# Pathway to the OTC / OTMC Centenary

But, first, a look back...

### 1923

The following personnel – O. Balk, P.L. Ritchie, G. Wright, R. Gilkison, W. Main, Mr. Clayton, Mr. Marlow and J. Knox – having had a splendid walk over the peaks from Mount Allen to Waitati, were coming down Green Hill, when the topic was 'Why not start a Tramping Club' so as to give some of the pleasures which we got out of the different walks and over tracks to the younger folks

# Selected OTC / OTMC History

1923-2016

The Otago Tramping Club's Formation

#### TRIANGLE TENNIS CLUB.

The ANNUAL MEETING will be held in Y.M.C.A. Rooms THIS DAY (THURS-DAY), at 715 p.m. 23au

#### DUNEDIN.

#### THE PEDESTRIAN'S PARADISE.

Ladies and gentlemen interested in the formation of a "TRAMPING CLUB" are invited to attend a MEETING to be held in Mr Divers's Board Room, Grand Picture Palace Building, TO-NIGHT (THURS DAY) August 23, at 8 o'clock. 18au

NNUAL MEETING of MEMBERS of THE DUNEDIN AND SUBURBAN MUTUAL MONEY CLUB (LIMITED) will be held in the Registered Office of the Club on FRIDAY, August 31, 1923, at 7.30 p.m.

BUSINESS: Election of Committee of Management, Secretary, Auditor; and General.

Dividends totalling Is 5d for year have been paid.

HUGH MITCHELL & CO.,

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#### The First OTC Day Trip

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#### Early OTC Day Trips

Outings have been arranged as follows: "

Saturday Sept. 8. Meet at Gardens at 2.30, over Signal Hill and down to Burkes; home per 5 31 train or walk. Leader Mr. Balk.

Sunday Sept. 9. Meet at Ferry Wharf in time for the 10 o'clock boat to Portobello, climb up Harbour Cone and return along Upper Road to Anderson's Bay. Leader Mr. C. Hayward.

Saturday Sept. 15. Meet at St. Clair tram terminous and proceed up to "Cargill's Castle" and along cliffs to Black nead. The tide should suit for going round to the Cave. First party leaves at 1.30. Leader Mr. R. Gilkinson. Second party leaves at 2.30. Leader Mr. A.E.Gascoigne.

Sunday Sept. 16. Where Flat to see Kowhai in bloom. Meet at 10 a.m. at Ross Creek Reservoir (Leader Mr. F.W.Clayton) or Kaikorai Tram terminous (Leader Mr. P.L.Ritchie) as suits convenience of members.

Notices regarding Outings will be posted in the windows of the Sports Depot and of Messrs. C. & W. Hayward, George Street.

On Labour Day it is intended to tramp over the Silver Peak.

Mambers may at any time form groups or parties, having regard to vicinity of residence, similarity of tastes and preferences as to objectives, distances and pace, each party to be provided with a leader or guide if so desired by requested. It would be a matter of mutual convenience between the Executive and Members if such groups appointed one member to communicate on their behalf with the Executive and advise the latter on any intended trips.

O. BALK, President.
'Phones 1308 and 9590 (Res.)

O.J.HAYWARD, Hon. Sec.
'Phones 77 and 2053 (Res.)

SUNDAY Sept. 23rd.

Mount Carell. Meet at first bridge Woodhaugh Valley at 10 A.M.

Leader Mr. Clayton.

Whare Flat & Craiglewen Waterfall. Meet at Ross Creek Reservoir at

10 a.m. Leader Mr. Balk.

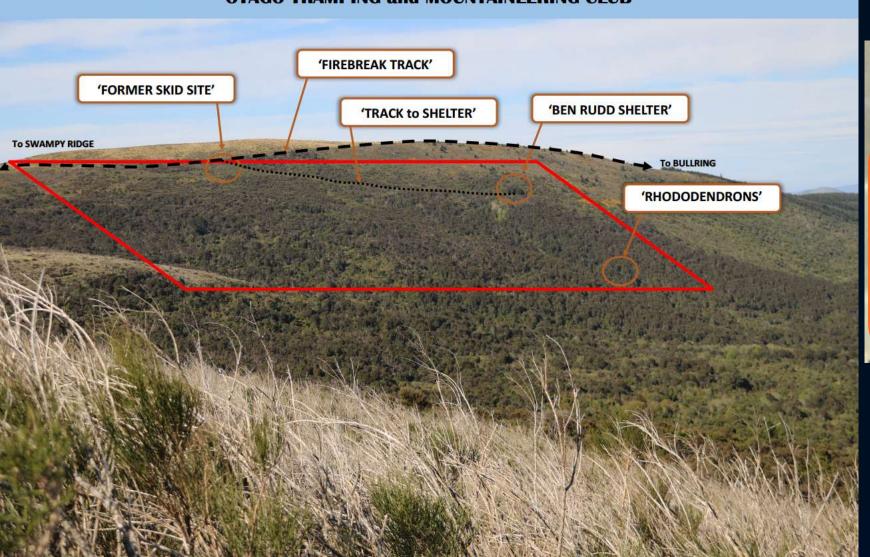








Location photo for Ben Rudd Property (OTMC) on Flagstaff—as viewed from near Swampy Summit
OTAGO TRAMPING and MOUNTAINEERING CLUB



As soon as the financial position of the club permits it is intended to take in hand the making of new and improving of old tracks, also the erection of shelters and huts. The only work of any import ance which has so far been accomplished in this direction is the clearing of a track across Flagstaff Hill down to the Whare Flat road. This links up with the picturesque track from Ross Creek Reservoir, shortens the route down the back of the hill, and avoids trespassing on private property. It was cut at the expense of the club by the old hermit of Flagstaff, Mr Ben Rudd, who made a good job.

