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GENERAL NEWS UPDATE

Welcome to 2025

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Whakapapa Mountain Club Committee.

Check out these pics from the Goat Adventure Run from Whakapapa to Turoa Ski Fields on the Round the Mountain track, traversing the western slopes of Mount Ruapehu. The 20km course has over 1,000 metres of vert and covers our incredible terrain. Passing ancient lava flows and scoria fields, mountain beech forest, and alpine herb fields to cascading waterfalls, with panoramic views.



[The Goat Adventure Run](#)



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Summer at Whakapapa Mountain Club

Now - ANZAC Weekend

This summer, we're excited to introduce our Friends and Family Bonus! From now until ANZAC weekend, all members and their guests can enjoy access to the club at exclusive member rates.

It's the perfect opportunity to share the summer experience with your loved ones and make the most of our facilities together. Don't miss out on this special offer - come and celebrate the season with us!

Summer Night Rates Members & Guests

Adult	\$30
Youth (13 - 17)	\$20
Juniors (5 - 12)	\$15



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2025 Work Party

12th - 13th April

Our February Work Party didn't go ahead due to limited numbers. These work parties and the time our dedicated members offer to these maintain our club for the years to come. So bring a beer and come up and join us.

Please contact the **Paul Burton** or the committee if you are able to provide support here.

All members are required to complete a work party to solidify their membership. If we don't receive interest we may shoulder tap those members who have not yet completed their work party.

Summer in the Central Plateau

Explore volcanic landscapes and forests, or enjoy New Zealand's largest lake in the Central Plateau.

State Highway 1 Tūrangi to Waiouru – including the Desert Road Desert Road will be closed from 13 January - March 2025 providing the perfect opportunity to pit stop at the club with friends and family.

Tramping in the Central Plateau

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Peter Lawrence Scholarships

The Peter Lawrence fund was set up through the generous donation of late member - **Peter Lawrence**. These scholarships are available to assist in the development of young members in the club, were positively re-introduced last season and we would like to offer them again.

Junior and youth members are invited to apply in writing to the committee before 01 June 2024. Please provide a brief summary of what sort of financial support you are seeking and how it will be used to develop and improve their ability on the mountain.

Funding is limited and letters written personally by the youth or junior member themselves will be considered more favourably by the committee. Support is not limited to the RAL programmes being offered this season, the committee will consider all applicants and ideas to further develop our youth so get creative!

2025 Annual General Meeting

Coming Late April

Keep an eye out for confirmation of our upcoming AGM which has been pencilled in towards the end of April.



Free Season Passes for 10 and unders

Over its history, Whakapapa has been the breeding ground for snow sports in New Zealand.

In 2025, we continue on our mission; to provide affordable and accessible skiing and snowboarding to as many children as possible, with a free Season Pass for any child aged 10 and under.

"Purchase" a free Season Pass for your child on our website in the March sale period, and rediscover with him or her the joy, excitement, and magic, of thriving on the slopes of Whakapapa.

*Free Child Season Passes are only available during the campaign window. In-season Season Pass and Day Pass pricing will apply after the campaign ends.

2025 Whakapapa Season Passes - [Click Here](#)

2025 Season Passes

Join our mountain-minded community on the regular with a 2025 Whakapapa Season Pass - on sale from March 2025.

In 2025, we continue our investment in the next generation of snow sports enthusiasts with our free Season Pass for children aged 10 and under. This year we also extend a free Season Pass to seniors aged 75+.

Weekday and 'Anytime' Season Passes are available. Our Season Pass renewal pricing is on offer to anyone who has purchased a Season Pass since 2020.

Invest a little more for greater piece of mind with our Season+ and SeasonFlexi pass add-ons which cover you in the case of unexpected injury or illness, or a change in priorities.

Our best value Season Passes will be available in the March sale period. Exact dates to be confirmed.

	ANYTIME			WEEKDAY		
	PASS RENEWAL <small>AVAILABLE DURING MARCH SALE PERIOD</small>	PRE-SEASON	IN SEASON <small>POST MARCH SALE PERIOD TIL SEASON END</small>	PASS RENEWAL <small>AVAILABLE DURING MARCH SALE PERIOD</small>	PRE-SEASON	IN SEASON <small>POST MARCH SALE PERIOD TIL SEASON END</small>
INFANT <small>(0-4 years)</small>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CHILD <small>(5-10 years)</small>	\$0	\$0	\$499	\$0	\$0	\$399
YOUTH <small>(11-17 years)</small>	\$349	\$399	\$499	\$249	\$299	\$399
ADULT <small>(18-74 years)</small>	\$649	\$749	\$999	\$399	\$549	\$799
SUPER <small>(75+ years)</small>	\$0	\$0	\$499	\$0	\$0	\$399
STUDENT	\$499	\$599	\$749	\$299	\$399	\$549
EMERGENCY SERVICES	\$499	\$599	\$749	\$299	\$399	\$549
SEASON+	+ \$50					
SEASONFLEXI <small>(YOUTH)</small>	+ \$100					
SEASONFLEXI <small>(ADULT)</small>	+ \$250					
PLATINUM PARKING	+ \$749			+ \$499		

Please note: the 2025 Season Pass pricing presented above is shared on behalf of Whakapapa Holdings Limited (WHL), the prospective new owner of Whakapapa from Winter 2025. In the case WHL does not operate the 2025 Winter Season, these prices could change.

