

Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association AGM 2026

Saturday 3rd October 2.15pm
Happy Valley Bistro

Registration is essential to attend
secretary@rmca.org.nz



Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association
AGM 2026



RMCA AGM
2.15pm – Opening and Welcome
2.35 pm – RMCA AGM
3.15 pm – AGM Closes

3.20 pm - Refreshments

Stakeholders
3.30 pm – New World Ohakune – Sam Fletcher
3.40 pm – WHL -School Bookings – WHL Chris Bashforth
3.50 pm - Whakapapa Adaptive Sports – WHL – Josh Kelly
4.00 pm - Department of Conservation – Mitch Black, Libby O'Brien
4.20 pm – WHL - Phil Lemalu
4.30 pm – WHL - Dave Mazey & Steve Manunui



The RMCA Council

President : Debbie Evans – Ngauruhoe Ski Club
Councillor : Tony McKenna – Rotorua Tramping & SC
Councillor : Simon Hunt – Ruapehu Ski Club
Councillor: Darien Warburton – Puketoi Mountain Club
Councillor : Ian Chamberlain – Taupo Ski Club
Councillor : Russell Turnbull - Te Horonuku Mountain Sports Club
Councillor: Gordon Horsley – Whanganui Ski Club

Secretary : Sheryl Brownlee - Ruapehu Ski Club
Treasurer : Kevin Mason - Taraua Tramping Club



The RMCA AGM 2026 Agenda

- Minutes of the 2025 AGM
- Council Report

- Treasurer’s Report
- RMCA Subscriptions

- RMCA Grocery Room
- Access on the Bruce Road
- Clubs Bookings Websites
- Kings Birthday Weekend 2027
- General Business

RMCA Council Report 2026





Council Report 2026

1. Kings Birthday Weekend – Big Mountain Clean Up

2. RMCA Map of Clubs

3. Stakeholder Engagement

4. Supporting Local

5. Ruapehu District Council Rates

6. Department of Conservation Rent Review

7. Bruce Road Access

8. Clubs Bookings Websites

9. RMCA Website

10. Whakapapa Adaptive Sports


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RMCA MAP of CLUBS

RUAPEHU
Mountain Clubs Association



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Whakapapa

MOUNTAIN CLUBS

Whakapapa is where the magic happens and our mountain clubs are the heart of the experience. From first tracks to epic sunsets, live the dream on the Slopes of Whakapapa. Don't just visit, make Iwikau village your second home.

