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Club Meetings: These are held every second Wednesday (before a tramp) at the Hastings Harrier Clubrooms in Sylvan Road, Hastings. Doors open 7:25pm, visitors are most welcome. 50c donation gratefully accepted each meeting towards hall hire (*place in the old boot*).

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2008 AGM Reports:

President's Report 2008

Well another year of tramping, cycling, fundraising and just enjoying ourselves has passed. I must say being President is a pleasant role in this club due to the excellent support and backup from our energetic and diligent secretary, Graeme, the willingness of Lynette to back me up when I'm away, and the support from members. This year many of our key officers have been away at times and we really appreciate the way others step up to the plate to assist. Special thanks must go to Sue Taylor for producing the Pohokura, Randall for taking on the Editor's role (and all the other thoughtful assistance he offers) and to Glenda for becoming our "IT" department. Also to Rodger for developing the mid weekers to a point where this is an important aspect of Club activities. Thanks to Geoff for his motherly guardianship of our "truck". We appreciate his ongoing work in improving, maintaining, and driving the truck for us.

Thanks to all those who enthusiastically support our fundraising efforts such as the Hazmobile and Kaweka Challenge (especially those who toil on the KC committee). The income we earn from these fundraisers helps keep our subscriptions down and truck fees at modest levels, and allows us to acquire and update equipment for our benefit.

Thanks to those (John Montgomerie in particular) who get involved in the search and rescue scene, and encourage us to learn First Aid and improve the requisite search and rescue skills.

Why does this club work so well? It is my observation that it's because of the wonderfully eclectic mix of people who are our 100 members, held together by our love of getting out in the hills and mountains, cycling the byways, learning and socialising. Every tramp is an adventure, some much more than intended, and we always have some good laughs. The Club has a rich history and culture. It has a very valuable asset in its "truck" which enables us to venture far and wide with relative ease.

Our club nights are a focal point where we promote upcoming trips, hear about those just completed (most times) and have some wonderful speakers and activities that we can enjoy whilst learning.

Therefore we need to encourage other like-minded people to join our Club. We held a new trampers' tramp (thanks to David and Lynette) and frequently have visitors to Club Nights. This year we have welcomed 2 new members but we need to do better. Do some visitors lose interest because we don't follow up, or do we frighten some of them off by losing them in the bush? While the Club is in a healthy state we still need to get new members to keep it more interesting and share in our experiences. I encourage all members to promote the benefits of this Club to others.

Sadly, some members and ex-members have passed on. It was especially sad to lose Deborah Turner who was such an inspiration to us in many ways.

A big thanks to those on the Committee who help run the Club so well. We look forward to another good year.

Happy tramping. Alan Petersen

P.S Thanks also to Treasurer Lex for his excellent work as treasurer and sound investment decisions on behalf of the Club.

Club Captain's Report 2008

The trip numbers over the last year have generally been fairly light averaging about 6 members interspersed with occasional trips of 12-15 people. I thank all the club members for trip suggestions this year and the fixtures sub-committee who try to put this into a workable and varied order of trips. Bits of tramps or whole trips suggested are all helpful, if you think of something you would like to do, write it down or Email me. Telling me and hoping I will remember is a big ask.

The Wednesday trips are a continuing success, thanks to all involved there.

This year we had our third attempt at Mt Karioi and climbed it in great weather. We also had a second unsuccessful attempt at Ballard hut. But it is good that club members will turn back when situations start to get dangerous. The club now has 3 new PLBs (personal locator beacons) for our use in emergency situations.

I'd like to thank Lynette and all the members who came on and helped out with the New Comers trip, I have received many phone calls about the club and we will have to see if it entices any new members into the club, it has also opened up new avenues to try and look for younger prospective members.

For the bus maintenance and driving that Geoff does a big thank you.

By the time you read this lot of you will have attended the First Aid course so now we require your help in managing the Kaweka Challenge event which is a club fund raiser.

We have two future trips to rarely visited areas, one on 23rd Nov to the Wakarara range, the other on 17th Jan to Te Wae Wae Station.

Thank you all who have volunteered to lead & organise club trips, the Land Owners, Bus Drivers and Trampers. THANK YOU ALL!.

David Blake.

Truck Report 2008

The truck odometer now reads 76,000km, and it still runs like a clock. A recent new front tyre cost \$306, compared to another quote for exactly the same thing of \$420. It pays to shop around! A recent regular 10,000km service cost nearly \$350, including one oil filter at \$64, so I will be shopping around for future service quotes, too. Although fuel costs are at last easing down after record high levels, other maintenance costs are still moving upwards. Lex's records of truck operating costs vs fares received show that things are still in balance. We have had some good turn-outs on recent trips, and as long as we can keep the numbers up, our present fare levels should be OK for some time ahead. A fare on a truck is still a lot cheaper than running your own car, and a lot more fun!

Keep on truckin' on,

Geoff Clibborn

Treasurer's Report 2008

INCOME	NOTES	2008	2007
Subscriptions		\$ 2,351	\$ 2,388
Fares received	1	\$ 4,103	\$ 6,430
Meeting Contributions		\$ 394	\$ 517
Donations			
Hut		\$ 445	\$ 515
General	2	\$ 2,205	\$ 523
Motere trust		\$ 200	\$ 200
Fund-raising	3	\$ 8,441	\$ 10,420
Interest Income	4	\$ 9,152	\$ 5,647
Sales		\$ 56	\$ 79
		<u>\$ 27,347</u>	<u>\$ 26,719</u>
EXPENSES			
Administration		\$ 395	\$ 234
Audit & Accountancy		\$ 255	\$ 265
General Expenses		\$ 135	\$ 63
Donations	5	\$ 445	\$ 550
Insurance (huts & equipment)		\$ 706	\$ 706
Rent of meeting room		\$ 216	\$ 384
Supper & social expenses		\$ 406	\$ 214
Library & photo album		\$ 115	\$ 110
FMC Capitation		\$ 1,000	\$ 990
Bulletin	6	\$ 1,230	\$ 833
Training	7	\$ 198	\$ 502
Hut maintenance		\$ 312	\$ 231
Subscriptions		\$ 52	\$ 52
Transport costs		\$ 3,794	\$ 3,942
Truck Insurance		\$ 582	\$ 582
Equipment		\$ 69	
Telephone		\$ 41	\$ 41
Depreciation		\$ 5,504	\$ 5,420
		<u>\$ 15,454</u>	<u>\$ 15,118</u>
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED			
TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS		<u>\$ 11,893</u>	<u>\$ 11,601</u>
NOTES:			
1. A number of larger cost recovery trips 2007 year			
2. Grant for purchase of new EPLBs			
3. No dump clean up this year			
4. Increased funds on deposit / interest rates / timing of deposits & int payments			
5. Donations - Lowe Walker Helicopter Trust / Cranford			
6. 1000 Pohokura covers purchased May 2008.			
7. David Blake on FMC Course this year.			

	2008	2007
CURRENT ASSETS		
Kaweka Challenge deposit	\$ 600	\$ 600
Westpac Cheque Account	\$,516	\$ 4,803
Accounts receivable	\$ -	\$ -
	<u>\$ 10,116</u>	<u>\$ 5,403</u>
NON CURRENT ASSETS		
Westpac Term Deposits	Term Deposit \$ 19,993	\$ 17,773
	Term Deposit \$ 12,646	\$ 11,653
	Term Deposit \$ 10,842	\$ 10,000
Hastings Building Society	Term Deposit \$ 49,643	\$ 45,439
	Term Deposit \$ 11,420	\$ 10,559
Fixed Assets	\$ 26,777	\$ 28,718
	<u>\$ 141,438</u>	<u>\$ 129,545</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Sundry payables	\$ 250	\$ 250
	<u>\$ 250</u>	<u>\$ 250</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		
NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 141,188</u>	<u>\$ 129,295</u>
Represented by:		
ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
Balance at 1 October 2007	\$ 29,295	\$ 117,694
Surplus for the year	\$ 11,893	\$ 11,601
	<u>\$ 141,188</u>	<u>\$ 129,295</u>
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		
AUDITOR'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF THE HERETAUNGA TRAMPING CLUB (INC.)		
I report that I have examined the financial records of the Club and have obtained all the information and explanations that I have required.		
With organisations such as the Club, it is not possible to verify all cash received during the year and my examination of income has accordingly been limited to a comparison of recorded receipts with bank deposits. I did not however note anything that would indicate the existence of receipts not banked.		
Subject to the possible effect of the limited control over income referred to in the proceeding paragraph, in my opinion the Income and Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet show respectively a fair view of the Club's activities for the year ended 30 September 2008 and of the financial position at that date.		
W.A. Stacey.	A.C.A.	J.A. Smith Treasurer

Environmental Report 2008

During the 2008 period a number of significant conservation decisions were made.

A new Conservation Park was established that encompasses all of the Kaikoura Ranges and high country. Special fauna in this area includes, giant weta, black eyed gecko, kea and falcon. Conservation Minister, Steve Chadwick, thanked FMC and RF&B Soc for their advocacy.

Additional conservation land has been established in Nelson Lakes, Molesworth Station, and St James Walkway to safeguard land from foreign ownership.

Advice has been received from Steve Chadwick that a Southern Fiordland National Park will be established to include Southwest / Cameron Wilderness area and Lake Poteriteri to be all inclusive as the last wilderness area left in NZ.

Meridian Energy were taken to task for thinking of damming one of the most attractive and wild river gorges on the West Coast of the South Island. Many parties including Minister of Conservation, FMC, numerous clubs and individuals have complained to the company. Resource Consent has not been granted yet.

A letter was sent to Barbara Marshall, the secretary of FMC for twenty-two years, congratulating her on inclusion in the Honours List.

On the local front at Boundary Stream, four Kiwi are on nests, the Kokako have eight breeding pairs resulting in five chicks. Mike Lusk has spent many hours there helping DOC people. At Te Mata Park Mike has been involved with the planting of native trees and shrubs on a large scale. Shirley Bathgate.

