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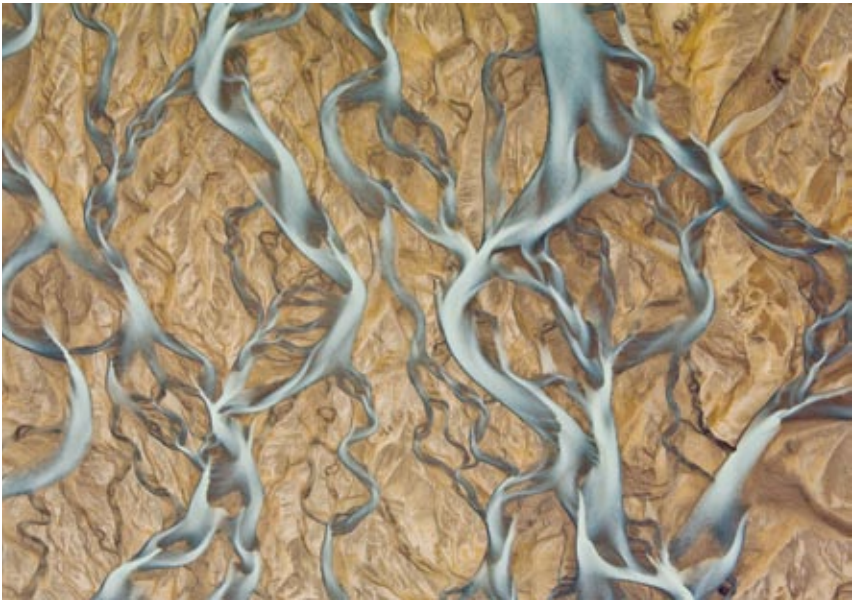
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‘Our vision: NZAC champions the pursuit of climbing, enabling skilled and active adventurers. We provide inspiration, information and seek to enable a vibrant climbing community.

Our core purpose is to foster and support climbing.’



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Jamie Vinton-Boot climbing *Honey Badger* (WI3), Hopkins Valley.
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President's Report

The NZAC is in great shape. During the last 12 months, the Club officers and volunteers have achieved many initiatives of the Strategic Plan, adopted in October 2009. The key initiatives of the Strategic Plan are: Running the Club well, nurturing relationships with stakeholders, supporting climbing activity, strengthening the bonds in the climbing community, ensuring there are places to climb (Access) and places to stay (Shelter). The core purpose of NZAC is to foster and support the success of climbing.

Our successes over the last 12 months have been considerable. Club membership remains over 3000, our finances are stable, we have a modern functioning website and have started implementation of a new membership database. The Canterbury Westland Alps guidebook was produced, we have delivered a strong event calendar and continue core activities in sections and nationally. The sum total of this being no small feat!

The re-build of Unwin Lodge is a significant milestone. Mt Cook is a flagship destination for climbing and adventure. NZAC past-President Chas Tanner and his wife Katrina, as the new managers of Unwin Lodge, will create a centre for outdoor and climbing events and activities that cater for all Club members and the outdoor community. At a cost of over \$650,000, this is the single largest investment the Club has ever made. John Cocks and Tony Clarke have led the project team superbly, and alongside the Shelter committee have worked tirelessly to deliver this project for the Club. Thank you.

When NZAC was founded in 1891, instruction was a

core aspiration. I wrote last year about the challenges of providing volunteer instruction. In October 2010 NZAC adopted a National Instruction Framework and the recommendations of the Entwistle/Halstead report arising from Paul McLachlan's death on Mt Ruapehu in August 2010. Through a patient yet determined process NZAC has delivered a focused and quality instruction programme in 2011. Instructors have received skill and knowledge training and a mentoring process has given instructors the tools to improve student learning. As NZAC members we can be proud of and grateful to the volunteers who give up their evenings and many weekends to share their knowledge with aspirant climbers. In many ways, our volunteer instructors are our unsung heroes.

The intermediate instruction programme has been a huge success for NZAC. Our course offerings now cater specifically for 'high alpine' skills, backcountry skiing, alpine rock, youth and women. These courses are frequently booked out, and have quickly become a core Club activity to meet member needs. It is exciting to see course graduates develop into confident climbers who climb more often, and in many cases offer their time as volunteer instructors.

NZAC as an organisation publishes guidebooks, a magazine and a journal and has a network of members that spans Australasia, operates a network of 18 huts and lodges, and is seen by the outdoor community as the representative on climbing issues. There are many great things that NZAC does, that the wider community and members are not aware of. The Club recognises there is



a need for NZAC to be proactive and more customer aware in claiming our place. In the coming years, we intend to pursue this vigorously.

Early last year I signaled that Access is a significant issue for the climbing community. That is still the case, and it is disappointing how little progress has been made. In many cases climbers are behaving as if nothing has changed. Their focus is still on climbing where, when and how 'I' want to. In the past year, the Auckland Grammar School Rock wall (aka The Quarry) has been closed. Smiths Rock, parts of Waipapa and Motuopa remain closed. Flock Hill has access restrictions.

There are however, glimpses of change. The NZAC Access committee is mobilizing and we have had some success with permission to re-open, with restrictions, the AGS Rock wall. NZAC is committed to supporting access initiatives, but climbers need to make a paradigm shift in how they value access, and their preparedness to get involved so that future generations of climbers may enjoy the challenges that we take for granted.

Climbing crags are a precious, scarce resource. I advocate NZAC valuing and managing this resource in much the same way as we manage our extensive huts network.

Ollie Clifton will leave the Club as Executive Officer in March 2012. Ollie has been an exceptional person to work with. During his five years of service he has helped NZAC considerably to implement the Strategic Plan initiatives.

The September 2010 and February 2011 earthquakes in Christchurch have taken a tremendous toll on members and staff. I am extremely grateful for the courage and commitment of NZAC volunteers and our management team at the Home of Mountaineering. They have resolutely continued to perform for NZAC.

The last three years have been incredible for NZAC. Thank you to all those who have helped. As I depart as NZAC President, I now hand over to Stu Gray as incoming President, and wish him all the best—I hope he enjoys it as much as I have!

Peter Cammell



Obituaries

James McCahon 1921-2010 *Wellington*

George Band 1929-2011 *Honorary, Overseas*

F H Hoare 1931-2010 *Taranaki*

Bob McKegg 1938-2011 *Auckland*

Bill Drake 1941-2011 *Wellington*

Eng Wu Ong 1989-2011 *Australia*

Above Mountaineer.
Photo: Richard Young
Opposite Chris Watson and Scott
Behmes on Rome Ridge, Mt
Rolleston. Photo: Justin Venable



The Year In Retrospect

Community

The casual observer might suspect 2011 has seen more of the same for NZAC's publications. That would be no bad thing: at the time of writing, *The Climber* has reached issue 77, produced to the same high standards and with, if anything, more varied content than ever; the *New Zealand Alpine Journal* continues to be anticipated, enjoyed and treasured by Club members; The Canterbury Westland Alps guidebook completed the Club's long-standing project to describe climbing along the full length of the Southern Alps and was a successful joint project with the Canterbury Mountaineering Club. It is to be hoped this will lead to further cooperative ventures.

Look closer, however, and change—significant and exciting change—is everywhere. Start with the title of this report: no longer is this the publications portfolio but, following the adoption of the Club's new strategic plan, the part of the Club's operations charged with fostering a sense of community among climbers. This renaming is both strategic and technical. Strategic, because climbers—as a rule a somewhat waywardly individualistic bunch—need more than ever to stick together and stick up for each other in the face of an increasingly risk-averse and over-managed world. Technical, because the Club's adoption of online technologies and systems will, over time, create opportunities for all members to participate in the activities that have traditionally been the

role of the publications portfolio: sharing news, opinions, information, skills and stories.

The new version of the Club's main website, alpine-club.org.nz, went live in July. This site is only tangentially related to Club publications in the traditional sense. Older members may remember the Club's handbook, which the website initially replaced. Now, this site has become an integral part of running the Club well and will continue to grow in importance as a new membership management system is implemented later this year, and hut fees and bookings join the range of online services on offer.

Although we don't see traditional guidebooks disappearing in the near future—indeed, the Club is supporting production of a North Island 'best of' rock climbing guide to match South Island Rock Deluxe, and considering expanding its range of backcountry ski titles—the basis of guidebook provision is changing. Recording and sharing information about climbs and climbing has always been a fundamental reason for the Club's existence, and the internet makes it easier to do both.

What started as an experiment—to see if an approach based on online information management was feasible—has grown in little more than a year to more than 5000 climbing routes across the length and breadth of New Zealand. This has happened with minimal capital input from the Club and is due almost entirely to the enthusiasm and hard work of a small group of volunteers. The



information is accessible via the website ClimbNZ.org.nz; it is free for all to access, update and use non-commercially under a Creative Commons licence. The Club has worked hard to ensure that all authors and photographers whose material is collected understand and support the principles on which the site is being developed. There are already other organisations and websites that offer New Zealand climbing information online, but we believe it is essential that the Club takes a leading role in ensuring local information remains in local hands. If we sit back and let others do it for us, we will lose our central place in the New Zealand climbing world.

Collecting a massive database on information is one thing. Making the information it contains accessible and usable is quite another. Achieving this will require some financial commitment from the Club, over the next couple of years. In that regard, it is worth restating the point that the Club's guidebooks have and continue to be a mostly profitable part of its operations: yet free online availability of information will remove one of the main drivers of guidebook publishing—comprehensive availability of information—allowing a closer focus on products that provide a reasonable rate of return. These may well start to include products for smartphones, e-readers and tablets, as well as traditional books. All these value-added products will, however, increasingly depend on the information that the climbing community contributes and keeps up to date on the ClimbNZ site. It seems reasonable, therefore, that some of the income from those guidebooks should be directed towards development of

the ClimbNZ service.

