



PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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Newsletter - November 2001

I thought at first it was an electric flash in my head, like the sudden blinding flashes which had flared after falling into the crevasse. It didn't flash! It kept on glowing, red and green, pulsing colours ahead of me. A semi circle of red and green hanging in the night.

'Stone me, I must be bad...seeing things now...'

Then muffled sounds, surprised sleepy sounds and brighter lights flicking out from the colours. A spray of yellow light suddenly cut out from the colours in a wide cone. More sounds, not my voices, other voices.

'The tents!! They're still here...'

"Touching the Void", By Joe Simpson (1988)

NEWS

Dave & Sarah Simcock's wedding

Book Review, Fiordland exploration and mountaineering 100 years ago

A poem from Howletts Hut, from 1955 (ex MTSC)

TRIP REPORTS:

Te Atuoparapara- Waipawa, Howletts Hut again

Mikimiki

Getting lost on the roads of Taranaki

CLUB NIGHTS

November 29 **Adventure Racing, By Hillary Hurst.**

December 6 **Committee meeting and BBQ at Janet Wilson's place, Pohangina.**

December 13 **Christamas BBQ, at the Ashhurst Domain.**

Club nights are held for all club members and visitors on the second and last Thursday of each month at the **Society of Friends Hall, 227 College Street, Palmerston North**. All club nights commence at 7:45 pm **sharp**, winter or summer. The PNTMC Committee meets on the first Thursday of each month.

At the club night: Please sign your name in the visitors book. A 50c door fee includes supper.

UP AND COMING TRIPS & EVENTS

Trip Grades

Trip grades can depend on many factors, especially the weather. As a guide, a reasonably proficient trumper can be expected to cover the graded trips in the following times:

Easy (E): 3-4 hrs

Medium (M): 5-6 hrs

Fit (F): about 8 hrs

Fitness Essential (FE): >8 hrs

T refers to technical trips requiring special skills.

Nov 15 Thursday trampers
John Stantiall 354-5521

Nov 17-18 Sawtooth Ridge F
Tony Gates 357-7439

Unfortunately, Tony is unable to lead this classic Ruahine alpine tramp. He will arrange another leader, and can guarantee that is a fantastic spot. You will visit Howletts Hut, and have a good look about the high central Ruahines.

Nov 18 Manawatu Gorge E
Lawrence Gatehouse 356-5805

Meet at the FoodTown carpark at 9.00am, for a pleasant stroll on a well maintained track. This is the ideal trip for a first taste of tramping or a family tramp.

Nov 22 Thursday trampers
Ivan Alve 356-3123

Nov 24 River Safety T
Tom, MSC 357-7237

Nov 25 Mangaweka M/F
Christine Taylor 357-0132

chelentaylor@hotmail.com

Big day out, Mangaweka. Depart 0730 for a big day in the Ruahines. Tramp up to Purity Hut for lunch, then head for Mangaweka peak, which at 1733 metres, is the highest point in the Ruahines. If lunch makes us fat and lazy (or if it's a hot day and we run out of water), then we'll only go as far as Iron Peg. Whatever point we reach, there will be wonderful Ruahine views. We will return same way.

Nov 29 Thursday trampers
Jill Spenser 329-8738

Nov 29 **Club night: Adventure Racing**
Hillary Hurst.

Hillary has competed in the Southern Traverse during previous years, and will be doing so again during November 2001. He aims are to complete the race, and enjoy it. She has a few funny stories to tell, photographs to show, and inspiration to offer. There should be some info in the media about this.

Dec 1-2 Ngaruahoe Climb/Camp F
Alan Bee 323-4582

Depart Feilding 8.30am Saturday, Park up at Mangatepopo, and take a casual walk in to Tongariro's South Crater. From here we can wander up to Red Crater, or head straight for Ngauruhoe's summit. We will set up camp at the top and wait for sunset....then moonrise....then sunrise. Bring your camera. Then we can head home via the Chateau You will need a tent, warm stuff, maybe ice axe and crampons.

Dec 2 Coppermine Creek E
Duncan Hedderley 355 1820

Leave Foodtown at 8.30. A pleasant walk in the hills behind Woodville and below the TV mast. Nice bush, some industrial archeology, and a (brief) chance to get your feet wet.

