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**OCTOBER 2017**

**MELBOURNE WALKING CLUB INC.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER 2017**

To be held at East Malvern RSL, Stanley Grose Drive,  
Malvern East VIC 3145 at 7:30pm (Melway 60 A12)

**AGENDA**

1. Opening.
2. Apologies.
3. Noting of deaths during the past year and one minute's silence.
4. Confirmation of Minutes of the 2016 AGM.
5. Matters arising from the Minutes.
6. Correspondence and matters arising.
7. Presentation of Reports.
8. Election of Club Executive and other Office Bearers.
9. Appointment of person to review Financial Statements.  
(Campbell Denovan has agreed to be nominated.)
10. Presentation of 50 and 25 year badges.
11. Golden Boot Award.
12. Other business introduced with permission of the meeting.
13. Closing of the meeting.

Before the meeting, members are invited to enjoy a meal at the Bistro in the RSL. A Seniors Menu is available.

A light supper will be served after the meeting.

All positions on the Executive will be vacant at the AGM. While most of the current Executive intend to stand again, we are always looking for new members. **A nomination form is on page 15.**

**Please Note: It is important that as many members as possible attend so as to ensure a quorum of ten percent of the Membership.**

**We look forward to meeting you again this year.**

## OCTOBER WALKS

Sunday	1	October Donna Buang	Barry & Marie Revill
Monday	2	Baldrys Crossing - Long Point	Ron Anderson
Wednesday	4	Alphington - Macleod	Keith Tupper
Wednesday	11	Endeavour Hills - Churchill Park	Denis Phillips
Sunday	15	Daylesford & Sailor's Falls	Charlie Freedman
Monday	16	Millgrove - Warburton	Jenny Hosking
3rd Wed	18	Frankston - Botanical Gardens	Alan Hosking
Wednesday	18	Frankston - Seaford	Brian Dawes
Wednesday	25	Collingwood Stn - Princess Bridge	Sandy Moller
Sunday	29	Creswick towards Ballarat	Colin Crook
Monday	30	Easy Metro, Brighton - St Kilda	Hugh Gibson

**Copy for November to: Charlie Freedman - Phone: 0415 558 249  
email: [editor@melbournewalkingclub.org](mailto:editor@melbournewalkingclub.org)**

**by the 1st Wednesday in the month, 4th October**

**Circular Preparation: 3rd Thursday - 19th October 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 on their web page:

<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 **11:45am for 12:00 noon**.

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

### Mt Buller Lodge

Did you know that the Mt Buller Lodge is available to members of the MWC? You can use it winter or summer.

Maybe you're a family member, a walker or a skier? You don't have to be a member of MWC, but be a guest to one who is!! There are some

### Mt Buller Lodge - Leaders for 2017 Ski season

<u>Month</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Leader</u>	<u>Mobile</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Home</u>
<b>September</b>	1-2	Weekend	David Buttigieg	0400 233 706		
	3-7	Midweek				
	8-9	Weekend	Darren Till	0411 302 435		
	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

### MELBOURNE WALKING CLUB INC.

### CLUB EXECUTIVE NOMINATION FORM 2017 - 2018

I, ..... Hereby Nominate .....

For the position of .....

(Signature of Nominator) .....

Seconded by .....

Accepted .....

(Signature) .....

**To comply with the Club Constitution, nominations for all positions must be in the hands of the Secretary, Michael Corrigan not later than Monday 25 September 2017.**

considered whether there were any other major development which could create a new series of important records and felt that the Buller Lodge was at a stable state and likely to remain so for many years.

So, as no other Club member has shown interest, the conclusion was that once the current held material was lodged with the State Library then the Archives Sub Committee should be terminated.

**Robin Bailey.**

### **Vale Harold Ogilvie**

Harold joined the Melbourne Walking Club in 1956. He was a member for 61 years. His contribution to the Club was significant. He acted as Activities Officer for a period and was a great contributor to extended walks both local and overseas.

His personal qualities were a great sense of loyalty, total integrity, a robust and positive attitude and a great sense of humour. He was a popular figure and no one ever heard him complain.

His many friends are saddened by this loss and we extend our warmest thoughts to Margaret and family.

**John Moore, Life Member.**

### **2017/18 Subscriptions**

Membership renewal fees were due by 30 June. By now all members should have received a subs notification by mail or email. Your prompt payment would be greatly appreciated.

