



NOTICE OF AGM

**THE 82nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
MANAWATU TRAMPING AND SKIING CLUB**

will be held on Tuesday 19th May 2009 at 7.30pm
at the RSA, 200 Broadway Ave, Palmerston North

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of 81st 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 2008/2009

President:	Howard Nicholson
Secretary:	Tim Swale
Treasurer:	Christine Scott
Chief Guide:	Bev Akers
Social Convenor:	Geraldine Fovakis
Newsletter Editor:	Wei Hang-Chua
Membership Secretary:	Jenny McCarthy
Ski Captain:	Ken Mercer
Lodge Manager:	Ryan Badger
Lodge Booking Officer:	Hugh Wilde, Liz Wilde
Minibus Manager:	Vacant (See Appointments below)
General Committee:	Linda Campbell Rob Pringle Peter Rawlins

REMEMBER TO BRING THIS BOOKLET
TO THE AGM

Appointments:

Day Trip Convenor:	Bev Akers
Assistant Lodge Bookings:	Liz Wilde
Assistant Newsletter Editors:	Gary Bevins, Bev Akers
Gear Custodian:	Peter Rawlins
Archivist:	Brian Webster
Honorary Auditor:	John Todd
Website administration:	Howard Nicholson
Publicity:	Vacant
Tararua-Aorangi Huts Committee:	Jean Garman
Minibus Custodian	Adam Matich

Life Members:

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

* 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 Organisation
- Tararua-Aorangi-Rimutaka Huts Committee

Club Members involved with other related organisations include:

PN Land SAR Advisory Committee: Hugh Wilde, Peter Rawlins, Jean Garman, Doug McNeur, Howard Nicholson.

Tararua-Aorangi-Rimutaka Huts Committee: Jean Garman.

Minutes of the Manawatu Tramping and Skiing Club 81st Annual General Meeting

Date:	<i>20 May 2008</i>
Time:	<i>7:30pm</i>
Place:	<i>Manawatu District Aero Club Rooms, Palmerston North</i>

Welcome Howard welcomed members and passed around the attendance register.

Apologies :

Wei Hang Chua, Debbie Fincham, Alla Seleznyova, John Todd, Sue Nicholson.

Confirmation of Minutes of the 80th AGM

The minutes of the 2007 AGM had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Motion: That the minutes of the AGM held on 15th May 2007 be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting. Howard Nicholson/Ivan Alve/Carried

Corrections: None

Matters Arising

None

Reports

Presidents Report

The President's report was circulated with the AGM booklet and was taken as read. Howard thanked the outgoing committee and officers for all of their work. Special thanks to Ryan and Rob for the great progress on the Lodge this year. Thanks also to Linda for a full and varied programme of speakers for clubnights this year.

Treasurer

The report had been circulated with the AGM booklet and was taken as read.

Chief Guide

The report was circulated with the AGM booklet and was taken as read.

Ski Captain The report was circulated in the booklet and taken as read. Michael Pringle passed on his thanks for the club's help with accommodation at the lodge whilst training as a ski instructor.

Lodge Manager

Report as published in the AGM booklet. More work is planned for the coming year, relining more bunk rooms etc.

Membership Secretary

The report had been circulated with the AGM booklet and was taken as read. There has been a small increase in membership this year.

Newsletter Editor

None. Wei asked that the work of others in getting the newsletter out is acknowledged.

Minibus Manager

Adam notes that income and usage has gone up mainly due to increased usage by midweek trampers.

Gear Custodian – Equipment as listed in the newsletter is available at minimal hire rates – contact Peter Rawlins for more information.

Financial statement

Christine thanked John Todd for his assistance with the financial report. Christine outlined the financial performance for the Club generally, the Lodge, minibus and gear. Overall club finances are in a very healthy shape. The double billing by DOC for the sewerage scheme is a liability that has never been totally resolved but has not been pursued by DOC. We are not currently involved with the new RMC insurance scheme.

Motion: That the financial statement for the year to 31st March 2008 be accepted.

Christine Scott / Hugh Wilde/Carried

Motion: That membership subscriptions remain the same for 2008. Christine/ Ken/carried.

