

Waimea Tramping Club Programme – March-June 2020

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>
Wednesday 4 March	CLUB NIGHT: Navigation Skills	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
What the map can tell us. Bring Nelson topo map (BQ26) or electronic map if possible.				
Sunday 8 March	Champion Mine Bryant Range	O27 BQ26	Moderate \$4	Colin 547 7511 Julian 542 3147
From Roding carpark, follow 4WD track to Champion Smelter site. Ascend United Creek to United Mine then climb to ridge for lunch. Descend to Champion Mine and return via tramway. Special focus on developing terrain awareness skills with Pete. River crossings and steep sections. Lots of local history and geology. Up to 8 hours.				
Sunday 15 March	Captain Creek Hut Mt Richmond Forest Park	O28 BQ27	Moderate \$20	Julian 542 3147
From the end of the Pelorus Road walk to the beautiful Emerald Pool then a steady climb and descent to Captain Creek Hut. Return via the same way. About 6-7 hours return.				
Fri-Sun 20-22 March	Lockett Range traverse Kahurangi National Park	M27 M26 BP24 BP23	Hard & fast \$27	Pete 021 798 106
Drive to Sylvester carpark on Friday afternoon and walk to Sylvester Hut (1.5 hours). Get an early start on Saturday and walk across the tops of the Lockett Range to Fenella Hut (10+ hours). Sunday walk out to Trilobite with the easier group (4 hours) and get dropped back to the cars. Tents must be carried. \$15 hut ticket each hut.				
Sat-Sun 21-22 March	Fenella Hut Kahurangi National Park	M27 M26 BP24 BP23	Easy/moderate \$31	Di 021 144 3471
From Trilobite Hut, walk a gentle track to Fenella Hut (\$15 hut ticket) passing the historic Chaffey Hut and Tent Camp (4-5 hours). Option for side trips to Lake Cobb or Round Lake en route (additional 1-2 hours) or a swim at the tarn behind Fenella. On Sunday walk back out to Trilobite.				
Saturday 28 March	Mt Robert Circuit Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 BR24 BS24	Easy/moderate \$24	Chris and Jo 544 7038
A loop trip taking about 5 hours in total, to and from Mt Robert carpark via Pinchgut and Paddy's tracks including stopping at Bushline Hut for lunch.				
Sunday 29 March	Mt Royal Mt Richmond Forest Park	O28 BQ27	Hard \$34	Robert 544 0142 by 1pm David 021 201 5682
Saturday night camp at Onamalutu Reserve. Sunday go from Bartletts Creek Road and follow Quartz Creek then climb steeply in places to the 1365m summit. About 8 hours return.				
Wednesday 1 April	CLUB NIGHT: Tableland by Ray Salisbury	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
Ray will give a presentation on his new book <i>Tableland - the history behind Mt Arthur</i> due to be printed in June.				
Saturday 4 April	Gordons Pyramid Circuit Kahurangi National Park	M27 BQ24 BP24	Moderate/hard \$17	Chris 544 7038
From Flora carpark walk up past Mt Arthur Hut then follow a poled route across Horseshoe Basin to Gordons Pyramid at 1489m. Go down past Clouston's Mine and back to the carpark. A circuit taking 7-8 hours.				
Easter Sat 11 April	Marsden Valley Bryant Range	O27 BQ26	Easy \$0	Julian 542 3147 Colin 547 7511
Ascend either via the steep Scout Track or the gentle Involution Trail, then traverse to Parachute (pt 604) for lunch and views. A chance to pitch tents, try out cookers or learn to use a PLB etc. Descend via Glider Road. A circuit of about 5 hours. A great introductory tramp.				
Sunday 19 April	Rameka Track Abel Tasman National Park	N26 BP25 BP24	Easy \$18	Robert 544 0142 before 1pm
From Canaan a steady grade down an old pack track to a lookout. Return via same route. About 5 hours return.				

