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• THE OTAGO TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB •

MEETS SOCIALLY EVERY THURSDAY

7:30 pm

AT 3 YOUNG STREET (Clubrooms)

CLUB CHRISTMAS TRIP



DOWN THE CLARENCE RIVER BY RAFT

FURTHER DETAILS ON THIS EXCITING POSSIBILITY INSIDE!!!

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TRIP LIST

- OCTOBER 11 THE GAP (M) Peter O'Driscoll ph 453-0593
Silverpeaks in the Spring time!! Come and enjoy it with Peter.
- OCTOBER 18 POLICE SAREX (M-F) David Barnes ph 454-4492
Run by the Police, this will involve a realistic mock search : hard work (a 6-30 am start), but lots of fun. Numbers are limited to 15. Hopefully a mixture of some with experience and those wishing to learn. See David for more information.
- OCTOBER 24-26 OHAU (M-F +C) Fiona Buchanan ph466-7402
LABOUR WEEKEND
Lots of options here for all grades (easy grade groups will be considered if suitable leaders can be found). Here's a chance for three days in this lovely area with no bushcrafters to look after!!
- NOVEMBER 1 CHRYSTALLS BEACH (E) Mary Clark
Phone Chief Guide for details
A pleasant seaside walk past Bull Creek to Quion Point Road.
- NOVEMBER 7-8 CAPLES/GREENSTONE (ALL) Elspeth Gold ph 466-7402
See this beautiful unspoilt area before the monorail goes through. A variety of trips available and with good weather too!
- NOVEMBER 8 TRACK WORK PARTY (ALL) Peter Mason ph 473-7636
Based at Yellow Hut - come and do your bit for the track-making side of things.
- COMING UP:-
21-22 November Mt Cook
28 November SAREX
5-6 December Combined Clubs Trip - Kea Basin/Rees Valley

WOODSMEN'S ANNUAL EXAMINATION.

SECTION 9: ETHICS.

QUESTION 1.

YOU ARE LOST IN THE FOREST AT NIGHT. TEMPERATURES ARE BELOW FREEZING AND YOU HAVE ONLY LIGHT CLOTHING. BUT YOU DO HAVE MATCHES AND COULD LIGHT A FIRE TO KEEP WARM. HOWEVER BY DOING SO YOU WOULD RISK BURNING DOWN THE WHOLE FOREST.

WOULD YOU: (A) LIGHT A FIRE AND SAVE YOURSELF BUT RISK DESTROYING THE ENTIRE FOREST?

OR (B) NOT LIGHT A FIRE AND RISK FREEZING TO DEATH?

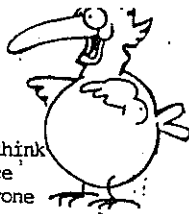
OR (C) OTHER? (IF SO STATE WHAT.) (5 MARKS)



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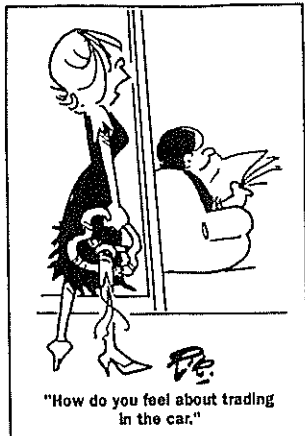
Editors Ramblings



There is only about 10 weeks till Christmas and if you haven't thought about that big trip yet, then think about what Justin has to offer with the Clarence River rafting. Guaranteed to be the trip everyone will be talking about in the new year.

And to the trip everyone is talking about. My appreciation to all those on the Mavora Lakes trip that pitched in and helped when the unfortunate accident occurred. As Trip Leader and one of those involved I would like to thank you all and apologise for you being unable to complete your original trips. However that is not to say the weekend was ruined and a good trip was not had by everyone. I hope to print a trip report or two telling of the adventures, and more than one I hear.

Labour weekend is only a few weeks away and the Ohau area is where the club is headed. There are plenty of places to go for three days and a few big trips are planned. Sign up on the list and be sure of a place. Fiona is keen to lead the biggest long weekend trip in a long time. The more, the merrier!!



