

We hope that you and yours are well and like us happily racing towards the end of yet another year? Spring is gone and summer approaching fast with many good trips to be had. The yacht is back on the water, our climbing gear, hiking boots and mountain bikes ready to go – how about you?



It's over two months since our European climbing season and NZ ski touring and winter mountaineering have come and gone too. Conditions have been beautiful to excellent, though there were and are a fair few typical kiwi storms creating interesting moments at times. But the extra amount of snow in the mountains is good for the coming summer season. Remember to check our [blog](#) if you are keen on more regular news about our alpinism missions – also our [Facebook](#) page for further [photo albums](#) e.g. alpine huts, birds, alpinism in Europe and the Southern Alps and of course Wanaka.

For individuals keen to share cost and experience, we have two **scheduled** mountaineering courses this summer and are looking for keen participants: Intro to Alpinism from 20 – 25th Feb. and Total Alpinism from 4 – 10th March 2012, [email](#) us for the special price and special conditions.

Alpine trekking, a private climbing instruction course, a pure alpinism week in the Southern Alps or an ascent of a special peak may be more your thing? Due to a cancellation, chief mountain guide Gaz is now also available any time in December – just ask with your dates about guide's availability in the New Year too. The more soft recreational guided walks with Iris are another option to enjoy our paradise, be it a visit to Rob Roy glacier, Diamond lake loop track, bird watching and fauna & flora discovery or a mixture of it all.

Should you - or anybody you know - consider an Alpinism adventure in the near future, here our latest [mountaineering](#) and [trekking](#) prices at a glance.



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We shall be in Europe again June-August 2012 and on the program is once more the special training for the Icelandic mountain guides. Already, a couple of Kiwi mountaineers have expressed their interest for another week of climbing in the Swiss-French Alps – let us know if you are keen for us to organize YOUR special week in the Northern Hemisphere. While we are over there, our [Alpinism Studio](#) will be available again for the whole winter and short term before then, we shall also rent our house out again should you know of any potentially very good tenants.

At the base, sustainability matters have further evolved with the studio getting more insulation and Alpinism & Ski has now an official – and for ever being worked on - sustainability [statement](#), also available through the home page of our website, just in case you are interested.

On that note, we look forward to may be share some special times and/or an adventure with you in the future and wish you happy times and wonderful trips out there

Cheers from us and STAY SAFE!!!



Gary & Iris

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