What Wanderers trip members need to know

Booking Information

- Bookings for trips open two weeks before the trip date. Please choose a suitable time to ring the number given, or book by email if an address is given. Avoid early morning weekday calls and calls to place of employment.
- If, after booking, you find you are unable to go on a trip, please cancel promptly so that your place may be reallocated.
- It is essential that at least 24 hours notice of cancellation be given. Default in cancelling may render you liable for the cost of the trip.

Trip departure place

 Until further notice all trips will leave from the Wintec student carpark, cnr Collingwood & Tristram Streets.

Trip types

If you check the programme you will see that each walk or tramp is graded 1, 2 or 3. These "gradings" are defined here:

- Grade 1 (easy): A tramp on fairly level formed tracks, duration 4+ hours and where there may be the option of returning by the same track.
- **Grade 2 (moderate):** A tramp of 5-6 hours, often on less well-formed tracks, or on off-track routes; can involve river crossings, or short sections of steep terrain.
- Grade 3 (fit): Can be over 6 hours duration, tramping on either formed tracks or off-track routes, river crossings, steep terrain, snow conditions.

You will enjoy a tramp better and everyone will be safer if you choose a trip that is consistent with your level of fitness and confidence

Gear List

The following is the minimum equipment required for day trips.

In your pack or to wear

- Boots or strong shoes. May depend on the trip grade and type
- Water/wind proof parka
- Lunch, snacks and water bottle

- Spare clothing (in case you fall in the creek!)
- Hat appropriate to the altitude and season
- First aid kit
- Torch, Sunscreen depending on the trip
- Pack cover or liner to keep everything dry.
- Emergency Information form in an accessible place in your pack (see web site Contacts page to download this)

In cold weather, wet weather, or at altitude

- Long johns / over trousers
- Thermal layer (polypropylene, polyester or wool) (Cotton is cold when wet)
- Insulating layer of fleece or wool

To leave in bus

- Extra clothing in case you get wet
- Towel?
- Extra footwear and plastic bag for boots [no dirty boots on the bus]

Emergency Information

Wanderers' trips occasionally return up to an hour or more beyond the stated return time given in the programme. This happens due to the variable nature of the tramp, the weather and the people on the tramp. In the event of a trip being seriously held up (possibly two hours after the time indicated), communication will be made through the Operations Room, Central Police Headquarters, Hamilton.

Responsibility

"Whilst the committee will take all reasonable care to ensure the safety of participants on trips, the participants themselves undertake such trips entirely at their own risk and no responsibility will be accepted for accidents, injury, loss, delays or other misadventures which may occur or happen to members while on trips arranged by the Group." [Constitution, Rule 29]

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