Till next time . . . Keep Sailing

DEBBIE PETTINGER

~ Club Christmas Trip ~



Something entirely different and a unique opportunity

"A classic of mild whitewater and breathtaking contrasts of scenery all the way to the Pacific coast" -Nz Adventure Magazine.

The Clarence trip is a 200 km (approx) river experience, beginning near Hanmer Springs and arriving, five days later, at the coast 50 km north of Kaikoura.

The river is graded 3, in a 1-6 scale (1 being the lowest) and runs between the inland and seaward Kaikoura ranges. It cuts a winding course through rugged country with the Inland Kaikouras on the left rising to 9500 ft and the Seaward Kaikouras on the right to 8500 ft.

The company I am dealing with, Action Rafting is the most experienced on this river and I have negotiated with the director, Peter Bruce, to do the trip for \$250 per person. Normal fully catered cost is approx \$500 per person. The costing is based on six people per raft with participants to supply their own food, tents, bedding. They will supply rafts, paddles, wetsuits, life jackets, helmets and gear barrels. This company has a secure area to park cars at the finish of the trip and will carry gear and 12 people to the start of the trip.



As multiples of six only may go to achieve this low cost, we may have to restrict numbers and criteria may have to be club membership and payment for the trip by the end of November.

The raft trip will leave Hanmer Springs on Sunday 3rd January 1993. Participants may also wish to do a tramping trip in the area before or after the raft trip. We can discuss that later.

No previous river experience is required but rafting, like tramping requires team effort for maximum enjoyment.

If your name is on the trip list by 29th October this will be taken as a commitment.

Please see me at Club or ring me at home ph 476-1235. If you have any queries or are interested

JUSTIN CALDER

What many of us are unhappy with is the Government's stance on the General Claim, where Government is talking of Joint Title, and Co-management, two terms that have not yet been defined.

It is difficult to see how any definition of joint title would be meaningful without giving preferential rights to Ngai Tahu. This is an area that needs further discussion between all three parties. FMC does not support privatisation of the public conservation estate to any party, Maori or non-Maori.

CO-MANAGEMENT

Co-Management is another area where what is meant has yet to be defined. In a very real sense co-management exists now on Conservation lands. There are three Maori members of the New Zealand Conservation Authority, including Tipene O'Regan, Iwi representatives on all Conservation Boards, two Boards have 50% of their members with Maori affiliations, and the Department undertakes to consult with Iwi, something it does not bother to do with anyone else. This puts Maori in a highly favoured position and certain recognises their Mana, and Mana Whenua.

To go generally beyond this current means of co-management would create privileges for Ngai Tahu over the public conservation estate which would be likely to conflict with conservation principles, and would also be a slight to those who have fought for and obtained, in the face of Government

indifference, the public conservation estate we have today. This is not to say that in specific areas that are of special significance to Ngai Tahu, vesting of management with them, under say the Reserves Act, may not be appropriate.

However, it is essential that such vesting has broad public support, and the only way this can be assured is to have a far more open consultative process between the Government and the public than exists at present. There is no way at present for the public to have input to claim negotiations.

Those old tramping days must have been quite hard. This extract from the May 1965, Outdoors shows just how easy we have it these days.

"Where have all the packs gone ?"

Climbing to the top of Mt. Watkins on a hot day, carrying two weekend packs, was a good enough feat, but to throw one over the side and stand as if hypnotised, while it bounded and cartwheeled to the bottom again, is sheer foolhardiness. Nevertheless the two boys were undaunted and stretched out on the tussocks to revive their spirits while I still toiled to the top.

On arriving there - "Like a Peach?" "Yes" I said, "just a minute they're in my pack!"

Sheepish grins covered their faces as they tried to explain what had happened. "the eggs!" I wailed. But to our surprise the half-dozen were not even cracked, while a pottle of honey was smashed.

So next time remember, things are never as bad as they could be!!?!..
Also out of the same Outdoors, this extract taken from the Green Hut Log Book.