The Climber magazine, too, is about to move online. Initially, a new site at climber.co.nz will focus on news and discussion, and provide a space for content that can't be accommodated within the limited confines of a paper magazine. We would also like to be able to begin the process of digitising past issues of the New Zealand Alpine Journal although, once again, this is a project with willing volunteers but some unavoidable capital outlay.

The Club is just beginning to embrace the possibilities and the challenges offered by a digitally connected world. It is certainly too soon to claim that we have more than a rudimentary sense of online community. For now, it is all about the data, about ensuring the basic systems we put in place will be able to meet the expectations we can foresee, as well, hopefully, as many that we cannot.

Richard Thomson
Community Business Manager

Events

There were plenty of NZAC events in 2010/11, kicked off by the 2010 Banff International Film Festival. In all, just over 5000 people attended the Festival, with most of the ten screenings (in Christchurch (2), Wellington (2), Auckland, Hamilton, Napier, New Plymouth, Nelson and Dunedin) being sold out. For the first time the Festival had the support of a sponsor, adventure travel company World Expeditions. The 2011 Festival of eleven screenings was spread out over three months, and again World Expeditions was involved.

The inaugural National Indoor Bouldering Series of four competitions (Christchurch, Wellington, Hamilton and Auckland) in May to August 2010 drew just over 300 competitors and proved enough of a success to warrant its repeat in 2011. The (outdoor) National Bouldering Series in February/March 2011 was not so successful, however, with numbers well down on previous years. This has prompted a rethink on how the series is to run in 2012.

In September 2010 Australian mountaineer and explorer John Muir gave a very successful and well received series of presentations in Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch, Dunedin and Wanaka. In keeping with the 'exploration' theme, world renowned Japanese explorer Tamotsu Nakamura gave a one-off presentation to a packed crowd of 170 in Christchurch in May 2011. Later in 2011, 8000m alpinist Marty Schmidt spoke to enthralled audiences in Christchurch and Auckland.

The 2010 NZAC Photographic Competition was well subscribed as always with almost 700 entrants. Numbers were down a fraction in 2011, however the standard of photography, as determined by our notoriously discerning judges, is on the up. The production of the Annual Photocamp Calendar has proved to be a success, and has become a must-do Club activity.

The annual Climbing Camp was held at Broken River Skifield in the Craighburn Range last summer, courtesy of the Canterbury Westland Section. Participants enjoyed a wide range of activities, from climbing Mt Rolleston, to mountain biking in the Craighburn Forest Park, to

bouldering at Castle Hill. We're all looking forward to the 2012 Climbing Camp based at the new and improved Unwin Lodge at Aoraki Mt Cook.

The biggest event by far in 2010 was the Freda du Faur Centenary Celebration to mark the 100 year anniversary of her climb of Aoraki Mt Cook. The event was funded by an award from the Max Foundation of \$5000. 130 people attended a presentation and afternoon tea at The Hermitage, followed by a dinner at the Old Mountaineer's Café and Bar for 70. Also as part of the celebrations was a six day alpine instruction course for women, a climb of Du Faur Peak and the production of a short film on the event. It was deemed an unqualified success and many people said they would like more such get-togethers.

Pat Deavoll
Activities and Events Coordinator

Shelter

The well loved network of Club huts and lodges around the country have had a great year, with excellent progress on many fronts. I want to first and foremost thank the Club volunteers around the country for their commitment and the time and energy they donate to keeping our accommodation assets in good shape.

One of the biggest projects undertaken by the Club in recent years is nearing completion. Unwin Lodge has had its bunkroom wing completely rebuilt, with smaller rooms and improved ablution areas. This new improved



design, combined with low maintenance modern construction, insulation, and double glazing, will provide members and other lodge users with a comfortable base from which to explore Aoraki Mt Cook National Park.

Funding for this large project has come from a variety of sources, one of which is generous low interest loans from a select group of NZAC members. This level of financial support for the Club is greatly appreciated and shows the trust and commitment that members have in our hut network. Thank you to those who have made funds available—you have turned this project from a pipe dream into reality.

The Club has recently appointed Chas Tanner and his wife Katrina McKenzie as the new Managers at Unwin Lodge—through this new position we look forward to promoting our flagship lodge location. We look forward to welcoming members and their friends back to Unwin to check out the new place. We also hope to run more instruction courses, climbing meets and other interest group meetings from the lodge.

Members in the North Island are not to be outdone, and this year has seen an entirely new lodge come into the NZAC network. Tukino Lodge is situated on the eastern side of Mt Ruapehu, and caters for climbers of all abilities, instruction groups, ski tourers, and even rock climbers in the summer months. A Wellington led group has put a massive effort into getting the project running, again with support of all types, from willing hands on working bee weekends, to financial donations to get the project underway.

Higher on Mt Ruapehu, Whangaehu Hut has been reclad and the entrance-way design improved. This work, with a contribution to the cost from DOC, will ensure that this hut is ready for use in the decades to come. A big volunteer effort by local Club members enabled this project to move through to completion. Many thanks also to the staff of both DOC and GNS who have contributed to this project.

Huts in the Aspiring Region have had extensive renovation work undertaken, with extra bracing added to French Ridge Hut, and Colin Todd hut having rot and moisture problems rectified. This work has been funded from the very successful Aspiring Agreement partnership with DOC.

While the big work described above grabs the lime-light, other huts and lodges have received good use and care via local sections and national office. Homer is as busy as ever, Arthur's Pass has seen some weekend work parties, Porter Lodge received a big spring clean, and Centennial and Pioneer are operating well.

The year ahead presents some new challenges, with top of the list being the replacement of the Ruapehu Hut sewage system this summer. A review of the Club's alpine huts in Aoraki Mt Cook also requires thought. The removal of De la Beche Hut is already confirmed, with the sub-frame remaining in place for a possible new smaller facility in the future. Murchison Hut will eventually come to the end of its life, and the Beetham Hut site still sits empty.

The accommodation team is enthusiastic and hard





working, but is always looking for new blood. If you have an interest or skills to contribute, now is an exciting time to get involved. Thanks again to those who have given their time and effort in the past year.

Richard Wesley
Shelter Business Manager

Climbing Expedition Fund

The Club has provided support to overseas expeditions and climbing trips organised by members for many years. The amount of financial assistance is entirely dependent on the level of donations made by Club members. Assistance can also take the form of a letter of introduction, endorsement of an application for sponsorship purposes and the provision of information and useful contacts. Helping members to climb overseas can give a real impetus to New Zealand mountaineers, as well as providing stimulating Section evenings and articles in the New Zealand Alpine Journal or The Climber on the return of the climbers.

This year grants were made to four expeditions, all attempting new routes:

- Ben Dare, Mike Rowe and Steven Fortune. SW face of Kusum Kanguru (6369m) and NE face of Kyajo Ri (6186m), Nepal (new route attempts).
- Christine Byrch and Pat Deavoll. NW ridge of Koh-e-Baba Tangi (6516m), Afghanistan (new route and second ascent).

- Graham Zimmerman. First ascent of Peak 12,214 from the Lacuna glacier, Alaska (with Mark Allen, USA).
- Tim Church, Yvonne Pfluger. First ascent of Xianqingqie (5867m), Litang Plateau, Sichuan.

Paul Knott

Instruction

The last 12 months has been a watershed for NZAC instruction. An accident resulting in the death of Paul McLauchlan on Mt Ruapehu in August 2010 on one of our alpine instruction courses has given the Club much to consider in how we minimise risk, and manage the safety of participants on our courses. The independent Review conducted by John Entwisle and Aaron Halstead immediately after the fatality has sharpened our focus on improving the systems and processes around our instruction programmes, with greater attention to instructor training, and management of course content such as the terrain we instruct on. The Club remains totally committed to providing instruction courses at all levels – beginner, intermediate and advanced. Indeed, the fatality on Mt Ruapehu has given NZAC the opportunity to reflect and clarify that instruction is still very much a core Club activity. Enabling skilled and active climbers is our bread and butter.

This process of improving Club instruction started in 2009 with the introduction of a National Instruction Framework to guide and align all Club instruction programmes. The implementation of the Framework has been given greater impetus in winter 2011, with most

volunteer Club instructors receiving pre-course training from Alpine 2 professionals, and being provided with subsidised first aid and avalanche awareness training. Our course coordinators have received mentoring from professionals where required, which in some cases has included “in the field” assistance. A number of Club instructors have expressed a desire to get formal instruction qualifications, which the Club has subsidised. More fundamentally, we have re-focused the scope of our beginner alpine instruction courses to teach only the basic skills of mountaineering, and teach them well. Feedback from both our volunteer instructors and course participants has been very positive. We will be working hard in the coming years to continue to improve NZAC instruction, and in particular maintain and grow our pool of skilled and competent volunteer instructors – their dedication and commitment is outstanding.

We have recently signed up for OutdoorsMark, the national outdoors safety audit programme run by Outdoors New Zealand, with the goal of having our instruction programme meet current industry standards. We are however realistic that this may take several years to achieve.

At the intermediate and advanced levels, our instruction programme has continued to go from strength to strength. Following on from the success of the inaugural Intermediate Instruction Programme in 2009, the Club again ran a series of six day High Alpine Skills Courses at Aoraki Mt Cook over the summer, instructed by qualified New Zealand Mountain Guides Association guides.

Three courses catering for 24 students were run in late January, while earlier in the summer a Mountain Skills for Women course, attended by 12 students, was run in conjunction with the Freda du Faur Centenary celebrations. A planned Advanced Alpine Skills Course at Plateau Hut was cancelled because a suitable instructor couldn't be found.