From the first Annual Report of the OTC

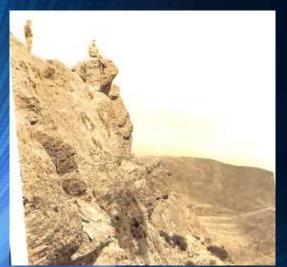




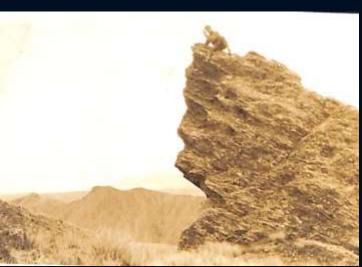


## First OTC Weekend Trip – Labour Weekend 1923





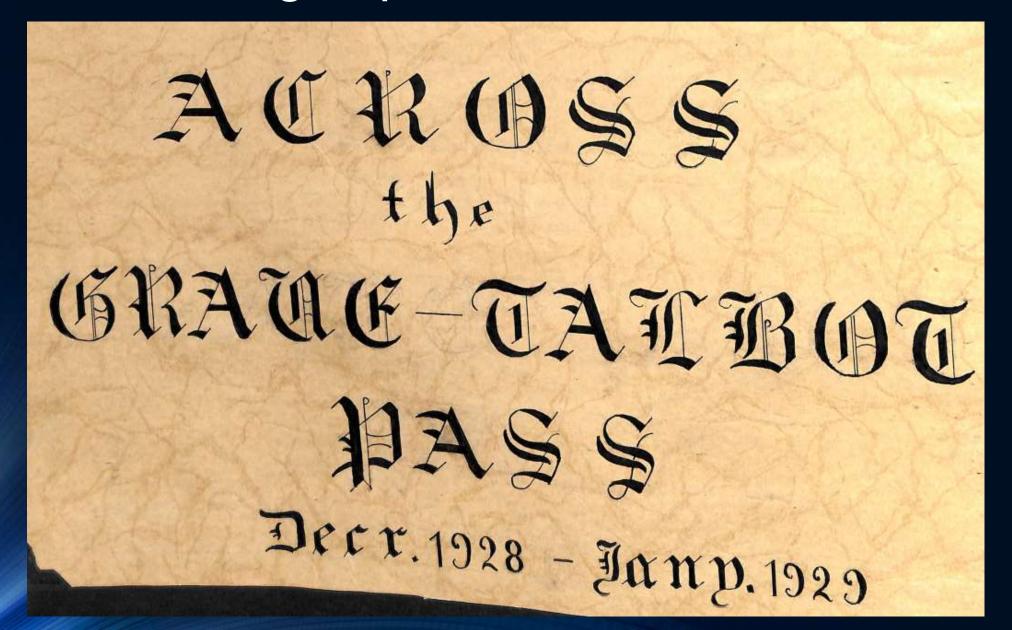




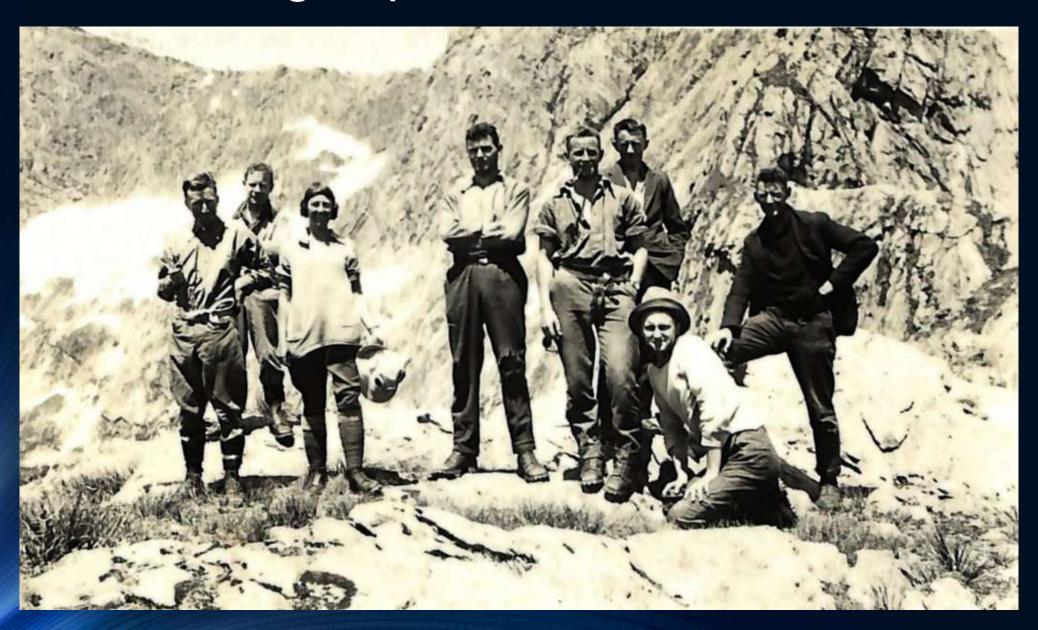
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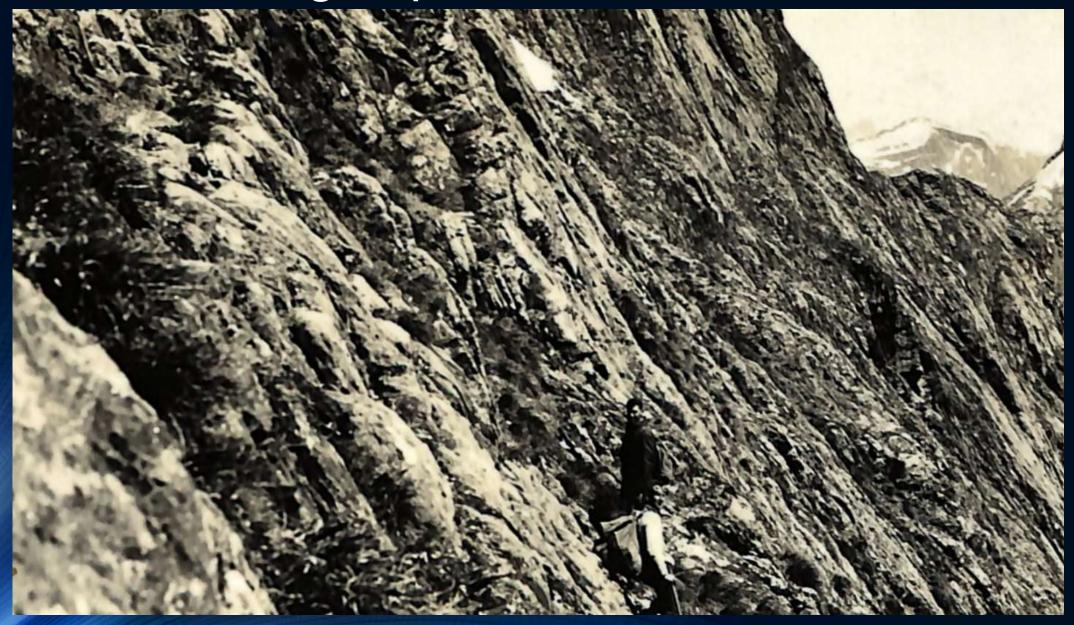


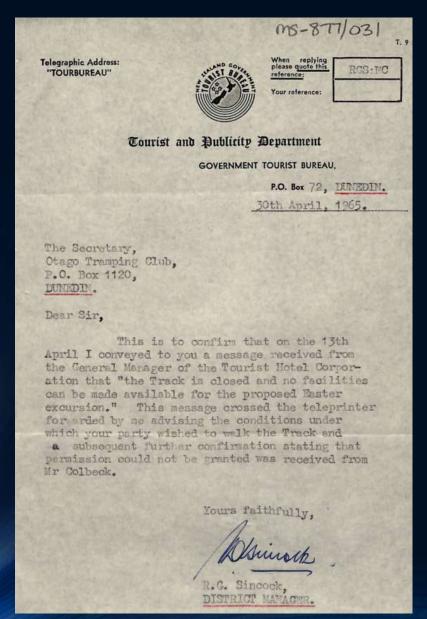


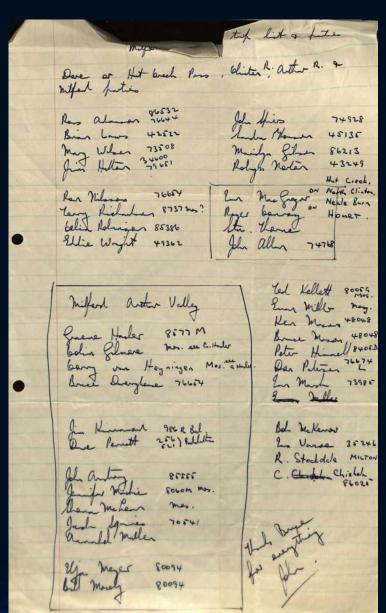


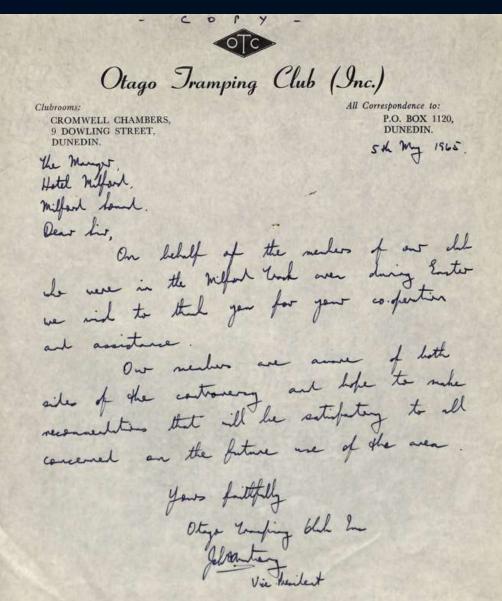












May 22, 1965

The Chief Hanger, Fioraland National Park, TE ANAL

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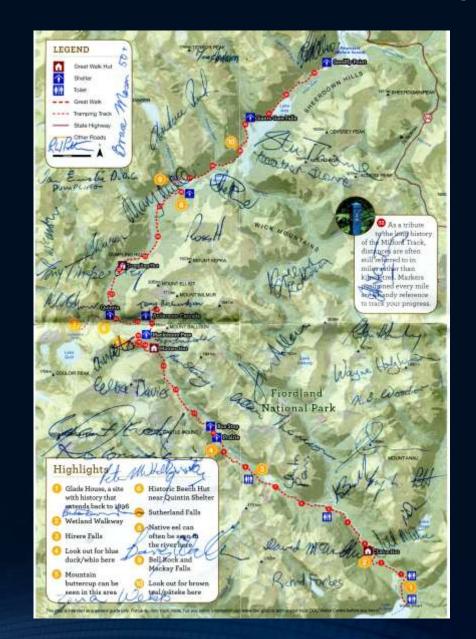
A meeting of those on the trip was called and they have made the following suggestions :

- as there are few places for actual camp sites;
- Shelters or huts should be spaced on the track so that it remains a three-day trip;
- Specially recommended are shelters at Clinton River mouth, and at Lake Mintero;
- 4. That some means of crossing the Arthur River be provided.

