Instructions for Priming the Water Pump

If the pump runs continuously and no water comes out of the system it may need priming.

1. Turn pump off at the switch on the wall so that you don't electrocute yourself
2. Release pressure from the pump by opening drain valve which dumps water from the system back into the main tank
3. Close drain valve again so that the new water you fill the system with stays where it is
4. Open the priming valve so that you can refill the pump
5. Pour about 1-2 liters of water into the priming spout until the spout is full
6. Close priming valve so that water is not sprayed across the room
7. Check again that the priming valve is closed
8. Check again that the drain valve is closed
9. Turn on the pump, it should run for about 30 seconds and then operate normally

If there is any problem with the priming procedure, start from the beginning again. If no one is using any water, for example at night, the pump should not operate. If it does there is a leak somewhere and the National Office should be informed so that repairs can be organised: office@alpineclub.org.nz (03) 377 7595