For the first time, two winter instruction courses were offered in 2010: ‘Introduction to Leading on Ice’ and ‘Introduction to Back Country Skiing.’ The Ice Climbing Course was held at Fox Glacier and run by Fox Glacier Guides staff. Twelve people attended the three day course. The five day Introduction to Back Country Skiing Course was run from Mt Olympus Ski Field and instructed by three qualified NZMGA guides. The group of 12 plus three instructors used the ski field base facilities and ventured out beyond the patrolled area every day.

These two courses were repeated again in the winter of 2011 and again received terrific feedback. Plans for this summer are for three High Alpine Skills Courses, one Mountain Skills for Women Course, an Advanced High Alpine Skills Course and an Intro to Multi Pitch Alpine Rock Climbing Course. Most courses are already full.

Climbing meets

Climbing meets are proving popular as ever with the membership, from section meets to National meets the numbers are growing every year. With lots of training courses available, members are looking to put their skills to use.

The Darrans winter meet attracted a range of climbers



to come and enjoy the ice experience, based from Homer Hut. In 2010 a bumper crowd kept organiser Alistair Walker on his toes managing hut bookings, and a new route named Reunion Invernal was established in Cirque Creek. The 2011 Darrans meet featured considerably more snow, and a few less climbers, but nonetheless a good time was had by all. It would be great to see more Kiwi climbers get down to the Darrans in July and make the most of this great annual winter climbing event.

The NZ Rock Festival had it's maiden voyage in January 2011 at Whanganui Bay. The organisers made sure they had plenty of options for the crowd to keep themselves occupied - from track maintenance, group discussions and bolting workshops, there was action a-plenty...let alone the stellar climbing to be had. NZAC looks forward to co-hosting this event again with Ngati Te Maunga in 2012.

The Australian Section has also been busy with lots of Climbers meet for both summer and winter. Attendance is up and with rock climbing season fast approaching the current meets will provide a variety of climbing around Victoria and New South Wales. New meets and training courses are currently being scheduled, with a second National Climbing Camp to be held in Australia in 2012.

Bolting Fund

The NZAC bolting fund was set up a number of years ago with the intention of replacing old bolts and belays on crags around New Zealand. This year the fund has continued to support a number of very worthwhile projects:

- Troy Stevenson for rebolting at Paynes Ford,

Takaka

- Jane Morris for rebolting and new routes on Sebastopol Bluffs, Aoraki Mt Cook
- Rob Addis for new routes at Kawakawa Bay, Lake Taupo
- Nick Craddock for a new multi-pitch route on Moirs Mate

Looking to the future, we have re-named and re-focused this fund to be the Access Fund. The focus of this fund is to promote access and help resolve access issues at climbing areas in New Zealand. Our aims are to maintain good relationships with landowners, support reopening of climbing areas where access is compromised and educate climbers about access requirements. The first round of applications are being called for in October 2011.

Ollie Clifton – Executive Officer

Pat Deavoll – Activities and Events Coordinator

Chris Brown – Climbing Business Manager

Run the Club

Executive Committee

On a monthly basis the Executive Committee meets to oversee and manage the day to day workings of the Club, especially the work of National Office. This committee provides direction based on Club Committee decisions and the Club Strategic plan, allowing any molehills to be headed off before they become mountains. The size of the issues the Committee faces is often disproportional to the number of people present – hence one of our goals

for 2012 is to ensure we have better representation of Club-wide interests on the Committee.

Staff

Last year I wrote of the tremendous input from staff, and the late nights and weekends they do for the Club. Following years of accumulated additional administration tasks, CCM approved the employed of an additional part-time Administration Assistant at National Office. In September 2011 we welcomed Narina Sutherland to the team, and the benefits are already starting to be seen with a proposal to expand the Club Travel Insurance programme and some lifting of the impossible work load our National Administrator Margaret McMahon has been carrying.

As we welcome one new staff member, we farewell another - after five years at the sharp end as Executive Officer, Ollie Clifton will “untie” from NZAC employment in March 2012. Work is now underway to find a suitable replacement following a full review of that role and its functionality.

Administration functionality

Much change is underway, and on the horizon for our administration systems at National office. A significant website upgrade in June 2011 has greatly enhanced our web capability. A replacement for our current membership database is part way through implementation as this report is completed. Our new membership system is one of a number of functions which will allow NZAC to become a more marketing orientated Club, with better understanding of our member's needs and aspirations,

and a greater ability to deliver on these.

Geoff Gabites

Chair - Executive Committee



UIAA

The Club is a founder member of UIAA (International Mountaineering and Climbing Federation). UIAA continues to face financial challenges and has had to cut its cloth considerably over the last year. It now does not have an Executive Director; this has created further challenges. The Club needs to take better advantage of the services that UIAA offers, but equally we should be prepared to contribute in areas where we have particular expertise. The coalface of the UIAA is the work of its Commissions. Currently Club members and close associates are full or corresponding members of five UIAA Commissions - Youth, Medical, Mountain Protection, Safety and Access. For more information on what UIAA is doing, visit its excellent website - <http://www.theuiaa.org>. John Nankervis represented the Club at the last General Assembly in Bormio, Italy, and will go to the 2011 General Assembly in Kathmandu, again representing the Club and also as the Oceania representative on the Management Committee. It is expected that strategic planning will be a big discussion point at these meetings.

John Nankervis

Overseas Climbing Committee

New Zealand Climbing Activity

This report covers developments in the New Zealand mountains from September 2010 to September 2011.

Perhaps the most notable climbing achievement which occurred in the New Zealand mountains in the past year was Guy McKinnon's remarkable accomplishment of completing his goal of soloing all 34 of this country's 3000m+ peaks. Guy soloed his first 3000er in 1997 and in October 2010 he summited Mt Magellan to complete his mission.

Darran Mountains

The annual NZAC Darrans Winter Meet has been the focal point for winter climbers and climbing in Fiordland for the past few years and 2011 was no exception.

During the meet, in June, Steve Fortune and Bret Shandro made the first ascent of *Behavioural Therapy* on the right hand end of the Psycopath Wall, on the North Face of Mt Talbot.

Two new lines were climbed directly above the Homer Tunnel. *Night Vision* (Ant Morgan, Jimmy Harrison, Al Walker) is a 500 metre route up an open groove system in the middle of the face and *Tunnel Vision* (Reg Measures, Anthony Garvie, Tim Steward) takes a deep gully line.

Summer activity included lots of the usual low elevation rock climbing, plus a few new routes 'up high'.

On Mt Talbot Dave Bolger and Rupert Gardiner climbed *Walking the Dog* in April. The route starts

about 70 metres to the right of *Neal's Climb* and ascends impeccable coarse grey diorite for four pitches of grade 18 followed by a final pitch of fun grade 14.

Daniel Joll, Rupert Gardiner and Erika Tovar established a new traditional route in ground-up style on the Upper North Face of Mt Moir in the Darrans. The aptly named *Old School* (5 pitches, grade 20) is situated in good company between the *Denz-Herron* and *Denz-Hudson* lines of the 70s. The climb has a similar feel to *Garden Trowel*, but is a bit more serious as both crux pitches involve pulling hard moves while run out above nasty ledges.

Dave Vass, Rich Turner and James Spears did a new route on the South East Face of Karetai, the trio climbed six pitches straight up the middle of the face.

Matteo Scoz and Carl Schiller found two new lines on the North East Buttress of Sentinel. *UraeU* is grade 15 and *New Born* is grade 13.

Nick Cradock, Murray Ball and Dave Shotwell continued their work in gifting NZ climbers with moderate well protected multi-pitch rock routes in the Darrans by bolting three 160-230m slab routes on the Shotwell Slabs in the upper Hollyford Valley.

Quite close to the Darrans is the Borland Region, near Monowai. Some new multi-pitch granite rock routes were established there during the summer by Stephen Skelton and Reese Doyle. So far five routes have been put in with the best of them being *Myriad* (3 pitches, grade 22).

Ben Dare and Guy McKinnon managed to climb an alpine line on the south face of Mt Tutoko in November 2010. The grade V/3+ climb starts from the Age Glacier and joins the upper section of the South West Ridge before avoiding the final headwall on the ridge by cutting out onto the West Face before heading to the summit.

Wakatipu

New route activity has continued at a cracking pace on the Remarkables, thanks mainly to Daniel Joll and his many and varied partners.

Daniel and Rupert Gardiner climbed the nine pitch *Thursday's Fool* (14/M4) on the South Face of Single Cone in late May. Soon after that, Daniel climbed *Sunset on Single* (16/M6) with Erika Tovar and then *Double Ds* (16/M5) with Danny Murphy on the same face in early June.

Continuing with his run of first ascent success, Daniel recruited Craig Jefferies later in the season to establish *Searching for Sumo* (M5), on the west face of Double Cone, and then, adding Danny Murphy to the team, the trio climbed *Consolation Prize* (M6) on the same face.

Toward the end of the season Daniel and Danny climbed *Recessionary Downgrade* (M5) on the Telecom Tower and then Daniel and Jamie Vinton-Boot established what is currently the most difficult traditional mixed line in the country, *Under Pressure* (M8), also on the Telecom Tower was climbed third try in the ground-up style by Daniel, followed immediately by Jamie.

During the summer months Queenstown resident Stanley Costa was busy up the Dart Valley, putting in a number of new multi-pitch rock routes on Mount Chaos.



Opposite Reese Doyle climbing at the Borland Bluffs, Southland. Photo: Stephen Skelton

The rock is apparently very good—similar to schist, but with more structural integrity.

