



Quarterly Publication of the Auckland Baptist Tramping Club



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PROGRAMME - JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2018

SATURDAY 23 JUNE - ATIU CREEK REGIONAL PARK, KAIPARA HARBOUR (Medium) Leaders May Bourke and Hua Dai. Situated on Highway 16, one of Auckland's newest regional parks. A network of farm and bush tracks with views of the Kaipara Harbour. Meet at Aspin Street, Avondale at 8.00am. Register with May Bourke email hmbourke@gmail.com by Thursday 21 June.

FRIDAY 6 JULY - EXECUTIVE MEETING 7.30 pm at the home of Barbara Steel, 30 Heaphy Street, Blockhouse Bay.

SUNDAY 8 JULY - WATERVIEW WANDERING (Easy) Leaders May Bourke, Barbara Steel and Sunny Sun. Walk from Avondale to Pt Chevalier and back. Meet Cnr of Blockhouse Bay, Rosebank, Robertson Roads, Avondale at 1.45pm. Register with May Bourke Ph (021) 178-5388 email hmbourke@gmail.com by Saturday 7 July.

WEEKEND 14-15 JULY - KAIMAIS - HURUNUI HUT (Easy/Medium) Details to be advised.

SATURDAY 21 JULY - PLANNING AND PREPARATION PROCEDURES

TRAINING - Murray Black. All members are welcome to come and learn about planning and preparation procedures for leading a tramp or excursion (either day, overnight or extended). Venue: Downstairs Hall at Blockhouse Bay Baptist Church, 504 Blockhouse Bay Road (access from carpark). 1.15 to 4.15pm. \$5.00 for venue and afternoon tea. Please bring a tablet or laptop to access club documents or share with a friend. Register with Murray Black text (021) 072-4085 or email murray.george.black@gmail.com with name and preferred contact details.

SATURDAY 28 JULY - HUNUA FALLS TO COSSEYS DAM (Medium) Leaders Tina Voordouw and Tina Chen. From Falls carpark, cross bridge and Massey Track starts on the east side of the Wairoa River. Track 2.8km plus Kauri Grove, then meets Wairoa-Cossey Track 1.7km to the dam. Return same route. Meet at 10 Bracken Avenue at 8.00am or Hunua Falls carpark at 9.00am. Register with Tina (021) 027-20548 or 282-6620 or email tinav@orcon.net.nz by Thursday 26 July.

SUNDAY 5 AUGUST - AUCKLAND 1840 - 1860 - ORIGINAL SHORELINE (Easy) Leaders Brian Potter, Christine Marshall and Lesley Li. Commence at the corner of Shortland St and Princes St in Auckland City, proceed into Emily Pl, along Waterloo Quadrant, across Symonds St, down Constitution Hill, along Beach Rd and out to Quay St. Cut inland to Fort St, along Fort St to Queen St, up Victoria St, across Albert Park, completing at University in Alfred Street. Meet at the corner of Shortland St & Princes St. Participants arrange own travel. Register with Christine Marshall Ph. (021) 045-1317 or email cemarshall.nz@gmail.com by Wednesday 1 August.

WEEKEND 10-12 AUGUST - RAGLAN RAMBLE - MT KARIOI AND KARAKARIKI RESERVE (Medium/Hard) Leaders Shane Kennedy and Kim Jones. Leaving Bracken Avenue late afternoon, early evening travel to Raglan and stay in bunkroom accommodation at Raglan Kopua Holiday Park. Day tramps planned for Saturday and Sunday including a 5 hour return tramp to the summit of Mt Karioi. Meet at 10 Bracken Avenue at 5.00pm on Friday night. Register with Shane Kennedy (021) 147 4378 or email sandmkennedy@hotmail.com by Thursday 26 July.

SATURDAY 18 AUGUST - WAIKATO RIVER WANDERER - NGARUAWAHIA TO HAMILTON (Easy/Medium) Leaders John McCarthy and Andrew Lethbridge. The new walkway/cycleway along the banks of the Waikato River, including the Perry Bridge, one of the longest walk/cycle bridges in NZ. About 5 hours walking on easy mostly level track with scenic river views. Meet at 10 Bracken Avenue at 8.00am. Register with John McCarthy Ph. 630-4073 or email diddums@xtra.co.nz by Thursday 16 August.

SATURDAY 25 AUGUST - AGM and dinner at Eden Community Church, 72 View Road, Mt Eden. (Details on separate sheet).

FRIDAY 31 AUGUST - EXECUTIVE MEETING 7.30pm - venue to be advised.

FRIDAY 7 SEPTEMBER - FOOD PREPARATION AND PACKING TRAINING - Murray Black. A training opportunity to help you prepare tasty meals for overnight tramps. 7.00pm - venue to be advised. Register with Murray Black (021) 072-4085 or email murray.george.black@gmail.com by Friday 31 August.

SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER - BUSH AND VIEWS - CENTENNIAL PARK, CAMPBELLS BAY (Easy) Leaders Ted & Christine Calvert and Tina Chen. Starting at Greville Reserve, East Coast Bays Road carpark, Forrest Hill. Walk will weave in and out of the Centennial Park reserve, occasionally using suburban roads. The terrain is steep in places and muddy if wet. Meet at 10 Bracken Ave at 1.30pm or Greville Reserve at 2.00pm. Register with Ted Calvert Ph. (021) 227-8888 or 410-0576 by Sat. 8 Sept.

WEEKEND 15-16 SEPTEMBER - CROSBIES' CONUNDRUM (Medium) Leaders Paul & Ruth Ungemuth and Carl Yang. Tramp will involve two groups both staying Saturday night at Crosbies Hut but using different routes, one starting from Waimumu or Te Puru on Saturday and coming out at Thames on Sunday afternoon, the other starting from Thames and coming out at Waiumu or Te Puru. Drivers would swap keys. **Only camping available now.** Meet at 10 Bracken Avenue at 7.00am on Saturday. Register with Carl Yang Ph. (021) 147-3068 or email xdyang01@hotmail.com by Thursday 6 September.

SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER - TIRITIRI MATANGI ISLAND Leaders Rose & Geoff Tremain and Lucy Zheng. Optional guided walk (adults \$10, child \$2.50) - **must be booked before going to the island.** Ferry from Gulf Harbour adult \$60, child \$10. Leaves Gulf Harbour 9.50am and returns 3.30pm. **Each person responsible for own ferry booking** - book online with Fuller's ferries.co.nz. Car pool from Bracken Ave at 8.30am. Register with Rose & Geoff Tremain Ph. 416-2323 or email rose.tremain@xtra.co.nz.

WEEKEND 29-30 SEPTEMBER - WAITEWHETA HUT TRAINING Leader Murray Black. Allows you to check off your next 'Training Track' Module 4 Practical or increase your fitness and check your equipment ready for Summer Tramps. Tramp into hut is approx. 3.5 hours. It crosses farmland, follows the Waitawheta River then climbs gently through bush following the old tramline to the hut. **Make your own booking on DoC website for the Waitawheta Hut** on Saturday 29 September at same time as registering with Murray Black (021) 072-4085 email murray.george.black@gmail.com with your name and preferred contact details.

KAIMAI RIDGEWAY TRACK PROJECT - 6-7 OCTOBER

Leader Nelson Young. Members are invited to make another valuable contribution to maintenance by taking out weeds which threaten to invade the tracks. Depart Friday 5 October at 6.15pm for Waihi Beach or meet at Karangahake entrance to the Kaimai Mamaku Forest Park at 8.30am on 6 October. Visit Black Hill at Waihi to view surface activities of the Oceania Gold and Silver Mine. Register with Joy Whitehead email joywhitehead@xtra.co.nz.

ABTC TRIP INFORMATION: Sunday afternoon trips are offered monthly in and around Auckland. Saturday Day Trips are organised monthly to places such as Waitakeres, Hunua, Coromandel & Waikato. Weekend Multi Day Parks trips are organised to National and other North Is locations (mostly pack carrying) Leadership Training Events (2-3 per year), a monthly Fellowship Group and Social Events are also offered.

TRAMP DEPARTURE TIMES: At 10 Bracken Ave, Epsom. Please support leaders by registering for all tramps.

Sunday afternoon: 1.30pm Bookings to leader by preceding Saturday.

Saturday Trips : 8.00am (can vary) Bookings to leader by preceding Thursday evening.

Weekend Trips: 6.15pm Friday. Bookings by two Thursdays beforehand or date specified in newsletter.

(Cancellation may incur a charge for your part in expenses where costs have been incurred for transport or provisions)

Visitors welcome

First day tramp with the club is free. **Non-member fee** of \$5.00 applies per day trip or \$10.00 per weekend trip.

ENVIRONMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES: NCNZ (New Creation New Zealand). This is a ministry headed up by Phillip Donnell. AROCHA: www.arocha.org/nz has opportunities to participate or support their work.

Motuora Restoration Society: Tree planting, weeding and other work on the island Trips go the last Sunday of every month leaving Sandspit at 8am. Contact Robin, ph 09 378 9548.

Ark in the Park: Every second Saturday. Help keep the Waitakeres bush pristine. Work day with Forest and Bird. Bring work gloves, snacks, drinks sunscreen etc. Contact Phillip Norton ph 021 02629569 or Laurence, ph 09 810-7014.