



THE CHRISTCHURCH TRAMPER

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Steve and Jiang on the frozen tarn - on Chris' Mt Guy trip. Photo: Bryce Williamson

The CHRISTCHURCH TRAMPING CLUB has members of all ages, and runs tramping trips every weekend, ranging from easy (minimal experience required) to hard (high fitness and experience required). We also organise instructional courses and hold weekly social meetings. We have a club hut in Arthurs Pass and have gear available for hire to members. Membership rates per year are \$50 member, \$70 couple, \$30 junior or associate, with a \$10 discount for members who opt to obtain this newsletter electronically.

For more about how the club operates, see the last two pages.

News

New Members: Welcome to new members who have joined recently: Bridget Awan, Ryland Bennett, Joanne Bolton, Cecile Bourguignon, Laurayne Devery, Paulette French, Milton Kirk, Elaine Klava, Emma Kotula, Joanne Livingstone, Allan McInnes, Jane Meiforth, Colin Miller, Heather Parker, Louise Petrie, Sue Petrie, Dylan Roberts, Heather Rockell, Edson Alves Santos, Pip Watt, Emily Whitmore, and Kaye Wilson. We hope you have many enjoyable days out tramping with us!

Canterbury Disabled Snowsports Club - Bargain Books for SI Ski Fields: Disabled Snowsports Canterbury is an organisation that gets people with disabilities out skiing and snowboarding. As a fundraiser they sell Bargain Books of vouchers from various South Island ski fields offering discounts for a day of skiing. Bargain books cost \$110 for one book and \$90 for any subsequent ones. All of the details are on the web site <http://dsc.org.nz/bargain-booklets/> They can be purchased through the web site or from the following Christchurch shops: Snow and Surf, Tuam St; SnowRide, Lincoln Road; and Cactus Outdoor, Fitzgerald Ave (also available on their website). All proceeds go directly towards the Canterbury Disabled Snowsports Club.

CTC / FMC Photograph competition 2018: As in previous years, we invite members to

submit photographs to the CTC club photography competition. The two best photographs per category will then be put forward as our club entry to the FMC photo competition. This year, the club competition will be judged by popular vote of club members at a club night on 5th September.

The categories are the same as last year:

- **ABOVE BUSHLINE** (With no Human Element)
- **ABOVE BUSHLINE** (With a Human Element)
- **BELOW BUSHLINE** (With no Human Element)
- **BELOW BUSHLINE** (With a Human Element)
- **HISTORIC** – (for historic *photographs*, not photos of historic things.. or photos taken by historic photographers!).
- **NATIVE FLORA & FAUNA**

We've decided to add an extra category, just for the CTC competition and just for fun:

- **FUNNY** – any funny CTC or tramping related photos – no rules for this category, enter whatever you think will make us laugh!

All photos must be taken in NZ, and with the exception of the “Historic” category must be taken after 1st Jan 2016. The image files must be jpg or tiff format with a minimum size of 1 MB (this is FMC’s rule, not ours). For full details of the rules, including what exactly defines a “Human Element”, and what sort of post-processing is allowed, see <http://www.fmc.org.nz/photo-competition/>

Send entries to photos@ctc.org.nz - deadline 8th August. With each photograph, please include a caption and a short blurb about the photograph (where you took it etc) to be read out at the club night as we go through the entries.

A number of the photos the CTC put forward last year were "Commended" in the FMC photo competition – let's see if we can do even better this year and get some winners!

Calendar of trips and Social Events

Trips: Unless otherwise stated, club trips depart either from 'Z' Carlton Corner Service Station (formerly Shell) at 1 Papanui Road (next to Liquor Land and opposite Derby Street) or from Caltex Russley on the corner of Russley Road and Yaldhurst Rd. If the departure point is not specified in the trip schedule, you may assume it's 'Z' Carlton. Day trips usually depart at 8am on Saturday or Sunday. Weekend trips may leave on either Friday evening or Saturday morning.

