



The South Canterbury Climber

June 2023

ALPINE TRIPS
ROCK CLIMBING TRIPS
NZAC NEWS



Don't miss our monthly meet:
-Hear the latest from NZAC President
- Clare Kearney

Welcome to the **June 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 – Tuesday 20th June, 8pm

Speaker: Clare Kearney

Title: 'Latest from the NZAC'



Claire will be presenting the latest news from the NZAC. She will also be presenting Gary with the NZAC life membership accolade, for all the work he has done for the club. We will be having a meal at The Speights Ale house before the meeting at 6pm. If you would like to come, please phone Gary Brehaut by Sunday 18th June to confirm your seat.

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!

Trip Report - Kings Birthday

A small group walked up the Grampians from the road over the Haka Pass. An easy walk and would be good for mountain bikers. Great views of Aspiring, Mt Cook, Lakes Benmore, Ohau and Tekapo.

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, snow shovels, avalanche transceivers, snowshoes, snow stakes and now, a second Personal Locator Beacon for hire. Contact Gary Brehaut, Cell: 027 497 8952.

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



National News

La Rambla/Burden Of Dreams

A couple of high-quality short films about very hard rock climbs have hit the internet. You can view them here - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B3pM7u_Udo0.

The 2023 National Indoor Bouldering Series is underway!

Round 2: 24-25th June, **Wellington**, Hangdog Climbing Centre

Round 3: 5th August, **Auckland**, Northern Rocks

Round 4: 2nd September, **Christchurch**, Uprising

The NZAC National Indoor Bouldering Series is delighted to have the support of **The North Face**, **La Sportiva**, **Uprising Industries** and **Bivouac Outdoor**.



Our Winter Courses Are Filling Up Fast!!

There has been great interest in the winter programme this year and applications have been flowing in. There are limited places on the Leading on Technical Ice, Intro to Back Country Skiing and Women's Intro to Backcountry Ski Touring Courses. Complete an **application here**, <https://alpineclub.org.nz/courses> don't delay to grab one of the last places!

Upcoming Trips

| Trips | When | Contact |
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| 4WD up Godley Valley via Godley Peaks Station. We need to check out how far we can drive and find a hill to walk up. | TBC | Geoff McCrostie |
| Thompson Gorge – A side stream of Hopkins. | July 14 th – Matariki Weekend. | Andrew Stevens |
| Any ideas? | ...Well, let us know! | Committee |

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