



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 FOODTOWN CAR PARK IN FERGUSON STREET. IF YOU WANT TO GO ON A TRIP, PLEASE 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.

Members are reminded that a charge for transport will be collected on the day of the trip, the amount depending on the distance traveled and vehicles used. Leaders should be able to give an estimate in advance.

COMING EVENTS:

24th March - AGM

All members are urged to come along and to have their say in the running of the Club.

Venue: Society of Friends' Meeting Rooms
227 College St, P.N.
Time: 7.45pm

27th March - Kahuterawa Valley

An easy Sunday morning stroll near Palmerston North for a change.

Leader: Ruth Schupbach Ph.80245
Grade: Easy
Departs: Sunday, 9am

26-27th March - Tongariro National Park

From a camp near the Tama Lakes we're going to climb Ruapehu and if possible Ngauruhoe and Tongariro as well! Good weather is ordered too for this time.

Leader: Alan Mountfort Ph. 69715
Grade: Fit
Departs: Friday, 6pm

31st March - 5th April - Easter Trip to the Matiri Valley and the 1000 Acre Plateau

Urs Schupbach and Trevor Bissell are leading two trips in the Nelson area. Transport will be shared and will be via the 6.40 pm Ferry from Wellington to Picton on Thursday 31st March by 13 seat mini van.

Urs' trip is primarily a climbing trip (Grade - medium) in Nelson Lakes National Park. People on this trip will be dropped off at St Arnaud by Trevor and picked up at the end of Easter. Trevor's group will spend 4 days on a circuit of the Matiri Valley and the Matiri Range in the southern part of the North West Nelson mountains. The fitter group will traverse further along the range than the medium group but both will cross the 1000 Acre Plateau.

Leader: Trevor Bissell Ph. 73543
Departs: Thurs 31st March, 3.30 pm
Return: Tuesday 5th April, approx 8pm
Grades: Medium and Fit groups
Cost: Approx \$130 (including Ferry tickets, van hire and party food)

9-10th April - Waitotara

An area north of Wanganui rarely visited by our club.

Leader: Kevin Pearce Ph. 70217
Grade: Medium
Departs: Saturday 6am

April 14th - Club night

Brian Jardine from Search and Rescue will speak on "Radios and how to operate them"

Venue: Society of Friends' Meeting Rooms
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Time: 7.45pm

16-17th April – Rock climbing

A weekend of scrambling, bouldering and climbing at Bearing Head and Titahi Bay near Wellington. If you're not sure about it ring Jennifer for further details.

Leader: Jennifer Madgwick Ph. 68610
Grade: Everyone who likes to have a go
Departs: Saturday 6am

16-17th April - Mitre Flats, Tararuas

An easy enjoyable trip to Mitre Flats and out the next day with lots of time to see the beauties of nature.

Leader: Liz Morrison Ph. 76532
Grade: Easy
Departs: Saturday 7am

23-25th April - Mt Taranaki

Over Anzac Weekend we'll visit Egmont National Park. While the fast ones tramp all around the mountain the rest of us could explore the area around Lake Dive.

Leaders: Easy - Tricia Eder Ph. 70122
Medium - Urs Schupbach Ph 80245
Departs: Saturday 6am

24th April - Mt Holdsworth, Tararuas

If you can't go away all weekend here is your chance to get out of town after all.

Leader: Alan Mountfort Ph. 69715
Grade: Medium
Departs: Sunday, 6am

April 28th - Club night

The Wharepapa declaration - mining legislation - a presentation of slides and discussion by Terry Crippen.

Venue: Society of Friends' Meeting Rooms
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Time: 7.45pm

30th April - 1st May - Bushcraft

After this weekend in the Mikimiki Stream area you will know all the essentials of navigating through bush, setting up camp, crossing rivers and many more important tramping skills. Come prepared for camping.

Leader: Trevor Bissell Ph. 73543
Grade: All
Departs: Saturday 6am.

NOTICES

- 1) We would like to welcome the following new members to the Club.
Vivian Harris, 2 Salford Place, P.N. Ph. 65889
Marion Smith, 18 Norwich Place, P.N. Ph. 69473

- 2) Change of address
Perry Hicks & Jackie Pilet, 108 Seddon St, Raetihi.
- 3) Former Club member, Eric van Toor, welcomes any Club members who may be in the West Coast region. His address is 17 Stewart St, Rapahoe, West Coast Ph (02727)359. Members are invited to call in when down that way.
- 4) Funds from the 21st Celebration are being made available for:
 - a) a donation to the Hancock's Museum at Rangiwahia in recognition of the extended opening hours during the weekend.
 - b) a commemorative brick to go in the wall of the Rangiwahia Hall.
 - c) updating of the Club records, photos and photo albums.
- 5) The club wishes to thank Peter Baxter, an ex-club member, for his generous donation to the Club of a pair of crampons and an ice-axe made during the 21st Celebration weekend.
- 6) Don French ex-Club member and renown mountaineer will present a slide show entitled "Rock around NZ" on the May 12th Club night. Budding rock climbers should keep this night free.
- 7) Orders for Club T-shirts are still being taken by Terry Crippen Ph. 63588
- 8) For sale - woollen climbing trousers, medium size, almost unused, \$15 o.n.o. Ph Terry Crippen 63588.
- 9) Saturday 26th March 8pm. Abbey Theatre - The Battered Hats
This group who supplied the superb dance music at the Rangiwahia weekend are holding a Ceilleh (Scottish dancing) - all trampers are welcome.
- 10) Flatmate wanted - Hokowhitu. Please contact Kevin Pearce Ph. 70217.

TRIP REPORTS

Now is the time to be sending in those trip reports on the summer's tramping trips. Please give your reports to Jenny Dymock by the first Club night in the month. Letters to the editor are also most welcome.