New or prospective members intending to go on any trip must sign up at club night or contact the trip leader in advance.

Social: We meet on Wednesdays 7:30 pm at the CMLC (Canterbury Mineral & Lapidary Club) building at 110 Waltham Road, Waltham. This new building, beside and on the south side of Waltham School, is about 100m south of the Brougham St/Waltham Rd intersection. Waltham Road is the southern extension of Barbadoes Street. A variety of

social functions are organised, the atmosphere is informal, and tea and biscuits served. If you can give a presentation or have ideas, please phone Kay Taylor 03-3584580 or email kaytaylor30@xtra.co.nz. Please note that formalities start at 7:50 pm sharp, and if there is a guest speaker, he/she will start at 8 pm sharp.

Our Club Hut: In the Arthur's Pass township, with all the comforts of home including real showers and inside flushing loos (BYO toilet paper!), but with the mountains at the back door. A great place for a few days away; take your usual gear and a pillowcase. Please book **and pay** before leaving town; the club bank account number is 38-9017-0279838-00 (Kiwibank/Christchurch Tramping Club). Include your name and the words "hut fees" in the particulars/code/reference fields. Phone Gareth Caves 03 9808224 for booking and key code; or if he's away, Chris McGimpsey 027 6573070; or if they're both away, Rex Vink 3525329. Hut fees are \$15 member, \$15 member's partner, \$20 non-member, \$5 kids under 12. If you find any problems or maintenance required, please contact the hut convenor, Gareth Caves.

Equipment Hire: The Club has a range of equipment for hire. The Gear Custodian is Bernhard Parawa, ph. 337 3125. Note: club gear assigned to you is your responsibility; please take care of it. Please put tents inside your pack. Tents attached to the outside of your pack can be easily punctured when bush bashing or even lost. This may result in serious damage to your bank account! Please air and dry tents after taking them on a trip even if they are not used, and report any damage to the gear custodian.

Rates for Gear Hire:

Tent	\$3/person/night
Ice axes, crampons	\$4 per weekend
Harnesses, snow shovel	\$4 per weekend
Large/small weekend packs	\$2 per weekend
Helmets	Free
Personal locator beacons	Free

Wednesday 25 July	Club Night
<p>Old Ghost Road: Tonight we have a change of speaker from that previously advertised. The talk by OENZ on Risk Management is postponed as Sarah has an overseas commitment. She'll give her talk later this year. So after newsletter folding, join Bryce, Bernhard, Richard and Antony for a peek at tramping the Old Ghost Road in early July. Bryce has some good photos to show us of a very wet Wild West Coast trip...</p>	

Weekend 28-29 July		Leader: William King 021874626 wchking@yahoo.co.nz	
<p>Rakaia River Banfield Hut, Jagged Stream and Peg Col or Jagged Col.: Its time to see the other side of Mt Arrowsmith while the winter makes river crossings easier. This overnight trip to Banfield hut is 13km into the hut and is a great chance to bag a new hut and to explore Jagged stream, to either Peg Col or Jagged Col. Saturday will be a walk in to the Hut and to look at options for the Sunday morning climb up Jagged Stream. In the future, I will be leading some long alpine and main divide trips. If you are either experienced or if you aspire to travel through high alpine passes and over glaciers, then this trip offers a little of what is to come.</p>		<p>Grade: Moderate+ (requires snow skills)</p> <p>Closed: 19 Jul</p> <p>Map: BW18</p> <p>Approx: \$30</p>	
Sunday 29 July Departure point: Z Station Papanui		Leader: Michael Hammond 02108414764 mbahammond@hotmail.com	
<p>Double Hut: Situated in the beautiful Lake Heron region, Double hut is a basic back country hut. Its about 2 and a half hours walk from the car park over mostly flat ground but slowly going uphill towards the hut. We will be at the base of the Taylor range and enjoy the fabulous views. If time allows we can also visit Manuka hut 1 hour away. A return trip over the same track takes us back to the cars and then somewhere sociable for the aftermatch. This will involve a late arrival back in Christchurch owing to the travelling time involved in this trip.</p>		<p>Grade: Easy+</p> <p>Closes: 26 Jul</p> <p>Map: BX19</p> <p>Approx: \$25</p>	
Sunday 29 July Departure point: Z Station Papanui		Leader: Michael Newlove 355-8360 newmike@slingshot.co.nz	
<p>Helicopter Hill: Starting by the shelter at the Upper Cave Stream Reserve, Sidle 73 Track and a short section of the skifield road. From there, up the Craigieburn Valley Track through beech forest to Lyndon Saddle and then on to the open tussock tops of Helicopter Hill (1256m, around 400m height gain). Panoramic views of Castle Hill Basin. Return trip will follow the Lyndon Saddle Track and a section of the Broken River Skifield Road, taking us back to the shelter.</p>		<p>Grade: Easy+</p> <p>Closes: 26 Jul</p> <p>Map: BW21</p> <p>Approx: \$20</p>	

