

Whareroa Open Day - Timetable and Walks

Sunday Feb 11th. Gates open 10am to 3pm.

Park in carpark or through double gates in 1st paddock
No cars beyond here. If staying later than 3pm park outside double gates.
10-15 min walk to Caravan along Farm Race (flagged) or 25 mins via Forest Loop track
No toilets at carpark but long drop toilets by the Caravan.
First Aid and enquiries – a volunteer will be at the Caravan.

Activities start at 11am at the Caravan. Duration times are approximate.

11am Trapping demo – Shane

Guided Walks

Weta Wander – Jan NB Will start AFTER trapping demo

Botanical Explore – Ann – do 1 or both stages NB Will start AFTER trapping demo -

Stage 1 - Easy walking around the Dell – big trees to small mistletoe

Stage 2 – More difficult scrambling in Matai Bush – muddy or steep in places

Mid length Walk

Ti Kouka/Ramaroa Wetland/Toe toe Flats Loop 1 hour + – Bruce

Longer Walks with climb

Carex Valley/Western Hills – Rachel.

90 – 120 minutes 200m climb

Carex Valley-Horse track/East Ridge – Peter

90-120 minutes 200m climb

Self-Guided Walks – use map – or just explore

Easy:

Coastal Lookout and Forest Loop

Explore the Dell - 2 small loops with nice views from the Dell Terrace. Good picnic spot with tables and seats

First section Carex Valley – another nice picnic area just beyond the Gums – wander up the flat valley and back

Ti Kouka Loop up to Mini-Hut

From Caravan, up the hill to MiniHut – then across small stream and back down the other side. 30 mins.

Cairn – sign posted from Farm Race 70m climb – 30mins

Lower Ramaroa - Farm Race to Kahikatea picnic table and return same way or use other tracks. Or, after a small stream crossing, go on into Ramaroa Bush and out into open terrain and a lovely stream for kids to paddle in.

A reasonable workout:

East Ridge Track up to Five Ways – 200m climb, mown track, return same way (good views)

A good workout:

Rocks there and back

340m climb, mown track. Dry feet. Great view from the Rocks. 60-90 mins.

Ramaroa/Rocks Circuit

340m climb. Multiple stream crossings in Ramaroa Valley. Great view from the Rocks. 2 hours.

Catchment View/Campbell's Mill Rd/Descend from Five ways by any route. Hardest route

310m climb. Very steep ridge climb, not mown. 2+ hours.

Many thanks to Whareroa Guardians' volunteers who mow the tracks, weedeat the banks, plant natives and do lots of other stuff. Koha welcome – give to Guardian on duty at the Caravan.