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**AUGUST 2018**

## AUGUST WALKS

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| Wednesday | 29 Seymour                        | Miles Pierce     |

Copy for September to: Charlie Freedman - Phone: 0415 558 249  
 email: [charlifreedman@yahoo.com](mailto:charlifreedman@yahoo.com)

before the 1st Wednesday in the month, 1st August

Circular Preparation: 3rd Thursday - 16th August 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 **11:45 am for 12:00 noon.**

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

## Have You Changed Your Contact Details?

If any member has changed their postal address, phone number or email address in the last year, please let **John Rankin** know so he can update the latest members register:

Phone **9842 1350**, or email [wjrankin@outlook.com](mailto:wjrankin@outlook.com)

## 2018/19 Subscriptions

After 4 years without change the Executive has decided to increase subscriptions by \$5 per annum, due in part to essential maintenance required on Walter Briggs Hut. Past discounts will remain unchanged.

Membership renewal fees are due by 30 June. Members will receive a subscription notification by mail or email in early June. Prompt payment would be greatly appreciated.

Rates for 2018/19 are as follows:

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Members -- Within Victoria and under 80 years | \$65 |
| -- Outside Victoria                           | \$60 |
| -- Aged 80 years and over                     | \$60 |

As previously, Life Members and those who have been members for 50 years or more are not required to pay annual fees.

The following discounts apply:

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Jim Thurlby, Treasurer.

## MWC YouTube Channel

If there is enough interest, the Club is intending to start it's own YouTube channel so that videos that members may wish to share may be viewed by all on a convenient platform.

If any member has any videos related to the Club or bushwalking in general in digital format, and they are willing to share them with other Club members, please contact Charlie Freedman on **0415 558 249** or:

[charlifreedman@yahoo.com](mailto:charlifreedman@yahoo.com)

## Laugh With Lance

Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.

Lachie was for 25 years a member of the Geelong Bushwalkers, and took our Club to many rediscovered waterfalls they found. Walks near his house meant that we went back to his home at Airey's and enjoyed Joan's and his hospitality plus the coastal views below and beyond.

He and Joan had 4 daughters and 9 grandchildren. Daughter Mary, who was with him to the end, spoke of funny times with her dad. This is one of the stories:

Dad wanted to make sure any future son-in-law was the kind of fellow he would be happy to take the hand of his daughter. Being an ocean swimmer himself, he thought the best test would be for them all to swim from Airey's beach out past Black Rock and then on to Wedding Cake Rocks, so called because of the way waves broke and foamed over them.

The intended made it to the rocks and Lachie was pleased, but on the return swim no one was in the water but all were on the beach. There had been a Shark Alert. Full marks!

Finally, a tip from Lachie per Mary:

If you have an apple core and want to dispose of it, eat it.

I watched him do this once.

Denis Ward.

