

# PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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# **NEWSLETTER**

August/September 1985

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# **ENQUIRES CONCERNING OVERDUE TRIPS**

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ALL TRIPS LEAVE FROM THE NO FRILLS 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 LEADER OF THE SCHEDULED TRIP.

# **COMING EVENTS:**

### **August 29 Formal Club Night**

Bob Cresswell will take us for a botanical tour from sea level to mountain top, showing (with the aid of slides) the changes in vegetation and habitat. Bob is a member of both the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society and the N.Z. Alpine Club, and has acquired a detailed knowledge of our mountains over the years.

Time: 7.45 p.m.

Venue: Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College Street, P.N.

# August 31 - September 1 Snowcraft 3

The third and last instructional snow course will be held on Ruapehu, base being N.Z.A.C. hut. Climbing roped up and crevasse extraction techniques will be practised. For further details contact Nigel promptly.

Leader: Nigel Seebeck, ph 89043

Grade: Medium
Departure: Friday 6 p.m.

# **September 5 Committee Meeting**

At 28 Carroll Street, 7.45 p. m. SHARP.

# September 7 - 8 Ruahines, Oroura River

Ngamoko Range, this trip will provide opportunity for bush and tops travel.

Leader: Catherine Farguhar, ph 80363

Grade: Medium

Departure: 7.30 a.m. Saturday.

### September 12 Informal Club Night

Tonight Trevor Bissell will be showing slides of a trip he made to the Waitaha Valley in Westland, including a climb up Mount Evans. For those interested in rock, snow and ice climbing, there will be an instruction session on knots and basic rope-work.

Time: 7.45 p.m.

Venue: Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College St, P.N.

# September 14 - 15 Kaimanawas

An opportunity to get to visit the Umukarikari Range, an area not often visited by the club.

Leader: Peter Wiles, ph 86894

Grade: Medium
Departs: 7 a.m. Saturday

# Day Trip, either Saturday 14th or Sunday 15th

Into the Tararuas – Waikawa area (North Manukau road end) included navigation, bush and stream travel.

Leader: Catherine Farguhar, ph 80363

Grade: Medium - Fit Departs: 6.15 a.m.

# September 21 - 22 Climbing

Kapuni Lodge, 12 places booked. This is an open weekend. Also those who have been on the recent snow craft courses are invited to come along since supervision will be given by experienced climbers.

Leader: Trevor Bissell, ph 73543

Grade: Medium
Departs: 6.30 p.m. Friday

# September 21 Awheel and afoot

A day's easy cycling to the Pohangina Valley followed by a tramp up the Beehive Creek Walkway.

Leader: Doug Strachan, ph 75732

Grade: Easy

Departs: 8 a.m. Saturday

# September 26 Formal Club Night

Dr Vince Neall will show slides on the eruption of Mount St Helens in Washington State, U.S.A. This volcano violently rearranged its topography in 1980, causing massive damage over a wide area. Food for thought for those who make regular visits to the Egmont and Tongariro National Parks!

Time: 7.45 p.m.

Venue: Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College Street, P.N.

# September 28 - 29 Caving trip to Waitomo or Taranaki area

For those who were inspired by the recently shown film, this is your chance to have a go. Contact Peter for further details.

Leader: Peter Entwistle, ph 71785
Departs: Probably Friday evening.

# **September 29 Tararuas**

From Mangahao loop around Island Ridge via Dick Creek and Barbor Creek.

Leader: Catherine Farguhar

Grade: Medium
Departs: Sunday 7 a.m.

### **NOTICES:**

# 1/ Change of Address

Dave Barker 113 College Street, Palmerston North Tim Short 79 Churchill Avenue, Palmerston North

# 2/ **New Members** (and resubscribing members)

Philip & Linda Budding
Vaughan & Kathy Crow
Lauri Kennedy
Sue Patterson
Sue and Lawson Pither
Wayne McPherson
Daryl & Linda Rowan
Barry Scott
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105 Clifton Terrace, P.N.
6 Dittmer Drive, P.N.
59 Manawatu Street, P.N.
105 Slacks Road, P.N.
110 Manawatu Street, P.N.
45 Buick Crescent, P.N.

# 3/ New Zealand Alpine Calendars

A bulk order for these Calendars is being sent off immediately after next formal Club night (29th August). So all those wanting to obtain copies at the full discount price of \$7.65 instead of \$9.95 retail price, should contact Peter Clough by then, complete with \$1 deposit per copy.

# 4/ Wellington District Walkway Committee

This committee advises the New Zealand Walkways Commission on the creation and management of Walkways (such as Beehive Creek) in the Wellington Land District. Peter Clough from our Club has received the nomination of Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand to represent recreational interests on this committee, and he will be pleased to talk to other members about Walkways and their function.

### TRIP REPORTS:

(We're a bit short on reports this month, so trip leaders, remember to keep them flowing and delegate if need be!).

# July 6 - 7 Introduction to Snowcraft

At some crazy hour of Saturday morning 14 people met at Supersave, then headed for the sun & snow of Ruapehu. By 9.30 after meeting 4 more people and going as far as we could by car along the Tukino road, we set off on foot along the round the mountain track for Rangipo Hut. Once there what began as a snack turned into lunch and then ice axes in hand we headed off up the mountain to find some suitable snow. In groups of 2 or 3 under the eye of our 'instructors' we were explained how to hold and use an ice axe) walk in the snow and then when we found a suitably steep rock free slope (out of the wind) we learnt how to self arrest our simulated falls - in a variety of angles!!! We were also told how to, and then practised, step cutting and then climbed up onto the ridge overlooking the Whangaehu Stream and the N.Z.A.C. Hut precariously positioned above. After wandering back to the hut, the usual cooking and eating of tea followed and most of us were dead to the world fairly soon after!!

Next morning dawned bright and clear and when everyone got organised we carried on round the mountain track to the Wahianoa Stream, and then continued up stream as far as we could. The clear day meant we had superb views of the mountain and its peaks. Our journey upstream was eventually stopped by a waterfall in a cave-like spot surrounded by high cliffs covered in ice formations – a really beautiful spot which had cameras clicking. We then headed back downstream part way and climbed up from the valley to the ridge above. The wind which had come up meant we didn't hang around for long and we went on back to the hut to collect our gear and then began the walk back to the cars. We left the mountain just as the weather began to pack in and headed back to a typical Palmerston winters day. Our thanks to Trevor for all his work in organising the weekend and also to the 2 Daves', John, Roger and Trevor for their instruction.

Those attending: Arthur and Liz Todd, Sarah Godfrey, Geoff Hull, John Thompson, Micheal Scheyvens, Roger Redmayne, Sue Patterson, Daryn Scott, Trevor Bissell, Dave Barker, Merrick Mitchell, John Barkla, Dave Crawford.

# July 21 A Gorgeous Day Trip

Things did not bode well as we headed off in the general direction of Ashhurst, lying characteristically under a grey, wet-looking cloud. To our surprise, however, our destination, the Manawatu Gorge Scenic Reserve, was relatively dry and sheltered from the strong southerly winds. We entered the reserve via a stream at the Ashhurst end and, once on top, found a track reasonably well marked.

From a few vantage points we could look out over the Gorge, and could see that Ashhurst remained 'under the weather', but most of the way the track was sheltered in the bush, which was rich in plant species. Two of our party turned back half-way to fetch the cars to the other end, while the rest of us emerged by the Woodville bridge on the main road after about five hours tramping. An interesting and useful local tramp.

We were: John Barkla, Peter Clough, Terry Crippen, Julian Dalefield, Trish Eder, Catherine Farquhar, Murray Jensen, and Doug Strachan.

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