Rates are unchanged from 2016/17 and are as follows:

<b>Members -- Within Victoria and under 80 years</b>	<b>\$60</b>
<b>-- Outside Victoria</b>	<b>\$55</b>
<b>-- Aged 80 years and over</b>	<b>\$55</b>

**Note: As previously Life Members and those who have been members for 50 years or more are not required to pay annual subscriptions.**

**The following discounts apply:**

**Prompt Payment: \$5 (for payment by 30 June 2017.)**

**Emailed Circular \$10 (for 12 months, currently or advised by 30 June 2017).**

**Jim Thurlby - Treasurer**

protocols for safety reasons, but check it out!

It is fully self contained, hydronically heated and offers en suites to each of 5 bedrooms. There's a games room and a TV lounge. The kitchen has up to date white goods. In summer a BBQ on the deck is enjoyable for a lunch or dinner. The rates are generous and competitive.

So members, please consider visiting the Lodge, bring guests, make a booking and encourage your families to visit there too.

**Bookings can be made through the booking officer Ian Morton at:**  
[ianmorton@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ianmorton@optusnet.com.au)

### **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@melbournewalkingclub.org](mailto:donnabuanghut@melbournewalkingclub.org)

### **Laugh With Lance**

One of the sheer joys of pack carrying is when it stops.

### **Programme Amendments**

Please note the following amendment to the 2017 Programme:

- October 4 - was Greensborough - Blue Lake, is now Alphington - Macleod, leader is still Keith Tupper.
- October 30 - Middle Brighton—St Kilda—Easy Metro - leader was Bruce Armstrong, is now Hugh Gibson, 9897 3645, 0429 173 501.

### **Leaders Required for 3rd Wednesday Group**

We have vacancies for Leaders in the 3rd Wednesday Group. No prior experience is necessary, but having had Metro Group etc. outings would be an advantage. The walks to be led have the following general requirements:

- The main aim is to have Morning Tea [rendezvous/toilet] at the same place as lunch. This allows for non-walkers, or short-walkers, to still attend for lunch, a stroll etc.
- If this aim is not feasible, then the need to carry lunch, escapes etc. should be highlighted in the Circular Notice.



- As a guide, a walk length of about 4 - 6km [am], 2 - 3km [pm], all up 6 – 9km is usual.

As a consequence of the aims, walks usually comprise a loop circuit, or linear out and back to the lunch place.

Interested members would be gratefully welcomed by the organiser, by contacting Travis Clark on 9874 6326, 0407 272 333, or by email to [tec11942@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tec11942@yahoo.com.au)

### **Help Required For Work At Walter Briggs Hut**

Help is required from members with practical skills to carry out some maintenance work at the Walter Briggs Hut at Mt Donna Buang.

One of the current projects at the hut is to repair the corrugated iron roof. In particular the roof sheeting needs to be refixed and made waterproof. It would be appreciated if someone with skill and experience in this type of work could contact the Hut Convenor, David Kerferd by phone or email at [donnabuanghut@melbournwalkingclub.org](mailto:donnabuanghut@melbournwalkingclub.org)

Assistance is also required from someone with a trailer to remove the old mattresses from the hut which unfortunately have been attacked by mice.

Other projects include repairing a hole in the internal wall and repainting the exterior of the hut. Regular working bees are organized at the hut and any practical assistance is always welcome.

**Trevor Rosen, President**

### **There's Snow at Mt Buller!**

On behalf of the Mt Buller Lodge Sub Committee, Leigh Unsworth has reported that Mt Buller has received an unprecedented amount of snow for this time of year, with nearly 1.5 m currently being recorded. This will make for a very good and extended spring skiing season. Bookings at the Lodge are available for September and early October.

### **Buller Sub Committee all-inclusive walk**

On Sunday 10 December Leigh Unsworth will be leading an easy 10km loop walk from Bushrangers Bay to Cape Schanck. This will be the annual Buller Sub Committee all-inclusive walk. More details in the next circular, but if you want early information contact Leigh on 0408 504 087.

## **OCTOBER WALKS**

### **Sunday 1 October Donna Buang & Mount Victoria Mountains**

Leader: Barry & Marie Revill

Phone: 9555 1114

Bairnsdale and on most days a connecting bus service to Genoa then Mallacoota. There are great walks and beautiful scenery in this area.

Karbeethong Lodge is an older style lodge which is full of character and has magnificent views overlooking the water. Most rooms have an ensuite bathroom and there is a large communal kitchen and lounge area. A continental breakfast is included. Apart from doing some walks we plan to do a half day boat trip up the channel from Gypsy Point.

We have negotiated a reduced daily room rate of \$150.00 per room which is \$750.00 for the five nights. Most rooms have either a double bed or two single beds. At present five rooms have been reserved but more are available if there is sufficient interest.

There is high demand for bookings at the lodge during this period. So in order to secure a reservation a deposit of 50% must be made by 30 September 2017. The required deposit is therefore \$375.00 per room for the five nights. No bookings will be accepted without payment of the deposit. A deposit is fully refundable by the lodge if a cancellation is made not less than 6 weeks prior to the reserved date.

If you would like to come please contact Kim Rosen by email on: [kimtjrosen@yahoo.com](mailto:kimtjrosen@yahoo.com) or mobile 0422 804 816.

**Trevor Rosen.**

### **The End of the Archives Sub Committee**

The Archives Sub Committee was created by Ian Leslie in 1976, there was an intermission from 1980 and with the loss of the Little Bourke Street club rooms the collected material was scattered among a number of members. I have been involved in the Sub Committee from its inception. The Sub Committee was reformed by John Moore in 1995 and with great effort the scattered material was recovered and the Sub Committee has worked closely with the Royal Historical Society in mounting the bushwalking exhibition some years ago.

At a meeting last year the Sub Committee realised that there was very little need for it as current activities are met by the Legal Deposit where our material is lodged with the State and National Libraries.

The Sub Committee considered ongoing Club records and how they could be handled. As these records are essentially either lodged with the State Library as part of Legal Deposit the other essential material to be archived was the Executive Minutes, given the volume of these it was felt these could be lodged by, say, the Secretary every three years provided firm details were provided on the procedure. It



Escapes: Buses at Northland, La Trobe Uni; Plenty Rd tram.

Notes: This walk replaces the previously advertised Greensborough - Blue Lake walk, now rescheduled for 24 January, 2018.

### **Wednesday 11 October Endeavour Hills - Churchill Park - Endeavour Hills**

Leader: Denis Phillips

Phone: 9796 8096  
0455 300 011

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 10:00am at Narre Warren Picnic Area (Police Paddocks) in Brady Road, Endeavour Hills (Melways 82 A11).

Maps: Melways 81 & 82      Grading: Medium      Distance: 14 km

Transport: By car to rendezvous place. Note if gate to Reserve is closed, park near gate and walk to picnic shelter (about 400 metres).

By trains leaving from Flinders Street at 8:09, 8:19, 8:29, arriving Dandenong station at 8:50, 9:00, 9:10, respectively. "Smartbuses" on Route 901 leave Dandenong Station at 8:55, 9:08 & 9:23 going to Melbourne Airport (eventually). This bus goes along Stud Road to Rowville. Alight in Stud Road just north of Brady Road. Bus journey takes about 15 minutes.

Cross Stud Road and walk east along Brady Road to rendezvous. Cross with traffic lights and walk on bike path on south side of road. Distance to gate about 1km, then 400 metres to picnic shelter.

Walk Details: Traverse the historic Police Paddocks to the entrance of the Park and travel the eastern section before lunch and the western section afterwards before returning to rendezvous point. There are some hills with a couple of steep pinches. Return from Churchill National Park to Police Paddocks and Stud Road bus stop. No escapes but could return independently the same way from lunch spot. Covered shelter is available at Morning Tea and Lunch spots.

### **Sunday 15 October Daylesford & Sailor's Falls**

Leader: Charlie Freedman

Phone: 0415 558 249

Rendezvous: 10:00am at Daylesford Lake (1 Leggatt Street Daylesford). Public toilets available here, at morning & afternoon tea and at lunch.

Maps: Vicmap 1:25,000 T7723-3-N & T7723-3-S (Daylesford Nth & Sth).  
Distance: 16 km.

Grading: Hard. Some steep ascents and descents, rough tracks, creek

Walk Details: A pleasant though strenuous walk through countryside along back roads. From Fergusons Paddock we head east along Cherry Tree Rd into Flat Rock Rd to Water Gully Rd then along Valley Rd and finish at Wattle Glen station. There are numerous hills (up and down) and gravel roads. Return trains at 2.00, 2.40, 3.20 pm. Toilets at start and finish. No seating and no undercover lunch.

### **Monday 13 November Sugarloaf Reservoir, Christmas Hills**

Leader: Richard Simpson

Phone: 9712 0151  
0419 528 130

Rendezvous: Picnic Shelter – Ridge Picnic Area (Mel 273 E-7) – turn into 1st picnic area on left 200m thru Park Gates - Arrive by private vehicle 9.45am - morning tea at rendezvous – shelters & toilets available.

