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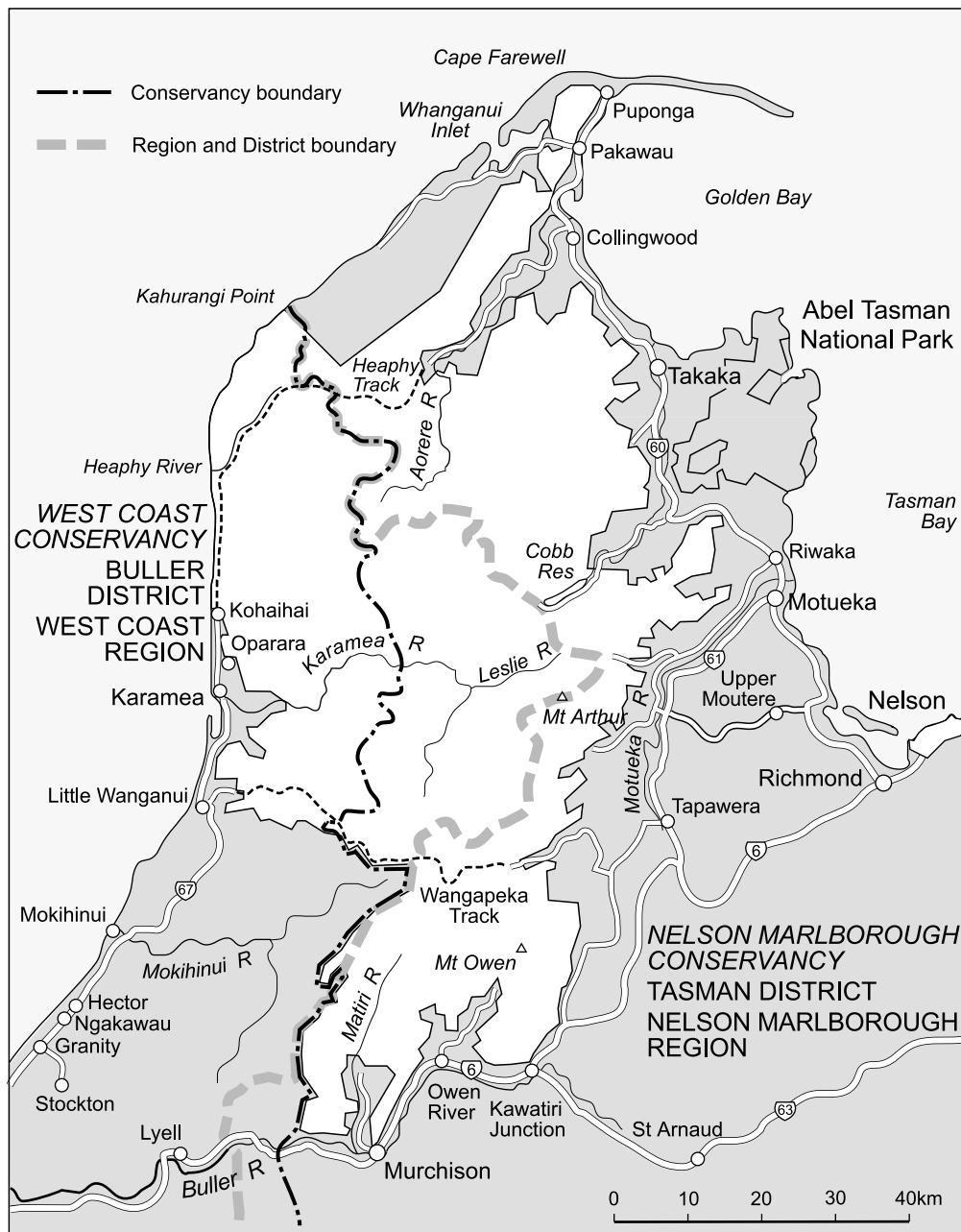
## ABSTRACT

This bibliography of North-west Nelson State Forest Park contains about 1000 entries of published and unpublished material covering a range of general and specific topics that are relevant to the north-western part of the South Island of New Zealand. Most of this area constituted the former North-west Nelson State Forest Park, that existed from 1964 to May 1996, when Kahurangi National Park was gazetted. The time period covered by the bibliography is from 1842 to 1995. A subject index using basic keywords is provided.