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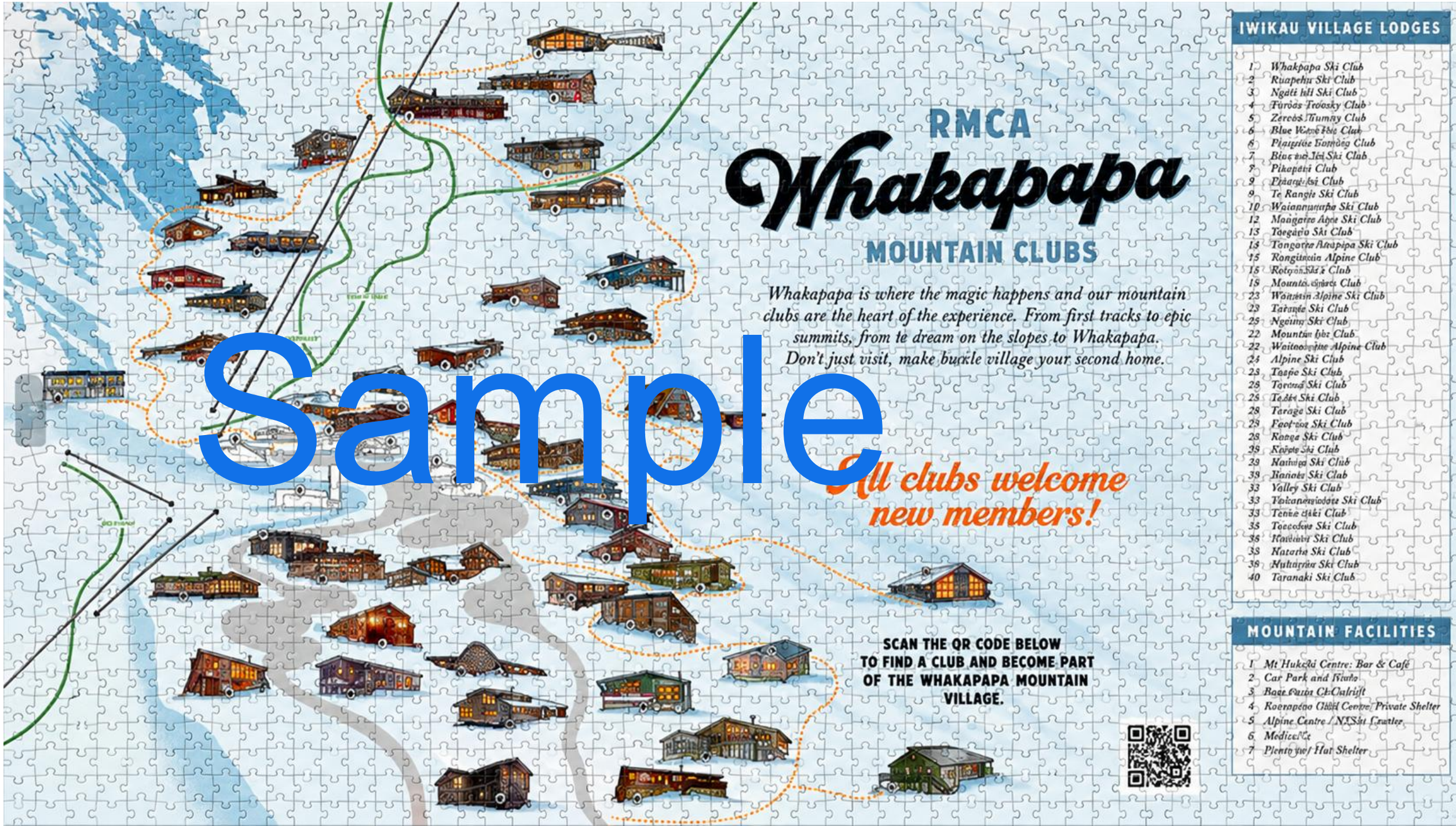
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IWIKAU VILLAGE LODGES

1 Whanganui Ski Club
2 Ruapehu Ski Club Hut
3 Ruapehu Ski Club Lodge
4 Tararua Tramping Club
5 Hutt Valley Tramping Club
6 Waikato Tramping Club
7 Whakapapa Mountain Club
8 Te Horonuku Alpine Ski Club
9 Takapuna Ski Club
10 Summit Ski Club
11 Tongariro Ski Club
12 Puketoi Mountain Club
13 Rotorua Tramping & Ski Club
14 Alpine Sports Club (A-Frame)
15 Alpine Sports Club (Ruapehu Hut)
16 Ngauruhoe Ski Club
17 Levin Waiopehu Tramping Club
18 Rangatira Alpine Sports Club
19 Wellington Catholic Tramping Club
20 Manawatu Tramping & Ski Club
21 Wellington Tramping and Mountaineering Club
22 Serac Ski Club
23 Grads Mountain Sports Club
24 Waitomo Ski Club
25 NZ Scout Association Ski Club
26 Snowline Ski Club
27 Central Plateau Schools Alpine Charitable Trust
28 Tokoroa Alpine Club
29 Pinnacle Ski Club
30 Ski Racers Ski Club
31 Otaihape Alpine Club
32 Iwikau Ski Club
33 Skyline Ski Club
34 Victoria Hut
35 Christiana Ski Club
36 Aorangi Ski Club
37 Takurangi Ski Club
38 Auckland University Ski Club
39 Tauranga Ski Club
40 Hawkes Bay Ski Club
41 Taupo Ski Club
42 Matamata Ski Club
43 Havelock Ski Club
44 Tauranga Ski Club
45 Arlberg Ski Club
46 Boomerang Ski Club