2025 Pure Turoa Season Passes - [Click Here](#)

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Committee Vacancies

The committee are seeking passionate individual/s to join our team. This is a rewarding opportunity to contribute to the Whakapapa Mountain Club, play a vital role in decision-making, and support our community.

Previous experience is welcome but not required and meetings occur monthly.

To express interest or for more details, please contact the Whakapapa Mountain Club committee.

Vacancies:

Club Captain

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Today 20th February



13.1 High
7.8 Low

Lightrainshowers

Fri 21st February



9.7 High
3 Low

Lightrainshowers

Sat 22nd February



10.5 High
2.5 Low

Partlycloudy

Sun 23rd February



10.7 High
5.1 Low

Cloudy

This Week's Report

[Click Here](#)

DAILY REPORT - WHAKAPAPA

Our Whakapapa Summer season runs from 29 November 2024 until 27 April 2025, weather dependent.

Alpine conditions can be changeable so please keep an eye on the current and forecast weather conditions, including our webcams.

You can find some more information on preparation and keeping yourself safe while exploring our 10km of marked trails [here](#).

2025 Proposed Club Calendar & Shared Meal Plan

Events	Saturday	Hut Themes	Saturday Night Shared Meal Plan
School Holidays	Saturday, 12 July		Sausages Mash Vegetables
School Holidays Proposed Kindy Week 14 - 18 July			
	Saturday, 19 July		Lasagne Salad
	Saturday, 26 July		Chops Wedges Salad
	Saturday, 2 August		Beef Stew Mash Vegetables
	Saturday, 9 August	Card Games Night	Beef Nachos
	Saturday, 16 August		Curry Rice
Intermediate NIPS Championships - dates TBC	Saturday, 23 August	Pool Championships	Steak Chips Eggs
Primary NIPS Championships - dates TBC	Saturday, 30 August		Soup Garlic Bread
Rangatira Alpine Trophy Race - dates TBC	Saturday, 6 September		Chicken Pasta Bake
Tongariro Jnr's Club Race - dates TBC	Saturday, 13 September	Quiz Night	Roast Chicken Veggies Apple Crumble
School Holidays Ngaruruhoe Club Race - dates TBC	Saturday, 20 September		Burgers Wedges
School Holidays Skiwi's/Jnr's Club Race Turoa, Retro Day	Saturday, 27 September	Table Tennis Tournament	Chicken Tacos
School Holidays Proposed Kindy Week 29 - 03 Oct			
School Holidays Whakapapa Club Sports - dates TBC	Saturday, 4 October	Snowman Competition	Schnitzel Coleslaw Chips
	Saturday, 11 October		Pizza Wedges
	Saturday, 18 October	Pyjama Party	Spaghetti Bolognese
	Saturday, 25 October		Shepherds Pie Salad

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Overnight Parking - Club Member Parking

Day Parking Only - Locked 5pm-7am for De-icing

Authorised Parking Only - Next to the Medical Centre

Platinum Membership Parking Only - Next to the Iwikau Shelter

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Whakapapa Mountain Club Committee 2025

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Committee Positions

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Treasurer:	Craig Rowe	027-554-1465	
Secretary:	Nick Twaddle		
Club Captain:	VACANT		
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Membership:	Louise Paulsen	027-215-9900	
Subscriptions:	Angus Ferguson	027-224-1771	
Hut Maintenance:	Paul Burton	027-571-0050	
Publicity:	Jaden Kaempfe		
Health & Safety:	Louis Vierboom	027-705-0516	
Cups & Trophies:	Kim Needham	027-338-7272	
Ski Racks & Lockers:	Angus Ferguson	027-224-1771	
Hut Stores Supplies:	Rick Donaldson	021-227-5969	
Support Legal:	Gene Tomlinson		

Committee Vacancies

Expressions of interest are welcomed and encouraged. Please reach out to the committee, we look forward to hearing from you!

2024 Night Rates

Members

Adult	\$30
Youth (13 - 17)	\$20
Juniors (5 - 12)	\$15

Guests

Adult	\$50
Youth (13 - 17)	\$40
Juniors (5 - 12)	\$30

Please add your family name and initial into the reference

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[Click Here to Book!](#)