

South Wairarapa Tramping Club

Newsletter for Dec 2013

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Club night:

Tuesday 10 Dec 7.30 pm

St John's Hall Main Street Greytown

Supper: (tea towel, milk and biscuits) Barry Kempton

Speaker: Peter Thompson - trip to Isle of Man and motorbike race

Trip List

December 2013

Date	Destination	Trip organiser/leader	Phone	Fitness	Cost
7 Dec	Cone area	Roger Coventry	304 9720	F	
14 Dec	Bike ride to Gladstone	Mary and Bruce Lambert	379 6106	M	
21 Dec	Turanganui	Helen Morison	304 9531	M	

If you wish to go on a trip, please let the organiser know by the Thursday prior.

Trip Gradings

The letters after the cost for a trip are an indication of how tough it will be.

VE **Very Easy.** A stroll suitable for the youngest, oldest and least fit of people.

E **Easy.** Up to four hours walk. May involve some uphill. Lots of stops.

M **Moderate fitness.** 4-6 hours walk per day. Lunch and smoko breaks.

F **More fitness.** Some experience needed. May go off tracks. 6 – 8 hours walk per day.

FE **Fitness extreme.** 8 – 18 hours walk, fast. Heaps of climbing. Stops are hurried. Enjoyed only by masochists. May take up to a week to recover.

Leaders: please remember if you are unable to lead your trip it is your responsibility to find a replacement leader / trip.

Christmas Party!

This year's party is to be held at Campbell and Barbara Speedy's, 8 Shooting Butts Road Martinborough.

Saturday 21 December 6pm. Bring food to share, your own drinks and a \$2 present.

Enclosed with the latest Wilderness magazine is a New Zealand Walking Access Commission publication ***WALKING ACCESS Rights and Responsibilities -- NZ Outdoor Access Code.*** The pamphlet provides info under the headings:

- Know Your Access Rights and Responsibilities
- Obtain Permission
- Take Care
- Consider Others (dogs / firearms / motor vehicles, etc)
- Land Managers
- Maori Relationships With Land

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Trip Reports

RIMUTAKA INCLINE; CROSS CREEK TO SUMMIT AND RETURN 9 NOV

After a less than promising start weather-wise the Rimutaka Incline group set off from Cross Creek for the summit where we gathered for lunch. Some of the party were keen to walk right through to Kaitoke but a multi-sport event starting at Kaitoke about the same time as our trip promised a fairly congested track so all walkers returned to Cross Creek. The walk is a good one combining an easy incline, some excellent views and a good deal of historical interest.

Participants were Bill Dolan (leader), John Ihaka, Theresa Fawdray, Frances Pike (and two very fit grandsons), Bruce and Mary Lambert, Barry Kempton, Lynne King, Ed and Juliet Cooke and family, Margaret Mackley, Margaret Tonkes, Neil McCallum, Janet Corlett and Graham Britton.

PUFFER TRACK, DOBSON'S HUT, SMITH'S CREEK SHELTER 16 NOV

On Saturday the 16th November eleven members plus a fluff-ball (Graham's dog who is amazing at getting over the ground despite legs about 100mm long. Not yet a member but close to it) went on a replacement trip for the advertised Colonial Knob one- cancelled as the farm was closed for the weekend.

It started at Kaitoke at the "Puffer" track and via the old Dobson's Hut site led to lunch on the grass near Smith Creek Shelter (much cleaned up since our last visit).

One and three quarters of an hour after commencing digestion the cars were regained - all safe which was a considerably better state than the two rusting burnt out remains also there. In all a good trip. Although the rain threatened it never arrived.

Participants were: Ed and Juliet Cooke, Graham Britton, Janet Corlett, Vicki Brooks, Theresa Fawdray, Roger Coventry, Mary & Bruce Lambert, John Ihaka and Carol Major.