Dec 5. SAR training T

This helicopter Safety and Long Line Setup training exercise will be located at the TranzRail hangar, from 1900- 2100 hrs (with a light supper provided. This is also a pre Christmas SAR get together, with no restriction on numbers. There will be the presentation of the volunteer of the year award. All SAR people please come along.

Dec 6 Thursday trampers
Graham Pritchard 357-1393

Dec 6 Committee Meeting, at Janet's place, Pohangina.

Dec 8-9 Waterfall Hut M
Warren Wheeler 356-1998

Depart 7.00am. Waterfall Hut is right in the middle of the Ruahine Ranges, in the headwaters of the Kawhatau River. Over half the trip is along the tops above Purity Hut, past Iron Peg and along the Hawkes Bay Ridge to Pinnacle Stream. Look

forward to alpine flowers, great views, hot sunny weather, a cool dip in the waterfall, an optional fly camp beside the stream next to the hut, and an ascent of Mangaweka (highest point in the ranges) on the way back out.

Dec 8 Lake Surprise M
 Stephen Liddall 357-6978

Situated on the southern slopes of Mt. Ruapehu, Lake Surprise is a large shallow alpine tarn. A nice hut (where we can lunch if the weather is wet) is on the route, which is quite easy. Great views if the weather is fine. Leave PN at 7am.

Dec 13 Thursday trampers
 Xmas Trip ,TBA

**Dec 13 Club night:
END OF YEAR BBQ, at the Ashhurst Domain. BYO food/ drink. Awards to be issued.**

Dec 15 Ruapehu climb M,T
 Terry Crippen 356-3588

Sorry, but this trip has to be postponed till February 2001. The crevasses should be better then anyway. More details later.

Dec 16 Glacieraft M/I
 Bruce van Brunt 328-4761

This instruction course will take place on the Mangaehuehu Glacier, on the southern slopes of Mt Ruapehu. It is a one day introduction to glacier travel, and is essential for those heading into the Southern Alps. This is open to those who have the requisite alpine skills, such as those taught on Snowcraft. Ice and rope equipment essential. The departure time will be early.

Extended Summer Trips

Jan 21 –Feb 2 (actual dates to be confirmed)

Wilkin- Siberia- Young valleys, Mt Aspiring National Park. F/T.

Terry Crippen 3563-588

See the cover of Oct 2001 Wilderness Magazine. A tramping/climbing trip to Mt Aspiring National Park, with excellent country. An 8-10 day trip. Find your own way south, meet at Makarora, Jet boat up the Wilkin, into the Siberia, over Gillespies Pass, down into the Young and out to Makarora. En route, investigate Crucible Lake and peaks such as Mts Alba, Doris and Awful. Transport provided back to Palmerston North. Places limited - \$100 deposit needed by club night 29 November.

Trip participants:

If you are interested in going on a trip, please contact the leader at least three days in advance. Trips usually leave from the Foodtown carpark in Fergusson Street with transport provided by car-pooling. A charge for transport will be collected on the day of the trip, the amount depending on the distance travelled and vehicles used. Leaders should be able to give an estimate in advance. For general information or any suggestions for future tramps please contact one of the trip co-ordinators Terry Crippen (356-3588), Janet Wilson (329-4722) or Stephen Liddall (357-6978).

Trip leaders: Please discuss with the trip co-ordinators, as soon as possible, if there is any doubt that you will be unable to run your trip as scheduled. This is so that alternatives can be arranged, put in the newsletter, or passed on at club night.

***** OVERDUE TRIPS *****

Enquiries to: Mick Leyland (358-3183), Terry Crippen (356-3588), or Janet Wilson (329 4722)

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to us once it is checked for viruses etc. by horizons' staff.

The deadline for anything for the Newsletter is the FIRST THURSDAY of the month.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Sarah Todd and David Simcock, who got married during Labour Weekend, at St Arnaud. I think that it would be difficult to find a nicer location for such a special occasion. All the best to your future happiness together.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Allen Temple, of 29 Campbell St, Palmerston North, ph 06 359 4248, or also allen.temple@horizons.govt.nz

JANUARY- JUNE 2002 TRIP CARD.

