



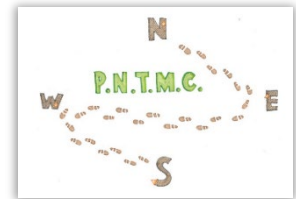
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Newsletter July 2020

Welcome back to the first of our 'normal' monthly newsletters.

During the past few months with the country in lockdown for Covid-19, we held off on these newsletters and replaced them by the weekly PNTMC NEWS. Thanks to all those who contributed to these. They can be found under 'News' on the club website <https://www.pntmc.org.nz/news/>. Special thanks to Minami Strachan for the logo for the news, Doug Strachan his idioms (see below for a selection of his best) and Warren Wheeler for his quizzes (Did you spot the obvious mistake in the quiz in the last PNTMC NEWS? It should be Lake Surprise not Sudden Lake).



Now that the club is resuming normal activities, monthly newsletters will be the norm again.



Heading home in late afternoon on Mangahuia, down to Rangiwahia Hut and out by torchlight, Ruahine Forest Park. Pic: Warren Wheeler

Club Nights

Club nights are held on the second and last Thursday of the month at the Society of Friends Hall, 227 College Street, Palmerston North. Doors open 7.15 pm for a cuppa before start at 7.30pm. All welcome.

9th July

Golden Days of Matukutuki & Hermitage

Catherine Jackson

Come and hear a biography of a young woman's mountaineering achievements in the 1940's and 50's illustrated with historical photographs of the Matukituki and Hermitage area.

30 July

Beyond Snowcraft

Dieter Stalmann

Dieter will describe, by means of a slideshow, the journey from attending a snowcraft course a few years ago to being able to apply the skills learnt when climbing Mount Taranaki or Ruapehu.

Notices

Subscriptions due

At the AGM we agreed to keep the subs the same as last year. Please pay ASAP to ensure you receive your FMC Card (and the latest FMC Backcountry bulletin).

Subscription	Individual	Family*
eSub (on-line newsletter)	\$35	\$40
Full Sub (hard-copy newsletter)	\$45	\$50

* add \$15 for an additional FMC Card

Payments can be made via on-line banking to PNTMC 030 726 0485 393 00
OR cash to Warren Wheeler at a Club Night
OR cheque to PNTMC, PO Box 1217,
Palmerston North 4440.

Doc Edge Festival

New Zealand's first digital international film festival is the Documentary Edge Film Festival. The programme has been announced. Browse the full line-up of 83 of the world's best documentary feature films and shorts at <https://festival.docedge.nz/>

DOC Annual Hut Passes

A reminder that anybody with a current hut pass over the lockdown period you can get two extra months added to that pass. Roy Rolston called into the local DOC office and got this done with no problem. They said he was the very first to do so he thought it would be worth reminding club members that this is available.

NZ Mountain Film Festival

Shows are offered online through Vimeo. You need to sign in or join vimeo, search and purchase the film festival either by each at US\$6 or the whole series for US \$14.95 (about NZ\$28). Once you have booked your Online Festival Pass you will have from June 26 to July 26 to watch them at any time you choose, as many times as you like (on one device). <https://www.mountainfilm.nz/online-festival/>

Videos from Roy Ralston

See the links below:

- a new tramping video Roy made recently. While it's not a club trip, it's a trip with his group of Old Dogs and as the title suggests it's a video straight after our drop to level two. <https://youtu.be/k3AvoPgk-sw>

- an updated improved version of the Old Dog Tararua Crossing earlier this year. <https://youtu.be/hVDsOOHpuC4>
- the Club trip to Cattle Ridge earlier this year <https://youtu.be/hVDsOOHpuC4>

Upcoming Trips

4/5 July (Best Weather Day)

Wharite E/M
Warren Wheeler 356 1998

Starting from the Coppermine Creek carpark just north of Woodville, this is a popular track that takes us up to the high telecom tower on Wharite peak. Enjoy the grunt, the mud, the forest, the views, the cool air and warm company before heading back the same way. Depart 8.00am from Milverton Park.

