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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 7:30pm; visitors are most welcome. 50c donation gratefully accepted each meeting towards hall hire (*place in the old boot*).

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# 2011 AGM Reports

## **President's Report**

This time last year we were still thinking about HTC's 75th Jubilee celebrations and now another twelve months have quietly slid past! Although it was a quieter year there have been many events worth recalling.

February saw the last Kaweka Challenge, a significant milestone for the club. Over twenty-two years this event was held no matter what the conditions and, at times, the conditions alone were the challenge! The race became a popular fixture in the mountain runners' calendar and a showcase for well-run events. It has been a credit to all the volunteers involved over the years and their efforts are appreciated.

The longest trip of the last year was held in March under the leadership of Graeme Hare. The Ruapehu Rumble, another in his series of perambulations around different parts of the North Island, was hugely enjoyed by the large group of participants and a similar trip is currently being organised to explore another area. This mixture of tramping, sightseeing and other outdoor activities has become very popular and will hopefully continue.

The promised visit from the Wanganui Tramping Club took place in April; despite the small number who came to visit, the get-together was hugely successful. The Lusks are to be commended for this one.

Throughout the year the mid-weekers (as they often term themselves) kept up a schedule of weekly tramping, ambling or cycling. Numbers rarely dropped below eight and, on occasion, nudged 20. Several members turn out every week and there is a floating population – including several new people - who join when they can. Rodger Burn diligently co-ordinates the details and we are grateful for his oversight.

Over the winter a few of the club's longer trips hit some glitches due to bad weather or other incidents but people were usually able to adapt the itinerary to suit. HTC is lucky to have people who are flexible and experienced enough to deal with problems as they arise.

Other club activities have continued successfully: social occasions were well supported as were fund-raisers which mean that club accounts are in good health. The annual memorial visit to our Cairn on Kaweka J has just been held – despite snow flurries and high winds, over two dozen people made it to the top and renewed the club's acknowledgement to the men who died in last century's wars. We also took the time to remember those in our club who have suffered ill health or who have died during the last year.

Search and Rescue has undergone a complete overhaul in its organisation with smaller numbers from HTC in its line-up than previously. Work was done on Howlett's Hut last summer and maintenance for Kiwi Saddle Hut will be undertaken shortly. Our wonderful club truck continues to perform magnificently and most of us still enjoy travelling in it. The Pohokura magazine is efficiently produced and remains a repository of club history, thanks to Editor Randall. Club meetings are enlivened by Glenda and her mastery of computer technology as well as members who have given talks and shown photos throughout the year.

For a quiet year then, we have been pretty busy. Of course it's all made possible because of members doing all the things I have just mentioned. Some of our key workers have indicated that they now want to step down from their positions – we sometimes think they will go on forever but that would not be fair and it is a chance for others to step up and take a turn. Our amiable Club Captain, David Blake, has new responsibilities and cannot continue. Marion Nicholson alias Super Supper Lady has also decided to finish – her baking will be missed. Most significantly, our secretary, Graeme Hare wants to ride off into the sunset: after a decade of hard work he wants to hand over the reins. I would like to pay special tribute to his huge contribution to the club and I know that he is a very hard act to follow.

Although we are all aware that HTC is a different beast from what it was twenty or even ten years ago, I don't think that this is something to be obsessed about. It is true that club life all over the country in many pastimes is not as popular with younger generations and much has been written about what effects this may have. It seems to me that clubs like ours are already evolving in the face of changes in membership composition, attitudes to outdoor recreation and even the dramatic overhauls (yet again) in the Department of Conservation which will definitely affect us in the long term. We should all continue to make the most of what the club offers and to enjoy ourselves tramping for many years to come.

Christine Hardie

## **Club Captain's Report**

I've had a great 2011 but, due to a new member in our family, haven't done any tramping in the second half of the year and am resigning as Club Captain. Most of the tramps this year have come from you, the members of HTC with knowledgeable members on the fixtures committee plus Roger's mid-week team making things easier. Glenda has been working behind the scenes to count how many trips people have done this year. A selection of her statistics shows

Christine Hardie - 15 tramps, including five weekend ones; Driver Hero

Graeme Hare - 12 tramps with six weekends; Overall Hero

Lex Smith: 11 tramps, eight weekends; Driver Hero

Susan Lopdell: nine tramps (weekends only); Leader Hero; Susan is also my Fixtures Hero.

I enjoy tramping, travelling and socialising with all club members so it's been hard to choose the annual Tramper of the Year and winner of the Stan Woon Trophy. This year's choice has been great company on all trips and is an example of the people who make HTC a great club. I remember one tough trip where she kept sitting down in the river because of a very slippery riverbed but she was still cheerful. With at least 19 tramps, eight on weekends, congratulations go to <u>Penny Isherwood</u>.

Our other award, the Leatherwood Trophy for all-round Good Sort and contributor goes to <u>Marion</u> <u>Nicholson</u> with huge thanks for everything she does.

I hope the next Club Captain finds the job as smooth I did thanks to all the help from different people in the club. I'm happy to continue helping out where I can but with our baby being born after Peter Berry's singing at the mid-winter Xmas party, neither Anne nor myself can get out tramping much for a while. Keep the ideas coming for the fixtures committee. Thank you all.

David Blake

## **Truck Report**

105,000 kilometres and all is well although costs continue to rise. Don't we all know that!

The truck itself is now 11 years old with the passenger body a few years older and both are doing nicely. We are fortunate to still be able to keep the truck under cover at Pernel, thanks to the Mardons so this helps to extend its life. There are no innovations to report for this year - development and refinement have probably reached their limits! I have been away a few times in 2011 so have done little driving. Our thanks are due mainly to Christine Hardie and Lex Smith for keeping the show on the road.

Geoff Clibborn

# Treasurer's Report 2011

INCOME	NOTES	2011	2010
Subscriptions		\$ 2,513	\$ 1,962
Fares received		\$ 5,480	\$ 5,697
Bicycle Transport	1	\$ 22	<u>\$ 5,697</u>
Meeting Contributions		\$ 402	\$ 416
Donations		<u>φ</u> 402	φ <u>410</u>
Hut		\$ 530	\$ 334
General		\$ <u>61</u>	\$ 20
Fund-raising	2	\$ 8,939	\$ 7,188
Interest Income	3	\$ 7,150	\$ 6,162
Sales	4	\$ 855	-\$ 619
75th Reunion Celebrations	45	<u>                                      </u>	
		\$ 2,565	\$ 6,340
		\$28,517	\$27,500
EXPENSES			
75th Reunion Celebrations	5	\$ 11,869	\$ 1,105
Administration		\$ 408	\$ 370
Audit & Accountancy		\$ 260	\$ 260
General Expenses		\$ 106	\$ 287
Donations	6	\$ 701	\$ 833
Insurance (huts & equipment)		\$ 869	\$ 912
Rent of meeting room		\$ 348	\$ 312
Supper & social expenses		\$ 726	\$ 399
Library & photo album		\$ -	\$ 47
FMC Capitation		\$ 910	\$ 940
Pohokura (Bulletin)		\$ 945	\$ 799
Hut maintenance	7	\$ 6,591	\$ -
Subscriptions		\$ 57	\$ 57
Transport costs	8	\$ 4,077	\$ 5,870
Truck Insurance		\$ 595	\$ 582
Equipment		\$ -	\$ 30
Telephone & Website		\$ 41	\$ 55
Write Off - Obsolete EPERB's		\$ -	\$ 49
Depreciation		\$ 5,397	\$ 5,736
		\$33,900	\$18,644
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR TRANSFERRED			·
TO ACCUMULATED FUNDS		\$ 5,383	\$ 8,856
NOTES:		•	<u> </u>
1. Fares similar - debit fares \$240 included re 2012 Waikato	Trip.		
2. Kaweka Challenge final event 2011 - profit & part reserve			
3. Increased interest rates / increased deposits (interest adde		, ···, ···	
timing of deposits & interest payments (quarterly/half yearl			
4. BCF & HTC Cap purchases \$1097 in 2010 year / income 2			
5. 75th Reunion - registration income high against minimal co			
2011 year saw minimal income but main / final costs. Net of			
6. Donations - Lowe Walker Helicopter Trust - Silver category			
7. Howletts Hut - new stove / coal / helicopter.			
8. Truck running costs higher in 2010: tyres x 4, service & RL	JC.		
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CURRENT ASSETS		2011	2010
Kaweka Challenge Deposit		\$ -	\$ 600
Vestpac Cheque Account		\$ 6,791	\$ 13,932
Accounts Receivable		\$ -	\$ -
		\$ 6,791	\$ 14,532
ION CURRENT ASSETS			
Vestpac	Term Deposit	\$ 14,912	\$ 14,175
	Term Deposit	\$ 23,426	\$ 22,280
	Term Deposit	\$ 12,460	\$ 11,866
	Term Deposit	\$ 13,225	\$ 12,549
IBS Bank	Term Deposit	\$ 13,911	\$ 13,039
	Term Deposit	\$ 59,016	\$ 55,921
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OTAL ASSETS		\$153,685	\$159,069
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Sundry payables		\$ 250	\$ 250
			φ 230
OTAL LIABILITIES		\$ 250	\$ 250
NET ASSETS		\$153,435	\$158,819
Represented by:			
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Balance at 1 October 2010		\$158,819	\$149,963
Surplus for the year		-\$ 5,383	\$ 8,856
TOTAL ACCUMULATED FUNDS		\$153,435	\$158,819
AUDITOR'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF THE HE			· · · · · ·
report that I have examined the financial records	of the Club and have obtain	ed all the	
nformation and explanations that I have required.			
Vith organisations such as the Club, it is not possi	ible to verify all cash receive	d	
luring the year and my examination of income has	accordingly been limited to	a comparison	
f recorded receipts with bank deposits. I did not I	however note anything that w	would indicate t	he
existence of receipts not banked.			
Subject to the possible effect of the limited control			
paragraph, in my opinion, the Income and Expend espectively a fair view of the Club's activities for the			ho
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# TRIP REPORTS

