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Meet Sheet - 2018 : Winter Programme  
April to end August 2018

Date	Venue	Meet Description	Contact Details	Grade
27 April - 1 May	Mnweni	Traverse from Ntonjelana pass to Gray's pass	Merv Gavin – 082 926 4007 – mervgg@gmail.com	4
2 May	Woodcutters Westville	Adventure Talk ( DBN ) – Ryan Roberts will walk you through his attempted summit of Mt Albrus. Ryan will also share about his Kilimanjaro summit, carrying an extra 25 kg to raise money for childhood cancer.	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	1
12 May	Monteseel	Rock Climbing	Carl Dreyer – 084 527 9985 – carldreyer5@gmail.com	5
19 May	Kloof Gorge	Rescue Cliff training	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
19 - 20 May	Garden Castle	Social at Swiman Hut – explore and climb Rhino	Jonathan Newman – 084 494 4920 – jonathan.the.ghaznavid@gmail.com	3 & 5
27 May	Ringwood	DMG	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
29 May	Old Main Brewery ( Crossways )	Adventure Talk ( PMB )	Ian Bailey – 083 269 6201 – ianbailey@telkomsa.net	1
2 - 3 June	Cathedral Peak	Climb Cleft Peak via Camel Pass, return via Thuthumi Pass	Jonathan Newman – 084 494 4920 – jonathan.the.ghaznavid@gmail.com	4
6 June	Adventure Talk ( DBN )	Craig Smith (ex-owner of Fitzsimons Snake Park) will present on common snakes found in the mountains in SA, and also highlight the major differences in venom and behaviour of these magical creatures.	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	1
9 June	Umgeni	Outreach Education Programme	Miranda Reynolds – 073 549 8831 – mcsakzn.outreach@gmail.com	3
9 June	Monteseel	Rescue Cliff training	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
9 - 10 June	Cathedral Peak	Up Mlambonja pass to Twins cave, return via Bell traverse and summit Cathedral Peak	Carl Dreyer – 084 527 9985 – carldreyer5@gmail.com	5
15 - 17 June	Garden Castle	Night hike to Sleeping Beauty cave, Tsepeng pass to Mzimude cave, return via Mzimude pass	Merv Gavin – 082 926 4007 – mervgg@gmail.com	4
15 - 17 June	Cambalala	Work meet	Clem Robins – 084 500 4666 – clemnolarobins@gmail.com	2
16 - 17 June	Cathedral Peak	Explore from Barker's Chalet Cave	Iona Stewart – 082 990 3968 or 033 330 4942	2
22 - 24 June	Swinburne	Climbing and Exploration at Swinburne	Simon Vickers – 084 420 8230 – simon@thefitnessfactory.co.za	3 & 5
24 June	Kloof Gorge	Day walk from The Splash (in Waterfall) to the Kloof Falls picnic site, and back to The Splash via the wilderness area behind Bridle Road. 7-8 hours. 14 steep km.	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	3, fitness required
24 June	Monteseel	DMG	Jon Sargood – 082 652 5202 – jonsargood@hotmail.com	5
26 June	Old Main Brewery ( Crossways )	Adventure Talk ( PMB )	Ian Bailey – 083 269 6201 – ianbailey@telkomsa.net	1
30 June - 14 July	Garden Castle	July Camp based at Crystal Waters Farm, Mzimude Valley	Rikki Abbott Wedderburn – 082 538 5389 – ronwedd@netactive.co.za	3
4 July	Adventure Talk ( DBN )	Adventure Talk ( DBN )	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	1
7 - 8 July	Monk's Cowl	Pine eradication in Monk's Cowl area	Roger Mantel – 082 334 6122 – roger_mantel@yahoo.com	3
9 - 13 July	Giant's Castle	Ice Climbing	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
14 July	Umgeni	Rock Climbing	Carl Dreyer – 084 527 9985 – carldreyer5@gmail.com	5
21 July	Monteseel	Outreach Education Programme rock climbing	Miranda Reynolds – 073 549 8831 – mcsakzn.outreach@gmail.com	3
21 - 22 July	Injisuti	Explore from Wonder Valley Cave	Céline Hanzen – 064 154 4872 – hanzenceline@gmail.com	3
28 July	Monteseel	Rescue Cliff training	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
29 July	Old Shongweni	DMG	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	5
31 July	Old Main Brewery ( Crossways )	Adventure Talk ( PMB )	Ian Bailey – 083 269 6201 – ianbailey@telkomsa.net	1
1 August	Adventure Talk ( DBN )	Adventure Talk ( DBN )	Neil Williamson – 083 658 9494 – dendro-p@hotmail.com	1
5 August	Monteseel	Rescue Cliff training	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
4 - 5 August	Giant's Castle	Explore from Giant's Pass	Jonathan Newman – 084 494 4920 – jonathan.the.ghaznavid@gmail.com	4
9 August	Garden Castle	Climb Mashai South Gully (snow climb)	Gavin Raubenheimer – 082 990 5876 – gavin@peakhigh.co.za	5
9 - 12 August	Mnweni	Climb Ifidi Pinnacles	Carl Dreyer – 084 527 9985 – carldreyer5@gmail.com	3 & 5
9 - 12 August	Mnweni	Traverse from Ifidi pass to Ntonjelana pass	Merv Gavin – 082 926 4007 – mervgg@gmail.com	4
18 August	Umgeni	Outreach Education Programme rock climbing	Miranda Reynolds – 073 549 8831 – mcsakzn.outreach@gmail.com	3
25 - 26 August	Cobham	Explore from Gxalingenwa Cave	Céline Hanzen – 064 154 4872 – hanzenceline@gmail.com	3
26 August	Monteseel	DMG	Colin McCoy – 082 546 7963 – colinmccoy1985@gmail.com	5
28 August	Old Main Brewery ( Crossways )	Adventure Talk ( PMB )	Ian Bailey – 083 269 6201 – ianbailey@telkomsa.net	1

