



# Auckland Climber

**Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month – exceptions will be published**

Meetings are usually held at St Lukes Community Centre, 130 Remuera Rd, Newmarket, beginning at 7.30 with drinks and nibbles provided afterwards.

A gold coin donation for food and refreshments is appreciated.

*This months meeting: **Monday May 5***

## **Section PhotoComp**

Auckland Section Photo Competition.

Show off your best slides and photos

NZAC Auckland Section Photographic Competition Bring along your best slides and mounted photos (around A4 size) to compare with the best in the Section, or just come along for a fun evening. There will be prizes and winners will be selected by popular vote. Spot prizes will also be given for the best "wisecracks". Winners will be invited to enter the national photographic competition midyear which has heaps of neat prizes. You may enter in any of the six categories (the same used for the national competition):

A = alpine Activity

G = alpine General

N = alpine Nature

R = Rockclimbing

H = Humor

P = Photojournalism

[Full descriptions of these categories can be viewed on the NZAC site:

[http://www.nzalpine.org.nz/site\\_pages/main\\_navigation\\_bar/activities/photographic\\_competition.htm](http://www.nzalpine.org.nz/site_pages/main_navigation_bar/activities/photographic_competition.htm)]

Please write your name and the category on your entries and mark slides with a dot on the bottom left of the mount when viewing it in the correct orientation. Entry is available to NZAC members, and any pic that has not been entered before is eligible. Please limit entries to a maximum of 3 per category. Bring along your entries before the meeting (between 7:00 and 7:30) so we can sort them: try to be as early as possible!

*Next months meeting: **Monday June 2***

**To be advised**

## **Librarians Needed!**

The Section library consists of several large bookcases full of donated volumes, books and periodicals. These are currently stored at the Adventure Specialities Trust, 1/4 Winston Place, Henderson.

We are looking for anyone who is conveniently located to bring a selection of books to club nights, or anyone with a suitable ( and medium-long term) home for the books, closer to the city, where members can access them more easily. Anyone who can help, contact a committee member.

## **Club-night Suppers**

Wanted: person to do supper on monthly club nights.

This takes the following skills: the ability to walk around the supermarket and find edibles suitable for nibbles, the ability to read people's minds and know what they want to eat for supper as very few people disclose their preferences, the ability to wield a knife, because if you don't chop it up, it won't get eaten except by the intrepid. Other skills, such as operating the oven, microwave and dishwasher can be imparted to the volunteer if not already known.

## **National Alpine Instruction**

The number of places on the courses is limited. (8 for the weekend courses and 12 for the 5 day courses). The courses held in 2002 were very popular and interested members are advised to make bookings early to avoid disappointment. This year the programme of eight weekend intermediate snow and rock instruction courses has been expanded to include two 5 day and ice instruction courses which will be held at Mt Cook in January 2004. Fully qualified alpine guides or rock instructors will be used to lead all courses and there will be an instructor - student ration of 1 to four ensuring an excellent learning environment. Course dates are as follows.

Intermediate Alpine Instruction (Two Days) \$130

12-13 July The Remarkables, Otago	6-17 July Fox Glacier, Westland	19-20
July Mt Ruapehu	2-3 August Mt Ruapehu	

Intermediate Rock Instruction (Two Days) \$99

23-24 October Otago	1-2 November, Canterbury
23-24 October Auckland	1-2 November, Wellington

Intermediate- Advanced Mountaineering (Five Days) \$750

3-7 January 2004, Unwin Hut Mt Cook	10-14 January 2004 Unwin Hut Mt Cook
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Members wanting further information on dates, costs and course details, or wishing to make applications should contact Richard Wesley, National Administrator, phone 03 377 7595. email [richard@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:richard@alpineclub.org.nz). Details were published in the Autumn 2003 issue of the Climber.

## **Trips**

- 10/11 May Mountain biking at Whangamomona  
contact Matt Ward - 09 638 3066
- 17/18 May Climbing at Waipapa and Smiths  
contact Kathleen Lee - 09 630 6265 We'll be staying at Bryces  
for the weekend, the plan is to boulder by night, climb by day and  
drink beer in the evening!
- 31 May - 2nd June - Queen's Birthday weekend - contact Derryn  
Snowcraft refresher course - now's the time to brush up on your  
winter skills before the winter sets in
- 7/8 June or 14/15 June Working bee at Wharepapa.  
Kathleen Lee 09 630 6265 Here's an opportunity to impress your  
friends with you gardening power tools, to get free food and  
accommodation on Saturday night, to explore different climbing  
areas, to spend time with like minded people and, if we're lucky,  
to get some more climbing done for this developing area. Please  
volunteer if you would like to put something back into the climbing  
community.
- 21/22 June Winter Solstice, Ruapehu Hut - organiser tba
- 29 June Te Henga/Raeakiaki Pt./Wigmore Bay. Coastal walk with optional  
spike lassoing & traversing. Meet at my place, rear sleepout, 29  
Covil Ave, Te Atatu South @ 1pm. 834 6699, John Salisbury

See/Call Trips officer for more details. (Details on last page)

## **Snowcraft Course**

This years course will be run on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> of August, 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> August, and  
20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> September. Book now to avoid disappointment.

