



NOTICE OF AGM

**THE 92nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
MANAWATU TRAMPING AND SKIING CLUB**

will be held on Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 7.30pm
at Rose City Aquatic Club Rooms
50 Park Road, Palmerston North

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of 91st AGM
4. Matters Arising
5. President's Report
6. Reports from the Committee
7. Financial Statements
8. Election of Officers
9. General Business

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2018/2019

President:	Rob Pringle
Secretary:	Tim Swale
Treasurer:	Arthur Flint
Chief Guide:	Ken Mercer
Newsletter Editor:	Mary Mercer
Membership Secretary:	Sue Nicholson
Lodge Manager:	John Lyttle
Minibus Manager:	Ken Mercer
General Committee:	John Beech
	Linda Campbell
	Bob Hodgson
	William Laing
	Howard Nicholson
	Karen Tutt (until December 2018)

REMEMBER TO BRING THIS BOOKLET
TO THE AGM

Appointments:

Lodge Bookings:	Liz and Hugh Wilde
Ski Captain:	Howard Nicholson
Social Convenor:	Bob Hodgson
Website Administration:	Howard Nicholson
Facebook Administration:	Ivan Rienks, Karen Tutt, Howard Nicholson
Newsletter Distribution:	Bev Akers, Gary Bevins
Archivist:	Brian Webster
Gear Custodian:	Peter Rawlins
Minibus Custodians:	Ken and Mary Mercer
Day Trip Convenor:	Bev Akers
Honorary Reviewer:	S. Scarlett
Publicity:	(Vacant)
Tararua-Aorangi Huts Committee:	Jean Garman

Life Members:

1934	Mrs E Jackson (nee Silson)*	1997	John Rockell
1955	Tom H Arlidge*	1997	Molly Morris
1957	R Andrew Fuller*	1999	John Todd*
1959	Lance M. Seymour (Club Founder)*	2000	Dave Barker
1964	Jack Body*	2003	Doug Pringle
1967	A M Peter Hall*	2003	Peter Rawlins
1972	Jim Neumann*	2005	Doug McNeur
1977	Trevor J. Reynolds	2005	Jean Garman
1981	Graham J Baker	2017	Howard Nicholson
1986	John G Gooding		
1992	Doug Peach*		
1992	Hugh Wilde		

* Deceased

Affiliations

The club is affiliated to the following organisations:

- Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand
- Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association
- Palmerston North Land Search and Rescue Advisory Committee
- Tararua-Aorangi-Rimutaka Huts Committee
- Ruahine User Group

Club Members involved with other related organisations include:

PN Land SAR Advisory Committee: Hugh Wilde, Peter Rawlins, Jean Garman, Howard Nicholson (Treasurer), Tony Groome, Andy Brooke (Chairman)

Tararua-Aorangi-Rimutaka Huts Committee: Jean Garman.

Ruahine User Group: John Beech, Jean Garman

**MINUTES OF THE MANAWATU TRAMPING AND SKIING CLUB
91st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Date 15th May 2018

Time 7-30pm

Place Rose City Aquatic Clubroom, Park Road, Palmerston North.

Welcome John Beech (President) welcomed members and passed around the attendance register. There were 21 members present.

Apologies :

Chris Mercer, Doug Pringle, Liz Flint.

Moved that apologies be accepted – John Beech/Ken Mercer/Carried

Confirmation of Minutes of the 90th AGM

The minutes of the 2017 AGM had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion : That the minutes of the AGM held on 16th May 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting. John Lyttle /Karen Tutt/Carried.

Matters Arising

None

Reports

President's Report

John Beech's report was circulated with the AGM booklet and was taken as read.

He reiterated that it has been another successful year for the club and that is good to see that the lodge is being well used. Membership has remained stable.

Treasurer's Report / Financial statement

Detailed accounts were circulated in the AGM booklet. Arthur Flint reported that it has been a stellar year for the club's finances and that we are in a very healthy position. Lodge income was up due to increased bed nights. We sold 1700 King Country Energy shares at \$5 per share. Expenses have been stable with only a small amount of repairs and maintenance expenditure over the year. Membership income is also slightly up. Minibus payments were down due to lesser distance covered. Some consultant's fees in preparation for the upcoming lodge upgrade have been paid out.

Motion; That the financial statement for the year to 31st March 2018 be accepted. Arthur Flint/John Lyttle/Carried.

