



## HiTAC - August 2017

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## From the President's Desk



First up this month is to advise that a date has been set for the 2018 Open Climb. Mark your diaries for Saturday 17 February, with a reserve date of Sunday 18 February. If anyone is fielding inquiries you can let people know that bookings will open on our website from early December. We will hold the Open Climb induction at the October club night.

Further to my talk on Fiordland at the July club night, this is the link for the Milton Rotary Tramping Club/Otago Youth Adventure Trust, who organise tramps on the Great Walks and further afield, plus they cover some of the popular and lesser known cycle routes in the South Island. Their website is worth a look: <https://www.otagorotarytrampstramps.org.nz/>

I hope you've all called in to Macpac to get your tickets for the NZ Mountain Film Festival presentation on 2 August at Event Cinemas, which takes the place of our August club night. As usual Joelle has done a fantastic job organising a selection of movies from the Central Otago event.  
And do make sure you read all of this newsletter. We have an exciting announcement about a visitor to our club, who will also present the November club night!  
What a brilliant weekend at the lodge for the pot luck dinner & movie night. Fantastic food, good company and an awesome selection of movies. Such a privilege to be on the mountain amidst that stunning scenery! Thanks to everyone who posted photos on our facebook page. And great to see club members working together as club members do - making sure everyone was safe in the very firm conditions.

*Elaine Sinton*

President

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## TARANAKI MAUNGA NEGOTIATION:

### Update

Tēnā kōrua,

I am writing to update you on the progress of the Taranaki Maunga (Egmont National Park) negotiation with Ngā Iwi o Taranaki (the iwi of Taranaki). This is a joint update from the Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki.

*Stakeholder engagement hui to date*

In early May 2017 representatives from Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown met groups with interested groups in relation to Taranaki Maunga negotiations. Thank you for the opportunity to hear your feedback, we found the meetings positive and constructive. Some key issues raised included pest control, governance, water quality, resourcing, and the concession regime. Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown have considered and discussed the feedback from all stakeholder groups and confirm that they will continue to engage with all stakeholders throughout the negotiation process.

*Change of timeframes for Taranaki Maunga negotiations*

At the time of our last communication, Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown were working to sign an Agreement in Principle in August 2017. We are now working to sign a milestone document by December 2017. This change in timeframe has resulted from the Crown's decision to prioritise reaching an Agreement in Principle with Ngāti Maru (based in East Taranaki) prior to signing a milestone document for Taranaki Maunga.

In the interim, Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown will continue to engage in order to further explore potential redress arrangements over Taranaki Maunga that reflect Ngā Iwi o Taranaki's aspirations framework while protecting Crown and public interests. We will provide you with a further update on Taranaki Maunga negotiations by the end of August 2017.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the information above.

Ngā mihi,

**Thomas Bisley**

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**As At 14 July**

- 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 Crown's collective redress offer 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 the maunga's 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 were working to sign a high level agreement by August 2017. We are now working to sign a high level agreement document by December 2017. This change in timeframe has resulted from the Crown's decision to prioritise reaching an Agreement in Principle with Ngāti Maru (based in East Taranaki) prior to signing a milestone document for Taranaki Maunga.
- The high level agreement will outline the nature and scope of the Crown apology and cultural redress in relation to the historical Treaty of Waitangi claims of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki that relate to Taranaki Maunga. Once signed, the high level agreement will be a public document.

Indicative negotiation milestones

December 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 (descendants): Ngāti Ruanui, Ngāti Tama, Ngāa Rauru Kītahi, 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:

o Jamie Tuuta (Lead negotiator);

o Liana Poutu;

o Hemi Sundgren;

o Daisy Noble;

o Haimona Maruera Jnr; and

o 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 Dr John Wood. Dr Wood's involvement is to assist with stakeholder engagement.

### Treaty settlements 101

The two main goals of Treaty settlements are:

o To reach fair, durable and final settlements of all historical claims arising from breaches of the Treaty of Waitangi; and

o The restoration of the relationship between Crown and iwi.

Historical claims are claims that have arisen out of Crown actions or omissions between 6 February 1840 and 21 September 1992.

