



## July 2024

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### Our Club

Peninsula Tramping Club (PTC) caters for people of all ages who tramp for recreation. We run trips regularly, ranging from 'easy' to 'hard', day trips to long weekends. In addition to the monthly club meeting, a variety of social events are held every month.

### Club Nights

Club Nights are held on the **second Tuesday** of the month at **Oxford Terrace Baptist Church Hall, 286 Oxford Terrace (corner of Madras St and Oxford Terrace)** at 7.45pm. Doors open 7.30pm.

Tue 9 July



#### Hiking adventure in Greenland

**Linda Lillburne** and two friends planned and organised a hiking trip to South Greenland that involved pack-rafting, dramatic views that easily compensated for the midges, dodging a polar bear and bush bashing in a country that is tree-less!

Tue 13 Aug



#### Winter Amusement

Bring out your inner performer by presenting a one minute, or less, amusing rendition from song lyrics, rhymes, comedy, TV or book. You may perform as a group and may get to do a second or third recital if time allows.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**Tuesday 23 July**

**The Tannery Morning Walk and Coffee.**

**Meet at 9.30am** inside **The Tannery** at the cinema end. We'll head down Cumnor Terrace along the new bike path, then do a loop back to The Tannery, where there are several options for coffee and treats. Under two hours. There could be a few muddy spots. If it's too wet for a walk we can meet at the same place at 10am for coffee. No need to book. Maureen Thompson 021 266 5778 [mothompson1212@gmail.com](mailto:mothompson1212@gmail.com)

## NOTES

### Boots for Sale

**Scarpa Morraine Plus Mid GTX** women's size 38

**Scarpa leather boot (maybe GTX)** womens' size 39 - good for winter tramping including in snow

Both pairs In good condition. Offers please. Contact Alison 021 0232 3693

## TRIPS

**7 July**

[Woolshed Hill](#)

**Sun**

**Awaiting leader**

- An easy-moderate climb from Hawdon Valley Campsite to this 1429m summit, an elevation gain of 800m.

**Meet 7am Church Corner, 20 Yaldhurst Rd**

**6-7 July**

[Youngman Stream Hut](#)

**Sat-Sun**

**Graeme Nicholas 027 504 7726**

- Easy-moderate tramp to Youngman Stream Hut beside the upper Ashley River. We will exit via Lilburne Hill and Tarn Hut.

**Book by 30 June**

**14 July**

[Kenton Track--Mt Pleasant](#)

**Sun**

**Anne Hunter 021 0231 3125, [ahunternz@gmail.com](mailto:ahunternz@gmail.com)**

- An easy hill-walk, starting on the Kenton Track up to the Summit Road and along to Mt Pleasant. The [140 bus](#) can get you to Mt Pleasant and very close to the Kenton Track start. The link above shows the track start and bus-stops.

**Meet 9am opposite Princess Margaret Hospital on Cashmere Rd, near Fairview St or at Kenton Track start, Rockview Place at 9.45am**

**21 July**

[Waipara Wine Trail](#)

**Sun**

**Evelien Baas 027 557 5521**

- A pleasant walk around the vineyards of Waipara with opportunities to visit tasting rooms and enjoy the local hospitality.