Lodge Manager

John Lyttle's report incorporating Lodge occupancy figures supplied by Lodge Booking Officers Liz and Hugh Wilde were published in the AGM booklet. John's report was taken as read. John noted that lodge income was at an all-time high, with members and groups making more use of the lodge. More families in particular were using the lodge. Word of mouth has helped tremendously in promoting the lodge. However, we are still vulnerable to poor snow seasons. DOC has approved the proposed changes to the lodge. Initial assessments of costs for this work are around \$80,000 but it will make the lodge a much more attractive venue and increase the energy efficiency. The recent re-valuation has resulted in the lodge now being re-insured for a replacement value of \$1,500,000.

Membership Secretary

Sue Nicholson's breakdown of membership statistics for the year, were shown in the AGM booklet.

Minibus Manager

Ken Mercer supplied a breakdown of minibus usage statistics from 2010 to 2018, which were published in the AGM booklet. Mileage is down slightly on last year. There has been discussion within the committee on the replacement of the minibus with a new van. William reports that many mid-week trampers are keen to get a new van hoping for greater comfort and safety. Bob states that few drivers are prepared to drive a manual vehicle. There was a feeling amongst mid-week trampers that they are older and don't want to drive a large vehicle any more. Peter Rawlins suggested that we get members opinions using an online survey.

Chief Guide

Ken Mercer provided a brief summary of activities in the AGM booklet.

Social Convenor - Bob Hodgson's report in the AGM booklet outlined the social activities throughout the year. He is keen to have suggestions for speakers and activities.

Ski Captain - Howard Nicholson's report as published in the AGM booklet was taken as read. He outlined recent and proposed improvements on Mount Ruapehu by RAL. He urged people to use the lodge.

Election of Officers

Position	Person	Nominated by	Seconded by	Carried?
President	Rob Pringle	Howard Nicholson	Linda Campbell	Yes
Secretary	Tim Swale	Liz Wilde	John Lyttle	Yes
Treasurer	Arthur Flint	Bob Hodgson	Bev Akers	Yes
Newsletter editor	Vacant			
Membership sec.	Sue Nicholson	Bev Akers	Bob Hodgson	Yes
Lodge manager	John Lyttle	Rob Pringle	John Beech	Yes
Minibus manager	Ken Mercer	John Beech	Hugh Wilde	Yes
Chief guide	Ken Mercer	Bob Hodgson	John Beech	Yes
General comm.	Karen Tutt	John Lyttle	Royce Mills	Yes
General comm.	William Laing	Bev Akers	Judy Swainson	Yes
General comm.	Howard Nicholson	Linda Campbell	Rob Pringle	Yes
General comm.	Bob Hodgson	Bev Akers	Hugh Wilde	Yes
General comm.	Linda Campbell	Liz Wilde	John Beech	Yes

Peter Rawlins proposed a vote of thanks to John Beech and the committee for their work throughout the year.

Appointments

Position	Person
Day trip convenor	Bev Akers
Lodge booking officers	Liz and Hugh Wilde
Newsletter distributions	Bev Akers
Gear Custodian	Peter Rawlins

Archivist	Brian Webster
Honorary financial reviewer	TBA
Website administration	Howard Nicholson
Publicity	Karen Tutt
Tararua / Aorangi / Rimutaka Huts committee	Jean Garman
Assistant newsletter editors	Jenny McCarthy? Doug McNeur?
Facebook administration	Howard Nicholson, Ivan Rienks, Karen Tutt
Minibus Custodian	Mary Mercer
Ski captain	Howard Nicholson
Social Convenor	Bob Hodgson

General Business

Bob Hodgson suggested that the Kahuterawa to Naenae crossing is named in honour of Ian Argyle who has done sterling work in developing tracks locally. Bob will raise this with the council. To go to committee meeting.

Bev Akers asked that that we get some radios to help with group control. Enough for three groups. The committee to decide on a suitable solution.

The next AGM is scheduled for 21st May 2019

The meeting finished at 9-06pm.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another year has passed, and with the onset of autumn, a freshness in the air has blanketed the Manawatu with some fantastic weather for getting out and about, albeit with the slightly shorter days that we are used to thanks to daylight savings. The year has been a busy one for most involved with the club, business has continued as usual, tramps continue to be had, and friendships, comradeship, and memories continue to abound in all areas that the club is involved. This year in particular I have been incredibly encouraged to be part of such a fine collection of humans as forms the Manawatu Tramping and Ski Club.

Over the year, there has been some sustained and targeted input from tramping club members to community initiatives, such as the FMC, and Ruahine Users Group (RUG) to ensure better access to the hills and recreation areas that we all enjoy. These efforts continue in the 2019/2020 year, with enthusiasm.