MOUNTAIN FACILITIES

a Sky Waka Gondola
b Rentals, Retail and Lorenzs Bar & Cafe
c Guest Services/Ticket Office
d Snow School and Operations
e Medical Center/RMCA Grocery Room/Public Shelter
f Recycle Centre
g Happy Valley and Elevator


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3 Ngāti Iwi Ski Club
4 Furoos Trooshy Club
5 Zeroes Tummy Club
6 Blue Wanderers Club
6 Plastique Bonobo Club
7 Blue and Jet Ski Club
8 Pikopeti Club
9 Pharaohsi Club
9 Te Rangis Ski Club
10 Waiannuanga Ski Club
12 Mangatea Apes Ski Club
13 Toegaiwo Ski Club
15 Tongariro Ataipipa Ski Club
15 Rongimaia Alpine Club
15 Rotorua Ski Club
15 Mountain Grace Club
23 Waimarie Alpine Ski Club
23 Taranga Ski Club
25 Ngaiwa Ski Club
22 Mountain Ibex Club
22 Waitoa Pine Alpine Club
24 Alpine Ski Club
25 Taupo Ski Club
28 Tarawa Ski Club
28 Te Ski Ski Club
28 Taraga Ski Club
28 Footrot Ski Club
28 Kanga Ski Club
35 Kapiti Ski Club
29 Kaiwiga Ski Club
39 Banana Ski Club
33 Valley Ski Club
33 Volcanoriders Ski Club
33 Tenne Maki Club
35 Toecodeus Ski Club
35 Kaiwaiwi Ski Club
38 Kaiaia Ski Club
36 Hutapiwa Ski Club
40 Taranaki Ski Club
MOUNTAIN FACILITIES
1 Mt Hukeda Centre: Bar & Café
2 Car Park and Tiwha
3 Base Area Chairlift
4 Roerapeao Chair Centre/ Private Shelter
5 Alpine Centre / NZSki Centre
6 Medical Ce
7 Picnic w/ Hut Shelter



POSTER: Printed Options – Collected

- A0 Size (twice A1) – Laminated $195
- A1 Poster Size – Laminated $99
- A1 Poster Size – Not Laminated - $79

POSTER : Printed Options – Posted

- Postage and Poster Tube
- Postage is additional $30

JIGSAW PUZZLE – Posted

- 1000 Pieces
- High Quality NZ Made Puzzle
- $85

RUAPEHU
Mountain Clubs Association



3. Stakeholder Engagement

- 47 Mountain Clubs
- Department of Conservation
- WHL
- Pure Turoa
- Ruapehu District Council
- New World Ohakune
- TPP Road Management
- National Park Business Association
- Ngāti Tūwharetoa
- Ngāti Hikairo ki Tongariro – local hapū (sub-tribe) and guardians



4. Supporting Local – Tongariro National Park

- tourism remains a vital but highly volatile pillar of the Ruapehu District
- primary economic gateway to the **Tongariro National Park area**

- Total tourist expenditure in the district reached $134.8 million, a modest **1.6% increase** year-on-year

- Compared to the **rest of the country**—where tourism spending surged by an **average of 6.6%**

- the Ruapehu/Tongariro pocket faces a much longer runway to complete its post-COVID commercial recovery

- due to ongoing mountain operator restructuring and unpredictable alpine weather

4. Supporting Local – Sam the grocery man









New World Ohakune supports the RMCA at every event


Ruapehu
Delivery Service
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5. Ruapehu District Council Rates

- Clubs were invited to “pause” paying the 2024 and 2025 rates bills
- RMCA filed a LOGIMA and requested specific information from RDC
- Initial responses from the RDC were not helpful
- Kevin Mason then filed an OI request from the Valuer General on behalf of the RDC

6. Department of Conservation Rent Review

- Clubs will be receiving letters from the Department outlining the result of the 2026 Rent Review. This will confirm that there will be **no rent rises for the 2026/2027 FY.**

- The Department has heard the requests from clubs, so we want to guarantee a further reprieve for this year whilst we work together to find a solution to these issues. But the Department will retain the right to review the price for 27/28 and 28/29 Financial years.