Sunday 29 July		Leader: Chris McGimpsey 03 358 9125	
Departure point: Z Station Papanui		tortistours@gmail.com	
<p>TORTIS Tour 23: A beginners' guide to getting lost and what to do about it, plus some general navigation & bushcraft skills. Bring your normal day pack & gear, a good lunch and a sense of humour - some pre-torn clothes may be useful as the trip does involve some bush bashing. Bring your GPS and/or compass if you have one, but it is not essential because they will be provided for the navigation part of the exercise. We will stop at the Rangiora pub for tea and a debrief on the way home, because the trip lasts till 5 - 6pm depending on your navigation skills. NB the trip is normally limited to 4 x people at a time. The last TORTIS Tour for 2018 will be in October.</p>		<p>Grade: Moderate - easy pace Closes: 26 Jul Map: Approx: \$20</p>	
Wednesday 1 August		Club Night	
<p>Banks Peninsula Geopark Proposal: Dr Sam Hampton is a University of Canterbury and Frontiers Abroad Geologist /Volcanologist. He is talking about the proposal for Banks Peninsular to become a UNESCO Geopark . Geoparks are areas of outstanding global geological significance which celebrate the landscape, flora and fauna, geological features, archaeology, cultures, histories and conservation. A Geopark aims to preserve and conserve by education, not legislation, and there are no mandates on land use - it's "business as usual" for everyone who lives, works and recreates in the region. Currently there are 140 UNESCO Geoparks in 38 countries, examples being the Grand Canyon in the USA, the Great Barrier Reef in Australia and the cliffs of Moher in Ireland. Come along and find out how special our Peninsular is and how a Geopark status would work.</p>			
Weekend 4-5 August		Leader: Adrian Busby 325-5001	
<p>Basic Snow Craft: We will stay Friday and Saturday night in the club hut at Arthur's Pass, foraying out both days to suitable slopes to practice the basics in the use of ice-axe and crampons. There are limited places, so book early. For club members only. Ice axes, crampons and helmets will be taken care of by the trip leader and handed out/adjusted at the club hut.</p>		<p>Grade: Training Closes: Trip full Map: Approx: \$30 + hut fees</p>	
Sunday 5 August		Leader: Michael Hammond	
Departure point: Z Station Papanui		02108414764 mbahammond@hotmail.com	
<p>Rod Donald hut: We will park at the hilltop car park at the far end of the Te Ara Pataka and head up the trail towards Port Levy. On the way we pass Mt Sinclair and Mt Fitzgerald. We follow the undulating track on top of the hills til we are almost at the Port Levy saddle, we drop down on the side track to Rod Donald hut for lunch. This hut is one of the most modern in the DOC collection of huts. After lunch we will return the way we walked in and reconvene at Little River for the appropriate refreshments. About 12 km in each direction over undulating terrain.</p>		<p>Grade: Easy+ Closes: 2 Aug Map: BX24 BX25 Approx: \$10</p>	

