



Federated Mountain Clubs of New Zealand announces the publication of Bruce Mason's

## OUTDOOR RECREATION in OTAGO A recreation plan

## Volume Two: Silverpeaks & Otago's Alps

Already proving to be a reference work for land manager, educationalist, and recreationalist alike, this is the second of two volumes that describe the high country recreational resources of Otago.

Outdoor Recreation in Otago is the first work of its kind to systematically draw together published and unpublished information on high country Otago and to provide a regional assessment of recreational opportunities.

Chapters on each mountain range contain descriptions of landforms, vegetation, wildlife, history, land use, and recreational opportunities now and in the future. Extensive bibliographies are provided.

Outdoor Recreation in Otago complements the Protected Natural Areas Programme. It provides detailed recommendations for the integration of recreation with nature conservation, tourism, and farming.

All the western Otago high country is assessed along with Dunedin's hinterland. Volume Two also reviews recreational opportunities in the Mount Aspiring National Park.

A powerful public debate has ensued as a result of Volume One's publication. Volume Two's recommendations will also be viewed as contentious in some eyes.

This is what reviewers said of Volume One:

"Professionally researched, written, illustrated and presented, this is a distinguished piece of work. . .The Federated Mountain Clubs' position is ably and powerfully expressed in this book." Dunedin Star Weekender.

"Unlikely books sometimes turn out to be far more influential than anyone might have expected. One of them, I think, will be Outdoor Recreation in Otago." Otago Daily Times.

Outdoor Recreation in Otago is more than a resource document; it is also a plea for careful stewardship of non-material values in the high country.



Routeburn walkers above Lake Harris

Bruce Mason lives in Dunedin where he is researcher for FMC and the Public Lands Coalition. Eight years research, and a background of tramper, mountaineer, skier, Goldfields Park ranger, private consultant, and conservationist is brought together for *Outdoor Recreation in Otago*. His previous writing includes *Back Country Boom*, published by the National Parks Authority in 1974, and Volume One of this series published in 1988.

## **OUTDOOR RECREATION in OTAGO**

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