Keywords: bibliography, Kahurangi National Park, North-west Nelson State Forest Park, references

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Figure 1.  
 North-west  
 Nelson State  
 Forest Park,  
 South Island,  
 New Zealand.



# Introduction

This bibliography lists some 1000 published and unpublished works that are relevant to or are directly about the area (Figure 1) called North-west Nelson of the South Island, New Zealand. Most of this area became Kahurangi National Park in May 1996. It also includes works that pertain to surrounding areas because the scope of many of the publications cover wider areas, or areas adjacent to North-west Nelson, or cover wider topics than North-west Nelson. The boundary is arbitrarily defined by the west bank of the Motueka River and north of the Buller River, east of Glasgow-Lyell Range and Mokihinui River. The distinction between solely North-west Nelson and surrounding areas, such as the Takaka Valley or Motueka, was difficult to make in some cases.

The works include newspaper articles, books, academic journals, unpublished departmental reports, parliamentary records, theses, guide books, and other written work, from 1842 to 1995. The reference lists in these publications have not all been searched for leads to additional material.

The checklists of A.P. Druce are not published and are held only in certain libraries (e.g. Landcare, Lincoln). As they are difficult to obtain, they have been listed separately.

The bibliography does not include films or recorded works. No extensive searches of local newspapers for relevant articles were made, because of the magnitude of the task. Other compilers, Robert Lowe, Lower Hutt, and Pat Timmings, Golden Bay, have prepared unpublished compilations of articles that were written for the newspapers of the day, e.g. The Nelson Examiner, and they fill that gap. They generously supplied us with their compilations.

The Newsletters of the Geological Society of New Zealand have not been searched but they do contain many short articles on North-west Nelson geology and field trips. The Historic Studies Group of the Geological Society of New Zealand have been producing a Newsletter since 1990, and those newsletters are also worth searching for early records of geological exploration of the area.

Although a wide range of sources were searched, the compilers do not claim that the bibliography is either error-free or exhaustive, and we welcome notices of errors or omissions. Also, the people who have been able to help the compilers are restricted to those whom we knew personally, and by the limited number of hard copies prepared for critical examination. Now that the bibliography is more readily available in hard copy, a larger number of users and authors should be able to comment. Please send comments to A. and J. Heine, 15A Kotare Road, Days Bay, Lower Hutt.

The proposal in 1978 for a Tasman Wilderness Area, with its associated limitations of air access, had led to a five-year postponement of its gazettal to allow time for mining interests to explore the area further. Requests for more investigations were often raised in the discussions leading up to the eventual establishment of the North-west Nelson Wilderness area in November 1988. At that time JH was a member of the North-west Nelson State Forest Park Advisory Committee. So she was well aware of the need to locate and list documents that recorded geological and mining investigations.

As the early geological investigations involved exploration of the area, the bibliography was expanded to include exploration in general, and then other natural sciences. In a similar way, many of the early caving expeditions included geologists, and their accounts had geological or related themes. As a result, all the Speleological Bulletins were searched for items relevant to North-west Nelson. Some Tramping Club Annual publications contained articles about natural science topics, e.g. kakapo investigations, geology, and they have been referenced. General tramping accounts have not been listed.

Demands of other personal work involvement slowed up time spent on this largely volunteer effort, not to mention the time we spent in the Forest Park and then National Park, learning about it first hand. As time dragged on, and more works were published, the list of references threatened to be never-ending.

The establishment of Kahurangi National Park in May 1996 provided a landmark in the history of the area; we have taken this date as a convenient and sensible end-point for this first bibliography which covers the period 1842 to 1995. Publications for 1996 and on could be collated as a second bibliography, pertaining to the National Park, at some later date.