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**Jim Thurlby - Treasurer**

## Mt Buller Lodge - Leaders for 2018 Ski season

| <u>Month</u>     | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Period</u> | <u>Leader</u>   | <u>Phone</u>  |             |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
|                  |              |               |                 | <u>Mobile</u> | <u>Home</u> |
| <b>June</b>      | 8-10 (QB)    | Weekend       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 11-14        | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 15-16        | Weekend       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 17-21        | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 22-23        | Weekend       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 24-28        | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 29-30        | Weekend *     | Anna Curnow     | 0418 529 194  |             |
| <b>July</b>      | 1-5          | Midweek *     | Anna Curnow     | 0418 529 194  |             |
|                  | 6-7          | Weekend *     | Anna Curnow     | 0418 529 194  |             |
|                  | 8-12         | Midweek *     | Malcolm Howe    | 0422 364 482  |             |
|                  | 13-14        | Weekend *     | James Charlwood | 0409 325 943  |             |
|                  | 15-19        | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 20-21        | Weekend       | Roger Jepson    | 0418 100 431  |             |
|                  | 22-26        | Midweek       | David Jones     | 0412 059 867  |             |
|                  | 27-28        | Weekend       | Ian Morton      | 0403 991 750  | 9502 0942   |
| <b>August</b>    | 29-2         | Midweek       | Daryl Hergt     | 0434 140 022  |             |
|                  | 3-4          | Weekend       | Leigh Unsworth  | 0408 504 087  |             |
|                  | 5-9          | Midweek       | Jenny Hosking   | 0423 627 232  |             |
|                  | 10-11        | Weekend       | Wayne Hansen    | 0415 351 492  |             |
|                  | 12-16        | Midweek       | Jenny Hosking   | 0423 627 232  |             |
|                  | 17-18        | Weekend       | Leigh Unsworth  | 0408 504 087  |             |
|                  | 19-23        | Midweek       | Andrew Richey   | 0413 547 047  |             |
|                  | 24-25        | Weekend       | Chris Jepson    | 0408 034 166  |             |
|                  | 26-30        | Midweek       | Daryl Hergt     | 0434 140 022  |             |
| <b>September</b> | 31-1         | Weekend       | Leigh Unsworth  | 0408 504 087  |             |
|                  | 2-6          | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 7-8          | Weekend       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 9-13         | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 14-15        | Weekend       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 16-20        | Midweek       |                 |               |             |
|                  | 21-22        | Weekend *     |                 |               |             |
|                  | 23-27        | 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: 0403-991-750.

\* - School Holiday Period

## Archives Sub-Committee

The Club executive is looking to hear from anyone interested in reviving the Archives Sub-Committee, which was recently disbanded as was noted in the October 2017 circular. At that time it was felt that there was little work for the Sub-Committee to perform, but there is always a small amount of material that may need to be archived. Anyone interested should contact the president, Trevor Rosen on **9882 8593** (email [president@melbournwalkingclub.org](mailto:president@melbournwalkingclub.org)), or Michael Corrigan on **9571 3227** (email [secretary@melbournwalkingclub.org](mailto:secretary@melbournwalkingclub.org)).

## Reminder for Leaders of Metro Walks

When the walk has been completed, the track notes and maps provided should be updated to include any changes to the route, and to highlight any escapes or options that members who may not wish to walk the whole distance can use.

Two copies of the updated track notes should be forwarded to Oliver Lucas or emailed to David Watkins at

[mdwatti@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mdwatti@bigpond.net.au)

## Kangaroo Island

Gordon Proudfoot has recently returned from Kangaroo Island and discovered that there is a walking trail there called "The Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail". The trail involves walking over 5 days to give a total distance of 61 km.

The maximum walking distance on any day is 14 km. Each day ends at a recognised camping ground and can be organised so that you only have to carry a day pack. All your overnight equipment and food can be transported between camp sites. It can also be organised that you stay at accommodation close to each campsite so that there is no need to set up tents.

If there is enough interest Gordon will investigate further re costs etc. More details can be found at

[kangarooislandwildernesstrail.sa.gov.au](http://kangarooislandwildernesstrail.sa.gov.au)

## New Walter Briggs Hut Convener

Please note that the Walter Briggs Hut has a new convener. David Kerferd has been replaced by Tony Cagney (**0411 843 609**):

[tony.cagney@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tony.cagney@optusnet.com.au)



## **AUGUST WALKS**

### **Wednesday 1 August Doncaster - Westerfolds Park - Eltham**

Leader: Marsha Rankin

Phone: 9842 1350

0402 058 184

[marsha-c-r@hotmail.com](mailto:marsha-c-r@hotmail.com)

Rendezvous: 9.30 am at Westfield Doncaster Shopping Centre, bus station, Bay 2.

Maps: Melway 33 & 21    Grading: Easy - medium    Distance: 13 km.

Transport: 8.30 am Belgrave train ex Flinders Street station, arriving Box Hill 8.51 am. Then the 9.03 am #281 bus towards Templestowe (Bay 5), arriving Doncaster Shopping Centre 9.19 am (alternatively, #278 and #293 buses). The #902 and #903 smart buses also stop at Doncaster Shopping Centre.

