



# PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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PALMERSTON NORTH  
NEWSLETTER

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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.

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## COMING EVENTS:

### 28 June – Formal Club Night – A Kaikoura selection

Slides from the two recent Seaward Kaikoura trips and two earlier (winter) Inland Kaikoura trips.

7.45 p.m. Thursday

227 College Street, Society of Friends Meeting Rooms.

### 30 June - 1 July Ruahines – Buttercup Hollow and beyond

Grade: Medium

Departs: Saturday 8.00 a.m.

### 5 July – Committee Meeting

To be held at 28 Carroll Street. Any club member is welcome to attend.

Beginning at 7.45 p.m.

### 7 – 8 July Tararuas – Otaki Forks area – Kime – Hector – and Penn Creek

Leader: Trevor Bissell ph 73543

Grade: Fit (an easy trip can also be arranged)

Departs: Saturday 7 a.m.

### 12 July – Club Night

Alan Gardner from Ski Scene will be giving an illustrated talk on skiing. Come along and build up enthusiasm for the big snow fall (when it comes!

7.45 p.m. Thursday

227 College Street, Society of Friends Meeting Rooms.

**14 - 15 July Ruahines – Pohangina River**

Names to: Catherine ph 87799  
Departs: Saturday 8 a.m.

**15 July – Day trip to the Ngamoko Range**

Leader: Lorraine ph 61769  
Grade: Easy/Medium  
Departs: Sunday 8 a.m.

**21 July "A Day trip to see what's in behind Old West Road"**

Leader: Trish Eder ph 70217  
Grade: Medium  
Departs: Saturday 8 a.m.

**22 July – Taraua Day Trip to Ohau area**

Leader: Sheena Taylor ph 76665  
Grade: Easy  
Departs: Sunday 8 a.m.

**26 July – Formal Club Night**

The annual debate against M.U.A.C. The topic this year is "Trampers make good citizens". It certainly promises to be a lively debate and audience participation and support is essential. Not a night to be missed.

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

**FUTURE TRIPS:**

**28 - 29 July – Introduction to snowcraft, at Rangipo Hut on Mount Ruapehu.**

For those with little or no snow experience. Contact John Barkla 73543.

**NOTICES:**

1. **New Members**

Wendy Kaandorp	475 Featherston Street	77690
Peter Shelton	12 Keeling Street	8750}
Kirsten Simonsen	28 Carroll Street	73543

2. **Subscriptions**

A reminder that these are now due. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

Family \$15.00  
Senior \$12.00  
Junior \$7.00

3. **Mountain Safety Publications**

Bushcraft Manual \$5.00  
Mountaincraft Manual \$3.00  
First Aid \$4.50

These have been recently revised and are all highly recommended reading. Pack liners are also available at \$2.00. Contact Nigel ph 89043.

4. **Results of Slide Competition**

Natural History:	1st Catherine Farquhar (Behind Waterfall Hut)
	2nd Trish Eder (Scree slide)
Topical:	1st Nigel Seebeck (Belay on Footstool)
	2nd Damienne Eder (Bush choir)
Landscape:	1st Kevin Pearce (Mt Aspiring)
	2nd Daryl Rowan (Beetham Range)

Prints: A small selection of good quality.

5. **Change of Address**

Michelle Hobday  
Anne Murray

42 Epsom Road  
34 Park Road

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR:**

Dear Editor,

With winter upon us for yet another season, it will be trips up the mountains a plenty, both private and club. Each year I do my fair share in transporting keen would be climbers and skiers to the mountains. Being keen as mustard is great but these trips are hard on vehicles and drivers patience.

So this year spare a thought for the vehicle you travel in; your conduct and care will assure that it will be available for the next trip. Remembering to remove your rubbish and muddy boots goes a long way towards cleaning and up keep.

C'mon, lets get climbing and skiing this winter.

D.R. Iver

**TRIP REPORTS:**

**Beach Comber's Delight – 9 June**

People don't normally find turtles on tramping trips and this trip was no exception. However ten minutes of frantic sand-burrowing saw one emerge. This was only the beginning. From this, logically, followed a long jump and Alan's was longest.

A Moro bar was the carrot in the next event, hide and seek. Nanette was not found.

When Himitangi came into view Alan and Nicky returned for the transport. Kevin and Darran bridged the raging torrent and we continued southwards.

Crafty Kevin scuttled off into the dunes – we tracked him but he found us first, our vision obscured by wind blown sand.

Next a sheltered spot for lunch and sand-wiches.

No sooner back on the beach (well on the way to Foxton) when the transport pulled up and returned us to our starting point of Tangimoana. (Some were returned by four wheel drive while others were trailed airborne behind.)

Kevin Pearce, Sheena Taylor, Anne Murray, Alan Good, Nicky, Anne Jaggard, Nanette Clough, Darren Scott, Catherine Farquhar, Michelle Hobday.

**Tongariro – 19 - 20 May**

It was still dark and raining on Saturday morning as we 12 gathered at SuperSave car park.

Several hours later it was on with the woollies and we set off up the Mangetepopo Valley for Ketetahi Hut. Some snow was lying on the saddle and as we crossed the craters in progressively worsening weather.

Mid afternoon we arrived to fill the Hut. Most of us then braved the falling snow and icy wind to retire to the hot pools nearby.

Overnight the wind got stronger and the temperature dropped even further so it was an easy decision as the best (only?) way home. A couple of hours walk to the road end (I think we were blown) and several miles run/walk/hitch to retrieve the vehicle for the homeward drive.

We were: Catherine Farquhar, Linda Russ, Lisa Wong, Kirsten Simonsen, Alan Good, Rachel Beanland, Alan Montgomery, Mark Woodruff, Julian Dalefield, Daryl Rowan, Darran Scott, Irene O'Connor.