

## **PARAWAI TRAMPING CLUB: PRESIDENTS REPORT 2011**

### **TRAMPING and OTHER ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES**

I'm delighted to report that once again our club has had a very active year with tramping trips and other outdoor activities taking place on most weekends. This reflects very well on our organisational skills and in particular our trip planning meetings and the enthusiasm of our chief guide, trip organisers and participants alike. Details of these activities will be outlined in the chief guides report.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

As at 31 May 2011 our membership stood at 43 individuals and 22 family members, making a total of 65. This is up from 61 last year. We should continue however, to be proactive about recruiting new members, just to keep ahead of natural attrition.

### **FINANCE**

In simple terms as at 31/5/2011 we were \$913 better off than at the same time last year with funds in the bank being \$17,500. After taking depreciation into account and end of year adjustments we made a surplus of \$189. Points to note: The club purchased a database programme so that it is easier to maintain our membership details and print labels, lists etc. from the club laptop. We also bought a second PLB funded in part by a grant from the Lion Foundation.

A special Thank You to Ian Bade who has audited our accounts for the 28<sup>th</sup> consecutive year and has indicated that he is happy to do another year.

### **SOCIAL PROGRAMME**

Our club night attendance has remained high, seldom less than 20 people and on several occasions more than 30. We have had an interesting mix of guest speakers and presentations from our own club members. Of particular note was Gareth Rapley's photos from Raoul Island; Brian Solomon's photos from Lord Howe Island and Chantal Heller's hilarious gear night! Thanks also to all members who have contributed to our club photo nights and a big thank you to Darrel Sutherland and Rodney Hopkirk for continuing to organise our club night suppers.

Special thanks to all the committee for their continued support throughout the year, in particular Phil Glasson (secretary/treasurer), Tony Quayle (chief guide), Brian Solomon (editor) and Steve Hudson who organised our Christmas barbecue and our Mid Winter Dinner.

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## CHIEF GUIDE REPORT 2010 – 2011

It is pleasing to report that despite some cancellations due to bad weather, the club maintained an active programme of day and multi-day trips over the last 12 months, with 500 'tramper days' of outdoor activity (up from 425 in 2009-10).

28 multi-day trips were scheduled and, of these, 22 ran – 9 in the Tararuas, 9 in the Ruahines, 2 in Tongariro National Park and 1 to the Haurangis. Two trips were modified to cope with severe weather conditions that made the original plans impractical.

Best multi-day turnouts were for the Southern Crossing and Tongariro National Park (both 13), and Iron Gate – Ngamoko (12). Two Rangiwahia – Deadmans circuit trips each attracted 10 trampers, as did overnights to the Orongorongos, Holdsworth – Jumbo and Waterfall Hut

There were 16 successful day trips (21 scheduled), with 27 walkers on the Pukerua Bay – Plimmerton hills and coast trip and 14 tackling the Paekakariki – Pukerua Bay Coastal Escarpment.

There were also several unscheduled trips by individual and small groups of club members.

The majority of tramping trips that ran were graded MEDIUM (10), with 8 graded EASY or FAMILY, and 8 FIT trips.

A pleasing trend has been the continued growth in the trip organiser ranks. 15 club members organised at least trips, while 4 regular leaders each ran 4 or more trips.

There were no accidents or emergencies on club trips or members' private trips.

Thanks everyone – organisers, participants, 'inspirers' and others who provided support and guidance in so many ways – for making this another active and successful year.

Tony Quayle - Chief Guide