TRIP REPORTS



#2043

Howlett's Hut

9 & 10 August 2008

Andy Fowler was the leader for this trip and "advertised" it at the previous Wednesday's club meeting as going ahead whatever the weather... and the forecast was not good! Crampons and Ice axes were required to be taken. For me, as a prospective club member this shook me a wee bit. I had been looking forward to signing up for the trip and getting out with some club members and also to doing the kind of trip that I wouldn't contemplate doing solo. Crampons and Ice axes were things I had never used before. A quick chat to Andy during a break in the meeting put me at ease and I put my name down.

SATURDAY

Despite the "advertising", the weather on the Saturday morning looked surprisingly good – cold but fine, with the forecast southerly having passed through the night before. After picking out our crampons and ice axes, we set off from the club truck at the end of Kashmir Road at about 8:30am or so and began the climb up to Pohangina Saddle. So far so good!

The further up we got the better the views were. It also got colder, and the snow got deeper... thigh deep if you were unlucky enough to hit a soft spot, so out came the ice axes. A quick "how to" for me on self-arrest and we carried on our way with turns being taken in the front for the rest of the day.

The wind was quite strong and bitterly cold in places as we neared Otumore, with snow stinging as it hit your face.

From there we turned more northwards and headed along the main ridge with a final steep climb up to Taumatataua and a well deserved rest. I needed this! I drink from a hydration bladder on the go, and the water in the tube had frozen solid so I took the chance to pour some water into a mug and quench my thirst before heading on again.

The last part of the journey on Saturday involved collecting firewood to carry to the hut. This was a good sign in that it meant that we must be really near the hut! We were. Once inside it was time to get the fire going and warm the place up. There was a good stock of coal at the hut so we only needed the firewood to get the fire going. The rest of the evening was spent cooking, eating, and in general light hearted banter before lights out and a well earned sleep at around 7:30pm. By now the fire was roaring and the bottom 1 ½ feet or so of the chimney was glowing red hot. Much nicer than the -5C outside!

SUNDAY

Breakfast was interspersed by debate as to what route we would take back to the truck. The wind had picked up quite a bit overnight which would make travel along the tops challenging, however the wind was also forecast to drop during the day. In the end the decision was to head down from the ridge and hike back to the truck via Daphne Hut. Yay for downhill hiking!

It didn't seem to be long and the snow underfoot disappeared and we were on a good downhill bush track to the river near Daphne Hut. A short break there then time to push on, making a few river crossings until we picked up the next section of the track. Time to go uphill again! We were making good time so far and along with that came further discussion and debate as to the best of two route options from here. One would take us along a more sheltered path to Kashmir road a few kms north of the truck. The other was more exposed but would lead us past Longview hut down to the truck along the same track that we used yesterday. We chose the latter route. After a late lunch cooped up in a small thicket for shelter we headed back out from the bush and into the open. We had a 200m climb and a couple of kms to cover before hooking up with the track down to the truck. It was windy!! Some debate as to whether it was 80kph or 100kph... but either way there was plenty of it and it reaffirmed the sense of staying off the tops on the return from the hut.

The last hour or so was mainly downhill although still tricky at times with the wind, and some snow and ice on the track.

It has been many years since I tramped with a group and I really enjoyed that aspect of the trip. It was great to be in the company of people who had a wealth of experience to share, and were lots of fun as well.

MD

'A' Party: Andy Fowler, Tina Godbert, John Montgomerie, Gerald Blackburn, Matt Drever.

#2043	Longview Hut
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9 & 10 Aug 2008

Three of us left with the "A" party for a more leisurely weekend. The intentions were to base ourselves at Longview Hut and explore the area e.g. the different tracks leading off the ridge. As we drove closer to the car park the snow was more visible. It looked quite a good drop. The car park at the road end was covered with about 100mm of snow over night.

It's always a nice climb up to the Hut and so at the Junction we farewelled the "A" party and went along to the Hut. Gas turned on outside and boots, gloves, coats left outside under the leanto. No gas in the hut, out came our cookers and a hot drink and something to eat (about 10am). "Who wants to go where?" I asked, and with no reply we lingered. Outside a light wind had come up and was getting cold.

A large frame covered the light in the window, then a knock and who should appear but John Berry. He found the inside gas tap and there were more hot drinks. We were starting to get quite comfortable by this time and decided to explore in the morning. With four of us now the cards came out and between the card games hot drinks and lunch, the afternoon escaped us. Just as well we bought our gear in; our gloves were stiff, laces too. Over night the wind blew, waking us up at times. Snow drifts came in under the door leaving an icy patch on the floor. I was sure the hut was going to blow away. There was no good reason to get up in the morning except for quick toilet duties and another hot drink.

The morning brought very strong winds and going for our walk was not an option. How can we get back to the truck, or even if we could, was all that was on our minds. The different options were discussed but it was decided to go back the same way we came. A good clean up lunch and we headed off. Ken and I linked up so as to stay upright while the other two just marched on. All made it safely to the bus where we changed and drove down the road to meet the "A" party. They had changed their plans and followed us down the road.

CS

'B' Party; John Berry, Glenda Hooper, Hamish Hunt, Ken Nugent, Christine Snook.

#2044	Bluff Hill - Napier	Wed. 13 Aug 2008
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Originally the trip was to Kuripapango Trig but there was not much interest in going there so we decided to go to Napier and walk up Bluff Hill. We started off by Ocean Spa and with map in hand went up and down as many stairs as we could. A short break at the Botanical Gardens and then up to the Lookout on the top of Bluff hill where we had lunch. A very cheeky seagull joined us and tried to eat our teabags out of the cup!! We were home reasonably early after a good day out.

JM

Party: Bobby Couchman, Marion Nicholson, Marjorie Musson, Alasdair Shaw, Judy McBride

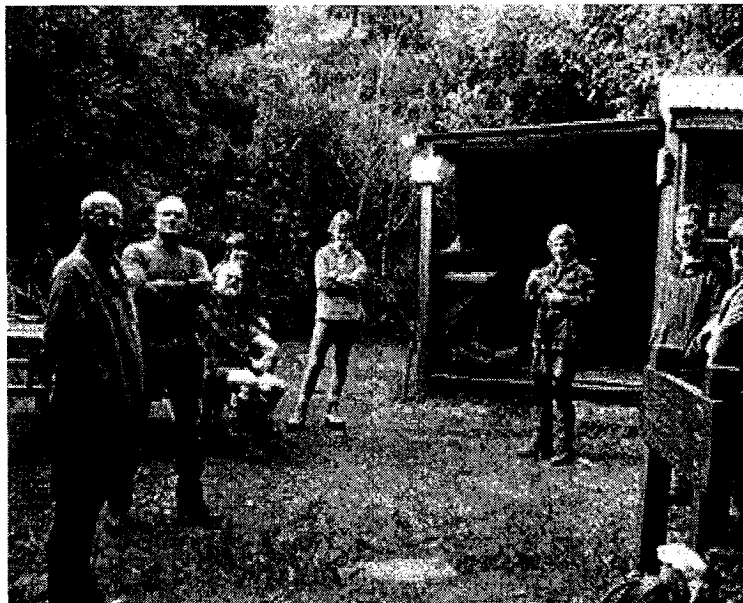
#2045	Taupo Jaunt	25 Aug 2008
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The weather forecast Saturday night predicted heavy rain and thunderstorms, 15 minutes later we were short 4 of the intended starters. So just after 6 o'clock the next morning 8 of us left Pernel Orchard headed towards Taupo arriving at the carpark on Mountain Road around 8.30.

Geoff had a Geocache site he wanted to visit on top of Tauhara but had his young grandson to consider so stayed behind and did two other caches in the Taupo Botanical Gardens. It was obvious there was going to be no view on the top so, with Peter Brown having a GPS, we gladly took up the Tauhara Geocache Mission. Geoff loaded the relevant waypoints and we headed up the track, firstly across farmland then over a fence and up through bush.

There was a slight drizzle but it wasn't too cold provided we didn't stop in one place for too long. It took just over 90 minutes to reach the trig where upon Peter Br took out his GPS and informed us that the Geocache was about 500 metres away. Following his directions we walked along the flat top, following a well beaten track, until he said it was about 2 feet away and there it was, a small lunch box hiding under some shrubs. We quickly logged an entry and replaced the "treasure", turned and retraced our steps back to the trig. It was a lot colder on the tops and the drizzle had bits of ice in it so it was good to get off the tops and head back down the track.

It took about an hour to get back down to the truck and we decided to drive to Spa Park to have lunch. There was no shelter there so lunch was eaten in the truck after which we walked the track from Spa Park to Huka Falls with Geoff and Ethan taking the truck round. The Waikato River was really high, almost up to the track in some places and Huka Falls when we got there was awesome. We met Geoff and Ethan en route to another Geocache as we approached the falls and after viewing the falls returned to the truck and headed for De Bretts.



We had an hour soaking at De Bretts before heading back to the Bay arriving back at Pernel Orchard just before 6. A good day out in spite of the weather. Thanks Geoff and Peter for driving.
GH

Party: Glenda Hooper, Peter Berry, Joan Ruffell, Geoff Clibborn with Ethan, Peter Brown, Ken Nugent and Murry Alderson.

#2046 Bellbird Bush & the Blue Lake

Wed 27 Aug 2008

On an indifferent weather forecast six of us set out for Bellbird Bush and the Blue Lake. It was very mild and so our hopes were high for a good day. Although overcast it was not actually raining when we arrived at Lake Opouahi, but on consultation with the troops we decided that to attempt Bell Bird Bush and Blue Lake after all the heavy rain we have had recently would be a rather dangerous and slippery expedition, so we opted to walk around Lake Opouahi and Thomas's Bush instead.