For more information and an enrolment pack contact Mike Henton on 027 4677  
050 or [mike@clmnz.co.nz](mailto:mike@clmnz.co.nz)

## **Snowcraft Instructors**

Come and share your knowledge with like minded individuals starting out in the  
mountains. If you would like to instruct on this years snowcraft course please  
contact Mike Henton on 027 4677 050 or [mike@clmnz.co.nz](mailto:mike@clmnz.co.nz)

## **Snow Craft Course Dates**

19/20 July	Instructors Weekend	2/3 August	Weekend 1
30/31 August	Weekend 2	20/21 September	Weekend 2

## **Situations Vacant - Unwin Lodge Warden**

The Club seeks a temporary warden at Unwin Lodge, Aoraki Mt Cook. Duties include supervising the day to day running of the lodge and collection of hut fees from members and other guests.

The Club offers a 3 month contract, extendable on a month by month basis to enable a permanent long term appointment to be made in accordance with the Club's normal employment policies.

Unwin Lodge warden/s are provided with a 3 bedroom unit located beside the lodge, complete with garage, power, telephone, fax, and heating. In addition there is a commission payment based on lodge fees collected.

For more details and the full job description please contact:

Richard Wesley, National Administrator, PO Box 786, Christchurch, ph 03 377 7595, [office@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:office@alpineclub.org.nz)

Ian Rogers, Unwin Lodge Convenor, 10 Kyber Street, Pleasant Point, ph 03 614 7786, [twopeaks@xtra.co.nz](mailto:twopeaks@xtra.co.nz)

## **Climbing Gear Stolen**

At the beginning of March, my girlfriend and I had three rucsacs, including both our climbing racks, rope, and some personal belongings stolen from our campervan at Sandfly Bay, Otago Peninsula. The police and everyone have been very helpful - notice in the local paper, outdoor shops keeping an eye open for second hand gear etc etc. We bought a basic rack and continued to Wanaka clippety clip clip. But since the NZ climbing scene is pretty small and climbing gear is hard to sell on to a non-climber, we still hope that some of our stuff may turn up...We're missing: Blue/black Macpac rucsac Blue/black Vaude rucsac Yellow/black Salamon rucsac Black DMM ropebag Black/white Mammut rope Orange 5.10 shoes Blue Saltic shoes Yellow/black Boreal shoes Arcteryx harness Troll harness Red chalkbag Dalmation chalkbag Set of Wild Country Tech Friends Full set Black Diamond Camalots Full set WC Rocks 2 sets DMM Wallnuts Full set BD Hexes on cord 10 various quickdraws - WC and red/silver wiregates 10 various quickdraws - Petzel Spirit & blue/grey DMM bentgates 2 BD ATCs Various DMM and WC screwgates Various slings Fujifilm Finepix 2600 camera, diaries, other misc personal stuff. Mostly in a well worn condition. Most of the WC stuff has WC snapgate or wiregates, most of the BD/DMM stuff has DMM snapgates. It's most likely the climbing gear was dumped in the harbour or a skip, but just in case anyone hears anything about such gear, if it's been seen or offered for sale or whatever, could you please email [fiendophobia@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:fiendophobia@yahoo.co.uk) or call 021 0366862. Reward and all that, thanks. Mark Watson, Editor/Advertising Sales, The Climber magazine.

## **Gear for sale**

Macpac Torre 85L pack, \$225. Mountain Hardwear Tioga SL s/bag, \$475. Mountain Hardwear 2<sup>nd</sup> Dimension s/bag, \$225. Mountain Hardwear windstopper Jkt Blk, Med, \$195. Charlet Moser S12 articulated crampons, \$200. Charlet Moser Evolution 65cm ice axe, \$175. Miliar Overtrou Med, \$30. Pentax 90WR camera, \$75. MSR stainless 2pce pot set, \$50. Nick 6390963 (Hm) 5292280 (Wk)

Climbing & Ski Mountaineering Boots – All sized around 9 ½ UK - 11 ½ US. Koflacks Viva Soft, \$125.00; Asolo Supersofts, \$200.00; Asolo Annapurna, \$375.00. Asolo AFS Evoluzione; \$375; Lowa Struktura Evo \$650 (5 days on skis) Contact Craig on Work 09 307 3656 Home 09 575 0985 or craigwigglesworth@hotmail.com

Wanted to Buy articulated crampons, ice axe 65cm(preferably), harness, helmet. Contact Jason Petuha (07) 850 4049 hm (029) 243 7038 wk email: jaceandnina@yahoo.com

## **Climber Content**

Deadline for each issue is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding. Send any content for the climber to Chris Leigh. [chris.l@kmg.co.nz](mailto:chris.l@kmg.co.nz). PO Box 11333, Ellerslie.

Send any photos for inclusion as a jpeg or tiff image, 300dpi at print size (up to 200mmx150mm/8"x6")

## **Change of Address**

For any change of address, email your new details to NZAC headquarters. [subscriptions@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:subscriptions@alpineclub.org.nz)

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