



The South Canterbury Climber

June/July 2019

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NZAC NEWS

BANFF FILM FESTIVAL, Timaru
Get your tickets for this Saturday!
Details inside...

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Welcome to the **June/July 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

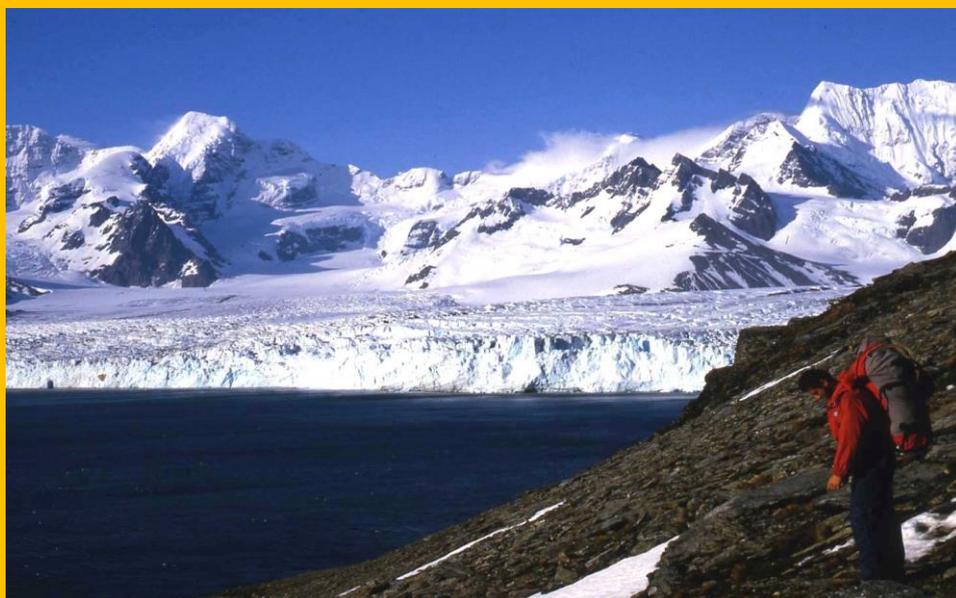
Is there anything you would like to see in the newsletter? Do you have a suggestion for improving the newsletter? If so, drop us a line, we're keen to hear from you. Alternatively, we love getting

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 – Thursday July 18th, 8pm

Speaker: Alan Knowles

'NZ South Georgia Expedition 1984'



Alan Knowles will show slides of exploration, first ascents, survival, battlefields, sea elephant attack, reindeer, whaling history, exciting science, Falkland Islands and more. In 1977, Mo Turnbull and Alan Knowles began planning this expedition to the most difficult place to visit on earth, South Georgia Island. After seven years, hundreds of letters, top level negotiations, the Falklands war and a false start, the NZ South Georgia Expedition boarded an RAF flight in Oxford bound for Ascension Island, and from there to the South Atlantic.

Our meetings are held from February through to November in the Police Social Room, North Street, Timaru (Top floor of the Police station, access via back door adjacent to the vehicle entrance on North Street).

Come & be inspired!

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 Polytechnic, 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.

2019/20 NZAC High Alpine Skills Course

This course is a fantastic way for them to develop your personal mountaineering skills.

Where: Aoraki Mt. Cook National Park

When:

25–30 October

5–10 November

12–17 November

19–24 November

5–10 December

7–12 January

14–19 January

Who is this course for? The High Alpine Skills Course (HASC) is a six-day course designed for those who already have some alpine climbing experience in New Zealand, and have familiarity with lead climbing on rock or indoors. Ideally, they will have taken part in a Snowcraft Course with the NZAC or similar organisation. Participants will have embedded their knowledge with further climbing in New Zealand on snow covered peaks.

The ability to carry a heavy pack for several days at a time is mandatory and all those who register for the course must have a suitable level of fitness. Weather Permitting you will spend up to 6 day in the mountains. The skills covered and duration of time on the mountain are dependent on conditions.

Cost: \$1890

If you are interested please email margaret@alpineclub.org.nz for a full information pack.

You can register online here: <https://bit.ly/2R4FvIM>

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

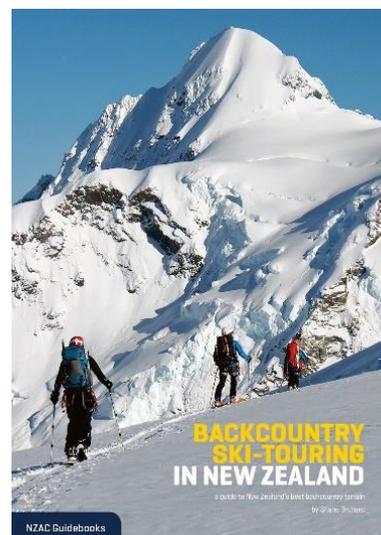


National News

Backcountry Ski-Touring in New Zealand

Just in time for the new season after selling out last year, This book is your essential guide to the best backcountry touring and ski mountaineering in New Zealand. Whether you're new to the world of backcountry snowsports, an enthusiast looking for inspiration, or an international traveller sampling what New Zealand has to offer, this guide will help you plan your next adventure. Often sold in tandem with Avalanche Awareness in New Zealand. Log in first for member rates:

<https://alpineclub.org.nz/product-category/guidebooks/skiing/>



For members who have 'FMC yes' and received the Bulletin with their 'The Climber' magazine the updated FMC discounts are now online. <https://alpineclub.org.nz/membership-benefits/member-discounts/> Some companies have online discount codes and to view those you need to be logged in as a member of NZAC. There are six new company discounts this year from: Earth, Sea, Sky; Good Rotating; Intents Outdoors; Kai Carrier; Westport Shuttles and Small Planet. Keep an eye out for your 2019 discount cards with the upcoming winter issue of The Climber coming soon.

Job opportunity

Alpine Advisor Role. Applications close Tuesday 25 June 2019: <https://bit.ly/2ESKxNm>

Southern Hemisphere Alpine Conference

Held 18-19 June in ChCh <https://bit.ly/2KwpsvN>

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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