Yours faithfully,

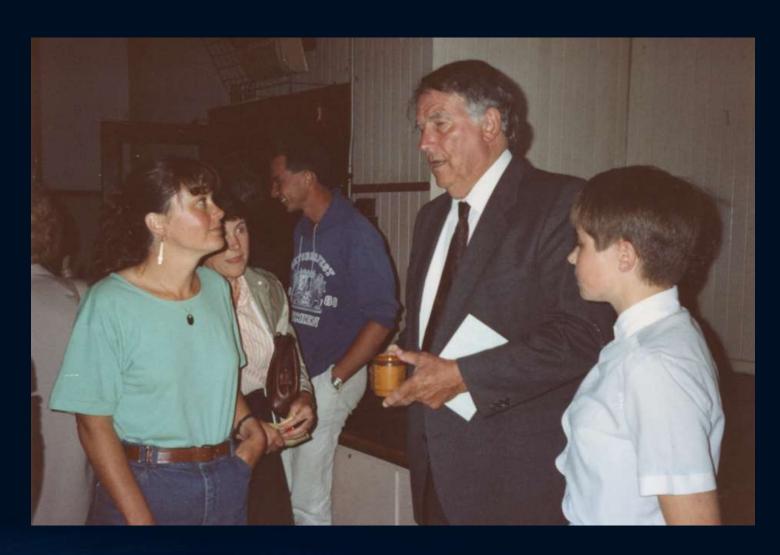
Mon Secretary.





## Club Meetings





## Xmas Trips



- The club has a wonderful history after 93 years of tramping and mountaineering, but we do not have a formal or complete archive of images from club trips and other events.
- The OTMC Photographic Archive project will address this by collecting as many photos as possible, and making them more widely available.



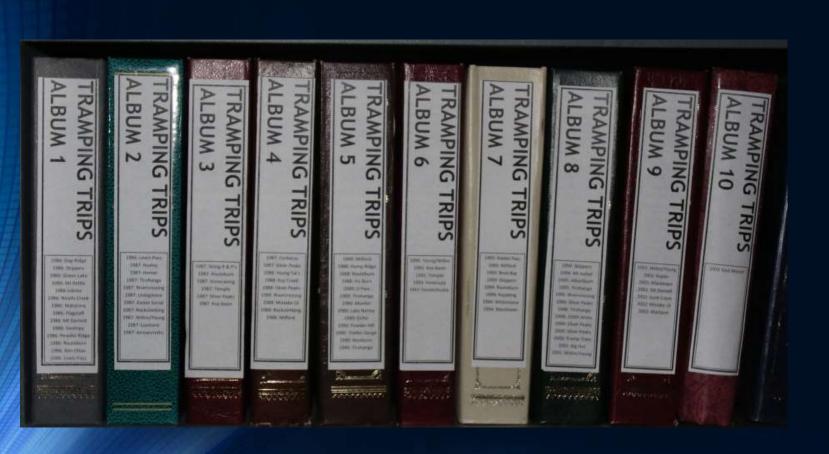


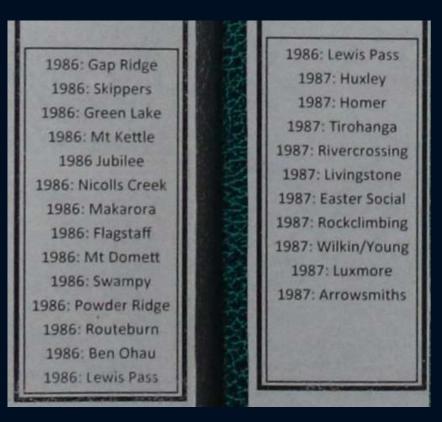






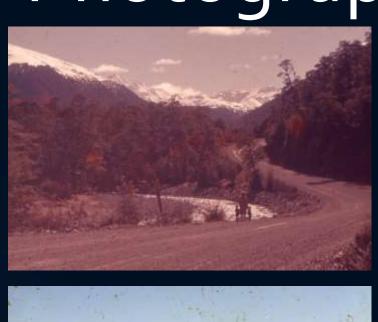








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13/7/24

Met at Kaikorai 9 am and walked to Wiare Flat via Bush Thack and Bell Hill. Had lunch at Sand Quarry near School and then went right up on to the Chalkies. Had a good view from the Verandah, and down into Whare again and had tea at foot a a gully near Taieri Road. Came home by Bell Hill and Bush Track arriving in Kaikorai before 7 pm.

A real sunny day and most enjoyable.

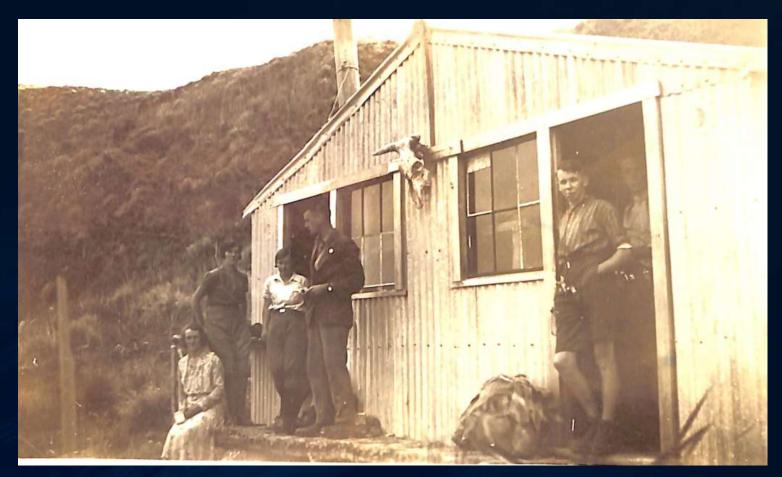
Leader: Nr Arras 5 members DM, GA, HT, DH, LT.

Official tramp was to Chain Hills.

Net another section of club at Whare Flat.



Chalkies, 13 July, 1924 (Arras, Miss Mackie, Tilly, Miss Tweedie)



Sun. 21st Jan. Chalkies. Return via West Branch Powder Creek. Kaikorai terminus 8.30 a.m.

27th and 28th Jan. Week-end, Club Hut. Return via Gap to Evansdale. Duke Street or Kaikorai 2 p.m., Saturday.

Sat. 27th Jan. Morrison's Creek and Snowy Mountain. Duke Street 2 p.m.

Sun. 28th Jan. Waitati-Evansdale via Black Gully. 9.30 a.m. train Waitati. Mr. R. Gilkison Sat. 3rd Feb. Sandymount. 1.30 p.m. bus Ross Point.

#### • Key Points:

- Initial priority will be photos and slides from club trips from the 1950's to the 1990's
- The club will carefully scan any material provided, and return (along with a digital copy) to the owner.
- If collections are donated to the club, they will be copied, and then prepared to be stored as part of the club collection at the Hocken.
- As much as possible, full acknowledgement will be given to the photographer / owner when any of the images are used for club purposes.





Again the morning dawns clear, its decided to abort the climb of 6274, it will keep. Conditions across the lake are still good and its a leisurely walk down to Falls hut for a sit in the sun and lunch. Everyone in good spirits, one of the better trips. Hey you met-bods how embassing!

Those in the conquering party- Sue Harding, Michelle Williams, Antony Pettinger, Simon Thomas, Chris Pearson, Mark Planner, Dave Woods, Arthur Blondell, John Robinson and scribe,

Doug Forcester.

(PS Billy sorry you were not there!!!

# The OTC / OTMC Significant Anniversaries

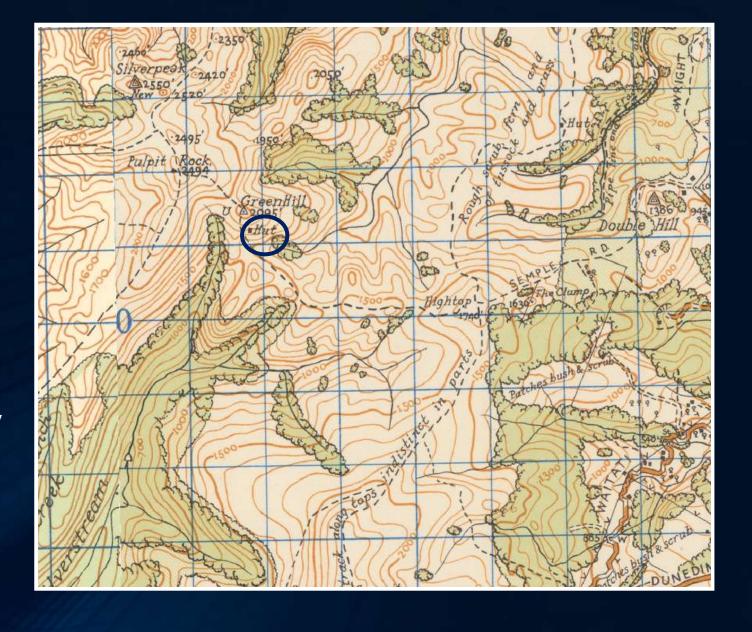


For the 10th Anniversary of the Otago Tramping Club, permission was obtained by the Dunedin City Council to build a hut in the Silver Peaks (Section 3, Block X, Silver Peak District).

