



PALMERSTON NORTH TRAMPING
& MOUNTAINEERING CLUB (INC)
P.O. Box 1217 Palmerston North

NEWSLETTER

7/77

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COMING EVENTS

ALL TRAMPING TRIPS LEAVE FROM THE "SUPERSAVE"
CAR PARK, FITZHERBERT AVENUE

28th July CLUB NIGHT. DEBATE WITH MASSEY

7.30 p.m. Thursday, in the Society of Friends Meeting Rooms, 227 College St.
(behind the West-End Chemist), Palmerston North.

SUPPER DUTIES: Keith Margrain, Sue Streeter, Carol Nash.

30 – 31st July CONSERVATION WEEKEND

No information has been supplied to the Editor. Contact Trevor Bissell for details,
phone 68-644

4th AUGUST COMMITTEE MEETING

7.30 p.m. Thursday, at Peter Croad's, 82 Featherston St.

6 – 7th August SNOWCRAFT I (RUAPEHU)

This will be a basic instruction course, not just a play. For full details on gear ring
Trev. early so that you won't be disappointed.

Names to:	Trevor Bissell	68-644
Grading:	Medium	
Cost:	\$11.00 approx. (due to hut fees and food cost)	
Departure:	6.30 p.m. Friday.	

13 – 14th August NO TRACK TRIP (TARARUAS)

It's hoped that this trip will be done with the least amount of use of tracks as possible.

Leader:	Trevor Bissell	68-644
Grading:	F.E.	
Cost:		
Departs:	6 a.m. Saturday	

14th August PANATEWAEWAE

A chance to do a 'No tracks' trip of your own in and around this area.

Names to :	Ann Flux	80-319
Grading:	Easy	
Cost:	\$2.50	
Departs:	7 a.m. Sunday	

20 – 21st August SNOWCRAFT II EGMONT

This is a follow up to the previous snowcraft. Though there will possibly be a trip organized for the more medium among us on the Mountain.

Leader:
Grading: Fit (plus a medium trip)
Cost: \$11.00 (very approx. due to hut fees and food. So check with the leader.)
Departs: 6.30 p.m. Friday

25th August CLUB NIGHT

Films, films, films, FILMS.

27 – 28th August OHAU – WAIIOPEHU AREA

Three trips have been put down for this weekend. They will consist of a Medium trip and an Easy day trip to Waiiopehu. Also a Fit weekend may be organized.

Names to: Colin Hoare 83-448
Grading: E, M, F.
Cost: \$2.50
Departure: Check with leader.

NOTICES

RUSSELL LACEY who was in touch with a club member recently sends his regrets to all those trampers who know him and will welcome a visit from anyone who is traveling through Matamata. His address is 33 Burwood Rd., Matamata.

VIV MAWSON sends her good wishes to the club from somewhere over in the Far East. She is kept active on board ship with various activities. She has visited the zoo in Colombo (and seen a N.Z. Weka!), Port Said, Cairo and the Pyramids and Sphinx.

A CHRONOLOGY OF THE TARARUAS AND RIMUTAKA RANGES

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Mr R.A. Kerr
P.O. Box 3416
WELLINGTON

At a cost of \$1.00 each, cash with order.

PAST EVENTS

15th May AN ABORTIVE ATTEMPT TO REACH HINERUA HUT

At 6.30 p.m. on a grey and overcast Sunday morning we set off hoping to reach Hinerua Hut.

On this trip John proved himself to be an able leader and Ann a capable co-navigator.

After driving down Hinerua Road we reached a gate on which was posted a no trespassing sign, but after inquiring at a nearby farmhouse, where we found we could ignore the sign, John drove on finally parking the car at the intersection of two metalled tracks.

We took the lower one which proved to be our downfall and after tramping down gullies and up ridges, traversing slips and cliffs, we reached the top of Stumpy at 12 o'clock where we decided to have lunch and to abandon the fruitless quest for the elusive Hinerua Hut.

After eating our lunch, with Glen doing a bit of cadging, we headed back, working our way through some bush and scrub to a ridge on the East where we found the four wheel drive track, to which we hoped to come.

A herd of interested white cattle studied us for a while and John became a bit nervous climbing over the numerous barbed wire fences.

Suddenly Wendy cried out, 'There it is', which, to our astonishment, proved to be correct as we thought that we still had a fair way to go to find the car.