After the obligatory cup of tea in the D.O.C. shelter we set off around the lake.

The area is now a nursery for kiwi chicks and is heavily fenced against predators. The gate to get in resembles a prisoner of war camp entrance and requires strong muscles to open.

Climbing through the bush was, as usual, lovely and by now a light rain had begun to fall making every plant a vivid green. We did not see or hear many birds but we enjoyed our walk in the rain, a first for our Wednesday group, as we usually chicken out at any hint of rain. After three hours we arrived back at the shelter for lunch, just in time, as the heavens suddenly opened raining heavily. Changing into dry gear we headed home. Another pleasant and satisfying outing with good company.
BC

Party: Bobby Couchman, Marjorie Musson, Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Alasdair Shaw, Graham Ede.

#2047 Pureora Forest Park

6 - 7 Sept 2008

Five thirty AM is an awfully early start time but we all made it and picked up a Napier contingent enroute to Pureora just before 6 to make 10 in all. The trip over was uneventful and we arrived at the Bog Inn carpark around 9 AM.

We went in to Bog Inn Hut with the A Party getting there about 9:50, the track is aptly named with plenty of bog but the bush was nice even a few Prince of Wales Feather ferns.. After a look around the A party left us and we followed shortly afterwards getting back to the truck around 11. We drove back down the road and then along Link Road to where the Titiraupunga – Pureora track crossed and

parked up there and had lunch in the sunshine. After lunch we made our way up Mount Pureora and its hundreds of steps, getting to the summit around 1.30. Another sit in the sun was required, taking in the 360 degree views.

Sign posts on the top indicated the track to Bog Inn to the south, the Toi Toi track to the east and the track we had ascended to the north-east. It was decided that the females would descend via the Toi Toi track whilst Peter would return to the truck and pick us up at the end of the Toi Toi Road. Well best laid plans of men and mouseWe got to the road at the end of the Toi Toi Track and waited, then we walked down Toi Toi Road to Cabbage Tree Road and waited and waited, then we walked along Cabbage Tree Road and then finally along comes Peter and the truck – relief all round. The road signage on Link Road is almost non-existent and the map Peter had did not have the Toi Toi Track marked on it but had the old road which heads off to the North-West from the summit marked on it. So Peter had gone to that road end and had waited around there for a while until he decided that as we should have been there by then there must have been another track so drove up all the roads until he found us.

We were close to the Ngaherenga Camp site so decided to spend the night there. This is a great place for Kaka and they entertained us while we made tea. After tea we walked through the Totara Track in the dark so as to view the glow worms that grow on the root ball of a couple of trees that had fallen over many years ago. This accomplished, it was early to bed.

We were back on the road by 8 the next morning to drive to the carpark beside the Waihaha Stream adjacent to the Western Bay Road. Leaving from there just before 9 o'clock we walked along the track towards Waihaha Hut. This is a very picturesque walk with a lovely clear river below and awesome rock formations on the opposite slopes. We were firstly in regenerating bush, the dense podocarp forest doesn't start until Waihaha Hut, and then came out into a 3 km long frost flat, which like the one on the Rangiteiki plans, contains many dracophyllum species and is predominantly dark red coloured. Back into the bush at the end of the frost flats we met up with the A Party coming out from Waihaha so we all stopped for an early lunch and views of the Waihaha River with its sculptured river bed. After lunch we all returned back to the truck and home, making Hastings around 6 PM.

This was Jennie's first trip and I hope that she, like the rest of us, found it to be a great weekend.

GH:

Parties: A: Peter Brown, David Cormack, David Blake, Anne Blake, Mike Lusk, B: Jenny Lowe, Susan Lopdell, Bobby Couchman, Peter Berry & Glenda Hooper

#2048

Middle Stream

Wed 10 Sept 2008

We started a bit earlier than usual (7AM) due to lighter and warmer mornings.

Two car loads arrived at the Waipawa River at the end of North block road @ 8.15 and the day looked promising. After a hot drink we were off over the bridge and following the new route by the deer fence up the rutted 4WD track to the boundary of the Ruahine forest park. This way is quite easy but under sustained rainfall could become quite a mess. Over the style and we followed the track through the fern for a while till we came to the first stream where we stopped for a "Lunchette "before carrying on towards Middle stream.

Just before the last drop down to Middle stream we passed through a magnificent tussock patch by a large fallen tree with a backdrop of the tops covered in snow we decided almost unanimously to stop for lunch. This was quite early for lunch so we decided to have a lengthy lunch and did some botanizing.

A couple of the team had commitments back in town so we returned back to the cars as the rain started by the bridge after what was a quite lazy jaunt enjoyed by all and we were back in town about 3PM.

RB

Party: Marion Nicholson, Judy McBride, Bobby Couchman, Gary Smith, Keith Thomson, Rodger Burn.

#2049 Dead Dog Hut

21 Sept 2008

Eight of us left Pernell's expecting a tame and pleasant dawdle to Dead Dog Hut. Drove out to Kereru, Mangleton Rd up to Gull Rd. Then drove down a steep metal track and back up the other side. Watch out for the water tanks!! Had a feeling we were geographically misplaced as we went to a gate and there were ewes and new lambs in the next paddock and no clear track. A farmer pulled up on his quad bike. A long chat with Monty determined we were at the wrong end of the road, and had to go back through the steep gully we had just negotiated, back down Gull Rd to Thorn Flat Rd which is part of Kereru Station (just south of Big Hill). We past the woolshed and along a series of long acre paddocks full of about-to-calve Angus cows. I used my stockman skills to carefully drive through them so they didn't all mob up in front. Just at a crucial point Monty lets out a monster whistle, and bugger me that mob ran in front of us again. Thanks Monty and then there was a new calf and her mum charged off. So had to hope she would go back again. Finally got to the last paddock and drove to bush line where the old dilapidated Herrick Hut is with the replacement near by, essentially 2 workman's huts face to face.

We confidently set off along the track to the river looking for the "track" marked on the map to take us up onto Herrick's Spur. Monty tried a pre-emptive explore and reckons he was onto a "track". But we whistled him back in behind. A bit further along we got to a side creek and decided that it must be where the track headed up and in any case if it wasn't we would intercept the main track on the ridge. So we literally bulldozed our way up a steep spur through manuka, flax, and mingimingi scrub. No obvious tracks. A few mumbles from the rank and file. With a good deal of sweat and cursing we eventually got to the top of the ridge and a nice clay pan. Beauty!! Had a rest and snack stop and enjoyed the view. It was actually a beautiful day. We tried to find a track to take us further up the ridge. No sign of one across or up or down. Kind of reluctantly set off up the ridge expecting to find more clay pans. But just ran into more and more really stumpy tight manuka. Finally Monty sticks his head up through the mess and yells out he can see a bare knob ahead but reckoned it would take 2 more hours to get there at our rate of travel at 2 hours per square. So we had a group meeting huddled in the scrub and decided to abort the intended trip and head back to the truck. There were a few mumbles about the "B" who had recommended the trip but didn't turn up to share in our suffering.

We spent the next 2 hours scrub bashing, crawling on knees, doing spin crash tackles like the All Blacks to get through it. Finally we literally fell onto the track we had started on. Some energetic soles went up the track to see the river and if there was a track further on. Me, the main bulldozer, with the right hand hernia giving me gypo, legs shredded, hobbled back towards the Hut, dragged out a mattress and had a snooze in the sun.

The others turned up and we called it a day, headed back down the long acre paddocks to the road and back home. The drive through the farmland out there was very enjoyable, especially in the Spring. Trouble is the truck had shovels of cow poo stuck to the mudguards and stank like a stockyard. Sorry Geoff.

Party; Peter Brown (last minute leader, thanks), Alan Petersen (driver and reporter herein), Christine Snook, Ken Nugent, John Montgomerie, Judy McBride and Majorie Musson. Also thanks to Phil Hensman for allowing us access in the lambing/calving season.

The person who suggested the trip and then didn't go and share in the suffering; RODGER BURN

PS; Later, Monty rang the farm manager to thank him for allowing access and he basically advised "You silly buggers there is no track up on Herrick's Ridge".

#2050

Kaweka Flats Biv

Wed 24 Sept 2008

We made an early start on a clear calm morning for the hour and a half drive up the Puketitiri road to the Makahu car park at the base of the Kaweka range. The track to the Kaweka flats is very pretty as it wanders through the beech forest, crossing small streams working gradually downhill. After crossing the last stream its then uphill over a open rocky scre4e until it levels out to a grassy flat with the little Kaweka Flats Biv. in the centre.

We had a snackette there and as it was still early we decided to carry on to the historic Iron Whare. That track is quite well marked but it could use a bit of clipping as it is overgrown in parts. We had lunch there listening to the Tui's and then made our way back stopping briefly so as to see the views. Another stop at the Biv. where we had a compass lesson then back along the track to Marion's Ute. A good day out with good company.
JMcB

Party: Rodger Burn, Joan Ruffell, Marjorie Musson, Marion Nicholson, Judy McBride

#2051

Lakes to Makahu

3 - 5 Oct 2008

Party A: No report

Party: Jeff Robertson, Anne Cantrick, John Montgomerie, Dave & Debbie Harrington and Randall Goldfinch who diverted to the Party B route from Sat morning at Kiwi Mouth Hut 10.00am

Private Party A plus a day

Party: Andy Fowler, Gerald Blackburn, Tina Godbert

Thursday 1/ Snuck in a day ahead of the A party and made our way up to Kiwi Saddle hut in the dark there to feast on cheesecake.

Friday 2/ Fished our way down Kiwi Creek and annoyed some 'whales' in the Ngaruroro but didn't persuade any of them to join us for dinner. Slowly made our way up from Kiwi Mouth to Manson arrived glad that this was our destination and not just a lunch spot as it was to be for the A party the next day. Manson hut in great condition. Gerald and Andy checked out old Manson hut while Tina played house.

