



# The South Canterbury Climber

November 2017

ALPINE TRIPS  
ROCK CLIMBING TRIPS  
NZAC NEWS

**2018 Expedition - Greenland Ice Cap Ski  
Traverse Scholarship**

**Details inside...**

**Welcome** to the **November edition** of the NZAC South Canterbury Section's newsletter. The section runs a variety of alpine, climbing and other trips and courses throughout the year and new members are always welcome.

---

### **Climber Content**

Is there anything you would like to see in the newsletter? Do you have a suggestion for improving the newsletter? If so, drop us a line, we're keen to hear from you. Alternatively, we love getting

submissions from members – whether they be Trip Reports, Items for Sale or rants. Just send your material to the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding. Contact Kelly Cooney from emailing: Kelly@wildfiresolutions.co.nz

---

## **Monthly Meeting – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 8pm 2017.**

***Between a rock and a cold place - the story of glaciation in the Rangitata Valley***

***Speaker: Jamie Shulmeister***

**Location:** This meeting will be held at the St Johns Hall on Wai-iti Road.

**Admission:** \$5

Jamie Shulmeister will describe how ice advanced and retreated through the Rangitata Valley numerous times during the last ice age with a focus on the Butler and Brabazon Downs and the Lake Clearwater area, which was part of the Rangitata Glacier. His well-illustrated talk will explain the landforms and sediments left behind and what the glaciers tell us about climate change in New Zealand.

Jamie is a Professor of Geography (Geomorphology) at the University of Queensland, Australia. Previously based at the University of Canterbury, he has worked on the glacial history of various parts of South Island for nearly 20 years and has active projects in the Waimakariri and Clutha Valleys. This talk is a summary of more than 10 years' work in the Rangitata and Ashburton Lakes area.

This will be our last meeting for the year, with our next meeting in February 2018.

***Come & be inspired!***

### **Norman Hardie Obituary**

Norman Hardie was one of our pioneering mountaineers, completing first ascents around New Zealand and abroad. Notably, Hardie was part of the party that climbed Kangchenjunga, the world's third highest peak, in 1955. He was also part of the 1954 NZAC expedition to the Barun valley led by Ed Hillary which completed 20 new climbs, including Baruntse and Pethangtse.

In New Zealand, Hardie and his friends, Bill Beaven, Earle Riddiford, Jim McFarlane and Bill Packard made many first ascents in the 1940's, including the South ridge of Sefton with an approach from Fyfe Pass. He was also instrumental in the rescue of Ruth Adams from La Perouse down the Cook river, an outstanding rescue of wide acclaim in New Zealand mountaineering history.

Hardie provided 21 years of dedicated service to the NZAC on various committees and was President from 1973 – 75. He also served on various National and Forest Park boards, and the Himalayan Trust board for 20 years.

Our thoughts are with his family and friends at this difficult time.

A memorial service will be held at College House in Christchurch on Friday November 10th at 2 pm.

## Speakers

Your Committee welcomes ideas of topics and speakers. Please send them in ASAP to any Committee Member, we look forward to receiving them! Do not be shy to offer yourself (Contacts at bottom of Newsletter).

## Library – Books Available

Did you know that the Section has a number of Alpine related library books available in our meeting room? Including guide books etc- Please see attached for list.

## Wall/Crag Climbing

There are public climbing wall sessions at Ara Polytechnic, Timaru.

For more Information: <http://www.ara.ac.nz/services-and-support/recreation-and-sport/climbing-wall>

## For Hire

The section has ice axes, crampons, snow shovels, avalanche transceivers, snowshoes, snow stakes and now, a second Personal Locator Beacon for hire. Contact Gary Brehaut (03) 688 9399.

Keep up to date with the latest local news, photos and events by connecting with us on Facebook! [www.facebook.com/groups/NZACsouthcanterbury](http://www.facebook.com/groups/NZACsouthcanterbury)



# ***National News***

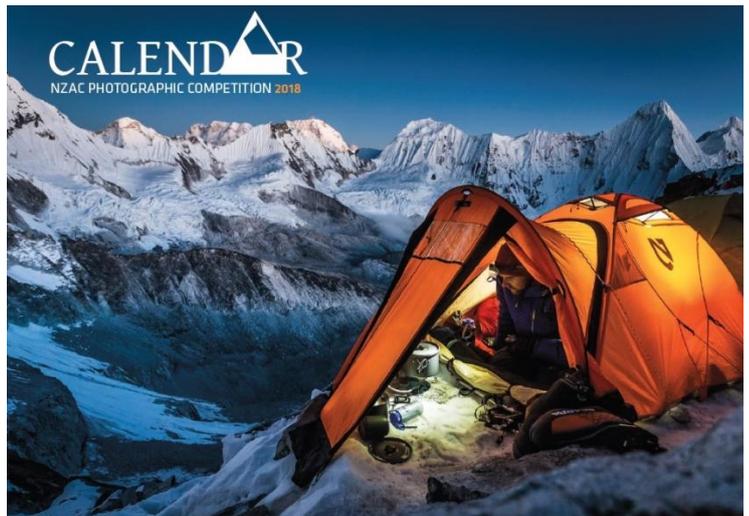
---

## Xmas Gift Idea - NZAC Calendar 2018

The 2018 calendar with all the winning images from the 2017 Photo Competition is now for sale online.

The perfect alternative to a Christmas Card with \$5 postage to anywhere in the world included in the online price. Pick-up from National Office less this amount.

