



The South Canterbury Climber

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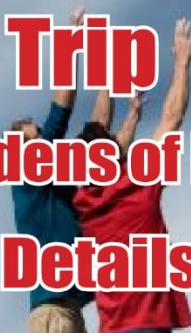
ALPINE TRIPS
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Climbing Trip

Climb Mount Hooker OR Gardens of Eden & Allah.

YOU Decide!.. Details inside.



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 & AGM – Thursday 19th October, 7.30pm

Speaker: Syd Woods & Kate Jeaffreson

Title: 'Mount Cook Adventures'



We will have a very brief AGM to start then Syd and Kate will talk about their very recent attempt of Mount Cook.

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!

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The AGM of the South Canterbury section of the NZ Alpine club will be held at the Hospice rooms, cnr of Orbell and Ruby Street, Timaru on Thursday the 19th October, 2023 at 7.30pm. All welcome.

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).

Bouldering/ Climbing

We currently have access to the ARA bouldering wall Wednesday evenings. If you are interested in coming along, then please contact Kelly 0212437381. We will be starting outdoor climbing soon at Spur Road.

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.

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National News

NZAC Hut Fee Changes & Booking System Additions



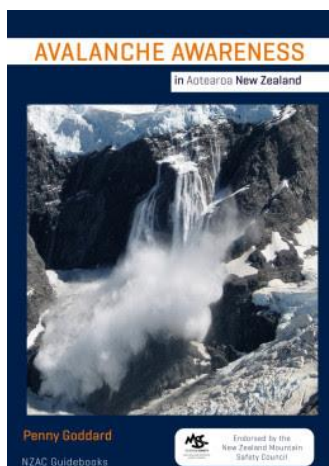
We have held off for as long as we can, however, from 1st November we are introducing new hut fees to some of the NZAC hut network and adding some of the popular huts onto the booking system.

We are also currently undergoing a revamp of the booking system which will be rolled out in due course.

As booking system changes are made we will let you know.

		Current	New from 1 November 2023
Hut Fee Changes	Cascade Hut	\$5 members \$10 non-members	\$10 members \$20 non-members
	Elcho Hut	\$5 members \$10 non-members	\$10 members \$20 non-members
	Esquilant Bivvy	\$5 members \$10 non-members	\$10 members \$20 non-members
	Homer Hut	\$20 members \$10 members youth \$40 non-members \$20 non-members youth \$15 day use & camping	\$25 members \$10 members youth \$50 non-members \$25 non-members youth \$15 day use \$25 member camping
	Unwin Lodge	\$20 members \$10 members child \$40 non-members \$15 non-members child \$10 day use (casual or guiding) \$5 casual shower	\$25 members \$10 members child \$50 non-members \$20 non-members child \$10 day use (casual or guiding) \$5 casual shower

Avalanche Awareness 3rd Edition



In a season of avalanche activity around the motu (country), the 3rd edition of Avalanche Awareness in Aotearoa New Zealand is a timely addition to our guidebook range. You can get your copy [here](https://shop.alpineclub.org.nz/product/avalanche-awareness-in-aotearoa-new-zealand/). <https://shop.alpineclub.org.nz/product/avalanche-awareness-in-aotearoa-new-zealand/>

Thank you to Penny Goddard for all her mahi (work) over the last 12 months to get the guide updated.

We are working on some videos to show what the edits are, keep an eye out for them.

Upcoming Trips

Trips	When	Contact
Climbing Trip: First Option: Climb Mount Hooker in late November / December. 2 nd Option: Gardens of Eden and Allah. Either option would involve flying and the proposal is to use some club funds to lessen the cost.	Early in 2024	Please contact Syd and indicate your interest.
Island Peak, Nepal trip.	April 2024	Geoff McCrostie
Any ideas?	...Well, let us know!	Committee

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