

P.N. TRAMPING & MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.

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CLUB NIGHT – MONDAY 29th APRIL:

The Club night this month will be on Monday 29th April owing to our usual Thursday being Anzac Day.

We have been fortunate to get Mr. Keith Wickens who has a very interesting story to tell, with accompanying slides, on his 12- month stay at Raoul Island. As you will know this is a weather station where life can be very rugged for the all-male population. Be with us on the 29th and learn something about this interesting area.

NEW MEMBERS: We extend a very warm welcome to the following new members, who we hope will enjoy many of our Club outings.
Sheryll Kirkpatrick, Glennys Allen, Karen Matthews and Ian Hoare.

HIRE GEAR: Don't forget for those ropes, billies tents, etc. our Gear Custodian, Keith Potter 79.499, has these for a small fee.

WANGANUI TRAMPING CLUB:

Four members of your Committee attended the Wanganui Club's meeting this month and spent a very informative evening. A movie on climbing and tramping in the 1930's was shown by one of their members who had originally filmed it.

Wanganui Club members expressed great interest in our trips and would like to join us for some of these.

COMING TRIPS:

April 28th: Deerford Track: A moderately easy track (Deerford) leads up a spur through bush and leatherleaf and on to the snow grass of Toka (5006 ft.). The open tops of the Ngamoko Range run north-east from here, containing numerous side spurs, low peaks and tarns. The return route will follow a spur down to Cone and then down Cone Creek to the road. Leader: Keith Potter 79.499 (approx. \$1.00).

May 11 - 12th: Desert Road - Waihohonu Hut:

This trip is an easy five mile walk over flat tussock country and is a must for all club members. The hut is beautifully situated on the side of a beech forest. In the vicinity of the hut there is a spring of very cold, clear, bubbling water of approx 30 yards by 12 yards. Views to be seen include red and other coloured Tama

Lakes, Ngauruhoe, Ruapehu and Mount Tama. The hut sleeps twelve comfortably and there are plenty of good tent sites in the area.

AN INVITATION: We should very much enjoy the company of parents on this trip and a warm invitation is extended to any who would like to come with us. If you contact Tony Morrison - 86.397 - he will assist you with details.

PAST TRIP:

Coppermine: A party of eight, including five prospective members, were able to enjoy a day of tramping in the area of the Maharahara Coppermine. For most of the party there were surprises in the variety of scenery in the area. It is hoped that some of this was recorded on film, as, besides a waterfall and rock pool, we were lucky enough to see some very fine effects of light and shade caused by the morning sun combined with mist and the trees.

All the party were either partly or totally immersed in the creek at some stage and seeing that it was such a hot day this added to the fun. We were all equipped with some dry clothes and this turned out to be very worthwhile. The sites of two mines were located.

SLIDE COMPETITION:

Those members who attended the last meeting would have gained some useful knowledge on the best way to take good photographs. A little extra care when taking that next shot would mean the difference between first and third place in a competition.

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