#### #2156 Waikaremoana

#### 27 – 28 August 2010

#### B Party:

For a variety of reasons the B party trip was changed and, while less strenuous than planned, it did add three people to the group. For those who had not been to the lake for many years I hope they found not too much alteration - I find it a place of timeless beauty. Lex had arranged for the use of the Onepoto home of the legendary policeman of the area, Lou Dolman, and we were delighted to find many of his mementoes and photos still on the walls.

Saturday morning was spent exploring the tangled mass of great boulders on the Onepoto Caves Walk - really a place best appreciated by kids who would be in and out of the tunnels with anxious mothers fretting above. Thence, up to Lou's lookout where the view of the bluff across the whitecaps on the lake was well worth the short climb. Time slipped by over lunch back at the house so we elected to visit the historic sites close by, on the way to the Kiriopukae Lakes. The water there was high - right to the scrub edge - so our attempted circumnavigation was aborted after a fair bit of sloshing about on marshy ground.



Dinner was communal and splendid thanks to Des's soup and the combined efforts of some happy little housewives. In fact the only indication that it was a tramping trip was the sight of scattered bodies filling all likely spaces on the floor overnight. The presence down the road of a group of Mongrel Mob members and

their dogs had unnerved some but both man and beast seemed peaceable enough, and our interactions, while brief, were friendly. A bit disappointing really.

We visited the superb waterfalls in the Aniwaniwa area relatively early on Sunday morning after which most of the team walked in to look at the Ruapani Wetland which had reverted to lake mode for the winter. Lunch was in the sun by the large timber trailer at Aniwaniwa and so back to Rosie Bay where the old Maori Trail to Kaitawa starts. We didn't have time to go right through but, by some combined intellectual endeavour and attention to Glenda's wonderful new GPS, we worked back from the meeting time for the A party and proceeded as far as we could. The house was spic and span by late afternoon, the effort prolonged by just about everyone using the toilet immediately after just about everyone else had cleaned it.

Lex parked the truck on the shore at Onepoto as the light faded and the silhouette of the Bluff became ever sharper. Finally it was dark enough for us to follow the progress of the lights of the A party as they descended the long slope. There wasn't much chat in the back as Lex, who deserves special mention for the long hours he put in at the wheel, got us safely home - he started driving at 5 am on Saturday and parked the truck on Sunday at 11pm. An excellent weekend in a very special place.

Party: Lex Smith, Glenda Hooper, Des Smith, Sue Lopdell, Penny Isherwood, Bobby Couchman, Ros and Mike Lusk

#### #2157 Thomas' Bush Wed 31 August 2011

Another beautiful Hawkes Bay day.

Only nine of us on this trip, due to members being away overseas plus some sick with the dreaded "lurgy". We could not go to Lake Tutira as originally planned because of lambing so we made a last-minute decision to go to Thomas' Bush. This is a very pretty tramp past Lake Opouahi and through regenerating kabikatea, pigeonwood, hinau and lancewood forest. It also crosses the Opouahi Kiwi Sanctuary.

Negotiating swampland, we began a steady uphill climb through matai, putaputaweta, tawa and broadleaf. Upon reaching a fork in the track we took the left-hand side through a forest of kamahi; always fascinating. We finally emerged at the lookout with its 360 degree view of the Maungaharuru Range, the hills of the Urewera and the long finger of Mahia Peninsula jutting out to sea.

A sharp wind was blowing so we snuggled down in the bracken in the sun to eat our lunch, after which we set off down the alternative track along the fence line where we met two LARGE heifers. Marion, our farm girl, said to just keep going and they will move out of the way. This they did but one crashed into the bush behind us so now we were sandwiched with the one in front waiting for its mate. This is where Penny fell over, anxious not to be caught by the one behind. We got her to her feet and the heifer came galloping through. They can certainly move when inspired.

We ambled our way back to the lake, took the right-hand path around it and settled down for our last cup of tea when a DoC worker appeared with her dog. She had been out tracking kiwis but with no success. DoC is building a large new shelter at Opouahi to accommodate the large groups of visitors that often come -a shelter that does not face into the wind during a southerly.

Back in the truck we headed home and were at Pernel for an icecream by 4pm.

Party: Penny Isherwood, Marjorie Musson, Bobby Couchman (organiser), Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Garry Smith, Sue Taylor, Brent Hickey, Christine Hardie

#### #2158 Makahu Track Re-visited

#### 11 September 2011

The instructions in the fixtures list sounded simple enough – just re-trace the original track from Whittle's farm to Makahu Saddle. The track was within living memory, so we knew it did (once) exist. But where? The club seldom visited the northern end of the Kawekas prior to the mid 1950's as there were no huts and very limited access routes. That changed in 1956 when the Forest Service asked us to find a site for a hut in the Makahu Saddle area. First, though, how to get there? A small party of us set off in March 1956 to find out, leaving the cars on the farmland just past Whittle's house for a short scramble over Baldy and down through the scrub to Gorge Stream where we camped overnight. The next morning we took the most obvious spur up on to the Black Birch Range, headed north-west to pick up the southern end of Little's Clearing and then followed good deer tracks through to Makahu Saddle. No problems, with open scrub, plenty of deer tracks and wide open bush. Norman Elder is shown planting a marker pole at the entrance to the bush from the clearing with Els Bayens checking the line of sight to the previous marker, and Jim Glass and Philip Bayens doing what blokes do.

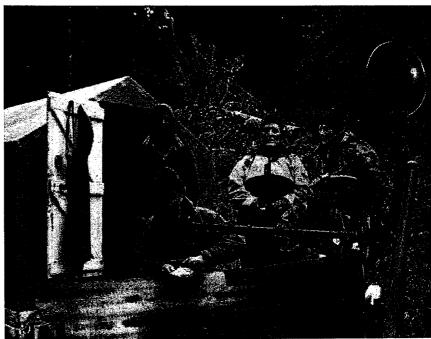


The difficult part was obviously going to be the route up the spur from Gorge Stream so Raewyn and I went during the week prior to check it out. The 2003 picture on Google Earth certainly shows something that looks like a track but, no, it really isn't like that anymore especially in the lower parts. I am satisfied that we had the correct take-off point but after 90 minutes of thrashing through brokendown scrub, gorse and contorta we had reached point 852 only, about 400 lateral metres from where we had started! Not a good idea so we bashed our way down again and drove around to Little's Clearing to have a look at the spur from the top end. The spur is clear at the top but the track then dives into the same sort of mess further down.

Come the day and, armed with this knowledge, Lex drove us beyond the clearing for us to warm up with the walk along Ngahere Loop to Makahu Saddle Hut. This was not part of the original track which rounded Ngahere on the northern side along the route now roughly followed by the road. We fortified ourselves with smoko at the hut and then came back to the clearing car park to again have a look at the spur into Gorge Stream from the top.

Graeme, Glenda and Maureen were sufficiently bold (or misguided) enough to have a crack at heading down the spur but the rest of us wandered along to Black Birch Bivvy for a leisurely lunch in the company of a very cheerful possum trapper cum fur plucker.