Saturday 3/ Breezy on the tops but sunny and views to Ruapehu. Some neat wind-eroded hummocks around Mt Manson and a beautiful, large, smooth weta-? scree weta? crawled out from under a tussock to say hullo on Spion Kop. We arrived at Rocks Ahead at 1.30 and after a swim and a brief fish we decided the sandflies were too numerous to be conducive to a lazy afternoon in the sun. Neither Gerald nor Tina had been up the track from Rocks Ahead to Venison Tops so that decided our route. A couple of hours of steady climb on a beautiful track through lovely beech forest popped us out onto the colourful alpine spread of Venison Tops.

Sunday 4/ After a rattlingly windy night in Kelvinator Lodge we headed east. 2 hours got us to Ballard's turn off and it was windy and showery but OK. When we reached the Main range we were close to being blown off our feet crossing the wind swept saddles. Much of the way we linked arms river crossing style to stay upright! We opted to head down Dicks Spur... the boys had said it was fine but I found it a bit loose and precipitous in parts for my liking. At the lower end of the spur Gerald's local knowledge pointed us down a scree slope that points straight towards Kaweka Biv this ends in a roughly marked route that took us to the main track much quicker than a route Andy had 'explored' on a previous trip. A quick dip on the way back freshened us up for the return to society in the Truck!! Thank you very much to Allan and Christine for bringing the truck round and making this very satisfying trip possible. TG

Party B

On Friday night we set off for the Lakes car park at 6.30, and started tramping up to Kiwi Saddle at about 8.30. It was very windy along the ridge, and good to have experienced people who knew the track well in the dark. We got to the hut in about 2.5 hours, at about 11.

The next morning our B party group of David, Peter Brown and myself left at about 8.30 and followed the A party down the ridge. We then went over the 'high route' over a very large hill and down to Kiwi Mouth hut in its beautiful spot by the Ngaruroro River. Randall had left a message there to say he was dropping out of the A party and doing our route, heading for Back Ridge hut. After Kiwi Mouth it was straight up another very large hill onto the ridge, which we followed for a long time up and down, until we got to Back Ridge Bivy, at about 5pm. It was very hot, dry and tiring, and we were worn out by the time we got there. There was a hunter and his 2 daughters at the bivy already, who made us very welcome.

The next morning it was windy and cold. It took about 1.5 hours to get to the hut, and we could see Randall taking off up the ridge ahead of us. Out of the bushline it was extremely windy, and we were forced to crawl in a few places to stop being blown over. We got to Kaweka J in about 3.5 hours, and hurried off down the other side out of the wind. We stopped at Dominie Bivy for lunch, and were soon back at the truck.

It was quite a tough trip for our levels of fitness, but very enjoyable. Thanks to Jeff for organising it, Alan for driving, and Peter Brown for his company.

AB

Party: David & Anne Blake, Peter Brown

#2052

Ruahine Range

Wed 8 Oct 2008

Our original plan was to do the Longview hut circuit but the strong winds at that time put that in jeopardy. A phone call to DOC @ Onga Onga confirmed very high prevailing winds in the region of 120 KPH.

We decided to re-assess the situation @ the junction of SH5 and Makaretu Rd on the day and the winds proved to be very strong so plan B was put into operation which was to go to the Mill road end and do the Yeoman's-Ellis hut track.

However at the car park the situation was no better with a howling gale coming down the Makaroro River, the river was high and flowing fast and more rain forecast.

In the interests of safety we flagged that away and plan C was our last option.

Our time schedule had gone to poo and on arrival at the Triplex car park we all enjoyed a much overdue Coffee and Biscuits before making our way up to Triplex hut and then up the Sunrise track to the Waipawa Forks turn off.

We then wandered back and did the Swamp track which is much improved from my last visit many years ago and then we had lunch at Triplex before returning to Pernels.

Longview can keep for another day.

RB.

Party: Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Susan Lopdell, Bobby Couchman, Marjorie Musson, Garry Smith, Rodger Burn.

#2053

From Triplex Car Park with New-comers

19 Oct 2008

After a couple of articles in local papers that Lynette wrote, and articles in each Library, my phone rang hot with questions and Glenda forwarded a couple of e-mail. I e-mailed an information pack to each person which answered most there questions, and was a good idea.

So 6am Sunday we had a full truck plus Mike's car, and another car went straight to Triplex. As we drove up we could the fresh snow was down fairly low, and as Peter and I headed up with 10 in the fast group towards Sunrise hut it wasn't long until we were in dripping as the snow lower down melt. At Sunrise the three 14 year olds dropped back to wait for the other groups because one was feeling

sick. We decided to carry on but due to the snow which was still falling at this height and ankle deep above the hut we thought top Maropea Hut was a safer idea than along the tops to Waipawa Saddle with people we didn't know. Another two people dropped back to join the following parties just past Armstrong saddle, leaving five we made it past the high point and decent down to Top Maropea hut for lunch, where we met a member of Nelson T C up in the area for a few days and he boost our numbers for the rest of the day. After lunch it was retrace our steps back up the hill through the wet snow covered vegetation this time with out the rest of the party brushing it off for me. At the trig point (removed be the elements) we met a couple from Palmerston North M T C, who had come from Waikamaka hut and the reverse of our original plan along the top, they put our numbers up to eight as far as Sunrise hut where some one had built an interesting snowman. Back to six we went down taking the track of to Waipawa river, we had a look at Waipawa forks hut and carried on down the river now in fine weather. Then up the road which always feels longer when you walk it, back to the truck arriving at the same time as one of the other groups. Here we left our Nelson tramper and arrived back at Pernel's a little after 5pm. Every one said they enjoyed the day. Peter didn't stop talking . Mike took the sick boy home, and his mother phoned to thank us for looking after her boy. And I enjoyed the day. We had about a dozen club members spread among the three groups, Thank you. Looking back I think next time we run a new comers trip we need to have more trips in the weeks following (this November was not ideal) to try and keep them coming along. I have e-mailed them with the up coming trips, and please remember to the interested people about our web site for club information.

DB

Party: David & Anne Blake, Mike & Ros Lusk, Robyn Madden, Ray Manning, Dave Sawers, Brent Hickey, Andrea Mant, James & Julie Ludlam, James Murdoch, Geoff Clibborn & grandson Ethan, Pam Turner.

#2054

Introduction to Geocaching

Wed 22 Oct 2008

These HTC Wed trip layabouts do very leisurely things. They didn't want to be picked up at Pernel until 9am!! There were enough starters to warrant taking the truck, so our party of 11 began the introduction at my grandson's cache called "Tironui Tom" at Taradale's Church Road Winery (no sampling though!), so that they could see what a good geocache looks like. We then went up the hill to the Sugarloaf Reserve to see the panorama views from the trig at the top. From here we trucked out to a DOC reserve at Onehunga Road, Bay View, for a 20min walk to a cache called "Changing Landscapes", with views which change as you climb the hill. We came back to Pandora for lunch (nearly a full hour!!), then a cache called "Road to Nowhere" on the 1hr circuit walk around the Pandora Reserve track and boardwalk. From here to Puketitiri, to find "Pheasant Country" near the stop-bank by the river, then via Swamp Road and Fernhill back to Pernel.

During the day the group learned what Geocaching is, how to set up a GPS receiver, how to follow its directions, and how to interpret the cunning coded clues provided by cache-hiders. Thanks to Sue Lopdell, and Pam's Korbin for lending their GPS receivers.

This activity is very educational, good physical and mental exercise, a lot of fun for all ages, and is growing very fast. On the day of our introduction there were 672,000 caches worldwide. On the day of typing this report, 15 Nov, there are 685,000 caches worldwide. The growth rate is well over 500 per day, worldwide. Find out more about it on the internet at geocaching.com or ring me at 844 6039.

GC

Party: Geoff & Evelyn Clibborn, Bob Carter + daughter, Rodger Burn, Marion Nicholson, Bobby Couchman, Helen & Graeme Hare, Alasdair Shaw,

This four-day trip was arranged by John Montgomerie of the Heretaunga Tramping Club of Hawkes Bay. A few members of the Kaimai Ramblers Tramping Group from Tauranga were invited on the trip over Labour Weekend. John had suggested that although it was late October there was about a 50% chance of some snow on the tops so we were advised to make sure we had adequate and gear, should such conditions eventuate.

On Thursday the 23 October three of us (Ross Percy, Lisa Brownless and myself) departed Tauranga heading for Havelock North to stay overnight with John. Next morning the alarm went off at 4.30am for a quick breakfast and away to meet the transport at 6am heading for Poronui Station, on Taharua road [on the way to Clements Road] off the Napier-Taupo Road.

The group of four trampers on the A trip left the Carpark at about 8.40 am and commenced our four day trip rattling up the Poronui access road for about 5ks before heading onto easier walking on route to Oamaru Hut via the Mohaka river crossing. We arrived at around 12 noon but unfortunately Lisa, who is a very hardy tramper was having trouble with her heels in a pair of boots that were giving her hell. We had a team conference and Lisa agreed that she was best to tramp back out to Poronui and get a lift into Taupo and arrange her return to Tauranga. A group at the hut agreed to escort her back over the river crossing so we could keep to time on the remainder of leg one of the trip. She was gutted to have to pull out on such an awesome trip and we were all sad that she could not continue with us. Luckily the Helisika helicopter team drove her back to Taupo for a family pick up back to Tauranga that night.

So the reduced team of three continued on up the Oamaru Valley to later climb up over the Waitawhero Saddle and down into the Ngaruroro Valley and a great view of Boyd Rocks. Down we went into the wide valley floor over the river to then scramble up the terraces to Boyd Airstrip and on up the climb to Boyd Lodge arriving at 6.20 pm all very tired and hungry. We had company of two young hunters at the hut and after a good old chat and a feed we retired for some well-deserved rest.