Sat 11th July E/M

A-frame Shelter
Michelle Benton 027 355 2532
Contact Michelle for more details

18/19 July (Best Weather Day)

Rangi-Deadmans M
Kathy Corner 356 8186

Deadman's loop is one of my favourite walks in the Ruahines It is a 7 to 8 hour walk starting at the Rangi Car Park It involves a long climb to the tops followed by brief tramp on the tops then a decent down the ridge to Rangi Hut This tramp needs good weather and warm clothes are essential We can always just go to Rangi Hut if the weather is not so good.

Sat 25th July

Levin Trig E/M
Woody Lee 357 2390 or 021 0444 552

An easy winter destination to outside Levin and this popular track in Kohitere Forest is both for walkers and bikers. We will have a morning tea break overlooking Lake Horowhenua at Arapaepae Lookout and then visit the mobile phone tower next to Trig (377m). Depart 8am from Milverton Park.

1/2 August (Best Weather Day)

Beach Walk M
Janet Wilson 329 4722

A continuation of the journey South from the Manawatu River - This beach walk will take us along the coast from Hokio Beach (where my last beach walk ended) to Waikawa Beach or

possibly Otaki Beach if people are keen. The direction of travel will be determined by the direction of the wind on the day. We will need to do a car shuffle or do a shorter walk and double back. If we can't cross the Ohau river we will definitely need to double back! Depart PN 7.30am.

8-9th August **All**
Mid-Winter Social at Pohangina Base

Janet Wilson **329 4722**

Based at DOC's old field centre, Pohangina Base, this is a social weekend with a shared pot-luck dinner on Saturday evening. Beds available – first in for these. The cost is \$20 each for the weekend.

There are local walks to do, including down to the river via an old track. On Sunday, the plan is to go up Takapari Road (if we can find enough suitable 4WD vehicles) and check out the improvements to the A-frame Shelter. Option of bringing a mountain bike and biking back down Takapari Road.

More details to follow - please let Janet know if you are interested in coming along.

New Members

Welcome to Adele Singleton – we look forward to getting out on trips with you now that we are back in action!

Trip Reports

Tutuwai Hut **21 – 22 March 2020**

Trip Leader: Ernie Cook
Report by Nicola Wallace

We arrived at the Waiohine Gorge road end to find about 15 cars already there, and we set off from our cars at about 9.45am. So other people wanted to escape Covid madness as well! We were to do this tramp in a loop, and first tackled the steep descent into Coal Stream. On the ascent on the other side, a rock was dislodged by someone ahead, and it whacked into the side of my right knee. At first the pain was so bad I couldn't stand, but after a few minutes rest I was good to go, a purple bruise already appearing.

It was a warm climb up the hill, and on the way up Woody found a native orchid, an Easter Orchid. Just before we met up with the Mt Reeves track we had a leisurely morning tea, then out into the sunshine, and soon after, the plaque that marks the centre of NZ. This is set in at ground level and made a great photo spot for Warren. It was a very sunny and warm day, and we decided to delay lunch so we could eat on Mt Reeves. The view from Mt Reeves was stunning, but the Wairarapa looked very dry, the hills and plains a parched yellow. With appetites satisfied, Warren encouraged us into some navigation practice before we carried on.

Walking was now on a gentle descent in the hot sun, till we got into the bush, and descended to the hut. About 4 people were already in residence, but for Lawrence, Jo, Warren and me, it was straight down to the river for a dip, with the water chilly but pleasantly refreshing. The evening was so pleasant that I stayed down by the river till it was getting dark, and watched the hunters returning sans meat from their forays.

During the night it began raining, and the next morning was pouring. Ernie sensibly declared we would delay our departure, and as if it was doing it just for us, at 9am the rain stopped. We set off at about 10am, in sunshine! The pleasant walk in the dappled light was made more interesting by the sight of the river as a raging brown torrent. After negotiating a messy slip, we arrived at Cone Hut, which now has a wooden floor and a new woodshed. After stopping for lunch just past the 682 m high point on the way back, we arrived at the cars at about 2.30pm. I had found the temperature very hot as we descended.

We made a food stop in Carterton on the way back. We were on the brink of Covid madness. The next day when I went to the library to type up this report, we were in Level 3 and the shutdown had started. 2 days later, Level 4 followed.