- The commercial team have requested that clubs also complete a financial questionnaire, see attached. This requests information on the basic operating activities for clubs, and assures their information will be handled appropriately.

- The purpose of this information is to inform the commercial team of the operating environment of each club, so that they may better understand what appropriate market rate and discounts should be applied per club.

This will also help inform us across the other issues we are seeking to address such as rating costs with council, and mandated insurance costs.

Department of Conservation Questionnaire

Purpose

The information requested in this questionnaire is intended to:

- Inform the Department of Conservation (DOC) of the current financial situation for each club, to help guide our approach to the ongoing management of the licences
- Improve understanding and transparency over what activity is occurring in the Tongariro National Park;
- Help inform any improvements to future concession approvals and conditions to ensure they are fit-for-purpose.

This information is being sought to support informed decision-making. We encourage clubs to provide complete and accurate responses so that we can work collaboratively, better understand the above issues and identify where support may be needed.

Individual responses will not be used as the basis for contractual claims or regulatory or enforcement action against the club for failing to meet administrative requirements. However, this does not prevent DOC from acting where required by law, or where information disclosed indicates intentional or negligent action that may have an adverse effect on the values of Tongariro National Park.

Privacy and information management

The information provided will be stored securely on internal systems, and will only be accessible to relevant staff allocated to the project for the purposes outlined in this letter. Information may otherwise be used or disclosed where required or permitted by law.

Request

Please populate the questionnaire below as completely and accurately as possible, with the most recent information available. Return the populated copy to RuapehuClubConcessions@doc.govt.nz by 30th November 2026 in order for it to be factored in to any decision to apply a discount referred to in the attached letter.

Department of Conservation Questionnaire

Financial information questionnaire

Information pertaining to club operations

Number of active members	
Number of total members	
Number of life members	
Membership fees	
Bed per night rates	

Is the club available as accommodation for the public who are not associated with members?
Yes / No

If yes, can you describe how this is advertised and indicate the number of people / frequency of members of the public access the hut?

Department of Conservation Questionnaire

Financial information

Please attach financial statements for the past two years, and any forecasts if available, to support the below.

Metric	FY25	FY26	FY27
Revenue			
Operating costs			
Taxes			

Assets

Cash value	
Value of Non-cash assets	

Insurance

Cost of premiums	
Who is your insurance with?	
Which insurance product do you hold?	

Please note, if you do not have current insurance it is important to let us know. As mentioned previously, this will not be used to enact a breach of contract and withdraw the licence.



7. Bruce Road Access – discussion in November 2026

- Tourists using local operators to be dropped at the top of The Bruce Road
- Facilitate Food Deliveries as priority access
- Allow Platinum Pass Holders access
- Clubbies with Whakapapa Season Passes being granted access

