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JUNE WALKS

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Copy for July to:

David Ikin - Phone: 9878 6301

email: david.ikin.mwc@gmail.com

by the 1st Wednesday in the month, 7th June

Circular Preparation: 3rd Thursday - 15th June at 2:00 pm

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

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

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 phone or email at:
donnabuanghut @melbournwalkingclub.org**

Laugh With Lance

How did the fool and his money get together in the first place?

JUNE WALKS

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 9.3 km or 1 km circuit.

Transport: Private car.

Car via Gembrook - Head east to East Beenak Road for 1 km, turn right to Gembrook-Tonimbuk 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-Tonimbuk 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

Mt Buller Lodge - Leaders for 2017 Ski season

<u>Month</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Phone</u>	
				<u>Mobile</u>	<u>Home</u>
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			
4-5		Weekend			
6-10		Midweek			
11-12		Weekend			
13-17		Midweek			
18-19		Weekend			
20-24		Midweek			
25-26		Weekend			
27-31		Midweek			
September		1-2	Weekend	Ian Morton	0403 991 750
	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

Our club, which has a rich and illustrious history dating back more than a century is now restricted to walking the streets and environs of Melbourne. This is the only area where the club is expanding.

This is simply not good enough!

For a Club which, until a few years ago, walked and trekked in places like the Himalayas, India, China, Great Britain, USA, New Zealand, Pacific Islands and all around Australia, we now walk around Melbourne.

What has happened to the creative spirit and sense of adventure which pervaded the Club until a few years ago?

It is not the fault of the Executive Committee, which constantly examines this fall from grace and scratches its collective head for a solution. What is needed is gumption and initiative by the younger members of the Club.

It is not difficult to do. Whilst years ago we had to do the organising and detailed planning ourselves, today you put your plans on the table to a travel agent and they do the hard work.

If you want to know how to get started, speak to Lance Cranage or myself.

John Moore - Life Member

Overnight Pack Carrying Walks

Anyone interested in Overnight Pack Carrying walks?

If so, please contact Tony Cagney:

Phone: 0411 84 36 09 or email: tony.cagney@optusnet.com.au

These walks are not currently being provided by the club but have been offered in the past and proved to be very popular. Before adding to the Club's Program of Walks next year, the club would like to know if members are interested and can commit to walking overnight carrying a pack. Please email/call Tony to let the club know you are interested and share ideas for walks (e.g. duration, distance, destination) that might be of interest to you.

Bushwalking News Victoria



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/>

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: Hard 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: Geoffrey Cohen

Phone: 9509 7853

Rendezvous: 8.35 on the South West Corner of Spencer and Collins Streets on the steps of The Age building (there is cover if the weather is inclement).

Maps: Melway 42, 43, 56, 2E & 2F Grading: Easy Distance: 11 km

Transport: 8.43 bus # 237 via Lorimer Street to terminus at Westgate Bridge.

Morning Tea: Westgate Park near toilets, Melway 56 1F

Walk Details: We take the bicycle path through Westgate Park, Todd Road, Sandridge Beach to Delish Fish at Station Pier, Light Rail track to Jeff's Shed and on to pass Etihad Stadium and then to Victoria Harbour.

Note: A pleasant flat walk taking in many aspects of Port Melbourne and the City. No hills, escape routes frequently available. Toilets available at Westgate Park, along Sandridge Beach and at Jeff's Shed.

Monday 19 June Olinda - Montrose

Leader: Alex Hordijkeno

Phone: 9383 3257

Rendezvous: 9.00 at Croydon railway station.

Maps: Melway 66, 52 Grading: Medium/Hard Distance: 12.5 km

Transport: 8.15 Lilydale train ex Flinders Street arriving Croydon 8.59 then Ventura Bus #688 departing Croydon at 9.10 arriving Olinda at 9.39. Return by Ventura Bus #688 from Montrose Town Centre at 1.59, 2.46 or 3.20 to Croydon station.

Morning Tea: H. Norman Reserve, Melway 66 H6

Walk Details: A walk in the Dandenongs along excellent bush tracks. Starts with lovely fern areas and tall trees then bush areas below the ridge and finally along Montrose streets.

Notes: There is a short, slightly perilous, steep and gravelly descent on one section of the track and also a 1 km steep uphill stretch. Walking poles would be handy if you have them. There are no feasible escapes. Toilets available at Croydon station but none along the tracks however, bushes and trees are plentiful.

3rd Wednesday 21 June Mid-Year Lunch - Mordialloc

Leader: Ken Launder

Phone: 9584 1432

email: klaunder@bigpond.com

Rendezvous and Morning Tea: We will meet at 10.30 at **Peter Scullin Reserve** on Beach Road. The entrance to the car park of the Reserve is directly opposite Centreway with traffic lights for cars and pedestrians. On the right hand side of the car park, about 50 metres into the Reserve, is a rotunda which will provide cover in case of inclement weather. Toilets

who is willing to take over this important position.

