



Tamaki River  
Walkway

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## PROGRAMME AUGUST – OCTOBER 2010

### **SATURDAY-SUNDAY 10-11 JULY – WHANGAREI HEADS WINTER ESCAPE: (Medium)**

A variety of tracks are available for this weekend depending on what is open at the time. Bream Head track, a five hour tramp, is planned for Saturday. Options for Sunday include Mt Manaia, Peach Cove Track and / or Smugglers Bay. Accommodation is at Blue Heron Holiday Park at Whangarei Heads. Leaders for the weekend are Carole Thornton and Gary and Margaret Thompson. Book with Gary and Margaret on 820 5060. Cost to be advised.

**SUNDAY 18 JULY – OREWA BEACH EXPLORATION: (Easy)** Join Alan and Joy Milne on a Sunday afternoon meander by the northern seaside of Orewa Beach. Phone 473 6878.

**FRIDAY 23 JULY - EXECUTIVE MEETING:** Unit 20, 18 Link Drive, Wairau Park.

### **SATURDAY 24 JULY – KARANGAHAKE GORGE WALKWAY: (Easy – medium)**

Paul and Ruth Ungemuth will lead us along the Karangahake Goldfields Walkway starting at Waikino and taking in several historical places including Victoria Battery, and finishing at Karangahake. The walk is mostly along the gorge where tracks are good and not strenuous. Phone 528 4401 for bookings.

### **SATURDAY-SUNDAY 31 JULY – 1 AUGUST – LEITCHS CLEARING: (Medium)**

A weekend pack carrying trip, leaving Auckland early Saturday morning. A 3-4 hour tramp to a 16 bunk hut in the Whareorino Forest, 45 km south west of Te Kuiti. An opportunity to view some interesting bird life, long tailed bats and native frogs. Phillip Donnell and Bev Lester will be leading. Cost to be advised. Book with Bev, Ph 449 2449

### **SATURDAY 7 AUGUST – MID-YEAR CHRISTMAS DINNER and 31<sup>st</sup> AGM.**

5.30pm at Eden Community Church, 72 View Rd, Mt Eden. Mystery Speaker. Come and vote for the new Exec. Dress for winter Christmas with or without snow! Booking form enclosed with your mail-out. Dinner cost of \$16.00. Book with Linda asap - by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

**SATURDAY 14 AUGUST – MT TAMAHUNGA TRAIL: (Easy – medium)** This mountain is North East of Warkworth on the Omaha Flats. It is part of the Te Araroa walkway. The track to the summit is 1.5 hours with good views on a clear day. There is the option of doing another track of 3 km which will take us to Bathgate Rd near Pakiri. Another option is a stop at Waiwera Hot Pools. Mark Gibson and Colin O'Gorman will be leading. Register with Mark Ph 836 3032 or Colin Ph 813 3886.

**FRIDAY 20 AUGUST – EXECUTIVE MEETING- venue tbc.**

### **SATURDAY 21 AUGUST – MODULE 5 EQUIPMENT TRAINING: 2010.**

Worried about using the club cooking stoves? Then come to our training at 8.45am at the Brethren Chapel, Ngaire Avenue, Epsom and burn your fears away. Learn about all the gear the club utilises and bring your packed backpack along for a fun session on personal gear. Expect to finish by 12.30pm. Register with Val and Peter Osborne 535 2140 and bring \$5 on the day for the venue, handouts and morning tea.

**SUNDAY 22 AUGUST – HOWICK HISTORICAL: (Easy)** An urban walking circuit with a historical focus, starting from Howick Beach, including parks, & Stockade Hill. Good coffee in Howick, too! Meet at Bracken Ave 1.30pm, or Howick Beach car park, 2pm. Peter York and Barbara Langridge are leading. Book with Peter, Ph 299 3891 or peter.york@xtra.co.nz

### **FRIDAY – SUNDAY 27 – 29 AUGUST – RANGITOTO STATION: (Grade 2 – 3)**

The base for this weekend is Rangitoto Station House and woolshed, located south-east of Otorohanga in the Rangitoto Range. It is approx 5 hours and 4–5 stream crossings to Cowans Hut. Full gear, including sleeping gear and plenty of warm clothing is required. Participants should be reasonably fit. (Cont. Pg 2).