Clothing Layering for Extreme Cold Weather and High Altitude Mountaineering:
 Tonight club member Bill Johnson is talking about the USA Army principles of layering clothing for extreme cold weather. Having just come back from Denali, Bill will be bringing in his gear and showing and discussing what worked in sub-zero temperatures. On his first attempt at Denali his mouth was so raw from the sub-arctic air he couldn't drink his stashed Grand Mariner once back at base camp. Did he manage to drink his Grand Mariner this year, and what tips does he have for dealing with the extreme cold! Refreshments and chat time as per usual.

Multi day trip 10-11 August Note: Trip leaves Friday 10th Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Kelly Purdie If anyone else wants to help me lead the trip I'd appreciate it as this will be my first trip
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<p>Fowlers Hut Base Camp: This trip will be leaving Friday morning at 0800 and driving right up to Fowlers Hut, Hanmer Springs (so you can bring as much food and other goodies as you like!) The hut has an open fireplace, 2 rooms, no bunks so mattresses, stretchers or tents required. The trip is currently Friday to Saturday evening although you can stay for a 2nd night and come back Sunday. From here we will do day trips of which has not been decided yet. Suggestions welcome and will be decided as a group - Mt Isobel has been suggested as well as a loop track through Lake Guyon. There are plenty of tramps in the area to choose from! If anyone wants to either lead the trip or "help me" lead this trip then I would be more than happy with that.</p>	<p>Grade: Moderate Closes: 2 Aug Map: BU24 BT24 Approx: \$30</p>
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Saturday 11 August Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Michael Newlove 355-8360 newmike@slingshot.co.nz
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<p>Mt Ada/Sign of the Bellbird/Kennedy's Bush: The trip will start at the Halswell Quarry Park and follow Kennedy's Track to the Summit Road and up to Mt Ada (467m). Great views of the surrounding area. Follow the Crater Rim Walkway and look forward to lunch at the Sign of the Bellbird. The return trip will involve doing a loop in the Kennedy's Bush Reserve and back to the cars via Kennedy's Track.</p>	<p>Grade: Easy Closes: 9 Aug Map: BX24 Approx: \$5</p>
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Weekend 11-12 August Departure point: Contact Leader		Leader: Lorraine Johns lorraine.johns@gmail.com
Mitre Peak via North-East Couloir, Inland Kaikoura Range: Weekend trip to climb the striking North-East Couloir of Mitre Peak in the Inland Kaikoura Range, leaving Friday night and returning Sunday night (summit and walk out on the same day). Space on this trip is limited and there is an experience requirement so you need to contact the trip leader first before signing up. Expect some steep snow and one or more pitches at the top of the peak. You need to have two tools, have climbed a number of peaks in snow, and must have some knowledge of rope work. Avalanche gear is a must (you cannot participate without transceiver, shovel, probe, and the skills to use them). We will be camping near the base of the couloir rather than staying at the Hodder Huts. Requires an excellent forecast and low avalanche danger (particularly given the nature of the route) - trip will be rescheduled if needed. Grade 2 mountaineering route.		Grade: Hard Closes: 2 Aug Map: BS27 Approx: \$65
Weekend 11-12 August Departure point: Contact Leader		Leader: Gort Stephan
Mueller Hut, Mt Cook National Park: Usual approach to Unwin Hut on Friday night or very early start Saturday morning. Walk up to Mueller Hut Saturday and have a look around the area. Sunday a walk up to Annette Plateau. I'll be taking touring skis, but this trip should be good for walking and ski touring. We will only go if the weather and avalanche forecasts are good.		Grade: Moderate (requires snow skills) Closes: 2 Aug Map: BX15 Approx: \$50 + hut fee
Wednesday 15 August		Club Night
On Top of the World: Climbing Mount Everest: Tonight it's great to welcome Mike Read along to talk to us about his recent trip to climb Mount Everest with Wanaka-based Adventure Consultants. Mike last talked to us in 2016 about climbing two of the "Seven Summits", Denali and Elbrus. He has now successfully summited Everest, and will talk about his trip. See you there!		
Saturday 18 August Departure point: Z Station Papanui		Leader: Michael Newlove 355-8360 newmike@slingshot.co.nz
Bealey Spur to the Hut: Start by the baches at Bealey Spur next to the main road and climb up through sheltering beech forest. On the way to the charming old musterers hut at around 1240m, the ridge opens up in places. To reveal immense views over the Waimakariri River and to the mountains beyond. There could be snow in open areas so bring warm clothing and as well, walking pole and gaitors would be useful. Return trip around 10kms and 450m height gain.		Grade: Easy/Mod Closes: 16 Aug Map: BV20 Approx: \$25

