



## HiTAC - July 2017

Hi Folks, welcome to the latest issue of the HiTAC.

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## From the Presidents Desk



Awesome turnout for the Tuataras club night presentation earlier this month. What a credit to the club those guys and girls are, with both their national and international achievements! I hope you've all got your tickets for their Fundraiser Quiz night on Friday 30 June (see the facebook page for further info).

By now everyone should have received their FMC Membership card in the post. Your FMC Card provides valuable discounts on DOC's Annual Hut Pass and at many outdoor retailers including Bivouac, Gearshop and Macpac. Click the link below to find out more:  
<http://www.fmc.org.nz/discount-card/>

There is one FMC card issued per membership, however additional cards can be purchased from the TAC Treasurer at a cost of \$15.00. You'll need these if more than one family member requires a discounted Annual Hut Pass.

Just an update on current Exec members - Will Archibald has elected to resign in order to devote more time to his studies, however we've managed to drag an old hand back on board to fill the gap. Welcome Alec Heilbron!

Members have expressed interest in finding out more about the Taranaki Maunga negotiations, and elsewhere in this newsletter you will find information explaining where the negotiations are up to. Remember you can also view the terms of negotiation on the Office of Treaty Settlements' website:

<https://www.govt.nz/organisations/office-of-treaty-settlements/>

As usual Sophie is busy organising more awesome club trips. Keep an eye on the facebook page for the latest info, so you don't miss out!

*Elaine Sinton*

President

## TARANAKI MAUNGA NEGOTIATION:

### GENERAL KEY MESSAGES

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- Taranaki Maunga (Egmont National Park) is the tupuna maunga (ancestor) for the eight iwi of Taranaki (Ngā Iwi o Taranaki) and all uri (descendants) have a special relationship with their tupuna maunga.
- Taranaki Maunga is a sacred place for Ngā Iwi o Taranaki.
- Taranaki Maunga is a special place for all New Zealanders.
- The redress offered collectively to Ngā Iwi o Taranaki will allow the Crown to restore its honour and maintain and enhance the natural and cultural values of Taranaki Maunga by providing for the care and wellbeing of the maunga in a way that enables meaningful reconnection with his uri.
- Public access, conservation values and existing third party rights will be protected.

#### THE TARANAKI MAUNGA NEGOTIATION

##### Where is the negotiation process up to?

- The Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki signed terms of negotiation on 14 March 2017. This document outlines the scope of the negotiations and the process to be followed by the parties (at a high level). The terms of negotiation can be viewed on the Office of Treaty Settlements' website.
- Formal negotiations are now underway. We are working to sign a high level agreement by August 2017. Once signed, the high level agreement will be a public document.
- The high level agreement will outline the nature and scope of the apology and cultural redress in relation to the historical Treaty of Waitangi claims of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki that relate to Taranaki Maunga.

Indicative negotiation milestones

March 2017: signed terms of negotiation

August 2017: sign high level agreement

#### Who are the iwi groups involved in the settlement?

- Ngā Iwi o Taranaki represent the eight iwi of Taranaki and their respective uri: Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāti Tama, Ngāa Rauru Kaitahi, Ngāti Mutunga, Te Ātiawa, Ngāruahine, Ngāti Maru and Taranaki Iwi.
- Collective negotiations over Taranaki Maunga were deferred until all eight iwi of Taranaki had mandated representatives. Seven iwi of Taranaki have reached comprehensive Treaty settlements with the Crown. In March 2016, the Crown recognised the mandate of Te Runanga o Ngāti Maru to represent Ngāti Maru in settlement negotiations, which enabled preliminary discussions on Taranaki Maunga to commence.

#### Who are the representatives for Ngā Iwi o Taranaki?

The Taranaki Maunga negotiation team were appointed by the Boards of all eight iwi of Taranaki. The negotiators are:

- Jamie Tuuta (Lead negotiator);
- Liana Poutu;

- Haimona Maruera Jnr; and
- Te Pahunga Marty Davis.

The role of the negotiators is to understand the aspirations uri have relating to their tupuna maunga and to work with the Crown to develop an apology and cultural redress that enhances the wellbeing of Taranaki Maunga and meets the aspirations as determined by Ngā Iwi o Taranaki. The negotiators regularly report to and hui with the claimant community of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki.

#### Who is representing the Crown in negotiations?

The Office of Treaty Settlements is leading the Taranaki Maunga negotiation on behalf of the Crown. As this negotiation relates to a national park, the Office of Treaty Settlements are also working closely with the Department of Conservation.