Election of Officers

Position	Person	Nominated by	Seconded by	Carried ?
President	Howard Nicholson	Hugh Wilde	Adam Matich	Yes
Secretary	Tim Swale	Peter Rawlins	Gary Bevins	Yes
Treasurer	Christine Scott	Doug McNeur	Hugh Wilde	Yes
Chief guide	Bev Akers	Adam Matich	Mark Learmonth	Yes
Social convenor	Geraldine Fovakis	Christine Scott	Bev Akers	Yes
Newsletter editor	Wei-Hang Chua	Howard Nicholson	Ryan Badger	Yes
Membership sec.	Jenny McCarthy *	Bev Akers	Adam Matich	Yes
Ski captain	Ken Mercer	Christine Scott	Hugh Wilde	Yes
Lodge manager	Ryan Badger	Rob Pringle	Peter Rawlins	Yes
Lodge bookings	Liz and Hugh Wilde	Christine Scott	Ken Mercer	Yes
Minibus manager	Vacant			
General comm.	Peter Rawlins	Liz Wilde	Adam Matich	Yes
General comm.	Linda Campbell	Bev Akers	<i>Not noted</i>	Yes
General comm.	Rob Pringle	Howard	Peter	Yes
	Ivan Alve	Howard Nicholson	Christine Scott	No

* Doug McNeur agreed to take over membership secretary's duties while Jenny is away. There were four nominations for the general committee positions.

Motion: Nominations for general committee be closed. Howard/ Ken/Carried
Scrutineers for vote - Chris White, John Little.

Appointments

Position	Person
Day trip convenor	
Assistant Lodge bookings	Liz Wilde
Assistant newsletter editors	Gary and Bev
Gear Custodian	Peter Rawlins
Archivist	Brian Webster
Honorary auditor	
Website administration	Howard Nicholson
Publicity	
Tararua / Aorangi Huts committee	Jean Garman
Minibus custodian	Adam Matich

Club affiliations

Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand Inc.
Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association
Palmerston North Search and Rescue
Tararua –Aorangi- Rimutaka Huts Committee.

General Business

Committee positions: Howard proposes that we reduce numbers on the committee to streamline meetings. Tasks could be done by appointees. The idea of reinstating a Lodge sub committee was also floated. Motion ; That we remove Lodge Manager and Minibus Manager from the committee Adam/Hugh. This resulted in the Motion; That this matter should be tabled at the next AGM. Howard/Peter/Carried

Club nights - Proposal to reduce club nights to once per month (first Tuesday) and that the venue should change to the RSA. Meeting generally in favour – to be investigated further.

Items for committee to pursue this year – Locater beacon for club use.

The meeting finished at 9-34 pm.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Another busy year for the club has ended. I perceive a lower number of people heading out on weekend trips, but there is still a solid core heading out regularly. On the skiing front, there is increasing interest in ski touring, and lodge usage indicates that many are making use of this fantastic facility.

Our involvement with DOC, via representation on the Tararua-Aorangi-Rimutaka Huts Committee, has seen the club firmly involved with the management and upkeep of local huts, notably Te Matawai and Mangahao Flats huts. Thank you to all involved with doing the work.

Fantastic progress has been made at Manawatu Lodge at Mt Ruapehu this year: more bunkrooms have been upgraded; after a successful trial of a heat pump over the winter, a second unit has now been installed; and the long-awaited second shower for the women's bathroom has been installed.

A key objective of the club is to help people to enjoy the outdoors safely, and we have now purchased two Personal Locator Beacons for club member use. Although these devices are not a substitute for good mountain and bush skills, they could save valuable time, and possibly a life, should a serious event occur. Please do take these units on your club and personal trips!

Last year we changed the venue for our clubnights to the RSA on Broadway Ave, and reduced the number of clubnights to once per month. Feedback on the new venue has been very positive, and we are seeing increased attendance.

The committee has worked through many issues during the year. We reviewed our insurance policies and decided to shift to the Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association (RMCA) scheme. The first year cost is a little higher than previously; however, we are now insured for replacement cost, we have contributed to the scheme's reserve fund, and it should be noted that all quotes received were significantly higher this year. I note that the lodge site license fee that we pay to DOC has also increased this year. Thank you for keeping our club operating so well.