Before you leave, there's one thing more,
Have you filled the firewood store?
Are you man, or are you mouse?
Have you acted like a louse?
Burn't up all and carried none.
Curses on you, more than one!
Here's hoping that where next you dwell,
The fire's dead out, it rains like hell,
The firewood's wet, the bush is soaking,
Once again I say, 'Here's hoping!'.

The perfect O.T.M.C. women decided to go away for a tramp. The emphasis was on enjoyment, not on physical exhaustion. With this in mind we set off on a beautiful moonlite night (without the moon) at 8 pm. The first stage from the lake went well, however a small disturbance was caused by the two legged anti-male in the woods.



The steady gradient up to Luxmore hut seemed further in the dark but our spirits were high and the conversation was a constant laugh, except poor Teresa had a slight asthmatic cough and she coughed and spluttered her way up.

We broke through the bush, clear skies and crisp air, with patches of snow covering the now frozen ground greeted us. Arrived at Luxmore Hut at 12:30 am, had a hot brew and a wee nip before we hit the pillow.

Dawn broke, it had been a chilly night (for me at least). Hot porridge for breakfast, before we finally got away around 10 am. Clouds hovered around the base and shores of lake Te Anau. Snow covered the ground as we followed the well marked track. We passed Mt Luxmore, cloud hovered over it's summit.

Views by now ere non-existent, but with both Yvonne and Teresa both talking I never got bored. We had a late lunch in the second Biv before we descended down the ridge into the Iris Burn. The stairs down became quite tricky at times, as they were covered with snow.

Arrived at the Iris Burn Hut just before dark, the air was crisp as cloud dispersed and the stars came out. The evening soon passed as Yvonne kept me in tears of laughter and Teresa dished up a gourmet delight with liqueur to end.



Tuesday morning brought clear skies, and with a warm beginning we got away to a flying start, mind you the sandflies had something to do with it. Our walk out the Iris Burn was quick, stops were few, but the conversation never stopped. The scenery was pleasant and the views from Shallow Bay made an excellent lunch stop with the company of the locals (sandflies). Arrived out at Rainbow Reach and we decided to hitch a ride back around to the Control Gates to save time.

A most enjoyable trip, thanks to Yvonne Greer, Teresa W.

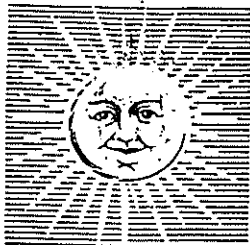
MICHELLE WILLIAMS



The club has a large selection of books relating to tramping and climbing in New Zealand and overseas. When was the last time you had a browse through these? There is a good chance there will be something new in the library since then, as there is new books being added on a regular basis. The books in the Club library are available to all club members every Thursday night, and you are more than welcome to take one home to read.

Please remember if you do take one home, please bring it back so others can enjoy them also.

Molly and I were sitting up in Golden Bay enjoying the sun and swimming with the dolphins. While doing this, of course we were watching the highs on the map.



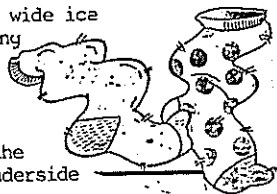
Boxing Day comes and molly indicates two highs coming in off the Tassy heading for New Zealand. Off we headed up Mt Arthur for a look at the fog and a bit of exercise. It's 12 hours later and we are in Fox looking for a flight, "Not a Chance", they say.

I was thinking "I've been here and done this before" but by morning we were on a ski plane, me still putting on my boots while flying. The excitement was building after a touchy landing, I really did trust the pilot, who landed on a thinly covered crevass. It took us an hour and we were in Pioneer Hut, which seemed a great home for the next five days. A good decision to sunbathe and practice ropes for the rest

of the day.

Day two saw us head off up to Pioneer Pass, taking two hours. I think Molly enjoyed jumping the crevasses, although it was her first time ever. It was a clear day and plenty of cloud covered the East side of the Divide. It was a good climb up Grey Peak No. 2 and we were back at the Hut for afternoon tea, it is times like these that I wish I had learnt to ski.