Many thanks to Ernie for leading this tramp, Lawrence and Jo for driving me there, and the others for their good company.

We were: Ernie, Lawrence, Jo, Woody, Warren, Mary and Nicola.

Holdsworth/Gentle Annie Saddle Trip

Sunday 21 June 2020

Report by Adele Singleton

Pics by Warren Wheeler

I was picked up on the side of the road by Warren, and Mary. It had been a long time since I'd been in a car much the same age as me, Warren's 1970's Renault. The car trip transported me back to childhood, bouncing around on the back seat, sans seatbelt, rounding the corners of the Pahiatua Track. I was looking forward to visiting the Tararua range on the Wairarapa side, as I hadn't been there before.



All smiles despite the drizzle at Historic Sign on Gentle Annie Saddle Loop, Holdsworth, Tararua Forest Park.

It was cloudy, grey drizzling as we left the car park. The river was rushing and noisy as we crossed the foot bridge. At the first signpost, Warren took us left on the path up to Holdsworth Lookout, a steady, steep climb past Pa Punanga. Warren had described us as being on one of his infamous "Warren's adventures", and I realised we might have quite different definitions of Easy Tramp! We stopped at the lookout for morning tea. The cloud, continuous rain and steamy glasses meant there wasn't a lot to see, but it was a welcome break.



Holdsworth Lookout - no views today

After more climbing, we saw lots of interesting fungi, a few that looked like purple pebbles, and a jelly like one attached to a tree. Also swathes of kidney fern, our favourite fern. We stopped for lunch, eating sandwiches in the rain on the Gentle Annie Saddle.



Weird squidgy fungi

We decided to take a short cut from the saddle and follow a contour down to the stream. Except it turned into a long cut as we started climbing again! Eventually we met up with the historic Holdsworth track which was a bit overgrown and slippery, so it was good to soon come out on the main track, which took us to Rocky Lookout. Again, not much to see in the drizzle and cloud, but we had it all to ourselves, as we hadn't come across any other trampers in this weather! Despite the weather, the ferns and bush was beautiful!



Rocky Lookout on main Gentle Annie Track

From here it was an easy walk back down to the carpark, on the wide track. We even met some other walkers heading up despite the less than perfect weather. We stopped in Masterton at a bakery still open on a Sunday afternoon for a well-earned pie and coffee. Thanks to Warren for the trip.

We were Mary Li, Warren Wheeler and Adele Singleton.

Palmerston North Tramping and Mountaineering Club
President's Report
June 2020

Presented at the AGM 25th June

Our club strives to provide a platform for people interested in tramping and climbing to meet, discuss, plan and participate in tramping and climbing related activities. Another goal is to introduce people to new outdoor experiences. Above all, we hope that somehow in all this we have a lot of fun. We achieve our goals through club nights, trips and instruction, and our success can be measured in part by these activities: it is on these outward signs that I focus. It is my pleasure to present the 54th President's report.

Membership

The membership of our club is generally quite stable from year to year. The membership for 2019-2020 is about 75 (depending on how you count it). This number includes 4 new individual members and two new family members.

Sadly, the club lost the life member Terry Crippen. Terry made many substantial contributions to the club over several decades and his loss is keenly felt. Our February 2020 newsletter contains a number of articles about Terry (farewells and memories).

Activities

This year the club has been engaged in many activities including a range of evening talks, club trips and instruction focussed activities.

Club Evenings:

Each year our club manages somehow to get a wonderful variety of talks about places all over the globe leavened with local trips. This year was no exception. It seems that we travel everywhere. We had quite a high number of European adventure talks including three cycling talks, Via Ferrata, and Norway. We also heard about Mustang Valley in the Himalaya, Zion (USA), Korea, Japan, and Western Australia among other places.

An important part of our club talks is to present local adventures and information/instruction of interest to the club. We enjoyed talks about Lewis and Arthurs Passes, and "Our Back Door" among others. In addition, we had a introduction to the NZ Bird Atlas project followed by a field trip on the weekend.