The Remarkables also saw some summer activity. Ben Dare, Danny Murphy and Anna Ruotsi climbed the South West Spur of Single Cone for its first ascent. The route constituted seven pitches with a crux grade of 17. Ben then did a second new route in the area, this time on the South Face of Single Cone with Andrew Finnigan, seven pitches again and with a crux one notch up at grade 18.

Aoraki Mt Cook and Westland

Although every mountaineer loves to climb in Aoraki Mount Cook National Park, only two new routes have been established there in the past year. It seems new routers prefer to fill the gaps on the western névés rather than sniff out what new lines are left on the Mt Cook side. The Caroline and Sheila Faces of Aoraki were climbed, and the South Ridge was renamed the *Hillary Ridge*, so attention hasn't been completely diverted away from our highest peak.

The summer new route tally east of the divide equals one. Ben Dare and Mike Rowe found some untouched rock on the South Face of Malte Brun in February, crux grade 17. The eastern winter tally matched the summer's. Steve Fortune and Greig Hamilton made the first ascent of the South Face of Mt Sibbald from the Godley Valley in June.

And over to the west, Stuart Holloway and Felix Landman climbed *Path of Manolin* on the right side of the Abel Janszoon Face of Mt Tasman in January.

Also in January, Paul Hersey, Jamie Vinton-Boot, Shelley Hersey and Kester Brown climbed two new rock routes on the west side of Mt Walter and Daniel Joll, Erika Tovar and Rupert Gardiner climbed a new route on the West Buttress of Mt Haast.

On to the western winter, the Fox Névé saw two new routes thanks to Jono Clarke and Jamie Vinton-Boot. *Technospectacle* (IV, AI5, M7) takes a line of most resistance on the West Face of Conway Peak and is probably the most technically difficult route in the NZ mountains. *Supergroove* (III, AI4, M6) was climbed on the Marcel Face of Mt Haast shortly after. Jamie and Jono then recruited Thomas Adamson to establish a direct start to *Swimming with Sharks*, also on the Marcel Face.

Hopkins Valley and Ben Ohau Range

Jamie Vinton-Boot has spent a lot of time in the Hopkins Valley over the last year, tramping and climbing new routes, mostly with Paul Hersey.

In January, Jamie soloed the first ascent of the South West Face of Mt Williams, the hardest bit of which was grade 16.

When winter arrived, Jamie and Paul climbed *Don't Drop the Chandelier* (M5/WI4) on the South West Face of Peak 2200m, *Honey Badger* (WI3) on the west side of Rabbits Peak and *White Strike* (WI3/M4) on the west side of the Dasler Pinnacles.

In Bush Stream, Jamie teamed up with Nick Hanafin to make the first ascent of *Deformed on Palpation* (WI4), on the South Face of Mt Brown.

Ben Warrick and James Farrant also had a poke up

Bush Stream, coming away with fa honours on *Cool Running* (WI4) in The Portal area.

Marlborough

David Manning, Kieran Parsons and Vaughan Snowdon climbed a new route on Pinnacle in March. The route was horrible considering the mossy, wet and hard to protect nature of the climb. The crux was grade 15 and it is called *Not for Rock Jocks*.

Ruapehu

Jono Clarke and Diane Drayton climbed a number of new mixed routes in the Mangaturuturu Cirque during the winter. Jono climbed *Reach Exceeds Grasp* (M7), which is on the first wall you see when you arrive in the valley, along with *Roadrunner* (M6/7) on the left end of the main wall. Diane put up *Nervous Connections* (M5) on the same wall as *Reach Exceeds Grasp*. All routes are fully bolted.

Kester Brown

Paul Hersey on the first ascent of *White Strike*, Dasler Pinnacles, Hopkins Valley. Photo: Jamie Vinton-Boot





New Zealanders Overseas

2011 saw the reinstatement of another round of SPARC Hillary Expedition Fund grants. Three climbing expeditions to overseas destinations benefitted from a grant this year.

In March, Steve Fortune, Mike Rowe and Ben Dare travelled to the Khumbu region of Nepal to attempt new routes on Kyajo Ri (6186m) and Kusum Kanguru (6369m) as part of the New Zealand Solu Khumbu Alpine Style Expedition. First up, the team headed to Kyajo Ri and launched attempts on both the South West Ridge and North East Face. Unfortunately the trio were plagued by some of the worst spring weather that the area has experienced in recent years, which forced them to retreat and instead focus their attention on Kusum Kanguru. Upon arrival at their base camp site below the South West Face, they were initially greeted with conditions that, while a little thin, appeared to be climbable. That changed drastically however when, after several days of more unseasonable snowfall, the face held an almost continuous flow of avalanches, rendering their intended line much too dangerous to attempt. So after reassessing the situation, the team opted for a change of objective and struck out up a mixed rock rib on the far left-hand side of the face below the West Peak. That route presented them with approximately 1000 metres of mixed snow and rock with a crux grade of around M5 on what they believe to be a new route.

The other two expeditions to receive SPARC funding are, as at the time of writing, currently part way through

their trips. Those two expeditions are Speedfly8000 and Blondinis on Tour.

The goal of Mal Haskins and the Speedfly8000 expedition is to ski tour and climb Manaslu in Nepal to make the first speedflying descent of an 8000m peak.

Tim Church and Yvonne Pfluger (Blondinis on Tour) have their sights set on unclimbed peaks in the Shaluli Shan Range in Sichuan, south-west China.

Tim and Yvonne will aim for a cluster of 5700-5800m peaks located northwest of Yangmolong Massif and south of the Sichuan-Tibet highway, with their first objective being the 5867m Xianqingqieke.

New Zealanders have also completed successful expeditions sans SPARC grants.

On 9 August Pat Deavoll and Christine Byrch made the second ascent of Koh-e-Baba-Tangi, in Afghanistan (6516m) via the previously unclimbed North West Ridge.

Baba-Tangi, or Jade Peak in the local dialect, is the highest peak in the eastern sector of the Afghan Hindu Kush. Pat and Christine reached the summit after five days of climbing. They spent the first day ascending a 500 metre ice face of 60-80 degrees before camping on a small col. The next two days took them up steep ice leads and they were forced to haul their packs for much of the time. At the end of the third day they reached a point where they could access a wide snow shelf running beneath the summit. They gained the top the next morning after six hours of climbing and were treated to fantastic views south into Pakistan, north into Tajikistan and

Opposite Christine Byrch on Koh-e-Baba-Tangi, Afghanistan.
Photo: Pat Deavoll



Above Mike Rowe on the lower North East Face of Kyajo Ri with Machermo Peak dominating the background. Photo: Steve Fortune.
Facing Page *Sagamartha Storm*, NZAC Photographic Competition Alpine General Honours. Photo: Andrew Peacock.

east into China. Over the next two days they descended the West Ridge and reached basecamp on 11 August.

Back in October 2010, Pat was in India to attempt the first ascent of the West Face of Vasuki Parbat, in the Garwhal Himalaya. Pat retreated from part way up the face, but her team-mates (Malcolm Bass and Paul Figg) went on to summit.

The perpetually motivated Kiwi/American alpinist Graham Zimmerman has had another successful Alaskan season with partner Mark Allen (USA). Under the expedition banner Pirates of Rad, the pair based themselves on the Kahiltna Glacier for a month, during which time they made the first ascent of Peak 12,214 (which they later dubbed Voyager Peak) from the Lacuna Glacier.

Graham and Mark climbed the South Face of Voyager Peak to the South East Ridge three times in total, reaching the summit on their third attempt via the central couloir.

Also in Alaska, father and son team Marty Schmidt and Denali Schmidt established a major new route on Mt Denali—the last ridge to be climbed on the South Face of Denali in the north-east fork of the Kahiltna Glacier. The pair named the route *The Dad and Son Route* and rated it Alaskan grade 5, 5.10, M7, AI5. Marty and Denali completed the climb in one push of 29 hours.

During May, Marc Scaife, Kynan Bazley and Christine Byrch climbed Mt Logan, the highest peak in Canada, via the mountain’s *King Trench* route.

In April, Paul Knott made a return visit to the Johns Hopkins Glacier in the Fairweather Range with Vaughan Snowdon. This glacier had not been accessed at all by climbers until Paul’s 2009 trip with Guy McKinnon. Paul and Vaughan spent five days attempting the unclimbed North Ridge of Mt Orville (10,495ft or 3199m), but retreated from a foresummit at 8074ft due to deteriorating weather and the 2.7km of exposed and committing ridge ahead. After that Paul and Vaughan investigated some striking and mostly unexplored granite peaks south of Mt Abbe, but encountered very poor snow conditions and retreated from the final summit pinnacle of Peak c.7400ft. The Fairweathers are a stunning range but the terrain can make for difficult access and the area has a reputation for maritime storms.

Kester Brown



Treasurer's Report

The Unwin Redevelopment Project has been a major focus this financial year, with receipt of Member and Section Loans, and loan applications to complete the project funding. The generosity of members made the project achievable and has been very much appreciated at a time of financial uncertainty worldwide. Development Fund contributions in the form of donations and loans from Sections have also been instrumental in securing sufficient funding for this project. These contributions are detailed in Note 8 of the Financial Statements. The Club approached SBS Bank and has formed a good working relationship, investing Member loans in short term deposits until required for Project payment. As a result SBS Bank favourably considered our application for a \$125,000 loan to complete the capital raising for the Unwin Project. We were also lucky to win two \$1000 prizes from SBS as part of their local community club prize draws.

Further loan repayments of \$16,408 were made to the Canterbury Community Trust (CCT) for the Home of Mountaineering loan. The focus for future management of the CCT and SBS loans is important as we ensure principal and interest payments are made on time, while also managing timely interest payments to Members for their loans and planning cashflow requirements for their future repayment.

