

# South Wairarapa Tramping Club

## Newsletter for November 2024

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### *Club night:*

Tuesday 14 November 7.30 pm

Studio 73, Main Street Greytown

*Speaker:* John Rhodes, cycling around Coromandel Peninsula

*Supper:* (tea towel, milk and biscuits) Jennifer Pomeroy  
Supper box is kept in the store cupboard at Studio 73

For the next meeting the roster is:

December: Juliet and Ed Cooke

### ***Trip List***

November 2024

<b>Date</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Trip coordinator</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Fitness</b>
2.11	Gentle Annie circuit	Bruce Clay	027 237 2080	M
9.11	Rewanui Forest Park	Lesley Callaghan	021 033 5538	M
<b>11.11</b> *	Wairarapa Walking Festival Rimutaka summit to Bucks Road			F
16.11	Back roads of Carterton—cycling	Chris Leather	021 1230 8591	E
23.11	Chimney Spur—pylon road circuit	Stuart Hammond	04 526 7224	F
30.11	Mauriceville to Pukaha with Masterton TC	John Rhodes	304 9095	M
7.12	Aorangi Forest Park valley walk	Stefan Van Trig	021 293 6632	F

- **Monday.** Register at <https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/tours-festivals/2024/wairarapa-walking-festival>

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

### ***Trip Gradings***

*The letters are an indication of how tough it will be.*

**E** **Easy.** Completely flat, no hills, 2 – 3 hours.

**M** **Moderate fitness.** Some hills, well formed tracks. 4-6 hours walk per day.

**F More fitness.** Steep hills, challenging tracks. May go off tracks. 6 – 8 hours walk per day.

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

### ***Trip Reports***

#### **FINIS TRACK, 19 OCTOBER**

Six workers met in Featherston and drove to the end of Boar Bush Gully Road. Ken headed off to improve the now somewhat obscure valley track, while the other five ascended to 360 metres, the altitude that we had reached in May. By mid afternoon the track clearing job was complete, helped by recent cutting at the top by the Greater Wellington Backcountry Network.

*Clematis forsteri* was flowering on the slopes of Finis, as were poppies beside Highway 2 on the way home.

Ross Anderson (SWTC), Franz Hubmann (TTC), Paul McCredie (TTC), Josh Oakly (MTC), John Rhodes (SWTC) and Ken Stokes (SWTC, retired)





### RIMUTAKA RAIL TRAIL 26 OCTOBER

Barry and Sioux, Jeff, Hilary and Lulu took a solid stiff walk up from Cross Creek to lunch at Summit Station and back in under 4 hours! The scheduled heavy rain held off until we were safely home! The track was very quiet - only a few hardly souls. Barry had some great old memories and showed us some features of the old railway line out to Cross Creek.





