



# Auckland Tramping Club & SnowSports Lodge

## ATC SnowSports Lodge News

It has started snowing at last after the warmest June ever. Whakapapa is starting to accumulate snow – let's hope those southwesterly flows keep coming our way.

The Lodge is in great condition after the annual working bee weekend, is well stocked with food and is ready to go for the season.

## Whakapapa – Turoa Trip.

We are planning to make a trip from Whakapapa to Turoa this season. This will be for skiers of an intermediate level or above. This trip is obviously weather dependent but is quite frequently undertaken by skiers during the winter season. It is very achievable and you get fabulous views throughout the traverse of both the crater / plateau area and of the central North Island.

I will nominate a weekend to do the trip in August or September and then confirm or otherwise about five days before the proposed date. There are various options for the return trip to Whakapapa. Please email me if you are interested.

## Alpine Tramping

12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> September - staying at the Lodge (Saturday night)

Take part in the Club tramp up to the Crater/ Summit Plateau area on Saturday, fabulous alpine environment and great views.  
Sunday -- Walk to Silica Rapids, Taranaki Falls , +/- down Whakapapanui Track and catch the Goat back up the hill if the club bus is unavailable. [More details here.](#)

## Ski Competition.

We would like to have a club ski competition toward the end of the season. While we could have the usual down hill slalom type events I thought we could be a bit more creative and reflect our roots better.

We would like some input on this, so please contact me if you have any thoughts. More on this later in the season. Please email me with your suggestions.

The Epic of Everest – Auckland Film Festival

The official film of the ill-fated 1924 attempt at Everest has been spectacularly restored by the British Film Institute. It's the most majestic age-of-conquest documentaries, reverberant with the intimations of nature's indifference that the filmmakers could scarcely ignore when reviewing their remarkable footage.

The club has made a block booking at a concession price of \$15 per ticket for the viewing at the Academy cinema on Saturday August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm. [More information here](#).

We hope everyone has a great season in the snow !

Regards,

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