

OTAGO TRAMPING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

OTC / OTMC CENTENARY WEEKEND 2023



Visit to OTMC Ben Rudd's Property *Sunday, October 22, from 10am*

The history of Flagstaff and the OTMC Ben Rudd's is well known - the club has owned the property for 77 years, and a visit to the property featured during the 50th, 60th, 75th and 90th Anniversaries.

A management trust was put in place at the time of the 75th anniversary in 1998, and since then the Ben Rudd's Management Trust (BRMT) have looked after the property on behalf of the club.

This visit will be centred on the former skid site (formed with the removal of the majority of the exotic trees in late 1989), with visits down to the site of Ben's former hut and current shelter available.

The BRMT are hosting this day, and plan to assemble at the skid site amenities area for lunch.

The easiest foot access is from the Bullring (on the Flagstaff-Whare Flat Road). There is limited parking here, so we will again offer car-pooling from the corner of Duke Street and Malvern Street, adjacent to the Woodhaugh Gardens. We will meet here at 10am, and then head up to the Bullring.

Walking options to get to Ben Rudd's can be via the Flagstaff Walkway to the Flagstaff summit (and the club's 50th Anniversary Plane Table), then continue onwards and use a short cross-track to connect to the Firebreak Track which leads to the skid site.

Alternatively people can head straight up the Firebreak Track to Ben Rudd's, this option should take 30-45 minutes.

The BRMT have arranged limited vehicle transport to the skid-site, for those who find walking difficult, but this is reliant on dry conditions on the track.

Ben Rudd's Visit

Map & Walking Routes to Ben Rudd's