The main roles of the Office of Treaty Settlements are to:

o negotiate settlements of historical claims directly with claimant groups;

o co-ordinate the government departments that are involved in the negotiation and settlement process;

o provide policy advice to the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations and Cabinet on generic Treaty settlement issues and on individual claims; and

o 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

When the historical claims of the iwi of Taranaki over Egmont National Park (Taranaki Maunga) were settled in their individual settlements iwi agreed to negotiate redress for those claims collectively once all the eight iwi of Taranaki were mandated. The Taranaki Maunga negotiation is the collective of the eight iwi of Taranaki to develop redress over Taranaki Maunga.

Will Egmont National Park still be a National Park after the redress package is provided?

The Crown position is that Egmont National Park will remain a National Park under the National Parks Act 1980.

### Will any private land be involved?

No.

### Will public rights be affected?

Public access, recreational use and existing third party rights will be maintained.

Will skiing, hunting, tramping and other recreational activities still be allowed in the ENP?

Yes. Public access, including skiing and tramping, and the existing rights of concession holders will remain unchanged.

What will the Department of Conservation's role be in any future arrangements?

The Department of Conservation will continue to be involved in the future arrangements for Egmont National Park.

Can key stakeholders be involved in the detailed development of options before final decisions are made?

We will continue to keep in touch with stakeholders as the negotiations progress. While this negotiation is between iwi and the Crown, and not third parties, we recognise the need to find a solution that is cognisant of the wider public interest.

following places:

- 'Dome' to 'Te Umu o Taomanawa;'
- 'Bells Falls' to 'Te Rere o Taurangi;'
- 'Bee Hives' to 'Te Ahi Tūtukurua;'
- 'Lake Dive' to 'Mangoraukawa;'
- 'Warwick Castle' to 'Te Tahuna o Tūtawa;'
- 'Pouakai' to 'Pouākai;'
- 'Fanthams Peak' to 'Panitahi;

The Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki will work to develop redress proposals regarding name changes as part of the negotiations and discussions will occur in due course with the New Zealand Geographic Board.

#### ISSUES RAISED IN STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The following Q & As have been included in response to issues raised at stakeholder engagement hui in May 2017.

What are Ngā Iwi o Taranaki's views on pest control?

Ngā Iwi o Taranaki are already involved in pest control initiatives through Project Mouna, a collaboration between the Department of Conservation and sponsors to restore rare and vulnerable wildlife to Taranaki Maunga through pest control. Their aspirations are aligned with regional-wide pest eradication projects such as Wild for Taranaki.

How will governance of Taranaki Maunga change as a result of negotiations?

Ngā Iwi o Taranaki have aspirations to change how Taranaki Maunga is currently governed and ensure that Ngā Iwi o Taranaki are at the table. This issue is the subject of active negotiations.

How will any new governance arrangements be resourced?

The resourcing of any new governance arrangements will need to be considered in conjunction with any new governance arrangements for Taranaki Maunga. This issue is the subject of active negotiations.

Taranaki Maunga is a source of water for the region, does Ngā Iwi o Taranaki have aspirations over waterways on Taranaki Maunga?

Both the Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki are conscious water quality is an important issue and acknowledge that many of the rivers in Taranaki have their source and flow from the National Park and have effects throughout the region. Ngā Iwi o Taranaki has aspirations to restore the mauri (life force) of Taranaki Maunga, including its waterways. The Crown maintains the position that no one can own water.

In the future, will Ngā Iwi o Taranaki make decisions on existing concessions, including renewals?

Iwi involvement in such decision making has not yet been discussed. However, existing rights of concession holders, including rights of renewal, will be protected.

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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

### Taurangi Lodge Winter Pot Luck Dinner & Mountain Film Evening – 15th July

For a second year running a group of us made our way to Taurangi Lodge for what is becoming an annual event. This year the massive snowfall and the North Egmont road that didn't open until 1 pm made even getting to the lodge a major undertaking. The 18 participants that made the journey however were treated to astonishing levels of snow on the translator road, and some extremely hard ice around the lodge. The dinner once again was amazing, and there was no shortage of great deserts! The films that followed were an excellent selection from the Aiguille du Midi to the Himalayas, glacier wingsuit flying to alpine mountain biking, and ice fishing to ice climbing. Thank you to all those that made it; we are doing it again in July 2018!