Please contact either myself on 0412 136124 or David Ikin on 9878 6301 if you can help or if you would like more information.

Trevor Rosen, President - Melbourne Walking Club

The MWC Monthly Circular

As Trevor has mentioned above I have been preparing the circular for about 18 years, having taken over from Peter Dunbar, and as I am now 86 years old, with a few health issues, it is time for a new editor.

I have learnt a number of ways to make the preparation a relatively easy job and as **I am only a two finger typist who started with no previous editing experience**, it is nothing to be frightened of! It is important though to have a separate proof reader as mistakes are difficult to find by yourself.

By having the current month in detail and the following month at least with walk headings and leaders (and hopefully some with walk details, if provided by the leaders), it makes the next months circular easy to prepare. I just have to update the front page, delete the previous months walks and the next months walks move forward. I then have to prepare the outlines for the next following month.

I have been using **Microsoft Publisher 2010** on my PC for the circular preparation and then I convert it to a PDF file using a free program called **PDF Creator**, which has the capability of producing both Print and View versions. I will make my Microsoft Publisher program available to whoever takes over from me, if they don't have a similar or later version themselves. I would be happy to show the next editor how I do it and offer ongoing help if needed.

If the new editor prepares the circular and emails the PDF file of the print version to Snap Printing in Box Hill, I can continue picking up the printed copies and taking them to the assembling team with the address labels. I will pass on the email addresses of those who have their circular delivered this way.

David Ikin

No Circular - there can be no Melbourne Walking Club

MWC – the future.

What is happening to the Melbourne Walking Club?

Whilst we took a giant step in recent times, by introducing women members, we face challenges which must be addressed.

Leader: Tim Gatehouse Phone: 9489 2357

Wednesday 12 July Olinda - Kalorama

Leader: Trevor Jupp Phone: 9802 3355

Monday 17 July Clarkfield - Riddells Creek

Leader: Oliver Lucas Phone: 9571 6865

3rd Wednesday 19 July Maribyrnong and Aberfeldie Parks

Leader: Jenny Hosking Phone: 9570 3695

Wednesday 26 July South Geelong - Buckley Falls

Leader: Bruce Armstrong Phone: 9578 2221

Monday 31 July Easy Metro, Canterbury - Kooyong

Leader: Graeme Barker Phone: 9874 6938

POSITION VACANT – CIRCULAR EDITOR

After being the editor of the Melbourne Walking Club Circular for the past eighteen years David Ikin has now decided that he wishes to retire from this position. David has made an enormous contribution to the Club over this time in his capacity as editor and as a member of the Executive. As we all know the monthly Circular is the main means of providing important information to members including the walks program and a wide range of other information.

We now urgently require another member of the Club to take over this position. David is still willing to provide advice and assistance to the new editor and there are other people who will continue to provide assistance too.

It is important to remember that a club such as ours simply cannot operate unless there are some members who are willing to provide practical assistance in the running of the club. My personal experience both as a member of the Executive and as President is that making a contribution in this way provides its own rewards. Unfortunately it has also been my experience that the same group of people seem to shoulder the responsibility for running the club.

Our club has approximately 270 members including an increasing number of women members. Younger members have also been joining the club. I would hope that there must be at least one person

are available next to the rotunda.

Map: Melway 92 E1. Grading: Easy Distance: About 4.0 km

Transport: Walk and Lunch 9.34 Frankston train ex Flinders Street (platform 8 or 9) arrives Mordialloc at 10.16. Leader will meet the train and lead group to rendezvous.

The #903 route bus service from Altona via Box Hill and Oakleigh down Warrigal Road is another possibility for some. The bus leaves Box Hill at 9.03, Oakleigh at 9.46 before arriving at Centreway in Mordialloc at 10.20. Centreway is a 3 minute walk from the rendezvous. Buses run every 10 minutes.

Lunch Only: 11.24 Frankston train ex Flinders Street arrives at Mordialloc at 12.06. From the station make your way to Nepean Highway and cross at the pedestrian crossing. Once on the opposite side of Nepean Highway turn right and make your way to Mordy HQ (used to be the Mordialloc Sporting Club) on the corner of the Nepean Highway and Epsom Road (not far past Aldi). Return trains are every 10 minutes.

By Car: The Mordy HQ car park is at the back of the premises – enter from Epsom Road.

Walk Details: From the Peter Scullin Reserve we will walk north along the beach-side path and track towards the beach at Parkdale before returning to the Mordy HQ for lunch.

Lunch: Booked at Mordy HQ for 12.15.