The next PNTMC trip card is nearly complete, and will be enclosed in your next newsletter. Janet, Terry, Stephen, and other club members have done an excellent job of compiling the future club trips and club evenings. If, however, you have any further ideas that you can offer the club, then there may be time to include them if you contact Terry quickly enough. I note that there is to be a considerable emphasis a wee bit north of the Ruahines. Several Kaweka tramps will be offered.

WEBSITE

Planning for a PNTMC web site is continuing. With potential on going costs of approximately \$350.00 per year for up to 10 MB of space, this may require some external funding. The web site will be discussed at the next AGM.

DOC NEWS

DOC (Napier) has informed us that the privately owned track between Ngaawapurua Hut, in the Kaweka Ranges, and the Ohutu/ Manson track junction in closed, and the Ngaawapurua swing bridge has been removed. This area is not DOC land. Doc (Napier) are however investigating alternative access to the Manson/ Ohutu area, and will keep us informed.

AORAKI/ MT COOK NATIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN.

The Committee is currently perusing the Mt Cook National Park Management Plan, and considering lodging a submission. There will be several issues that we, as a club, will be interested in. If

you are interested in seeing the plan, and/ or commenting on it, then please ask the Committee.

KAWEKA CHALLENGE

The annual Kaweka Challenge will be held during the weekend of February 23- 24 2002. There are five different courses As with previous

Some club members have competed in past Kaweka Challenges. Good luck to those who enter it for next year.

HIDDEN HEROES

Charlie and Mary Hobbs, both of Southern Alps Guiding and New Zealand Outside, recently spoke to an enthralled audience here in Palmerston North. They are both actively involved in the outdoors, especially instruction, writing, and speaking about the outdoors. They showed slides of mountaineering and trekking in New Zealand, Antarctica, and Nepal (With sir Ed and lady Hillary), providing a great source of inspiration. Jacinda Amey, who saved a shark victim in the wates off Campbell Island, also spoke- amazing stuff. "Staying Alive", Charlie and Mary's new instructional mountaineering video is available for loan. Ask Tony or Terry.

GEAR HIRE

The Committee has revised charges for gear available for hire, as follows:

	per day
Ice Axe	\$2
Crampons	\$4
Helmet	\$1
Harness	\$2
Snow stake	\$1
Ice Hammer	\$5
Snow shovel	\$3
Pack	\$2
Tent fly	\$2
Avalanche Transceiver	\$5
Rope	\$5
Carabineer	50c

Terms & Conditions:

1..The above prices are for club members. Non club member rates are double.

2. For non club members identification and a bond may be required if the Hirer is unknown to the Gear custodian.

3. The Hirer is responsible in ensuring that the hired equipment is returned in a satisfactory condition, and on time. If the equipment is lost or returned damaged the Hirer is liable to full replacement cost.

3. Avalanche Transceivers; A form is required to be filled in for these.

4. The two ropes and the carabineers available for hire, can only be hired by club members on scheduled club trips.

More new equipment is in the process of being purchased. Users of Carabiners, and associated equipment, can look forward to using this soon.

**BOOK REVIEW, By Terry Crippen.
Beyond the Southern Lakes (the explorations of W.G.Grave)**

by Anita Crozier (new edition 2001, Reed)

This is a second edition of the book about the exploration and ascents, in the northern Fiordland and Darran mountains, of William G. Grave and his companions. The book was first published in 1950, then reprinted in 1974. Anita, Grave's daughter, has produced a full but very readable account of Grave's activities. Some assistance was provided by Graham Langton, a local historian whom PNTMC members may know.

The text of the book consists of well written diary recordings and notes of Graves, complimented with writings of Grave's fellow explorers, merged together with Anita's writings. The excellent photos are reproductions of ones taken on the actual trips. Sketch maps on the inside covers and elsewhere highlight the main explorations.

This exploration and climbing took place over the period 1890s to 1930s. In the 1890's, a very rough Milford track was the only overland route to Milford Sound. It had just been established in 1888 by Quinton McKinnon. While there was an accommodation house (Sutherlands) at Milford Sound, the only way to get there for most people, together with everyday supplies, was via steamer around the Fiordland coast. The majority of the area was still unexplored, most peaks were yet

unclimbed and there was a need to find a pack route or better from the Hollyford - Te Anau areas across to Milford Sound.

