

UPCOMING CLUBNIGHTS

7.30 pm, 1st Tue of the month, Rose City Aquatic Club Rooms, 50 Park Road, Palmerston North

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The deadline for newsletter contributions is @ the 1st week of the month. Please include a date with trip reports & images. Photos are welcome and will be included where possible - remember to include an appropriate caption for the photo, including names of people.

New Members

All prospective members are encouraged to go on a club trip or attend a club night before joining. This is a great way to meet current members who can nominate you.

Prospective members must be nominated by a Proposer and a Secunder who are current MTSC members and have been so for at least one year. New memberships are usually confirmed at the next monthly committee meeting.

For further information or an application form please visit: www.mtsc.org.nz



Jean, Monique & David in the Waiotaru (searching for new committee members? Ed). Image A.Match

APRIL 2 clubnight - Yoga and Stretching Suitable for Trampers.

Jill Faulkner will give a talk on Yoga and stretching suitable for trampers. Jill is both a Yoga teacher and a MTSC Wednesday trumper so she can really help you! She asks that you come along in comfortable clothes and bring your sense of fun so that you can do some practical work. PS Do not be put off from attending Jill's talk if you consider yourself to inflexible. The less flexible you are the more you have gain!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT LINDA CAMPBELL

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AGM time is fast approaching and it is time to consider what you could offer as a member of the committee. Many of the current members are keen to continue on the committee but all positions are up for grabs so it is time to thinking about how you could be involved. The club is very fortunate to have excellent assets in the form of the lodge and the minibus. Our newsletter editor, Tim Tyler, who has been living in Nelson for some time now, will not be available for re-election. He has managed well with all the challenges of living so far away from the Manawatu and still preparing the newsletter each month. We thank Tim for all his time and effort. The committee positions include:

President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chief Guide, Membership Secretary, Social Convener, Newsletter Editor, Ski Captain, Lodge Manager, Lodge Booking Officers, Minibus Manager and three general committee members. There are also a number of club members appointed to specific positions such as Minibus Custodian, Gear Custodian, Day Trip Convener, Tararua Huts Representative, Website Manager and Archivist. One of the wonderful things about being part of the committee is being able to work with a group of very dedicated knowledgeable people with a passion for the outdoors and the Manawatu Tramping and Skiing Club.

This year we have a change to when club awards are presented. In previous years awards have been presented at the last club night of the year but this year they will be presented at the AGM. We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible on at the AGM on Tuesday 21 May.

CLUB NIGHTS & NOTICES

May Clubnight - Horizons Flood Protection Schemes.

Horizons manage 30 river and drainage schemes across our Region, and maintain over 460 km of stop banks, 700 km of drains, 20 pumping stations and 53 dams. These features and facilities are prominent aspects of our landscape. **Graham Doull** is a Civil Engineer with the Horizons Regional Council whose enthusiasm and responsibilities align. In his talk he will explain the design and operation of these flood protection schemes.

Tip of the month for trips from the Ski Captain:

If you intend to ski at Ruapehu (Whakapapa and Turoa) for 5 or more days this year, then maybe you should consider getting a season pass, which go on sale 2-30 April - see <http://www.mtrupehu.com/> for details. Relatively low-cost on-mountain accommodation at the Manawatu Lodge and a season pass helps to keep the cost of skiing down.

New Trip card imminent:

Chief Guide Ken Mercer advised the last MTSC committee meeting that the next trip card is almost complete – it should be turning up near you pretty soon and will detail the next 6 months of trips – note the newsletter and website have updates to the card if plans change.

Notice of Annual General Meeting:

The Annual General Meeting will be held at Rose City Aquatic Club Rooms, 50 Park Road, Palmerston North (next to Lido Aquatic Centre), on

Tuesday 21 May 2013 from 7:30pm.

All members are welcome to attend.

Annual reports and a financial statement are expected to be sent out with the May newsletter and will also be available on the club web site.

CLUB FEES

Please note that Club Annual Membership Subscriptions will change as of 1 April this year to Single \$40 and Family \$55.

There is a \$5 discount if you receive your newsletter by email only.

This still includes the FMC membership fee.



SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS:

The committee have reviewed the Constitution of the club and have a number of changes that they are recommending that members approve at the AGM.

ENTRANCE FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Resolution to amend the Constitution by deleting clause 9 and replacing with the following.

“Entrance fees and subscriptions shall be set by the committee”

Explanatory Note:

Clause 9 currently states; “Entrance fees and subscriptions shall be set at the Annual General Meeting provided that if any alteration is contemplated notice of such proposed alteration shall be given with the notice of the Annual General Meeting.” At present the Committee recommend the annual fees and subscription each year that then have to be approved by the AGM. The recommendation is based on the latest financial information available to the committee. The issue here is that any change in fees currently approved at an AGM cannot be implemented until the following year. This recommendation goes hand in hand with the next resolution to change the membership year.

PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Resolution to amend the Constitution by deleting clause 10 and replacing with the following.

“Annual subscriptions shall be due and payable on the first day of each Membership year which shall begin on the first day of April or such other date as is fixed by the preceding Annual General Meeting.”

Explanatory Note:

Clause 10 currently states; “Annual subscriptions shall be payable before the first day of each Membership year which shall begin on the first day of June or such other date as is fixed by the preceding Annual General Meeting.”

Currently the membership year starts at 1 June. By changing to 1 April it will then be the same as the financial year.

AUDITOR:

Resolution to amend the Constitution by deleting clause 17 and replacing with the following.

“A Financial Reviewer, who shall not be a member of the committee, shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. A vacancy occurring in the office of Financial Reviewer during the year shall be filled by the Committee.”

Explanatory Note:

Clause 17 currently states; “An Auditor, who shall not be a member of the committee, shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. A vacancy occurring in the office of Auditor during the year shall be filled by the Committee.”

As a result of some poor financial auditing undertaken by accounting firms of finance companies that have failed in recent years the rules of auditing have been tightened. It is now more appropriate to have a financial review which is not as onerous as a full audit but still gives comfort to the Committee and members that an independent person has reviewed the accounts.

THE COMMITTEE:

Resolution to amend the Constitution by altering clause 12a.

“To amend Clause 12a by deleting Ski Captain, Booking Officer and Social Convenor and altering “three” to “five”.

Explanatory Note:

Clause 12 covers all matters relating to the committee. Currently clause 12a states; The entire management of the Club and its property shall be vested in a committee consisting of President, Secretary, Chief Guide, Ski Captain, Social Convenor, Membership Secretary, Minibus Manager, Lodge Manager, Lodge Booking Officer, Newsletter Editor and up to three other members who shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and the President for the Past Year.

The committee have established a Lodge sub committee under the Lodge Manager, and see no need for the ski captain nor booking officer to continue being full committee members. By increasing the number of elected members to up to five will enable greater participation by rank and file members.

UPCOMING TRIPS

The trip list

03 Apr (Wed) Liz & Arthur Flint	356 7654
04 Apr (Thu) Carolyn Brodie	358 6576
06-07 Apr SAR Navigation weekend Peter Rawlins	Technical 356 7443
10 Apr (Wed) Margaret Gillingham	356 8812
11 Apr (Thu) John McLeod	323 5785
13-14 Apr Black Birch Biv Gary Bevins	Easy/Medium 06 325 8879
17 Apr (Wed) Marion Beadle	323 3246
18 Apr (Thu) John & Gillian Thornley	356 9681
20-21 Apr Climb Ruapehu – Stanton Memorial Med Ken Mercer	356 7497
24 Apr (Wed) Dave Pollard	329 6051
25 Apr (Thu) Brian & Ruth Evans	323 7614
27-28 Apr Kime Hut (combined club trip) Linda Campbell	Med 06 323 3836
28 Apr (Sun) Low Angle Ropes	

Due to the new trip card being imminent, there is no information on early May. Please contact the Chief guide or daytrip convenor for more information.