The Crown Chief Negotiator for Taranaki Maunga is Katherine Gordon. The Chief Crown Negotiator for the Tongariro National Park is John Wood.

#### Treaty settlements 101

The two main goals of Treaty settlements are:

- To reach fair, durable and final settlements of all historical claims arising from breaches of the Treaty of Waitangi; and
- The restoration of the relationship between Crown and iwi.
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#### Historical claims are claims that have arisen of Crown actions or omissions between 6 February 1840 and 21 September 1992.

- The main roles of the Office of Treaty Settlements are to:
- negotiate settlements of historical claims directly with claimant groups;
- co-ordinate the government departments that are involved in the negotiation and settlement process;
- provide policy advice to the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations and Cabinet on generic Treaty settlement issues and on individual claims; and
- oversee the implementation of settlements.
- The Office of Treaty Settlements is the main point of contact for claimant groups seeking resolution of their historical grievances through negotiation with the Crown.
- The Office of Treaty Settlements is also the main point of contact for stakeholder groups during negotiations.

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## Instruction

Places will only be reserved once payment has been made, and emergency contact and allergy information has been received.

### Snow craft 2

- Places: Course full

### Snow Craft 1

- Places: Course full

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## TRIP REPORTS

No trip reports this month, but here are some pics from Glen Hodges.



Some Images xx

## Club Trips...

Our trips are for club members who want to practice their alpine & mountaineering skills, get to know Taranaki (and in some cases other awesome NZ mountains), meet other like-minded people and have some laughs! Please contact Trips Coordinator Sophie Tucker, [committee2.tac@outlook.com](mailto:committee2.tac@outlook.com) / 021 597 709 if you're interested in any of the below and would like to reserve a place. Be sure to keep an eye on our website and Facebook pages for trip updates too.

Our trips are not instructional, yet are nonetheless led by an experienced Trip Leader(s) and spaces are limited accordingly. Trips are also weather dependent and 'free' - except of course for your own costs re gear/equipment, transport, fuel, food, accommodation. You will organise your own transport & accommodation as necessary, although we will suggest preferred options to help ensure everything is coordinated.

We're always seeking trip leaders & trip ideas. If you have an idea for a future trip and could lead it, including having sufficient experience of that route and leading others, please also contact Sophie, she'd love to hear from you!

And finally.... If you are eager to improve your winter skills confidence and mountain knowledge beyond Snow Craft 1, we recommend that you hike up to Tahurangi Lodge on a Friday night, or early Saturday morning, when reasonable winter conditions prevail. Other club members are often up there and may be willing to take you up & around the local terrain. So, what are you waiting for, get yourself up to the lodge and experience some of the best our mountain has to offer!

*Sophie*

TAC Trips Coordinator

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## Fri-Sun 18-20 August 2017:

### Ruapehu Crater Lake winter weekend - 6 places left

Following on from the success of our winter weekends away the last two years, this year will see us attempting Ruapehu Crater Lake on the Saturday, woo hoo! If weather, conditions and energy levels remain favourable on the Sunday, we may also pick an adhoc route to make the most of the weekend. As numbers are limited for safety reasons, there are a number of pre-requisites before your place can be confirmed, including that you have completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent), have booked your accommodation and, have your own probe and snow shovel. Reserve weekend is 25-27 August 2017. Also, refer above special note for winter trips.

## Fanthams Spring Summit day hike

This is a great day out and a fantastic opportunity to experience exposure to steeper terrain and conditions on the cold side of the mountain. Lunch at Syme Hut depends how iced up it is! Places are limited and you must have completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent). Please contact Sophie for further details. Reserve day is Sun 15 October 2017

## August to November 2017:

- **Snow Cave Weekend**
- **Taranaki Spring Summit**

Plans are underway for these winter trips. Watch this space for dates & further details! Please contact Sophie if you'd like to lead a winter trip, the more trip leaders volunteering the better!