Club nights were also used for other social activities. In particular we had two end of year BBQ's, two BYO slide nights, and a night on navigation. The club photo competition was held in August and well subscribed by members. A special thanks goes to Martin Lawrence for helping to organize the images and judge Harley Betts. The results are summarised in the October newsletter. The winners went on to the interclub competition held in September, where we made a respectable show (November newsletter). Well done PNTMC photographers.

Thanks are given to all the speakers and organizers of these nights. A special thanks to Warren Wheeler for organizing these club nights and to Penny Abercrombie for always making sure we had tea and biscuits. It is surely a good sign that we can consistently field such a spectrum of social activities.

Club Trips:

A considerable suite of tramps/climbs was offered to cater to the diverse interests of members. Activities included long and short trips in the Ruahine and Tararua ranges, climbing/tramping trips in Tongariro and Egmont National Parks.

Trips were also made the Kawekas and Kaimanawas among other places. The trip activities included mountaineering, beach walking, farm walks, mountain biking, and, of course, tramping.

Here are some quick statistics thanks to Warren:

1. The average number of people on day trips was 5.2, and on overnight trips 4.8 (last year the averages were 6.8 and 4.2 respectively).
2. There were 93 programmed trips, of which 25% DNG (22% Day, 27% overnight). Last year we had 32% DNG (24% day, 45% overnight).
3. Of those 70 trips that went 43% went to the Ruahines, 26% Tarauas and 31% elsewhere.
4. The Snowcraft courses had 11 students on SC1 and 10 on the combined SC2&3.
5. The Beginner trips 1,2 and 3 had 17, 15, 14 people.
6. the Coastal Classic and Mid Winter Celebrations, both had 12 people, and Woody's Arapuke day trip in May had 11 people.

Thanks are due to all the trip leaders, who made these trips possible. Special thanks are due to Anne Lawrence and Janet Wilson, who organized the trip card. It is no small feat to gather trip leaders and craft a trip programme that balances easy, moderate, fit trips along with day and overnight trips.

Instruction:

A key rôle of the club is to teach people tramping and climbing skills. This year we had scheduled three Snowcraft courses on Ruapehu; however, the weather forced us to combine the Snowcraft 2 and 3 courses. These courses were held over two weekends with tolerable weather for instruction. From the above trip stats one sees that these courses were well subscribed. We were operating at about our maximum capacity for instruction. The popularity of these courses seems fairly constant and we see that our contribution to alpine instruction is valued throughout the region. Over the last decade fewer clubs are offering courses of this nature and this is doubtless producing a higher demand for our courses.

I thank Dieter Stalman for all his work organizing the Snowcraft courses and help with instruction. I also thank and Grant Christian for not only offering his help with trip leadership and instruction, but also the job of gear management (no small task). I would also like to thank Malcolm Leary, Dwight Swainson, Graeme Richards and Peter Darragh for all their help and enthusiasm with instruction. A special thanks to Sue Pither for the use of her house over these weekends.

The club ran three "Beginners Tramps" to introduce (or acquaint) people to tramping in the local hills. The tramps were carefully chosen and very popular. Thanks to Anne Lawrence and her helpers for this success!

The club also had a navigation instruction night in February. Thanks to Warren for organizing and running this course.

These activities are a success because our members take their own time to contribute their knowledge and enthusiasm.

Newsletter

The newsletter is a lasting document of our activities. I am happy to see again that this publication is growing from strength to strength. We have consistently produced a balanced newsletter with variety, good photographs, and useful news. It is here you can find news on trips, trip reports, recipes, gossip, book reviews, among other items. It is a big job editing this newsletter and we owe Warren Wheeler and Anne Lawrence a big thanks. I would also like to thank the numerous writers and photographers that help make this a success.

Website

The PNTMC website is the "public face" of the club. This website has been constructed over several years and has become a valuable resource for members and the public. The website now contains a lot of archival material along with other material.

More and more this site is becoming a one stop place to learn about the club and access material such as newsletters, hut information, contacts. There are other resources such as photos and Tony's Tarauas.

The construction, maintenance and updating of this site is largely the effort of the webmasters Peter Wiles and Martin Lawrence. We owe them a big thanks for all of this hard work putting PNTMC on the cyber map and keeping it there.

