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| <b>Assessment of:</b>      | Prehistoric Cave Painting and Rock Art |                            |  |
| <b>Location:</b>           | Mount Cook                             | <b>Date of assessment:</b> | January 2024   |
| <b>Completed by:</b>       | Bernard Müller                         | <b>Expiry Date:</b>        | February 2025  |
| <b>Ratio:</b>              | 1:12 Max and Min 1 Group Leader        | <b>Staff Competencies</b>  | Bush craft for practitioners or in house trained and signed off by Activity Manager. |
| <b>Activities covered:</b> | Cave Painting                          |                            |  |

| <b>Hazard</b><br><i>(something with potential to cause harm)</i> | <b>Risk</b><br><i>(How could hazard cause harm and to whom)</i>             | <b>Control Measures</b><br><i>(What is required to reduce risk)</i>   | <b>In place</b><br><i>(Y/N)</i> | <b>Action Required</b>  | <b>Action Owner</b>                    | <b>Residual Risk</b><br><i>(low / medium / high)</i> |
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| Tools making   | <b>To All:</b><br>Cuts, lacerations and puncture wounds.                    | Only instructors to carry/ use cutting tools. All tools to be put in exclusion zone that is clearly defined in briefing. Tools must be kept visible if not in a locked box. Knives must be worn by instructors on exterior sheaths when used. Knife safety to be observed and knives/ axes sheathed immediately after every action. | Y                               | Natural paintbrushes cut to size before session to minimise sharp tool use on session | Activity Staff.                        | LOW  |
| Paint/ Dyes  | <b>To Participants:</b><br><br>Poisoning from ingestion. Allergic reactions | If natural paints are being used, ensure all ingredients are <u>no</u> toxic and do not conflict with group allergies information and are made clear prior to use.  | Y                               | Clear safety briefing.<br><br>Careful monitoring of group.                            | Activity Staff,<br>Activities Manager. |  |

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|                         |  | Careful preparation of paint/<br>ingredients before session.<br>Hand washing as part of session.   |   |  |  |     |
| Moving through woodland | <b>To All:</b><br>Slips, trips and falls, Eye damage, Lost child   | Full safety brief from bush craft staff,<br>Supervision ratio of 1:12 bush craft staff to students<br>Buddy system for students, regular head counts, boundaries, no running<br>Head torches in low light,<br>No climbing.                 | Y | Safety Briefing, Head Counts, registers.   | Activity Staff                         | LOW |
| Animal/Insect habitats  | <b>To All:</b><br>Disturbing off habitats, Lime disease (Ticks) potential anaphylaxis, wasps/bees/mosquitoes | Pre-course checks for insect nests, any insect nests in or very close to camp to be removed or destroyed   | Y | First Aid kit, Epi-pens kept close for those with <u>severe</u> allergies and staff trained on how to use them | Participants and Activity staff        | LOW |
| Woodland Foraging       | <b>To All:</b><br>Poisoning, stings, pricks and cuts   | Full safety brief from bush craft Leader,<br>No berries or fungus to be collected, all plants to be cleared by bush craft leader.<br>No consumption of any unidentified Flora.<br>Gloves to be worn when handling Nettles/Brambles/bracken | Y | Gloves, Instructors competent in flora identification. Close supervision                                       | Activity Staff<br><br>Activity Manager | LOW |
| Poor Hygiene            | <b>To All:</b><br>Sickness and Illness   | Cleaning facilities available,<br>Warm water for regular hand washing always available,<br>Showers available on multiple day courses.  | Y | Available Facilities in working order  | Students and Mount Cook staff          | LOW |

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| Lack of Boundaries                | <b>To Participants:</b><br>Missing participants.<br>Unwanted public access | Buddy systems and regular head-checks<br>Brief on what to do if a student becomes lost.<br>Clear markings of boundaries, fences and gates  | Y | Boundaries in place.<br>Monitoring of boundaries                          | Mount Cook staff | LOW |
| Dead fall and dead standing trees | <b>To All:</b><br>Crushing injuries, breaks, death                         | All sites checked by Mount Cook staff.<br>All tents and other structures placed to reduce risk.<br>Pre-course checks by bush craft Leader. Regular weather checks for high winds.<br>Evacuation procedures | Y | Regular weather checks for high winds.<br>Evacuation procedures           | Mount Cook Staff | LOW |
| Uneven Ground / Animal holes      | <b>To All:</b><br>Breaks, Twists, Falls, Sprains                           | Animal holes identified, and filled in where necessary<br>Initial safety brief to highlight danger areas.<br>No running rules enforced in woods<br>Supervision at all times.                               | Y | Filling in any dangerous holes, removal of any dangerous stumps and roots | Mount Cook Staff | LOW |

**Risk Assessment Checked by H&S or Line manager.**

Name : Steve Turner CEO

Date : 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024



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