**PORT WAIKATO TRAMP INSTRUCTIONS**

**NOTE – Do not get confused by the tracks on the topo map**

**Follow the instructions!**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1. **Start from the Port Waikato school camp on the Port Waikato – Waikaretu Rd. Grid reference 533598** |  |
| 1. **Walk south along the road for approx. 1.5km** |  |
| 1. **Cross gate into paddock on the right (western) side of the road that has a white cross nailed to one of the posts by the gate at approx. grid reference 532586** |  |
| 1. **Head up the hill to the very top of the paddock and climb gate heading west with older pine trees on your left and younger ones in the valley to your right** |  |
| 1. **Follow farm road to Stock Yards at approx grid reference 526581** |  |
| 1. **On the western side of the Stock yards follow farm road downhill into pine trees** |  |
| 1. **You should see markers nailed to trees and trees with fluorescent paint on them from the stockyards – follow these markers and paint!** |  |
| 1. **Track veers off Farm road to the left after a 100m or so** |  |
| 1. **Follow track up and down through bush and across streams for approx. 1.5km till you come out onto another farm road** |  |
| 1. **Turn right on this farm road and follow it to the highpoint (150m) overlooking the Tasman sea (west coast) at grid reference 510577** |  |
| 1. **Have lunch here or hereabouts!** |  |
| 1. **Take farm road down to the beach northwest of this position** |  |
| 1. **Follow coast back around to the carpark at sunset beach (toilets available here at grid reference 515595)** |  |
| 1. **Walk back through town on Maunsell Rd to the reserve on the river where the buses will be waiting (approx. grid reference 527604)** |  |