The rain continued as we headed off from the bivvy and there seemed little merit in heading further south so we just retraced our steps back to the truck. The wind was in our faces and the tops lurked in the mist somewhere up there to the west. The three who had ventured down the spur had departed with



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the instruction that, if they had not returned to the truck by 2pm, we should pick them up, victorious, on Lotkow Road. We generously waited another 15 minutes and then headed down the hill again in time to meet the trio just after they had emerged, successful, on to the road. A wee bit scratched and scraped but they had done what they had set out to do. The general conclusion – the track is definitely there but, even more definitely, it is not worth even thinking about again. Thank you, Lex for once again accepting the driving duties. AB

Party: Judy McBride, Marjorie Musson, Raewyn Ricketts, Maureen Broad, Glenda Hooper, Christine Hardie, Sue Taylor, Joan Ruffell, Lex Smith, Graeme Hare and Alan Berry (joint organisers)

#2159	Birthday Boys Bash	Tue 13 – Wed 14 Sept 20	
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This year the BBB was much later than usual due to the globe-trotting activities of the "old originals". The bonus was longer daylight hours to do something or nothing. A small change this year: we had to supply our own firewood so the group responded magnificently to this challenge - Randall in particular had gone to great lengths to load his car plus Garry's vehicle to capacity with wood. The net result was that we had constant heat and hot water.

Club members arrived from 10.30am through to mid-afternoon with Susan and Randall driving through the dark after work on the completely sealed Taihape road which already has developed a few potholes over the last five kilometres. The afternoon was spent getting a vast array of life's necessities sorted out followed by a walk down and around the picnic area with the Gentle Anne climb for some. Lyn, meantime, sorted out the LED lighting, Graeme got the balloons and fancy hats out, and the party started. The ladies had responded magnificently once again to the catering challenge and a mouth-watering array of cheese platters, chippies, dip, cakes and ice-cream appeared while Pam had made seafood chowder to die for. Christine's mulled wine also went down well. Overnight it poured with rain and violent gusts of wind blew.

Next morning the ladies were treated to a bacon and egg breakfast served up by Mr Lyn. Rodger helped with the leftovers after which most of us went for a walk up to and around the quarry in fine but cool conditions. Lunch was spent eating more party goodies and then Graeme or Sue or Lyn decided to do a bit of bush bashing on the hill adjoining the picnic area which proved almost impenetrable or maybe we just missed the track......

Back at the lodge most of us cleaned up and repacked before leaving late afternoon for home. Suddenly there were just five blokes left and the decibel level dropped considerably as we stoked up the fire and did our best to eat through the remaining food.

The luxury of hot showers was appreciated and on Thursday, after clearing up the lodge, we were homeward bound by 10am. Thanks everyone who helped make this fun fixture such a success. We look forward already to next year's bash. RB

Party: Marion Nicholson, Susan Lopdell, Pam Turner, Christine Hardie, Glenda Hooper, Penny Isherwood, Mr and Mrs Lyn Gentry, Graeme and Helen Hare, Jim Hewes, Garry Smith, Lex Smith, Randall Goldfinch, Rodger Burn

#### #2160 Sunrise Hut - Ruahines

#### Wed 28 Sept 2011

Another sunny day saw 13 keen walkers on the track to Sunrise Hut. This track is obviously one of DoC's favourite tourist attractions as lots of maintenance work is going on to make it suitable for all users. Surface levelling, mesh underfoot, new drainage channels with pipes and replacement footboards were all evident in various sections. We wandered up at different speeds and everyone arrived at the hut in time for a leisurely lunch in the sunshine. Several walkers had never been to Sunrise before and were glad to have finally made it. Plans to continue to Armstrong Saddle were abandoned when the very keen cold wind was encountered at the back of the hut where you step out onto the tops. No-one felt like being blown away so we all went back down to Triplex Hut where it was calm and sheltered from the wind. From there it was a short wander to the truck and we were home by about 5pm.

Party: Judy McBride (organiser), Lex Smith (driver), Anetta Keys, Bobby Couchman, Janice Love, Alasdair Shaw, Penny Isherwood, Susan Taylor, Marjorie Musson,

Christine Hardie, Brent Hickey, Keith Thompson, Heather Stephenson

#### #2161 Kuripapango

Pohokura

#### 9 Oct 2011

There were nine starters for this tramp and we left Pernel at 7 o'clock in two cars, arriving at Cameron carpark, Kuripapango just after 8 o'clock. At the carpark we admired the new DOC signpost and noted that fellow tramper, Andy, stars in one of the photos. As we slowly made our way up the 600 metre climb on the old Smith Russell track the temperature got cooler. As we neared the summit we came across misty conditions and a smattering of snow on the contorta. An early lunchette was had at the junction with the Kiwi Saddle track after which we followed the track down to the Lakes carpark where we were able to admire a second DOC sign. Here again, one of our group was starring in a photo albeit one taken quite a few years ago when Judy was just a spring chicken!

We had a second lunchette beside the lake before following the Kaweka Challenge track through the pine forest back to the cars. There is now no rope down into the Waikarekare Stream so it was a bit of a scramble but otherwise there were no dramas and we were back at the cars by 3.15pm. Thanks, Andy, for taking your car. GH

Party: Glenda Hooper, Susan Lopdell, Andy Fowler, Maureen Broad, Penny Isherwood, Des Smith, Marjorie Musson, Sue Taylor, Judy McBride



#2162 Kaimai Forest Park – Labour Weekend

21 – 24 Oct 2011

#### DAY 1

Arriving in Te Aroha late morning and the translator aerial on top of Mt Te Aroha seemed a daunting proposition. At the domain we donned tramping attire and set off to the Mokena Geyser from whence the track to the summit begins. Signage proved to be misleading as we found ourselves on the Tui Mine track before completing part of the mountain bike loop before returning to witness the pitiful "eruption" of the geyser (a foot high). Finally, after lunch, we set off - initially on a well benched track through some nice bush to reach the Whakapipi Lookout with views over the township and Hauraki Plains. The party then split up: three intrepid explorers whizzed off to the top – we heard later that that once past the saddle, the terrain became increasingly steeper, more of a true tramping track with some steps thrown in so progress slowed and they were greeted by hazy views across the Waikato and Bay of Plenty.

Meanwhile the rest of the group had meandered up to the saddle then returned to the truck to relax, while two sped into the shopping centre to buy togs. Bobby got a real bargain from the Op Shop whilst Susan's cost slightly more......the moral of the story is that one must never forget important tramping gear! From

the lookout at Whakapipi Penny, Glenda and Susan had glimpsed the Howarth Memorial Wetlands not far from the Domain so off they went to explore. It turned out to be a Rotary or Lions project with swamp cypresses growing in the water, shags, a bird hide and possibly the boom of a bittern. Unfortunately weeds seem to be overtaking this wetland but it was worth the hour's stroll around the area. We then set off to the Holiday Park just out of town and after a soak in their small hot pool we made our dinners and then settled down to watch the Aussies play the Welsh at rugby on the large TV we had in our unit.

#### DAY 2

Into the truck at 8.00am with groans and moans from some party members and off to the Karangahake Reserve where we would be exploring the area. Plans were to do the tourist bits in the morning with a threehour loop tramp in the afternoon. Walked the suspension bridge over the Ohinemuri River and then wandered along the historic Karangahake Walkway to where it crossed the Western Portal Bridge by the hall to go through the tunnel before returning to our starting point. To start the Windows Walk we crossed the Lower Waitawheta Gorge Bridge, climbed up some stairs and followed the tramway into old gold mining tunnels with four windows in the rock walls where torches were needed. This gave us views of the river gorge below then down more stairs and back over the bridge for a side trip to view the Woodstock Pumphouse, a unique piece of mining history.

In the afternoon we retraced part of the Crown Track and followed the old water race alongside the Waitawheta River, coming out to the only DoC camping ground in the northern Kaimais. It is a basic campsite (toilet facilities only) on a grassy clearing next to a very nice swimming/fishing river - obviously a popular place as there were 15 to 20 people erecting tents when we arrived. Returning to the junction with the Dubbo Track we began ascending 300 - 350 metres to the Mangakino Pack Track which led us around the base of Mount Karangahake to Scotsman Gully Track and back down to the carpark.



#### DAY 3

Another early departure and, with Glenda's great navigational skills, we arrived at our next destination Waiorongomai Valley, 30 minutes away. After digesting all the info on the new DoC information boards we set off along the Low Level Track, winding our way through regenerating bush We reached a track junction and turned right onto the New Era Track. This is a true tramping track with a couple of stream crossings and a very steep ascent to the Piako County Tramline where our compulsory reclining photo was taken. A short detour to the May Queen Incline followed then back along the tramline past various relics of the gold mining

to the top of Butlers Incline where we lunched in the sunshine. Four of the party ran down to the viewing platform, clambered onto the rail tracks and walked along the upper end of the incline -a 1:25 gradient!

