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**MAY 2017**

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## MAY WALKS

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Monday	29	Easy Metro, Richmond - Gardiner	Jim Cone
Wednesday	31	Broadmeadows - Pascoe Vale	Peter Schulz

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**Copy for June to: David Ikin - Phone: 9878 6301**

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**by the 1st Wednesday in the month, 3rd May**

**Circular Preparation: 3rd Thursday - 18th May at 2:00 pm**

**Venue: John Horan's home at 9 Oxford Street, Malvern 3144.**

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### **Bushwalking News Victoria (BNV)**

The Melbourne Walking Club is affiliated with Bushwalking Victoria which publishes a monthly "**Bushwalking News**" on the Internet. For those interested, the Current and past BNV's can be read from their web page at:

<http://www.bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/what-we-do/publications/newsletters>

### **Talk Over Lunch**

All members are reminded of the regular social event which occurs on the **2nd Tuesday of each month (except January)** at the **Charles Dickens Tavern Bistro**, in the basement of 290 Collins Street Melbourne, at **11:45 for 12:00**.

**Barry Revill, Phone: 9555 1114 or email: [barryrevill@bigpond.com](mailto:barryrevill@bigpond.com)**

## **The Donna Buang Hut**

The Donna Buang Hut is available for use by members and their family and friends at most times of the year. You may choose to visit either for the day or an overnight stay. The Hut is in terrific condition. It's bright, clean and tidy. The only restricted times are days of total fire ban or high risk of fire.

**For bookings contact David Kerferd by email at:  
donnajuanghut @melbournwalking club.org**

### **WALKS PROTOCOL - A REMINDER**

Members are reminded that all walks organized by the Club are intended to be group activities and that it is important for all walkers to feel part of the group both at the start of the walk and at its conclusion. Part of the responsibility of the walk leader is to try to ensure that this happens. There may of course be special circumstances such as where it is agreed that some members of the group will finish earlier than the others and it is understood that they will depart before the last walkers complete the walk. In such cases the leader should inform everyone that this will occur.

**Trevor Rosen, President**

### **Laugh With Lance**

These days I'm not combing my hair, I'm just 'arranging it'.

### **The Deferral of David Ellis's Walhalla Bus Trip**

**From the editor:**

I believe that I must apologise to David Ellis for the inadequate explanation for the deferral of the Walhalla Bus Trip on 10th May. (See the April Circular page 8 under the heading of Gordon De Navi's Kalorama - Mt Evelyn walk).

While David's health problem was of great concern, a major factor causing the trip's deferral was my omission from the March Circular of the tour's vital details that David had supplied.

This was an oversight by me, and I am very sorry that it occurred. I was not aware of this omission until my return from interstate after the tour had already been deferred.

I am pleased to report that David has made a remarkable recovery and that his medical advisors have told him that he is now able to carry on with a normal life, including unrestricted driving.

We all look forward to this bus tour being rescheduled later.

**David Ikin**

# MAY WALKS

## Monday 1 May Shoreham Circuit

Leader: Jim Smith

Phone: 7905257, 0437 077 532

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 9.45 at Shoreham Hall, Melway 256 F8.

Map: Melway 256

Grading: Hard

Distance: 11 km

Transport: Private car

Walk Details: We meet at the historic Shoreham Hall (Corner of Byrnes and Cliff Road) which was originally a School built in 1875, then walk along Red Hill Road to Punty Lane down a steep gully to a tricky creek crossing due to a steep bank, then along Tucks Road to Flinders-Hasting Road and Beach Road. to the beach. This walk can be a bit rugged in parts with a long uphill section but has nice country views and a good view of Westernport Bay. Toilet facilities available at start.

## Wednesday 3 May Greensborough - Watsonia

Leader: Stewart Stanlake

Phone: 9870 9061, 0468 300 132

Rendezvous: 9.37 at Greensborough station.

Transport: 8.50 Greensborough train ex Flinders Street, arriving Greensborough at 9.37. Return trains from Watsonia every 20 minutes.

