

Waimea Tramping Club Programme – September-December 2021

When planning to go on any trips please contact the leader by **Monday night** for an overnight trip and by **Thursday night** for a day trip. Make phone calls before **9pm** please. If you are staying in a hut, remember your hut tickets! You, NOT THE CLUB, are responsible for your safety and well-being on trips.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Trip</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>Grade & Cost</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Sunday 12 September	Boulder Bank Nelson	O27 BQ26	Easy \$2	Sue 021 267 1298
From Boulder Bank Drive, follow the rocky coastline past several historic baches to the iconic Nelson lighthouse taking about 2½ hours, then return the same way.				
Saturday 18 September	Speargrass Hut Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 M29 BS24	Moderate \$24	Marian 541 0842
A day trip from Mt Robert carpark to Speargrass Hut taking about 2½ hours, then return the same way.				
Fri-Sat 24-25 September	Salisbury Lodge - Gordons Pyramid - Cloustons Mine Circuit, Kahurangi National Park	M27 BQ24 BP24	Moderate \$17	Alison 545 8399 or 027 458 6847
*** Note: If we are not back at Covid-19 Alert Level 1, a day trip on Saturday is the replacement trip. *** A Friday start so we're back before daylight saving begins. On Friday night stay at Salisbury Lodge (22 bunks, \$15 hut ticket). Next morning climb to the top of Gordons Pyramid (1489m), returning to Flora carpark via the Cloustons Mine Track.				
Sat-Sun 2-3 October	Rocks Hut Crossover Mt Richmond Forest Park	O27 O28 N28 BQ26	Moderate \$4	Robert 544 0142 (before 1pm)
Stay at Rocks Hut (16 bunks, \$5 hut ticket). One group starts from the Maitai Dam and goes up the Maitai South Branch to the hut taking about 5 hours. The other group goes from the Hacket carpark, past Browning Hut up to Totara Saddle and along the Bryant Range to the hut taking 6-7 hours. Sunday complete the crossover.				
Wednesday 6 October	SOCIAL EVENT: To be advised			
Saturday 9 October	Parachute Rocks Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 BR24 BR25 BS25	Moderate \$21	Alison 545 8399 or 027 458 6847
From Kerr Bay climb the zigzag track up to the top of the St Arnaud range for great views east and west. Munch your lunch while there, then return the same way. Allow 5 - 6 hours away from the cars. Bring plenty of water.				
Saturday 16 October	Motueka Sandspit Motueka	N26 N27 BP25	Easy \$10	Rob 541 8598
An easy stroll along the Motueka shoreline and sandspit starting from the salt water baths. Hopefully the godwits will be in residence after their epic flight home from Alaska. Time for a café stop afterwards.				
Sunday 24 October	Coldwater Hut Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 BR24 BS24	Moderate \$21	Di 021 144 3471
From West Bay follow the Lakeside Track past Whiskey Falls to Coldwater Hut for lunch. Return the same way. About 7 hours altogether.				
Sat-Mon 23-25 October	John Tait Hut Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 N30 BR24 BS24	Moderate \$21	Sue 021 267 1298 Esther 027 656 8228
Saturday – walk from Kerr Bay to John Tait Hut (27 bunks, \$20 per night, 7 hours), or take the water taxi to Lakehead and do a side trip to Hopeless Hut (8 hours). Sunday – day trip to Cupola Hut (6 hours) or Upper Travers Hut (7 hours). Monday – return to the start.				
Sat-Sun 30-31 October	Flora - Cobb Crossover Kahurangi National Park	M27 BQ24 BP24	Moderate \$25	Robert 544 0142 (before 1pm)
Stay at Balloon Hut (14 bunks, \$15 hut ticket). One group starts from the Flora carpark and goes along the Flora Track and up to the hut, taking about 5½ hours. The other group starts from the Cobb Valley and goes up past Myttons Hut and Lake Peel to the hut taking about 4 hours. Sunday complete the crossover.				

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Wednesday 3 November	CLUB NIGHT: DOC Motueka & Nelson Lakes	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
Tom Young, Senior Ranger, DOC Motueka and Daryl Stephens, Senior Ranger, DOC Nelson Lakes will talk about work DOC has done recently on huts and tracks in our region and future plans.				
Saturday 6 November	Riordans Hut Kahurangi National Park	N26 M26 BP24	Fit \$20	Di 021 144 3471
From the Kill Devil carpark on Uruwhenua Road, head up the past the old Tin Hut to historic Riordans Hut, originally built as a musterers hut in 1926. Early start and late finish, and a big hill to climb.				
Sunday 14 November	Rameka Track Abel Tasman National Park	N26 BP25 BP24	Easy \$18	Maria 541 8598
From Canaan a steady grade down an old pack track to a lookout. Return via the same route. Possibility of a crossover depending on numbers.				
Sat-Sun 20-21 November	Ruby Lake & Lake Lockett Cobb Valley Kahurangi National Park	M26 BP24	Moderate/hard \$27	David S. 544 1573
From Cobb Dam, go up past Sylvester Hut, climb Iron Hill and along ridge to Ruby Lake to camp. Next day go across country to Lake Lockett and trap line back to the Cobb. Mostly off track, with tops travel and camping.				
Saturday 27 November	Julius Summit Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 BS24	Moderate \$24	David W. 021 201 5682
From Mt Robert carpark climb up Pinchgut Track and along Robert Ridge to the 1794m summit and return.				
Wednesday 1 December	CLUB NIGHT: Te Araroa Trail	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
Jennifer Thomas has been doing the Te Araroa Trail in sections, starting at Cape Reinga and now halfway down the South Island. She will talk about her experience so far.				
Fri-Sun 3-5 December	West Sabine Hut & Blue Lake Nelson Lakes National Park	M29 M30 BS24	Moderate \$24	Sue 021 267 1298 Alison 545 8399
Friday - take the water taxi across Lake Rotoroa. We then walk to West Sabine Hut (30 bunks, \$20 hut ticket) taking 5 hours. Saturday - a day trip to Blue Lake (about 6 hours return). Sunday - return to the start.				
Sunday 5 December	Blue Hill Cable Bay	O27 BQ26 BQ27	Easy/moderate \$3	Robert 544 0142 (before 1pm)
From Wakapuaka River on the Cable Bay Road walk a pleasant circuit in Cable Bay Adventure Park through bush on a mixture of trails and farm roads taking about 5 hours. Have refreshments at the café afterwards.				
Sat-Sun 11-12 December	Wye Saddle & Hidden Hut Leatham Valley South Marlborough	N29 O29 BR26	Moderate/hard \$35	Esther 027 656 8228
Start at the Leatham River and climb steeply to a ridgeline between Station Creek and Boulder Stream. Follow the route via Wye Saddle to Hidden Hut (4 bunks, \$5 hut ticket or free camping) taking 7 hours. Return the same way, or add an extra night with a side trip to Turkeys Nest Bivvy taking 6 hours return.				
Saturday 18 December	Christmas BBQ Rabbit Island	Rob and Maria 541 8598		
Bring salad or baking to share and your own BBQ meat and drinks. Also bring bikes and togs. Arrive any time after 10am. BBQ at lunchtime. Exact location will be given on the day.				
Fri-Tue 31 Dec-4 Jan	Karamea	L27 BQ22	All grades \$75	Leader required
Karamea has been suggested as a possible place for a base camp over the Christmas/New Year period. Is anyone prepared to lead it?				