It is not just committee members that make this club tick. Thank you to our appointees and club representatives for ensuring that our club runs smoothly, and to all club members and leaders, who make the club the interesting and active organisation that it is. Special thanks to John Todd for again auditing our financial accounts.

My three years as President is now up, and so I wish the incoming President and committee all the best for the next year

Howard Nicholson
President

REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

TREASURER

See financial notes at end of AGM notes.

CHIEF GUIDE

Tramping on the weekends is not a strong point at the moment except there is an active medium/fit group who are also good at supporting the hut work parties for the club.

As cycling becomes more popular, maybe we should put more cycling trips coinciding with tramping trips on our next summer trip card.

Wednesday & Thursday tramps are as popular as ever with trips going as far away as Mt Ruapehu region and East Coast beaches. Smaller groups have gone down to the South Island.

Thanks for the committee finally agreeing on purchasing the Personal Locator Beacons. Now it's up to us to get used to carrying them. Shouldn't really be an issue, as they are very light and compact. So each group needs to carry a PLB, Cell phone and the club Tent Fly. Individuals need to carry suitable storm clothing and prepare to fit the Tent Fly or PLB into ones pack. So your day pack needs to be of a suitable size to accommodate these items.

It would be good to see members participating in training courses such as Bush Craft and Mountain First Aid courses.

Bev Akers
Chief Guide

SKI CAPTAIN

The '08 snow year began with a whimper which turned into a bang! Well, perhaps a slight exaggeration, but between 20 July and 20 August the snow level increased from 125 to 350cm, filling gullies and burying the lodge. The downside was the poor weather made skiing difficult during that period so lodge numbers were down slightly.

During the spring a mixed group within the club tramped, climbed, skied and camped in the Tongariro saddle area with ascents of both Ngauruhoe and Tongariro. It was good to see the diversified interests within the club combining in these activities. Several ascents were also made of Ruapehu during the season.

Ken Mercer
Ski Captain

LODGE MANAGER

We've had another big year up at the lodge with rooms 1 & 2 fully revamped and new bunks and mattresses all in place.

The heat pump that was installed over the 07/08 summer was put to the test last winter and seemed to be more than adequate, with a few people commenting that rooms 4 & 5 were actually on the slightly warm side! We therefore decided to install 2nd unit in rooms 1 & 2 and we will be refining the settings on the two units over the coming winter.

There are still plenty of jobs on the list with the relining of rooms 5 & 6 on the top of that list.

The toilets are also a top priority, painting the exterior of the lodge, doing up the men's bath room, the list goes on.

A huge thanks to all those who gave there time to work parties over the last year, I look forward to seeing more of you up there over the next year.

In closing, Power is a huge part of our yearly outgoings and being efficient is essential if we are going to be able to keep our expenses to a minimum, things like keeping bunk room doors closed while the heating is on, wearing warm clothing in the lounge and having less heaters on all helps.

The Lodge Booking Officers, Liz and Hugh Wilde have provided the Lodge occupancy figures for 2008-2009:

Year	08/09	07/08	06/07	05/06	04/05
Bed nights	1791	1840	1825	1487	2268
Nights per bunk-year			57	46	71
Members	944	953	1025	876	924
Non-member single (a)	33	161	204	64	183
Non-member groups (b)	814	726	596	547	1161
Non-member total (a+b)	847	887	800	611	1344
Member % for the year	53%	52%	56%	59%	41%

*Ryan Badger
Lodge Manager*

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Category	2009/2008	2008/2007	2007/2006	2006/2005	2005/2004
Adult Singles	107	125	103	104	109
Junior Singles	3	0	0	6	3
Families	120	129	126	119	129
Life	15	15	15	15	13
Total	245	269	244	244	254
Total Members	518	569	540	520	553

There has be a drop in membership for the past year, we have 51 less members than this time last year.

By adding the 273 Associate members we reach the total membership of 518.

The Associate membership is made up of 10 Life Member Associates, 6 Special Members/Associates, 11 Schools/Clubs and 246 Family Associates.

There were 29 new members and their families during the year and we welcome them to the club.