The Profit for the year is greatly exaggerated by contributions from Sections for the Development Fund. It is

appropriate these funds are recognised as income as there is no obligation to repay these funds unless excess funding exists and Sections request repayment for a particular purpose, meeting the objectives of the strategic plan. Net operating deficit before contributions from Sections is \$507, which compares favourably with the budgeted deficit of \$9,800. SPARC funding of \$53,000 was received during the year, and this has been a vital part of funding for our instruction programme. We have guaranteed funding from SPARC for the next two years. An increase in Members use of travel insurance, a successful instruction programme, a grant of \$20,000 towards the Unwin Project from Mid and South Canterbury Community Trust, and an unexpected refund of overpaid power charges at Unwin of just over \$21,000 have been major contributors to achieving a balanced result.

Greater than usual repairs and maintenance for the Aspiring Alpine Huts have impacted negatively on the result. It is however worth noting the support from both the Department of Conservation in Wanaka, and the NZAC Otago Section—without their support the impact on the Aspiring Huts Fund would have been much worse. Interest on term investments at SBS added \$20,000 to interest income, while all interest due on Members Loans has been accounted for by payment or accrual to Balance Date.

In addition to the Unwin Redevelopment Project, further capital expenditure on Whangaehu and Homer

Huts, continuing website upgrading, and replacing computer equipment at National Office was also undertaken.

Once again we have opted for a Review by Ashton, Wheelans and Hegan, rather than an audit. It is still considered better value for the Club at present, with a better emphasis on our processes and controls rather than a full audit which will always be qualified due to requirements which we are unable to meet e.g. annual valuations of huts.

Significant commitments have been made this year, and these will impact on the future direction of the Club. The Club has invested significantly in Unwin Lodge, and it's financial success is now vital. Financially, the Club remains sound, but careful management of funds is imperative to maintain our strong cashflow requirements.

*Gillian Crombie
Honorary Treasurer*





INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REVIEW REPORT
To the Members of the **New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated**

We have reviewed the financial statements of the New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2011 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of the club and its financial position as at 30 June 2011.

Club Committee's Responsibilities

The Club Committee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which fairly presents the financial position of the club and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Basis of Opinion

A review is limited primarily to enquiries of the club's personnel and analytical review procedures applied to the financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Review Opinion

Based on our review, we make the following observations:

- The Club's accounting policy for revenue recognition of subscription income is on a cash basis. Generally accepted accounting practice requires the matching of income and expenses, and these financial statements do not incorporate any adjustment for subscription income received at balance date which proportionally relates to periods past 30 June 2011.
- There is no system of control over income received in cash except for grants which we could rely for the purpose of our review and there were no satisfactory review procedures that we could adopt to confirm independently that all cash income was properly recorded.
- The Club's accounting policy is to revalue its club based lodges to government valuation. This policy is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice which requires the revaluation of fixed assets to be done by independent valuation. There were no changes in valuations in 2011.

Other than with respect to the matters outlined above nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying financial statements on pages 28 to 34 do not fairly reflect the financial position as at 30 June 2011 and results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

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Jamie Vinton-Boot climbing the West Rib of Mt Walter, Aoraki Mt Cook National Park. Photo: Kester Brown

Statement of Financial Performance

For Year Ended 30 June 2011

These financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts (page 32).

	12 Months ending 30 June 2011	12 Months ending 30 June 2010
	\$	\$
OPERATING INCOME		
Members Income		
Subscriptions	209,464	212,953
Section Levy	23,844	25,247
	233,308	238,200
Publications		
Climber	58,546	64,832
Journal	6,597	1,835
Club Publications	53,081	57,733
General Guidebook Publications	23,624	24,218
	141,848	148,618
Accommodation		
Base Lodges	84,445	114,757
Aoraki Mt Cook Alpine Huts	2,140	2,566
Westland Alpine Huts	18,952	23,746
Aspiring Alpine Huts	55,917	73,369
Backcountry Huts	477	898
Reciprocal	800	2,800
Donations and Grants	145,498	98,697
Interest	23,636	5,969
	331,865	322,802
Club Activities		
National Grants	53,000	50,000
Travel Insurance	101,970	77,939
Expedition Fund	3,942	3,532
Rockclimbing Fund	1,517	1,434
Annual Climbing Camp	2,128	3,786
Banff Film Festival	25,738	32,903
National and Section Instruction	49,244	17,445
Rockclimbing General	4,835	3,572
National Speaker Tour	11,468	11,003
Other National Events	17,889	11,570
DOW Hall Publications Fund	912	2,167
Other Donations, Grants and Bequests	704	857
Interest	631	406
	273,978	216,614
Administration		
Publications Postage Recovered	6,984	6,661
Interest	542	521
	7,526	7,182
	988,525	933,416
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME		
		UNAUDITED

These Financial Statements are unaudited; they should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes to the accounts and the independent accountant's Review Report

The New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated
Statement of Financial Performance for Year Ended 30 June 2011

	12 Months ending 30 June 2011	12 Months ending 30 June 2010
OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
Publications		
Climber	50,186	65,648
Journal	28,366	27,174
Club Publications	29,787	37,064
General Guidebook Publications	26,441	24,015
National Office admin cost	93,638	87,408
	228,418	241,309
Accommodation		
General Costs	4,887	1,181
Base Lodges	37,555	75,390
Aoraki Mt Cook Alpine Huts	5,273	5,693
Westland Alpine Huts	21,149	23,199
Aspiring Alpine Huts	76,176	63,986
Backcountry Huts	1,890	1,912
Reciprocal	619	2,259
Depreciation Buildings	79,240	77,262
National Office admin cost	34,624	31,668
	261,413	282,550
Club Activities		
Committee Expenses	9,691	13,371
National Instruction	34,856	20,915
Section Instruction	3,258	4,850
Expedition Fund Grants	4,520	5,025
Recreation Advocacy	240	520
Annual Climbing Camp	2,955	3,213
Banff Film Festival	26,197	34,473
Photo Competition	90	1,137
Travel Insurance	85,179	67,187
FMC Subscription	8,307	8,000
UIAA Subscription	5,581	6,359
Other subscriptions	150	150
Rockclimbing	4,131	2,919
Rockclimbing Fund Grants	1,400	1,010
DOW Hall Publications Fund Grants	2,828	0
Bouldering Competition	5,830	6,513
National Speaker Tour	7,399	10,121
General National Events	12,943	4,651
National Library	97	462
National Office admin cost - Activities	75,193	69,580
	290,845	260,456
Subscriptions		
Section Levies	22,842	22,279
National office admin costs - Subscriptions	39,377	37,578
	62,219	59,857
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The New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated
Statement of Financial Performance for Year Ended 30 June 2011

	12 Months ending 30 June 2011	12 Months ending 30 June 2010
Administration		
Salaries	187,991	186,048
Postage	15,025	12,426
Standing Charges - Rates, Insurance, Power	5,997	6,453
Depreciation - Office Equipment	16,627	10,060
Telephone and Tolls	4,007	3,635
Printing and Stationery	10,428	10,277
Audit Fees	2,900	3,044
Bad Debts	0	759
Bank Fees	11,246	9,236
Computer	5,931	2,637
Mortgage Interest Charges	8,338	3,205
General	4,811	3,763
Home of Mountaineering Depreciation Expense	12,669	12,669
less National Office admin costs apportioned	(242,833)	(226,235)
	43,137	37,977

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE

886,033 882,150

Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)

102,493 51,266

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Statement of Movements in Equity

For Year Ended 30 June 2011

	30 June 2011 \$	30 June 2010 \$
Equity as at 1 July 2010	1,467,308	1,416,041
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	102,493	51,266
Total Recognised Revenues and Expenses for the Year	102,493	51,266
Equity as at 30 June 2011	1,569,801	1,467,308

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2011

FUNDS AND RESERVES

	30 June 2011 \$	30 June 2010 \$
Expedition Fund	8	13,775
Club Hut Fund	8	85,840
Development Fund	8	136,000
Aoraki Mt Cook Hut Fund	8	1,158
Westland Hut Fund	8	35,463
Aspiring Hut Fund	8	15,969
DOW Hall Publications Fund	8	6,864
Rockclimbing Fund	8	3,734
Total Club Funds	298,803	336,709
Hut Revaluation Reserve	704,000	704,000
Opening Accumulated Funds	510,745	459,478
Fund Movements	(46,239)	(84,145)
Current Year Earnings	102,493	51,266
Closing Accumulated Funds	566,999	426,599

TOTAL FUNDS & RESERVES

1,569,801 1,467,308

Represented by:

NET ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash at Bank	514,345	381,690
Debtors & Accruals	52,550	38,188
GST Refund Due	12,789	0
Stock	55,927	59,978
	635,611	479,856

Less Current Liabilities

Creditors and Accruals	65,707	49,830
GST Payable	0	9,125
Non Current Liabilities - Current Portion	24,898	16,399
	90,605	75,352

Net Working Capital

545,006 404,503

Fixed Assets

Huts, Lodges and Buildings	1,240,393	1,129,216
Sundry Assets	74,244	63,336
	1,314,636	1,192,552

Less Non Current Liabilities

Member Loans	225,000	48,000
Canterbury Community Trust Loan - Term Portion	64,841	81,748
	289,841	129,748

TOTAL NET ASSETS

1,569,801 1,467,308

These financial statements were approved by the Executive Committee on 6 October 2011.

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Notes to the Financial Statement

For Year Ended 30 June 2011

1) Constitution and Activities.

The New Zealand Alpine Club (Inc) was established in 1891 to "encourage mountaineering, rock climbing and allied activities and the enjoyment and conservation of mountain and rock climbing regions; and to bring together those interested in climbing".