At a committee level there is some change afoot, Bob Hodgson has resigned as Social Convenor a role he has held for some time and has done a fantastic job of bringing about some very interesting and insightful talks, as well as a hearty end of year event, enjoyed by many. Bobs organisational efforts will be very much missed, as will his insightful and thoughtful contributions to committee discussions. I wished to take a moment to thank him for his role in the club. May you have ever more time to be out there enjoying the hills. Alongside this Arthur Flint club treasurer has also stepped down from his role within the club, Arthur has toiled with the club accounts for a number of years, and hands his role over to Ewen Cameron who has stepped up to fill the vacancy. I'm personally always impressed by the way Arthur always has the accounts prepared in a timely fashion, despite numerous escapades around the countryside adventuring. Both gentleman stepping down will be missed for their valued and sustained contributions to the club. May I use the moment to encourage all of us to consider what skills and abilities we have lurking around that may be put to good use around the club?

At the lodge, John Lyttle has championed what is arguably the largest building effort in my history with the club. Water ingress was becoming an issue in the basement area, along with a deteriorating retaining wall supporting the lodge. A ground up solution was presented, and significant discussions had with a variety of stakeholders in the club community, drawing on the technical ability of a wide range of users, as well as engaging relevant industry experts where required. Presently the vast majority of ground works have been completed, and we are fast working on putting the lodge back together, so it is in a usable condition for winter. These renovations will leave us with a vastly improved basement area and drying room, as well as new lockers, and a reconfiguration of the ablutions upstairs (planned for 2019/2020). Significant man hours have been invested in this project by a wide demographic within the club. It's been great to see so many people pull together to repair a problem that will ensure the buildings ongoing structural integrity for many years to come. Hats off to John for his efforts on this front, it has been no small task, and if you see him in passing make sure you congratulate him for his efforts.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all the members of the committee, who have contributed to another successful year of the tramping club, without the input and energy of the volunteers who make the club what it is, we simply would not be what we are. Hats off to all the effort that has gone in over the last twelve months, it's great to see such a passion for a cause, and the commitment is outstanding. Further to this, without the club members to turn up and continue enjoying what is on offer, we wouldn't have any need for a committee, or a club, so give yourselves a pat on the back for your efforts too. Here's to another busy year, and hopefully there's plenty of snow.

Stay safe out there and continue enjoying the wilderness around us.

Rob Pringle – President

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

TREASURER

See the financial statement and notes following the reports from the committee.

Arthur Flint – Treasurer

LODGE MANAGER

It has been another record breaking year with our occupancy and turnover at the lodge at new highs. I put this down to a change in demographics with more active members, many of these are families with young children using the lodge during the winter. In talking with other clubs it has been suggested that the high occupancy is also due to good snow with many good weather weekends.

We have had a number of groups using the lodge with an ongoing relationship with the NZ Alpine Club that run regular training weekends from the lodge. With use of the lodge increasing, we recommend booking ahead should you be planning time at the lodge during the ski season.

Renovations are moving along and we have had great ongoing support at work parties from members. Work this year includes extending the basement area and creating a new drying room in the basement. This work includes some structural and fire upgrading. The upstairs drying room will be incorporated into a new drying room in the basement and the upstairs drying room is being converted into a locker room. Existing lockers will be removed and a hallway created in front of the old lockers that will give better access to bathrooms and create a separate middle lounge.

There is further work planned in the coming years and this is detailed on the drawings on our clubs website.

The initial funding for this work comes from Club funds and a recent grant from Pub Charity for \$41,000 + GST.

While expenses such as insuring the lodge are an ever increasing expense, we have, over the last three financial years been making increasing levels of profit. This provides funds that will allow the ongoing upgrading of the lodge.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the lodge this winter and also appreciate the ongoing support in the work that we have and will continue to do.

John Lyttle - Lodge Manager

LODGE BOOKINGS OFFICERS

Year	2018/2019
Bed nights	1944

Year	2018/2019
Average nights per bunk	61
Members	1132
Guests (non-members)	236
Groups (non-members)	576
Total non-members	812
Members % for year	58%

Explanation: Average nights per bunk is simply the total number of bed nights for the year divided by the number of beds in the lodge (32) to give an average annual occupancy per bunk. With a maximum occupancy of 365 nights for each bunk, this past year we had an average occupancy of 17% for each bunk. These numbers don't include work parties because numbers going on work parties were not recorded in past years.

Liz and Hugh Wilde – Lodge Booking Officers

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Membership at 31/3	2018/19	2017/18	2016/17
Adult Single	139	123	130
Junior Single	1		
Families	115	115	107
Life Members	12	12	11
Total memberships	267	250	248
Total members	499	472	462

We had a large number of new members over the year with 18 new families, 19 Adult Singles, and one Junior Single. This gave us a total of 95 new members. 70 members resigned or lost touch.