Transport: Private Car via either Kangaroo Ground or Yarra Glen/Christmas Hills, turn into Simpsons Road - approx 1km to entry to Park. Members might arrange car-pooling prior to walk!

Limited train pick-up options available, please liaise direct for following: **Heatherdale Station**, Flinders St Belgave train (limited express) departs 8.30am, arrives 9.03am, contact David Watkins ph 9870.3782, or **Wattle Glen Station**, Flinders St Hurstbridge train (limited express via loop) departs 8.08 am, arrives 9.17 am, contact Richard Simpson 0419.528.130.

Grading: Easy/Medium.

Distance: 14 km (note: we do not walk across the Wall – a car shuffle will be arranged).

Walk Details: Very pleasant 14km circular walk around Sugarloaf Reservoir with Yarra Valley and city views. One hill before lunch and descent immediately after. Approx 2.30pm finish. Toilets at start, lunch spot and end. Return transport to train stations for those who took option for pick-up.

### **3rd Wednesday 15 November Wilson Botanic Park, Berwick**

Leader: Travis Clark

Phone: 9874 6326  
0407 272 333

Rendezvous: 10.45am at Visitor Centre, Wilson Botanic Park, 668 Princes Highway, Berwick, Melway 111 B6.

Rendezvous: 9:35 am at Middle Brighton station.

Maps: Melway 57, 58, 67.

Distance: 10 km.

Grading: Easy.

Transport: 9:12 Sandringham train ex Flinders Street, arrives Middle Brighton at 9:33.

Morning Tea: 10:45 at beach end of North Road, Melway 67 C7.

Walk Details: A pleasant walk through parks, beach side, Elwood Canal, Anzac Hostel and Elwood Park. Lunch at St Kilda Botanical Gardens. Return by light rail or tram from St Kilda. Plenty of escapes.

## **NOVEMBER WALKS**

### **Monday 6 November Peninsula Walk - Seawinds Circuit**

Leader: Ian Bell

Phone: 5982 1727

Rendezvous: 10:00 am at Seawinds, Arthurs Seat State Park.

Maps: Melway 171, 1D.

Distance: 12 km.

Transport: Private car.

Walk Details: Flat, undulating, some hills. Cook St, Public Golf Course, Seamists Dr, Kings Falls, Waterfall Gully Rd, Purves Rd, McKellar Reserve.

### **Wednesday 8 November Hurstbridge - Flat Rock - Wattle Glen**

Leader: John Rankin

Phone: 9842 1350  
0408 373 148

Rendezvous: 9:36am at Hurstbridge station.

Maps: Melway 185, 265, 271, 12

Distance: 11 km (no escapes)

Grading: Hard (many hills; gravel roads).

Transport: 8:25am Hurstbridge train ex Flinders Street, arriving Hurstbridge at 9.36. Alternatively #901 or #902 bus to Greensborough station to meet the Hurstbridge train at 9.12.

Morning Tea: Fergusons Paddock (Melway 185 K8); seating, shelter and toilets.

crossings and boggy areas. Be prepared for wet feet after recent rain.

Transport: Private car. Take the Western Highway and turn off at Ballan toward Daylesford. Turn left at the BP petrol station in town (Bleakley St), then first right after the bridge to the car park at Daylesford Lake. Can also take the Calder Highway and turn off at Woodend, Kyneton or Malmsbury. Approx. 2 hour drive from Melbourne.

Morning Tea: 10:15am at the steps overlooking the dam wall at the south end of the lake. Depart on walk from the dam wall at 10:30am.

Walk Details: The first part of the walk is along rough bush tracks through forest. Mineral water is available in this area. Lunch at the top of Sailors Falls (shelter, tables and toilets available). Continue through more open country and forest, and along an abandoned railway cutting. Afternoon tea at Lake Jubilee (toilets available). Walk on paved roads back to Daylesford Lake.

### **Monday 16 October Millgrove - Warburton via O'Shannassy Aqueduct**

Leader: Jenny Hosking

Phone: 0423 627 232

Rendezvous: 8.50am Lilydale Station.

Morning Tea: 10.10am approx. Limited seating & toilet available.

Lunch: 25m after crossing the Victoria track. No seating or toilets.

Maps: Melway 289, 290 and/or Google.

Distance: 12 to 14km.

Grading: First 4km Medium (as uphill) then Easy (as flat or downhill).