Grave, a teacher then lawyer in Oamaru, and his fellow explorers, would spend their summer holidays exploring these very rugged and wet mountains, valleys and fiords, on trips lasting 3 to 4 weeks. Accompanying Grave on various trips were such people as Gifford, Talbot, Lyttle, Moir. All of these names are now part of the topography of this area, for example Grave - Talbot Pass, Mt Grave etc. They would often cycle from Oamaru to Te Anau to start a trip, and on some occasions cycle back home after weeks of heavy rain and having run out of food and enduring harsh physical conditions. On some trips they had 15 or more days of continuous rain. Sometimes a days food consisted of a spoonful of dried apples, or of cocoa, per person!

The first half of the book concentrates on their valley and fiord exploration while the second on climbing. Valleys explored included; the upper Hollyford, Cleddau, Tutoko, Worsley and Glaisnock. The fiords explored were Milford, Sutherland and Bligh. While unsuccessful on achieving the first ascent of Mt Tutoko, many other peaks were first ascents. Their discovery of the Grave - Talbot route (including Homer Saddle) enabled access to the Cleddau and Milford Sound from the Hollyford-Wakatipu areas.

The reader is able to get an understanding of the geography and topography of the area, as well as a feel for the conditions, equipment and hardships of exploration of this stage in New Zealand's history. This book is a shorter and easier read than three other excellent recent books on other important figures in NZ exploration and climbing history; "Mr Explorer Douglas" (about Charlie Douglas), "Between Heaven and Earth" (about Freda Du Faur), and "Arawata Bill" by Ian Dougherty. All of these have been reviewed in this Newsletter. I somehow hoped that Grave would meet one or more of those three sometime!

EDITORIAL

Your Editor has just returned from a completely non tramping week and a half down south. The weather was (mostly) gorgeous, and although I spent most of my time in the car, It was an action

packed time around the Queenstown- Mt Cook- Tekapo area, supporting, then photographing, friends competing in the EcoChallenge race. For those familiar with the area, it is a pretty special place, with plenty to offer adventure sports. Much of the race was in fact rugged trans alpine tramping. It was won by a team of super athletes, who raced from Tekapo to Tasman Lake in a blistering 16 hours- it would probably take a fit group five or six days to do that. They continued in the lead for five days, only to be pipped at the post at Wanaka by another team. The rest of the field was a large and varied international selection, many of whom took up to ten days and nights to finish the EcoChallenge course.

The similar “Southern Traverse” race, which has a much more New Zealand flavour, is to be held

during November. It is also based at Queenstown, and a talk by local woman Hillary Hurst features at a club night soon.

I have managed to obtain volumes 1, 3, and 4 of the Howletts hut log book which cover an awesome piece of Ruahine history. Nearly 45 years in fact. They show the rise and fall of some Tramping Clubs, historic Search and Rescues, and changes in the flora and fauna. But tramping routes to and from Howletts have largely stayed the same. Also, as you can well imagine, it has always been a popular place.

The log books gave me some inspiration to go out and explore those lovely Ruahine Ranges more. So does the PNTMC.

TRIP REPORTS

SUNRISE HUT- TE ATUOPARAPARA- WAIPAWA. Sept 30 2001. By Lance Gray

After witnessing the inspirational slides of Shaun Barnett’s Mt Cook to Arthur’s Pass trip on the Thursday club night I was duly inspired, like the rest of us present, to go do something in the hills in the weekend. I had already promised Tony for a Ruahine trip and had kept emailing him about how keen I was only to find out that I had an unavoidable task to perform – be at work on a Friday afternoon! Feeling that I had let a mate down I promised Tony I would pick him up, regardless at the Sunrise Hut roadend at 4pm on the Sunday. Tony had suggested an excellent day trip over Te Atuaoparapara linking up with him Sunday afternoon.