I owe a big thanks to Jenny McCarthy, who took over during my time away, and did the bulk of the new membership processing.

Sue Nicholson – Membership Secretary

MINI-BUS MANAGER

Two new drivers have offered their services: Ewen Cameron and Robbie Green

Maintenance:

June: Air-conditioning speed control repaired by Courtesy Ford

Distance Summaries

Year	Trips	Distance (km)
2009	95	20674
2010	94	17601
2011	98	19329
2012	90	16942
2013	107	21478
2014	101	19323
2015		18330
2016	88	17714
2017	100	19122
2018	88	17226
2019	100	20729

Usage Breakdown

Usage	2018-19
Wednesday	45
Thursday	41
Weekend	2
Sun	1
Lodge	9
Committee	2
Total	100

Ken Mercer – Minibus Manager

CHIEF GUIDE

Three UHF Radios purchased this year (thanks to Bob Hodgson) which are going out with the larger groups and are helping to manage them.

Ken Mercer – Chief Guide

SOCIAL CONVENOR

Below I list the Club meetings that I have arranged and chaired from Feb. 2018 to date. They cover a wide range of topics and the meetings have been well attended with

audiences of between 20 and 60+. The audience consists of active members, retired from active tramping and or skiing and prospective new members. Our speakers and talks have been of a good quality having been selected on recommendation.

For the last five years I have organised an end of year walk and meal. These activities have been enjoyed by participants and I suggest that this tradition continues.

I have been on the committee since 2012 and for most of the time the Social Convenor having arranged about 70 meetings in all. I have recently decided to stand down but will be happy to assist the new appointee.

Here is the list.

Tuesday 6th February: Memorable Tramps - John Beech, Linda Campbell and Tim Swale

Tuesday 6th March: How to enjoy the Cook Islands – Bob Hodgson

Tuesday 3rd April: Orienteering – Ken Mercer

Tuesday 4 th July: SAR - Search and Rescue

Tuesday 1st August: Brian Way, PNCC Leisure Assets Officer

Tuesday August 7th – Photo competition – Howie Nicholson

Tuesday September 4th - Inter-club Quiz Host MTSC Bob Hodgson as the genial quiz master

Tuesday October 2nd - What Lurks Below by Dr Logan Brown, Fresh Water and Partnerships Manager, Horizons

Tuesday November 6th - Walking the Kumano Kodo by Richard Lander

Tuesday December 11th – MTSC End of Year Walk and Meal.

Tuesday 5th February, 2019: Ravaged Beauty by Catherine Knight

Tuesday 5th March,2019: The Arizona National Scenic Trail by Glenn Pendergast

Tuesday 2nd April, 2019: Introducing High School Students to Tramping by John Beech

Tuesday 7th May, 2019: The Timber Trail, Pureora Forest by Ken & Mary Mercer

Bob Hodgson – Social Convenor

**ACCOUNTANTS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB**

I have reviewed the financial reports on pages 2-8. The financial reports provide information about the past financial performance of the Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club and its financial position as at 31 March 2019. The information is stated in accordance with Standard Accounting Policies.

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITIES

The Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club as at 31 March 2019 and of the results of the operations for the year ended 31 March 2019.

ACCOUNTANTS RESPONSIBILITIES

It is my responsibility to express an independent review of the financial report presented by the Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club and report my review to you.

BASIS OF REVIEW

A review is limited to enquiries of the Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club's personnel and analytical review of procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. I have not performed an audit and accordingly I do not express an audit opinion.

As with other organisations of a similar nature, control over income prior to it being recorded is limited and no practical review procedures exist to determine the effect of this limited control.

Subject to any adjustments arising from limited control over income referred to in the above paragraph, based on my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the accompanying financial statements do not give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Manawatu Tramping & Skiing Club as at 31 March 2019 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.



S Scarlett
7 April 2019

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Financial Statements

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Current Assets			
Westpac - Current Account		71,103	25,715
Westpac - Term Deposits	2	118,342	117,793
GST Receivable/(payable)		649	(1,137)
Hut Tickets		14	155
	4	190,109	142,526
Fixed Assets	3	361,064	353,299
Total Assets		<u>551,173</u>	<u>495,825</u>
Accumulated Funds			
Balance at Beginning of Year		495,825	479,799
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Ruapehu Lodge		5,364	2,401
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), General		1,028	6,806
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Motor Vehicle		7,250	6,560
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Gear		368	258
Charity Donation		41,338	0
Balance at End of Year		<u>551,173</u>	<u>495,825</u>
Liabilities and Accumulated Funds		<u>\$ 551,173</u>	<u>495,825</u>