**Meet 9am Placemakers, 319 Cranford St**

- 27-30 July**      [Whataroa Rr--Butler Junction Hut--Ice Lake](#)  
**Fri-Mon**      **Raymond Ford** [fordrm@snap.net.nz](mailto:fordrm@snap.net.nz) or **022 318 0872**  
 ●●●●      A fairly rugged, moderate walk to Butler Hut, then to Top Butler and Ice Lake.  
**Dates may change due to weather. Flexibility required**
- 27-30 July**      [Mt Arthur Tablelands Circuit](#)  
**Sat-Tues**      **Awaiting leader**  
 ●●●●      A popular moderate circuit in karst country with rock shelters, an open tussock plateau and tops with superb views, combine to make this an interesting tramp.  
**Book by 21 July**
- 28 July**      [Mt Charon--Dumblane](#)  
**Sun**      **Awaiting leader**  
 ●      A moderate trip to the summit of 1540m Mt Charon from Jacks Pass, along the way we take in 1303m Dumblane.  
**Meet 7am Placemakers, 319 Cranford St**
- 3-4 Aug**      [Boyle Flat—Faust](#)  
**Sat-Sun**      **Kerry Moore 359 5069**  
 ●●      A moderate snow-climb from the Boyle over the Libretto Range via 1710m Faust. Anyone wanting an easy trip can return as for the inward leg.  
**Book by 28 July**
- 10-11 Aug**      [Cass Saddle--Lagoon Saddle](#)  
**Sat-Sun**      **Awaiting leader**  
 ●●      A popular **moderate** circuit trip, overnighing in the good-sized Hamilton Hut. Mainly good track through beech forest, two tussock saddles and grassy flats, with some small river crossings thrown in. Day two is on a section of the Te Araroa.  
**Book by 4 Aug**
- 18 Aug**      [Port Levy--Wild Cattle Hill](#)  
**Sun**      **Awaiting leader**  
 ●      A moderate walk on the east side of Port Levy from sea level to 600m on Wild Cattle Hill. Coastal views towards both Port Levy and Pigeon Bay.  
**Meet 8am opposite Princess Margaret Hospital on Cashmere Rd, near Fairview St**
- 25-26 Aug**      [Nina Hut](#)  
**Sun-Mon**      **Kerry Moore 359 5069**  
 ●●      An easy, flat walk in beautiful Nina Valley forest to this modern hut. This one is a Sun-Mon trip to avoid overcrowding in this very popular hut.  
**Book by 18 Aug**
- 30 Aug-1 Sep**      [Hokitika Base](#)  
**Fri-Sun**      **Graeme Nicholas 027 504 7726**  
 ●●●      Staying in Hokitika and doing a range of walks near Lake Kaniere, such as: around the lake walkway, Mt Tuhua, Mahinapua Walkway. Take your kayak or bike.  
**Book by 25 Aug**
- 1 Sept**      [Mt Torlesse](#)  
**Sun**      **Dan Pryce 027 384 7065, [dan.pryce@xtra.co.nz](mailto:dan.pryce@xtra.co.nz)**  
 ●      A moderate-hard climb up the spur from Kowai Hut to 1961m Mt Torlesse. Ice axe and crampons must be taken.  
**Meet 7am Church Corner, 20 Yaldhurst Rd**

# TRIP REPORTS

## Red Hill

Saturday 22 June 2024

Seven of us gathered at Church Corner on this cloudy day for the trip to Red Hill in Korowai/Torlesse Tussocklands Park. This time we chose the northern approach from the Porter River via Coleridge Pass rather than the route from Lake Lyndon. We got off to a confused start by heading up the true left of the river, but several of us crossed the river to find the track up the true right. In partial sunshine and with all on the right track, we approached the pass as the track became less defined. A nice spur led up from Coleridge Pass towards a clouded-in Red Hill. The track was quite steep and as we neared the top we were seeing patches of snow. Our group was quite spread out along the spur, so when white-out conditions engulfed us, we made a stop, allowing us to regroup and check our location by GPS. We had been on top for ten minutes when a cool breeze pushed the cloud aside, revealing views over Lake Coleridge and the Rakaia Valley. It was just after noon, so we decided to get away from the wind to have lunch. There was some debate about taking the alternative route along the tops, but the decision was to avoid the steep snowy slope and cold wind. We quickly descended a spur, had lunch part-way down, then moved down to the valley floor. The route was followed through waist-high tussock and shrubs as we avoided stepping in the many streams that converged on the valley floor. We got back onto the track and reached the cars at about 3pm. Despite the gloomy forecast we (**Graeme, Jessie, Daniel, Peter, Wang, John and Dorota**) saw a good deal of sun and had a pleasant day out.



*The spur from Coleridge Pass*





*Lake Coleridge from Red Hill*





*Our lunch spot*

## **Rakaia Gorge Walkway                      Sunday 2 June 2024**

On a very calm day our four drove to the Rakaia Gorge Bridge to walk a 9km clockwise circuit on the walkway. We explored a couple of side tracks to the river and coal mine and enjoyed the panoramic view of the Hutt Range and further west. We met many people of different nationalities as we walked along, with everyone in a buoyant mood, as they explored the area.