Maps: Melway 20, 10, 9, 19, 20. Grading: Medium Distance: 13 km

Morning Tea: 9.45 Poulter Reserve, Greensborough, Melway 20 K2.

Walk Details: Through various parks and pipeline reserves with a little street walking.

Notes: Escapes just prior to lunch and several thereafter. Walkers will have to wait for leader while he rests halfway up Mt. Cooper. Coffee at Watsonia RSL.

## Sunday 7 May Combined Walk with MWWC - Tanglefoot Circuit Walking Track, Toolangi State Forest

Leader: Trevor Rosen  
Alan Hosking

Phone: 9882 8593, 0412 136 124

Phone: 9570 3695, 0402 205 576

Rendezvous: 9.30 at the Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk carpark. Follow

the Maroondah Highway past Lilydale and take the turn off onto the Melba Highway (B300). Proceed through Dixons Creek and then turn right onto the Kinglake-Healesville Road (C724) to Toolangi. Continue through Toolangi along Myers Creek Road and turn left into Sylvia Creek Road. This road will lead to the Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk car park. Toilets available.

Maps: Melway Reference: NE Sectional Map, page 10.

Grading: Main walk medium 18 km. Shorter walk an easy 9 km

Transport: Private cars.

Walk Details: There will be two walks. The main walk is about 18 km return and will take about 6 hours. The shorter walk will be less than 10 km. The main walk will be along the Wirrawilla Rainforest Walk and then will head north along the Myrtle Gully Track to the Tanglefoot Track. We will then proceed south to the Monday Road and then back along the Quarry Walking Track to the car park. The walk is through Mountain Ash and Myrtle Beech forests. There are some gullies and a few steep climbs. A lunch stop will be on the way.

Afternoon Tea: At the Singing Gardens café, 1694 Healsville-Kinglake Road Toolangi at 4.00.

### **Wednesday 10 May Kalorama - Aqueduct - Mt Evelyn**

Leader: Gordon De Navi

Phone: 9729 9032

Rendezvous: Croydon Station at 9.00

Maps: Melway 52, 120

Grading: Medium

Distance: 15 km

Transport: 8.15 train ex Flinders Street, arriving Croydon station 8.59. Then the 9.10 bus #688 at Croydon station.

Morning Tea: At Kalorama Park Picnic Area down from Fiveways Corner.

Walk Details: Walk to Olinda Creek Road and to Silvan Reservoir for lunch. After lunch we head to Greygum Track to Olinda Creek Track, head to Aqueduct Trail and Mt. Evelyn.

Escape 1 - After lunch at Stonyford Road. Bus to Lilydale.

Escape 2 - Bus Stop opposite Priestly Court to Belgrave.

### **Monday 15 May Sherbrooke - The Patch - Belgrave**

Leader: John Rankin

Phone: 9842 1350, 0408 373 148

email: john.rankin@internode.on.net

Rendezvous: 10.00 at Belgrave railway station.

Maps: Melway 75, 124      Grading: Medium      Distance: 13 km

Transport: 8.27 Belgrave train from Flinders Street arriving Belgrave 9.34, then the #694 bus at 10.08 arriving crn Georges Rd and Sherbrooke Roads 10.12. (The 8.53 train from Flinders St arrives Belgrave 9.59).

Morning Tea: Grant's Picnic Ground (Melway 75K4). Seating, shelter, toilets, cafe.

Walk Details: An interesting walk along country roads and through the Dandenong Ranges National Park. We head east along Sherbrooke Rd to the morning tea spot then follow the Kallista-Emerald Road to William Rd. We then enter the Dandenong Ranges Park along the Foden Track to the lunch spot. After lunch we join the Paddy Track through the Park to Monbulk Road and Belgrave Station. There is a long climb along William Road before lunch and a short steep climb just before Belgrave station. Escape to Belgrave station on #663 bus is available at The Patch Reserve (4 km from start). Toilets at Belgrave station and at morning tea.

### **3rd Wednesday 17 May Blackburn Lake**

Leader: Max Taebring

Phone: 9878 6621

Rendezvous: 10.05 at Blackburn station (leader will meet this train).