That part of North-west Nelson that was designated State Forest Park in 1964 was the largest State Forest Park in New Zealand. Now, at some 450,000 ha, it is New Zealand's second-largest National Park (after Fiordland). It has such widely diverse landscapes, geology, flora and fauna, recreation opportunities, historic and present mining activities, and history that it has been, and will continue to be, a favourite ground for authors in a wide range of disciplines.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

The entries in this bibliography include:

- Books, monographs, papers, reports, annual reports, parliamentary reports, mines records, and theses. Some unpublished in-house reports, pamphlets, articles from some Tramping Club annual publications, and newspaper articles are included, but these are not exhaustive.
- A large number of unpublished mining company reports are held by the Institute of Geology & Geophysics (IGNIS, abbreviated as GNS since 1996), Lower Hutt, and the Ministry of Commerce, and only some are listed.
- Unpublished plant lists of A.P. Druce may be available on request from the Landcare Research Library at Lincoln University, Canterbury. They have been listed separately.

The references follow the author/date system (Harvard).

For Books: Author Date: *Title*. Editor, edition, Name of Series, Publisher, Place of publication. Total number of pages.

For chapters in Books: Author Date: Title of article/ chapter. Pp. x-z in *Book title etc.*

For articles in journals: Author Date: Title of article. *Title of journal Vol. no. (Issue no.)*: pagination. Journal titles are not abbreviated.

Keywords, some of which are used in the Subject Index, are shown in square brackets, and are placed hard out to the right margin e.g.

[geology, NWNelson]

The Subject Index is based on the keywords that record the topics, and has been kept relatively simple. Under these main topics are listed (alphabetically) the surname of the first author and date(s) of the reference(s).

If more than one reference occurs, the number of references is in square brackets, e.g. McKay 1900[2], with other detail in parentheses, e.g. Allan RS 1939(D) means that more than one author has that surname, so their initials are included for easier identification, and that the reference listed under the subject Paleozoic is about the Devonian (D). Explanations of abbreviations are given at the beginning of each major subject.

## ABBREVIATIONS

AAAS	Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science
AIMM	Australasian Institute of Mining & Metallurgy
Comp.	Compiler
DOC	Department of Conservation
DOSLI	Department of Survey & Land Information
DSIR	Department of Scientific & Industrial Research
Ed.	Editor
IGNIS	Institute of Geological & Nuclear Sciences (before 1996, GNS from 1996 on)
L&S	Department of Lands & Survey
NSG	Nelson Speleology Group
NZ	New Zealand
NZFS	New Zealand Forest Service
PASAC	Protected Areas Scientific Advisory Committee
PNA	Protected Natural Areas Programme
SIPC	Scientific Information Publishing Centre

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In 1988, DOC Nelson allowed one of the compilers (JH) some days use of their computer terminal to enter the bulk of the references onto dBASE IV. Graeme Jane assisted and later transferred the references from dBASE IV system to WP5.

David Bowie, Head Office DOC, taught JH how to use the Papyrus program for entering references.

Jane Haskell and Athelie Dreadon, librarians at NZGS, later IGNIS, allowed access to their bibliographies and other files, and to sight references to ensure that they were relevant to North-west Nelson.



The library of the Nelson Provincial Museum at Isel Park, Stoke, was a rich source of information and references to many unpublished and limited editions. Librarians at the National Library and Victoria University, Wellington, supplied lists of theses. Trish Faulkner, Landcare Library, Lincoln, and Geoff Rogers, DOC Dunedin, assisted with compiling the Druce checklists.

Robert Lowe, Lower Hutt, loaned us his unpublished compilations of contemporary newspaper reports. Pat Timmings, Golden Bay, informed us of relevant references from his compilation 'Golden Bay Bibliography', which contains references to many unpublished notebooks and reports held in private and museum collections.

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