The party continued along the tramline, slowly descending to Fern Gully Incline and eventually returned to the truck. Many of the sites in this valley are protected by the Historic Places Act 1980 and DoC has recreated a lot of the tramlines and inclines. Gold was first discovered here in 1881-2 but by the early 1900s most mining activity had ceased. Next stop was the Wairere Falls visible and accessed from Goodwin Road carpark which was almost full. Set off on a well-used route weaving its way through tree roots and moss covered rocks over two bridges and following the fast-flowing Wairere Stream. Many sets of wooden steps lead up the base of the cliff and the track passes through nikau, puriri and kohekeke before coming out at the viewing platform, 45 mins from the carpark. The falls are 153 metres high, set in beautiful bush and drop over the Okauia Fault in two stages. The actual Wairere Track follows a very old Maori trail which was used extensively as a key link and trading route in both pre- and post-European times.



Lastly we drove to Okoroire, a tiny settlement consisting of a hotel, thermal pools, nine hole golf course and a basic camping ground situated between Tirau and Tauranga. This was to be our base for the night. All wandered down to the thermal pools where the vertically challenged folk had great difficulty touching the sandy bottom! The evening highlight was to walk two minutes to the hotel, dine, enter the Rugby World Cup sweepstake and completely rearrange the games room to become a viewing lounge to watch the nail-biting final match. Thank goodness, we won! Into our beds to be serenaded by the local moreporks plus some yobbos doing wheel spins in the hotel car park. Almost asleep until the possums made their presence felt so the late start on Monday was appreciated!

#### DAY 4

We had spent the weekend in the catchment of the Waihou River which eventually passes under the Kopu Bridge into the Firth of Thames and we were now going to its source. This is where most of the bottled water sold in NZ comes from: Te Waihou Springs. We stopped at the carpark on SH28, three kilometres NE of Putaruru, and headed upstream. The stream is protected from the neighbouring farmland by good fencing and riparian planting with a five-kilometre long walkway alongside it. The water was quite swift and very

clear and up at the springs is a lovely blue colour. After taking in the sun, the flowers, the ducks and the scenery we returned back to the truck for lunch and home. A big thank you to all of you whose company made this trip so enjoyable and especially to Lex (driver) and Glenda (co-organiser). SL

Party: Susan Lopdell, Glenda Hooper, Lex Smith, Graeme Hare, Bobby Couchman, Christine Hardie, Maureen Broad, Penny Isherwood, Mike Bull

#### #2163 Travers Hut - Ruahines

#### Wed 26 Oct 2011

A dry and cloudy day saw us heading south towards Dannevirke then inland to the picnic ground at the end of Tamaki Road West at the foot of the southern Ruahines. Four chose to go to Stanfield Hut and the rest of us climbed up the track which leads to Travers Hut or the A-Frame as it is often called. It is uphill all the way and it took us about 2¼ hours to get there. The track climbed firstly through mixed forest and, higher up, leatherwood. The hut (named for its A-shaped frame construction) has seen better days but it was out of the wind and a welcome lunch stop. We could have gone south along the tops but no-one seemed enthusiastic so after a good rest we returned.

The Stanfield Hut group went via Holmes Track up over the farmland before dropping down through very attractive bush with excellent stands of rimu on the true left of the river (not forgetting the legendary kahikatea on the other side not far from the hut). The final approach to the hut through the stream has suffered from floods and storms so it was a matter of picking the route carefully. Stanfield Hut itself is in great condition – DoC has done a recent paint job and interior overhaul. Our party was intrigued to find a huge stash of food that had been left in the hut with no sign of any current occupants. It is a popular hunting base and we decided that, because of the road access from the west, many groups are able to bring in bulk supplies and must leave the surplus behind when they leave. So, it's a good place to be stranded!

Both parties arrived back at the carpark at the same time and subsequently had an extended afternoon tea before leaving for Hastings. The trip back was slowed down by the rising winds which buffeted the truck strongly from the north-west as it went over the CHB plains. Not something that the drivers enjoy!

Party: Judy McBride (organiser), Penny Isherwood, Christine Hardie, Rodger Burn, Des Smith, Marjorie Musson, Viv Waterer, Raewyn Ricketts, Mike Lusk, Keith Thompson, Christine Turner, Garry Smith, Susan Taylor, Bobby Couchman

#2164	Cairn Trip to Kaweka J	6 Nov 20	)11

Anecdotal evidence suggests that HTC's annual trip to the memorial cairn on Kaweka J often strikes bad weather and this year the tradition was upheld! Although we left Napier/Hastings in reasonable conditions, we were greeted at the Makahu carpark by high winds and distinctly wintry temperatures. Fortunately there was no rain – yet!

The full truck was met by three other carloads of club members and associates - all donned full storm gear before setting off. The majority plodded up Trials Spur but a small group (Blackburn, Godbert et al) made a brisk trip up Makahu Spur and we all met at the junction below Dominie Biv. Although it was reasonably mild on the zigzag, the full force of the wind from the south hit us when we moved on to the open slopes – some of the lighter people had to be careful not to be interrupted by strong gusts. There have been washouts and dirt slides on the spur but DoC is working on track reconstruction where necessary with new drainage channels and surfacing.

At Dominie the main party was greeted by the Eggers family with the Milo-fortified children raring to go. Everyone lingered for a lunchette before resuming the climb. The wind dropped slightly and the last part was covered relatively quickly despite the tricky bits where severe erosion has worn away at the track. Once on the top everyone eventually made their way to the cairn. A few folk were tempted to linger by a couple of snow patches on the playground – still good for sliding down.

Huey was still throwing cold winds around so we didn't linger. Most of us picked up a rock or two to add to the pile before gathering at the eastern side of the cairn (where the plaque faces) to conduct a short memorial

service. The President spoke briefly before reading a poem by Lester Masters: High Hills. We then had a couple of minutes silence in memory of the young men named on the plaque as well as thinking of HTC members who have died recently – most notably Jackie Smith and Shirley Bathgate. The Eggers children laid the floral wreath which had been made by their grandmother, Pam Turner, and carried up the hill by Gerald Blackburn. Thanks, folk.

This part of the gathering was followed by the traditional photo-taking which takes quite a while so that everyone can get a copy on their camera! As this was finishing the wind rose again and flung snowy bits at us so we gathered ourselves together and hastened back down the hill. A couple of people had another quick slide on the snow before also racing down. Lunchette number two was held at the bivvy and then everyone made their way carefully to the bottom of the hill. Inevitably the weather became milder and calmer as we descended, and heavy clothes were shed on the way. At the bottom we were met by Liz who was able to show us an unusual flowering plant she had found by the track. Everyone was changed and in the truck before three o'clock so, after an oil check, we set out. We had to forgo the customary lavish afternoon tea at the farm because of Pam's return visit to hospital but Kathy Eggers and children travelled with us to the end of Whittle's Road and were able to tell us about the deer they had met on their way up in the early morning. By the time we met Darryl at the main road, rain had started again!

Party: Christine Hardie (driver), Graeme Hare, Mark Hutchinson, Des Smith, Owen Brown with son-in-law, Brian Hansen and grandson Mitchell, Marjorie Musson, Penny Isherwood, Judy McBride, Maureen Broad, Glenda Hooper, Donna Berry, Derek Boshier (from BoP), Liz Pindar, Tina Godbert, Chrissy Waldron, Lesley Reid, Lynette & Gerald Blackburn with friend Dawn plus big dog, Graham Thorp, Kathy and Darryl Eggers with Corbin, Samara and Carly

## #2165 Farm Walk on Maraetotara Road Wed 16 Nov 2011

Seventeen of us met Fred Chesterman at his farm gate next to a load of penned ewes and lambs which were bleating loudly, having just been separated. We started with a steady uphill on a farm track and then on past hillsides damaged by last April's super-storm that hit the east coast. Fred was our guide and made frequent stops to explain the history and development of the farm as well as point out the devastating effects of the storm. We could still see the remains of huge mudslides and slips – the clean-up has been a huge and ongoing task.

It was hard work for some of us townies keeping up with Fred as he strode over the hills but eventually we managed to get him to stop so that we could perch on a ridge to have a snack. But it was onward and upward with amazing views as we went. At the very, final top we went on to the neighbour's property so that we could look out over the ultimate vista: Ocean Beach and the wider sea. The day was warm but the wind was cool and blustery so, after the heights, we dropped down a bit for lunch amongst some sheltered rock formations.