Jenny McCarthy
Membership Secretary

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

The Club newsletter continues to be well supported by club members who regularly send in trip previews and reports. Several members regularly submit detailed and entertaining reports along with photos which are always make for a good read. The Wednesday and Thursday Trampers are also sending in regular trip reports which is appreciated. A thank you to all members for all your items over the past year.

As newsletter editor, I have amassed a large digital collection of photos from a wide range of club trips over the past few years which I have archived as part of the club history. It is my plan to make these accessible to all club members to view or search in 2009.

It is good to see that more club members are preferring to receive their newsletter in a digital format, with a little over 130 members receiving a monthly e-newsletter. The printed newsletter numbers still vary between 220-240 during the year.

Last and no least, thank you to Bev Akers and Gary Bevins for continuing to collect the newsletters, and ship them out in the post, along with the FMC magazine and trip cards.

Wei-Hang Chua
Newsletter Editor

MINI-BUS CUSTODIAN

The income listed is the money obtained from trips taken within the financial year, regardless of in which financial year it was banked, and is inclusive of GST.

Use of the minibus is actually down this year, but it appears people have been taking longer trips and so the money coming in the door has still increased. It is the Wednesday and Thursday Trampers who are the biggest van users.

Year	Trips	People Journeys	Distance (km)	Income (\$)
2004	65	595	12781	6031
2005	78	671	19046	9097
2006	88	809	18506	9255
2007	83	704	17379	8405
2008	106	974.5	22225	12060
2009	95	873	20674	13922

	Year		
Usage	2009	2008	2007
Wednesday	36	34	20
Thursday	43	47	41
Weekend	14	19	9
Sunday	2	6	9

The income listed is the money obtained from trips taken within the financial year, regardless of in which financial year it was banked.

Adam Matich
Mini-bus Custodian

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Financial Statements

**For the year ended 31 March
2009**

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MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Auditor's Report

For the year ended 31 March 2009

To Members of Manawatu Tramping and Skiing Club

I have audited the financial statements and attached notes for the year ended 31 March 2009 as presented.

In conducting the audit, I have reviewed financial and other records considered necessary to provide me with reasonable evidence that the financial statements are free from material misstatements whether caused by fraud or error.

It is my view that the statements as presented give a fair and reasonable view of the clubs financial position as at 31 March 2009 and the financial performance for the year ended on that date.

The audit was completed on 2nd May 2009



John Todd

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 March 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Current Assets			
ANZ Bank - Current Account		23,699	17,694
HSBC - Current Account		0	452
HSBC - Term Deposits		0	63,040
ANZ Term Deposits		50,416	
GST Receivable/(payable)		471	907
RWT receivable		0	7,457
Hut Tickets		399	224
Cash on hand		20	71
		<u>75,006</u>	<u>89,845</u>
Fixed Assets	4	462,517	413,196
Total Assets		<u>\$ 537,523</u>	<u>503,041</u>
Accounts Payable		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Accumulated Funds			
Balance at Beginning of Year		503,041	522,545
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Ruapehu Lodge		-22,028	-15,417
Plus lodge revaluation		57,173	
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), General		-921	489
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Motor Vehicle		551	-4,360
Plus Surplus/(Deficit), Gear		-674	-597
Balance at End of Year		<u>537,142</u>	<u>502,660</u>
Reserves			
Fischer Trust	2	150	150
Training & Development	3	231	231
		<u>381</u>	<u>381</u>
Liabilities and Accumulated Funds		<u>\$ 537,523</u>	<u>503,041</u>

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Statement of Financial Performance

Ruapehu Lodge

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Income			
Lodge Accommodation		32,242	34,553
Interest		2,344	3,136
Lockers		129	182
Dividend Income		407	425
Total Income		35,122	38,296
Expenses			
Electricity		6,259	6,945
Food		6,843	5,858
Insurance		10,182	6,640
DOC Licences & Levies		4,037	4,244
Repairs & Maintenance		12,427	16,118
Telephone		589	578
RMCA Sub & Levy		225	100
Rates		1,674	1,610
RAL contrib mains power		0	500
Valuation fee		345	0
Total Expenses		42,581	42,593
Cash Surplus (Deficit)		-7,459	-4,297
Depreciation for year		14,569	11,120
Operating Surplus (Deficit)		\$ -22,028	-15,417