Maps: Melway 47, 48      Grading: Easy      Distance: 5 km  
(including from & to the station)

Transport: 9.40 Lilydale train ex Flinders Street to Blackburn, arriving at 10.05. By car enter the Blackburn Lake Sanctuary from Central Road to the Visitor Centre car park for a rendezvous at 10.30.

Morning Tea: At the Visitor Centre.

Walk Details: Walk from the station to the Visitor Centre for morning tea, then a bushland circuit of the Lake including a small amount of road walking and back to the Visitor Centre for lunch.

### **Sunday 21 May Swan Bay – St Leonards – Edwards Point (Bellarine Peninsula)**

Leader: Kim Rosen

Phone: 9882 8593, 0422 804 816

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 9.30 at Swan Bay Jetty (on Swan Bay at eastern end of Swan Bay Road), Melway 486 H1. Toilets available.

Grading: Easy    Transport: Private car.    Distance: Approx. 10 km

Walk Details: From the Swan Bay Jetty we will drive towards St Leonards and park at the intersection of Bluff Road and Ibbotson Street. The walk heads south from the Bluff Road car park towards Charlie's Hole Lookout and meanders to the start of the Edwards Point coastal woodlands and beach walk.

This is an easy walk at low tide. It is a great place to see waterbirds, including swans, ibis and pelicans and has magnificent views of offshore islands and marshes as well as Port Phillip Bay.

Afternoon Tea: At a café in St Leonards.

**Please contact the leader if attending.**

### **Wednesday 24 May Wendouree - Ballarat via Botanic Gardens**

Leader: David Watkins

Phone: 9870 3782, 0414 547 190

email: mdwatti@bigpond.net.au

Rendezvous: 8.00 at Southern Cross station.

Distance: 9 or 11 km Dependent upon day                      Grading: Easy

Transport: 8.17 Ararat train ex Southern Cross arrives Wendouree 9.47.

Morning Tea: To be taken on train

Walk Details: An easy Flat walk; from Wendouree Station we enter Ballarat Botanic Gardens, pass along Prime Ministers walk, visit Australian Ex prisoner of war Memorial , into Victoria Park for lunch. After lunch walk around shore of Lake Wendouree and finally to Ballarat Station via historic Webster street. Return trains from Ballarat at 1.18, 2.18, and 3.18, arriving Southern Cross Station 1 hour 11 minutes later.

### **Monday 29 May Easy Metro Richmond - Gardiner**

Leader: Jim Cone

Phone: 9560 8175

Rendezvous: 9. 40 at south entry to Richmond Station.

Maps: Melway 44, 59.

Grading: Easy

Distance: 10 km

Transport: 9.33 Glen Waverley train ex Flinders Street arrives Richmond at 9.36.

Morning Tea: Barkly Gardens, Melway 44 F12.

Walk Details: A pleasant suburban walk offering a variety of parks, tracks: with commercial and residential architecture featured; and

concludes at Gardiner railway station.

Notes: Numerous escapes at stations along the Glen Waverley line, and by tram. Toilets at Richmond station and along the track.

### **Wednesday 31 May Broadmeadows - Mooney Ponds Creek - Pascoe Vale**

Leader: Peter Schulz                      Phone: 9470 2189, 0402 567 325

Rendezvous: 9.30 at Broadmeadows station, platform 2.

Maps: Melway 16,6                      Grading: Easy                      Distance: 12 km

Transport: 8.50 Craigieburn train ex Flinders Street, arriving at Broadmeadows station at 9.29.

Morning Tea: Jacana Reserve, Melway 6 D8.

Walk Details: From the morning tea spot follow Moonee Ponds Creek - Mostly flat, walking under the Rail Trestle Bridge and the Western Ring Road. Lunch at John Pascoe Fawkner Reserve, Melway 16 F6. Has shelter but toilet is usually locked. Escapes near Jacana station or the #524 bus to Oak Park station.