Sat-Mon 25-27 April	Northern Abel Tasman National Park	N25 BN25	Easy/moderate \$34	Di 021 144 3471
Spend Anzac Weekend at a bach near the Wainui end of the park (\$20pp for two nights). On Saturday explore Rawhiti Caves, Pupu Hydro Walkway etc on the way to the bach. On Sunday and Monday enjoy day walks to Taupo Point, Whariwharangi, Totaranui, Waiharakeke Bay etc.				
Sunday 3 May	Maitai Dam - Teal Valley Hira Forest	O27 BQ26	Easy/moderate \$5	Rob 541 8598
From the caretaker's house at the Maitai Dam walk through to Teal Valley near Hira taking 2-3 hours. Have lunch at Maria's son's place and then walk back again. Mainly on 4WD tracks.				
Wednesday 6 May	CLUB NIGHT: AGM plus Tour Guiding in NZ	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
Following the Annual General Meeting, club members Esther and Eric will give us a presentation about their recent experiences guiding a group of tourists in New Zealand.				
Fri-Sun 8-10 May	Wakaretu Bay Pelorus Sound	P27 O27 BQ28 BQ27	Easy/moderate \$24	Maria 541 8598
Stay Friday and Saturday nights at Jeff Lukey's bach, 12km from Havelock. Cost \$10 per person, per night. Saturday - walk up Queenstown Hill. Other options available, maybe Mt Cawte or Nydia Saddle. Sunday - circuit in bush at Wakaretu. Three levels of difficulty available. Bring sleeping bag, pillow and bottom sheet (optional). Crockery, utensils, shower and flush toilet available.				
Sunday 17 May	Biking the Great Taste Trail Motueka	N26 BP25	Easy \$8	Julian 542 3147 David W 021 201 5682
Bike ride from Motueka to Kaiteriteri for lunch then return the same way. About 32km for the trip and should be about 5 hours altogether.				
Saturday 23 May	Beebys Knob Mt Richmond Forest Park	N29 BR25	Moderate \$18	Alison 545 8399
Come fungi spotting up the track from the Korere -Tophouse Road through bush to the ridgeline, then follow the ridge to the 1442m summit. Return the same way allowing about 7 hours including a lunch stop.				
Sat-Mon 30 May-1 June	John Tait Hut Nelson Lakes National Park	N29 N30 BR24 BS24	Moderate/hard \$21	Julian 542 3147 Colin 547 7511
Walk up Lake Rotoiti via Lakehead Hut and cross river flats to John Tait Hut (27 bunks, \$15 hut ticket) taking about 7 hours. Sunday the option of a day trip to Cupola Hut or Upper Travers Hut. Monday return to the start.				
Wednesday 3 June	CLUB NIGHT: How to lighten the load	7:30pm, Fish & Game Council Rooms Champion Road, Richmond <i>Gold coin donation</i>		
An opportunity to share gear and gadgets you use to lighten the load on both day and weekend trips. Also what tasty ideas you can suggest to brighten up some of our tramping meals.				
Saturday 6 June	Lodestone/Mt Arthur Hut Circuit Kahurangi National Park	M27 BQ24 BP24	Moderate \$17	Di 021 144 3471
From Flora carpark, ascend Mt Lodestone, then drop down to Flora Hut. Up again on the alpine route to Mount Arthur Hut, then down the standard route back to the cars.				
Sunday 14 June	Cable Bay Walkway The Glen to Cable Bay & return	O27 BQ26 BP26	Easy/moderate \$5	Julian 542 3147 David W 021 201 5682
From The Glen walk to a high point above Cable Bay. May descend to Cable Bay. Return the same way.				
Sat-Sun 20-21 June	Mid-Winter Weekend Marahau	N26 BP25	Easy \$13	Maria 541 8598
Some people may just want to come for the Saturday - join our walk and stay for dinner then drive home.				
Saturday 27 June	Mid-Winter Mystery Tour Nelson		Easy	Alison 545 8399 Di 021 144 3471
Allow for up to four hours walk, finishing in the early afternoon. Bring a few \$\$ for a café lunch. Only the adventurous need apply.				