Leaving at the keen hour of 5am I drove past the flaming remains of someone’s election billboard confident in Augie’s forecast (I don’t trust Jim anymore) that I would actually be able to get onto the Ruahine tops for views at my third attempt. After a few farm gates and happy lambs I made the road end and took the motorway up to Sunrise Hut. Even if you crawled it wouldn’t take as long as the 2 ½ hours posted. The suggestion of wind at the carpark was now a norwesterly breeze which meant the hut was shuddering and the three who had just clambered over from Top Maropea Hut were slightly annoyed given their descriptive hut book comment.

With glasses fastened I ventured out of the hut onto the exposed section immediately beyond. I made an absolute meal of the next 400 or so metres – falling into the leatherwood, losing my hat, and generally being blown about. The wind was so bad at one point I removed my glasses lest I lose them to the Hawkes Bay. This initial section was by far the worst as it provided a natural wind tunnel. After this I made enjoyable progress through Armstrong Saddle and then took a left towards Te Atuaoparapara.

The views up here are fascinating as the erosion is on a massive scale yet there are many pleasant spots to sit down out of the wind, have lunch, pore over the map, and watch hares. On reaching the top of the main ridge I was once more greeted by the wind and again wandered around blind, vaguely aware of the Hikurangi Range over yonder. There was absolutely no snow on the tops having either melted or blown away. Before long I was on the beautiful open tops immediately above Waipawa Saddle where I could put my glasses back on and savour the views. And what views to savour – Tony Gates – rugged hunter far below me!

Tony was coming up from Waikamaka Hut, with rifle in hand, after an especially good afternoon on the famous Sawtooth ridge the previous day.

The meeting was fortunate as it was not obvious that the route from the saddle picked up a track on the true left. The amble back to the car was very pleasant as we shared our weekends' experiences and explored options nearby. This loop is not difficult at all with the Sunrise Expressway or Waipawa River providing painless access to the tops with the loop completed in a leisurely 7 hours. Next time I will go up and have a closer look at the Three Johns for a bit more of a challenge.

**MIKIMIKI- KIRIWHAKAPAPA, Oct 7 2001.
By Duncan Hedderley**

After some misunderstandings about which 8am Tony meant (It being the morning Daylight Saving started), we all gathered at his place on Massey Hill, and headed off for the Wairarapa. The forecast wasn't brilliant, but I hadn't expected the lashing rain we encountered at Ekatahuna. It eased somewhat, leaving the hills all picturesque and mist-swathed as Fiona drove up the Kiriwhakapapa Road. By the time we had reached the roadend, got into waterproofs, overtrousers and gaiters it had eased to a steady drizzle.

Mikimiki Track is a pleasant walkway through some quite impressive regenerated bush, largely along the route of an old logging tramway. We headed off, talking about recent Search and Rescues Tony had been involved with, Monica's diving trip to Tonga, and 'Himalaya' (the film about Nepalese yak herders which had been through PN a month or so ago). After about an hour we reached the saddle, about halfway along the track, and decided that carrying on to the end of the track, just to spend another couple of hours getting wetter coming back didn't sound like a lot of fun; so we turned back then. On the way back we took the loop track which links up with the track to Blue Range hut, and takes in an impressive stand of Redwoods.

Stopping for coffee at Mount Bruce, we talked about websites, and the future of the Rangī track. A grand day out.

Equipe: Tony Gates (directeur), Fiona Donald (femme avec la voiture), Monica Cantwell (scubeseuse) et Duncan Hedderley (ecriteur)

HOWLETTS HUT, October 13-14 2001. By Martin Lawrence.

The weather plays games with us on Saturday morning. Palmy is balmy, Woodville and Dannevirke are quite soggy, but we are still able to start from Kashmir Road in the dry.

We are Llew, Jenny, Mick, Peter and Judy Stockdale, Martin and Anne.

We are hoping that the Tukituki river is not too high after the wet weather that we have had over the last couple of weeks, and are relieved to discover that it is an easy splash up river to Daphne.

Ever the optimist I decide to wear my posh new sunhat. This reminds Peter of a most remarkable story – a Canadian friend who had a similar hat which he used to attract falcons and somehow collect semen off them. This is so far-fetched it just might be true. I anxiously glance at the sky as we start the steep climb to Howletts.

We knock the climb off fairly quickly (phew!) and spend the remainder of the afternoon lounging on the ridge near Howletts waiting for the cloud to rise. Eventually we are rewarded with some views, but not enough to tempt us to explore the ridge further.