As we awoke next morning everything was clagged in and we could only just see the airstrip down below the Hut. Realising it had been raining overnight there was some concern about the Ngaruroro River crossing but undeterred we headed off down the valley to the crossing and into the water about 1 metre deep. From there we trudged around to start the climb up over the next saddle and on down to Tussock Hut where we found a very friendly deer stalker from Tauranga who made us a superb brew of tea and we then headed off through the tussock heading down the Harkness Valley through awesome scenery to the first of about 30 stream crossings and around the corner into the next small valley and about 10 more stream crossing on our way to Harkness Hut. This hut is situated in a idyllic and peaceful position where we paused for a lunch break to later continue on fully aware of the gutsy climb ahead of us up to Te Pukeohikarua Hut. Man that ridge sure does stand up quite tall but we trudged quite slowly on up to the high point and on down to eventually getting to the Te Pukeohikarua Hut. We were all exhausted and soon found some firewood to get some heat into our rather cool overnight accommodation.

Next morning I awoke to an interesting view through a small window at the end of the hut which prompted me to say to Ross and John that it seems to be raining but it is coming down very slowly almost like snow! That comment got us all out of our sleeping bags very quickly as we all headed outside to take in the magic of the situation. After breakfast we rugged up and headed back up onto the open tops tramping on through a continuous picture postcard scene in rather cold conditions. We then continued in the cover of beech forest to later emerge back on the wind swept, snow covered alpine tops through an invigorating and inspiring environment on route to a late lunch stop at Mangaturutu Hut, just down off the open tops. There we found good Mobile phone coverage and after reporting to families and a hot brew with our lunch we prepared to continue.

It was time to go back up onto the windy tops with the snow still coming down to then drop down the very steep descent into the bottom of the saddle and on up a rather demanding and gutsy climb up to

Tira Lodge. Mother nature must have been having a bad day when she designed the landscape in that area but she sure new how to use steepness very effectively. As we arrived at Tira Lodge it reminded me of the fact that I had always wondered why this hut was named Kelvinator Lodge but I now fully appreciate the wisdom of the very appropriate name. We huddled around the fire with a nice couple and later after a hearty feed we crawled into our sleeping bags being aware that the temperature outside was Zero degrees. During the night we kept the fire going to try to warm the very cold hut and after a good breakfast we made sure we all had all our warm and protective layers ready for the very cold and windy conditions.

Off we went again headed along the open tops to branch off down into a snow covered wonderland type of scenery down into an easy saddle through snow that continued to drift in. As we paused we all thought of Lisa and I suggested she would have been thrilled to be enjoying the situation we found ourselves in. As we tramped on we started to climb up the easier climb onto the Whetu tops ridge area and yes the snow was even more spectacular here and as we emerged onto the open alpine area the wind chill factor had driven the temperature down to something like 3 to 5 degrees below zero. Pulling on our wind proof gear to match the conditions we continued on this awesome alpine experience taking in views that some people would pay big money to see. As we looked to the west we had a magic view of both Mount Ruapehu and Mount Tongariro, more to the north we could see Mount Tauhara on the eastern side of Lake Taupo. We could also see way back to where we had started our trip and we all soon knew why we were all feeling just a little tired in the legs. We clambered on to the top at Whetu and took in some more wonderful views standing in about 25 knot winds as we took in the views looking down into Hawkes Bay including a wide view of the curved coastline. We battled on through the snow up to mid-calf depth and yes there where a few patches of ice just to confirm to us that some care was needed in such conditions.

We then headed more to the North/East heading down Camp Spur on the unstable rocky surface kicking our way through the snow drifts to ensure good footing and down a small rock screed continuing on down back into the tree line. Here we met John's good mate Ed Holmes and his partner Sandy. They had come up to meet us and it was great to see friendly faces and after a short lunch break we all headed on down, down and across the flatter ground to Middle Hill Hut. We all stopped for a brew prior to the last leg of our trip. Onward we went through the scrub zone and then we started the very steep descent down into the bottom of the valley, over the bridge to then climb up to the awaiting transport at Pinks Carpark. Geoff the driver treated us to a brew and after storing away all our gear we headed off in the truck back to a pick up in Taradale. As we stopped there was a hissing noise coming from the front left tyre, yes it was going flat very quickly and the team set about replacing it with the spare.

Summary: This was an awesome trip although I think we all found it to be more demanding than all of us expected, including John. It may have something to do with the fact that we are all a few years older than dare to acknowledge.

The scenery, views and tranquillity were quite unbelievable and Mother Nature sure put on a great display of her ability to show off the real splendour of this magic part of NZ. A vote of thanks to your club for the invitation and a vote of thanks to you John for your local knowledge and navigation as well as Geoff for the transport. Roger Montgomerie

Party – John Montgomerie [leader] Lisa Brownless , Ross Percy , Roger Montgomerie

Party B

Five of us set off in overcast conditions, leaving Geoff and young Ethan mesmerised by Helisika transporting hunters into the region. We followed the shingle road through Poronui Stn about 3.5hrs travelling. Large areas of diseased eucalyptus are being uprooted, newer plantings now obscuring the homestead. We stopped for lunch on a plateau high above the Mohaka river with great views up the Oamaru valley and towards Oamaru Hut. Two minutes later we were inside the park boundary and had two river crossings. I wish I had taken my camera!, the things men do to prevent getting wet! – it was a sight to behold. Unfortunately whilst trying not to get fully immersed, Maureen and Ray's cellphones got a dunking. The stream has changed its course & we wandered too much to the right &

had to back track to climb up to Oamaru Hut, where we chatted to a fellow Hawke's Bay trumper, with the aroma of bacon still lingering.

We decided to stay at the campsite 1.5hrs north of the hut by the Kaipo Stm, but since I was last in the area (2-2.5yrs ago) there must have been heavy rainfall as silt & pumice deposits were high, on both sides of the track. Birdlife mostly heard not seen, the exception being the robins & kakas. Tomtits, grey warblers, riflemen, tuis & bellbirds accompanied us along the way, finally reaching the well used campsite at the Kaipo Swing bridge. We were in bed fairly early & at around 10.00pm the heavens opened up with the predicted heavy rain.

Sunday morning dawned fine, slightly overcast & cool, with the river level 300-600mm higher and very discoloured. We set off on well benched tracks towards Te Iringa trig, through predominately beech forest, with totara, miro & other podocarps present. As the ascent began, just after crossing a tributary of the Tiki Tiki Stm, our progress was slowed by numerous windfalls. It was over and under, packs off & passed thru the tangled branches – DOC needs to have a track maintenance gang in before summer (leader had been prewarned). It is a very steady climb up to the trig, no views of Lake Taupo due to frequent squally showers. We met 2 groups of 4 on our way out, one very fit with small packs & the other in cotton clothing, one in bare feet who had a good 5hrs to go before reaching their destination (we met them at 3.00pm). Had a brief stop at the old hut site and then descended down to Clements Rd where the truck was parked, awning up and the Clibbornette on the boil.

My thanks to Geoff for enabling us to enjoy a weekend trip in a pleasant area. The forecast was spot on, with rain predicted for Friday night, clearing & showers on Saturday afternoon – we had sunshine, blue skies and a good crew.

SL

Party: Ray Manning, Maureen Broad, Garry Smith, Susan Lopdell and Rodger Burn.

#2056

Cairn Trip

2 Nov 2008

Once again the happy trampers met at Pernell's and set out for Makahu Saddle carpark. When we got there it was quite claggy. So the intrepid souls started out on the annual pilgrimage to the Kaweka J Memorial Cairn. There was a welcome morning tea stop at Dominie Bivvy. The "toilet with no door" (which is unhinged behind the bivvy) was used by a desperate soul who had to clear the cobwebs. Geoff and his grandson Ethan almost got to the Bivvy but the steep climb just below was a bit hard for the young lad. For us the last leg was up to the tops and the Cairn. It was still pretty bleak up there. We were a bit early for the 11 am time so had to wait around a bit.

Pam's daughter Kathy, husband Darrell and 2 children Samara and Korbin had already got there. Well done!

So on the 11th hour, (near) the 11th day, on the 11th month we held a simple service and remembered those named on the plaque, and other New Zealanders who had as young men gone so far away from home to fight on behalf of our country. Alan read a short extract from a Tyne Cot, Passchendaele, Belgium pamphlet (where he visited in August 2008), where it states "During the British attack of 1917, there were 500,000 casualties in 100 days for a gain of territory of only 5 miles". Over 5000 New Zealanders who perished in the First World War are buried and commemorated at Tyne Cot. Owen Brown laid the wreath assisted by Samara and Korbin (oldest and youngest). We had a minutes silence. Thanks to Natalie for making the wreath.

Christine and I went along the ridge to find my favourite "Chaos" tramping hat which had been blown off on our previous trip up there. No sign of it.

So we were the last to leave the tops. I skipped down the big scree slope to miss the Trials Track zigzags, to pass a few trampers and when I got back to the bus realized there weren't many back there. A few more turned up. And we waited. Some did the Ngahere track. Then the others came in with a story of being led astray and getting lost. What had happened is the Graeme had gone off as the main splinter group down the Makahu Spur track followed by quite a number of trusting souls. But Mr enthusiastic Graeme bounced ahead with the fastest of the group and left the slower ones behind in the

contorta, whereupon this splinter of the splinter group got lost. They apparently floundered around in the scrub, down into the creek, then back up again, trying to find their way out while Graeme cheerfully carried on back to the bus. So they were part of MY group who I thought were other tramps (not from our Club) that I saw descending the Spur Track.

Once we gathered up all the lost souls and picked up the Ngahere lot we drove back to Pam's place to be met by the catering committee and afternoon tea feast that would have fed the entire Club. After making a reasonable impression on this spread, including the chocolate coated strawberries, we hopped aboard the truck and arrived back at base. Thanks to Pam and team.