The site was situated below Green Hill, and the hut was named Green Peak Hut.

The hut was approved by a general meeting of the club on March 16, 1933, and officially opened on June 3, 1933.

The hut became a feature of club activity for many years, and remained in place until mid-1988, when ongoing vandalism forced the club to remove the hut as it had become a safety hazard.



Otago Tramping Club – 10th Anniversary - 1933



Sledging party for Green Peak Hut – circa April / May 1933



Sledging party for Green Peak Hut – 25 April, 1933



Construction of Green Peak Hut – circa April / May 1933



Construction of Green Peak Hut – 6 May 1933



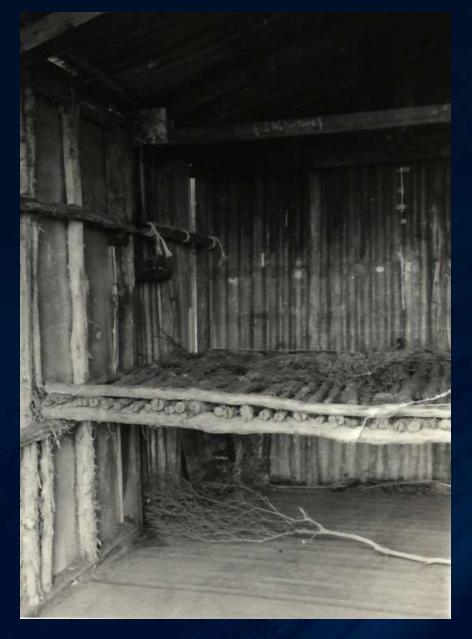
Construction of Green Peak Hut – 6 May 1933



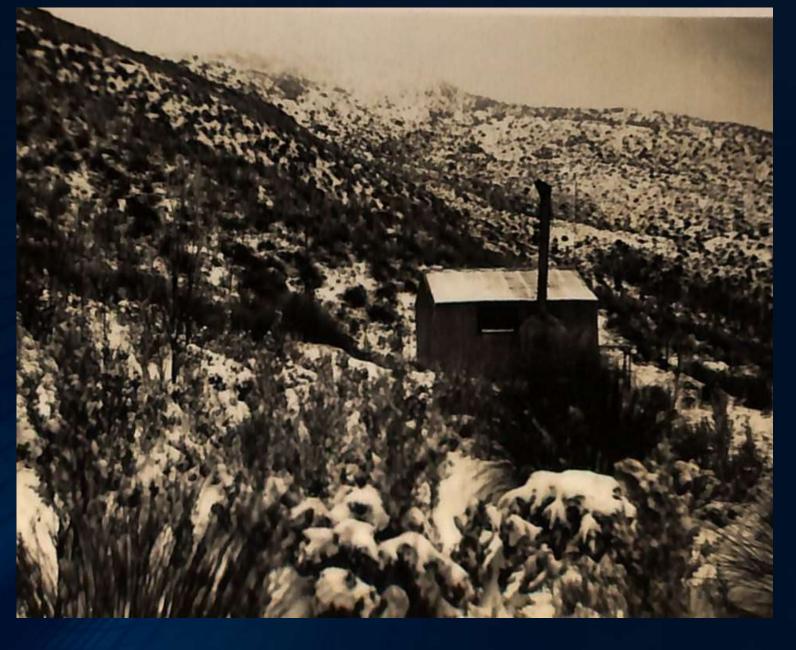
OTC President Agnes Edmund opening Green Peak Hut, June 3, 1933



First snow on Green Peak Hut (1933)



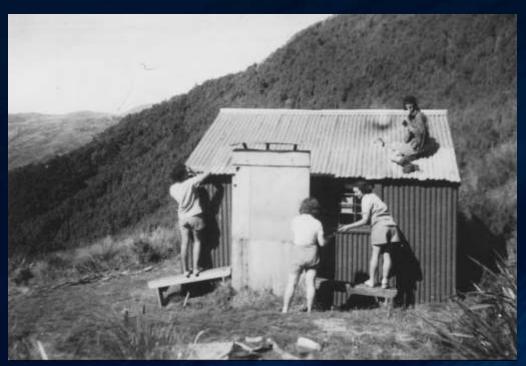
Original Manuka bunks at Green Peak Hut (I. Valentine marked on roof joist)