<https://alpineclub.org.nz/product/nzac-alpine-calendar-2018/>



## FREE PDF download of the NEW EDITION NZ Alpine Journal Index

This is the fourth edition of the Index to the New Zealand Alpine Journal; earlier editions were published in 1975, 1977 and 1987. This 2017 edition is available via the internet as a pdf file from the NZAC website:

<https://alpineclub.org.nz/product/nz-alpine-journal-index/>

## **Miyar Valley Expedition Report**

The 2017 Miyar Valley Expedition Report has been uploaded for your interest with the team being a recipient of a \$2000 NZAC Expedition Grant.

<https://alpineclub.org.nz/expedition-fund/expedition-fund-past-recipients/>



## **2018 Expedition - Greenland Ice Cap Ski Traverse**

Antarctic Heritage Trust is a New Zealand based charity with a vision of Inspiring Explorers. One of the Trust's strategic goals is to encourage young people to explore the world to educate and inspire them. The Trust is providing the opportunity of a lifetime in May-June 2018 for three young people from New Zealand and Australia to participate in its next expedition, on a guided west-east ski traverse of the Greenland ice cap. The expedition is heavily sponsored and you will be expected to share your story to inspire others with the spirit of exploration.

This expedition follows on from the success of the Trust's 2015 Inspiring Explorers' Expedition crossing South Georgia Island via the Shackleton route and the 2017 Inspiring Explorers' Expedition climbing Mt Scott on the Antarctic Peninsula.

For an application form please visit: <https://www.nzaht.org/inspiring-explorers/inspiring-explorers-2018#>

## **FMC offers safety training scholarships for new Pack-rafters**

FMC launched our 'Outdoor Community' campaign in 2015 to identify and enhance the diverse array of recreational pursuits that member clubs and individuals are passionate about. The campaign identifies a pursuit annually that, "takes place in the same environment as tramping and shares the ethos of exploration, companionship and appreciation of nature", and make its development a priority for FMC over a July – June period. FMC is pleased to continue its support for Pack-rafting for 2017/18 by offering up to 15 safety training scholarships of \$300.

**Applications close by 31 November**, with recipients announced early December. Courses dates are on the providers website, and it will be the responsibility of the scholarship recipients to book themselves onto a suitable course with the training provider. An excellent opportunity to make the most of travelling to Fiordland would be to attend the scheduled training course on 22/23 March, then the PRANZ Pack-rafting Meet up 24/25 March, followed by some time after the meet up for more trips, using new skills with new friends.

To learn more about the scholarships you can check out the news release on [FMC.org.nz](http://FMC.org.nz), or apply for a scholarship online.

For any other questions about the FMC Pack-rafting Scholarships, please feel free to email me; [dan.clearwater@fmc.org.nz](mailto:dan.clearwater@fmc.org.nz)

## **Reminder**

For people with the following emails, they will need to update them with the NZAC for our database when Vodafone shuts them down on 30th November.

[vodafone.co.nz](http://vodafone.co.nz), [ihug.co.nz](http://ihug.co.nz), [quik.co.nz](http://quik.co.nz), [paradise.net.nz](http://paradise.net.nz), [wave.co.nz](http://wave.co.nz), [es.co.nz](http://es.co.nz), [clear.net.nz](http://clear.net.nz), [pconnect.co.nz](http://pconnect.co.nz), [vodafone.net](http://vodafone.net)

## Upcoming Trips

<b>Trips</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Wall/Crag Climbing	Text 021 243 7381 if you want to climb.	Kelly Cooney
Mt Forbes via the Godley & Separation Stream	17-19 <sup>th</sup> November	Syd Woods
Cascade Saddle & near-by peaks	November	Syd Woods
Any ideas?	...Well, let us know!	Committee

### South Canterbury Section - Contacts

#### Committee/ Gear Hire

Gary Brehaut  
 Email: [brehaut@xtra.co.nz](mailto:brehaut@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 688 9399 027 497 8952

#### Vice Chairman

Roger Brown  
 Email: [express.sounds@xtra.co.nz](mailto:express.sounds@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 6860977

#### Secretary/Rep

Rob Moffat  
 Email: [rcmoffat@kinect.co.nz](mailto:rcmoffat@kinect.co.nz)  
 Phone: 688 1212 wk (03) 689 8079  
 027 221 0981

#### Treasurer

Gordon Hasell  
 Email: [ghasell@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ghasell@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 686 3613 027 201 4554

#### Committee

Neil Harding-Roberts  
 Email: [neilh-r@xtra.co.nz](mailto:neilh-r@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 686 2089

#### Committee

Roger Brown  
 Email: [express.sounds@xtra.co.nz](mailto:express.sounds@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 6860977

#### Library

Geoff McCrostie  
 Phone: 686 3320 or 021 191 2322

#### Chairperson

Ian Rogers  
 Email: [kyber10@hotmail.com](mailto:kyber10@hotmail.com)  
 Phone: 021 0226 6467

#### Committee

Mark Easton  
 Email: [eastonholloway@xtra.co.nz](mailto:eastonholloway@xtra.co.nz)  
 Phone: 684 4985

#### Committee/ Newsletter Editor

Kelly Cooney  
 Email: [kelly@wildfiresolutions.co.nz](mailto:kelly@wildfiresolutions.co.nz)  
 Phone: 021 243 7381 971 0126

#### Committee

Syd Woods  
 Email: [syd.charl@gmail.com](mailto:syd.charl@gmail.com)  
 Phone: (03) 693 8093 021 116 2309

#### Committee

John Wilson  
 Email: [jwilson@thompsonengineering.co.nz](mailto:jwilson@thompsonengineering.co.nz)  
 Mobile: 021 756 695

#### Unwin Lodge Bookings

##### Warden/Manager

Email: [unwin@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:unwin@alpineclub.org.nz)  
 Phone: 03 4351100