The Club provides services to members as either part of their membership entitlement or on a fee paying basis. Membership services include the receipt of the NZ Alpine Journal, four copies of The Climber, membership to FMC, reduced rates for guidebooks, Club huts & climbing walls, subsidised instruction courses, climbing camps, various competitions, supports for overseas expeditions and access to the Club library and archives. The Club owns and operates 18 mountain huts for its members, and publishes many climbing guides.

There have been no changes in the nature of the Club's activities for the period ended 30 June 2011.

2) Statement of Accounting Policies.

Reporting Entity

The New Zealand Alpine Club is an incorporated society registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

Measurement Base

These financial statements are a general purpose report and comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice except certain income streams are recorded on a cash basis (refer to revenue accounting policy) and the revaluations of the club base lodges which are based on government valuation where available.

Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies that materially affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position have been applied:

Revenue Accounting Policy

Revenue is recognised on an accruals basis except for the following income streams:

- 1) Subscriptions - on a cash received basis
- 2) Hut income - on a cash received basis
- 3) Grants - if for a specific purpose, then deferred until the conditions are satisfied
- 4) Donations - on a cash received basis (including Bariff funds)

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at their estimated net realisable value.

Stock

Stock is recorded at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Income Tax

No income tax is accounted for as the Club has an Income Tax exemption from Inland Revenue Department.

Differential Reporting

The Club is a qualifying entity within the Framework for Differential Reporting. The Club qualifies on the basis that it is not large according to Differential Reporting exemption criteria. The Club has taken advantage of all differential reporting concessions.

Fixed Assets

Club base huts with a government valuation available are recorded at this value as at 2005. All other fixed assets are recorded at cost, less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation

Depreciation has been charged on a straight line basis at the following rates:

Club Huts	5%	SL
Office Equipment	33%	SL
Fixtures & Fittings	10%	SL
Computer Equipment	40%	SL
Website	30%	SL
Library Books	Not Depreciated	

Goods and Services Tax.

These financial statements are prepared on a GST exclusive basis except for debtors and creditors balances which are recorded inclusive of GST where appropriate.

Donated Goods & Services

The work of the Club is dependent on the substantial voluntary services of many members. As these services are generally not purchased by the Club and because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, donated goods & services are not recognised.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes to accounting policy this year. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with prior periods.

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The New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated
Notes to the Financial Statement for the Year Ending 30 June 2011

3) Members Loans

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Home of Mountaineering	8,000	18,000
Unwin Redevelopment Project	225,000	30,000
	233,000	48,000

Members loans totalling \$95,000 (2010 \$18,000) provided for the Home of Mountaineering project are on an interest free basis. As requested by a member, on 9 July 2010 \$10,000 was transferred to Unwin Development Project at nil interest for 10 years.

Members loans totalling \$225,000 (2010 \$30,000) were received towards the Unwin Redevelopment Project. Interest is payable 6 monthly from 9 July 2010 at 3% per annum.

All loans are un-secured, and payment terms non-current.

4) Canterbury Community Trust Loan

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Current	16,898	16,399
Non-Current	64,841	81,748
Total	81,739	98,147

5) Fixed Assets

	Cost or Valuation	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Book Value
Land	75,786	0	75,786
Buildings	2,064,152	899,545	1,164,607
Total Land and Buildings	2,139,938	899,545	1,240,393
Fixtures & Fittings	10,496	4,398	6,098
Computer Equipment	44,496	38,528	5,968
Website	50,043	17,866	32,177
Library Books	30,000	0	30,000
Total Sundry Assets	135,036	60,792	74,244
Total Fixed Assets	2,274,973	960,337	1,314,636

6) Operating Lease Commitments

The Club has lease commitments to Department of Conservation for Annual Fees for Homer Hut, Ruapehu Hut, and the Westland, Aspiring and Mt Cook Huts, and Porter Lodge land. In June 2009 a photocopier lease was entered into for 48 months.

	2011	2010
	\$	\$
Current	7,831	7,831
Non-current	12,758	17,049
	20,589	24,880

7) Grants

The Club gratefully acknowledges the support of Sport and Recreation New Zealand (SPARC). For the current financial year funding of \$53,000 was received. This is the first years payments of SPARC funding totalling \$149,000 for the years 2011-2013.

8) Club Fund Movements

	Expedition	Club Hut	Aoraki Mt Cook Huts	Westland Huts	Aspiring Huts	DOW Hall Publications	Rockclimbing	Total
Opening Balance at 1 July 2010	14,014	213,654	1,058	34,396	28,482	8,573	3,532	303,709
Movements into Funds:								
Members Donations	3,942	15,677				912	1,517	22,048
Section Donations		20,000						6,848
Grants Received		12,474	0	(2,197)	(12,513)			20,000
Hut Reserve Transfer	339	20,272	100	3,264		207	85	24,267
Interest	4,281	75,271	100	1,067	(12,513)	1,119	1,602	70,927
Total Movements In								
	(4,520)				(2,828)	(1,400)	(8,748)	
Movements out of Funds:								
Grants Made	(4,520)	(203,086)	0	0	0	(2,828)	(1,400)	(203,086)
Capital Expenditure on Huts								(211,834)
Total Movements Out								
	13,775	85,840	1,158	35,463	15,969	6,864	3,734	182,803
Balance as at 30 June 2011								

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A Taranaki Sunrise. NZAC
Photographic Competition Youth
Acceptance. Photo: Joshua Taylor

Appendix 4: Annual General Meeting 2011

Friday 4 November, 7pm at the Cashmere Club, 88 Hunter Terrace
(main entrance off Colombo Street), Christchurch.

Agenda:

- 1. Apologies
- 2. Proxies
- 3. Confirmation of the minutes of the 2010 AGM
- 4. Presentation of the President’s Report
- 5. Obituaries
- 6. Summary and Questions from other items in the Annual Report
- 7. Presentation of the Financial Report

- 8. Election of Club Officers:
 - Honorary Secretary
 - Honorary Treasurer
 - Publications Subcommittee Convener
 - Accommodation Subcommittee Convener
 - Executive Subcommittee Convener
- 9. Appointment of Auditor
- 10. NZAC Volunteer of the Year Award
- 11. General Business
- 12. Panel discussion: ‘Where are overseas climbing expeditions going in the next 10 years?’

Proxy Form

If you are a member of the Club and are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting you are still able to have your vote heard by giving another member the ability to use your vote. This is called a Proxy Vote and simply requires you nominate somebody else that is at the meeting to have your vote as well. This is often the chairperson of the meeting.

Club Rules Concerning Proxy Votes

Rule 21b: Any member unable to attend a general meeting may vote by proxy, written notice of which must be received by the national office by the day before the meeting.

Rule 21c: A proxy vote must nominate another club member attending the meeting to act on the person’s behalf.

PROXY VOTE FORM

Full Name

Membership Number

Section

Name of Appointed Proxy

This information needs to be posted, faxed or emailed to the national office by the day before the meeting.

Appendix 5: Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting of the New Zealand Alpine Club held on Friday 15 October 2010 at 7pm at the YMCA, Hereford St, Christchurch

1. Attendance
The President, Peter Cammell, presided over a meeting of 38, which grew to over 50 with latecomers.

2. Apologies:
Steve Schreiber
Darryl Carpenter
Mark Inglis
Shaun Norman
Rob Mitchell
Richard Davies
Gillian Crombie
Paul McCullaugh
John Nankervis
Judy Reid
It was moved: “That the apologies be accepted.”
Nick Shearer/John Palmer CARRIED

3. Introduction
The President, Peter Cammell, welcomed all present and noted there would be a debate following the meeting entitled “Should the South

Ridge of Mt Cook be named the Hillary Ridge?”

4. Obituaries
Peter Cammell read out a list of Club members known to have died during the past year and a minute’s silence was observed by the meeting.

5. Confirmation of Minutes
It was moved: “That the minutes of the 2009 AGM of the Club be accepted as a true and accurate record.”
James Wright/Brian Alder CARRIED
There were no matters arising from these minutes.

6. President’s Report
Peter Cammell presented his report, summarising key points from the written annual report. In response to questions from the floor, Peter spoke on Access issues and Unwin funding. Peter expressed his thanks to NZAC’s partner organisations:
- SPARC, for core funding instruction for the next 3 years
- MSC for instruction, with thanks to Leonce Jones for attending
- FMC, for advocacy
- NZMGA, for instruction
- Canterbury Community Trust, for the HOM

loan
7. Financial Report
Ollie Clifton presented the statement of financial position.
It was moved: “That the financial report for the 2009 – 2010 year be adopted.”
John Jordan/Chris Short CARRIED

8. Appointment of Auditors
It was moved: “That the auditors Ashton, Wheelans and Hegan be appointed for the coming year.”
Peter Cammell/Ross Cullen CARRIED

9. Election of Officers
The following nominations for office bearers were received:
Honorary Secretary – Helen Wilton
James Wright/Geoff Gabites
Honorary Treasurer – Gillian Crombie
Geoff Gabites/Ross Cullen
Publications Convenor – John Palmer
James Wright/ Chris Short
Accommodation Convenor – Richard Wesley
Tony Clarke/Dave Bamford
Executive Subcommittee Convenor – Geoff Gabites
John Palmer/ Chris Short

All nominations were CARRIED

10. NZAC Volunteer of the Year Award
The ice axe trophy and certificate were awarded this year to Chris Munro of the Auckland Section. The award was presented by Ollie Clifton and accepted on Chris’s behalf by Magnus Hammarsal.

11. General Business
There was no general business.

Peter Cammell closed the meeting at 8pm.

