

South Wairarapa Tramping Club

Newsletter for Feb 2014

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Club night: Instead of the usual meeting we have our annual beginning of season barbecue. Bring some meat and a side dish, and dessert, cutlery and crockery.

Tuesday 11 Feb 6.00 pm at Barry Kempton's, 28 Cross's Line Greytown

Trip List

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Date	Destination	Trip organiser/leader	Phone	Fitness	Cost
16	Turanganui River easy walk up river bed Pirinoa area	Helen Morison	304 9531	M	
23*	Wgtn windmill to Red Rocks / Owhiro Bay	Ed & Juliet Cooke	304 9497	M	

*Sunday not Saturday. There will be cars at Owhiro Bay.

Here's an extra trip on a weekday if you are interested:

Carrington Ridge and Annie's Saddle (graded M) Wed 12 March
SWTC is invited to join Forest & Bird WRTG (Wellington Region Tramping Group) on their Wairarapa outing. More details later.

It is becoming more and more difficult to find trip leaders, as members' responsibilities and abilities change. If you think you can run a trip please offer! There are plenty of opportunities.

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.

Trip Reports

BIKE RIDE TO GLADSTONE INN 4 DECEMBER

Fourteen keen bikers registered for our ride out to Gladstone Inn for lunch. Vicki left at 10.15 to take the long way around, down past the mushroom factory and to the left at the turn off to Martinborough and up to Millers Hill and back around to the Gladdie.

The rest of us left 10 Danske Close at 10.45, biked up to Moreton Rd turn off, down to Rutland Rd and turned left and then along to Park Rd where we met John Duggan. We pedalled onwards on a most beautiful day and picked up Barry, Lynne and David at the turn off to Gladstone. We arrived at the Inn about midday.

We sat outside in the sun and had a lovely leisurely lunch. We left about 1.30. It was now quite hot and we had to bike up that hill. I think most of us made it up - I didn't, I walked the last half. We arrived back at our place at 2.45 and most the bikers had already arrived before me. We had afternoon tea and a chat. It was a great day. Those who came were Barry and Lynne, David and Kay, Theresa, Carol, Russell and Angela, Vicki, John, Heather, Frances and ourselves Mary and Bruce Lambert.

BIKE TRIP TO CAPE PALLISER 11 JANUARY

A beautiful morning and not much wind as twelve keen cyclists met at SWWMC at 8 am. We started our ride about 9.20am. at the Eastbourne carpark. The Eastbourne bays were looking pristine with barely a ripple. This was a good indication that we had the right day for the ride. With a slight wind behind us, it was an easy start. We had a great spot by the lighthouse for a cuppa and then onward along the very well biked gravel road. The track was busy with other cyclists and walkers. We went to the rocks at the end of a sandy stretch, where it was near impossible to stay on your bike. The waves were crashing and the scenery there is superb. The water even felt warm to those who had a wee paddle. We biked back to a sheltered spot by a small stream that had been a house site. The wind was a bit stronger now, but not too bad. The trip was 28 kilometres. We arrived to a full carpark, with at least 100 or more people biking and walking on such a lovely sunny day. We enjoyed an icecream in Eastbourne. The beach was a mass of families, enjoying a great summer day with little wind. Bikers were Barry Kempton, Lynne King, Mary and Bruce Lambert, Heather Petersen, Frances Pike, Russell and Angela Calvert, Theresa Fawdray, Rosie and Ian Montgomerie, and a warm welcome to our new member Sarah Ross.

