



NAPIER TRAMPING CLUB (INC).

c/o 656 Seafield Road

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Welcome details for new members.

Welcome: We hope your time with us will be rewarding and enjoyable. The following information should make your entry into the tramping world straight forward. I you are unsure of anything please do not hesitate to ask.

Contacts: Initially your contacts will be Alison Greer, Club Captain, Ph 844 8152 or Kelvin Shaw, New Membership Coordinator, Ph 8367094.

History: The Club was formed in 1974 as the Napier YMCA Tramping Club. It became the Napier Tramping Club in 1981 and was incorporated in 1985.

Objective: To foster an understanding and appreciation of the outdoors and provide opportunities for tramping with emphasis on **safety in the bush and mountains**.

Website: The Club maintains a very detailed and informative web site at www.napiertrampingclub.org.nz Members are encouraged to use this facility.

Membership: Is open to all persons over the age of 14 years. (You can be a member without being an active Tramper. Refer to the evening programme.)

Subscriptions: Are currently \$40.00 per annum for a single member or \$50.00 for a family. Subscriptions for new members are proportionate to the time period. The level of fees is set at the Club AGM. (Transport costs for tramps and trips are in addition to subscriptions)

Evening Meetings: Are held every second Thursday. (Please check the website for exact dates) at the Cricket Pavilion in Nelson Park, accessed from Jull Street off Kennedy Road, at 7.30 PM. The meeting is normally run by the Club Captain. Programmes include guest speakers on a wide range of subjects, films, slides, activities, instructional talks and videos on various bush craft subjects, social evenings and competitions. Supper at the end of the meeting is an opportunity to socialise.

Tramping: One day tramps are held fortnightly, on Wednesdays and Saturdays. An overnight tramp is held monthly. The Kaweka and Ruahine Ranges are the usual destination. Other trips which coincide with holidays may be to the Tararuas or Ureweras. Trips are arranged to cover a wide variety of country and conditions, i.e. thick bush, open tops, rivers and streams, beaches in summer and snow in winter.

Safety: A Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) carried on each trip.

Trip Planning: The Trip Book describes the time, cost, any special requirements, pick up points, and a contact number. Please take note of these. Enter your name, phone number and emergency contact number if different. New members will be briefed by the Club Captain or the Trip Leader at the end of the meeting.

Gear Requirements: The gear required will vary from trip to trip depending on the time of year, the likely weather and destination. You will soon realise what is preferable, but remember to cover for unexpected and sudden changes in weather.

Here are some basic essentials:

Pack with waterproof liner

Boots or stout footwear

Shorts

Shirts warm and cool or with polypropylene layers

Basic First Aid. sunscreen

Torch

Whistle

Sun hat, balaclava or woollen hat and gloves

Woollen socks – 2 pair

Parka - waterproof and windproof

Over-trousers and Long-johns

Food and drink for the trip (and some spare - enough for two meals)

Extras should include a change of clothing and footwear to be left in the vehicle with polythene bags for dirty/wet clothing boots etc for the journey home.

General:

- 1. The Club is affiliated to the Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand.
- 2. A small library of books and brochures and associated subjects is available on Club nights.
- 3. Inexperienced new trampers are expected to complete a number of day trips before making application to join and/or progressing to weekend and more strenuous trips.
- 4. The Club's Bank account for paying subscriptions is 03 1517 0018902 00. Please ensure your name is added to the reference section.

Disclaimer: The Napier Tramping Club accepts no liability in respect of any accident or mishap that may occur during any tramping activity.

Inclusions:

Initial Registration Form.

Latest Trip List