

Waimea Tramping Club Programme – September-December 2023

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>Grade & Cost</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Sunday 10 September	Sherry River Bush Walk & track maintenance Tapawera	Easy \$17	Maria 541 8598 or 027 716 9856
Walk around the garden area then have morning tea with scones supplied. After this do some track maintenance work. Back at the house for lunch then after lunch walk the rest of the track or continue with track work.			
Sat-Sun 16-17 September	Whariwharangi Hut Abel Tasman National Park	Easy/moderate \$35	Di 021 144 3471
From Wainui Bay a 2 hour tramp to the 20-bunk Great Walk hut. \$32/night - make your own online booking. We will also do other walks in the area such as Separation Point, Anapai Bay, Wainui Falls, Taupo Point etc.			
Saturday 23 September	Motueka Sandspit	Easy \$10	Rob M. 541 8598
Start at the Motueka Saltwater Baths and walk along the foreshore and then onto the sandspit. Walk out along the sandspit and return the same way. If we're lucky, the migrating godwits will have arrived.			
Sunday 1 October	Goat Hill and Okiwi Bay Bush Walk Marlborough Sounds	Easy/moderate \$20	Maria 541 8598 or 027 716 9856
In Okiwi Bay Scenic Reserve, climb Goat Hill, taking 2 hours. Walk down the road for 10 minutes to a private property. Climb through regenerating native bush to a hut taking 1 hour. Then go to a peak at 576m, 30 minutes further on. Return via a loop track. About 6 hours overall.			
Monday 2 October	CLUB NIGHT: Trekking in Khumbu, Nepal Joint club night with Nelson Tramping Club		Sue J. 021 267 1298
Meet 7pm at the Underwater Club Rooms, Pioneer Park, Hastings St, Nelson. Speaker is Peter Laurenson, Editor of the FMC Backcountry Magazine. His story encompasses seven trekking journeys, spanning more than 30 years, to Khumbu, the Nepalese gateway to Mt Everest. Gold coin donation.			
Sat-Sun 7-8 October	Rocks Hut, Maitai-Brook Crossover Mt Richmond Forest Park	Moderate \$4	Robert 544 0142 (before 1pm)
One group starts at Brook Street on Saturday, walking back to the Maitai Dam on Sunday. The other group starts from the Maitai Dam on Saturday walking back to Brook Street on Sunday. \$10 hut ticket. Tents maybe needed.			
Saturday 14 October	Hope Range via Glovers Track Kahurangi National Park	Moderate \$26	Rob M. 541 8598
From the top of the Tadmor Valley walk up through bush to the Hope Range. Good views from here. Return the same way. Expect a 6 to 7 hour day.			
Labour w/end 21-23 October	Greymouth Base Camp	All grades \$82	Di 021 144 3471
Three day-walks, with options such as: Moonlight Track to Meikles Hut from Anderson Flat; Croesus Track to Mt Ryall from Barrytown; walking a section of the West Coast Wilderness Trail; Point Elizabeth Walkway. Cabins have been booked at the Top 10 Holiday Park, \$40 per person/per night. Need indication of numbers by 7 October if possible.			
Saturday 28 October	Maungatapu Saddle & Point 1168 Bryant Range	Hard \$6	David S. 544 1573
From the Maitai Dam caretaker's house go up the road to Teal Saddle, then up the overgrown zig-zag track to point 1168. From there, head down to Maungatapu Saddle, and back to the cars along the Maungatapu Road. Possibly with a side trip from 1168 to Saddle Hill and back. About 7 hours, plus 2½ hours for the side trip.			
Sunday 29 October	Biking Tasman's Great Taste Trail Richmond to Rabbit Island	Easy	David W. 021 201 5682
Cycle along the scenic coastline from Richmond to Rabbit Island for lunch then return.			
Wednesday 1 November	CLUB NIGHT: DOC Motueka & Nelson Lakes	7:30pm Fish & Game Rooms, Champion Road, Richmond Gold coin donation	
DOC senior rangers will talk about work done recently in our region and future plans.			

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Sunday 5 November	Mt Jones Wangapeka Valley	Moderate \$23	Tony 021 460 458
From the Lower Wangapeka walk up through farmland onto Jones Ridge. About 6 hours return.			
Saturday 11 November	Booths Cottage Howard Valley	Easy \$32	Alison 027 458 6847
Drive to the Howard Valley camping area and walk the Louis Creek Goldfield Track to Booths Cottage. Return the same way. 5 to 6 hours return.			
Sunday 19 November	Hacket Gorge Mt Richmond Forest Park	Moderate \$5	Liz 027 434 2099 (text preferred)
From the Hacket picnic area, walk up the Hacket Track for a couple of hours then go down into the river and walk out along the river bed. Numerous river crossings.			
Saturday 25 November	Captain Creek Hut Mt Richmond Forest Park	Moderate \$25	Terri 021 248 1338
From the end of the Pelorus Road walk past Emerald Pools to Captain Creek Hut and return. Expect a 7 to 8 hour day.			
Sat-Sun 2-3 December	Wakaretu Bay Marlborough Sounds	All grades \$24	Maria 027 7169 856
Stay at Jeff Lukey's bach across Pelorus Sound from Havelock. Accommodation \$10 per person, per night. A variety of day trips can be done from this base: Nydia Saddle and return, Cullen Point tracks, bush walks above Wakaretu Bay and Mt Takorika behind Havelock.			
Wednesday 6 December	CLUB NIGHT: Richmond Hills Walk	Easy	Marian 541 0842
Walk in the lower Richmond Hills 5.30pm to 7pm, followed by drinks and nibbles at the Sprig & Fern, Upper Queen Street, Richmond. Meet outside the Sprig & Fern. Do the walk or the drinks and nibbles or both. No need to book in.			
Sat-Sun 9-10 December	Mt Watson-Croesus Knob Circuit Paparoa Range	Moderate/hard \$80	Esther 027 656 8228
From the Smoke-ho Car Park behind Blackball, ascend some 800m to Mt Watson, then walk along the Paparoa Range to Croesus Knob. Tents will be required as tenting maybe on the Paparoa Range or down near Ces Clark Hut. Sunday return to Smoke-ho carpark via the Paparoa Track.			
Saturday 9 December	Takaka Hill Walkway & Trig K	Easy \$23	Marian 541 0842
Walk Takaka Hill Circuit at the top of the hill. Maximum of 3 hours. Have lunch at the Woolshed Café, then drive down Canaan Road to the saddle and walk to Trig K, a 1047m peak with good views all around. 2.5 hours return.			
Saturday 16 December	BBQ & Cricket Match, Rabbit Island with Nelson Tramping Club	Esther 027 656 8228	
Enjoy a BBQ lunch and cricket match with Nelson Tramping Club at Rabbit Island.			
Sunday 17 December	Parachute Rocks & St Arnaud Range Nelson Lakes National Park	Moderate \$22	Simon 021 0296 2282
From Kerr Bay climb to the top of the ridge above Parachute Rocks and head along the St Arnaud Range to the big cairn at the high point, returning the same way. Spectacular views.			
Monday 1 January 2024	Mt Arthur Kahurangi National Park	Moderate \$21	Di 021 144 3471
Celebrate the advent of 2024 with a New Year's Day summit of Mt Arthur (1795m). About 3.5 hours to the top for lunch and panoramic views.			