

South Wairarapa Tramping Club

Newsletter for June 2026

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Club night:

Tuesday 9 June 7.30 pm

Studio 73, Main Street, Greytown

Speaker: **AGM** Jane Lenting on her 1100 k's of solo Te Araroa walking

Supper: (tea towel, milk and biscuits) David and Kay Bowie
Supper box is kept in the store cupboard at Studio 73

For the next two meetings the roster is:

July: Barry Kempton

August: Juliet and Ed Cooke

Trip List

June 2026

Date	Destination	Trip Coordinator	Phone	Fitness
6.6	TBA	Ed & Juliet Cooke	304 9497	
13.6	Jury Hill	Barry Kempton	027 430 5935	M
20.6	Barra Track Waingawa	Ian Montgomerie	021 0237 4092	M
27.6	Masterton trails	Liz & Chis Crowe	021 152 6240	M
4.7	Somes Island	Hilary Ryan	027 446 9044	M

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.

M **Moderate fitness.** Some hills, well formed tracks.

F **More fitness.** Steep hills, challenging tracks. May go off tracks.

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

Trip Reports

WINZENBERG HILL 16 MAY

Myself and two stalwart members of SWTC arrived at Holdsworth on a cool and cloudy morning with the intention of completing a Mountain House circuit. However, brief discussions about alternatives led us to consider Winzenberg Hill instead.

After crossing a stream it soon became apparent that recent flooding has made the track more challenging.

A couple of more stream crossings and the solid climb began. A steep, unrelenting, and rooty track climb of 450 metres took us around two hours to get to the top. We were rewarded with clear and excellent panoramic views of the Wairarapa Valley and eastern Tararua ranges. A slippery and cautious descent followed and we were back in Greytown by 2pm.

Fellow trampers Ian and Ross and I would like to express thanks to John Rhodes for the determined efforts he has made in the past few years to resurrect the route up Winzenberg from Holdsworth. We very much appreciated that we had a clear track to follow.

John Wilson