On the way back to P.N. we brewed up beside a small river, with milkshakes at Dannevirke, reaching Palmerston at 5.30 p.m.

Finally, thanks to John for once again using his car.

Those on the trip: John Carter (leader), Ann Flux, Wendy Christoffels and Glenn Osborne.

11 – 12th June HIKURANGI RANGE

Other peoples' trip accounts can be rather dull. How to make this account exciting reading?

Could describe the tremendous weather conditions on Saturday or the horrendous weather conditions on Sunday but that's all old hat. Who is interested in hearing how far we could see or what beautiful patterns the hoar frost crystal formed or how the trees were heavily frosted with ice? Even stories of plunging waist deep into the Kawhatau River with snow in the river bed sound far fetched. What about nearly getting knocked off a steep slip by a dislodged boulder? Probably be discounted as an exaggeration. Maybe a bit of scandal would do. But what? Trevor losing the track? ((Ah! I know! But the libel laws, oh dear! Anyway, I have written enough to satisfy the typist?!))

Those taking part were: Philip Budding, Kevin Pearce, Trevor Bissell and Allan Stowell.

12th June DAY TRIP TO CROW HUT

After dragging ourselves out of our nice warm Sunday morning beds, nine of us converged on the Upper Kawhatau River in the Western Ruahines, to tramp up to Crow Hut.

We finally left our two cars and made our way up the river but after 30 minutes and half dozen icy cold river crossings, the already bad weather decided to get worse. As we were all turning blue with the cold, it was unanimously decided to turn back and sample the tea and warmth at the Forest Services Base Camp which proved very welcome.

With the warmth enveloping us, we decided to curtail any further tramping for the day and headed home early.

Those on the trip: Rosemary Buchan, Susan Cameron, Peter Croad, Christina MacKinder, Colin Hoare, Ann Flux, Nick Bishop, Mark Quinney and John Carter.

SUPPLEMENT LIST OF FINANCIAL MEMBERS

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Would members please inform the Editor of any errors or omissions in the list of financial members.

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LIST OF FINANCIAL MEMBERS 1977/78

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P.N. TRAMPING & MOUNTAINEERING CLUB
TRIP SCHEDULE OCTOBER – DECEMBER 1977

OCTOBER

30 th – 2 nd	SAREX (Search & Rescue Exercise)	F
1 st – 2 nd	North Branch Ohau River	E
8 th – 9 th	Rockclimbing, Titahi Bay	E
8 th	Mangone – Waikane	E
14 th – 16 th	Crazy Tararua Middle Crossing	F.E.
15 th – 16 th	Sheridan Creek – Penn Creek	M
21 st – 24 th	Labour Weekend, Waipakahi Valley, Kaimanawas	E. & F.
29 th – 30 th	Tamaki – Pohangina Crossing	M
30 th	Lower Pohangina	E

NOVEMBER

5 th	(Guy Faux) Bike Ride – Kahuterawa – Scotts Rds.	
6 th	Caving at Piripiri	E
12 th – 13 th	Mount Ruapehu Open Climb	M
19 th – 20 th	Work Party at Rangi	WP E
20 th	Rangi	E
26 th – 27 th	Full Tokomaru, Horseshoe Bend	E
27 th	Lower Tokomaru, Horseshoe Bend	E

DECEMBER

3 rd – 4 th	Chamberlain Creek	F.E.
3 rd – 4 th	Ngapuketuru Tararua Crossing	M
10 th – 11 th	Christmas Celebration at Rangi	E
11 th	Christmas Dinner Rangi	E
17 th	Burns Hut	E
17 th – 18 th	Lower Mangahao River – Babers Saddle	F.E.
28 th – 6 th Jan.	Nelson Lakes National Park.	M
28 th – 14 th “	“ “ “ “	M

NOTES:

1. Full details of Coming Trips are given in the Club's monthly Newsletter.
2. The approximate difficulty of trips is indicated as follows:
E Easy (Up of four hours' walking per day.)
M Medium (4 – 6 hours)
F Fit (6 – 8 hours)
F.E. Fitness Essential (More than 8 hours.)
W.P. Work Party.

The above times are for fit trumper – trips often take longer. Easy trips are particularly suitable for beginners and other unsure of their fitness.