Weekend 18-19 August Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Barry Watson 021668895 bazzaman7@gmail.com
<p>Snow Caves, Igloos & Winter Tenting Course: It's not every day you get to build your very own wondrous winter hideaway. However this weekend you will have the chance to learn how to successfully build a snow cave and/or igloo, and create the best winter tenting shelter with our very own expert, Bill Johnson, and his offsider Barry Watson. These skills can provide you with a much welcomed shelter from the storm when it's needed most. Our aim is to go to Cheeseman Ski Field, however the location may change depending on snow conditions. Come prepared with at least 2 mats to sleep on, warm clothes and a snow shovel if you have one. Bring a good sturdy tent if you plan to sleep in this, or you can stay the night in the igloo or snow cave you create. There may be an option for dinner at Cheeseman Ski Lodge.</p>	<p>Grade: Easy/Mod + Work Closes: 9 Aug Map: BW20 Approx: \$25</p>

Wednesday 22 August	Club Night
<p>Tour du Mount Blanc: In June club member Barry Watson led a trip to Europe to do the Tour du Mont Blanc. This iconic 180 km trek winds its way through the Alps of France, Italy and Switzerland, and is definitely some of the most stunning scenery in Europe. This alpine adventure saw them climb a total height gain of 14 vertical kilometers where they got to experience unforgettable sights, fabulous food and loads of fun. Come along tonight and be wowed by an epic experience that is on many trampers Bucket List.</p>	

Saturday 25 August Departure point: Contact Leader	Leader: Barney Stephenson 03 358 3281
<p>Car free Crater Rim: Leave the cars behind and still go for a delightfully pleasant "get fit" day trip if the weather's OK. We start at Sumner at the final bus stop, where Wakefield Ave becomes Evan Pass Rd, and end at the Sign of the Takahe or Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH) bus stops, around 20 km in all. Fantastic 365 views all the way, and lunch in the sun or at a pleasant place or the Gondola or both according to taste. To get to the start: catch the Purple Line bus from your nearest stop http://www.metroinfo.co.nz/timetables/Pages/Timetable.aspx?routeid=P . We must catch the bus that leaves the airport at 7.37 am, stops Avonhead Mall 7.45, the CBD Bus Interchange at 8.05 and final stop in Sumner at 8.43. Catching this one is a must, the next is 30 mins later, we can't wait! For return, Blue Line (Rangiora) and the Orbiter stop at PMH, and there are also buses from the Gondola, Lyttleton and Centaurus Rd below Rapaki track. Car free Crater Rim.</p>	<p>Grade: Moderate - easy pace Closes: 23 Aug Map: BX24 Approx: Bus fare</p>

Weekend 25-26 August Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Symon Holmes symon_gnome@yahoo.co.nz
Woolshed Creek Hut: This tramp is a club favourite, and a good one for beginners (and not so new) to experience an overnight trip. We will make our way up the Miners Track and stay at the modern, serviced and spacious DOC hut. There's plenty of flat ground next to the hut for those who would like to test out their tenting skills and gear, otherwise a bunk in the hut will be a nice place to rest for the night. There is a \$15 Hut or \$5 tenting fee.	Grade: Easy Closes: 16 Aug Map: BX19 Approx: \$25 + Hut Fees