The comment on the way back was to the effect that there were a lot of ups to get down! The day was enjoyed by all; thanks to Fred Chesterman for access (and for calmly explaining the mating habits of stud bulls when some keen Havelock North ladies enquired) and to Christine for driving. MN

Party: Bob Carter, Brent Hickey, Christine Turner, Christine Hardie, Colleen Smith, Garry Smith, Graeme Hare, Judy McBride, Keith Thomson, Lyn & Lyn Gentry, Marjorie Musson, Penny Isherwood, Phillip Mardon, Rodger Burn, Annetta Keys, Marion Nicholson (organiser)

## From the Archives

## Fifty Years Ago

This is part of the account of a trip made from Triplex to Waikamaka over Queen's Birthday Weekend, 1961.

Five of us left Hastings at about 7 am and headed for the hills. The barometer didn't exactly say, "Go home," but it was pointing in the general direction thereof.

We left the cars at Triplex Creek and set out for higher altitudes with the assistance of a head wind, mist and patches of drizzle. After a short stop at Shuteye Shack for a bite, we put warmer clothing on and literally pushed ahead. Along the ridge to Buttercup Hollow we discovered that the breeze was of such magnitude that we could hop along with our torsos inclined at quite a substantial angle from the vertical and still remain at some distance from the horizontal without obeying gravity! We also discovered that if one was to have both feet off the ground at once, the breeze would take these feet and place them in almost the same horizontal plane as the head [which was by now fast approaching ground level] and the result would be quite interesting.

The breeze lessened its fury as we climbed over 65 and on to 66. Up on 66 conditions were not exactly pleasant but refreshing and fresh air was compulsory as was the periodic drizzle punctuated by small bits of hail. We slid down to 67 on the screes, the snow being non-existent, then to the saddle and arrived at Waikamaka Hut at 3.30 pm, a little damp. It then began to rain and by 7 pm there was two inches of snow. By morning it was a foot deep everywhere.

The next morning was bright and calm. We were back over the saddle and on our rapid descent when Bunny disappeared up to his nose in a snow bank. Disaster! But daylight was showing at his feet and we discovered that he was suspended in space between two leatherwood bushes. The unfortunate bod could be extracted....

The participants in this cool but entertaining weekend (as they described it) were Ken Carmichael, Bob Adams, Nigel Thompson, Keith Garrett and Graeme (Bunny) Hare.

# HTC BIKE TRIPS



## Maraekakaho Memorial – Aorangi Road

Wed 24 August 2011

Fourteen of us lined up to tackle this ride. Fine weather, little wind and an uphill journey on the way out didn't dent our enthusiasm. Spring was in the air with lambs frolicking around their mothers and young calves gazing at us as we sped by. The swish of magpie wings reminded us that this was their breeding season also.....that's why we have deterrents on our helmets! For some reason the hills become steeper every time we tackle this course but we were happy in the thought that it was all downhill on the way home. Had morning tea at the roadend in the sun and, after solving the world's problems, began the return to the Memorial. How much easier it was, so much so that certain riders formed a breakaway bunch and disappeared into the distance. Everyone sprawled on the back grass at the Memorial and enjoyed lunch. A good little trip.

Cyclists: Marion Nicholson, Judy McBride, Christine Hardie, Marjorie Musson, Garry Smith, Lex Smith, Mrs Lyn Gentry, Bruce Finn, Isobel Holdaway, Stewart Hislop, Joan Ruffell, Richard Waterer, Jim Hewes

#### Pakowhai Park to Dolbel Reserve

#### Wed 7 September 2011

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Ten cyclists set out at ten past nine. Three others met us in Brookfields Road under heavy grey skies after cycling from Taradale. The route to be taken was on the quietest roads possible so once across the Chesterhope Bridge, Gilbertson Road was followed into Brookfield Road which took us across the Tutaekuri River. Next turn was into Meeanee Road then down Tannery Road to the Burness Road tunnel under the expressway. Along Guppy, Harpham and Church Roads in Taradale we rode and so to the reserve at the end of Golding Road. Bikes were locked at the bottom of the hill and everyone made their way to the top of the track which is flanked by plantings of young native trees and shrubs. Conditions had improved and were near perfect for taking in the panoramic view of the Heretaunga Plains. We had a lunchette before making our way to the Pettigrew Green arena and the return journey: Tutaekuri River stopbank to Awatoto and back to Pakowhai Park along the Ngaruroro stopbank, a distance of nearly forty kilometres. The Taradale riders left us halfway to Awatoto to return home.

Cyclists: Marjorie Musson, Judy McBride, Marion Nicholson, Christine Hardie, Garry Smith, Ray Manning, Isobel Holdaway, Lyn & Lyn Gentry, Heather & Bob Carter, Jim Hewes and Alasdair Shaw

#### **Tour De Oruawharo Homestead**

#### Wed 21 September 2011

Our rendezvous was in Waipawa and we drove to Oruawharo homestead where we left our vehicles. Ten of us set out along Oruawharo Road then on to Woburn Road and up Ngahape Road. It was a dry day but with a very strong headwind most of the way, it seemed. After morning tea in a reasonably sheltered spot on Ngahape Road we continued to Braeview Road, a short uphill metal road leading on to Nicholls Road which is undulating. We got some spectacular views from the top and enjoyed the wind behind us for a short time going down on to Porangahau Road. From there we turned on to Arlington Road back into the wind, Woburn Road and back to Oruawahro.

In the historic mansion we were shown a video of the history and current refurbishment of the property and allowed to have a good look around the homestead, outbuildings and gardens. We then had our pre-ordered lunch on the verandah in the sun and out of the wind. This consisted of sandwiches (salmon and capers, cucumber and cream cheese, ham and mustard), savouries (bacon and egg, mince pies), scones (with quince jam and cream), shortbread and afghans. We also had a choice of 18 different teas (served in individual pots) and three coffees - all served up on fine English china and silver cake plates. Such indulgence! We highly recommend it.

Cyclists: Rodger Burn, Bobby Couchman, Christine Hardie, Jim Hewes, Judy McBride, Marjorie Musson, Alasdair Shaw, Garry Smith, Heather Stephenson, Christine Turner

## Whakapirau Road Circuit

## Wed 19 October 2011

On a day when it could have rained or shone we took the bull by the horns, so to speak, and met at the Maraekakaho War Memorial before setting forth. The first part of this ride is up a 3.5km steep hill with views to die for at the top luring us on. This time, some four riders cycled up, (only one did it last time so what does that tell you?) and we remaining mere mortals drove cars up and did our sightseeing that way. We all regrouped at the top and rode along to Rawkawa Road. By this time the sun had made an appearance and there was no wind to speak of - very pleasant.

We stopped halfway down Raukawa Road for smoko in a real suntrap. After sorting out the world's problems again we continued on our merry way; turned left into Valley Road, a couple of pint-sized hills and re-grouped on Highway 50. The cyclists so inclined showed a burst of speed which strung us out until we reached the War Memorial.

Cyclists: Rodger Burn, Marjorie Musson, Judy McBride, Chris Robinson, Stewart Hislop, Bruce Finn, Richard Waterer, Heather Stephenson, Jim Hewes

#### #2166 Tutira Walkway

A cold and wet Tararua tramp was not on our bucket list so we decided instead on a day trip to Tutira - a wise decision. Sunday dawned fine and warm and five of us drove to the lake in Penny's car, arriving there sometime before 9 a.m. We headed off along the track, past Fisherman's Hut and the Oparae Pa site, to Galbraith Track in the Kahikanui Valley. There was no wind and the sky was hazy which kept the temperature down as we climbed up. We followed the orange posts along a farm track up the valley beside the pine trees past the Kahikanui Track junction and then into the pines proper.

The walkway deviates from that shown on the topo map in the latter part of the pine forest, taking a more southerly spur up to the main ridge and the sign post that indicates the route over to the shelter on Ridgemount Road. There was a bit of resistance but I managed to convince my followers that we really did need to take the five minutes (as per sign) to the shelter before continuing on our way up to Table Mountain summit. Actually it was a little more than five minutes (but only one of the party was counting minutes) - I presume the sign writers hadn't made allowances for the rerouted track. Once there, we had a sit down and enjoyed the views plus a prolifically flowering cabbage tree.