Day three was an early start of 4-30 am, roping up in the dark with an overcrowded Hut we headed off up Lendenfeld (10,500 ft). It was an hour till we reached the ice fall, it took us two attempts to get through the foot wide ice bridges, big slope and 12 foot vertical bergschrund slowing us up. We reached the col and took a rest, taking the time to enjoy the view of Mt Cook. Looking down onto the Mt Cook Plateau and all the little people walking around. Off we headed again reaching the top at around 10-30 am. Standing on the top, higher than anything to the North, next door to Mt Tasman and Mt Cook showing it's underside of the East Face (The Big Slip).



We managed to get back to Pioneer Hut in time for afternoon tea and a sun bathe. Day four saw us head off over the Fox Nev'e on to the Davis Snowfield and up to Frenchy col for a great clear look up the Tasman Glacier and De La Beche hut.

Day five arrived and it was time to head out. The walk down the Fox Glacier took three hours to Chancellor hut, jumping crevasses all the way. Next was seven hours of difficult down climbing and negotiating the ice pinnacles. We were down, sun baked and tired, my faithful 4wd Bessy waiting patiently.

PAUL BINGHAM for Molly Maguire

PS For the real story ask Molly.

This is your Bulletin and to make it interesting I need lots of Trip reports, Letters to the Editor, Recipes or even a bit of gossip every now and then. If you have anything to contribute please hand it to either Debbie or Antony Pettinger at Thursday Club nights or post to 'The Editor' OIMC PO Box 1120 Dunedin. The aim of the bulletin is to keep members informed on what is or has happened in the Club.

For all those members who didn't or couldn't make it to Ben Rudds work party here is a report on how the Club's property is coming along. For those that missed out another one is being organised on the 20 and 21 of March. This one will probably be focussed on planting and weed control. Show your support for the club and make the effort to attend next year.

richard's rudds rave

Another spring and another lovely day was had up at our "Ben Rudd's" property on the back of Flagstaff, pottering about in the Club's garden. Eleven willing workers put in one of the best day's efforts so far in the revegetation programme. We got the feeling we are winning the battle against the exotic jungle. Furthermore, the loo by the shelter is now open for business.

The silver beech seedlings are doing really well, with some 40mm high. We had deliberately planted them in groups of three, in strategic locations that overlooked or sheltered open deep-mulch sites (that might make nice picnic clearings one day!), so we could easily locate them for monitoring. In virtually every case we found all three living, and only in three or four groupings did we find one missing. So, out of the 120(?) we have planted over two autumns, that makes a damn good success rate. None of the other planted species has done any good, except of course the manuka seeds, which are still mainly OK. During the snow the hares cropped the self-sown plants, particularly the pseudopanax. One plant had been chiselled bare of leaves, right to its metre high top (the snow was obviously quite deep and the hares hungry).

With the cold winter and late spring the weeds haven't shown up yet - so it was an easy job to clean up *all* of the plantation site, and make it look like the Botanic Gardens it is destined to be. Of course the weeds will probably be popping up now, as you read this, but we believe we can leave it till next autumn, when we will plant more beech (obviously!) Long time Club member James Henry has offered us some mountain beech (doomed plants from South East Otago). Please let me know if anyone disagrees with us putting a cluster of these (exotic!) trees somewhere in a weed-threatened spot.

We recognise the problems of gorse and broom which are highly invasive in places where the ground has been disturbed. Our high priority measure is to focus attention on scattered, isolated plants to prevent new colonies, rather than concentrating control efforts on existing dense patches. Another priority would be to identify and manage likely seed dispersal sites. A rigorous approach might involve the cleaning of all vehicles, machinery, footwear and other equipment before being brought onto the land, to remove seed. The Club should examine policies for the use of the road through the property, which is now badly cut up and eroding, has been gravelled in one place (with gravel that contains who knows what seeds?!), has been disturbed by machinery putting in drains, cables etc and on a recent Sunday was used by several lunatics in Landrovers who, according to our Honorary Solicitor's brother, were having a merry time playing in the mud right along the walkway to Swampy. The mud (and gravel) obviously contain noxious plant seed and such vehicles and ground disturbances will simply undo the work we are doing.

