

For all bookings, membership and other information contact:

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- Winter rates include most meals in the lodge. Summer rates are self catering.
- All rates include gst.
- Bookings cannot be confirmed until payment is received.
- If space is available in the lodges, guests' of members may use the lodges.
- Guests must be accompanied by a member.
- Please see the website for booking confirmation times.
- Members & guests under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver.



**Meals** During the winter, dinner and breakfast is catered for with members volunteering for rostered duties to cook, clean and keep the lodge in order. Catering is not provided during the summer months.

**Note** Lunch is not normally provided unless the lifts are closed, nor is the dinner on the evening of arrival unless previously arranged.

**Trip Leader** A Trip Leader/Building Warden is appointed for each weekend and week. They will allocate bunks and lodge duties and oversee the safe and comfortable operation of the lodge. Please contribute to this by checking your lodge duties and completing them on time.

**NOTE**

The lodges are social places. Neither has a television and no facility for internet connection or computer use is available. Please enjoy the company of your fellow members and their guests.

Be sure your cooling system contains at least 50% anti freeze.

Always carry chains, make sure they fit properly and practice putting them on before you have to do it in the dark, rain, snow etc. There is a chain hiring/fitting service operating during daylight hours on both Turoa and Bruce roads if chains are required.

**Note:** If you cannot get further than the Chateau, there is a shuttle service to the Top of the Bruce. The last shuttle leaves at 5.00 pm.

Top up your fuel at the last 24 hr service station (Waiouru, Turangi, Taumarunui) in case roads are closed and you have to drive on/back to somewhere else.

There is limited overnight parking at Whakapapa. You may have to drop off gear and passengers and park further down the mountain. Vehicles left in the day parks after 5 pm may get damaged by snow clearing machines.

**PARKING PRECAUTIONS**

- ♦ Park in gear with the handbrake off. If your brakes freeze on you will be stuck.
- ♦ Flip your windscreen wipers away from the glass, or they may freeze to the windscreen.
- ♦ Take care de-icing your windscreen, they break easily. A can or two of de-icing spray and a domestic freezer scraper are good things to have but keep them in your pack, as you may get frozen out of your car.
- ♦ If your engine starts, runs properly, then stops after 20-30 seconds, then does the same thing again, check the exhaust pipe, it may be plugged with snow.
- ♦ Make sure your aerial is retracted.

**NOTE**

There is limited overnight parking at the Top of the Bruce. In general the areas on the left as you go up are day parks and are cleared at night. Most areas on the right of the road as you go up are overnight parks. There are exceptions so take note of signs and barriers. Parking is free.



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The lodge is located in Iwikau Village at the Top of the Bruce (SH 48). See the diagram below.



There are four bunkrooms each containing two double and two single bunks.

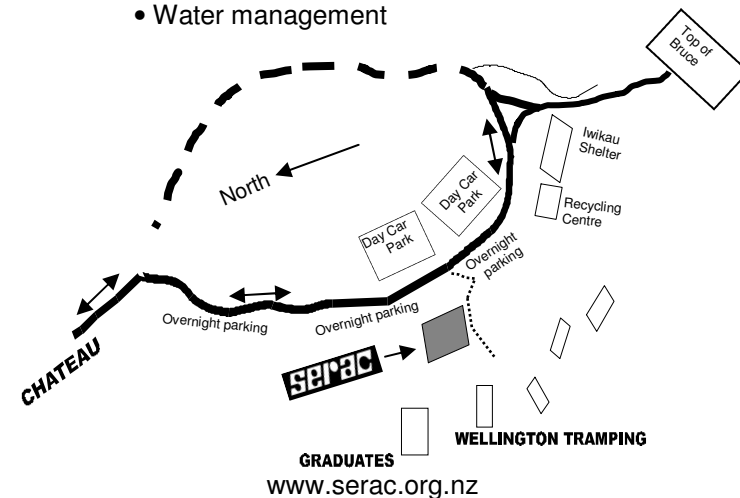
Access is by key to the outer door and combination lock to the inner door. Do not turn the snib to the locked position until vacating the lodge. The current combination will be provided when booking.

For Whakapapa it is best to use a pack for your gear as the lodge is approx 100m from the road.

**LODGE SAFETY AND OPERATION**

This lodge is located in an alpine area. It is essential that you refer to the reference cards, in particular:

- Safety
- Basic opening and shutting down
- Water management





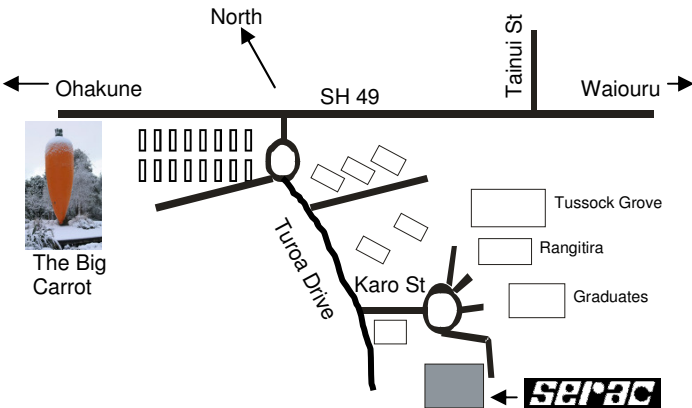
Phone 06 385 8712

The lodge is located at 4 Karo St. in the Alpine Village, SH 49, just to the east of the big Ohakune Carrot.

There are two bunkrooms with four single and one double bunk and one bunkroom with two double and two single bunks.

Access is by key only. Please be sure to turn the snib to the unlocked position when unloading your car otherwise you may be locked out.

The power switch is located to the right of the door as you enter.



**MAKE SURE YOU HAVE:**

- Torch
- Pillowslip
- A sleeping bag or duvet and sheet (extra blankets are available in each lodge).
- Light clothing to wear inside the lodge
- Toilet gear and towel
- For outside wear a mix of multiple thin insulating layers with a wind and waterproof outer layer
- A pair of boots (not ski boots) suitable for walking in snow.
- Hat, gloves, sunglasses, sun screen
- Ski gear
- BYO nibbles/drink of choice/pack lunch food (dinner and breakfast food is provided)
- CDs, tapes, books, games etc

Each lodge has a small port-a-cot that can be booked. There is a high chair in each lodge.

Waiouru has a swimming pool and Tokaanu has some great hot pools so swimming gear is a good option in case of bad weather. Ohakune has a summer pool and both lodges are great places to use to access the numerous walking and biking tracks on the central plateau.



**MOUNTAIN SAFETY.**

- ◆ Mountain weather is notoriously unpredictable and can change radically with little or no warning.
- ◆ Always take an extra jersey/fleece, wind and waterproof outer clothing, gloves and hat with you even on the sunniest days.
- ◆ Always use sun screen and sun glasses even on dull days

From the President: Serac's culture is one of harmony, sharing and safety. We are a very sociable group who enjoy snow sports and the summer alpine environment. Both lodges have a friendly, family, atmosphere - with members of all ages.

There is a real sense of relaxation that comes from sharing stories and enjoyment after being out on the slopes all day. While we employ an Administration Officer, it is the Trip Leader who ensures everyone's stay is comfortable and that the lodge is working well. The lodges are run on a cooperative basis. Members cook together at the lodge and ensure daily duties are up to standard.

Serac members are a friendly group who enjoy catching up with old friends and welcoming new members and guests.