Green Peak Hut from the south

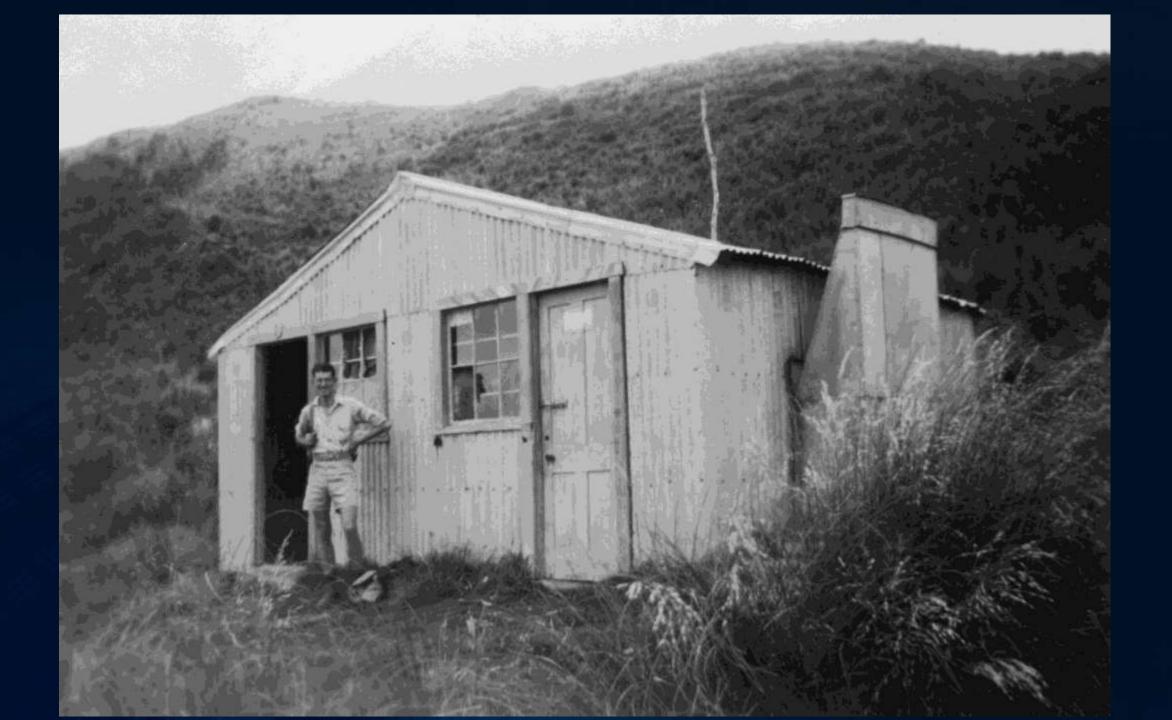


## Green Peak Hut Work Party











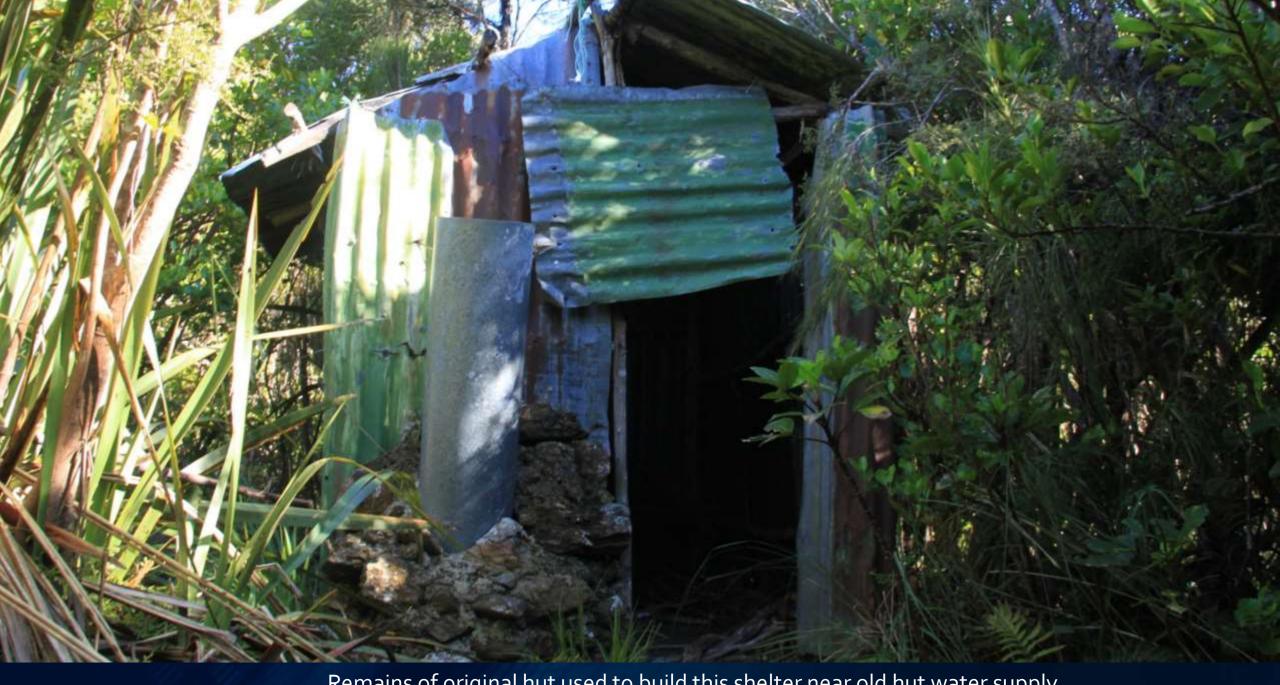
Green Hut in it's final year—October 1987 — OTMC Day Trip



Green Hut Site – December 2013



Green Hut Site – March 2016



Remains of original hut used to build this shelter near old hut water supply





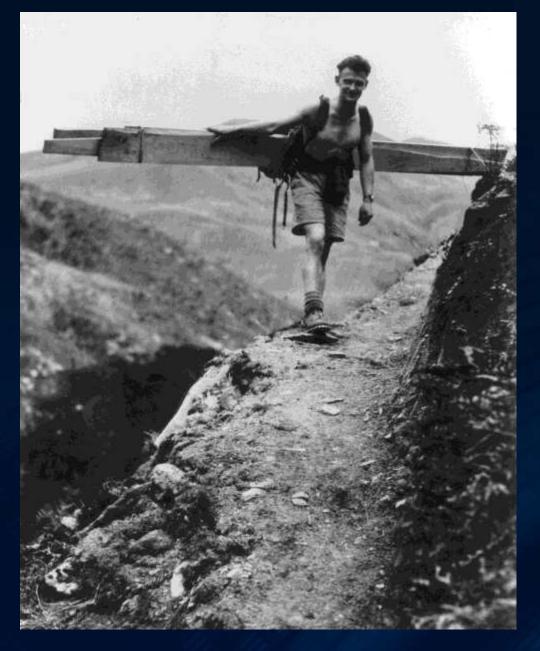


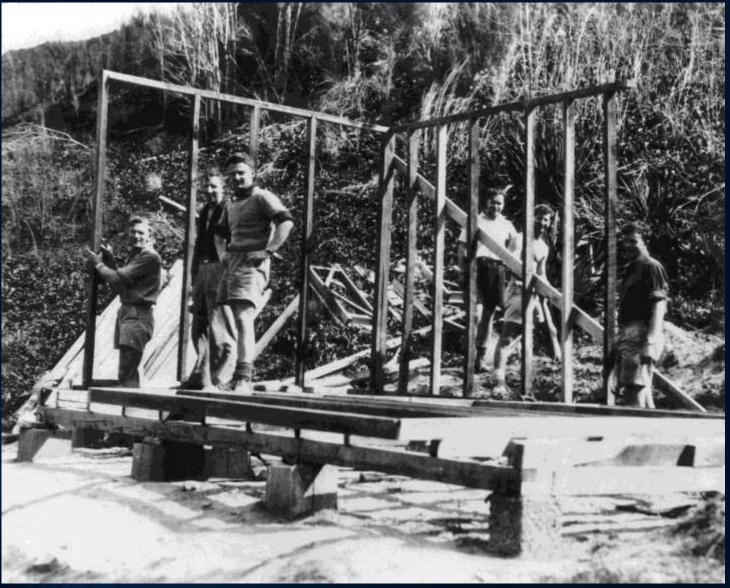
As with many other tramping clubs, the OTC continued with hut building in the early years – for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, it was agreed to build a hut in a tributary of Christmas Creek, right in the heart of the Silver Peaks.

The building of Jubilee wasn't as efficient as it was in 1933 – the hut was finally opened in 1951, three years after the clubs Jubilee.

Early photos show a landscape devoid of the current scrub — it is partly the emergence of this scrub that contributed to the hut reaching the end of it's life — DoC chose to build a new hut on the other side of the creek at a higher elevation. With the opening of the new hut on May 10, 2007 old 'Jube' was quietly dismantled and removed.

Otago Tramping Club – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 1948





The building of Jubilee Hut (1950-51)



Final touch's - 1951



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Cr Hayward (foundation member) opening Jubilee Hut (1951)

## TRAMPERS' HAVEN

## Hut Opened At Christmas Creek

More than 60 members of the Otago framping Club took part in a cerenony at the week-end to commemorste the twenty-fifth anniversary of he founding of the club. The cerenony was the official opening of the new Jubilee Hut at Christmas Creekbout four hours' tramp from Hindon n one direction and Waltati in the ther. A foundation member of the lub, and its first secretary, Cr Hayward, cut the ribbon to open the door f the hut, and also unveiled a plaque ommemorating the club's founders. Brief addresses of a reminiscent ature were given by older members f the club-Messrs E. Hunter, W. cott-Gilkison and H. Tilly, Mr A. . Craigle represented the Otago secon of the New Zealand Alpine Club. The club members converged on the ut from all directions on Saturday. tramped in from Hindon, thers from Whare Flat, Evansdale nd Waitati. The weather prevented camp fire from being held after the ficial opening ceremony, but supper nd a sing-song were held inside the ut. It is capable of sleeping eight in unks, but the majority of the ampers found room to use their ceping bags inside.



Jubilee Hut – newly completed



Jubilee Hut – Bushcraft 1989



Jubilee Hut – Near the end - 2005

















The last Bushcraft to visit old Jubilee (2006)

## Jubilee Hut

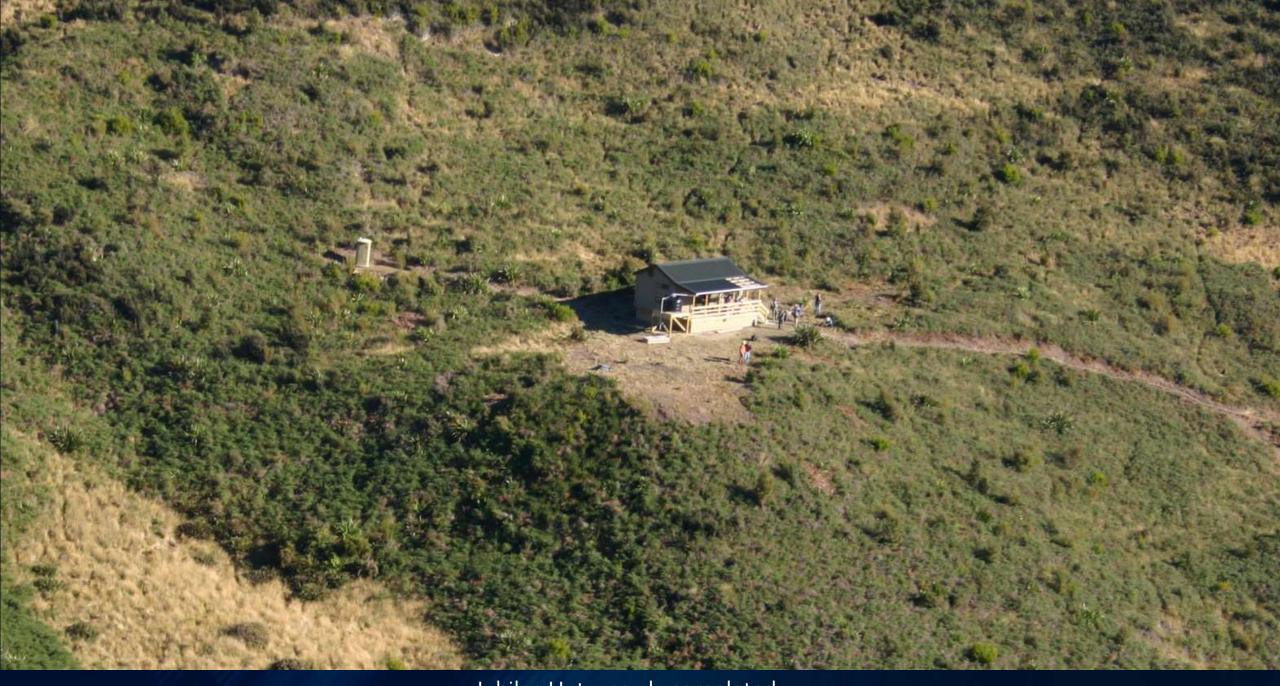
RSVP by Monday 7 May Karen Connor 03 474 6911 kconnor@doc.govt.nz