Soon we may be able to turn our attention to the BIG gorse colony that straddles the former vehicle track. The suggestion is to cut lines through it and spot plant mulched trees (mountain beech?) to progressively knock it off. Any ideas? Any volunteers? Who would like to make this *their* project? It could be our imagination, but the larches Dave L., Eric and team poisoned last year have not greened up yet... (Could they be, to use Dave's favourite term, "dooooomed"?)

The day finished with Peter spraying scattered gorse and blackberry, once he, Antony and Paul had finished the loo. (The loo has a view, and the bared ground will need frequent attention to keep it weed free. Low ground cover species would be ideal. Any ideas?) The ritual home brew may have facilitated our feeling of satisfaction and achievement; somehow the place looked *good*. Many thanks go to the keen crew of: Peter Mason, Antony Pettinger, Rene and Michael Nol, Mary Clark, Dennis Price, Hugh Dickson, Paul Bingham, Doug Forrester and Trevor Pullar.

Richard Pettinger

SNOW CAVING

"Would you like to try something different?" Richard asked us.
Always on the lookout for challenge, we said "Yes".
"Next weekend the O.T.M.C. are going away
To live in a snow cave for a night and a day."

After his presentation on how to build our home for the night
We went home shaking and shivering with fright.
Sleeping out in the cold, under some snow,
Would it really be fun?? -we wanted to know.

We had to borrow some long johns, only polyprop would do
And woolly jumpers, gaiters, balaclavas too.
Off we set at six thirty Saturday in the morning
Barely conscious, still sleepy, stretching and yawning.

We had a rude awakening at the Old Man Range
Climbing to the top with pack and skis soon took a strain
But we struggled on determined, puffing and panting
It would have been easier if the ground was flat not slanting!

Then on to building our snow cave, first the door
Next came the tunnel, then the floor.
We toiled using shovels and muscle power
It took a long time, almost six hours.

Finally complete, a palace fit for kings
With a sleeping chamber and east and west wings!
There was just enough room for four people and packs.
But where was the ensuite? -the builders were lax.

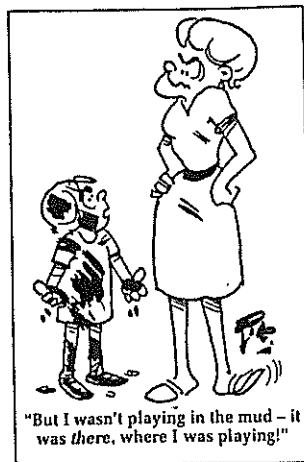
A fairly comfortable night was had by all
Warm, dry and cosy, we had a ball
Not at all claustrophobic I had to admit
It was only inconvenient if you wanted to sh--- (visit the WC)

But in the morning emerging from the cave
What a magical view the doorway gave
The sundrenched mountains glistening and shining
Who would swap that - forgetting the climbing!

A great morning spent trying out cross country skis
A few bruises gained on elbows and knees
We really enjoyed the weekend of ours
But I must admit it was heaven at home having showers!

*Carolyn Crouch, for Helen Warren, Ross Chambers and (Cousie-bro)
Richard Pettinger.*

*Special thanks to Michelle Williams and Tracy Pettinger for the loan of
gear, and to Mark Pettinger for the wine at the Club Dinner that made
it all seem feasible.*



MARINE RESERVES OTAGO

The Nuggets just south of Kaka Point has been identified by DOC as the area which is most befitting of marine reserve status in Otago. Im personally thrilled that the area I call home has been singled out for Marine Reserve status.

Marine Reserves Otago is a group of individuals committed to raising public awareness of the Nugget Point Marine Reserve proposal. The group supports the Marine Reserve at the Nuggets and aim to make as many people as possible aware of the advantages of a Marine Reserve at the Nuggets.

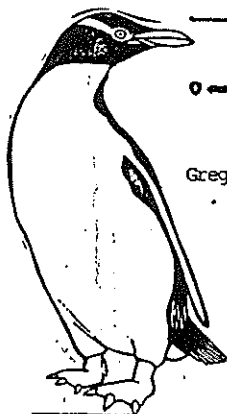
Marine Reserves Otago aim to raise public awareness by educating the public, there will be several displays in shops around Otago, they are organizing a build a fish competition to raise awareness in schools, beach clean up campaigns are envisaged as is a family fun day at Kaka Point.