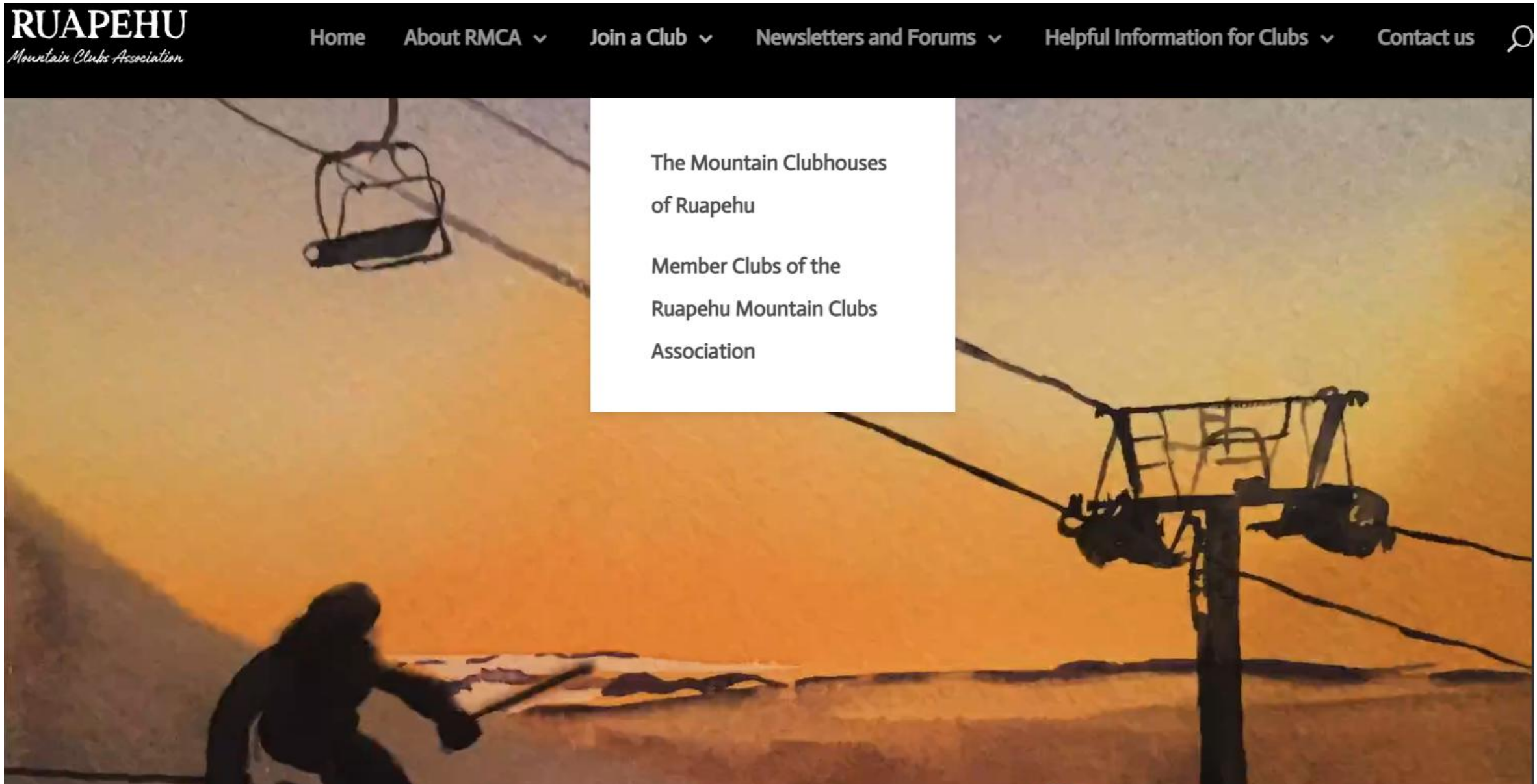


8. Clubs Bookings Websites

- Zoom session on Wednesday 1st July was attended by 80+ clubbies
- Jordan introduced us to the new Tokoroa Alpine Club website and booking system.
- The system combines a public club website, member portal, lodge booking calendar, membership application process, payments, admin tools, lodge operations support, email notifications, and optional accounting integrations.
- Members can log in, book stays, add guests, view bed availability, pay online, and manage their details.
- Admin users can manage bookings, members, payments, policies, reports, hut leader information, waitlists, chores, issue reporting, and related lodge operations.
- The project has been released publicly as AlpineClubBookingsNZ and is free/open source under the MIT licence.
- Any RMCA member club with suitable technical support can copy the system, adapt it for its own lodge, rules, rates, branding, and processes, and host its own website and booking system.

