



# PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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## **ENQUIRES CONCERNING OVERDUE TRIPS**

**(N.B.** Work numbers are for emergency use only)

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## **UNSCHEDULED TRIPS**

Frequently unscheduled trips are organized by members at short notice. If you find yourself at a loose end as the weekend approaches and wish to go on a tramp other than the official scheduled trip, then phone either Terry Crippen (63-588) or Vaughan and Kathy Crow (85-569) who may be able to put you in touch with other like minded individuals. For a day's rock climbing, contact Mike Freeman (88-720).

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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Further notice is hereby given that the A.G.M. of the P.N.T.M.C. will be held on Thursday 25 March, 1982 commencing at 7.45pm in the Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College Street, Palmerston North.

Nominations for the positions of Patron, President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor and not less than five committee members are required.

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## **COMING TRIPS**

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.

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## **25 February Club Night – Members' Slide Evening**

A chance to show your own slides and hear of the various activities over the holiday period. Those who have undertaken major trips are asked to save their slides for a formal presentation at a Club night later in the year.

At the Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College Street, commencing at 7.45pm. All welcome.

**SUPPER DUTIES:** Ruth Gordon, Owen Gurr, Ken & Rosemary Hall.

**26 - 28 February – Caving at Waitomo**

Full details were given in the last newsletter.

Leader: Susan Cade, 88-241  
 Cost: \$20.25 (transport & accommodation)  
 Departs: 6pm Friday night  
 Returns: Late on Sunday night

**28 February – Orienteering**

For details of this Red Kiwi Orienteering Club event in a pine forest near Bulls, contact Kevin Pearce (70-217).

**4 March – Committee Meeting**

At Peter Wiles place, 5 Rongopai Street (off Roy Street) 7.45pm Thursday.

**5 - 7 March – Rock Climbing – Whanganui, West Taupo**

Come to Taupo while summer lasts. There are all grades of climbing - easy to hard. Also trout fishing, swimming.

Leader: Mike Freeman, 88-720  
 Grade: All welcome  
 Cost: \$14  
 Departs: 6.30pm Friday evening

**9 March – Palmerston North Land Search & Rescue Advisory Committee Annual General Meeting**

7.30 p.m. Tuesday at the Police station, in the In Service Training Room.

**11 March – Informal Club Night**

Kevin will be organising a street and park orienteering event. No previous experience is necessary. Bring running shoes, pencil and compass.

7. 30pm Thursday at the Society of Friends meeting rooms.

**12 - 14 March – Kawhatau – Lake Colenso, Ruahines**

Going in from the west - Mokai Patea, Maropea, Remutupo. Good tops and river travel. Also possible Sunday day trip.

Leader: Trevor Bissell, 73-543  
 Grading: Fit (Day trip - easy)  
 Cost: \$7  
 Departs: 6.30pm Friday night

**14 March – Orienteering**

For details of this Red Kiwi Orienteering Club event at Camp Kilsby, Linton, contact Kevin Pearce (70-217).

**18 March – Deadline for Names for Nelson Lakes Easter Trip**

Details below.

20 March - Closing Date for Fletcher Marathon

**19 – 20 - 21 March – Tararua Middle Crossing**

We intend to cross from Masterton to Levin via Mitre Flats, South King, Dorset Creek and the Main Range. Storm gear and torch essential. Offers of transport welcome.

Leader: Kevin Pearce, 70-217  
 Grading: F.E.  
 Cost: Depends upon transport arrangements.  
 Departs: Friday evening

**21 March – Ohau River – Western Tararuas**

A nice pleasant day trip to the Ohau river area.

Names to: Kevin Pearce, 70-217  
 Grading: Easy  
 Cost: \$3.00  
 Departs: 7.00am Sunday

**25 March – Annual General Meeting**

An important night in the Club's affairs. Members should give some thought to the composition of the new committee.

**27 - 28 March – Waiohine – Totara Flats – Neill Forks**

River and ridge travel in the Eastern Tararuas, swims and sunshine. Possible Sunday day trip also.

