

November 2019



# Auckland Tramping Club

Now this really does feel like summer !

## **November Club Night - November 21**

Uta Machold's kayaking trip in Svardland in the Arctic. [Website Link](#) **This has received rave reviews already from those who have seen the preview.**

## **ATC Christmas Party**

Our **Christmas function** at Ryders this year will be on Thursday December 5th - add that to your diary now ! The movie is an account of an expedition to a remote mountain in Antarctica - "**Spectre - To the End of the Earth**". **NOTE** that this year you must pay in advance and let Chris Burnett know that you will be coming. All details at this [website link](#).

## **Veterans Christmas Lunch**

The annual Veterans Christmas lunch will be at the usual location of the Iona Church Hall, Blockhouse Bay, on Saturday December 7th. More information at this [website link](#).

## **Invitation Day Walk - Pukekohe - Sunday 10 November**

As part of their 50th anniversary, the Pukekohe Tramping Club have established a local walkway called the "Five Summits Trail". Starting at 9.30am from Station Road by the Pukekohe Train Station you have the option of a guided walk of the entire 21km trail that takes you through numerous parks and reserves and to the summits of five local volcanic hills around Pukekohe township **OR** a guided walk of a section of the

trail **OR** a self guided walk over whatever part of the trail you choose by using a free map available from a PTC member at the Railway Station. This is hoped to become a valuable addition to our day walks programme, so please provide feedback to me on this. [Website link](#)

### **Tongariro National Park - November 15 - 17**

Three trip options - Fit - Mt Tama and Saddle Cone areas, Medium - Mt Tongariro and Pukekaikio, possibly Mt Ngauruhoe, Easy - Mangahuia and Whakapapaiti [Website Link](#). **Bookings Now Open.**

### **Kaimai South to North Traverse - Last Week in November**

If you are interested in this 5 day tramp, contact Tony - [tonywalking@gmail.com](mailto:tonywalking@gmail.com).

### **NW Kaimanawas - December 6 - 8**

Three trip options - one Fit and two Medium parties in the NW area off Clements Mill Rd [Website Link](#). **Bookings Now Open.**

### **Christmas Trips**

Two trip options for two trips each in the Arthurs Pass area commencing on December 27th and January 2nd. Check in with the leaders if you are interested. Or if you would like to schedule an additional trip, please let us know. [Website link](#). **Some trips are now full, so do contact the leaders asap to see whether there is still a space for you.**

### **Round Ruapehu - Possible Trip - Anniversary Weekend**

This is a possible trip, but needs a leader / organiser for it to proceed. The plan would be to drive to Mangahuia campsite on the evening of Thursday 23rd January, then start walking from Whakapapa Village the next day. From there travelling around the mountain anti clockwise, arriving back at Whakapapa on Monday 27th, followed by a drive home.

Website link If you are keen on this trip, contact Andrew Murdoch  
Ph 021489206 or email [livingscapes@hotmail.com](mailto:livingscapes@hotmail.com)

### Interim Trips

The Medium trip in the Doubtful Tops area near Lewis Pass and the easier Banks Peninsula - Te Ara Pataka - trip still have places available. Website details here - [Doubtful Tops](#) and [Banks Peninsula](#). The Fit Trip in the Spenser Mountains (near Lewis Pass) is now full, but if you want to go on a waiting list, contact Andrew Murdoch.

### New Members

Please welcome new members Louise Inglis, Louise Ford, Kerrilee Mancer, St John Steer, Jo Dorotich, Magi Mas Manresa, Julie Meredith-Waters, and Martin McGregor-MacDonald

### Four Days Canoeing the Whanganui River -

#### Waitangi Weekend - February 5 - 9, 2020

Take advantage of Waitangi Day falling on a Thursday next year and enjoy 4 days canoeing down the Whanganui River. [Website Link](#). **Bookings now open - only a few places left.**

### Nepal - The Lost Valleys - October 2020

A trip is in planning mode to the Naar - Phu region in Nepal. Details here [Website link](#). For this trip we are also inviting members from the Hawaiian Trail & Mountain Club. Numbers are very limited, so contact Jim Morrow immediately if you are interested Ph 834 4227. Mob 021 264 6085 Email: [jwmorrow@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:jwmorrow@slingshot.co.nz)

### November Wanderlust

The latest Wanderlust is already online, and will be posted to printed Wanderlust recipients shortly.

All recent Wanderlusts can be accessed from our website from the Wanderlusts page in the News Menu - here is the [direct link to that](#)

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Of especial interest this month's edition includes :

- Upcoming Club Night Details
- Te Whare Okioki - official opening on October 13. [Website link](#)
- Photo Essay - Central Kaimais - Fit Group - September.  
[Website link](#)
- A further installment of Uncle Wacko's column - a bit about rain jackets. 100% waterproof ? Yeah right !. [Website link](#)
- Multi Day Tramps information for the next few months. [Website Link](#)
- Some interesting snippets of DOC News - more DOC news on our website - [Website Link](#)
- Recent new members - give them a great welcome on our trips and encourage more non members to join! [Website link.](#)
- More fun day walks for the next two months. [Website link](#)

**Join us on our fun trips and social nights !**

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