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Statement of Financial Performance

Ruapehu Lodge

For the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Income			
Lodge Accommodation		57,947	43,865
Interest		0	0
Dividend			
Income		248	697
Sale of Shares			8,850
Total Income		58,195	53,412
Expenses			
Electricity		9,448	10,979
Food		5,264	4,243
Insurance		14,253	12,339
DOC Licences & Levies		5,498	5,498
Repairs & Maintenance		3,707	4,861
Telephone		1,315	1,252
RMCA Sub & Levy		150	100
Rates		2,082	1,906
Valuation fee		461	0
General		448	
Total Expenses		42,625	41,179
Cash Surplus (Deficit)		15,570	12,233
Depreciation for year		10,206	9,832
Operating Surplus (Deficit)		5,364	2,401
	\$		

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**Statement of Financial Performance
General Income and Expenditure**

For the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Income			
Hut Ticket sales		148	83
Interest		1,300	1,053
Membership		8,300	10,713
Total Income		9,748	11,849
Expenses			
Box Rental		230	222
Club Nights		365	431
General Expenses (website/bank fees)		233	194
Hut Ticket		144	73
Newsletter		443	0
Stationery & postage		3,432	309
Subscriptions		3,873	3,814
Total Cash Expenses		8,720	5,043
Cash Surplus (Deficit)		1,028	6,806
Depreciation for year		0	0
Operating Surplus (Deficit)		\$ 1,028	6,806

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Statement of Financial Performance

Motor Vehicle

For the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Income			
Trip payments		11,303	10,990
Interest		2,246	1,939
Total Income		13,549	12,929
Expenses			
Diesel		3,545	3,405
Insurance & Registration		1,100	576
Repairs, Maintenance & Road User Charges		994	1,561
Total Cash Expenses		5,638	5,542
Cash Surplus		7,911	7,387
Depreciation for year		661	827
Operating Surplus	\$	7,250	6,560

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**Statement of Financial Performance
Gear**

For the Year Ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Receipts			
Gear Hire		113	0
Interest		385	358
Total Income		499	358
Expenses			
Repairs		53	0
Total Cash Expenses		53	0
Cash Surplus		446	358
Depreciation for year		78	100
Operating Surplus (Deficit)		\$ 368	258

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2019

1 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General Accounting Policies

The general accounting principles as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of earnings and financial position on an historical cost basis (except as noted below) have been consistently applied.

Particular Accounting Policies

The following particular accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of earnings and the financial position have been applied.

The Lodge was valued for insurance purposes in March 2018.
The valuation was \$1,764,000

The Lodge is now insured for reinstatement value.

Other fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.
Depreciation has been calculated at the following rates :

Ruapehu Lodge Building	2.5% Diminishing value
Ruapehu Lodge Furnishings & Equip	20% Diminishing Value
Ford Minibus	20% Diminishing Value
Tramping and general gear	20% Diminishing Value

Interest income on deposits is only recognised when received.

2 Term Deposits

All term deposits are with Westpac Banking Corp.

All deposits will mature within 12 months.

Interest rates are 3.35% to 3.5%

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

**Notes to the Financial Statements Continued
For the Year Ended 31 March 2019**

3 Fixed Assets	Book Value 2018	Additions	Depreciation	Book Value 2019
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ruapehu Lodge (revalued March 2016)	341,227	16,727	8,532	349,422
Lodge Furnishings (bunks, mattresses)	8,372		1,674	6,697
Minibus	3,306		661	2,645
Gear	393	1,986	79	2,300
	<u>\$ 353,299</u>	<u>18,713</u>	<u>10,946</u>	<u>361,064</u>

4 Cash Reserves

The cash reserves of the Club have been allocated to the sources they were derived from and interest earned in the current year has been allocated on a pro rata basis of the opening funds held.

Balances held at the end of the year are:

	Opening Balance	Cash Surplus	Capital Expenses	Closing Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ruapehu Lodge	(9,425)	15,570	16,727	(10,582)
General Funds	45,290	1,028		46,318
Motor Vehicle	78,236	7,911		86,147
Gear	13,428	446	1,986	11,888
Legacy Charity Donation	15,000			15,000
		41,338		41,338
	<u>\$ 142,529</u>	<u>66,293</u>	<u>18,713</u>	<u>190,109</u>

In February 2014, the club received a legacy from the Will of Trevor Hosking.

The funds have been invested until a decision has been made by the Committee as to how best to utilise them.

In March 2019 the club received a grant of \$41,338 from Pub Charity. These funds are to be utilised with the lodge upgrade.