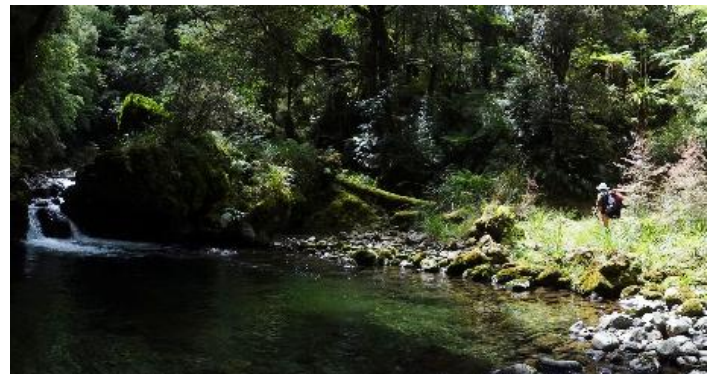
Jean doing some of the earthworks for the new Kime hut. See Tregear trip report on pg6. Image A.Match

Trip Grading

The times listed below include tramping, rest & stops. In assessing the trip times & guides, terrain, weather & party fitness (which is as fast as the slowest member) must be considered. Consult the trip leader if you are unsure about the trip grading for a particular trip.

FAMILY	All welcome, casual pace, any age
EASY	4 hours per day, pace slower than Easy/Med. Does not relate to terrain
EASY/MEDIUM	5 hours per day at a pace slower than Medium
MEDIUM	7 hours per day at a standard walking pace
MEDIUM/FIT	8 hours per day at a pace faster than Medium
FIT	Over 8 hours per day at a pace faster than Med/Fit
TECHNICAL	Qualifying requirements to be announced by the trip organiser

Weekday trips generally range between Easy & Medium/Fit, so call the leader for details on these to plan a daytrip to suit your preference & ability.



Heading up Tregear Creek (no paddle in sight – Ed).
Image A.Match

Trip Intentions:

The club has an email address for leaving trip intentions: intentions@mtsc.org.nz

Intentions sent to this address will not be acted upon UNLESS a party is reported overdue (e.g. by a family member, flatmate, friend, etc.)

The email should include: a list of participants and their contact details (e.g. mobile, contact person phone number); a brief description of the intended route/destination; starting point (e.g. name of road end); start date; date/time due out; vehicle rego; and any other relevant details.

The email is sent to several MTSC members. This information will be provided to LandSAR only if the party is reported overdue.

TRIP REPORTS

February Hut Work Party by Ken Mercer

"Well, we worked like Trojans", was how Mary summed up the weekend on Sunday evening. We did too but we also ate like kings. By 8am Saturday we were scraping, sanding and painting with perfect weather. The 11am muffins quickly vanished along with copious cups of tea. The long daylight hours meant we worked until 7pm and were certainly ready for dinner. Then we relaxed all evening. Err, no. Desert waited while we took a couple of trips of rubbish out to the carpark and on the last trip back the torches were handy.

Sunday was more of the same. Throughout the weekend we also had the pleasure of the company of Gavin and Rosemary Wilson who, along with their overseas visitors, were enjoying the lodge and local walks for several days.

Our Lodge Manager, John Lyttle, (Wellington) had everything well organized, Preston Hatcher had driven from Auckland with his wife Keo, 3 year old son Zen, and their friend Lisako. Other Trojans were Roger Athersuch, Kenneth Bidlake, Carl Pester (Pahiatua) and Ken & Mary Mercer. Overall the weekend was a lot of fun.



Prepping the Lodge for a new coat. Image K.Mercer



Thursday group near Waipawa Saddle. Image H.Wilde.

Waipawa Saddle February 14 2013 by Hugh Wilde

Seventeen of us ventured forth to the Waipawa Saddle in Hawkes Bay via the Waipawa River, having not done this trip for about a year. The weather was fine and sunny with a slight breeze in the river and nearly a gale on the saddle once we reached it. It took us a little over three hours to get to the saddle and about one half hour quicker to return. The return was faster, mainly as it is easier to see the remnants of track along the true left bank with the entry points marked with small stone cairns. Walking the track down is faster than boulder hopping down the river. To vary the view a few members exited the river opposite Waipawa Forks Hut and walked the remainder of the way via the lower part of the Sunrise track.