The Department of Conservation invite you to attend the opening of the new Jubilee Hut in the Silver Peaks Scenic Reserve, by Antony Pettinger, President, OTMC.

Thursday 10 May 2007 – 10am departure from Helicopters Otago Hangar, Taieri Aerodrome.

(In bad weather the opening will be transferred to Friday 11 May.)



Jubilee Hut – newly completed



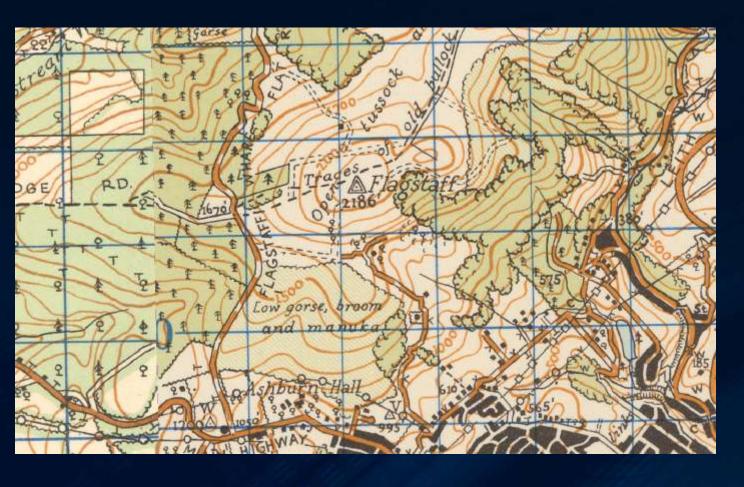








50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Otago Tramping & Mountaineering Club (1973)



Flagstaff will always be part of the tramping clubs history – the very first club trip visited Flagstaff on September 1, 1923 – just 8 days after the club's formation:

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Otago Tramping & Mountaineering Club – 50th Anniversary - 1973





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The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project saw the installation of the current Plane Table – an appropriate landmark on what is undoubtedly the best view of Dunedin City and the surrounding area.

Flagstaff remains an important part of the clubs history – of course the OTMC owned Ben Rudd property is here (another of the areas first visited by the formative OTC during the first month of operation in September 1923).

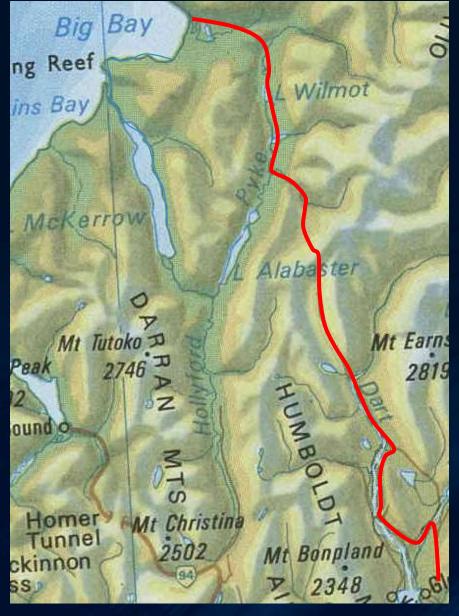
Today the club use Flagstaff for the practical navigation day as part of Bushcraft, and Flagstaff features in a lot of day trips – either as a destination or en-route to further afield.



Otago Tramping & Mountaineering Club – 50th Anniversary - 1973







For the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the club incorporated a traverse over the widest part of the South Island from Big Bay to St Kilda into the trip programme for 1998.

The first section was completed in January 1998, and went from Big Bay to the Dart River.

Following trips included: Rees Valley to Macetown, Macetown to Cardrona, Cardrona to Cromwell, Cromwell to Clyde, Clyde to Middlemarch (via Rail Trail) and Middlemarch to Ben Rudd's

The final section was a day trip from Flagstaff / Ben Rudd's to St Kilda Beach on December 13, 1998

Otago Tramping & Mountaineering Club – 75th Anniversary - 1998

# 2017-2022 Pathway to the OTC/OTMC Centenary

### 2017 – 10th Anniversary of replacement Jubilee Hut

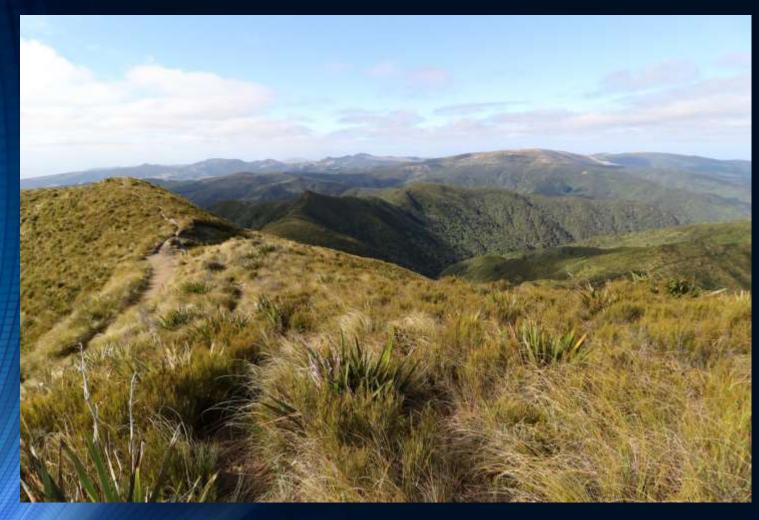
The OTMC were invited by DoC to officially open the replacement for the tramping clubs 'Jubilee Hut' on May 10, 2007.

The new hut has led to increased use of the Silver Peaks - to a point where it is not uncommon for the hut to be full most weekends over the summer months.

PROPOSAL: Day trip to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (May 7, 2017)



#### 2018 – Remembering Trevor Mason



The OTMC suffered it's most tragic day ever on 16 February, 2008 — we unfairly lost our club member, Trevor Mason, in a river crossing accident in Whare Creek (Flagstaff — Whare Flat Road).

Trevor was participating in the OTMC Silver Peaks Marathon — a test of fitness, route-finding and endurance.

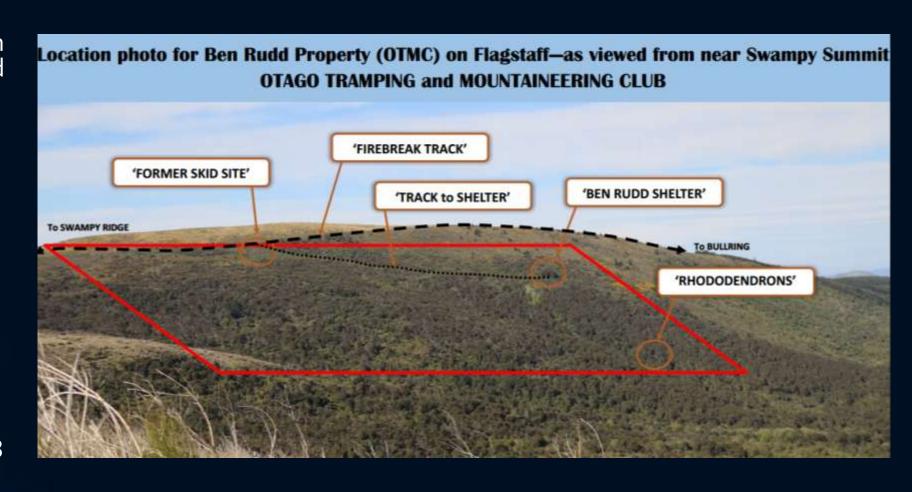
A fitting tribute for Trevor would see a memorial trip run on February 17, 2018 <u>or</u> a rerun of the only trip Trevor led (Yellow – Jubilee – Rocky Ridge – Tunnels)

# 2018 – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ben Rudd Trust (end of 20 year management agreement)

The management agreement in place between the OTMC and the Ben Rudd Management Trust is for twenty years, and ends on 1 August, 2018.