From the shelter it was about a 30 minute tramp up to the trig point on Table Mountain where we sat down and had our lunch. There was still no wind and the reflections on the lake were awesome. After a good long rest/snooze up there four of us tried to sneak away and leave Sleeping Beauty to it but her sixth sense must have jumped in and we were not successful. The temperature was now pretty warm and we set off southwards along the ridge top and, as it was still early, we passed the turnoff to the Oparae Valley and Fisherman's Hut and carried on along Pera's Track. This route continues along the ridge tops around the back of Lake Waikopiro (the little lake) and then descends to this lake on a bulldozed track. It was then just a short walk back to the car at the camp ground and we were there just before three. GH



Party: Bruce Finn, Maureen Broad, Judy McBride, Penny Isherwood, Glenda Hooper

#### #2167 Yeoman's Track

#### Wed 23 Nov 2011

Will the river be up? The big question for this tramp, and how many will come, because most people have wandered along this popular track before? Thirteen of us - on a very pleasant day! The river was the lowest I had ever seen it and most of us did our usual changing of footwear in order to have dry feet on the other side, great babies that we are. (The others waded across in bare feet or jandals). Of course, the water was cold although we found it very refreshing on the return trip.

The scenery was very pretty and we met two DoC workers who were busy clearing the track to the size of a highway!!! As a result we didn't see any orchids or other unusual plants but we did hear cuckoos, bellbirds, tui, grey warblers and paradise ducks, and we saw a number of native butterflies. After wandering through the forest we spent a very leisurely lunch time at Murderers Hut discussing the upcoming election before returning via the same route. We noted that the old Whitnell Lodge next door has been removed and the hut now stands alone. On the way home Marjorie had a slight altercation with a stick which pierced her leg but

other than that we were all fit and well. We sat outside the truck in the sun for another cuppa before returning home, feeling sad for the people who have to work. Thanks, once again, Christine for a great job of driving the truck.

Party: Christine Hardie, Heather Stephenson, Judy McBride, Penny Isherwood. Marjorie Musson, Garry Smith, Rodger Burn, Raewyn Ricketts, Bobby Couchman, Annetta Keys, Joan Ruffell, Susan Taylor, Alasdair Shaw

#### #2168 Ngamoko Road – Apiti Track – Happy Daze Hut 4 Dec 2011

My mate, Brian Hall (formerly of Tararua Tramping Club), and I were ready for the HTC truck to arrive. No differences of opinion (such as where to start and finish); only Glenda ended up discovering a new house! We all had a discussion with 'time-for-a-break' Graeme and decided that we would all journey along Apiti Track to the Makaretu - Mangatewainui Saddle (skirting the south side of the Manawatu River headwaters) instead of a truck party walking up to Happy Daze Hut along the 4WD Track which would only end up in the bush.

We therefore journeyed along the old Apiti Track and emerged on a type of saddle beyond a high point of 880m where we were able to look into most of the Manawatu headwaters. (I was involved with a SAR Helivac by Palmerston North Rescue Helicopter from this saddle during one roar a while back). We skirted south of the headwaters of a sidecreek of the Mangatewainui River then arrived at the saddle as planned where we had lunch. There is some lovely moss in this area. I also checked out the old bivvy on the track in this vicinity - tarpaulin gone. Here it was decided that Brian and I would continue and complete the circuit down the Makaretu to Happy Daze and out to Ellison Road. Our Heretaunga friends kindly offered to move our vehicle to the exit point.

Thus Brian and I journeyed through the regenerating bush down Makaretu River to South Makaretu Hut. (You can't miss it now if you keep your eyes open). I was feeling a bit shot when we arrived but revived and enjoyed the walk to Happy Daze. My mate got a nice photo of a small two-stage waterfall nearby. We carried on along the 4WD track which eventually left the bush and came out on farmland to our waiting vehicle.

P.S. There has been a recent death of an old identity in the Happy Daze area which may make future access more difficult. DM

Party: David Mulinder, Brian Hall, Glenda Hooper, Graeme Hare, Qian Zhou, Brent Hickey, David Blake

#### #2169 Te Mata Park and Reserves Wed 7 Dec 2011

We were supposed to be in the Kaweka Ranges but the weather ruled that out so the plan was to walk the Havelock reserves and hills. Leaving our cars at Duart House, we firstly did Tanner St Reserve before moving on to Tainui Reserve which was of interest with all the new plantings plus re-growth. We then headed through Hikanui Reserve where Keith turned the water on for his beloved little trees and from there to Te Mata Park at the end of Tauroa Road. We wandered along to the little redwoods then over to the main redwood grove for smoko before tackling the Peak Trail (Goat Track).

Rain clouds were massing as we made our way up the trail, stopping periodically to admire limestone outcrops and take in views over the surrounding farmlands. We arrived at the summit after about 50 minutes and our luncheon spot - just below Peak Restaurant in a nice spot near the park volunteers' plantings - was reached by about midday. After an unhurried lunch we resumed our walk along the tracks back to Tauroa Road. Our luck ran out though and the rain came. It continued heavily all the way down through Tauroa Reserve and along the streets as we squelched back to our cars. These trails were new to a number of our group and comments were made on how fortunate we are to have these facilities so close to us all. RB

Party: Rodger Burn (guide), Marion Nicholson, Penny Isherwood, Janice Love, Susan Taylor, Annetta Keys, Christine Hardie, Heather Stephenson, Marjorie Musson, Keith Thomson, Alasdair Shaw, Garry Smith, Raewyn Ricketts and guest appearance by Russell Perry

#### Waimarama – Maraetotara Valley

#### Wed 16 Nov 2011

From Lake Lopez Lodge, nine of us pedalled down to Waimarama at a fast pace. At this stage the weather turned so we stopped for smoko under a tree before heading up the BIG hill to the Mohi Bush turnoff. This climb took  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. The weather by now was very cold and wet so, assuming that the B Party had gone back to the carpark, we pedalled like hell down the Maraetotara to the cars. No regrets but a very hard day. LG

Cyclists: Mr Lyn Gentry, Rodger Burn, Jim Hewes, Alasdair Shaw, Bob Carter, Joan Ruffell, Heather Stephenson, Bruce Finn, Chris Robinson

The ladies' group had planned to rendezvous with the others at Mohi Bush BUT, after a stopover at Fred's, and after filling ourselves with Marion's beautiful cake, loaf and hot scones followed by a quick view of Fred's magnificent vege garden, we felt disinclined to move far! Our excuse was the heavy rain which was falling. We did eventually make a quick getaway and continued up the road until we rounded a corner at the top and the sleety rain came to meet us horizontally. It had turned very cold so Christine decided to turn back, citing her bike seat as an excuse. It had broken right through the supporting post so she was swaying around on truly independent suspension – independent of the rest of the bike, that is! However, pretty soon everyone else was making a quick retreat past the road works and down the valley back to the cars. LG

Cyclists: Judy McBride, Marjorie Musson, Bobby Couchman, Christine Hardie, Raewyn Ricketts, Peggy Gulliver, Mrs Lyn Gentry

#### Tukituki Circuit

## Wed 30 Nov 2011

This long-awaited trip had previously been cancelled due to bad weather but this time we struck it lucky. Fourteen cyclists eventually set off from Havelock North and, with only one significant hill, made good progress to the Waimarama Bridge where we met Fred and Marion who were joining us by vour-wheeled vehicle. From there it was up and along the Tukituki Valley Road, noting the worthwhile improvements that have already been made and are continuing. We look forward to using the new cycleways when they are completed. At the top of Copp Hill we advised Bob by phone that we were running a little late. Once again he and Heather were the perfect hosts and had on hand a generous spread for the hungry team Nothing remained of the lemon cake, muffins and scones after a short time! After the feast we had our annual tour around the North Face -their splendid garden - noting the growth from our last visit. The higher slopes support drought-tolerant while the damp valley floor has a host of natives mixed with exotics. We enjoyed the quirky additions of letter boxes, old bicycles and sculptures along the paths.

Reluctantly we left the Carters and most returned to Havelock North via the cycle paths on both sides of the Tukituki River. Viv Waterer endured a slow puncture which got progressively faster and eventually required a change of inner tube, a task which husband Richard attended to with ease. The rest of the team returned to Hastings and Clive by road.

Cyclists: Christine Hardie, Marion Nicholson, Joan Ruffell, Bobby Couchman, Raewyn

- Ricketts, Isobel Holdaway, Judy McBride, Richard & Vivienne Waterer, Marjorie Musson, Jim Hewes, Garry Smith, Stewart Hislop, Bruce Finn, Chris Robinson,
- Alasdair Shaw, Fred Chesterman, Rodger Burn.