9 March 2013 Whangaehu Hut by Royce Mills

This is an excellent day tramp that deserves to go on the trip card more often. We drove to the Desert Road and Adam then skilfully negotiated his 2WD car up the 4WD Tukino ski access road as far as the Round the Mountain track. From here we walked up the gravel road to the Tukino ski field buildings, and then followed a poled route to Whangaehu hut (2 1/2 hours). The hut looked shiny and new with its recent outer cladding and new guy cables. We couldn't have had a better day - blue sky and sunshine with views forever. Just behind the hut there is a huge drop down to the Whangaehu river. It is a spectacular valley - deeply gouged by repeated lahars. We enjoyed lunch in the sun at the hut and thanks to Adam's height the geocache there was quickly located. We headed cross country back down to the Tukino ski field and then chose to walk-off track down to the Round the Mountain track, meeting it very near the Whangaehu river bridge. From here we followed the track back to our car, completing a "triangular" circuit. The landscape of the arid Rangipo desert is awe inspiring. Thanks to my enthusiastic companions (Adam Matich and Jenny McCarthy) five geocaches were found during the day - in all cases they laid their hands on them before I did.



Whangaehu Hut. Image R.Mills

Tregear creek 9/10 February 2013. by Jean Garman

At Otaki Forks we opted for the overnight car park & walked up the road to start the trip since it is easier to do so at the start of a trip than the end! At the road end we tiptoed around a big group of campers & dropped into Waitotaru River. When out of sight of the general public shorts were removed & stowed as multiple waist deep wades were required on the way up to Waitotaru Forks. It used to be possible to get up this stretch with dry shorts but like the Ohau & Mangahao rivers, pools have gotten deeper. We stopped for lunch at the forks before continuing up the Eastern Waitotaru (more deep wades) to the confluence with Tregear creek. None of us had been up Tregear creek before so we didn't really know what to expect. The plan was to stick to the true left so that if we found a real obstacle we could bail out up onto Tregear spur. It was slow travel with slippery rocks & windfalls to negotiate. We passed a few campsites, one with an old fire ring in it, but needed to get further up before we could camp. We also passed a few goats on the way. Careful study of the map showed a place where there might be camping between 460- 480m, after that the map showed the creek as steeper & more closed in. At @460m we found a good spot on the true left with several 1&2 person sized sites in the trees & a nice area to cook & socialise in. With the probability of the next available camping spot being @5 hours away we stopped there for the night after a 6½ hour day. Shortly after starting the next morning we were into a gorgy section but we did find a potential 3-4 person camp spot above this at @600m on the true right. There were a few easy waterfalls/cascades then a difficult waterfall which we sidled on the true right. We ended up going quite high & it was hard getting back down into the stream requiring a hand line in one section. Once back in the stream it was just a steady climb. Unlike the Snowy which is a giant boulder staircase in the headwaters the Tregear is more solid rock & closed in so lots of climbing in or beside cascades with cutty grass, stinging nettle, leatherwood & more awkward windfalls. The going was getting tighter & trickier & at 1020m the way ahead was looking pretty dire, while at the same time the opportunities for getting out of the creek were getting few & far between so we opted to bail out up a bit of a slip onto Tregear spur. We didn't have to climb far as we were almost at the bush edge so stopped for lunch while in tree shade & soon after that popped out into the open to sweat our way up to Kime hut. Building new Kime hut had begun, with building materials around the place & foundations & floor in. After cooling off inside the old hut we carried on out down the track - with no breeze to speak of, it was hot. Lovely views but it was a great pleasure to get into the shade of the trees. Another stop at Field hut to fill water bottles & cool down a bit before the final walk back to the car, about a 9 hour day. We were David Harrington, Monique Weir, Adam Matich & Jean Garman.

Stoat Trap Checks, Oroua Valley, 22-24 February 2013, by Chris Mercer.

I love setting traps, making the death box ready for another predator of our avian heritage. I pull out the dead by the tail and chuckle as I toss away the carcass with its cargo of maggots. The stink and the mess are not impediments- I can wash at day's end. The traps on the way into Iron Gates hut were easy to find as most are on the well- maintained sidling track. It was refreshing to have a wash in the river at the hut and to dry in the heat of the late afternoon sun. Two randoms arrived in the evening with plans for a day trip to Triangle hut the following day.



Protecting the Blue Ducks – Chris Brunskill holds a dead stoat from a trap. Image C.Mercer

On Saturday, on the track up to Ngamoko tops, I was enchanted by the old beech trees, they were ancient and seemed quite dignified and idiosyncratic. The tops allowed views to the west only as the southerly was piling up cloud on the east. I was close to Hawkes Bay- at lunch on the main range Longview hut was only 3 hours away. My two hut companions were late returning causing me to consider my few options for seeking help. They were wet from their neck muffs to their toe caps and relished the warmth of my fire outside. They had come down the river route from Triangle and were surprised at having to swim through several pools. On Sunday, the low Oroua river did not present such challenges, but the traps were not as easy to find as previous days as none are visible from the river bed. The pink tape markers seem loved by DOC but are cursed by the colour blind. Next time, I'll take up the offer of a GPS unit. I returned home to the March 2013 edition of NZ Wilderness magazine featuring a 3-D map of the area I had been. Furthermore, that day I set up Google Earth on our new computer. My trip was the best illustrated one I have ever done! I looked in 168 traps and found 15 rats and four stoats. Alice Nash would be pleased.



Tauherenikau river 16/17 February 2013

For some reason this trip dropped off the trip card but that didn't stop us from doing it anyway. Last year we tried to get through the headwaters of the Tauherenikau river, but inclement weather & hideous waterfalls cut us short & we had to beat a retreat up False Spur. This year the weather forecast was great & we planned to drop into the river just below the difficult waterfall section. Friday evening was calm & warm so the sweat flowed freely as we climbed over the hill to Cone hut. We got there just before dark & were up leaving the hut at 0710 heading up to Bull Mound. With the worst of the climbing out of the way before morning tea it was a pleasant jaunt along the ridge through Hells Gate to a point a few hundred meters short of Alpha hut. Here we left the track & followed a small steep poorly defined spur down into the Tauherenikau river directly opposite the toe of False Spur. When we reached the river we went upstream for a quick look, but didn't quite get to the last waterfall we had seen on the previous trip as a tight section of cascades & deep pools got in the way. It is not often you can say a map is wrong but in this area it is. The section between where the gorge finishes on the map & the toe of False Spur does not match reality. The map shows the sides of the valley opening out below where the gorge is marked as finishing but it appears that a contour line or two has been missed out as the actual altitude here is lower than that marked on the map & the sides of the valley are still very steep. In reality the gorge does not finish until the corner at the toe of False Spur. By far the most difficult section of the whole river is located in this misrepresented section - several (at least 3) large waterfalls within a sheer sided gorge. My recommendation if coming down this stretch of river would be to climb out on the true right (the true left looks impractical) when the first waterfall is reached, head straight up for 200–250m then when coming back down make sure you come down to the junction with the side stream on the true right as returning before that will not have got you past the difficulties. Anyway all of that was behind us & before heading off to see if the river held any more surprises for us we had an early lunch. The next piece of the river proved to be pretty good travel, nothing nasty & it wasn't until the corner just before where the stream from Hells Gate joins in that we entered another gorgy section & had our first somewhat awkward (you had to slide down a rock into deep water) swim. No insurmountable problems though & before we knew it we had reached the Hells Gate creek which we had come down in 2011. From here we knew exactly what to expect, a fairly easy section, followed by a gorgy section with multiple swims, scrambles & waist deep wades. At the end of this is a nice sunny bank to sit on & warm up a bit before carrying on down comparatively easy river to the campsite where Joe's hut used to be. It took us @9 hours to reach this campsite & thanks to our early start there was still nice hot sunshine left to bask in and dry out our clothes.