We have agreed to consult with each other at least three months prior to the end of the agreement on options (so by May 1, 2018).

To allow members to be informed on why this property is so important to the OTMC, we should hold an open day in Autumn 2018 prior to making any decisions.



#### 2020 – 30 Years At 3 Young Street

It was thanks to earlier generations of trampers that enabled the OTMC to purchase our own clubrooms in 1990. Years of renting meant many moves, usually losing members along the way.

Having our own home has allowed us to feature our maps, along with photos that tell our story.

We have been at 3 Young Street for almost one third of our existence – 18 June, 2020 could be a night of celebration with our Life Members (clubrooms opened 21 June, 1990)



### 2020 – 30 Years At 3 Young Street











#### 2021 – 50 Years of OTMC

The late 1960's and early 1970's were a time of friction between the clubs trampers and mountaineers — there was a strong feeling that the name 'Otago Tramping Club' no longer represented accurately the aspirations of the club — the outcome was the name was changed to the 'Otago Tramping and Mountaineering Club' in 1971.

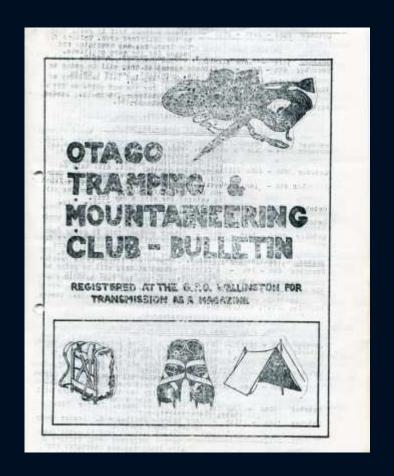
A sub-group, led primarily by Life Member Jim Freeman, formed the 'Over Thirties Club', thus preserving the 'OTC' initials.



#### 2021 – 50 Years of OTMC



Last OTC Bulletin - July 1971



First OTMC Bulletin - Sept 1971

#### 2021 – 100 Years Since Ben Rudd moved to the western side of Flagstaff



Ben Rudd lived on what is now the club property from 1921 until his death on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1930.

Ben's story is intriguing – assault and attempted murder charges (both unfounded), plus a solitary life chased by society from Dunedin and the city side of Flagstaff.

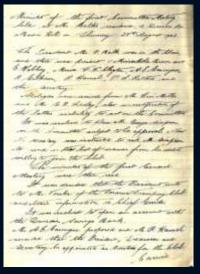
On September 23, 1923, the club first met 'stocky, bearded man with the shotgun'. Thus commenced a 7 year friendship with Ben Rudd

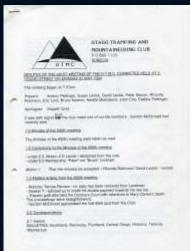
PROPOSAL — club trip from Woodside Farm to Ben Rudd via Speirs Rd track to celebrate 100 years since Ben did this trip (September 19, 2021)

#### 2021 – 1000 Committee Meetings!

Based on the existing schedule, the OTMC will be holding Committee Meeting #1000 in November 2021 (if we had held 11 meetings per year we should have reached this milestone mid 2014)

The committee of the time may like to celebrate this milestone...









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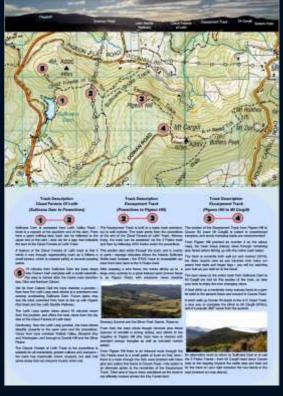
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# 2022 – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 'first sod' being turned on the Sullivans Dam to Mt Cargill section of the Dunedin Skyline Walk







The concept of a 'walkway' along Dunedin City's Skyline Ridge had been the desire of many trampers over the years – the missing link was the section from Leith Saddle to Mt Cargill – thanks to a substantial donation to the DCC the Skyline Walkway has become a reality.

The OTMC worked with the DCC to design and build the 'Cloud Forests of Leith', and the 'Escarpment Track'.

Assuming the OTMC continue to maintain and enhance these tracks, we can use the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a target to complete some additional linking tracks to encourage more usage (which is what the track needs the most now).

#### 2022 – The 50<sup>th</sup> Bushcraft Course

Although tramping skills are passed on during every trip, it wasn't until the late 1960's that a proper instruction course was developed.

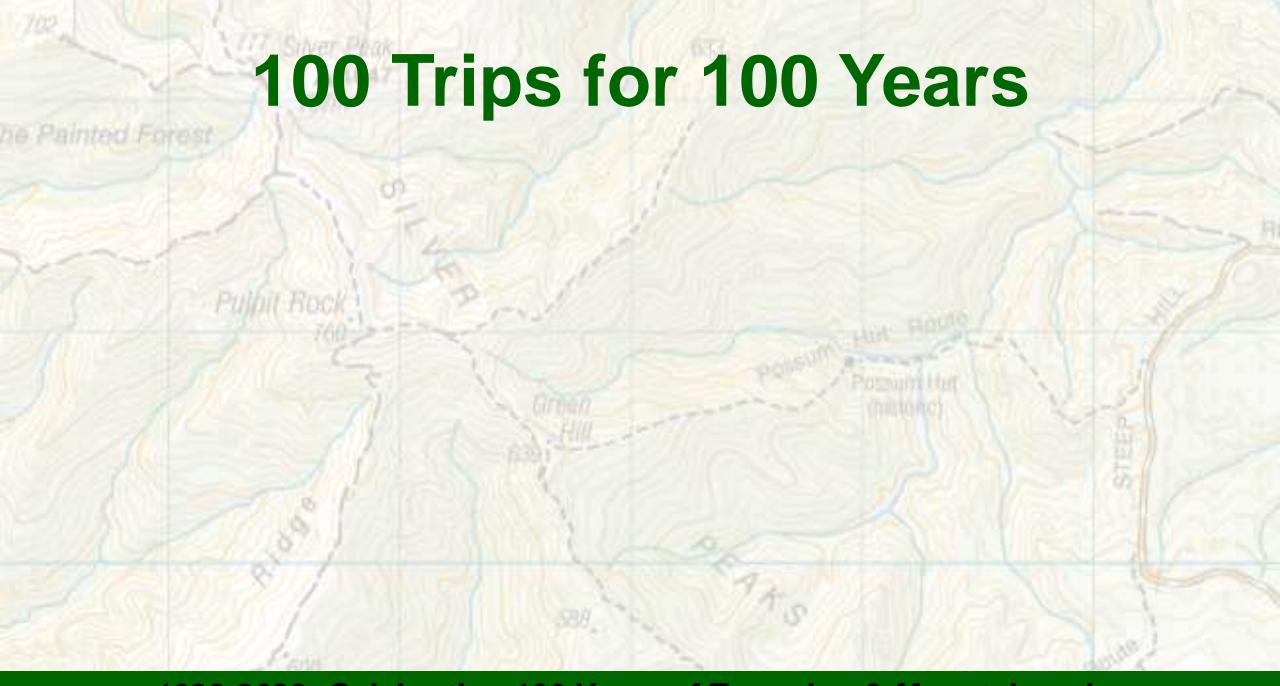
Bushcraft has proven to be an invaluable part of the club, and is one of the reason why the club remains active and relevant today.

