Hobday, Anne Murray, Richard Seddon and Lorraine Tremain.

#### **October 1 - 2 – A Trumper's Return – Leon Kinvig Hut and back.**

Utumoi North Road end; N. Westers and rain. What a chance for the Club moaner but the new forestry track was metalled and dry. Laurie explains this is his first overnight trip in 3 years. Finally we get some mud as we climb the new access onto the saddle of Knight's Track. Then eastward following the standards onto Toka.

No views this trip either.

S.W., following the needle, picks up a track on the obvious spur to Leon Kinvig Hut. (Note: the hut is downstream from where shown on the map). Polo is compulsory as we cross the Pohongina to watch the rain from the hut. "Textbook" somebody says. Sunday takes us back onto Toka where the same standards now lead S.W. onto point 4550+ and the top of Short's Track home.

A pleasantly wet weekend to a nicely isolated and so far not much used hut.

We continue to be: Laurie Kennedy  
Daryl Rowan  
Andrew Peart  
Colin Hoare.