We were: **Graeme (leader) Joanna, Joy and John.** 🏔️ JR



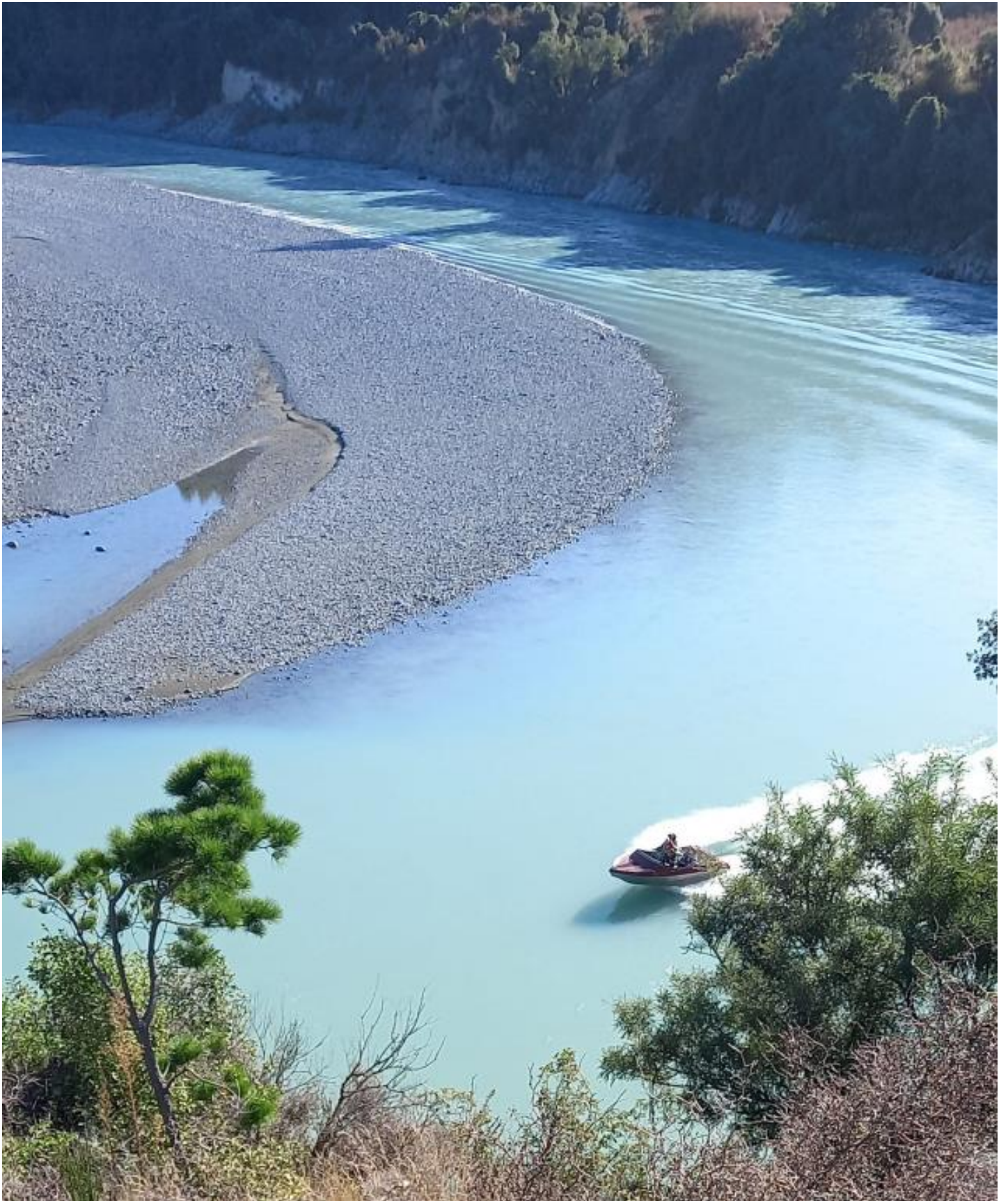
*Rakaia Gorge Bridge. Our starting point*





*Mt Hutt Range comes into view*





*A popular jetboating area*