The Pilgrims; Geoff Clibborn, driver and grandson Ethan, Alan Petersen, leader, Christine Snook, Sue Taylor, Graham Thorp, John McElvie, Hamish Hunt, Glenda Hooper, Graeme Hare, Angela Kuring, Andrea Mant, Diane Sye, Bobby Couchman, Owen Brown, Mike Lusk, Tina & Andy Godbert/Fowler, Derek Boshier, Des Smith, Maureen Broad, Kathy, Darrell, Korbyn & Samara Eggers.

The catering team; Pam Turner, Helen Hare, Shirley Bathgate and Marjorie Musson.

#2057	Lake Tutira	Wed 5 Nov 2008
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We appear to be jinxed on our Mid week sorties into the Ruahines and this day proved to be no exception.

An early morning call to Waipawa confirmed that a gale was blowing in the area so we decided to have a wander around the lake Tutira area. After hot drinks we were off on the southern track climbing up through the pine forest to eventually reach the trig on Table mountain .

This is only 494 Metres but we were caught in a strong gale and whilst quite warm it was difficult to keep your footing (for me some more ballast would be helpful) even though our packs had all the right gear.

Looking across to the Maungaharuru range it was covered in low cloud and we could only speculate how windy it would be at Bell rock.

On reaching the Ridgmount road end we dropped off the tops and descended through the pine trees emerging on the lake near the Anglers hut and then walked along to the smaller lake Waikoripo finding a nice sheltered spot for lunch and a walk around this lake afterwards before heading back to Hastings.RB

Party: Marion Nicholson, Bobby Couchman, Marjorie Musson, Keith Thomson, Rodger Burn

#2058	A Frame Hut – Stanfield Hut	Wed 19 Nov 2008
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The 6 o'clock start was not too popular with our mid-week group but as we had a long drive to get to the Tamaki West Road track it was necessary. Nine of us arrived in time to be on the track at 8 o'clock and immediately we were climbing steeply through podocarp forest. Gradually we were high enough to be in the leatherwood and eventually after 2.5 hours up were on to Takapari Road and the old A Frame Hut. It was cold and windy, so the hut was a good place to have a bite to eat, and a rest. From here it was an easy walk along the old bulldozed road to the top of the Stanfield hut track. If it wasn't for the thick leatherwood on the side of the road it would have been most unpleasant with the wind roaring across the open top. Great views and our vehicles looked really small down below. Once we started down it quite soon became very steep and some of us (me in particular) were very slow, never-the-less the lovely flowers, clematis, ourisia made it all worth while. Stanfield Hut was a welcome sight and made a lunch stop. Graeme had a good time photographing all sorts of unusual things, a Kiwi on top of a dead tree for example !!! Because the Tamaki River had a lot of debris from recent floods we opted for the Holmes track for the last part of our trip. This is a good walk first through bush and an old road before descending to the picnic area and our cars.

Party: Rodger Burn, Marion Nicholson, Bobby Couchman, Murray Aitken, Joan Ruffell, Keith Thomson, Graeme Hare, Malcolm Clark, Judy McBride

#2059

A Te Wae Wae

11 Jan 2009

It may not have been raining down in the Bay but it sure was wet up in the hills. I decided to park at the road end rather than go up the farm track and this turned out to be the right decision as it was very wet and slippery. The first 20 minutes or so are up a farm track but we were soon on the old Haliburton Road and into the bush. Much of the bush in this area has been cut over but there are still some areas of virgin forest and even where it is not the re-growth is fantastic. We found the track started without too much problem but I made the mistake of following new markers that had been put in by Possum Hunters. These lead us initially in the right direction and we merrily trotted along in the rain following the ridge line till eventually stopping for lunch. By this stage I was pretty certain we had gone too far along the ridge and a quick sortie along the ridge gave us a brief view through the rain onto the farmland. We were miles past where we should have been and while we were very close to the farmland it would have meant going down an unknown almost vertical ridge and I think we made the right decision in turning back. We made a short side trip to honeymoon hut (this must be one of the last of the old Totara slab huts left) and then back down the track to the truck and a change into dry clothing. It was a shame about the weather and also that we did not cover the intended route as there is beautiful bush in the valley but everyone seemed to have a good time and next time we will go in the opposite way and I promise we will probably see the big tree. A big thank you to Ian Brichell and his family for allowing us into this beautiful area.

JB

John Berry (Leader), Marion Nicholson, Maureen Broad, Rodger Burn, John Montgomerie, Glenda Hooper, Tina Godbert, Andy Fowler, Robyn Madden, Sue Taylor, Jeff Robertson, Janet Titchener, Susan O'Callaghan, Judy McBride, Graeme Hare and Ros & Mike Lusk

HTC Bike Trips



Lake Lopez to Ocean Beach and surrounding area

3 Sept 2008

On Wednesday at 11am, 7 bikers met at Lake Lopez, on Waimarama Road, for a bike trip with a difference.

We biked along the road to Ocean Beach and most of us went very tentatively down the steep hill to the beach. We battled along the beach into a very, very stiff head wind, relieved that our estimations about the timing of low tide were correct and that the sand was fairly hard. We trudged into the head wind for about 30 minutes and then found a perfect place to have lunch -- barbecue table and all. After a leisurely lunch we cycled along the beach for about another hour, before turning around and flying back with a wonderful tail wind. Halfway down the beach we turned into Haupouri Station and travelled back along the station track. Well done Alisdair for being the only person to bike all the way up the hill. Back along the main road to Lake Lopez at 2.30pm for a well earned cup of tea. What a lovely place to bike with no traffic worries.

P.G.

Cyclists: Alisdair Shaw, Rodger Burn, Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Bobby Couchman, Joan Ruffell, Peggy Gulliver.

Central Hawke's Bay

17 Sept 2008

The more we get out the more we appreciate how fortunate we are in Hawkes Bay for Tramping and Cycling with the proximity and weather (usually) to match.

This was a repeat cycle ride of a favourite and we drove to Waipawa and then cycled along Onga Onga road and Plantation road to Onga Onga township where we stopped for Coffee and Cakes in the general store.

Suitably fortified we wandered down the road to a Garden furniture maker "Baskets Galore" who specialities in wrought iron ware and spent some time chatting to the owner.

Then another stop at a paddock to inspect some donkeys and debated the possibilities of using them to carry our packs on Mid Week tramps. We then cycled back to Waipawa with the added bonus of a decent tail wind. A round trip of 35Km. We then stopped at the dairy for a pic and then back to Hastings.RB.

Cyclists: Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Joan Ruffell, Alasdair Shaw, Rodger Burn.

Tuki Tuki Circuit

1 Oct 2008

On a cool sunny morning seven bikers set off from Summerset Village in Havelock North. Peggy & Judy had already biked from their homes. Well done ladies. I biked from home at Tuki Tuki Hills Rd planning to meet the group around Craggy Range Winery but it was the next hill before we met. Peggy's bike had tyre problems & the group were a little late leaving Summerset.

Going past the Coops property on Tuki Tuki Road I had noticed a pair of plovers with very small chicks so we all stopped there for a look.

Arriving at home a few of us had to walk up the last hill. Heather had been baking so there were very welcoming goodies to eat on our arrival. Next we did a garden tour of our native plantings we have been planting around 500 plants & trees per year to bring in the birds.

The bikers then went on back to Summerset via Lawn Rd in a head wind.

BC

Cyclists: Rodger Burn, Judy McBride, Robin Heath, Alasdair Shaw, Peggy Gulliver. Joan Ruffell, Jim Hewes and Bob Carter.

Port to Port

15 Oct 2008

We left the cars at Perfume Point car park which tortuously is on the northern side of the HOT CHICK eatery.

A beautiful day as we pedalled along the Cape in the distance all looked very inviting

We reached the turnoff to the EIT and after a brief stop cycled underneath the road bridge and on to the lime covered stop bank. What an asset these cycle/walkways have become.

You pass vineyards and orchards etc that you never see from the road. Even Frisky cows ..signs warn of them but we never encountered any.

A morning tea stop was made in a sheltered gully and once revitalised we made our way to Pettgrew-Green Arena where we hit the hard "mcAdam" A short sprint along Gloucester St, a left hand turn took us through the residential area of Greenmeadows on to Church road along to the cycle way on Prebenson Drive past Classic Sheepskins, across the main road through Port Ahuriri and finally back to the cars. A distance of about 30km. Refreshments, hot and cold were partaken of at the HOT CHICK. An excellent ride in ideal conditions.

Cyclist: Jim Hewes, Rodger Burns, Alistair Shaw, Bob & Heather Carter, Judy McBride, Bobby Couchman, Sharon Mardon, Marion Nicholson, Peggy Gulliver and Raewyn Rickett

Taradale to Puketapu

29 Oct 2008

It was very windy in Hastings on the morning of 29th October and we were all wondering how difficult the planned ride was going to be. But when we all met at the Napier Golf Club at Waiohiki at

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9am we were pleasantly surprised to find that the wind was not nearly as ferocious this side of the bay.

10 of us set off up Omaranui Road in lovely sunshine and it didn't seem to take very long at all before we were at Puketapu. From there we biked past the school and on around to Poraiti. A few reasonable hills but we are so fit now that we hardly noticed the undulations!!! From Poraiti we travelled through the Wharerangi Cemetery, a particularly lovely area, through Tamatea and Anderson Park, eventually arriving at Missionview gardens for a well earned drink. What a nice cafe it is too! On the way we nearly lost Bobby who had an energy surge and went in a different direction. Thank goodness we were able to get Alasdair to race off and rescue her. We also managed to pick up a friend, Sandy Snowling, who was out on her own, on a training ride. I think we may have a new member now.

After the cafe we biked along Church Road, through Taradale and back to the Golf course, arriving at 12 o'clock. This was an excellent ride,
P.G.

Cyclists: Rodger Burn, Bob Carter, Marion Nicholson, Judy McBride, Bobby Couchman, Sharon Mardon, Jim Hewes, Alasdair Shaw, Mr Lyn Gentry, Peggy Gulliver

Sacred Hill Area

12 Nov 2008

We left our Cars in safekeeping at Peter Ellis's block in Fernhill and set off in ideal conditions and at a most civilised hour (9AM) down Swamp road towards Puketapu.

Barely a cloud in the sky as we cruised down Dartmoor road for a well deserved stop at the Dartmoor Road picnic area. Suitably fortified we then tackled the hill past Sacred hill winery in style and soaked up the view from the tops before turning around and heading back the same way to the Puketapu Hotel where we stopped for a well deserved Coffee and Muffin and then back to Fernhill. Another easy and most enjoyable ride.RB.

Cyclists: Judy McBride, Joan Ruffell, Marion Nicholson, Mr & Mrs Lyn Gentry, Raewyn Ricketts, Rodger Burn

Cycle to Dobel Reserve

26 Nov 2008

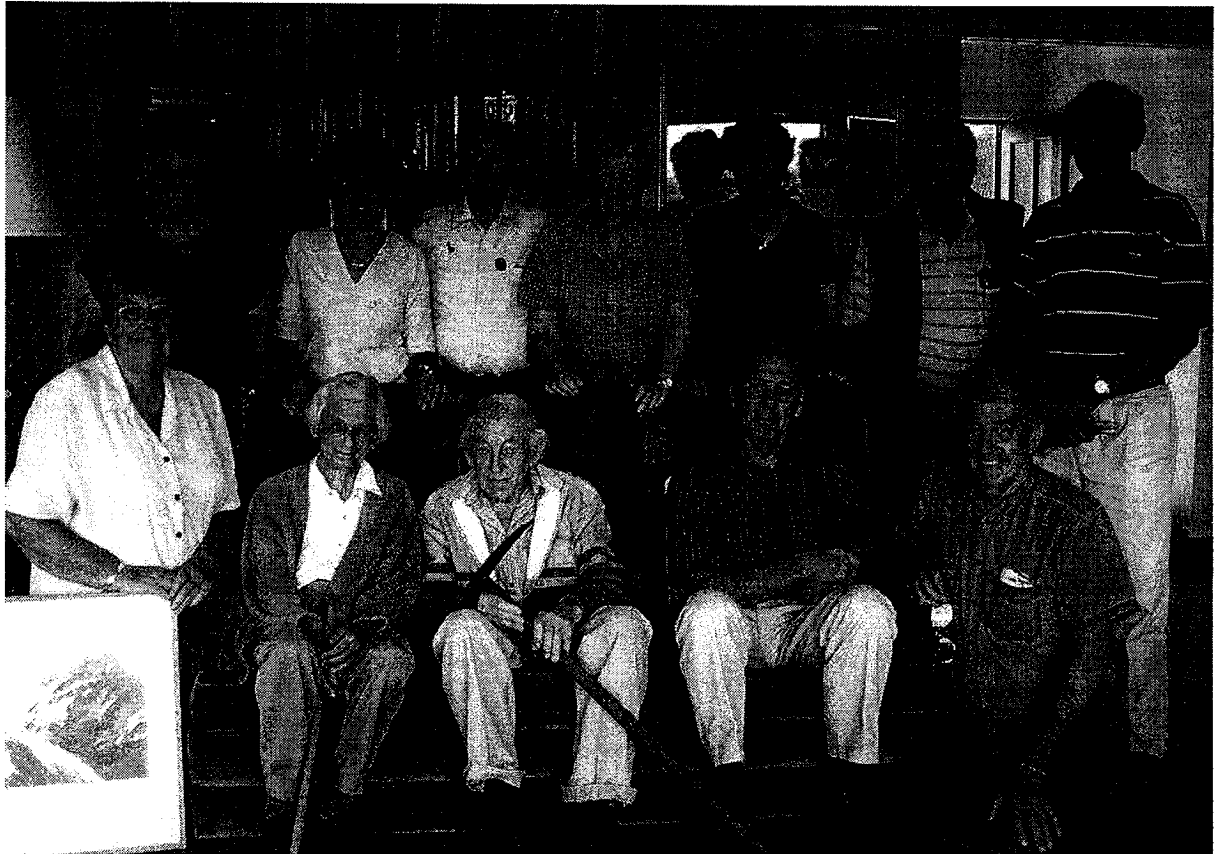
Wednesday dawned fine with little wind, a far cry from the windy, humid Tuesday. Just after 9am, 7 cyclists left Pakowhai Park. After crossing the Chesterhope bridge we turned into Gilbertson Road, before joining Brookfields Road and crossing the Tutaekuri River on the funny old bridge with a passing bay in the middle. A gig pulled by a little donkey with another donkey in tow at the rear and a talkative driver provided an entertaining halt! At Meeanee township a sequence of roads, with one called Waverley Road with just a pedestrian access to the next half of the same road, took us to the quirky village of Jervistown. Once through Jervistown we joined up again with Meeanee Road which took us straight through Taradale to the Dobel Reserve at the foot of the Taradale hills. Bikes were padlocked to a fence and we made our way up through fairly new native plantings to the top, where in a shady spot lunch was had while looking at 180 degree views over Hawke Bay and the surrounding landscape. Heather Carter after receiving a phone call from Bob flashed a mirror from their house on the Tukituki road, which amazingly we could see quite easily. The homeward journey was via the Tutaekuri stop bank starting behind the Pettigrew arena, the clip-on bridge at Awatoto, then on to the Ngarururoa stop bank to Pakowhai Park. A leisurely 38km was travelled.

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Cyclists: Marion Nicholson, Bobby Couchman, Judy McBride, Jim Hewes, Roger Burn, Alasdair Shaw, Bob Carter.

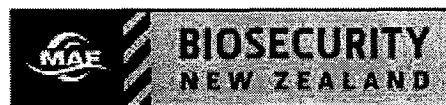
**A Reunion of the 90 year olds, Nancy Tanner and Hal Christian
and the Tramping contemporaries.**

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Back Row:, Helen Hare, Graeme Hare, Els Bayens, George Prebble, Barbara Taylor, Judy McBride, Jim Glass, Owen Brown.

Front Row: Pam Turner, Nancy Tanner, Hal Christian, Alan Berry, Derek Boshier.



Didymo Education Program

Didymosphenia geminata, commonly known as didymo or rock snot, is a species of diatom (a type of alga) that grows in warm and shallow water. Didymo is labeled as an unwanted organism by MAF Biosecurity NZ as it can form large mats on the bottom of lakes, rivers and streams. This can affect stream habitats and sources of food for fish and make recreational activities unpleasant. Didymo is native to temperate Northern Hemisphere areas such as alpine regions of North America, Europe and Asia. Until Didymo was introduced into New Zealand in the Lower Waiau River of the South Island in 2004 it had not previously entered the Southern Hemisphere. Currently, no North Island sites have tested positive for containing live didymo. The fact that this invasive alga is



Figure 1 Didymo at Mararoa River, Southland

microscopic means that it can be transferred between waterways and start new colonies very easily. Didymo cells can remain viable for months after leaving a waterway if they are kept moist. Once didymo has infected a waterway it is virtually impossible to eradicate it entirely so the most effective method for controlling this pest is to stop its initial spread. To do this act as though each waterway you leave does contain didymo and each waterway you enter does not.

It is essential that all freshwater users 'Check Clean Dry' any gear that has come into contact with the water before entering another waterway. When leaving a waterway 'Check' for and remove any visible clumps from gear and leave these at the site or in a rubbish bin if it is too late. There are several different ways in which freshwater users can 'Clean' their gear depending on which is most suitable. Items must be soaked in recommended cleaning solutions until fully saturated plus for an additional minute to kill didymo. Solutions which can be used are 5% dishwashing detergent or nappy cleaner, 5% saline solution or 2% household bleach. If none of these methods are suitable items can be soaked in very hot water (above 65°C) for at least 1 minute or in hot water (above 45°C) for at least 20 minutes. More absorbent items require longer soaking times to allow for saturation. In addition, items can also be frozen to kill didymo. If items are not cleaned using the above methods they need to be completely dry to touch for at least 48 hours before they can enter another waterway. Still the most effective method however is to restrict the use of equipment to a single waterway.

For further information on cleaning methods for specific equipment visit www.biosecurity.govt.nz/pests/didymo/cleaning.

For suspected didymo finds contact the MAF hotline on Phone 0800 80 99 66.

Leighton Simmons
Didymo Advocate
Hawke's Bay Regional Council

CLUB NEWS:

NEW MEMBERS:

We welcome the following to the Club: Diane Sye & Des Smith.

CONGRATULATIONS:

George and Georgina Prebble on their Diamond Wedding Anniversary 11th Jan 2009

Heretaunga Tramping Club Meeting and Trip Information



Coming Meetings:

DATE	TOPIC/ SPEAKER	COMMENTS	Hosts	Supper Help
28 Jan	Teresa Hurst, Forest & Bird	Blowhard Bush	Geoff Clibborn, Randall Goldfinch	Alasdair Shaw, Peggy Gulliver
11 Feb	David Blake & Sue Lopdell	Trip promotion & Social night	Chris Waldron, Jim Glass	Brent Hickey, Marjorie Musson
25 Feb	Owen Brown	His earlier tramping days, 50s and 60s. Good slides.	Jeff Robertson, Judy McBride	Gerald Eyles, Anne Cantrick
11 Mar	Murray McIndoe	Kokoda Trail in Papua, New Guinea	Ken Nugent, Marion Nicholson	Graham Ede, Anne Blake
25 Mar	Auction	Bring your produce and treasures for the rescue helicopter auction	Jenny Lean, Graham Thorpe	Max Neumegen, Dianne Sye
8 Apr	Don Miller	Local historian organised by Shirley. Early Maori history in HB.	John Montgomerie, Ros Lusk	Murray Aitken, Des Smith
22 Apr	How to/how not to pack a pack	Also a social night	Liz Pindar, Rodger Burn	Peter Brown, Christine Snook
6 May	Lex & Anne Smith	Mongolia via Trans Siberian to Russia	Lynette Blackburn, Owen Brown	Helen Hare, Garry Smith
20 May	Alan Petersen	Swiss Alps amongst cows and goats with bells on.	Maureen Broad, Pam Turner	John Berry, Joan Ruffell

Meetings Committee; Alan Petersen, Anne Blake and Shirley Bathgate.