#### Park Island – Westshore - Bay View

Last ride of the year and a magnificent 22 riders met at Park Island to bike over the former Bridge to Nowhere (next to Wharerangi Cemetery) via the new cycle way around the back of the estuary. The first section around the base of the Poraiti Hills is unfinished and, at one stage, we were startled to meet a car going in the opposite direction. Where to we wondered. Eventually we reached the limestone covered section which took us towards the expressway and under the embankment bridge. From there we headed to the airport cutting across the access road before the pathway turned towards the hills. Then it was through a few gates, over new pathway bridges and also a timber board walk which was all of 200 metres in length. The weather was overcast and cool for this time of year with a strong breeze driving in from the north-east. The pathway was still soft-surfaced and covered with sheep droppings which made it challenging to find a good spot for a lunchette. However we perched among the waterways and scrubby bushes for a break before

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Wed 14 Dec 2011

continuing to the hills near Petane Domain. Here we rejoined the regular road at the Whakamaharatanga Reserve. Biking along this road and over the main highway we then proceeded along the ocean front pathway towards Westshore Beach where we had lunch near the school while sheltering from the persistent wind. Afterwards it was back to the Embankment Bridge and we retraced our route to the cars. GS

Cyclists: Chris Robinson, Geoff Clibborn, Heather Stephenson, Ray Manning, Bruce Finn,

Christine Hardie, Richard & Vivienne Waterer, Marjorie Musson, Graham & Sheryl Ede, Joan Ruffell, Marion Nicholson, Judy McBride, Bobby Couchman, Jim Hewes, Rodger Burn, Pam Pike, Peggy Gulliver, Raewyn Ricketts, Alasdair Shaw, Garry Smith (organiser)

## History of Ruahine and Kaweka Orienteering Events 1988 - 2010 By Ted Sapsford

At the final dinner for the Kaweka Challenge (which I was unable to attend) I understand that there were references made to an earlier event held in the Ruahines, suggesting it was the first of the Challenges. I would like to put the record straight regarding these two separate events. Both are part of the history of the Hawke's Bay Orienteering Club (HBOC) and the Heretaunga Tramping Club (HTC).

#### RUAHINE

In February 1983 the first Orienteering Mountain Marathon was held in Tongariro National Park. It was closely modelled on the annual British Karrimor Mountain Marathon with competitors in pairs navigating their way over high country courses of varying length over two days. There were no set routes but organisation followed orienteering principles. The longer courses had an overnight camp where the competitors spent the night. They carried all equipment and clothing required for the two days and had to be totally self-sufficient for the full race period. The Tongariro event, which I took part in, was a success and captured a following of committed mountain marathoners from an assortment of codes: orienteers, trampers, endurance runners and hunters.

Between 1983 and 1986 there had been five orienteering mountain marathons held in New Zealand so it certainly looked like there was potential for an annual event. In 1986 several of us started doing fieldwork in the Ruahine Ranges to check the feasibility of HBOC holding an event in 1988. These events took a lot of time to set up and were costly to organise with sponsorship being a major problem. We approached the outdoor equipment manufacturing company Macpac and in May 1987 agreed to sponsor an orienteering mountain marathon under the auspices of the NZ Orienteering Federation (NZOF) somewhere in New Zealand every year. One of the main guarantees that Macpac required was continuity of the event if sponsorship was granted and we had to provide them with reasonable prospects of that. The proposed programme of future mountain marathons was: Dec 1987 @ Waiouru – WOC Squad; 1988 @ Ruahine – HBOC & HTC;

1989 @ Craigieburn - WOC Squad; 1990 @ Tongariro - WOC Squad; 1991 @ Waiouru - WOC Squad. The first three were held under Macpac sponsorship.

An orienteering course usually follows a roughly circular route to enable the finish to be somewhere in the vicinity of the start in order to simplify the allocation and collection of personnel and equipment. The same principle was used on a much larger scale in the mountain marathons. Hawkes Bay was an exception as I had set the two long overnight courses to cross the Ruahines from west to east. Because of the terrain involved there was a strong risk of lost or injured competitors and the HBOC did not have trained personnel to cope with this contingency. We joined forces with HTC to provide search and rescue personnel plus radio communications. It proved a highly successful combination. However following from the Waiouru event, the Macpac Mountain Marathons were all directly organised by the different area organisations under the umbrella of the NZOF which was the controlling organisation. When the Ruahine event was over our local group was wound up and disbanded, and the baton was handed on to the organisers of the Craigieburn event.

#### KAWEKA

In July 1989 I was advised by Colin Tait (Secretary of the NZOF) that the Macpac Mountain Marathons for 1990 and 1991 had been cancelled by the organisers and there were no alternative. Being somewhat peeved

at seeing the sponsorship vanish after all the effort getting it, I decided to explore the possibilities of an alternative event to keep that sponsorship alive. Within a week the concept of the Kaweka Challenge evolved and was accepted by Macpac which was just as brassed off as I was by the cancellation of the two mountain marathons.

The proposed Kaweka Challenge was not orienteering; it was a fell running event using formed routes and tracks over the Kaweka Range which was ideal for setting several courses of different length. Once more the terrain dictated the type of people needed to organise and run such an event safely. The logical choice was to form a similar committee to that used for the 1988 Ruahine event, again using the two clubs along with the HB Amateur Radio Club (HBARC) - the clubs all accepted by the end of July. That was the start of the Kaweka Challenge which differed considerably from the Ruahine marathon:

1) competitors were using existing routes and no real navigation was necessary

2) the event was to be an on-going annual one with total control and profits to be retained by the organisers.

The only organisational connection common to both events was that Dave Harrington (HTC), Brian Crawford (HBOC) and myself (HBOC) were on the Ruahine Committee and later on the initial Kaweka Committee.



#### **ITEMS for SALE**

The club has a number of useful tramping items for sale at discounted prices.

<u>New</u> Topo 50 Maps:	\$4.50
Large blue survival bags	\$5.00
Smaller white pack liners	\$2.50
Metal HTC club badges	\$8.00
Blue HTC caps	\$17.00
Bushcraft books	\$12.00
Safety in the Mountains	\$3.00

These can all be ordered from the salesperson **Anne Blake** Ph 8353284 or Email <u>dblake@ihug.co.nz</u>

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#### At the last Annual General Meeting held at the Hastings Harrier Club rooms on Wednesday 16 November 2010 the following awards were presented:

TRAMPER OF THE YEAR AWARD (Stan Woon Memorial Trophy)

Club Captain David Blake spoke and presented the award to Penny Isherwood

#### LEATHERWOOD TROPHY (For valuable contribution to HTC)

Secretary Graeme Hare spoke and presented the award to Marion Nicholson

#### **Personal Contact Information:**

If you change your mailing address, home phone number or e-mail address please inform the Club Editor Phone 845 0942. Otherwise, you may not get your Pohokura and we could lose contact with you.

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# Heretaunga Tramping Club Meeting and Trap Information

Date	Speaker	Торіс	Host	Supper Help
11 Jan	Members	Xmas/New Year Trip Reports	Bobby Couchman	Brent Hickey Liz Pindar
25 Jan	Penny Isherwood	Travels in Mongolia	Pam Turner	Randall Goldfinch Anne Cantrick
8 Feb	Geoff Clibborn	Overseas Adventures	Rodger Burn	Jim Hewes Marj Musson
22 Feb	Rod Knight	Hunting Adventures	David Blake	Helen Hare John Berry
7 Mar	Improvise	Join Peter at the Pub	Everyone	Everyone Else
21 Mar	Members' Night	Trips and Travels	Garry Smith	Joan Ruffell Ken Nugent
4 Apr	Mike Lusk	Fauna and Flora	Geoff Clibborn	Des Smith Mary Gray
18 Apr	Philip Mardon	Apples and their Secrets	Graeme Hare	Penny Isherwood Isobel Holdaway
2 May	Vivienne & Richard Waterer	Boating in France	John Montgomerie	Marion Nicholson Judy McBride
16 May	Pam Turner	Bats at Ball's Clearing	Alan Berry	Susan Taylor Ray Manning
30 May	Training Committee	Safety First	Randall Goldfinch	Pam Turner Maureen Broad

## **Coming Meetings:**

Meetings Sub-Committee: Christine Hardie, Marjorie Musson.

We want ideas for club night speakers and activities.

#### Supper:

Put out cups, wash dishes, leave kitchen clean and tidy, and generally help Raewyn. Sweep floors and check that heaters and lights are off at the end of the meeting.

<u>Club Meetings:</u> These are held every second Wednesday (the one before a weekend tramp) at the Harrier Clubrooms in Sylvan Road, Hastings. Doors open at 7.30 pm; visitors are welcome.

#### ARE YOU FIT ENOUGH TO TRAMP?

Even the easiest of club trips requires 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 cattle-stop via the roadside track with an eight kilogram pack should take about 70 - 80 minutes. Further, this pace should be able to be maintained for five to six 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 and a high level of fitness necessary.
Unless otherwise speci	fied an "A" trip would have a HARD grading and a "B" trip a MEDIUM grading.