2022 will see the 50<sup>th</sup> course held (assuming no gaps until then...) — we can lever of this to gain publicity for the course and club









# 100 Trips for 100 Years

This proposal is for the OTMC to run 100 trips over 12 months to celebrate 100 years of continuous activity in the lead up to the centenary of the OTC / OTMC in 2023 The OTMC have run an impressive range of trips since August 1923 - the concept of 100 Trips for 100 Years is to celebrate this by recreating 100 iconic trips within a 12 month period - the culmination of 100 Trips for 100 Years will be at the 100th Anniversary Celebrations in 2023

# **Key Concepts**

- OTMC Celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary during Labour Weekend 2023
- 100 Trips for 100 Years to commence at Labour Weekend 2022
- Second to last trip will be to the Silver Peaks (Green Peak Hut Site) during the Anniversary Weekend
- Final Trip will be to Ben Rudd Property, no doubt combining with a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic at the Ben Rudd Property

### Do we have a complete list of OTC / OTMC Trips?

- Compiling a complete list of trips run by the OTC (1923-1971) and the OTMC (1971 onwards) has been a work in progress for some time.
- I believe we can get a list of almost every trip 'proposed to be run' by the tramping club between 1923 and now the time consuming part will be verifying the trips from the trip programmes to the trips that actually went ahead (there has always been trips postponed or cancelled, as well as changes in leaders and destinations).
- Once the trip database is completed it will be compared with other archival material (early trip reports / minutes / annual reports / Outdoors and Bulletins / email list archives)
- Significant research is still required to work out actual destinations (i.e. those trips listed as 'Mystery', 'Peninsula' or 'Silver Peaks')

The list is designed to be simple to use and compatible with the majority of computer users. The raw data is contained in a large MS Excel spreadsheet—by using filters it is possible to list all trips based on a given criteria (or combination thereof):

Year

Month

Date(s)

National Park, Conservation Area or Locality (i.e. Mt Aspiring National Park)

General Area (i.e. Makarora)

Specific Trip (i.e. Siberia Valley)

Grade (if listed on trip card)

Leader

**Type of trip** (currently broken down to multi-day trips (3 to 11 days are all listed separately), 75th Traverse, Club Anniversary, Bushcraft, climbing, cycling, day trip (Sunday), Family, First Aid, Kayaking, Marathon, Mid-Week, Night Trip, Over 30's, Picnic, Publicity, Rock Climbing, SAREX, Saturday Trip, Ski Trip, Snowcaving, Snowcraft, Social Trip, Weekend Trip, Work Party, Xmas Trip)

Trip Report (if published in ODT, Bulletin or Outdoors – work in progress)

Notes (mainly for changes identified or specific transport arrangments for the early OTC trips))

# **Example of OTC / OTMC Trip Database**

1	Year	<b>✓</b> Month <b>✓</b>	Date(s)	National Park, Conservation Area or 🛪	General are 11	Specific Trip	<b>▼</b> Grade(! ▼	Leader	Type of Trip	-
218	1982	May	8-9	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Young Valley	F	Alistair Metherall	Weekend Trip	
380	1986	July	5-6	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora - Brewster	All	Bill Provan	Weekend Trip	
450	1987	April	17-21	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Albertburn - Wilkin - Siberia - Young Valleys (Easter)	All	Peter Mason	4 Day Trip	
554	1988	July	9-10	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora / Brewster Area	M-C	Susan Harding	Weekend Trip	
605	1989	March	24-27	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Area (Easter)	All	Mark Hanger	4 Day Trip	H
694	1990	April	13-17	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region (Easter Trip)	M-C	Antony Pettinger	4 Day Trip	
793	1991	July	13-14	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora - Mt Brewster	All	Lindsay Aitcheson	Weekend Trip	
923	1993	April	9-12	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Area (Easter)	M-C	Antony Pettinger	4 Day Trip	
989	1994	March	19-21	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora / Mt Brewster (Anniversary Weekend)	M-F	Arthur Blondell	3 Day Trip	
1054	1995	February	4-6	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Albertburn - Makarora	All	Trevor Deaker	3 Day Trip	
1084	1995	June	17-18	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Mt Brewster	M-C	Paul Bingham	Weekend Trip	
1130	1996	February	3-4	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region	All	Antony Pettinger	Weekend Trip	
1131	1996	February	3-6	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region (Waitangi Weekend 4 Day Option)	All	Antony Pettinger	4 Day Trip	
1378	1999	July	17-18	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora - Brewster Area	M-F	Greg Panting	Weekend Trip	
1459	2000	September	2-3	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Area	M-C	Jeff Brown	Weekend Trip	
1510	2001	April	13-16	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Area		Antony Pettinger	4 Day Trip	
1599	2002	July	13-14	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Area	M-C	Ann Burton	Weekend Trip	
1657	2003	April	18-22	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region	M-C	Antony Pettinger	5 Day Trip	
1692	2003	October	4-5	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Mt Brewster (Climbing Trip)	С	Matt Corbett	Weekend Trip	
1761	2004	September	11-12	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region (Wills)	M-C	Ann Burton	Weekend Trip	
1837	2005	October	1-2	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region (Climbing Options)	M-C	Gary Dawe	Weekend Trip	
1904	2006	September	2-3	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region (Climbing Options Available)	M-C	Philip Somerville	Weekend Trip	
1948	2007	April	6-9	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora Region	M-C	Antony Pettinger	4 Day Trip	
2012	2015	April	3-7	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Young - Wilkin (Gillespie Pass) Easter	M-F	Teck Lun Soon	4 Day Trip	
2033	2015	July	25-26	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Makarora or Mt Armstrong	All	Wayne Hodgkinson	Weekend Trip	
2095	2016	March	25-29	Mt Aspiring National Park	Makarora	Wilkin / East Matukituki (Easter 5 Day)		No Leader		
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#### How it will work

- The club is currently averaging 60-70 planned trips per year not all trips go ahead. To ensure we can run 100 trips over a 12 month period we will need to increase our trip numbers, maybe to 110 trips to allow for unavoidable cancellations.
- The best opportunity to increase trips is to run day trips on long weekends (why not?), and more Saturday trips. Other options are day trips over the Xmas / Easter period, and week nights during daylight saving months.
- All trips should have alternate plans to cover for weather issues even on the wettest of days it is possible to do a short day trip and not get too miserable!

## Why start now?

- To successfully carry out 100 Trips for 100 Years requires planning and research. The concept is to carefully choose the trips so they form a complete package, and provide a comprehensive overview of our club's tramping history.
- It is proposed to have an electronic publication created, with a comprehensive overview of each trip when we went there, what trips were done in the area and collect trip reports from the original trips. Once the Centenary trip is completed, it is planned to complement the archival trip information with a report on the recent trip all based on the same format. The result will be a permanent record of 100 years of tramping and mountaineering.

#### Other Ideas

- Invite each Life Member to submit one trip that should be included (within the current capability of the club, so no ascents on Aoraki / Mt Cook etc.!)
- Celebrate our history in the lead up to the Centenary (see Pathway to the Centenary slides for suggestions)
- Encourage 100 members who have had a history with the club to tell their stories if we don't record this we lose it this would expand on a similar theme we ran for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Huts have been an important part of our history identify original sites and compile before and now photos of the various huts / sites.

#### **OTC / OTMC Photo Archive**

Work has commenced on this – there is a wonderful story to tell via our photographic history. This needs to be formalised and made accessible (we have a lot of stuff at the Hocken, but it is hard to get access to this)

- Develop a plan to create and maintain a photographic archive for the OTC / OTMC
- Photographic archive to be made available online (only once restored and identified) – tie these images to the club trips.
- Encourage members to entrust a copy of tramping club photos into the club's care - we can offer a scanning service to do this.

#### Where to from here?

Present plan to committee, agree (or otherwise) on whether to proceed 2016:

Present plan to the 93rd AGM of the OTMC (August 25, 2016) 2016:

Communicate plan with Life Members and seek feedback (following AGM). Invite each Life Member to nominate one trip for '100 Trips for 100 Years' 2016:

Formalise OTC / OTMC Photo Archive (archive will be an ongoing task) 2016:

Complete OTC / OTMC Trip Database, cross check trips against archival material 2016/17:

Agree on shortlist for the 100 Trips (based on feedback from members and past members) 2017:

Aim to complete research and associated collateral for 20 trips per year (over 5 years) 2017-2021:

Ongoing displays in clubrooms for 'Pathway to the OTC/OTMC Centenary' 2017-2023:

Collect memories of the OTC / OTMC from 100 members 2017-2023:

Complete 100 Trips for 100 Years 2022-2023:

Complete and electronically publish 'OTC / OTMC: 100 Trips for 100 Years' (an overview of the 100 original and centenary trips) 2023-2024:

