



The South Canterbury Climber

February 2019

ALPINE TRIPS
ROCK CLIMBING TRIPS
NZAC NEWS

**Have an idea for our monthly Speaker?
Please let us know!**

Welcome to the **February edition** of the NZAC South Canterbury Section's newsletter. The section runs a variety of alpine, climbing and other trips and courses throughout the year and new members are always welcome.

Climber Content

Is there anything you would like to see in the newsletter? Do you have a suggestion for improving the newsletter? If so, drop us a line, we're keen to hear from you. Alternatively, we love getting

submissions from members – whether they be Trip Reports, Items for Sale or rants. Just send your material to the editor by the 20th of the month preceding. Contact Kelly Cooney from emailing: Kelly@wildfiresolutions.co.nz

Monthly Meeting – Cancelled.. Sorry, we're all out adventuring!



Speakers

Your Committee welcomes ideas of topics and speakers. Please send them in ASAP to any Committee Member, we look forward to receiving them! Do not be shy to offer yourself (Contacts at bottom of Newsletter).

Library – Books Available

Did you know that the Section has a number of Alpine related library books available in our meeting room? Including guide books etc- Please see attached for list.

Wall/Crag Climbing

There are public climbing wall sessions at Ara Polytechic, Timaru.

For more Information: <http://www.ara.ac.nz/services-and-support/recreation-and-sport/climbing-wall>

For Hire

The section has ice axes, crampons, snow shovels, avalanche transceivers, snowshoes, snow stakes and now, a second Personal Locator Beacon for hire. Contact Gary Brehaut (03) 688 9399.

Keep up to date with the latest local news, photos and events by connecting with us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/groups/NZACsouthcanterbury



National News

Antarctic Heritage Trust premiers 'In Nansen's Footsteps' film

In 2018 Antarctic Heritage Trust took four young explorers 560km across the Greenland ice cap, in an epic expedition honouring Fridtjof Nansen's first crossing 130 years ago. The explorers included a record-setting trailblazer, a New Zealand endurance athlete, a respected international videographer and an intrepid Australian adventurer (who once slept for nearly three months to overcome a head injury). The team took 28 days to ski across the ice cap dragging sleds behind them. They faced unprecedented levels of snow, Arctic hurricanes and sickness, in a season where only a handful of teams made it across the ice successfully.

In Nansen's Footsteps shares this journey as well some incredible drone footage which captures the beauty of an area few viewers are likely to travel to.

Shot and directed by Inspiring Explorer Keith Parsons, the Trust worked closely with Belmont Productions to produce the film.

Watch the film here: <https://www.inspiringexplorers.com/nansens-footsteps/>

New South Island Kōkako Encounter Map

The South Island Kokako Charitable Trust are delighted to launch this superb new interactive map resource to help plan your next South and Stewart Island adventure with the search for the South Island kōkako in mind.

Click on [this link to go to the new map](#) and discover the most recent and best encounter reports. Click on a data point to read more about it. Additional layers available are predator control areas, borrowed from Predator Free NZ, and walking and biking tracks from LINZ data. Six base-maps are also available including topographic and aerial imagery.

To read more on how you can help in the search, please see the Trust's website:

<http://www.southislandkokako.org/the-search/>

New Stock Item – Aspiring Guides Technical Mountaineering

Topics are presented in a stripped-down manner, to emphasize key techniques often difficult to grasp and learn quickly. It is an excellent learning resource and a handy reference for experienced alpinists. This is the 2018 6th edition of this manual and can be purchased online. Log in first for your member discount: <https://alpineclub.org.nz/product/aspiring-guides-technical-mountaineering/>

The Club continues to sell a selection of manuals as each has different merits. Individual requirements will need to be considered when purchasing: <https://alpineclub.org.nz/product-category/guidebooks/instruction-manuals/>

Upcoming Trips

Trips	When	Contact
Wall/Crag Climbing	Text 021 243 7381 if you want to climb.	Kelly Cooney
Ski Touring Course- Kurow	2019 season	Gary Brehaut
Any ideas?	...Well, let us know!	Committee

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