

TARANAKI SECTION NEW ZEALAND ALPINE CLUB

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UPCOMING EVENT

Taranaki Climbing Meet

Yes after many years the Taranaki Section is going to run a NZAC climbing meet on the slopes of Mt Taranaki. The meet will be held on the weekend of the 23rd to the 25th of February 2018, based out of Manganui Lodge. Cost \$60 for the weekend. See further details in the main body of the newsletter.



Mixed Climbing on Taranaki – Evolution Wall.

THE TARANAKI SECTION OF THE NZAC

Kia ora all and welcome to summer, what an amazing weather period we have just had with endless days of dry warm rock!

The Annual General Meeting was a great success on the 14th of September with a great turn out from our small keen little section. Also thanks to Chris Hayes for his presentation on trips that didn't quite go to plan, however valuable lessons learnt his next adventures.

We now have a new committee with a new Chairman. Phill Davies has stepped up as Chairman. As a section we should acknowledge the excellent work John Jordan has done in getting the section back up and running. John has obviously stepped down as Chairman, however is still a valuable member of our committee, thanks again for all your contribution so far John. Dave Clough has stepped down from the committee, however thank you Dave for putting your hand up and contribution to the section reforming. We also have two new fresh faces to the committee this year, that being Juliet Larkin and Steve Ritson.

Taranaki Section Climbing Meet

I'm really pleased to announce that the Taranaki Section is going to run a climbing meet in 2018. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to show case our wonderful resource and build the climbing spirit within NZAC. The meet is for everyone from the alpine trekker, retired alpinist, adventure family and rock climber. This is certainly one weekend you want to be part of based from the comforts of Manganui Lodge. See details below to register your spot, we are giving the Taranaki Section members first notice of this event, so get in quick before the masses here about it! **See details below.**

When: Friday evening 23rd to the 25th of February 2018

Accommodation: Manganui Lodge (Stratford Mountain Club)

Cost: \$60 per person (includes two nights' accommodation, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday and dinner on Saturday night).

Contact: Phill Davies ascent.phill@gmail.com to book your place (Limited to 30 people).



The Chairman on the Hour Glass training wall 2017

Taranaki Section Climbing Grant

As a committee last year, we had a lot of discussion around developing climbers and supporting climbers in the Taranaki Section of the NZAC. We all agreed that one barrier for people was a financial one. This financial barrier often restricted people heading down to the southern alps and developing their skill set. The section now offers a potential pathway to gain some financial support for a climbing trip to the South Island or overseas. If you have a great proposal for a climbing trip and really need some financial support for the trip to happen please get in touch with one of the committee members so we can provide you with the guideline document to submit an application for financial assistance. We look forward to some applications and some amazing trips!.

News from the NZAC

Make sure to check out the NZAC website, certainly a wealth of information, with also the latest news from the club, and some great new books that can be purchased on-line via the on-line shop alpineclub.org.nz . There is also some great specials currently that would make excellent xmas gifts.

Cheers Dave.



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