Andy from Levin Waiopehu Lodge has offered support

9. RMCA Website – New Members Information



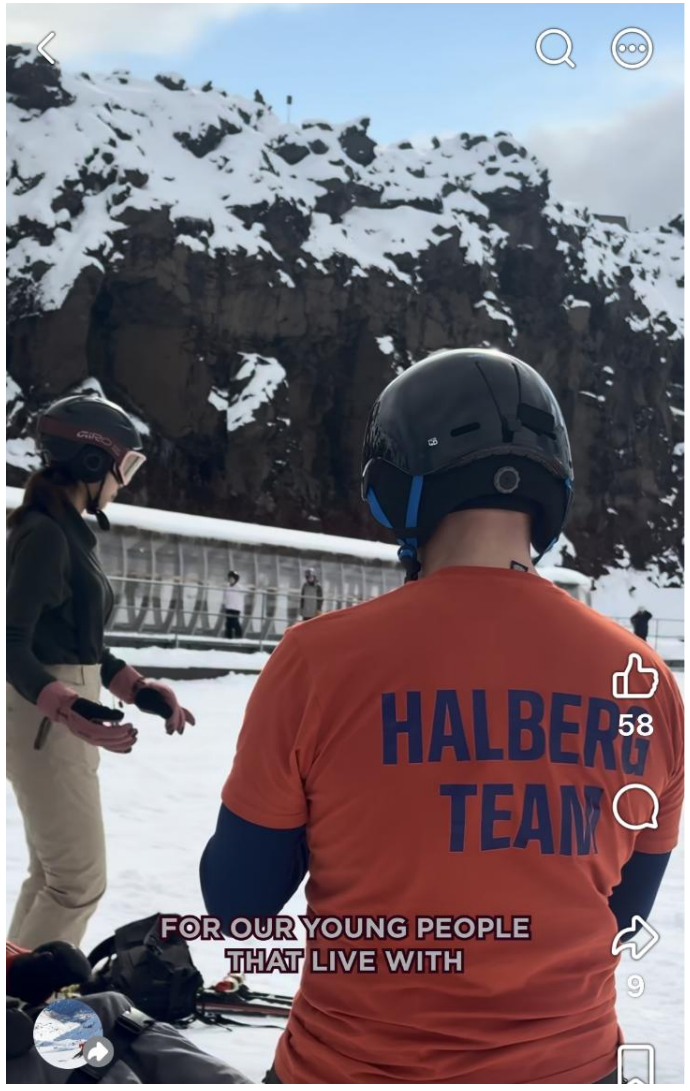
Next Step for the RMCA website - Accommodation Table

Accommodation Comparison Table

Property Name	Location	Key Amenities	Estimated Price Range (per night)	Best For
Chateau Big White	Heart of Village Centre	Restaurant, bar, hot tub, ski storage	$200 – $400+	Convenience & nightlife access
Inn at Big White	Village Centre	Outdoor pool, hot tub, kitchenettes, ski-in/ski-out	$150 – $300	Couples & small families
Stonebridge Lodge	Premium Slopeside	Luxury suites, hot tubs, full kitchens, ski-in/ski-out	$350 – $700+	Luxury seekers & large groups

10. Whakapapa Adaptive Sports








VISION
IMPAIRED
HOW TO LOOK AFTER
OUR PARTICIPANTS


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WE'RE REALLY, REALLY STOKED
TO BE PARTNERING WITH
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LIKE THE OUTRIGGERS
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Huge shout to the Custodians from Levin Waiopehu, Rangatira and Waikato Tramping club. Volunteering at Adaptive Sports Whakapapa



Big shout out for the Ngauruhoe Ski club custodian Filo for instructing at the Whakapapa Adaptive Festival.

Club Events



🏆❄️ BATTLE OF THE LODGES 2026 IS ON! ❄️🏆





Treasurers Report



STATEMENT OF INCOME and EXPENDITURE

Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association

For period 1st August 2025 to 31st July 2026

	2026	2025	2024
	$	$	$
INCOME			
Interest Received	812	1,415	1,919
Membership subscriptions	7,920	7,200	2,450
Grocery room subscriptions	8,418	8,420	4,210
TOTAL INCOME	**17,150**	**17,035**	**8,579**
EXPENSES			
Forum	-	591	-
Web Site and Computer	142	106	106
Grocery room	1,504	901	5,185
Depreciation	451	100	-
Promotion	2,919	2,999	-
Honorarium			
President	3,000	-	-
Treasurer	1,500	1,500	1,500
Secretary	3,000	3,000	3,000
Travel	1,282	1,499	-
AGM	-	-	-
Accounting Software	440	418	219
Bank Charges	-	6	-
Bad Debts	-		380
Donations	150	-	-
Insurance - liability	904	884	884
TOTAL EXPENSES	**15,292**	**12,003**	**11,275**
NET POSITION	**1,859**	**5,032**	**(2,696)**