Transport: 7.55am Lilydale Train ex Flinders St, 7.58am ex Richmond arriving Lilydale Station at 8.48am. Leader will meet this train and then all will catch Martyrs Bus #683 to Warburton at 9.10am, alighting from bus at Millgrove shops at 9.50am.

Walk Details: Circular walk from Millgrove Shops to Dee Road, uphill to O'Shannassy Aqueduct and then a pleasant easy walk next to the O'Shannassy Aqueduct. Returning downhill to main highway to catch bus #683 to Lilydale Station.

### **3rd Wednesday 18 October Frankston - Botanical Gardens**

Leader: Alan Hosking

Phone: 9570 3695

Lunch will be combined with following Wednesday Walk.

Rendezvous: 10:00am at Frankston station.

Maps: Melway 100A, 102    Grading: Easy    Distance: 6km

Transport: 8:54am Frankston train ex Flinders Street, arriving Frankston 9:57am.

Lunch: With Wednesday Group in George Pentland Botanical Gardens near the Foot and Williams Streets corner. Melway 102 F5, at 12:30pm approx.

Walk Details: 2.5 km to morning tea in Jubilee Park, Melway 102 H4, then 1.5 km to lunch in Botanical Gardens, then 2.0 km to station via Beauty Park.

Note: Various Toilets at Frankston Railway Station, Jubilee Park and George Pentland Botanical Gardens.

### **Wednesday 18 October Frankston - Botanical Gardens - Seaford**

Leader: Brian Dawes

Phone: 9787 5583  
0428 888 944

Lunch will be combined with previous 3rd Wednesday Walk.

Rendezvous: 10:05am at bus terminal Fletcher Rd, Melway 102 D2. Bus 790-791.

Maps: Melway 102, 103, 99

Grading: Medium

Distance: 16km, but can be shortened.

Transport: Train leaves Flinders Street Station at 8:54am, and arrives at Frankston at 9:59am. Bus leaves at 10:15am. Return by train from Kananook or Seaford Railway Stations..

Morning Tea: Jubilee Park, Melway 102 H4.

Walk Details: Lunch with 3rd Wednesday Group in George Pentland Botanical Gardens near the Foot and Williams Streets corner. Melway 102 F5, at 12:30pm approx.

Note: After leaving the platform at Frankston Railway Station walk straight down ramp, turn left under rail viaduct, up stairs and there is the bus. Don't turn into Young Street, it's chaos!

### **Wednesday 25 October Collingwood Stn - Princess Bridge**

Leader: Sandy Moller

Phone: 0414 699 657

Rendezvous: Meet at Collingwood Station at 9.55 am. (9.36 South

Morang/Hurstbridge train from Flinders St.)

Distance: 13km    Grading: Easy, mainly flat walking along the Yarra.

Walk Details: Morning tea is 500m down Gipps St over the bridge in picnic area. From here we have about 1 km of narrow, rough bush track then easy walking along the Yarra to lunch at Kevin Bartlett reserve. Covered seating and toilets available. Continue along the Yarra to Princess Bridge. Escape possible to Burnley Station (8kms).

### **Sunday 29 October Creswick Forest - La Gerche Walk**

Leader: Colin Crook

Phone: 5334 2682  
0418 386 459

Transport: Private Car. If coming from Melbourne take the Western Freeway and turn off at Road C291 to Creswick.

Map: Melway X909.

Grading: Medium.

Distance: 12 km.

Rendezvous: Meet at the front of the Creswick Visitor Information Centre, 41 Albert Street, Creswick at 10 am. The information centre is at the North end (far end) of the picturesque Creswick shopping centre. There are toilets there and plenty of parking behind the centre.

Morning Tea: St Georges Lake, Picnic Area.

Walk Details: We will walk through Creswick, then along Creswick Creek, then around St George's Lake, then up a moderate climb to the top of "Million Dollar Hill" for lunch and spectacular views. Then onto the fascinating La Gerche Walk. John La Gerche planted 19,000 trees, many of them exotic at the end of the 19th century. His plan was to rehabilitate the landscape following the devastation caused by gold mining. He helped established Creswick as the Australian home of Forestry. The plantation we walk through is part of a precinct which became the first place in Australia to formally train foresters. The first State Nursery was established here in 1888 with a collection of exotic and native trees. We then walk through the Forestry School arriving back at our starting point at about 3 pm. We then have a choice of coffee shops in Creswick. Those wanting a shorter easier walk could go back to Creswick after walking around St Georges Lake.

### **Monday 30 October Easy Metro, Brighton - St Kilda**

Leader: Hugh Gibson

Phone: 9897 3645  
0429 173 501