Our Huts

Our club is responsible for the upkeep of Ngamoko and Mid Pohangina huts. We have taken this obligation seriously and have had several visits to the huts with a view towards keeping these huts tidy and useable. Some visits have been integrated into club trips, others have been linked with activities such as stoat trapping. One need only turn to the newsletters to get a flavour of what is being done for these huts by club members and their friends. We maintain a hut maintenance fund (for Mid Pohangina and Ngamoko) that is growing through hut fees and poster sales.

Community and Outside Activities

Several of our members engaged in activities related to tramping that helped the community. We have members contributing their time and experience to SAR and FMC activities among other things. Thanks to everybody for these wonderful contributions. Here, I wish to note more specifically the following activities:

1. **Whio Protection:** Our membership is involved significantly in Whio Protection thanks largely to the prodigious efforts of Janet Wilson. The newsletter and trip card reflect the efforts of members in addition to a lot of work that went unrecorded (by us at least). Our club has a solid corps of helpers with the trap lines.
2. **Ruahine User Group:** This group deals with matters of great interest to our club. It is important that we have some presence here. Thanks again to Janet Wilson for her participation with this group and keeping PNTMC abreast of developments that impact tramping in the Ruahines. Certainly a highlight of this year was the opening of the new Iron Gates hut.

Acknowledgements

We all know that it is the members of a club that makes it what it is. Our success this year is due the efforts of the members. It is to them that I give thanks first.

Although administration is seldom a glamorous task, this work needs to be done to ensure a smooth running club. The committee has been instrumental in the operation of the club. This group met monthly to discuss all matters pertaining to the running of the club and helped plan various strategies for the club's direction. It is from this group, for example, that a programme of speakers and the trip cards come into being and decisions on gear purchases are made. This is where, as a club, we respond to various proposals from DoC and suggestions from the FMC.

I gratefully acknowledge the enormous help given to me by all the members of the committee: thank you Warren Wheeler, Janet Wilson, Martin Lawrence, Anne Lawrence, Graeme Richards and Penny Abercrombie. A special thanks also to Don French, who reviewed our accounts.

Lockdown

This year has been anomalous owing to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our AGM was originally scheduled for 26 March, 2020, which more or less corresponded to the beginning of the Lockdown. As a result, we had to postpone the AGM and election of officers and committee until June. It was decided that the existing committee would carry on the "club business" until an AGM could be arranged.

Although the President's report would normally cover the activities of the club up to the scheduled AGM in March, it seems fitting to extend this report to cover the last few months as I remained President through this period.

The nature of the Lockdown makes reporting on this further period not too onerous. Briefly, the club responded quickly to the situation. Club nights were cancelled along with trips. Here, I would like to thank Peter Wiles and Janet Wilson among others for rapidly getting the news to members via the

web and e-mail. The very nature of our club involves travel and social activities: this lockdown was a trying time for the club as a whole and its members individually. Part of the problem was the uncertainty surrounding the extent of the pandemic and the length of the lockdown. It is difficult to plan too far ahead under these circumstances. I believe we did all that could be done under these circumstances. As we return to “normal” I note that our club has a strong and dedicated membership. We want to get back to business!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Anne Lawrence for producing special editions of the newsletter during the Lockdown. These newsletters helped us keep connected with the club and updated with relevant information. I would also like to thank all the contributors to this special series, and finally to thank Minami for her artwork.

Bruce van Brunt,
President PNTMC
23 June 2020.

Idioms (thanks to Doug)

In response to a number of requests, here is Doug’s selection of his best 80 idioms ... most are from PNTMC NEWS with a few taken from ‘Old Boots and Packs’.