Statement of Financial Position

Ruapehu Mountain Clubs Association

For the year ending 31 July 2026

	2026	2025	2024
	$	$	$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank - BNZ Relief Fund -001	277.39	272	262
Bank - BNZ Rapid Saver -097	43,207.79	40,411	41,047
Bank - BNZ Cheque Acct -000	568.36	3,281	1,412
Accounts Receivable	558	484	725
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	**44,611**	**44,448**	**43,446**
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant-Grocery room cost	8,885	9,365	8,461
Plant depreciation	(7,012)	(8,561)	(8,461)
Total Plant - Grocery Room	**1,872**	**803**	**-**
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	**1,872**	**803**	**-**
TOTAL ASSETS	**46,484**	**45,252**	**43,446**
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	-	901	4,928
Total GST Payable	593	(304)	(481)
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	**593**	**5,380**	**4,446**
TOTAL LIABILITIES	**593**	**5,380**	**4,446**
NET ASSETS	**45,891**	**39,871**	**39,000**
EQUITY			
Retained Earnings Surplus/(Accumulated Losses)	44,031	39,000	41,695
Current year earnings	1,859	872	(2,696)
TOTAL EQUITY	**45,891**	**39,871**	**39,000**

RMCA - Proposed Subscriptions 2027

Draft Budget: 1 Aug 2026 to 31 July 2027

Clubs	proposed 2027 sub	increase from 2026?
48	$180.00	9.09%
842	$10.00	0.00%

		2027 Budget $	2026 $	2025 $	2024 $	2023 $
INCOME						
Interest Received		1000	812	1,415	1,919	1,241
Membership subscriptions		8640	7920	7,200	2,450	9,690
Grocery room subscriptions		8420	8419	8,420	4,210	8,100
TOTAL INCOME		**18060**	**17151**	**17,035**	**8,579**	**19,031**
EXPENSES						
Forum	Note 1	200	-	591	-	542
Donations			150			
Web and Computer	Note 2	150	142	106	106	97
Grocery Room						
Contractor		1500	1504	901	901	2,042
Rental and Expenses	Note 3	5000			4,284	4,728
Depreciation		700	451	100	-	545
Marketing - materials		?	2500	2,999		-
Promotion - social and digital		5000	418			
Honorarium						
President		3,000	3,000	-	-	5,000
Treasurer		1500	1500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Secretary		3000	3000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Travel		1500	1281	1,499	-	861
AGM	Note 4	200		-	-	75
Accounting (inc review)		460	440	418	219	202
Bank Charges				6	-	3
Bad Debts	Note 5	0	0	-	380	-
Insurance - liability		900	904	884	884	884
TOTAL EXPENSES		**23110**	**15290**	**12,004**	**11,275**	**19,479**
NET POSITION		**(5,050)**	**1,861**	**5,031**	**(2,696)**	**(448)**
Captial Expendature		200	1520	903		
Year end Cash		***38,804***	***44,054***			48,005

Notes

1	Assumes some minor costs for the 2027 forum
2	Includes software subscrition used in new website
3	Provision if WHL charge us for grogery room rent for 2027 winter
4	Assumes some minor costs incurred for AGM
5	No expectation of further memership resignations

General Business





RMCA Key Deliverables 2027

- Bruce Road Access Plan
- Whakapapa Village & The Tussock Bar
- The Tongariro National Park Management Plan
- Social Media Plan with WHL
- Market Value – RDC and DOC
- QV – Land Valuation of all clubs

RMCA Forum Kings Birthday Weekend 2027

- Mountain Clean Up
- Centralising Clubs using the open -source website
- Insurance – options
- Electricity –lines charges
- RDC Rates
- DOC Rent Review 27-28, 28-29
- DOC 2033 concession renewals

SUPPORT LOCAL