## **JUNE PROGRAM**

### **Sunday 4 June Four Brothers Rocks, Bunyip State Forest**

Leader: Richard Jasek                      Phone: 9820 2974, 0408 438 632

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 9.00 at Mortimer Picnic Ground, Melway Key Map 14 R12.

Maps: Rooftop's Yarra Valley - West Gippsland Adventure Map.

Grading: Medium/Hard      Distance: 13.8 km; options are 9.3km and/or 1 km circuit.

Transport: Private car.

**Car via Gembrook** - Head east to East Beenak Road for 1 km, turn right to Gembrook-Tominbuk Road for 5 km.

**Car via Tynong North** - Take the M1 past Pakenham, turn left 5 km after Nar Nar Goon interchange to Tynong North Road, head north for about 11 km and turn left at T intersection to Gembrook-Tominbuk Road to reach the rendezvous after about 1.5 km.

Walk Details: Easy 1 km loop of Mortimer Nature Trail.

First of two climbs is an 160 m ascent over 2.8 km on Steege Track,

then descends on Tree Fern Track until a junction at 5.8 km. From there is an option to complete the walk as a Medium Grading, 9.3 km walk. However to reach the lunch spot at Four Brothers Rocks Lookout involves a second steeper climb of 270 m elevation on Nichols Hut Track.

### **Monday 5 June Seawinds-Baldry Crossing**

Leader: Ron Anderson

Phone: 5983 5088, 0448512525

Rendezvous: 9.15. All meet at Baldry Crossing and leave at 9.30 for a car shuttle to Seawinds, Melway 254 G 6.

Morning Tea: 9.45 at Seawinds Park Melway 171 D1.

Maps: Melway 254-171    Grading: Strenuous    Distance: 14 km

Transport: Private car.

Walk Details: We all meet at Baldry Crossing to organize a car shuttle to Seawinds to start the walk from there, do not drive to Seawinds to meet us unless you wish to do a short walk in the park.

The walk is on the Two Bays track through Arthurs Seat Park to Greens Bush, it is mainly through bush land with a short section in the street, there is a very steep gully, and one long hill but most of it is easy bush walking along the Two Bays Track.

This would be one of the best walks on the Peninsular.

### **Wednesday 7 June Sunbury Circuit - Blind & Kismet Creeks.**

Leader: Peter Schulz

Phone: 9470 2189, 0402 567 325

Rendezvous: 10.00 at Sunbury railway station.

Maps: Melway 381, 361, 362 & 382    Grading: Easy    Distance: 11 km

Transport: 9.11 Sunbury train ex Flinders Street, arriving Sunbury at 10.00.

Morning Tea: Sunbury Recreation Reserve.

Walk Details: A very pleasant walk that follows Blind Creek upstream, turns north to Spavin Drive Lake and then Kismet Creek downstream. Toilets and shelter at morning tea. Unfortunately no shelter, seating or toilets at the Lake for lunch, only a grassy bank and tree shelter. A piece of plastic may be useful for sitting on. One very modest hill at Phillip Drive, otherwise completely flat. Escapes by bus before lunch which most likely arrive at Sunbury station.



## Wednesday 14 June Westgate - Victoria Harbour

Leader: Richard Edmonds

Phone: 9813 3007

## Monday 19 June Olinda - Montrose

Leader: Alex Hordijenko

Phone: 9383 3257

## 3rd Wednesday 21 June Mid-Year Lunch Walk

Leader: Ken Launder

Phone: 9584 1432

## Sunday 25 June Murrindindi River Walk

Leader: Keith Davidson

Phone: 9523 8174

## Monday 26 June Easy Metro, North Melbourne - Strathmore

Leader: Stewart Stanlake

Phone: 9870 9061

## Wednesday 28 June Westerfold Park - Plenty River - Greensborough

Leader: Marsha Rankin

Phone: 9842 1350

### Some Tips for Walk Leaders to Help the Editor

When leaders send their walk details by email to me for including in the circular, I often have to reformat the text after doing a **cut and paste** which is very time consuming.

I therefore offer the following tips to help leaders with their detail preparation.

