

# Nelson Marlborough Section



NZ ALPINE CLUB

NEWSLETTER

September 2009

## Next Section Evening

**Alex Faid – Sport Climbing.** Alex has been involved in competitive sport climbing in North America both as a participant and an organiser, and has recently moved to Nelson (and joined the club!) It's a whole new ballgame for most of us trad and alpine climbers, and a good opportunity to see why sportclimbing attracts the younger members.

**Wednesday 16 September 7.30pm, Richmond Memorial Hall in Cambridge St. Gold coin donation.**

## The Committee

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## Trip List

**Weekly Tuesday Meets at Vertical Limits and then at the Sprig and Fern in Milton St. Tell Porkies over a pint; a good way to spend a Tuesday evening.**

19-20 Sept - Mt Dora (Wairau River). Ben Winnubst 548 7357  
2-4 Oct – Mt Alarm / Tapuae-o-uenuku. Jerome Waldron 03 572 9214

24-26 Oct – St James Recreation weekend. Take the family, camp at Lake Tennyson – do walks and MTB rides, kayak – climb a peak eg Mt Princess, or further afield, Mt Una (Spenser Mts). Jerome Waldron 03 572 9214

November - Ball Pass. Dates tba.

20-29 November - Centennial Hut - Minarets - De la Beche. Skis or snowshoes. Chris Short 540 3394

December - Mt Sefton. Dates tba. Andrew Smith 543 2600

Other club trips will be arranged upon demand, eg Fox Glacier ice climbing, Mt Aspiring.

## Notices

### Climbing and culture

Paynes Ford is warming up nicely, and the Pohara sea-cliffs are warm and sunny. Have an extended October weekend in Golden Bay, and enjoy the NZAC Mountain Film Festival in the comfort of Takaka's own Village Theatre.

Read about the 5 short films at

<http://villagetheatre.org.nz/films/nz-mountain-film-festival> and get your tickets from Soul Mariposa (Takaka) for either Monday October 5 or Tuesday October 6.

Proceeds go to GB Climbers and NZ Alpine Club  
Contact Phil Castle or Beth Burdett, 03-525-6224

### Arapiles Trip

Mark Holmes is organising a rockclimbing trip to Arapiles for March 2010, dates tba. Contact him if you want to join.

### Gear For Sale

1. La Sportiva ice climbing/alpine boots, Euro size 45.5, lightweight, leather & kevlar composite construction, hardly used, don't fit my feet! Very good condition. \$300
  2. Waterproof hat, Lowe Alpine, fleece lined, with peak, size XL, unused. \$25
  3. Gaiters, Lowe Alpine, hardly used, \$25
- Email [phil.key@adelaideaqu.com](mailto:phil.key@adelaideaqu.com) for photos or information.

### Armchair Mountaineering – On Special

The bibliography of New Zealand mountain climbing by Graham Langton is now available for only \$8.50 each + p&p  
Order online direct from our homepage [www.alpineclub.org.nz](http://www.alpineclub.org.nz) with Visa or MasterCard, or send your order with payment to National Office – NZAC, PO Box 786, Christchurch 8140

### Outdoor First Aid Essentials Course

OFA Essentials aims to educate first aiders to respond correctly to common outdoor first aid problems and emergencies. It is a basic qualification for first aid that is based in the outdoors, with skills that are transferable to the home and the workplace.

An OFA Essentials graduate will be able to:

- identify hazards
- understand the concept of reducing risk and prevent further harm to patient and self
- recognise level of risk and know when to seek outside assistance
- use a systematic approach to assess patients
- ensure airway, breathing, circulation are effectively supported or resuscitated as a priority
- problem solve and adapt to a variety of common first aid situations
- provide appropriate pre-hospital treatment
- communicate effectively with the patient and others at the scene
- convey relevant patient history information to emergency services.

Contact: Evelyn O'Neill, Phone: 03 547 2426

Date: 19-20 September 2009 Cost: \$100

Venue: Papetai Lodge, Girl Guide Outdoor Centre, Lee Valley RD, Brightwater

NB Section subsidy of \$50 is available to members; please contact Chris Short.

### Section Finances

NM Section is in a healthy financial state, due to several years of profits from the Banff festivals. At last month's AGM, Chairman Chris Short put to the meeting the idea of making a long term loan to NZAC HQ for the refurbishment of Unwin Hut. The Committee discussed this further, and agreed to pledge a loan of \$25,000 for 10 years at no interest, subject to approval by Section members. We don't have a need for this amount at present, and improvements at Unwin Hut can benefit all members and their families. Comments on this proposal to any Committee member please.

### NM Section Overseas Expedition

Overseas climbing is a valuable experience, and we are looking for interest in a club trip, mid-late 2010. Club members will be eligible for a subsidy from the Section. We'll have a meeting soonish to brainstorm ideas, date tba. Meanwhile, you may want to research possibilities eg in South America.