Grading of meets: - 1. Suitable for whole family 2. Easy Hiking 3. Serious Hike 4. Very Strenuous Hike 5. Rock Climbing

NOTES

GRADES - Where a Berg or other climbing meet has been allocated a grade 1 or 2 or 3 as well as the usual 5, this means that non-climbers are most welcome as hikers on the meet.

BACK-UP MEET LEADERS - When unable to take their meet, the meet leader should have contact details of a backup leader.

**IMPROMPTU MEETS** - may be arranged at short notice and the details will be distributed by email, on the Whatsapp group, Facebook group or on the website. Be sure that you are subscribed to the Google mail list for MCSA members to receive notice of the many short notice meets. Send an email with your full name to [kzn.mcsa.comm@gmail.com](mailto:kzn.mcsa.comm@gmail.com) or [mcsakzn.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:mcsakzn.secretary@gmail.com) to join the list.

**ADDITIONAL MEETS** - Please advise Clem Robins of your plans for a meet which you are prepared to arrange/lead and it will be added to this or the appropriate future Meet Sheet.

**MONTHLY ADVENTURE TALKS & SOCIAL EVENINGS** - If you know of someone who has interesting slides to show on hiking, climbing or travelling please contact for Pietermaritzburg Ian Bailey - 083 269 6201 - [ianbailey@telkomsa.net](mailto:ianbailey@telkomsa.net), or for Durban Neil Williamson - 083 658 9494 - [dendro-p@hotmail.com](mailto:dendro-p@hotmail.com)

**DMG** - is basically a monthly meet of trad climbers with partners pushing their grades then slaking their thirst, but other climbers are welcome to come along to the venue for the camaraderie.

**UPDATES** - Check the newsletter, website or Facebook group for changes and for details of new meets. The latest meetsheet can be viewed on the club's website at <http://kzn.mcsa.org.za/meets>

**SOCIAL MEDIA** - Join the Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/185119868204602/>, follow us on Instagram at [https://www.instagram.com/mcsa\\_kzn/](https://www.instagram.com/mcsa_kzn/), and contact a committee member to be added to the Whatsapp group.

**CAMBALALA HUT** booking calendar online: <http://kzn.mcsa.org.za/Resources/cambalala-hut> or Clem Robins at [clemnolarobins@gmail.com](mailto:clemnolarobins@gmail.com)

**GUIDE TO MEET LEADERS** - Meet Leaders please note the Guide to Meet Leaders and Indemnity Form on the MCSA KZN website.

**DISCLAIMER** - Hiking and climbing in mountainous areas are potentially hazardous activities. Participation in MCSA meets is at your own risk. It is your own responsibility to be properly equipped with adequate food, clothing, footwear, sleeping bag, shelter and maps. The club and the meet leaders cannot be held liable for any injuries or mishaps whatsoever. An Indemnity Form is available for leaders' use.