GEAR LIST FOR DAY & WEEKEND TRAMPS		
DAY TRIPS WEEKEND TRIPS		
Wear/Carry	Carry	All items listed for day trip plus
Pack and pack liner	Map & compass	Sleeping bag
Boots and gaiters	High energy snacks	Sleeping mat
Socks	At least a litre of water	Food for three additional meals
Parka and over-trou	ka and over-trou Lunch Cooker, billy and matches	
Fast-drying shorts	First aid kit	Extra snacks
Fleece or woollen	Torch, spare batteries and bulb	Toilet gear, small towel
jumper		and toilet paper
Long-johns & singlet	Sunscreen	Additional warm clothes
Sunhat & warm hat	Emergency food	Plate, mug, cutlery
Gloves/mittens	Survival kit (whistle, cord, matches,	Tent/fly if required
Overmitts	pencil, paper)	
Whistle	Complete set of spare warm clothing	

Leave at truck/car: Complete set of clothing for the return trip and a mug with tea / coffee / sugar or whatever to have a hot drink 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 two 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 than 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 enquiries about overdue trampers please ring one of the following:

Susan Lopdell 844 6697

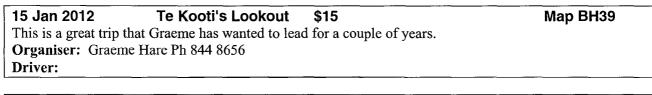
Graeme Hare 844 8656

Glenda Hooper 877 4183

**Cancellations:** If you cannot make a trip please contact the leader <u>BEFOREHAND</u> so as to avoid unnecessary delays for the rest of the party.

## TRIPLIST 2012

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 Susan Lopdell Ph 844 6697. Please email trip requests to susansplace@xtra.co.nz



21 - 22 Jan Kiwi Saddle Hut Working Bee In to our club hut for a working bee; time afterwards to look around the area. **Organisers:** Hut Committee **Driver:** 

Map: BJ37 29 Jan Te Iringa - Cameron Hut \$15 Party A: From the carpark near top of Gentle Annie, ascend Te Iringa and Mt Cameron. Taking the main spur, follow down to bridge and cross to Cameron Hut for the night. River travel back to the truck at the water gauge and Cameron carpark.

Party B: From Cameron carpark follow the Ngaruroro River up to Cameron Hut for the night and return by the same route out with the A party. B: Glenda Hooper Ph 8774183

**Organisers:** A **Driver:** 

#### 1 Feb Wed Tramp up to Cameron Hut - Kaweka Ranges

Up and down the Ngaruroro River from the water gauge; dependant on river levels. Organiser: Christine Hardie Ph 844 9590

#### 4 - 6 Feb **Ruahine Corner Hut** \$ 25 Map: BK36 Travel over farmland from the western side to this hut - plenty of options for all abilities such as hut-based walks or a three-day trip stopping at two magical huts. Organiser: John Montgomerie. Ph 877 7358 **Drivers:**

#### Cycle Argyll Road Circuit CHB 8 Feb Wed Organiser: Alasdair Shaw Ph 877 6225

#### Poutaki Hut \$15 Map: BK37 12 Feb Travel to the Wakararas SH 50 to begin a climb up to an old forest service hut nestled in a tussock clearing. Return either the same way or follow the Poporangi Stream down to be picked up at the bridge. Organisers: John Berry Ph 877 6205 **Driver:**

15 Feb Wed Upgrade or Begin Your Geocache Skills Organiser: Geoff Clibborn Ph 844 6039

Cycle Pathways Hohepa to EIT to Puketapu 22 Feb Wed Organiser: Garry Smith Ph 844 9931.

Map BJ37

Map: BJ37

Waikamaka - Waterfall Huts \$15 25 - 26 Feb A Party: Up Waipawa river to our club hut, over Rangi saddle to Waterfall Hut, Waterfall creek to the tops. B Party: Waipawa river to Waikamaka and Waterfall Hut for night. Return same way. C: Party: to club hut for the night and return same way. Organisers: A -B - Susan Lopdell Ph 844 6697

**Driver:** 

#### 29 Feb Wed Makaroro River to Barlows Hut

Up and back the same way depending on river levels. Organiser: Raewyn Ricketts Ph 877 9377

#### Waikato Walkabout 2 - 11 Mar

Latest trip in the series: day tramps, bush walks, waterfalls, caves, glow worms, limestone fossils, hot springs. Two nights at Pureora FP Lodge and six nights at Te Kauri Lodge, Oparau. Organiser: Graeme Hare. Ph 8448656

\$250 approx.

#### 7 Mar Wed Cycle Puketapu Pub to Dartmoor and Apley Road

Organiser: Rodger Burn Ph 8776322.

#### The Hogget - Boyds Bush. 11 Mar \$15

Map: BJ37 From the Taruarau River ascend the Hogget; return via Boyds Bush and Timahanga Station (permission tba). Transport: Private vehicles.

#### 14 Mar Wed **Beach Tramp**

Organiser: Peggy Gulliver Ph 879 7763.

#### 21 Mar Wed Cycle Otane to Patangata

Tukituki circuit back to Otane included. Organiser: Christine Hardie Ph 844 9590.

## **Combined Clubs Pinus Contorta Pulling**

24 - 25 Mar \$tbc Travel across the Napier-Taihape Road to join the Wanganui Tramping Club at the Karioi Pulp Mill, 10kms from Waiouru. Pull contorta (wilding) pines out. Organiser: Susan Lopdell. Ph 844 6697 **Driver:** 

## 28 Mar Wed

## **Tramp Khyber Pass**

On the Tukituki River from Mill Road in the Ruahine Ranges Organiser: Susan Taylor Ph 844 6032.

#### 4 April Wed **Cycle on the New Pathways**

Somewhere along the network of local routes. Organiser: Jim Hewes Ph 877 678

#### Waitangi Falls - Waikaremoana 6-9 April (Easter) \$30

Map: BG41

Party A: Frasertown along Ruakituri Road to Papuni Station; follow the Ruakituri River to Waitangi Falls; navigate overland to Lake Waikareiti and out to Aniwaniwa.

Party B: In to the falls then drive round to the lake; overnight trip to Manuoha Hut, highest in the park. Walk into Lake Waikareiti to meet the A party.

**Organisers:** A:

B: Susan Lopdell Ph 8446697

Driver: Lex Smith

## Map: BK36

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	Pohokura		
11 April Wed	Tramp Te Apiti Station		··
Over private farm	land.		
	yn Ricketts Ph 877 9377		····• <u>·</u> ·······························
18 April Wed	Cycle Waipawa to Onga Onga	·	
Or maybe Christin	ne has another option		
Organiser: Chris	tine Turner Ph 06 857 5227		
22 April	MacIntosh - Lawrence Road	\$15	Map: BJ37
-	load to the river, cross the swing bridge	and walk in to MacInto	-
to MacIntosh car	park. Or drive around with the truck, wa	alk into the hut and retu	ırn same way. Bring a new
	sperience the delights of our local bush.		
Organiser: Chris	tine Hardie Ph 844 9590		
Driver:			
25 April Wed	Tramp Rodger's Choice		
One to watch out			
Organiser: Rodg	er Burn Ph 877 6322.		
<b>2 May Wed</b> Organiser: Pegg	<b>Cycle Havelock North and Hast</b> y Gulliver Ph 879 7763.	tings Environs	
5 - 6 May	Whanganui Area	\$ 35	Maps: ?
Sat: to be guided	by Basil Hooper through the old waterwa	orks reserve past Bushy	Park.
		ranui Club	
•	the Maharahara Crossing with the Wang	zanul Club	
Sun: walk part of	the Maharahara Crossing with the Wang Cantrick Ph 844 8149		
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Sun: walk part of Organiser: Anne Driver: 9 May Wed New territory for	Cantrick Ph 844 8149 Tramp Mangakuri and Waipuna		

#### 16 May Wed Cycle Pakowhai Park to Clifton

One of our favourite routes and all flat. **Organiser:** Rodger Burn Ph 877 6322

20 MayHinerua - Smiths Stream Huts, Ruahine FP\$15Map: BL36Options - go into Smiths Stream Hut from Alder Road and return or venture on to Paemutu and down to<br/>Smiths Steam and return.Organiser:<br/>Driver:

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## 23 May Wed Tramp to Sunrise Hut

Easiest way to the Ruahine tops. Organiser: Judy McBride Ph 876 9756.

30 May Wed Cycle Pakowhai Park to Bay View

More miles on our pathways. Organiser: Bobby Couchman Ph 877 8557.

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