



NEW ZEALAND  
ALPINE CLUB

Australia Section Inc. Reg. No A0047513N

# CHAIR REPORT

## FEBRUARY 2022

### 1. 2022 Annual Activity Program

The updated program is listed below. This is a works in progress and will be periodically updated during the year & details will be notified to members via a monthly report.

Member support for the program so far has fallen short of expectation, with one canyoning meet in January being canceled due to lack of interest. A second canyoning meet scheduled for 12-13 Feb is also lacking in member support.

Members seeking additional information or wishing to register for any of the activities should contact the Activity Convenor via the email address listed in the program. For all other matters relating to the program contact the Events Coordinator on [australia.events@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:australia.events@alpineclub.org.nz)

Feedback from members about any aspect of the Annual Activity Program would be appreciated so that we can tailor it to meet your needs.

Further details including joining instructions for the online presentations will be provided shortly.

NZAC - Australia Section - Proposed Activity Program - 2022							
Date	Activity	Meet/trip	max no	Convenor	Location	Convenor contact	Trip status
4,15,16/Jan/2022	Canyoning - Newnes Plateau	Meet	6	Bruce Spry	Blue Mts		Cancelled
12-13 Feb 2022	Canyoning	Meet	N/A	Alex Motyka	Mt Wilson	alex.motyka@gmail.com	
21-22 Feb 2022	Canyons Supreme - Claustal & Ranon	Trip	6	Mike Pryjma	Mt Tomah	mike.pryjma@gmail.com	Full
12-13 Mar	Mt Royal walk	Trip	N/A	Mike Pryjma	Mt Royal Hunter	mike.pryjma@gmail.com	
19,20 Mar	Rock Climbing	Meet	N/A	Peter Blunt	Blue Mts	peter.blunt23@hotmail.com	
27-29 Aug	Mountaineeting - Blue Lake	Meet	16	Alex Motyka	Blue Lake	alex.motyka@gmail.com	
3-5 Sept	Mountaineeting - Blue Lake	Meet	16	Mike Pryjma	Blue Lake	mike.pryjma@gmail.com	
22-Sep-22	Mountaineering - Watsons Crag	Meet	16	TBA	Watsons Crag		
	Oct Warrumbungles rock climbing	Trip	6	Alan Silva	Warrumbungles	aglsilva@hotmail.com	
8-10 Oct	Mountaineering - Club Lake	Meet	16	Mike Pryjma	Club Lake	mike.pryjma@gmail.com	
01-Nov-22	Rock climbing	Meet	N/A	TBA	Mt Buffalo		
<b>Date updated</b>	<b>9 Jan 2022</b>						
	Confirmed to go						TRIP STATUS
	Pending confirmation						Open
	No convenor						Full
	Trip completed						Cancelled
<b>2022 Guest Presenter Program</b>							
Date	Presenter and topic			Organiser	Link		
15-Feb-22	Guest Presenter Alex Motyka Mt Cook/ Committee Meeting			Bruce Spry	Zoom		
19-Apr-22	Guest Presenter Greg Mortimer Antarctica / Committee Meeting			Bruce Spry	Zoom		
12-Jun-22	Guest Presenter Chris Brown Snowy Mts Climbing / AGM			Bruce Spry	Castlereagh Boutique Hotel		
16-Aug-22	Guest Presenter TBA Gear for Beginners / Committee Meeting			Bruce Spry	Zoom		
18-Oct-22	Guest Presenter TBA / Committee Meeting			Bruce Spry	Zoom		

Member willing to put together a short online presentation please contact the Secretary on [australia.secretary@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:australia.secretary@alpineclub.org.nz)

## 2. Positions Vacant

Currently the Section is seeking interest from members to fill two positions:

- a) Treasurer
- b) Newsletter Editor

These are vitally important roles within the Section administration. Please consider making a positive contribution to the management of the Section.

For further information or to express an interest in these roles please contact me on [australia.chair@alpineclub.org.nz](mailto:australia.chair@alpineclub.org.nz)

## 3. Photo competition

Competition to be launched shortly – involving a number of categories and to be judged based on member vote and gift voucher prize

## 4. Training

Snowy Mountains Climbing School (SMCS) is running a series of rock climbing and 6 day introductory Mountaineering courses again next year in Kosciuszko NP. These are offered at a 10% discount to NZAC members and further details are available on their website <http://www.snowymtns.com/education>.

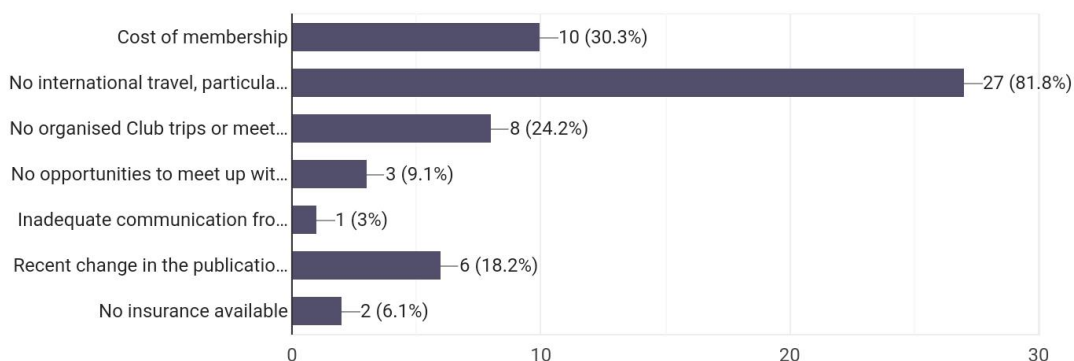
For all enquiries and bookings for these courses please contact SMCS direct.

## 5. Online Ex-member survey

Recently a survey of members who had recently not renewed their membership was undertaken to better understand the reasons why members did not renew their membership. Results are:

What is the reason(s) why you did not renew your NZAC membership? (Select all options that are relevant to you)

33 responses



The committee is currently looking at various options for addressing the issue of non-renewal as well as recruiting new members.

## **6. Management Committee**

Chair: [Mike Pryjma \(NSW\)](#)

Vice-Chair: Warwick Williams (NSW)

Secretary: [Bruce Spry \(NSW\)](#)

Treasurer: [Peter Blunt \(ACT\)](#) (interim only)

Newsletter Editor: Vacant

Online Coordinator: [Michael Macdonald \(NSW\)](#)

Events Coordinator: Charlie Freer (ACT)

Member Services: [Anthony Brandis \(WA\)](#)

Safety Coordinator: [Nick Baulch \(VIC\)](#)

Details about Australia Section can be found at <https://alpineclub.org.nz/region/australia/>

With your help & cooperation, we can look forward to a more productive 2022 with a great deal more confidence. Thanks everyone for your help and understanding.

**Mike Pryjma**

**Chair, Australia Section**