On Sunday we awoke to clear skies & no wind. We headed off a little later (0720) down the river. This section is all big boulders so lots of scrambling but only one waist deep wade. Back at the track up to Cone hut we changed into dry clothes & had a substantial morning tea. By this stage high cloud had come in which made the climb over the hill back to Walls Whare less sweaty than the walk in. We were back at the car park by midday. An ice cream at Masterton capped the weekend off nicely. We were David Harrington and Jean Garman



David in Tauherenikau River. Image J.Garman

Six Disks Track, Wednesday 20th February, by Andrew Brodie

It was some time since the Wednesday trampers had done this trip and since it was dry and the temperatures predicted to be high I thought it would be good to have a swim in the Ohau River. Also the group has a number of new members who'd not done this trip. 26 trampers plus a dog met at the car park to start, although there was a delay while we waited for the carload from Feilding. They were late last week said someone so we did not worry too much. Finally they turned up, rather embarrassed, since their driver missed the turn off and headed towards SH1. The route across the farm land was as dry as I have ever seen it as was the track in the bush which made the steep descent from the Waiopahu Hut track down to the Ohau River easier than usual. I was at the back of the group and when I got down to the river half the group was missing – a bit of a worry for trip leader. It turned out that when they came out to the grass clearing where the South Ohau Shelter used to be they turned left down to the river instead of taking the track to the right which is actually marked with a triangle and leads to the part of the river which has the swimming spot. I did notice there was a high concentration of Feilding trampers in the front group! Most of us lazed by the river for lunch, with many having a swim to cool off. A few went on upriver toward North Ohau hut for @ an hour. Leonie found a small tomato plant growing in the sand which she dug up and has planted in her garden. She says it is still growing but unlikely to have any tomatoes. This is a very pleasant round trip & everyone enjoyed themselves – recommended if you don't want a long day out. A stop in Sanson for the coffee for the caffeine addicts; others chose icecream. Thanks to Chris Brunskill our van driver & to the car drivers.



CLUB INFORMATION

Use your FMC card

Membership of Federated Mountain Clubs buys advocacy, as well as discounts on various items – like annual hut passes 30% off. Buy an Annual Hut Pass through DoC, kit yourself out at various outdoor equipment shops and get insurance for travel at reduced rates.

Accommodation at the MTSC lodge on Mount Ruapehu

The lodge is close to Iwikau Village, has mains power, heating, hot showers and is well stocked with food. Members and their guests are welcome. (Lodge phone number is (07) 892 3860).

Lodge bookings should be emailed to Liz and Hugh Wilde lodge.bookings@mtsc.org.nz. If you cannot email, please phone (06) 356 9450. To confirm your booking, payment must be made in advance by cheque, or cash (in person) to 179 Cook St, Palmerston North 4410. Internet payment is not available for lodge fees.

	Members	Guests
Adult	\$30	\$45
Secondary School	\$25	\$40
Primary School	\$20	\$35
Pre-school (3-5 yo)	\$10	\$10

People to Contact

If you would like to contact the club with general inquiries, please write to MTSC, P.O. Box 245, Palmerston North and it will reach the appropriate person.

If you want a particular topic discussed at Committee meetings, this is a good way to go about it.

Alternatively an email to the below addresses will suffice.

Booking and use of the MTSC Van

The normal run-of-the-mill things you need to do if using the Transit Van are:

1. Book preferably by Thursday, and certainly no later than 6 pm Friday.
2. Cancel bookings by these times so others needing the van have time to amend travel arrangements.
3. A fly should be carried on every tramp, there is always one in the passenger door of the club van and they are available from the Gear Custodian at no charge. There is a Personal Locator Beacon, in the glove box, for people using the van to take with them.

Trip leaders and those planning trips should use this club asset. Ken and Mary Mercer are interim minibus custodians and can be contacted at (06) 356 7497.

Club Equipment

We have two personal locator beacons (PLB), packs, 2 and 3 person tents, fly-sheets, snow mats, sleeping bag cover, gas cookers, size 8 and 9 boots, billies, two bivvy bags and two big tent flies. Ice axes, crampons, and helmets are also available. Food Dehydrator: ideal for drying large and small quantities of fruit, vegetables, and meat for tramping trips. Easy to use, works well, and is available for hire from the Gear Custodian. Hire cost for members, \$1 per day (no charge for PLB). Contact the Gear Custodian: Peter Rawlins on (06) 356 7443.

Club website | www.mtsc.org.nz

This includes a list of contact details and a club email address. Back issues of Beechleaves can be found on the site and it is updated regularly with new information.

The club webpage is maintained by Howard Nicholson and is kindly hosted by **InSPire Net**, a locally based company.

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