

Pathways to Adventure

Backcountry Recreation North of Taupo

28th May - Waitawheta - www.fmc.org.nz/pathwaystoAdventure
'A gathering of the outdoors community'



FMC would like to thank everyone that has registered for the Pathways to Adventure workshop, and especially those that have agreed to speak! We think we have a great day lined-up which should be informative and inspiring for everyone and have practical outcomes both through people met and understanding gained.

When: Saturday the 28th of May 2016.

Location: Waitawheta Camp – 439 Waitawheta Rd - Waihi

Programme

9.30am: Registration
10am: Welcome
10.15: What's going on out there?

(We welcome a representative from each of the hunting, canyoning, mountain biking and tramping communities to talk about their activities in the region and how they would like to see those opportunities maintained or developed, and what the challenges to an ideal outcome are)

11.15: Speaker: Mark Jones, AUT

(We welcome Mark Jones, from Auckland University of Technology, to talk about some of the things which as Outdoors people we share. The importance of spending time in the outdoors for healthy human development, and what we can learn from nature)

11.45am: The Kaimai Ridgeway Trust

(We welcome the Kaimai Ridgeway Trust members to describe their collaboration and vision for backcountry recreation in the Kaimai range)

12.15: The Coromandel Kauri Dieback Forum

(We welcome Jeannie Allport to talk about Kauri Dieback, the latest developments in science and management and how recreationalists can help with preventing its spread)

12.30: Lunch

(Followed by break-out sessions on 1. Recreational opportunities and working together in the Kaimai Ranges, 2. Recreational opportunities and working together in the Coromandel Ranges, 3. Kauri Dieback threats and opportunities for recreation)

2.00: The Department of Conservation

(We welcome representatives from the Department of Conservation to talk about their approach to managing recreation in New Zealand, with reference to the Kaimai ranges and Coromandel)

2.30: The Outdoor Recreation Consortium

(Robin McNeill of FMC will present a report on the first year of the Outdoor Recreation Consortium)

2.45: Volunteering for its own sake

(We welcome Simon Alefosio-Tuck of the Department of Conservation to talk about the Green Hut Track Group in Dunedin, a group that just loves maintaining tracks)

3.00: Volunteering for Conservation

(We welcome Colleen Grayling of the Howick Tramping Club to describe their long-running predator control project in the Mangatutu forest to protect Kokako)

3.30: Afternoon Tea

(Followed by a second period with the break-out groups)

4.30pm: Report back to the wider group by the break-out groups

5.00pm: Concluding comments

(We welcome Nessa Lynch of Trailfund New Zealand to summarise the day and look forward at actions we can take into the future)

Details: Start: 10am 28th May. Location: [Waitawheta Camp](#). Meals: light lunch, light dinner provided through the local scouts (Koha welcomed at registration). BYO Drinks. Accommodation: Available Saturday night \$20 per person @ venue, Evening Entertainment: Humorously debate the outdoor issues of the day. (MC – Robin McNeill). Sunday Activity: Guided walks with the locals.

To Register Interest: Please register your interest with Jamie Stewart, email administrator@fmc.org.nz