1. The walk heading is **Bold and Underlined**
2. Sub-headings are Only Underlined and are **Not Bold**.  
(Sub-headings are typed and immediately followed by a colon with No space between, eg. Transport: can be underlined by double clicking on Transport which then **Does Not** underline the colon.
3. Sub-headings are in the order shown in the **Circular - Details of Fixture** form, issued to all walk leaders.
4. Times are noted as 9.45 rather than 0945 hours.
5. The Walks Grading is shown as Easy, Medium or Hard, not as Difficult or Strenuous.
6. Distances are shown as 5 km rather than 5 klms.
7. Leader's Phone Number should include a Mobile Number if one is available - useful if a walker's family has an emergency.

**David Ikin**

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## Federation Walks Weekend - 2017 - 28-29 October

The 2017 Federation Walks Weekend is being hosted by Melbourne Bushwalkers in the Warburton area, 75km east of Melbourne. Registration opens on Saturday 1 July and closes on Friday 1 September 2017.

**Visit the website to keep up to date: <http://www.fedwalks.org.au/>**

### Useful Information

**Maps.Me** is a handy mapping application for smartphones that has been used recently in Australia and overseas for travelling generally and also for bushwalking. You are encouraged to have a look. All you need to do is download the free App.

**Don Reid** suggests a web site for comprehensive and useful weather information - including 3 hourly forecasts - is at [bom.gov.au/places/melbourne/vic/forecast/](http://bom.gov.au/places/melbourne/vic/forecast/) It merits investigating. (Ed. - I use it on my smart phone to).





## **Noojee Community Fun Walk**

**Saturday, 22 April.**

Join us for an 18km walk exploring Noojee's history and natural beauty.

This is a fundraising initiative of Noojee Fire Brigade. All funds will be used for firefighting equipment and community safety.

Registration is essential. For more information and to register visit

**[www.NoojeeCFA.com](http://www.NoojeeCFA.com)**

Registration 6:15am. Walk commences at 7:30am from Noojee Heritage Centre.

Cost: \$35 per person                      0427 289 607

## Mt Buller Lodge - Leaders for 2017 Ski season

Month	Dates	Period	Leader	Phone	
				Mobile	Home
June	9-11 (QB)	Weekend	Chris Jepson	0408 034 166	
	12-15	Midweek			
	16-17	Weekend			
	18-22	Midweek			
	23-24	Weekend			
	25-29	Midweek			
July	30-1	Weekend *			
	2-6	Midweek *			
	7-8	Weekend *			
	9-13	Midweek *			
	14-15	Weekend *			
	16-20	Midweek			
	21-22	Weekend			
	23-27	Midweek			
	28-29	Weekend			
August	30-3	Midweek	Leigh Unsworth	0408 504 087	
	4-5	Weekend			
	6-10	Midweek			
	11-12	Weekend	Daryl Hergt	0434 140 022	
	13-17	Midweek			
	18-19	Weekend	Ian Morton	0403 991 750	
	20-24	Midweek	Leigh Unsworth	0408 504 087	
	25-26	Weekend			
	27-31	Midweek			
September	1-2	Weekend			
	3-7	Midweek			
	8-9	Weekend			
	10-14	Midweek			
	15-16	Weekend			
	17-21	Midweek			
	22-23	Weekend *			
	24-28	Midweek *			

**PLEASE REFER to the LODGE BROCHURE (MAY CIRCULAR) WHICH CONTAINS THE WINTER BOOKING INFORMATION, TARIFFS & BOOKING SHEET.**

SHOW THE DATES OF THE FIRST AND LAST **NIGHTS** OF YOUR BOOKING.

**If an appointed Leader cannot attend, he must organise a replacement.  
No ski period may be cancelled without first contacting the Booking Officer.**

If you wish to lead a vacant ski period contact Booking Officer Ian Morton  
At 137 Ludstone Street, Hampton 3188. Phone: 9502-0942 or 0403-991-750.

\* - School Holiday Period



**John Horan, Life Member & NON (Now Over Ninety)**

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