That night we burn a couple of bits of coal left over from the previous PNTMC trip and peruse the excellent collection of photos left on display by Mr Gates.

Our plan was to return via the ridge and Otumore to Longview, but the wind in the morning is very strong and cold so Llew decides that it would be better to simply return the way we came, via Daphne.

We returned to PN relaxed after a great walk, excellent company, and a pleasant night in a cosy hut.

HISTORICAL SECTION

A GEM FROM THE PAST– Sept 23-24 1972.

(With apologies to any members on this trip that may be reading this.)

The descent (from Mt Egmont) went smoothly, which was just as well, as most of it was made sitting down. With the departure from the

mountain of all the group, the trip leader's cares evaporated only to return again at 11.00 p.m., when parents started phoning to report no re-appearance or their children.

Apparently one carload was confused by the cunningly placed bandstand in Manaia; fortunately it was just a temporary confusion because their innate sense of direction, sharpened by many years of tramping, told them that when they got to New Plymouth they were heading in the wrong direction, otherwise they may well have got lost.

(This predates the Hodges (getting lost, mislaid, embarrassed) phenomenon by about 20 years.)

HOWLETTS HUT. Oct. 1955, by Jack Body. (from "Beech Leaves". Vol 19, March 1955.) (Printed with thanks to MTSC)

The memory of this work party lives on in three art works. Firstly, a new addition has been made to the annals of poetry. This piece of stark verbal art could only have been inspired by the particular charm's of Howletts in the chill, small hours.

Then a manual effort with flaming orange paint, done in the true spirit of contemporary art, has transformed the once modest hut into a painted women who will not fade for many years. Jack Body, Robert Justice, Jack Finnigan, and Fred Lemberg made a riotous job of the roof, but we don't recall if they amended (or mended) "Mrs Moore's purple drawers" for the occasion.

Much more was done by the twenty-odd bods who were there, but it is all hidden in the mist-like Tiraha was when we thought of climbing it!

Now for the poem.

REST AFTER LABOUR,

Howlett's hut's a lovely place
It's perched up in the sky,
And you can gaze out into space
And watch the clouds go by.

Four thousand feet's the altitude.
The hut is made of tin.
The shelter's only rough and rude
And rats walk out and in.

It measures fourteen feet by ten,

Has bunks that number three.
There isn't room for twenty men,
But three would cosy be.

Three cullers had arrived there first
And made a brew of tea.
When we came in I bet they cursed
And loathed our company.

The fire brought forth thick clouds of smoke
Each time we closed the door.
The atmosphere would make you choke
And make your throat feel sore.

Bed time brought shrieks of girlish glee
As each one found a spot
"Who is going to sleep with me?
Or rather, who is not?"

Two in a bunk that's two feet wide.
No room for any more.
Like sardines laid out side by side
On a piece of two by four.

The floor was only made of earth
And far from being clean.
In very little time a dearth
Of spaces could be seen.

Ten men down, three more to go.
"move over, some of you"
There's room down there for twelve or so.
"Not quite so close you two."

"Your smelly foot is in my face."
"Your knee is in my back."
"Where oh where can I find a place?"
"Why not in your pack"

The hut was strewn with white-ish fur.
We wondered whence it came.
The cullers had a mangy cur
To help in finding game.

There was no room for him inside.
Without he had to go.
His only warmth his bitten hide,
He lay down in the snow.

As night drew on the wind increased
And soon became a gale.
The talking in the hut soon ceased.
The dog began to wail.

So drear and dismal was the noise.
 Hearts melted at the sound.
 "Bring him in" exclaimed the boys
 And inside came the hound.

"He's got no fleas, there's only ticks."
 He bounded in with glee.
 "My face is what he always licks,
 Where's he sleeps with me.

Although so tired and weary,
 Sleep seemed to never come.
 The night was long and dreary
 And we were sore and numb.

The night did pass, as all things do.
 We welcomed dawn again.
 Not for the sun and sky so blue,
 But day did end our pain.

We must be really very mad
 The way we spend out leisure,
 But if this rhyme has made you sad,
 Remember- tramp for pleasure.

"Never Again"

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