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

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Income			
Donations & Grants		267	129
Hut Ticket sales		347	233
Interest		1,064	1,241
Membership		8,722	9,569
Total Income		<u>10,400</u>	<u>11,172</u>
Expenses			
Box Rental		434	396
Club Nights		1,517	944
Donations		0	0
General Expenses (website/bank fees)		64	240
Hut Ticket purchases		389	356
Newsletter		2,619	2,669
Stationery & postage		2,948	2,633
Subscriptions		2,544	2,347
Trip Cards		259	339
Training & Development			0
Total Cash Expenses		<u>10,774</u>	<u>9,924</u>
Cash Surplus (Deficit)		-374	1,248
Depreciation for year		547	759
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$	<u><u>-921</u></u>	<u><u>489</u></u>

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**Statement of Financial Performance
Motor Vehicle**

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Income			
Trip payments		10,876	10,316
Interest		223	83
Total Income		<u>11,099</u>	<u>10,399</u>
Expenses			
Diesel		3,565	2,823
Insurance & Registration		463	990
Repairs, Maintenance & Road User Charges		1,932	3,200
Total Cash Expenses		<u>5,960</u>	<u>7,013</u>
Cash Surplus		5,139	3,386
Depreciation for year		6,159	7,746
Depreciation recovered- trailer		-1,570	
Operating Surplus	\$	<u>551</u>	<u>-4,360</u>

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Statement of Financial Performance

Gear

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

	Note	2009	2008
			\$
Receipts			
Gear Hire		169	298
Interest		509	631
Sale of Gear		0	0
Total Income		<u>678</u>	<u>929</u>
Expenses			
Repairs		<u>39</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Cash Expenses		<u>39</u>	<u>0</u>
Cash Surplus		<u>639</u>	<u>929</u>
Depreciation for year		1,313	1,526
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$	<u><u>-674</u></u>	<u><u>-597</u></u>

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

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 Ruapehu Lodge and Furnishings were revalued during 1991.

The Lodge was valued for insurance purposes during 2009.

The Indemnity value was \$425,000 and the increase has been added to book value.

The Replacement value of the Lodge was valued at \$1,010,000.

The Lodge is now insured for replacement 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 including	
	20% Cost
Slide & Data Projector	Price

Interest income on deposits is only recognised when received.

The club owns 1,770 shares in King Country Energy. These do not appear in these accounts as they did not cost us anything. Market value is (24 April, 2009) \$4.11/share.

Therefore they have an approximate market value of \$7,275.

Approximate market value 12 April 2007 was \$8,496

2 Fischer Trust

The Fischer Trust was established in memory of a former club member Gregory Fischer. Interest earned helps fund the annual "Young Trumper of the Year" award.

MANAWATU TRAMPING & SKIING CLUB (INC)

Notes to the Financial Statements Continued

For the Year Ended 31 March 2009

3 Training & Development Reserve.

The Training & Development Reserve was established in 1991 for the purpose of giving encouragement and support to deserving club members.

4 Fixed Assets	Book Value 2008	Additions	Deprec- iation	Book Value 2009
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ruapehu Lodge (re valued 2009)	367,827	57,173	9,196	415,804
Lodge Furnishings	11,941	14,926	5,373	21,494
Minibus	30,794		6,159	24,635
Trailer	190	-1,570	0	0
Gear	1,011	0	427	584
Avalanche Transceivers	886	0	886	0
Data Projector & DVD Player	547	0	547	0
	<u>\$ 413,196</u>	<u>70,529</u>	<u>22,588</u>	<u>462,517</u>

5 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	Adjust- ment	Cash Surplus	Capital Expenses	Closing Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ruapehu Lodge	50,860		-7,459	-14,926	28,475
General Funds	23,086	569	-374		23,281
Motor Vehicle	4,849		5,139	1,570	11,558
Gear	11,052		639		11,691
	<u>\$ 89,847</u>	<u>569</u>	<u>-2,054</u>	<u>-13,356</u>	<u>75,006</u>

6 Gear

Gear recorded at depreciated book value. Fair market value considered to be between \$10,000 and \$15,000.