

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

Climber Content

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

submissions from members – whether they be Trip Reports, Items for sale or rants. Just send your material to the editor by the 20th of the month preceding. Contact Kelly Cooney via email: kelly@wildfiresolutions.co.nz

Monthly Meeting –Thursday 20th October, 7.30pm Speaker: Gary Brehaut Climbing Mount Cook



Gary Brehaut will speak on his climb up Mount Cook.

NB: Our meetings are currently held in the Hospice rooms, cnr of Orbell and Ruby Street, Timaru.

Our meetings are held from February through to November.

Come & be inspired!

Speakers

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

Library - Books Available

Did you know that the Section has a number of Alpine related library books available? Available from our Gary Brehaut's house. Please ring first to arrange a time, Cell: 027 497 8952.

FMC Bulletins

Rob Moffat has the FMC bulletins which come out quarterly, these used to be sent out with the climber. They will be available at the section evenings, but if you can't attend the meeting, then you can contact Syd Woods and we will work out a system to get them to you.

For Hire

The section has ice axes, crampons, show shovels, avalanche transceivers, snowshoes, snow stakes and now, a second Personal Locator Beacon for hire. Contact Gary Brehaut, Cell: 027 497 8952.

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National News

Autumn Season In Europe

Cooler temperatures in Europe as the northern hemisphere heads into winter have lead to a surge of hard rock climbing.

At Fionnay, Daniel Woods flashed *Compass North* (V14), one of the most impressive flashes in history. The line is steep, crimpy and straightforward, which suited Daniel's style and made it a good candidate for a flash attempt. Woods flashed *Entlige* ten years ago, which was thought to be V15 and therefore the hardest ever flash at the time, but this has since been downgraded. Woods suggested *Compass North* was as much as a full grade harder than *Entlige*.

Meanwhile, in Margalef, Alex Megos made the first ascent of *The Full Journey* (9b/37). This is a 17m extension to *The Journey* (9a/35), first climbed by Tom Bolger. It took Megos six more days of effort to link the extension after sending the original.

At Chironico, Camilla Moroni has taken her strong bouldering form from the IFSC World Cups out onto the rock, climbing *Delusion of Grandeur* (V12) and *Willenberg Dach* (V11). In the US, Jimmy Webb has repeated *Insomniac* (V16) at Lincoln Lake. It took around nine sessions of work to complete the boulder.

Upcoming Trips

Trips	When	Contact
Day trip up Mt Edwards	Weekend of 24 th September, whichever days suits everyone	Geoff McCrostie
Unwin Hut Work Party. Main job is to paint the deck.	November 5 th /6 th	Syd Woods
Up the Havelock to climb Mount Alma	November 11,12,13	Andrew Stevens
Any ideas?	Well, let us know!	Committee

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