

SEARCH ORGANISATION

The sub-committee has roughed out the main outline and is proceeding to get in touch with the police, radio emergency corps and neighbouring tramping clubs, though there is a good deal to be done before they can sit back, fold their hands and wait for someone to get lost. A standard list of search party equipment is given in the Federation Handbook Appendix E, and attention is also called to Trip No. 53 on which an attempt will be made at a workout.

All members should have some idea of the main lines of search procedure, as it might be useful. It's not always the other fellow that strikes trouble.

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MAPS

The following maps can now be ordered through the Hon. Treas.

- N. Ruahine (1/-, helio 1/6) Taruarau - TeAtua Mahuri
- C. Ruahine (1/-, helio 1/6) TeAtua Mahuri - Te Hekenga
- Kaweka (1/6, helio 2/3) Mohaka - Kuiripapanga
- Kaimanawa (2/-, helio 2/9) Desert Road - Ngaruroro

The lower prices are for blue prints. Any corrections, additions or local names should be passed on to the Club Captain if possible.

The Federation Booklet, "Safety in the Mountains" is now published and is supplied free to Club Members. The contents represent a summary of the best tramping, skiing and mountaineering practice in both islands and should be carefully studied, not only by leaders but by all members.

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During July and August private parties have visited the Kaweka Hut, Te Koau, Longfellow, a crossing of Three Johns has been made under snow conditions and also an ascent of 66. The main activity has been at the Chateau which has attracted a number of members who enjoyed excellent snow and weather conditions besides making contact with other clubs and some old friends.

Welcome news is the formation of a Taihape Branch of the ~~Tongariro Tramping Club~~ with a large membership, some of whom are acquainted with the western side of the Ruahines. Their activities should add a large area of tramping country which is at present rather beyond our scope.

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P. van Asch's lecture on Aerial Photography on July 16th was well-attended and of fascinating interest to the topographically minded. Its methods and application were well-illustrated, mostly with English material.

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Other Club-room fixtures in July and August were what may be called "Utility Lectures," J.W. Palmer on Skiing and Roping, ~~N. Elder on Getting Lost~~ and St. John's Ambulance members on First Aid. Attendances small - it appears that in these matters members prefer the practice to the theory.

PAST TRIPS

46. July 4th. Ocean Beach via Craggy Range: A pleasant day and an enjoyable trip - even some surreptitious bathing was managed.

(15) L. Williams

47. July 18th. Shut Eye Shack: Cancelled owing to bad weather

48. Aug. 1st. Titickura: The party did not make Taraponui, but found water and managed to get in a remarkable amount of climbing.

(19) G. Piesse.

49. Aug 15th. Te Iringa. Clear weather and snow well down. Trees and tussock were heavily iced. The trip was continued to Cameron Camp from which the main party struck down through Boyd's Bush to the Taihape Road and returned to Kuripapanga in the cool of the evening.

(15) L. Matheson.

50. Aug 29th. Three Johns: Recent rain had removed much of the snow but along the ridges it was fairly continuous and in excellent condition. After an early start and breakfast at the road head the party were on Three Johns, where the three ridges met in three sharp crests of snow, before mid-day. Though windless it was cold and misty, and a proposal to include Rangio-te-Atua lapsed for want of a seconder.

The descent to the Waipawa Saddle, after the first few chains of arete, was aided by some fast glissading (not all intentional) down a handy snow gully and below the saddle further snow extended to within a few chains of the open shingle, (It should be noted that there is evidence of a considerable fall of boulders down the screes and caution should be observed during snow conditions) The party are indebted to the Mill for their hospitality on returning to the road.

(15) Max McCormick.

FUTURE TRIPS

Sept 1937 - Feb 1938

The fixture sub-committee have endeavoured to draw up a list of trips which will be well within the compass of the average club party; adding certain extensions that can be tackled by the more energetic members, to take the place of starred trips. They hope that this will meet all tastes.

51. Sept. 12th. Longfellow Range: Go in from Whanawhana. About 1500 ft. climb from the mouth of the Omahaki Stream. Gives a fine view of the Taruarau and Ngaruroro gorges (Advance party to Taruarau Fork)

Norman Elder.

52. Sept. 25th.-26th. Mohaka Hot Springs: A repetition of an early club trip. Little climbing, hot showers available.

Dave Williams.

53. Oct. 10th. Rally at Shut Eye Shack: It is hoped to get a strong party out and conduct an experimental search of the stream running east from Armstrong's Saddle.

I. Farrelly.
(sub-leader, N. Elder).

4. Labour Day, Oct 23rd - 25th. Howlett's Hut: Combined Clubs' trip.
The Ruahine Tramping Club propose to select a site for a tramping hut below Tiraha. Saturday night probably at Stag's Head, Sunday, camp near Howletts and climb Park's Peak. We should be as strongly represented as possible.
Fred. Green.
5. Nov. 7th. Kaweka Hut (This may be run as a combined Club trip with the Manawatu Tramping Club who want to arrange a Kaweka trip.)
Doug. Callow
6. Nov 21st. Te Kowhai, Climb Don Juan. There is some interesting and little visited country in this area.
Les. Holt.
7. Dec. 4th. 5th. Ruahine Hut, (Advance party to Shute's Whare, The Concrete Whare or "The Pill Box" in the Taruarau Gorge)
Arch Toop.
8. Dec. 12th. Shut Eye Shack via Waipawa Forks, (Advance party traverse of 66.
G. Piesse.
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9. New Year. Ruahine Crossing. As this is the centenary of the first pakeha Ruahine crossing by Colenzo (1838) a trip is proposed from Yeoman and Gardner's via Te Atua Mahuri and Moka'i Patea to Mangaweka, following the old war trail and taking four or five days.
(Details & Leader to be arranged)
10. Jan 22nd 23rd. Kidnappers Combine! trip with Ruahine T.C.
Dave Williams.
11. Feb 6th. Makaroro Forks (Leader to be arranged)
12. Feb 19th. 20th. Blackburn. Hut behind Hinerua.
Ken Hindman

CLUB ROOM FIXTURES

Club Annual Dance

1st. October, 1937.

You are asked to attend this exciting fixture and bring all your friends.
Town Board Hall, Havelock North. Redward's Orchestra.
Dancing 8.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Prices 2/6 3/6 Double 5/-.
Those requiring transport, kindly meet at the Hastings Post Office at 8 p.m.

DON'T FORGET - FRIDAY OCT. 1st.

Sept. 24th	"Our Native Trees" Mr. F. E. Smith.
Oct. 1st	Club Dance.
Oct. 8th	Annual Meeting.
Oct. 22nd	"A Tramping Experience" Mr. E. J. Herrick.

HTC Bulletin

23 Apr 36 Ctee fixture list to all members
(NLE)

1 May 36 Prepared NLE approval ctee.
arising new social ctee

30 Sept 36 (1st Ann Report) a number
of issues edited Club Capt have been
produced. The club is indebted to Mr J.
Palmer aided by Lloyd Wilson for their
publication

12 Mar 37 Draft bulletin approved. Recce from
Club Capt that fixture ctee appt., left
till NLE cd. be present

7 Sept 37. Fixt ctee look into cost of fixt and

28 Sept 37 Bulletin to Trib & Tele