Images from Glen Hodges

## Club Trips and Events ...

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 - FULL

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. Places are limited and you must have completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent) as well as satisfy some other pre-requisites. Reserve weekend is 25-27 August 2017. This trip is currently full although please contact Sophie if you'd like to be on the waiting list in case of cancellations.

### Sat-Sun 16-17 September 2017:

This will be our second snow cave weekend in recent years and if last year is anything to go by, it will be an adventurous 24 hours on Mt Taranaki! Come prepared to help select a safe site, dig, dig and dig some more to excavate and construct the team snow cave, cook dinner and sleep overnight in it. Expect hard work combined with great fun, and an unforgettable experience that may one day save your life. Places are limited and you must have completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent). Please contact Sophie for further details. There is no reserve date.

## Sat 14 October 2017:

### Fanthams Spring Summit day hike - 10 places confirmed, only a few remaining!

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 date is Sun 15 October 2017.

## Late October / Early November 2017:

### Taranaki Spring Summit - date tbc

Plans are underway for this trip. It will likely require to stay over at Tahurangi Lodge the night before to allow for an early start. You must have completed Snowcraft 1 (or equivalent). We will announce the date a little nearer the time.

## 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 date Sun 17 Dec 2017.

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## 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

### 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.



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## November 2 Plymouth Hotel - Club night

### Lydia Bradey Visit to TAC 2 - 4 November:

We are very fortunate to have Lydia Bradey visiting us in November.

Her visit has been organised to both promote mountaineering in Taranaki and motivate our members. The program for her visit is as follows:

- Our 2nd November club night will feature a talk by Lydia on her recent ascent of Dhaulagiri 8167m in Nepal. This will be very entertaining and informative.

Please note the venue will be the Plymouth Hotel. The venue seats approximately 100. The talk starts at 7:30 pm and we recommend that you get there early as this will be a popular event and it is open to members of the public. Admission is free.

On Friday morning, a group of school children will join us for an introduction to mountaineering with Lydia at the Crux Rock Gym

## November 3 - 4 Tahurangi Lodge

### Lydia Bradey Visit to Mt Taranaki:

We are having a film evening at Tahurangi Lodge on Friday evening 8 pm – 10 pm showing North Face (2008)

On Saturday 4th we are running a club trip with Lydia to climb Mt Taranaki. This trip aims to give our developing climbers a chance to climb our mountain and gain valuable insights from Lydia. Places are limited and participants need to have sufficient experience and confidence to undertake this climb (please contact Glen on [secretary.tac@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.tac@outlook.com) with any questions

# Lydia Bradey

## Ascent of Dhaulagiri 8,167m

7:30pm Thursday 2nd November 2017  
Quality Hotel Plymouth International,  
New Plymouth

• Free Entry • Cash bar available



Come along and hear from Lydia Bradey about the first Kiwi ascent of Dhaulagiri 8167m. Lydia is the first woman in the world to climb Mt Everest without oxygen. She is an IFMGA Mountain and Ski Guide and guides both in NZ and overseas especially at high altitude.

Hosted by the Taranaki Alpine Club

Lydia summit Dhaulagiri, 8167m,  
22th May 2017 Photo by Dean Staples

## New Members.

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

Daniel Donaldson	New Plymouth
Rochelle & William Buchanan	New Plymouth
Natalie Reid	Oakura
Grace Miller	Palmerston North

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## Club Information

### TAHURANGI LODGE

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.

The club has (new) 6mm prussic cord that is for sale to club members at \$2 per meter.

During August our TAC Gear Officer is away. For hire of items in his absence please contact Ivan Bruce ([vicepresident.tac@outlook.com](mailto:vicepresident.tac@outlook.com) ph 06 751 1645)

### 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:

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