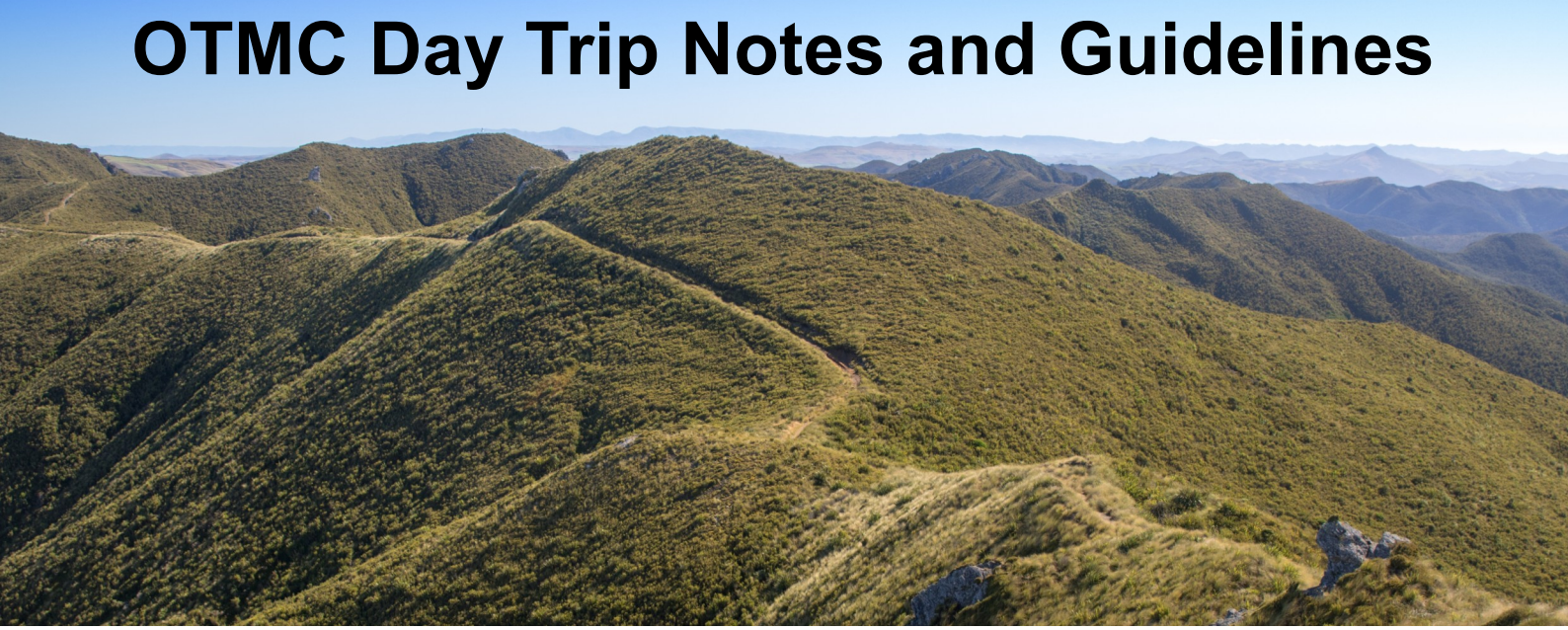
OTMC Day Trip Notes and Guidelines



As most day trips are not as complex to organise as a multi-day trip, they are run differently. The OTMC have developed the following guidelines for all single day trips, these apply to both OTMC members and non-members *(OTMC club members are defined as those who have applied for and have been accepted as members, and pay the annual subscription - accessing the OTMC Email List or Social Media does not qualify as OTMC Membership)*

The Upcoming Day Trip Programme: The day trip programme is included on the online trip programme and published in the monthly Bulletin. Changes to trips *(leaders or destinations)* are notified at club meetings or via the club email list, weekly update or OTMC social media pages.

Attending OTMC Day Trips: To attend a day trip meet at the departure point (which varies from trip to trip and are noted on our programme) just before the advertised departure time. The day trips have different fitness grades - these are shown on the trip programme beside each trip. The main grades are: **(E) - Easy**, 3-5hrs, **(M) - Moderate**, 5-7hrs and **(F) - Fit**, 7-9hrs. If unsure of your own fitness grade, we recommend starting with an Easy or Easy / Moderate (E/M, 4-6hrs) trip first.

Non Members: Non Members are welcome on OTMC day trips, but must contact the leader beforehand - this is to confirm plans for the trip, discuss experience and go over the clothing and equipment required. Non financial members of the OTMC are limited to 6 days tramping within 12 months with the club.

Transport / Trip Cost: Transport to the start of the trip is normally by carpool, with all passengers paying the trip cost shown on the trip programme to the driver. Please pay the driver when leaving town.

Minimum Clothing / Gear Requirements: The recommended clothing and gear required for day trips is listed on the reverse of the printed trip programme, and is available on our **website**. If unsure, check with the trip leader.

Lunch / Water: Bring your lunch on all day trips. We recommend also bringing sufficient water or other drink from home - water is not available on most of our day trips.

Search and Rescue: The day trip leader will appoint a Search and Rescue (SAR) contact person, and collect details of all participants on the **OTMC Day Trip SAR form**. Ideally this list will be sent to the SAR contact *(via camera / email on smartphone)* prior to leaving at the clubrooms. In the event the trip is overdue, the SAR contact will notify an OTMC Office Bearer or the NZ Police as they deem appropriate. The OTMC or Police will take action as required *(all OTMC trips take PLB's for any emergencies en-route).*

Further information on both day and multi-day trips, including leadership, is available on our website under '**OTMC Resources**'