

Waimea Tramping Club Programme – December 2021-March 2022

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.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, PARTICIPANTS ON ALL CLUB TRIPS AND EVENTS MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED AND MUST BE PREPARED TO SHOW THEIR VACCINATION CERTIFICATE AT THE MEETING POINT. PARTICIPANTS MAY BE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK WHEN SHARING TRANSPORT.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Trip</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>Grade & Cost</u>	<u>Contact</u>
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 L26 BQ22 BP22	All grades \$75	Lesley 548 0366
Staying at Last Resort. Day trips to Scotts Beach, Oparara Valley Track and Oparara Arch, Fenian Track, Karamea Estuary Walk, Honeycomb Cave.				
Sunday 9 January	Gordons Knob Mt Richmond Forest Park	N28 BR25	Moderate \$12	Robert 544 0142 (before 1pm)
From Inwood Lookout in the Wai-iti Valley steadily ascend a ridge through bush at first, then mostly open country of scrub or tussock. A climb of 600m to the summit at 1592m, taking about 3 hours.				
Sunday 16 January	Nydia Track Crossover Marlborough Sounds	P27 BP28 BQ28	Moderate \$24	Di 021 144 3471 David W 021 201 5682
Note - this a day trip. One group will start from Kaiuma Bay and one group from Duncan Bay, swapping keys in the middle. This will be a fast paced trip of about 8 hours, however, there is also the possibility for a more leisurely tramp from Kaiuma Bay to Kaiuma Saddle and back, if we have a leader for it.				
Saturday 22 January	Captain Creek Hut Mt Richmond Forest Park	O27 BQ27	Moderate \$20	Maria 541 8598
From the end of the Pelorus Road walk for about an hour to the beautiful Emerald Pool picnic area, then a steady climb and descent to Captain Creek Hut. Return the same way (8.5km, 4 hours one way).				
Sat-Mon 29-31 January	Buckland Peaks Paparoa Range	K29 BS20	Moderate \$48	Di 021 144 3471
Walk into Buckland Peaks Hut on Saturday (5 hours), and continue on upwards to camp on the tops. Spend Sunday exploring the peaks, bumps and plateaus, and return to the cars on Monday. Everyone to carry tents.				
Saturday 29 January	Observation Beach Abel Tasman National Park	N26 BP25	Easy \$13	Marian 541 0842
From Marahau an easy out and back walk along the Coast Track to Observation Beach. Total distance is about 18km, taking 6 hours altogether. Bring swimming togs and a towel if the weather is hot and you want a dip.				
Wednesday 2 February: CLUB NIGHT: Evening Walk				
Evening walk in the Richmond Hills, starting at Easby Park, Marlborough Crescent, Richmond at 5:30pm for 1.5 to 2 hours. No booking in required, just turn up and be ready to go.				
Sat-Mon 5-7 February	Kiwi Saddle Hut & Stone Hut Circuit – Kahurangi NP	M28 BQ24 BQ23	Moderate/hard \$22	Esther 027 656 8228 Maria 541 8598
From Rolling River carpark to Stone Hut (10 bunks, \$5) taking 6 hours. Next day follow a route over Mount Luna and ridges to Kiwi Saddle Hut (6 bunks, \$5) Day 3 walk back to carpark taking 7 hours. Expect to be camping.				

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Sunday 6 February	Beebys Hut Mt Richmond Forest Park	N29 BR25	Moderate \$18	David W 021 201 5682
Go in from the carpark off the Korere-Tophouse Road and climb the track to the junction of the mountain bike trail. From there go past Beebys Knob at 1442m and then carry on to Beebys Hut for lunch. Back the same way.				
Saturday 12 February	Elaine Bay to Penzance Bay Marlborough Sounds	P26 BP28	Easy \$21	Alison 545 8399 or 027 458 6847
Take the coastal walk along Archers Track beside Tennyson Inlet to Penzance Bay for a seaside dip and a picnic lunch (9 km, about 3 hours each way).				
Wed-Thu 16-17 Feb	Full Moon on Mt Arthur Summit Kahurangi National Park	M27 BQ24	Moderate \$17	Di 021 144 3471
This trip will only go ahead in perfect conditions. Travel to Flora Saddle on Wednesday afternoon and head up to the summit of Mt Arthur to camp for the night. Return home by lunchtime on Thursday.				
Sat-Sun 19-20 Feb	Parapara Peak Kahurangi National Park	M25 BN24	Hard \$25	David W 021 201 5682
The plan is to head to Takaka around lunchtime and do a small walk near the town. Saturday night stay in Takaka. Sunday drive out from Takaka to Ward-Holmes Road to do a full day tramp to Parapara Peak 1249m. Takes between 4-5 hours to reach the top.				
Sat-Sun 26-27 Feb	Conical Hill Kahurangi National Park	M28 BR24	Moderate \$19	Maria 541 8598
From the Tadmor-Glenhope Road ascend the route to the large granite rocks on the summit at 1202m on the Hope Range and travel off track along the tops to a tent site in the headwaters of the Dart River (about 5-6 hours). Return to the start the next day.				
Wednesday 2 March	CLUB NIGHT: Show and Tell	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
An opportunity to share up to 5 of your best photos taken on recent trips within 5 minutes.				
Fri-Sun 4-6 March	Totaranui Abel Tasman National Park	N25 BN25	Moderate \$34	Di 021 144 3471
Join Auckland Tramping Club for a weekend staying at Ngarata Homestead (\$35 per night). Travel over on Friday afternoon and spend Saturday doing the Gibbs Hill-Whariwharangi-Coast Track loop. Further walks on Sunday before or on the way home. Bring your togs.				
Saturday 12 March	Pearse Resurgence Kahurangi National Park	N27 M27 BQ24	Moderate \$14	Di 021 144 3471
Combined with Auckland Tramping Club. Walk from the ford in the Pearse Valley into the resurgence for lunch. You will get wet feet as there are 11 stream crossings each way.				
Sunday 20 March	Caving Trip	N26 BP25	Moderate \$16	Esther 027 656 8228
An opportunity for a caving experience with the Nelson Speleological Group at Commentary Cave, Upper Takaka.				
Saturday 26 March	Breezer Hut Wairau Valley	O28 O29 BR26	Moderate \$25	Sue 021 267 1298
From the woolshed on "The Bounds" farm, walk to the Breezer Hut on a 4WD loop track, with views down the Wairau Valley, taking about 7 hours including stops.				
Fri-Mon 15-18 April (Easter)	Devilskin Saddle Circuit Lewis Pass area	M32 BU23	Moderate/hard \$55	Esther 027 656 8228 Robert 544 0142
Day 1 go from the Palmer Lodge on the Lewis Pass Road up to Nina Hut taking 3 hours (10 bunks, \$5 hut ticket). Day 2 go up to Devilskin Saddle (2 hours) and climb up to Sylvia Tops to explore. Camp at old hut site, 30 minutes below the saddle on Nina side. Day 3 go down to Doubtful Hut (4 hours) crossing the Doubtful River, then continue down the river and cross the Boyle River going out to Boyle Village (3 hours). The three days used will depend on the best weather.				