Sunday 26 August Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Chris McGimpsey 03 358 9125 tortistours@gmail.com
TORTIS Tour 24: A beginners' guide to getting lost and what to do about it, plus some general navigation & bushcraft skills. Bring your normal day pack & gear, a good lunch and a sense of humour - some pre-torn clothes may be useful as the trip does involve some bush bashing. Bring your GPS and/or compass if you have one, but it is not essential because they will be provided for the navigation part of the exercise. We will stop at the Rangiora pub for tea and a debrief on the way home, because the trip lasts till 5 - 6pm depending on your navigation skills. NB the trip is normally limited to 4 x people at a time. The last TORTIS Tour for 2018 will be in October.	Grade: Moderate - easy pace Closes: 23 Aug Map: Approx: \$20

Wednesday 29 August	Club Night
Newsletter and Trip Brainstorming Session: Following newsletter folding, we are having a Trip Brain-Storming session. Come along armed with your guide books, topographical maps, trip notes from past years and "Wow I'd like to do that trip" ideas, and lets get some cracker trips into the trip planning database. Do you know of a good Base Camp location? A great hut? An awesome traverse, some brilliant forest, a lovely coastal landscape..What's your favorite tramp? Should we do some Great Walks as a club? The brain-storming night lets us add the collective wisdom of club members too, re things like best time of year to do a trip, best route, hut and bridge/river info, cautionary tales etc...Our trip planners do a great job but they need YOUR input to keep us exploring and enjoying new areas! Refreshments and chat time as per usual... See you there!	

Saturday 1 September	Leader: Michael Newlove 355-8360
Departure point: Z Station Papanui	newmike@slingshot.co.nz

<p>Nikau Palm Gully: Here is a chance to see this little gem in the Akaroa Heads Scenic zone with big cliffs, sea birds, palm trees and more. Follow a farm track from the Onuku Farm Hostel, winding in and out of several headlands and then down a staircase into the gully itself. It is acclaimed as one of the best forest remnants in Canterbury, with an amazing collection of huge nikau palms. The return trip will follow the "Blue Track" taking us up to a high point, then a short section of the Banks Peninsula Track to the hostel. Great views of Akaroa Harbour. Round trip approximately 12 kms.</p>	<p>Grade: Easy+ Closes: 30 Aug Map: BY25 Approx: \$20</p>
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Weekend 1-2 September	Leader: Eric Skea skea.eric@gmail.com
Departure point: Contact Leader	

<p>Mt Alexander: Stay in the club hut in Arthur's Pass on Friday night. On Saturday morning drive to Camp Creek River off Lake Brunner Road and begin the tramp along the Camp Creek Route to the summit of Mt Alexander, from 180m to 1958m. High camp in the snow on Saturday night. Summit either Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning as time/conditions allow. Backup plan: stay Friday and Saturday nights in Arthur's Pass, and do daytrips from there.</p>	<p>Grade: ModHard (requires snow skills) Closes: 23 Aug Map: BU20 Approx: \$40 + hut fee</p>
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Wednesday 5 September	Club Night
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FMC Photo Judging Evening: Tonight we'll be viewing member's entries for the annual FMC Photographic Competition. Last year the FMC had \$3400 worth of sponsored prizes. We'll be choosing 2 entries from each category to represent the CTC. There are good prizes, so get those entries in ASAP! Our entries have to be submitted to FMC by September 15th get your prime piks in no later than 3rd September, as Nick has to collate them into categories. Any queries please contact Nick Edwards, IT Convenor. Happy Snapping! The FMC categories are: ABOVE BUSHLINE (With no Human Element); ABOVE BUSHLINE (With a Human Element); BELOW BUSHLINE (With no Human Element); BELOW BUSHLINE (With a Human Element); HISTORIC (taken before January 2018); NATIVE FLORA & FAUNA.

