

**P.N. TRAMPING & MOUNTAINEERING CLUB INC.**

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**NEWSLETTER 9/69**

**CLUB NIGHT:** 25<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30p.m.  
Berry Engineering Ltd., Social Room.

Mr. Tom Cookson, one of the Club's good friends in the New Zealand Forest Service, will be telling us about the conservation work carried on by the Service. He is also Chairman of the local Mountain Safety Committee and will devote some of his time to explaining the objects of the Committee.

Committee Meeting: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at Dennis Arnott's,  
opposite the Saleyards at Rongotea- and 200yds  
east of the Tavern.

**24<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:** At Deerstalkers Hall, cnr Thomson & College Sts. at 8 P.M.

The Search & Rescue Organisation invite all interested members of our Club to a meeting at which there will be films, discussion on the recent Oroua Search and a speaker on the use of helicopters.

**PAST CLUB NIGHT:**

The Club was indebted to Dr. James Willis for the instructive lecture which he gave at our last Club night. Those who were fortunate enough to be able to go that night will be able to deal rather more efficiently with injuries, whether they be at home or in the bush. It is hoped that our members will never have to deal with the type of emergency described by Dr. Willis, but just in case all members are urged to learn something about First Aid.

**COMMITTEE CHANGES:**

The resignation from the Committee of Wayne Boucher and Keith Potter was received with a great deal of regret at the last Committee Meeting. Wayne is working a lot of overtime and Keith is away from Palmerston North at present. Both are unable now to give their time to the Club's affairs and will be badly missed by the Committee. Many thanks to them both for their good work for the Club.

Warwick Blanchard has accepted his appointment to fill one vacancy.

**HUT LOG BOOKS:**

Trampers and hunters passing through mountain huts are advised to make entries in the logs books provided – a brief note saying which route you have come over and where you intend to go next. In the event of a mishap to you or any other party in the same area this information will be most sought after.

**CLUB HIRE GEAR:**

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| 4 Billies                 | 2 Primuses and fuel bottles |
| 1 Frame Pack              | 4 Tents                     |
| 3/100-200 ft. nylon ropes |                             |

All enquiries welcome - Russ Johnson, phone 87.777

COMING TRIPS

12-13-14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER: Tongariro National Park

Tony Morrison will lead an ambitious Three Peak (Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe, Tongariro) Traverse of the Park. Grading – FITNESS ESSENTIAL. The drivers (extra drivers will be needed) will deposit the F.E. party at the top of the Ohakune Mountain Road on Friday night, weather permitting. The cars will then be driven around to the northern end of the Park, via National Park, on Saturday morning and the drivers and others will stroll up to Ketetahi Hut. This modern hut has 22 bunks, is near hot springs suitable for bathing and overlooks Lake Rotoaira. Grading - Medium Fit.

Depart Izadium 6 p.m. Friday; Transport \$3.00; Hut Fee 50 cents.  
Names to Tony, phone.86.397

27 – 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER: Rock Climbing, Titahi Bay (date subject to confirmation)

This trip is restricted to Club members who have taken part in a previous rock climbing or snowcraft trip.

Leaves Izadium 7.00a.m. Saturday; Transport \$1.60; a charge will be made for gear hire.

Recommended Reading: "Mountaineering - from Hill Walking to Alpine Climbing". Alan Blackshaw (Penguin Books Ltd. \$2.65)

"On Snow and Rock" Gaston Rebuffet (Kaye,P.N. Public Library)

Leader: Kevin Pearce, 74.129 ext. 856

Or names to Lawson Pither 85.616, 7 - 8p.m.

26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER: Hardings Park:

Hardings Park lies in the centre of the Tararua Ranges, south of the Tiritea area. It is actually a large basin, containing the headwaters of the Otangaue Stream. At one time this used to be a very popular deerstalking area, but with the disappearance of the deer and pig, it is relatively unknown today.

Grading – Easy cost - 30 c. Leader; Russ Johnson 87.777

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CONDUCTED TOUR OF AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE EXCHANGE:

Meet at Main Entrance, Church St. 7.30 P.M. THURS. 11<sup>th</sup> SEPT.

Tour Conductor - Ross Elliott, phone 87.777 home, 78.581 work.

The evening will comprise a conducted tour of the Exchange, showing what a Technician is required to learn. There are several working static displays and sections dealt with are: Micro-wave, Himatangi Radio Station, Telephone Section with latest in telephone designs, Coaxial Cable, Teleprinters, Repair Work etc. There is also a display dealing with the administration and early telecommunications.

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