Leader: Carol Cullen, 68-664  
 Grading: Fit  
 Cost: \$6.00  
 Departs: 6am Saturday

**4 April – Diggers Hut – South Western Ruahines**

Pleasant Sunday day trip in the bush and river with swims and sunshine.

Leader: Lorraine Tremaine, 80-971  
 Grading: Easy  
 Cost: \$2.00  
 Departs: 6.30am Sunday

**9 – 13 April – Easter Nelson Lakes – South Island**

Come to the beautiful South Island for Easter, taking Tuesday off, five days. Into the Lake Rotoroa, Sabine, Durville area. We need to know numbers definitely by 18 March (3 weeks in advance).

Names to: Trevor Bissell, 73-543  
 Leader needed please.  
 Cost: About \$50 - \$60 includes transport and ferry across to South Island  
 Grade: Medium  
 Depart: pm Thursday, arrive back midnight Tuesday.

**10 - 11 April – Day Trip Oroua River**

For those who can't get away for all of Easter. Good river travel and swims. Still warm enough?

Leader: Vaughan Crow, 86-569  
 Grading: Easy  
 Cost: \$3.00  
 Departs: 6.30 a.m. Saturday or Sunday

**16 - 18 April – Abort-A-Contorta – Tongariro National Park**

Our chance to do our bit for the environment, getting rid of Pinus contorta which is spreading into the park from state forests onto Ruapehu. The T.N. Park Board, N.Z.F.S. and tramping clubs have a continuing programme to get rid of these trees. We went two years ago, so it's our turn again.

Leader: Terry Crippen, 63-588  
 Grading: Everybody welcome, the more the better  
 Cost: Depends on whether we get petrol moneys refunded, otherwise \$5.00  
 Departs: 6.30 p.m. Friday

**NOTICES**

1. Please note Mike Freeman's new home phone number, 88-720.
2. The Committee have advised the Retailers Association of the Club's opposition to late night Thursday shopping which conflicts with our Club Nights.
3. The Hutt Valley Tramping Club has a new P.O. Box number viz 30-883, Lower Hutt.
4. Knitted homespun woollen mitts, hat or balaclava can be knitted and purchased for \$7 each by writing to D. Ellis, 50B Harris Street, Marton.

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**NEWS**

In November, Alan Dunn, Craig Baird, Jo Eder, Julian Dalefield, and Irene O'Connell went into the Nelson Lakes area, Durville and Sabine Valleys crossing Moss Pass and Robert Ridge.

During December-January Terry Crippen, Peter Wiles and two others climbed Mt D'Archiac from the Forbes valley traversing the East and North Ridge. They also climbed Cloudy Peak and investigated Gunn Pass.

Terry Crippen, Daryl Rowan, Carol Cullen, did a Young, Siberia, Wilkin and East Matukituki trip in Aspiring National Park, crossing Rabbitt Pass.

Roddy Henderson, Linda Keall and others were also in the Wilkin area on a gourmet exploration of the Siberia and North and South Wilkin.

Trevor Bissell and his brothers from Hoki together with Damiene Eder and Sally Hewson were tramping on the West Coast in the Toaroha, Mungo, Hokitika and Whitcombe Valleys crossing Toaroha and Frews Saddles.

Peter Darragh, Lucy Davies, Diane Stanely and Nick Bishop (PNTMC-ChCh) did a Dart-Rees trip in Aspiring National Park, also going onto the Whitborne Glacier.

Keith Pollock, Dot Brown, Kevin Pearce and one other, visited the Havelock headwaters and climbed Onlooker and visited Hidden Col.

Back in the North Island, Peter Clough, Terry Crippen, Carol Cullen, and Gerald from Australia made up for the Neill Forks – Totara Flats weekend trip not going by doing a day Rangi – Howletts crossing in excellent weather. There were some exciting acrobatics carried out using Terry's car.

Don French, Nic Bishop, Trevor Bissell and others had a wet trip to the Whataroa-Butler area.