Wednesday 12 September	Club Night
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Amazing Antarctica: Come cruising with club members Peter Eman, Ruth and Alan Ross to Antarctica, via the Falkland islands and South Georgia. Enjoy spectacular wildlife, big glaciers and gigantic icebergs, go kayaking with leopard seals, walking in Shackleton's footsteps and see Alan taking his shirt off for an icy swim! This is a "Once in a Lifetime trip" according to Alan, and it sounds like they had a fantastic time. Come along and enjoy some superb scenery, Antarctic history and wildlife.

Weekend 22-23 September Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Symon Holmes symon_gnome@yahoo.co.nz
<p>Ces Clark Hut on the Croesus Track: The Croesus Track is a track running from the Smoke-ho car park near Blackball up a bush covered valley to overnight at the serviced 16 bunk Ces Clark hut which has great views of the Grey Valley. It's a beautiful 4 - 5 hour walk into the landscape of the Paparoa Ranges. There is plenty of evidence of the local gold mining heritage, and a variety of vegetation and wildlife. There will be time to look around the old gold stamping battery and an opportunity to watch the sun set over the Tasman Sea, if the weather permits. The Croesus Track is one of the few pack tracks on the West Coast that ascends over 1000 m above sea level, and its high points provide excellent views of the Southern Alps and the sea. NOTE: 7am Departure.</p>	<p>Grade: Moderate but at an easy pace</p> <p>Closes: 13 Sep</p> <p>Map: BT20</p> <p>Approx: \$45+\$15 Hut Fee</p>

Sunday 30 September Departure point: Z Station Papanui	Leader: Chris McGimpsey 03 358 9125 tortistours@gmail.com
<p>TORTIS Tour 25: A beginners guide to getting lost and what to do about it, plus some general navigation & bushcraft skills. Bring your normal day pack & gear, a good lunch and a sense of humour - some pre-torn clothes may be useful as the trip does involve some bush bashing. Bring your GPS and/or compass if you have one, but it is not essential because they will be provided for the navigation part of the exercise. We will stop at the Rangiora pub for tea and a debrief on the way home, because the trip lasts till 5 - 6pm depending on your navigation skills. NB the trip is normally limited to 4 x people at a time. The last TORTIS Tour for 2018 will be in October.</p>	<p>Grade: Moderate - easy pace</p> <p>Closes: 27 Sep</p> <p>Map:</p> <p>Approx: \$20</p>



Climbing above the Clarence river, on Bryce's Mt Percival trip. Photo: Jonathan Carr

Trip Reports

Anyone can contribute a trip report – just go to <http://www.ctc.org.nz>, log in, and click “Create trip report”, under “Members menu” on the left-hand side. Trip reports added to the website appear in the newsletter as well.

More about the CTC

CTC Overdue Trips: Members/family/partners or a nominated person concerned about a trip being overdue should firstly discuss this with a Club Officer when they feel that the trip is delayed. Club Officers know where to obtain copies of the Trip Lists containing the names and addresses of the party members with their vehicle registration details etc. This will greatly assist Police Search and Rescue. The Club Officer can then contact the Police directly. Concerned people should keep trying different numbers until they actually contact a Club Officer (**do not leave messages**).

We recommend you start with Karen Tait, 027 545 7404, or Jonathan Carr, 022 034 4608. Then try the Club Captain, then the Gear Custodian, then the Presidents, then the Trip Organisers, then people listed under Our Club Hut – if no contact can be made then the Police. Refer to the list of Club Officers below, and on www.ctc.org.nz. Members (particularly Trip Leaders) please discuss this arrangement with your loved ones so they are aware of this procedure.

Club Officers

<i>President:</i>	Chris McGimpsey	03 358 9125	<i>Overnight Trip Organiser:</i>	Barry Watson	021668895
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Please have stuff for the next newsletter to the editor
(editor@ctc.org.nz) by 23 August 2018 – Thanks.