## Sat 16 Dec 2017:

### East Ridge ascent - descent via Crater Valley & Khybers day hike

Timed to hit the magic window between East Ridge becoming clear of snow yet the summit crater and Crater Valley still having some snow, this is one of the best circuits on our mountain. A very early start is planned and, should you have the time & energy, why not stay over at the lodge for some Christmas celebrations, BYO alpine style afterwards! Places are limited and, in addition to having completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent), there are a number of pre-requisite technical skills we need to confirm with you before your place can be confirmed. Please contact Sophie for further details. Reserve day Sun 17 Dec 2017

## Club Nights...

PLEASE NOTE Club nights start at 7:30pm  
First Thursday of each month, at the Foundation for the Blind rooms,  
131 Vivian St, New Plymouth

### July 6th Tramping in Fiordland

Join us for an evening with Elaine Sinton, our standing president, as she brings us the highlights of her recent trip to Fiordland

### August Wednesday 2nd \*\*\* Note Wednesday \*\*\*\*\* 6.30 pm Event Cinema 5

6.30pm-8.30pm, Events Cinema 5, New Plymouth.

Once again, Taranaki Alpine Club is bringing you a selection of films from this year's NZ Mountain Film Festival for its August club night. .

Come and enjoy an evening of beautiful mountains and inspiring adventures.

Tickets are \$10/person for everyone and will be available for sale from MacPac store on Devon Street from Saturday 1st July.

All welcome. See you there.

Please note the screening will be on Wednesday instead of the usual Thursday to fit with Events Cinema.

## Coming Events

### Pot Luck Dinner and Video Night at Tahurangi Lodge

#### Saturday 15th July 2017

If you have a favourite short video/movie (no more than 10-15 minutes long) that you would like to show please bring it along on a flash drive so it can be plugged into the PC.

All welcome. The more the merrier.

Contacts: Gail Geange 021 733281 or Greg Banks 067582643

## New Members.

The Club welcomes the following new members, and we look forward to seeing them on the mountain.

Cody	Bethell	New Plymouth
Graham	Alexander	New Plymouth
Eve	Cozzi	New Plymouth
Ryan	Ashworth	New Plymouth
Mark	Hatch	New Plymouth
Roberts	Steve	Stratford

## Club Information

This is the TAC's premier Lodge on Mt Egmont / Taranaki. It sleeps 24, has electric heating and cooking, all cutlery, pots and pans, etc. Just like home. Members can request an eKey by completing the application available from the Club's website.

Overnight fees are \$45 for non-members. Members free. Anyone who stays at Tahurangi Lodge must write in the overnight book upstairs by the fridge;

1. Their surname and initials.
2. Say TAC or non-member.

Bookings by non-members or members taking a group of 5+ people should be made with the Lodge Booking Officer, or by booking online via the Club's website. The lodge subcommittee looks after all maintenance. Contact the Lodge committee if you want to help, have ideas for improvements, or have found something wrong. If you find you can't get into the Lodge because of an eKey failure or you have locked yourself out etc., phone either the Club President, or the Lodge Booking Officer. Contact info on Web page. They may be able to help by supplying the current access code.

<http://www.taranakialpineclub.co.nz/pages/contacts.html>

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual subscriptions are set at the Annual General Meeting.

Subscriptions for 2017: FAMILY \$65, ORDINARY (single) \$45, STUDENT (under 18), \$35. The subscription halves for those joining after September 1st. For more info contact the Treasurer.

*Members with unpaid subs at end of April are sent an account overdue notice. If still unpaid by 1st June incur a penalty of 20%. Any members with unpaid subs at 1st July are removed from membership.*

## GEAR HIRE

TAC Equipment Officer:

The following equipment is available for hire by TAC Club Members:

Ice axes, ice hammers, helmets, harness (incl. karabiners, etc.). Each item costs \$5/day or a maximum of \$10/day for 2 or more items per person. Return the gear promptly after use and you only pay for the days you actually used it. Return it late and risk paying for the complete period; your choice. A PLB (Personal Locator Beacon) is also available for hire and great for back country tramping or alpine climbing. Contact the Equipment Officer AT LEAST 2 days in advance to ensure availability.

## EVENTS PROGRAMME

Club nights, trips, instruction and social events are all important functions of the Club's Activities – they need both support from participants as well as volunteers to lead them. If you have suggestions for club nights contact the Club Captain, or would like to volunteer to lead a trip contact the Trips co-ordinator.

## HiTAC— Newsletter

A monthly newsletter emailed out to club members with an email address. Also available via the Clubs website [www.taranakialpineclub.co.nz](http://www.taranakialpineclub.co.nz)

Any trip reports, events, gear for sale can be sent to the Editor at [hitac.tac@outlook.com](mailto:hitac.tac@outlook.com)

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Must be advised in writing – Send to the Secretary by mail to:

Taranaki Alpine Club, PO Box 356, New Plymouth,

or email [secretary.tac@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.tac@outlook.com)

## Club Links

- [Club Homepage](#)
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