**RANGITOTO STATION.** Day walks (Grade 2) are also available, subject to leadership. Since it is only a short walk to exit on Sunday, we will do a day walk (2-3 hours return, Grade 2) up to Mt Kakapuka near Te Awamutu, on the way back to Auckland. Trip is weather-dependent. Meet at 10 Bracken Ave at 6.30pm Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August. Book with Roger Donnell Ph 443 0172 bus. or 479 3148 res. by 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

**SATURDAY 4 SEPTEMBER – GOLDIE BUSH WAITAKERE: (Medium)** This is a day tramp in and around the Goldie Bush area. We will stop at the Mokoroa Falls and a couple of other land marks along the way. You will probably get your feet wet with the stream crossings but you will be well rewarded with a hot drink and biscuits at the end of the day compliments of the 'Ute Café'. Laurie King and Tay-Marie Yorston will be your leaders. Register with Tay-Marie Ph 813 4220 by September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER – MT RICHMOND & HAMLINS HILL: (Easy)**

This 2 hour Sunday afternoon walk with Jocelyn Trembath and Joy Whitehead also includes some hidden paths in the area and Sylvia Park Shopping Centre. Register with Jocelyn Ph 521 0442 or Joy Ph 629 0154.

**SATURDAY – SUNDAY 18 - 19 SEPTEMBER - CROSBIES CLEARING COROMANDEL FOREST PARK: (Medium)**

A pack carrying tramp climbing from sea level to top of the range. Overnight accommodation in the new Crosbies Hut. Register with David Walker Ph 630 0094.

**SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER – MOTUORA ISLAND:** An opportunity to support the Motuora Restoration Society in tree planting the island – located south of Kawau and north of Wenderholm. A very early departure from Auckland! Come and check out trees we planted in 2004. There have been trans - locations of Native birds on the island. Ferry costs \$20 for adults, \$10 for children 5 -15 years and under 5 years free. Leaving Sandspit Wharf at 8am, returning approx. 4pm. Day parking \$7.00. The M R Soc. provide a sausage sizzle and cuppa following the tree planting. Bookings to Barbara Ph 576 1144 by Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>.

**SATURDAY 2 OCTOBER – MCBRINNS CREEK GOLD DIGGINGS MARATOTO VALLEY: (Easy – Medium)** Visit the workings of the Walkers Maratoto Company and then down to the old battery site on the McBrinns Stream. This is a 4 hour tramp lead by Alasdair Nicoll. Book with Stan Harrison Ph 837 4411.

**SATURDAY– SUNDAY 9 – 10 OCTOBER –2010. Handling the Outdoors Training Module.** Come along to a fun training weekend in the Waitakeres to experience and learn some of the outdoor aspects of tramping. This is a self-catering camping weekend although club gear will be available. You are welcome to combine in small groups for cooking and camping. These are always well attended events and we have learned so much more from sharing our ideas and experiences. Register with Val and Peter 535 2140 by 30th September. Small cost TBA.

**FRIDAY 15 OCTOBER – TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING.**

**SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER – EUROPEAN EXTRAVAGANZA: (Social)**

Nelson Young will take you on an armchair journey following his footsteps through Europe. Meet at Jocelyn Trembath's home, 15 Waikato Place, St Johns. Please bring a contribution for supper. Book with Jocelyn Ph 521 0442.

**SUNDAY 17 OCTOBER – PUKETUTU PAVLOVA: (Easy)**

Explore two public walkways along the coast of this strictly private island, with views across the Manukau Harbour to Onehunga, Otataua Stonefields and Manukau Heads. Book with John McCarthy Ph 630 4073 or diddums@xtra.co.nz

**LABOUR WEEKEND 23 – 25 OCTOBER – TONGARIRO TRIUMPH: (Medium - hard)** A long weekend trek on the Northern Circuit through volcanic terrain. Starting at the Chateau and finishing at Ketatahi hut. Good fitness required and gear for alpine conditions. Deposit \$20.00. Cost to be confirmed on registration with Ted Owens Ph 473 1318 by 10<sup>th</sup> October.

**SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER – SUMMER TRAMP PARTICIPANTS MEETING:** All Wonderful Wanaka Summer Tramp participants are expected to attend for important preparation and sharing of information. Venue and time (evening) tbc.

**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 Bookings to leader by preceding Thursday evening.  
Weekend Trips: 6.15pm Friday. Bookings by preceding Sunday or date specified in newsletter.  
(Please note - cancellation may still incur a charge for your part in expenses, where costs have been incurred for transport or provisions.)

**Visitors welcome:** Your first day tramp with the club is free. You are encouraged to join, but may choose to walk with us on an occasional basis for a non-member fee of \$5.00 per day trip or \$10.00 per weekend trip.

**ENVIRONMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES:**

**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 in conjunction with Forest and Bird. Bring work gloves, snacks, drinks sunscreen etc. Contact Phillip Norton, ph 021 02629569 or Judy Woodcock, ph 09 480 5256.

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