1. Snowed under: not busy, hut bound
2. Take it or leave it: the question you repeatedly ask yourself when packing for a trip.
3. Take someone down a peg: a prank you play on people when they’re in their tent.
4. The buck stops here: the altitude above which you won’t encounter male deer.
5. No strings attached: tents on sale at 10% discount.
6. We go back a long way: bragging about the epic trips you do deep into the mountains.
7. Wear your heart on your sleeve: use one of those heart rate monitors while tramping.
8. Throw in the towel: chuck a towel in the boot in case there’s a swim after the tramp.
9. Make a mountain out of a molehill: What Warren does when he leads a trip to K2 and Mt Cook (The ones near Bainesse).
10. To pull yourself together: to tighten the shoulder and waist straps on your pack.
11. The long and the short of it: drawing straws to see who has to put the billy on.
12. Show someone the ropes: proving that you’re carrying your share of party gear.
13. Make an ass of yourself: carry someone else’s pack for them.
14. Read between the lines: reading a topo map with contour and grid lines on it.
15. You scratch my back I’ll scratch yours: a threat you make to a trumper following too close behind you with a leki pole.
16. To be well off: to be all the way down off the mountain.
17. Baby Boomer: a kakapo chick.
18. To lead someone up the garden path: a tramp you do during lockdown.
19. Overwork: Had enough of work, as in “I’m over work, I’m going tramping”.
20. The Lone Ranger: a DOC ranger practising social distancing.
21. To go viral: to go tramping even though you tested positive for COVID-19.
22. The guy’s a legend: he knows what all the symbols on a topo map mean.
23. Like water off a duck’s back: enjoy drinking untreated water.
24. Tear along the dotted line: to drive at high speed to get to the road end to start tramping.
25. It’s not my cup of tea: denying that the tea that spilt on the map was yours.
26. The greenhouse effect: not being able to find the hut because you assumed it would be orange.
27. Test tube baby: beautiful model trying out a new sleeping bag.
28. Stepmother: that mother of a step you encounter when they are built too far apart.
29. One in a million: a map that doesn’t show much detail.
30. Have a lightbulb moment: when you grope around in the dark for the light switch before realising you’re in a hut.
31. Stagflation: hunters telling tall tales when trampers ask them how it’s going.
32. Social climber: someone who climbs just for fun and is unconcerned about getting higher.
33. A tall order: that massive ice cream you get after a tramp.

34. Bear necessities: things like pepper spray you need when tramping in the US.
35. Suspension of disbelief: that incredible swing bridge that even the brave fear to cross.
36. Propaganda tool: binoculars.
37. Pull your horns in: what you say to successful hunters you pass on narrow tracks.
38. Put in your two cents worth: what you do when the decision is made to combine dinners in one billy.
39. Silly billy: a billy that is too small, doesn't have a flat bottom or has an ill-fitting lid.
40. To look like you've been dragged through a hedge backwards: bushbasher
41. Pour cold water on an idea: go ahead with the tramp despite an atrocious weather forecast.
42. Go the whole nine yards: decide to take a whole roll of toilet paper, despite the extra weight.
43. To make hay while the sun shines: to have your priorities wrong as it's good tramping weather.
44. To cut the mustard: to omit mustard from your sandwich to reduce the weight you carry.
45. The track's as crooked as a dog's hind leg: a fairly straight track, like the foreleg of a female deer that a dog has.
46. I've had it up to here with you: gesticulating and reminding fellow trumper how deep the water was when crossing the river together in the past.
47. Throw a wobbly: to jump up and down and swing a bridge from side to side when someone else is trying to cross it.
48. Add insult to injury: when Search & Rescue save injured trampers and then tell them they were bloody idiots for having the wrong gear, no PLB, and doing a trip beyond their ability.
49. Here today, gone tomorrow: a lazy hut book entry.
50. To get cold feet: happens to those who don't bail out of winter trips.
51. Pass with flying colours: when flamboyant trampers who rush past wearing psychedelic longjohns.
52. Let your mind wander: let your mind go on a virtual tramp during lockdown.
53. Fiddler on the roof: that mischievous kea on the hut roof.
54. The final countdown: how many trampers are left once you get down off the mountain.
55. A valid point: a peak high enough to be counted in a hut bagging competition.
56. Rough draft: buffeting, gale force winds.
57. Fit like a glove: when you're so fit it's as if you have 5 legs.
58. Scream blue murder: yell out that you're going to kill Blue if he doesn't stop barking.
59. Jump to a conclusion: try to jump across a deep chasm and fail.
60. Give up hope: reassure people they can make it up the steep track.
61. The more things change, the more they stay the same: this refers to changeable weather.
62. Personal protective equipment (PPE): gaiters, boots, hat, gloves, sunglasses, sunscreen, raincoat, longjohns, tent etc
63. Tail end Charlie: give the trumper in front of you a Charlie in their rear end.
64. To wipe something off the map: a good thing to do, so you can read the map easily.
65. Find your feet: often happens when there's something in your boots, so you take them off to see what it is.
66. Just cause: a lame answer given when asked "why didn't you bring a raincoat?"
67. To kiss and make up: A rock-climbing manoeuvre using mouth suction to gain height.
68. To get the sack/boot from work: Picking up some tramping gear you left at work.
69. Cross a bridge before you come to it: Trace your finger over the route on the map.
70. Down and out: Returned from the mountains.
71. Give someone a hard time: Take someone rock-climbing.
72. Our relationship is on the rocks: We're rock-climbing partners.
73. Vicious circle: A very challenging loop track.
74. Bi-polar disorder: a) Both tent poles in disarray. b) Trouble using your compass.
75. The Orient: act of orienting the map in an overly ceremonious manner.
76. To pull the wool over someone's eyes: help someone put on a balaclava.
77. To go through the motions: Inspect animal droppings to determine what the animal ate.
78. Get down to business: What you do before going through the motions.
79. Down in the dumps: A sign that an animal has been eating birds.
80. To turn over a new leaf: continue blazing a trail.