Marine Reserves Otago have a petition circulating around Otago, there is a copy at the clubrooms. If you would like a copy to take around workmates and friends then ring Elspeth Gold 4667402.

If you would like to help the Nuggets Marine Reserve become a reality you may want to consider helping out Marine Reserves Otago in some way. Marine Reserves Otago would like as many people as possible to turn up and help at a Family Fun Day down at Kaka Point on November 14th (there are plenty of beds down there if you would like to make a weekend of it).

If your interested in the idea of a Marine Reserve at the Nuggets or interested in finding out more about Marine Reserves Otago then give me a ring (Elspeth 4667402).

Lets ensure that this particular marine environment is around for future generations to appreciate.



••• New Members •••

Greg Wood . . . Suzanne Mackay . . . John Aldis . . . Madeline Clark . .
. Sandra Morris . . . Bruce Lockwood . . .

These people are a whole pile of recently joined members.
Welcome along one and all, to the OTMC
May your packs be light and boot laces never freeze up!!

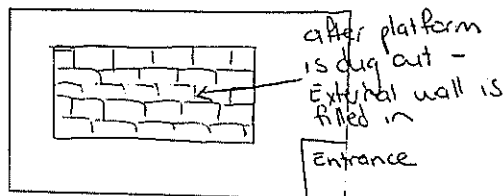
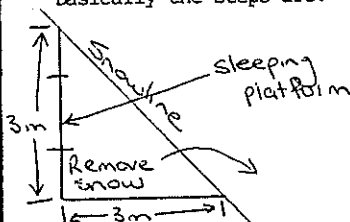
DEAN PETERSEN
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

- Letters to the Editor -

Dear Madam Editor,

I am familiar with the normal snowcaving technique, but I have some reservations as to their value in an emergency because of time and effort required and having to stand around in the cold waiting ones turn to have a go. So when the grapevine started sending out signals that there was a better way, I co-erced Barry Wybrow to demonstrate the new design. It snowed while we were digging it out, which helped prove a point. This new design is superior to the old one and I hope our club will start teaching it on snowcaving instructions weekends. I am not sure if it has the blessing of Mountain Safety, but I say 'too bad'. I am more concerned with getting myself and my party into shelter as soon as possible. It is styled on a snogloo and is very quickly dug.

Basically the steps are:- (for a three person party)



The main advantages are:-

- By cutting out the slope, all the party members quickly get out of the wind.
- By cutting the depth of the face, you can determine the quantity and properties of the snow pack.
- Most of the excavation is done without having to stoop.

PS We also had a go at building an igloo, my advice is - leave that to the eskimos (Inuits - is the correct term - Ed)

D.F.

PPS I found out what plastic money is - the cost of replacing a borrowed plastic snow shovel. They are useless!!

Antony P (trip leader/President) comments -

" Having been able to assess the two methods used on the recent snowcaving trip, it would seem that the advantages of the cave built by Barry, Doug and Mark is the superior of the two methods. I have had a go at constructing both methods, and my preferred one is to excavate the entire 'cave' and then rebuild the front wall, which is commonly called a singloo.

The time taken is considerably less than the conventional format. Both methods have been sanctioned by MSC in the Mountain craft manual. Page 39 of the manual states "An alternative method of construction (of a snowcave) is to partly excavate the side of the snowcave, rather than dig an access tunnel, as this gives more room to work. Snow can later be cut into blocks or packed into bricks to block up part of the hole, leaving a small entrance".

This is essentially what Barry and co. built, and I believe the Club should not discourage people from building them, rather to continue with the philosophy of taking the opportunity to experiment with the different methods, and to see what kind of shelter will suit the prevailing snow conditions at the time. I don't believe the Club should have any hard and fast rules as to construction methods, but let people see what the advantages and disadvantages of each method are. (I know some people who will be steering clear of igloo's in the future!!) "

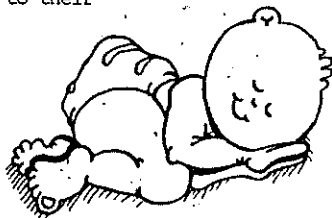
TIDBIT'S

Congratulations to Neil George and Robin on the addition to their family of a beautiful baby daughter, named Hannah.