Chiara Cianciolo on *Spurt* (24), Froggatt Edge, Waikato.
Photo: James Mitchell



Appendix 6: New Zealand Alpine Club Incorporated Rules

NAME

1. The name of the Club shall be the New Zealand Alpine Club (Incorporated).

OBJECTS

2. a. The objects of the Club are to encourage mountaineering, rock climbing and allied activities and the enjoyment and conservation of mountain and rock climbing regions; and to bring together those interested in climbing.
- b. The Club aims to provide services for climbers, protect the interests and safety of climbers, and promote climbing activities.

MEMBERSHIP

3. Classes and Entitlement
- a. The Club shall consist of life, honorary and subscribing Members, all of whom are entitled to attend and vote at general meetings and take part in all Club activities.
- b. Subscribing Members shall be issued with a current Club membership card on payment of their annual Club subscription.

4. Applications for Membership

- a. The Club shall have a standard form to be completed for membership application.
- b. The completed form and the accompanying payment for the annual subscription shall be forwarded to the National Office for processing at which point the applicant shall be deemed a Member of the Club.

5. Life and Honorary Members

- a. Upon the recommendation of a committee of the President and not less than three past Presidents convened by the President, the Club Committee may elect to life membership any member who has made an outstanding contribution to mountaineering or rock climbing or to the Club; and to honorary membership any person distinguished in mountaineering or rock climbing or related activities.
- b. Life and honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of subscriptions but shall be issued with current Club membership cards and shall enjoy all rights of membership.

6. Resignations

Any Member may resign from the Club by giving the National Office written or email notice.

7. Expulsion

After first giving the person an opportunity of being heard, the Club Committee may reprimand, suspend for any period, or expel from the Club, any Member who in the Club Committee’s judgment has wilfully infringed these Rules or any Regulation made thereunder or is guilty of conduct rendering that person unfit to be in the Club.

SECTIONS

8. Formation of sections

- a. Geographically based Sections may be set up by the Club Committee, which shall have power to approve additional Sections or alter or disband

existing Sections.

- b. A Member who does not reside in New Zealand or Australia shall be deemed to be an overseas Member unless electing in writing to remain a Member of a section.
- c. Each Section shall be managed by a Section Committee consisting of a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Honorary Secretary and/or Honorary Treasurer and a Committee of not less than three, elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Section.

9. Section Rules and Voting

- a. Sections shall hold Annual General Meetings at least one calendar month before the Club’s Annual General Meeting, for the purpose of electing section officers. Annual reports and financial statements shall also be presented at section Annual General Meetings, and sent to National Office as soon as possible thereafter.
- b. Sections may make their own rules, which shall not be inconsistent with these Rules.
- c. Members shall have the right to vote at meetings of the Section to which they belong.
- d. Section officers and committee members must be section Members.

MANAGEMENT

10. Club Committee

- a. The power of overall management, direction and policy making for the Club shall be vested in the Club Committee.
- b. The Club Committee shall comprise the

President, Immediate Past President (for the year immediately following his/her last year of office as President), President Elect (once appointed), Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, conveners of standing subcommittees and section representatives. Club Committee meetings shall be chaired by the President, or in his/her absence by the President-Elect, or the Immediate Past President, or such other person as the meeting decides. The Chairperson shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

c. The Club Committee shall meet face to face at least twice a year, and may also meet as required by means of telephone or video conferencing.

e. Twelve members of the Club Committee shall form a quorum.

f. The agenda and papers for Club Committee meetings shall be sent to section representatives at least one calendar month before the meeting date.

11. Subcommittees and Conveners

- a. There shall be four standing subcommittees of the Club Committee: Finance, Executive, Accommodation and Publications. The Convener of the Finance Subcommittee shall be the Honorary Treasurer. The Conveners of the other three standing subcommittees shall be elected officers of the Club, and ex officio members of the Club Committee.
- b. The Finance Subcommittee shall oversee the Club’s investments and financial position; ensure that Club Committee members receive timely, comprehensive and clear financial statements and projections at least on a quarterly basis; ensure the Club’s compliance with all taxation requirements

and any other legislation relating to financial matters; and advise the other subcommittees and the Executive Officer. The Finance Subcommittee shall, in addition to the Convener, be the President and three other Club Members appointed by the Club Committee on the recommendation of the Honorary Treasurer.

c. The Executive Subcommittee shall oversee the work of Club’s Executive Officer; ensure that the National Office as a whole acts within these rules and the directives, policies, strategies, plans and budgets adopted by the Club Committee, and ensure the Club’s compliance with all legal requirements relating to employment and workplace safety. The Executive Subcommittee shall, in addition to the Convener, be the President, the Immediate Past President or the President-Elect, the Honorary Treasurer, the Honorary Secretary and two other Club Members appointed by the Club Committee on the recommendation of the Executive Subcommittee Convener.

d. The Accommodation Subcommittee shall oversee the management of the Club’s capital assets, and ensure that their integrity and value to the Club are enhanced by adequate short and long term plans for maintenance and repair; and plan for the construction of new buildings. With the Finance Subcommittee, the Accommodation Subcommittee shall develop long term financial strategies as part of these plans. The Accommodation Subcommittee shall, in addition to the Convener, be representatives of any sections which have buildings undergoing major works in their areas, and other Club Members (up to a total of seven) appointed by the Club Committee

on the recommendation of the Accommodation Subcommittee Convener.

e. The Publications Subcommittee shall oversee the Club’s publications, and ensure the timely production of quality books, guidebooks, magazines and journals relating to climbing. The Publications Subcommittee shall, in addition to the Convener, be four Club Members appointed by the Club Committee on the recommendation of the Publications Subcommittee Convener.

f. The Club Committee may specify tasks or responsibilities for the standing subcommittees in addition to those specified in these rules.

g. The Club Committee may set up other subcommittees for specified purposes, and appoint conveners and members for them. These conveners shall as far as possible be section representatives, and shall not otherwise be ex officio members of the Club Committee.

h. Conveners may co-opt other members to their subcommittees as required.

i. Subcommittees may advise and make recommendations to the Club Committee within their areas of responsibility, and shall also advise the Executive Officer as required, but cannot make decisions which bind the Club outside of the directives, policies, strategies, plans and budgets adopted by the Club Committee.

j. Conveners of standing and other subcommittees may meet together as convened by the President to discuss and formulate recommendations to the Club Committee about the overall activities of the Club and the priority to be given to these activities, and the short and longer term financial implications of their recommendations.

OFFICERS

12. President

a. The Club shall have a President who shall serve for a two year term commencing immediately after the Annual General Meeting and ending at the close of the Annual General Meeting two years later.

b. Should the office of President fall vacant the Club Committee shall appoint the President Elect President for a term expiring at the close of the third Annual General Meeting after the appointment. If there is no President Elect the Club Committee shall appoint as President one of the Vice Presidents for a term expiring at the close of the third Annual General Meeting, or such shorter term as it may determine.

c. The President shall be a member ex officio of all Section Committees of the Club.

d. The President shall ensure that the Club fulfils the Objects in Rule 2 and acts within these Rules and the directives, policies, strategies, plans and budgets adopted by the Club Committee.

13. President Elect and Immediate Past President

a. For the year prior to the termination of a President's term of office, the Club shall have a President-Elect, who shall become the President at the end of that year. For the year following the termination of a President's term of office, he/she will be Immediate Past President.

b. The President-Elect and the Immediate Past President shall ex officio be members of the Committee of the Section to which they belong.

14. Vice Presidents

The Club shall have two Vice-Presidents, one for the North Island and one for the South Island, with special responsibilities for assisting and acting on behalf of the President as requested, maintaining contact and cooperation between sections in their areas, and supporting sections in need of assistance.

15. Section Representatives

a. Each section shall have one representative on the Club Committee.

b. Section representatives must belong to the section they represent, and shall ex officio be members of their section committees.

c. Section representatives shall have one or more votes, in accordance with the following formula:
Up to 200 section members: 1 vote
200 and up to 400 section members: 2 votes
400 or more members: 3 votes

d. Section representatives shall ascertain their sections' views on significant matters to be discussed at the Club Committee Meeting and convey those views to the Meeting, and report on the meeting to their sections; and shall, at all other times, act as liaison between their sections and the National Office.

e. Section representatives as members of the Club Committee shall act in a manner which they believe is in the best interests of the Club.

16. Election and Appointment of Officers

a. The President-Elect shall be elected at the Club Committee meeting held in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting one year prior to end of the President's term of office.

b. The Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and the Executive, Accommodation and Publications Conveners shall be elected for the ensuing year at the Annual General Meeting, and may be re-elected annually, for a maximum period of five years.

c. Any Member may nominate a candidate for the positions in 16.b by sending, with the candidate's prior consent, a nomination to the National Office at least one calendar month prior to the Meeting at which the election is to take place, but no Member may be nominated for or elected to more than one of these positions.

d. The Club Committee may fill until the next Annual General Meeting a vacancy occurring for any of the positions in 16.b.

e. Section representatives shall be elected by their sections, at the section Annual General Meeting. The Section Committee may fill until the next section Annual General Meeting a vacancy occurring in this position. Section representatives shall hold office for a minimum of two and a maximum of five years.

f. Vice-presidents shall be appointed by the Club Committee on the recommendation of the President, and must be section representatives at the time of their appointment

g. Conveners of subcommittees that are not standing subcommittees shall be appointed by the Club Committee, and shall as far as possible be section representatives at the time of their appointment, but will not otherwise be members of the Club Committee.

h. All officers under this Rule must be Club Members when nominated and while holding office.