Ready to get out there.... Pic taken during Lockdown by Warren Wheeler

Who Has Done What 2019-20 Compiled by Warren Wheeler

Below is the “Who Has Done What” list for May 2019 to March 2019. It is an attempt to keep a record of what club members get up to (the cumulative list now goes back to April 2000); and to enthuse people to do different trips.

It is also a list of who to contact for info about different places. It follows the same format as previous years: i.e. it excludes the usual shorter Tararua, Ruahine, TNP, ENP etc trips; and concentrates on trips further afield, overseas, and multi-day trips.

The listings are both private trips done by club members and longer club trips. Note that only members and past members names are listed (plus some others), so a single name doesn't necessary imply a solo trip. As usual it is biased towards what club members have told me they have done. So, no doubt, there are many brilliant trips omitted.

NP = National Park

FP = Forest Park

CP/CA = Conservation Park/Area

WHEN	AREA	TRIP	ASCENTS	CLUB Members & others
left out from earlier years				
February 2018	Tasmania	Freysinet, Bay of Fire, Cradle Mtn	Amos	Bruce van Brunt, Ian Henderson
May-June 2019	Europe	Cycle touring on Eurovelo 6 from Nantes to Budapest		Kathy Corner and John
June	Croatia	Island hopping the coast of Croatia from Ryjeka to Dubrovnik		Kathy Corner and John
July-August	UK	UK highlights included walking some of the Pennine Way in the Peak District, walking in the Shropshire hills, biking the Thames path into London, biking the Kennet and Avon canal from Reading to Bath and walking along the Devon Coast.		Kathy Corner and John
September	Spain	Southern Spain visiting Granada Córdoba and Seville, walking in the Sierra Nevada.		Kathy Corner and John
	Morocco	10 days in Morocco including a 5 day guided hike in the Atlas Mountains.		Kathy Corner and John
September	Arthurs Pass NP	Avalanche Peak-Rolleston	Avalanche Peak, some of Rolleston.	Malcolm Leary and Chris Rayner
November	SW Australia	Meelup walk from Dunsborough, then Cape to Cape		Anne & Martin Lawrence
January 2020	Mt Cook NP	Nuns Veil - Sealy	Mt Sealy, most of Nuns Veil.	Malcolm Leary, Grant Christian
Summer	Kaweka FP	8 trips including Kaweka traverse from Porunui (car shuttle required, so did with 1 other), Tussock Hut return on the KK traverse (FE overnigher), Mangaturutu loop from NE corner (M overnigher), Te Puke via Mangaturutu from NE corner (FE overnigher), Manson Loop from Lakes carpark (3day), Kaiarahi as day walk from Lakes carpark.	Various	Catherine Jackson (solo mostly)
March 2020	Kaikoura-Lewis Pass	12 day trip before COVID lockdown		Anthony Behrens, Fiona Burleigh



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