Mordy HQ Seniors' Menu

2 Course Menu: (Soup and Main or Main and Dessert) \$14.00. 3 Courses \$17.00.

Main Courses (All meals served with chips & salad or vegetables)
Roast of the Day; Pie of the Day; Salt and Pepper Fried Calamari; Fish and Chips; Chicken Parmigiana; Lambs Fry and Bacon; Chicken Schnitzel; Bangers and Mash; Meatloaf (on mash with gravy); Linguini (with chicken, spinach & creamy sauce); Salmon Fish Cakes (with aioli).

Please contact Ken Launder no later than Sunday June 18 if you are coming to the Lunch.

Sunday 25 June Murrindindi River Walk

Leader: Keith Davidson Phone: 9523 8174, 0414 860 828

Rendezvous: 9.30 at Murrindindi Scenic Reserve, Suspension Bridge carpark.

Maps: Melway 610 R9, VicMap 1:25,000 "Taggerty South"

Grading: Easy/Medium

Distance: 13 km

Transport: Private cars. Take the Maroondah Highway to Lilydale and pass the town 5 km and turn left into Melba Highway north for 38 km to Glenburn and on a further 6 km to Devlins Bridge and turn right into Murrindindi Road. Follow east for 5.5 km and turn right for a further 2.2 km to the information board and car park on the left near the Murrindindi camping area. Drive through the car park to the picnic area next to the Murrindindi River Suspension Bridge Car Park.

Morning Tea: At Suspension Bridge Car Park.

Walk Details: Involves a car shuffle to the commencement of the walk at Murrindindi Cascades Car Park. Then traversing the length of the Murrindindi River and Bull Creek along old tramways.

Afternoon Tea: Suggested café at Dixons Creek.

Monday 26 June Easy Metro, Seaholme - Williamstown

Leader: Stewart Stanlake

Phone: 9870 9061, 0468 300 132

Rendezvous: 9.45 at Seaholme station.

Maps: Melway 54, 55, 56

Grading: Easy

Distance: 10 km

Transport: 9.17 Laverton train ex Flinders Street.

Morning Tea: Cresser Reserve, Seaholme, Melway 55 A10.

Walk Details: A very pleasant coastal & wetlands walk. Plenty of coastal birds.

Wednesday 28 June Westerfold Park - Plenty River - Greensborough

Leader: Marsha Rankin

Phone: 9842 1350, 0402 058 184

email: marsha-c-r@hotmail.com

Rendezvous: 9.30 am at the #905 Williamsons Road/Porter Street bus stop, just before the intersection with Williamson's Road, Templestowe.

Maps: Melway 33, 22, 21.

Grading: Medium

Distance: 13 km

Transport: #905 Smart Bus (towards the Pines Shopping Centre) from Lonsdale St, departing corner King St at 8.48 am (or corner Swanston St at 8.53 or corner Johnson & Hoddle Streets at 9.07 am) arriving at the

Williamsons Road/Porter Street stop at 9.28 am. The #901 and #902 buses run along Fitzsimons Lane/Williamsons Road and an alternative is to take one of these to the Porter St/Williamsons Road stop (in Williamsons Rd), then walk the short distance to the Rendezvous point (in Porter St).

Morning Tea: Westerfold Park picnic area, (off the Porter St entrance), shelter and toilets.

Walk Details: A pleasant walk along tracks through Westerfold Park, across the Yarra at Fitzsimons Lane then along back roads to Main Road, Lower Plenty and on to Yallambie Park where we will have lunch (no toilets or cover). There are some longish gentle climbs in the section from Fitzsimons Lane bridge to Main Road. After lunch we head north along the Plenty River Trail and finish at Greensborough station. There are toilets at morning tea, at Fitzsimons Lane bridge and after lunch. Escape at Main Road/Para Road (#513 and #901 buses) just before lunch.

Issue of MWC 'OBE' Awards - (Also; NON and OHNO Awards)

A reminder that any member who qualifies for and would like one of these "fun" MWC Awards should contact Travis Clark, or have someone do so on their behalf.

Due to privacy considerations, Travis does not have details of Club members' birth dates. (If he did, he assures me that a memory span of five minutes is his max!!!). Both current and past, 80, 90 and 100 year birthdays can be accommodated.

As a reminder for both him and you, the initials represent:

OBE - Over Bloody Eighty, NON - Now Over Ninety

OHNO - One Hundred Not Out.

To date, the following have issued: OBE 30, NON 7, OHNO 2.

Contact Travis Clark on 9874 6326, email tec11942@yahoo.com.au

JULY PROGRAM

Monday 3 July Blowhole, Flinders

Leader: Trevor Jupp

Phone: 9802 3355

Wednesday 5 July Heatherdale - Blackburn Lake - Laburnum

Leader: Ted Porter

Phone: 9874 6203

Sunday 9 July Sugarloaf Reservoir