Also to Janet Girvan and Eric, who also have a new baby son, Timothy.

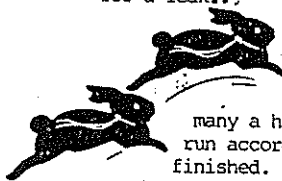
Not forgetting Doug and Dot Pagel with their addition also, a wonderful baby daughter.

Best wishes to you all.



When is it not a good idea to sleep outside in a bivy bag?

When the guy in the tent decides to get up in the middle of the night to go for a leak!!



What do you call a bunch of rabbits walking backwards?
A receding hare line!!

Doug Forrester, Antony Pettinger, Barry Wybrow and Co. spent many a happy hour (?) toiling in the snow. However things did not run according to plan and the construction was left, three quarters finished. The reason? You should have been on the

snow caving trip.

The moral of the story is 'Don't build an igloo unless you have very hot hands!'

What is the difference between goldfish and trampers?

Goldfish muck around in fountains and trampers

(This joke courtesy of Lindsay
Aitcheson - Ed)

You know you are too old for tramping when you arrive at the hut and your party is somewhere else.

- but don't put that walking stick away yet Ian!!
there is still plenty of life left in you yet.



Trip reports, trip reports If you have recently been on a trip (any trip, day trip, weekend trip, private trip) then I want to hear about it. Write a report for your Bulletin, even if it is as short as this one, which was printed in the May 1981 Bulletin.

BEVAN BLACKMORES GROUP (A DISASTER NO DOUBT!)

Setting off from the Divide Shelter we went along the Routeburn to Lake Howden.

After lunch beside the lake we set off in search of the stream which tumbles down from the Cascades. On finding it we decided it was too late, so we camped below Lake McKellar.

Waking up at 8.35 the next morning, we were too late to make it over Cascade, so we had a slack trip back out to the Divide Shelter.



Well maybe not this short but any and all trip reports are gratefully received. It doesn't have to be a club trip either, any trip is worthy of a report, even a day trip.



- Social Programme -



OCTOBER 8 A View of South America - LES COXHEAD

OCTOBER 15 DALE PARSONS - Climbing in India

OCTOBER 22 ANNIE DIGNAN - The Outdoor Adventure Centre

Annie - who is an ex OTMC member, is with the assistance of New Zealand Childrens and Young Persons Service is helping set up a camp for children from under priveleged backgrounds.
Come and find out what this is about and how YOU may be able to help.

OCTOBER 29 KEN MASON - Kiwi Conservation Club

Still on a young person orientated subject.
Come and see how our children are working, learning and having fun, and at the same time helping to look after our enviroment.

NOVEMBER 5 ROB FAULSBY - Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society.

This will give us a chance to see what the RFBS is all about.

NOVEMBER 15 JILL BUCKINGHAM - South America Part II

Jill recently showed part one of her South America travels and that was very interesting, so part two will not be one to be missed.

NEVILLE MULHOLLAND
SOCIAL SECRETARY

OTMC CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Keep the weekend of the 12-13 December free!!

The Club is planning it's annual Christmas Rave and it is shaping up to be a good one. A Barn has been secured for the venue and being not far from Dunback, is easily accessible to all. Make a weekend of it or just call in for the day and/or night. Plenty of room to put up the volleyball net or hit the cricket ball. Weather will be brillant and just come to sit in the sun and enjoy the company of fellow trampers. Families and friends welcome.

More details in next months Bulletin so till then

REMEMBER TO KEEP THE 12-13 DECEMBER FREE!!

WANTED ----

An enthusiastic person or persons is desperately needed to become Editor of the Club's annual(?) magazine "Outdoors".

Outdoors has been a tradition in the Club for many years and it would be a shame to see it fade away. If you are keen or know of a few keen people, who would like to help this tradition carry on then please let Antony Pettinger know.

A keen team to obtain advertising, typists and perhaps most importantly your trip reports are needed.