Please refer ideas for club night speakers and activities to us.

Duties of those on Supper and Host:

HOSTS: Greet visitors and fill in visitor's book. Sweep floors and check that heaters and lights are off at the end of the meeting.

SUPPER: Put zip on, cups etc out, wash dishes and leave kitchen clean and tidy at end of evening and generally help Bobby.



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ARE YOU FIT ENOUGH TO TRAMP?

Even the easiest of club trips require a reasonable degree of fitness, and from time to time tramps have been seriously delayed by unfit party members. While individuals may have varying degrees of basic fitness it is unlikely that a person who has a sedentary job, or who plays no sport, will manage an average B Party trip. The best preparation for tramping is tramping and there are hilly places in Napier and close to Hastings which make excellent training areas. For example, a walk from the cattle stop car park in Te Mata Park to the top of the peak, via the big redwoods, and back to the cattlestop via the road-side track with an 8 kg pack should take about 70- 80 minutes. Further, this pace should be able to be maintained for 5 to 6 hours.

TRIP GRADINGS

EASY: 4-6 hours tramping - suitable for beginners.

MEDIUM: 6-8 hours tramping - suitable for those with some experience.

HARD: 7 hrs+ tramping - experience & a high level of fitness necessary.

Unless otherwise specified: an "A" trip would have a "HARD" grading and a "B" trip a "MEDIUM" grading.

GEAR LIST FOR DAY & WEEKEND TRAMPS

<u>Wear/Carry</u>	<u>DAY TRIPS</u> <u>Carry</u>	<u>WEEKEND TRIPS</u> <u>All items listed for day trip plus</u>
Pack & pack liner	Map & Compass	Sleeping bag
Boots & gaiters	High energy snacks	Sleeping mat
Socks	At least 1 litre water	Food for 3 additional meals
Parka & over trousers	Lunch	Cooker & Billy & matches
Fast drying shorts	First aid kit	Extra snacks
Fleece or wool Jumper	Torch, spare batteries & bulb	Toilet gear, small towel & toilet paper
Longjohns & singlet	Sunscreen	Additional warm clothes
Sunhat & warm hat	Emergency food	Plate, mug, knife, fork , spoons etc
Gloves/mittens & overmitts	Survival kit (whistle, cord, matches etc, pencil, paper)	Tent/Fly if required
Whistle	Complete set of spare warm clothing	

Leave at truck/car: Complete set of clothing for the return trip and a mug with something to flavour hot water from the Clibbornette.

OVERDUE TRAMPERS

Although returning parties plan to be out of the bush before dark, safety considerations must come first. This may mean that parties are late returning to transport. Even after arriving back at the transport, it may take 2 hours or more to return to the embarkation point. Beginners should make sure that anyone who might worry about them is informed of this. Leaders will try to get a message through to one of the "overdue contacts" if return seems likely to be later 10.00 pm. All newcomers should ensure that their own emergency number is noted in the party list that the leader leaves in town. For all inquiries about overdue trampers please ring one of the following:

David Blake 835 3284

Graeme Hare 844 8656

Glenda Hooper 877 4183

Cancellations: If you can not make a trip please contact the leader BEFOREHAND so as to avoid unnecessary delays for the rest of the party.

Club Meetings: These are held every second Wednesday (the one before a Weekend tramp) at the Harrier Clubrooms in Sylvan Road, Hastings. Doors open 7.25 pm, visitors are welcome.

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Although the area for the trip is generally adhered to, the suggested objectives may change for a number of reasons.

For pre trip enquiries contact the organiser or David Blake 835 3284

25th January Waikamaka Hut **\$15** **Map U22**
Up Waipawa river over the saddle to Waikamaka hut return.
Organiser:
Driver?

5th -8th February Urewera **\$** **Map W18**
Thursday night departure to Lake Waikaremoana.
A Party: Taupeupe saddle, up Huiarau summit and along ridge to Wakataka hut for Friday night.
Saturday along tops to track junction & decent to Maraunui Bay, Marauiti hut. Sunday around lake past Bird / Kiwi sanctuary to Hopuruahine landing.
B Party: From bridge ascend to Manuoha hut, the highest point in the park. Saturday through goblin forest, down past Kaipo lagoon to Sandy bay hut. Sunday out via Ruapani track or lake Waikareiti track.
C Party: Plenty of options for a truck party.
Organisers A: B: C:
Driver/s:

15th February Shutes Hut **\$15** **Map U21**
Shutes hut from Komata hut (Comet) and return.
Organiser:
Driver: Geoff Clibborn

18th February (Wed) Cycle Ride Tuki Tuki Valley Circuit
From Havelock North around the Valley, on to Haumoana and Clifton.
Organiser: Rodger Burn 877 6322.

25th February (Wed) Tramp Beach Walk Rangaiika
Over farmland by 4WD to Rangaiika and back along coast to Ocean Beach.
Organiser: Keith Thomson Ph 877 5391.

28th - 1st March 20th Kaweka Challenge Event **Map U20**
The clubs annual fundraiser needs You to volunteer your time. For the 20th challenge course 'O' is being re-run. O for 'O' dear it's further than normal.
Contact Sue Lopdell Ph 844 6697.

4th March (Wed) Longview Hut **Map U22**
Another try this time up to Longview and along to the tarn.
Organiser: Judy McBride Ph 876 9756.

11th March (Wed) Cycle the Central Hawke's Bay Area
Organiser: Marion Nicholson Ph 873 5935.

15th March New Parks Peak hut **\$15** **Map U21**
Via Sentry box to new hut, B-Party return same way. A-Party down Golden crown.
Organiser A: B: Glenda Hooper Ph 877 4183
Driver: Goeff Clibborn

18th March (Wed)	Tramp to Daphne Hut		Map U22
Overland from Kashmire Road via gorge to the hut and options for return. Organiser: Keith Thomson Ph 877 5391.			
22nd March	Join the FMC Executive to Sunrise	\$15	MapU22
Up to Sunrise & Armstrong saddle, then via route Trig 66, time & weather permitting. Also invited are Napier Tramping Club. Organiser: Driver:			
25th March (Wed)	Cycle Ride		
Tour of the Bays cycle circuit. No Coffee breaks here. Organiser: Jim Hewes Ph 877 6784.			
28th-29th March	Third time lucky Ballard hut	\$15	Map U20
Pinks via Middle hut to Ballard hut out via Makino on Sunday. Organiser: Anne Blake, Ph 835 3284 Driver:David Blake.			
31st-6th April	Wellington Wander	\$150 Transport & Accom etc	
Orongorongo valley, Wellington region walks, Tararua Forrest Park tracks. Activities to suit all. Come and enjoy yourself. Organiser: Graeme Hare, Ph 844 8656 Driver:Geoff Clibborn / Lex Smith.			
1st April (Wed)	Tramp to Mackintosh Hut		Map U20
Tramp the Mackintosh – Kaweka loop circuit and inspect the new bridge. Organiser: Rodger Burn Ph 877 6322.			
8th April (Wed)	Cycle Central HB		
Explore the coastal byways Aromoana or alternatives. Organiser: Marion Nicholson 873 5935.			
10th -13th April.	Easter. Mt Richmond area?	\$?	Maps ?
From Nelson, if enough interest? Organisers: A Party: Alan Petersen Ph 027 576 5058 B Party: Sue Lopdell Ph 844 6697 Drivers:?			
15st April (Wed)	Tramp the Maungaharuru Range		Map U20
Up from the car park to along to Bell Rock. Organiser: Bobby Couchman Ph 877 8557.			
22nd April (Wed)	Cycle Ride Otane Area.		
Cycle from Camp David on Middle Rd inland through to Otane and return via loop circuit. Organiser: Bob Carter Ph 875 1163			
26th April	Dannevirke	\$15	Map U23
Bus into West Tamaki road end. Then walk along Home ridge to Stanfield Hut. A Party climb onto main range and back to road end via Travers hut. B Party return to bus via river. Organisers A-Party: Driver:			
B-Party:			

29th April (Wed)

Tramp Ruahines

Map U21

Climb up past Komatu Hut and explore along the tops.

Organiser: Bobby Couchman Ph 877 8557.

6th May (Wed)

Cycle Ride Twyford.

A mystery trip into this area.

Organiser: Alasdair Shaw Ph 877 6225

10th May.

Hinerua in Ruahine

\$15

Map U22

Drive in Wakarara rd, Look out rd & Alders rd (if permission given).

A Party climb up ridge to Hinerua hut, drop into smith stream creek down to Smith stream hut. Return via inward route to hut and out.

B Party walk up ridge to Hinerua hut, and wander along and around on tussock tops, then return.

Organisers: A-Party:

B-Party:

13th May (Wed)

Beach Walk

Map U

From Tangoio to Waipatiki along the beach.

Organiser: Keith Thomson Ph 877 5391.

20th May (Wed)

Cycle Ride Kereru Area.

From Maraekakaho SH50 along to Mangatahi and Kereru Rd. Maybe a stop for lunch in the vineyards.

Organiser: Peggy Gulliver Ph 879 7763.

27th May (Wed)

Tramp to Te Waka Trig

Map U

Up from the Kings Farm (if permit given) on Taupo Rd & along the tops to the trig & return the same way..

Organiser: Rodger Burn Ph 877 6322.

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