

# South Wairarapa Tramping Club

## Newsletter for March 2017

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### Club night:

Tuesday 14 March 7.30 pm

St John's Hall Main Street Greytown

Supper: (tea towel, milk and biscuits) Ann & Roger Coventry

Speaker: Fay Mangin - Israel

### Trip List

2017

Date	Destination	Trip coordinator	Phone	Fitness
4.3	Pakuratahi loop	John Rhodes	304 9095	F
11.3	cycling, Wellington bays	Ian Montgomerie	304 9252	E
18.3	Herepai	Barry Kempton	304 9353	F
25.3	Finis working party	John Rhodes	304 9095	
1.4	Rovers Hill circuit	Vicki Brooks	379 8576	F
8-9.4	White Rock #	M & B Lambert	379 6106	M

# Have booked the shearers' quarters for the night of the 8th, will travel out in the morning about 8am set up when we arrive and then go for a walk either to stone wall or around the other way to the wreck. Will do a walk Sunday morning before we come home.

Cost is \$30 a night per person, bring sleeping bag, a shared meal for Saturday night, breakfast for Sunday morning and two lunches Saturday and Sunday.

Let me know if interested.

Thanks Mary Lambert 379 6106 or email me [blambert@xtra.co.nz](mailto:blambert@xtra.co.nz)

***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.

**Supper:** At the end of each club meeting, the people who did the supper should pass the supper box to the people next on the roster.

For the next two meetings the roster is:  
April – Bill Dolan and Bruce Eglinton  
May – Mary & Bruce Lambert

### ***Trip Reports***

#### **RIDGE TRACK KAITOKE 28 JANUARY**

Thirteen trampers enjoyed a great day walking the Ridge Track in the Kaitoke Regional Park. After some horsing around in the Greytown Working Men's Club carpark, waiting for the trip organiser to lead regarding the logistics of which cars would go to which end of the track, we walked from the north, and all was well. The weather was remarkably still and warm, the bush was fresh with new and regenerating growth, and the company exceptionally congenial. Strangely the trip organiser and the new members appeared to be the only ones who had not walked the track several times, - this is not too surprising considering the how pleasant it was on such an ideal day.

Trampers were:- Mary Lambert, Juliette Ed and Wendell Cooke, Ruth Graham, Chris Cassels, Ray Cammisa, John Wilson and Sharleen James, Rosie and Ian Montgomerie, Dianne and Ian Bardsley (organiser).

#### **BUSHY PARK 17 – 19 FEBRUARY**

See attached report

#### **TINUI ANZAC WALKWAY 25 FEBRUARY**

Rosie and Ian picked me up at 8.30 from Charles Street corner and following them was Ed and Juliet with Sarah.

We arrived out at the walkway at 9.30. The cemetery is adjacent to the walkway and we had a wander around there first before the walk. The walk includes walking up through paddocks on a grassy track and along the fence line and a steep climb through native bush, species include beech and totara. You will also walk through rich native bush as you climb the Taipo. This bush is protected by a National Trust QE11 covenant and managed for recreation and native plants and animals.

We had smoko around 11am. It took us an hour and half to the trig and cross. The weather was excellent, no wind or rain, but it was awfully hot.

We took photos and had a look around then Ed and Juliet left us to go down, they were having lunch at the cafe and then going home because they had things to do. The rest of us walked the loop that comes round from the top and meets the original track further down an extra twenty minutes or so. We had lunch at the same spot where we had smoko and then carried on down to the car.

We met two German tourists from Berlin who had been touring the North Island and were off to the South Island next week.

We arrived back around 12.45. We drove back to Tinui Village and looked around the church, police station and craft shop, stopped at cafe and had an ice cream then drove home arriving in Carterton about 3.30.

Thanks everyone for coming, Sarah had never been out there before so enjoyed her day immensely.

Leader Mary Lambert, those who enjoyed the sun and fresh air with her were Rosie and Ian Montgomerie, Ed and Juliet Cooke and Sarah Ross.