17. The Executive Officer and National Office

a. The Executive Subcommittee may, after consultation with the Club Committee, appoint an Executive Officer to be responsible, under the Executive Subcommittee's supervision, for the day to day operation of the Club within these rules and the directives, policies, strategies, plans and budgets adopted by the Club Committee.

b. The Executive Subcommittee shall, subject to consultation with the Club Committee, develop and maintain a schedule of duties, delegations and performance criteria for the Executive Officer.

c. The Executive Subcommittee shall review the performance of the Executive Officer at least annually, and shall, subject to consultation with the Club Committee, make any salary adjustment or take any other action (including disciplinary action) that may be necessary arising from this review, or any other performance-related matter or work misconduct.

d. The Executive Officer shall review the performance of National Office staff at least annually and shall ,subject to consultation with the Executive Subcommittee, have the authority to make any salary adjustment within the year's budget, or take any other action (including disciplinary action) which may be necessary arising from these reviews, or any other performance-related matter or work misconduct.

18. General meetings

a. The Club shall hold an Annual General Meeting as soon as possible after the end of its financial year for the election of officers for the ensuing year, the presentation of the annual report and

financial statements and other business.

b. The Club Committee may at any time call a General Meeting of the Club.

c. A General Meeting shall be called upon a requisition to the National Office signed by 25 Members specifying the resolutions to be moved at the meeting requisitioned. Notices of the meeting shall be posted within 21 days of the National Office receiving the requisition. The General Meeting shall be held within 60 days of the receipt of the requisition.

19. General Meeting Notice and Quorum

a. At least one calendar month's notice of a General Meeting (including an Annual General Meeting) shall be sent by mail, fax or email to every Member stating the time and place, and the business to be transacted at, the meeting.

b. Three Members present at a General Meeting may elect a Chairperson and adjourn the meeting but no business shall be transacted unless 25 Members are present.

20. General Meeting Chairperson

a. At all General Meetings of the Club the chair shall be taken by the President or, in the President's absence by the President-Elect or by one of the Vice Presidents. If within 15 minutes of the time the meeting was notified to begin neither the President, the President-Elect, nor any of the Vice Presidents are present, the meeting shall elect a chairperson from Members present.

b. The Chairperson shall have an original as well as a casting vote.

21. Voting and Proxies

a. Voting at a general meeting shall be by a show of hands or, if either the Chairperson thinks it necessary or it is requested from the floor, by a secret ballot.

b. Any Member unable to attend a general meeting may vote by proxy, written notice of which must be received in the National Office by post or fax by the day before the meeting.

c. A proxy vote must nominate another Club Member attending the meeting to act on that person's behalf.

22. Postal Voting

a. On receiving a written requisition for a postal ballot signed by 25 Members and identifying the issue to be voted on at least 21 days before a General Meeting, National Office shall immediately send out ballot papers to all Members.

b. Ballot papers sent to Members shall clearly indicate the question to be voted on, the manner of voting and the date by which votes must be received by the National Office. Votes may be sent by post or fax.

c. The Club Committee shall appoint 3 Members to be scrutineers, and at the voting deadline the National Office shall hand the ballot papers to the scrutineers.

d. The validity of any vote shall be in the absolute discretion of the scrutineers and they shall count the votes and report the result to the Club Committee in time for the general meeting.

FINANCIAL

23. Financial Year

The Club's financial year shall, subject to obtain-

ing any approval required, run from the first day of July to the last day of the following June, commencing on the first day of July 2008 or the next practicable year after that. Until that commencement date the Club's financial year shall continue to run from the first day of March to the last day of the following February, adjusted as necessary to enable the transition to the changed financial year.

24. Auditor

The Club's annual financial statements shall be subject to either audit or review by a member of the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants elected at the Annual General meeting whose report shall be included in the annual report.

25. Financial Statements

- a. Copies of the Club's annual financial statements shall be included with the annual report sent to Members with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. If the statements are unaudited when sent the auditor's report shall be presented at the Annual General Meeting.
- b. Accounts shall be prepared in accordance with New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants standards from time to time.

26. Subscriptions

- a. The Club Committee shall in each financial year fix the annual subscription rates for Members, due and payable at the start of the next subscription year for each Member.
- b. A Member whose subscription is not paid 2 months after the start of the subscription year for that Member shall be deemed to have resigned at

the end of the previous subscription year.

c. The Club Committee may fix reduced subscriptions for the following Members:

- i. full-time primary, secondary or tertiary students who can produce evidence of their student status;
 - ii. those under 25 years of age;
 - iii. seniors over 65 years of age;
 - iv. veterans who have been Members of the Club for more than 35 consecutive years.
- d. Subscriptions may be waived for veterans who have been Members for more than 50 consecutive years, without loss of their membership rights.
- e. Overseas Members' subscriptions may be increased to include an extra postage charge.
- f. Members who are part of the same family, and who reside at the same address, may pay a group subscription and receive a single copy of the New Zealand Alpine Journal and other Club publications. When choosing the family option, the primary Member in the family shall pay the appropriate subscription fixed under this rule. Other family members may pay half the appropriate subscription fixed under this rule. Club correspondence and publications will be addressed to the primary Member.
- g. The Club Committee may in appropriate circumstances refund in whole or in part the subscription of any Member.

27. Section Levy

- a. In order to finance Section activities the Club Committee shall in each financial year fix the annual Section levy for Members.
- b. The Annual Section levy shall be uniform across all Sections and shall form part of, and be due for payment at the same time, as the Club

Subscription.

c. The National Office on receipt of the Members' subscription shall forward this levy to the Sections on a regular basis.

d. Section Committees may utilise or refund any part of this levy as their finances allow.

28. Club Funds and Bank Accounts

- a. The Club Committee shall control all Club funds, except those held by Sections in their own right, and shall open or authorise the opening of such bank accounts as it deems necessary.
- b. All the Club's funds, except those held by Sections in their own right, shall be paid into the Club's bank accounts, and shall be accessible only by authorised signatories following procedures set down by the Finance Subcommittee.

29. Investments

- a. The Finance Subcommittee may, subject to any directives, policies, strategies, plans and budgets adopted by the Club Committee, invest any of the Club's funds for such terms as it may think fit and, in doing so, it shall act prudently to:
 - i. optimise investment returns while balancing risk and return considerations;
 - ii. ensure investments are liquid;
 - iii. preserve capital invested and, where possible, achieve capital growth.
- b. The Finance Subcommittee shall furnish activity reports on any investments and reserve funds held to the Club Committee meetings.
- d. A statement detailing investments and reserve funds held shall be included in the notes to the financial statements.

30. Borrowing Powers

The Club Committee may borrow for and in the name of the Club such sums and upon such terms as it deems necessary and may give as security for the repayment of the sums borrowed and interest thereon such security as it deems appropriate.

31. Assistance to Members

The Club Committee in its discretion and upon such terms as it sees fit shall have the power to provide assistance to Members in distress or otherwise requiring such assistance, in connection with mountaineering or rock climbing activities in New Zealand or overseas, provided that no part of the income and other funds of the Club is used or available to be used for the private pecuniary profit of any Member.

GENERAL

32. Execution of Contracts

- a, Contracts and other enforceable obligations in writing shall be executed by the Club:
- i. by affixing the common seal of the Club to the document pursuant to a resolution of the Club Committee in the presence of the Honorary Secretary and two members of the Club Committee, all of whom shall sign the document to which the seal is affixed; or
 - ii. where the document is not required to be executed under common seal, by the Executive Officer signing on behalf of the Club pursuant to authorisations and delegations approved by the Club Committee.
- b. The common seal of the Club shall be held in the National Office.

33. Minutes

- a. The Honorary Secretary shall record the minutes of General and Club Committee meetings, but in his/her absence the meeting shall appoint a Member present as a minute secretary.
- b. The Conveners of subcommittees shall ensure that minutes of their meetings are kept.
- c. Minutes of General Meetings shall be sent to all Club Members for confirmation at the next General meeting. Minutes of other meetings listed above shall be sent to respective committee and subcommittee members for confirmation at their next meetings. Subcommittee minutes shall also be sent to all members of the Club Committee.

34. Notice

- a. Where notice under these rules is sent by post, service shall be deemed to have been effected on the day after the date of posting.
- b. Notice periods specified in these Rules exclude the day on which the notice is served or deemed to be served, and the day of the meeting.

35. Rule Changes

- a. Any Member or Section desiring to change the Club's Rules shall submit in writing the proposed rule change to the National Office for consideration at the next meeting of the Club Committee.
- b. The National Office, following the meeting of the Club Committee, shall send the proposal together with the Club Committee's comments and/or recommendations on it to Sections.
- c. At the discretion of the Club Committee or upon a requisition to the National Office signed by 25 Members, a postal vote of Members shall be

held to decide upon the proposed rule change.

- d. If a postal vote is not required the proposed rule change shall then be included in the business to be transacted at the next Annual General Meeting, or at a Special General Meeting, and notice of the proposed rule change given accordingly.
- e. No rule may be made, altered or deleted except by a majority of two thirds of the votes cast in a postal vote or of Members present or represented by proxy at a General Meeting.
- f. No rule alteration, deletion or addition to the rules shall have the effect of altering the amateur sports promotion status of the Club.

36. Liquidation

- a. Provided all its liabilities have been discharged the Club may be put into liquidation if the Club, at a general meeting of Members, passes a resolution appointing a liquidator, and the resolution is confirmed at a subsequent general meeting called for that purpose and held not earlier than 30 days after the date on which the resolution to be confirmed was passed and the provisions of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 shall apply to such resolutions and the liquidation of the Club.
- b. After being put into liquidation the funds and property of the Club shall be paid or transferred to an incorporated society or societies which have objects similar to those of the Club, as set out in the resolution referred to in Rule 36.a.
- c. No resolution to put the Club into liquidation shall be valid unless it determines to which incorporated societies the Club's funds and property are to be paid or transferred.

16 October 2009



NZ Kea Checks Its Reflection. NZAC Photographic Competition Alpine Nature Acceptance. Photo: Zak Shaw