Morning Tea: Ruffey Lake Park (Melway 33 F10). Toilets.

Walk Details: A pleasant walk along tracks and back roads. From Shoppingtown, we pass through Schramms Reserve and Ruffey Lake Park, cross King St and follow Ruffey Lake Linear Park to Foote Street and enter Westerfolds Park. We exit the park at Fitzsimons Lane bridge and enter Lower Eltham Park and follow the Diamond Creek trail to Eltham station. Return trains every 20 minutes: 2.01, 2.21, 2.41. Toilets at morning tea, lunch and Eltham station. Escapes at King St, George St, Foote St, Porter St, Fitzsimons Lane and Main Road.

### **Monday 6 August Mt Eliza Regional Park**

Leader: Don Ziino

Phone: 0438 596 626

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 9:45am Emil Madsen Reserve, Wooralla Drive, Moorooduc. Melway 105 G10.

Maps: Melway 105 & 106    Grading: Easy    Distance: 10km.

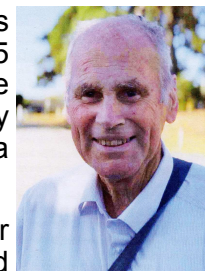
Transport: Private car.

Walk Details: From Wooralla Drive we walk along a track to the rail easement then through bush land to the old Moorooduc Quarry Reserve and the Mornington Rail Preservation Society's Facility with its old rail engines. We take a steep walk to the lookout above the Quarry (optional), then a pleasant lunch stop in a newly developed area. After lunch we retrace our steps to the start.

103 D3). After lunch journey via dam wall and Tramway Track to exit park at Hallam North road. From there approximately 45 minute walk to catch bus to Dandenong station. No escapes.

### **Lachlan Richardson, 25 April 1933 - 1 June 2018**

On a table in the Grovedale Chapel where Lachie's service took place was a small display in front of 85 red roses, a reminder of his lifetime's pursuit. There were sea shells, a framed photo of a railway permanent way with him in the distance, and a broadsheet-size black and white collage of photos.



There were two cards and, after staring at them for some time, you were suddenly aware of square and rectangular holes with cut corners, and Lachie's life and his age of eighty and five were revealed.

Lachie was told he probably wouldn't make his birthday on Anzac Day when Lance and I visited him in early April. The family gave him his birthday present early, this being a dining car meal on an evening steam train out of Queenscliff. Lachie, though he said he wasn't in pain, had some other unpleasant side effects which he overcame.

He was at Portarlington to meet the Club on the recent ferry trip, doing a short walk. And on the Sunday before he passed away, Graham Seager got a phone call from Lachie to say he was about to fly to Sydney to visit a friend. That was his last fling, for he passed away days after his return on the Friday.

Lachie had a remarkable start to travel. Being very independent at 4 years of age, and after being taken once by his mother by local bus to kindergarten, he thereafter went by himself. Another era!

Present at the chapel were about 60 of his family. Representing the Club and the Gas & Fuel was Ewan and Barbra Colson, Graham and Wendy Seager, Lance and Denis.

Graham and Lachie were lifetime friends, both starting at the Gas & Fuel when they were eighteen. Graham started a year later, with 12 months learning under Lachie to take over his job analysing gas quality.

Lachie had walked with the Club for over 50 years, but didn't join until 1970. He was tours officer for 5 years, and led many excellent walks in the Otway Ranges and along the coast.



Street and take #235 Bus 9.52am. Destination is the terminus in Wharf Road Melway 42 E12.

Car: Parking Enter from Todd Road Melway 56 F1.

Morning Tea and Lunch: At the Picnic spot.

Walk Details: AM: 3.5 km to the Westgate Punt, returning along a new walk. PM: 1.2 km around the large lake. Toilet: There is one in the Park. However it has been damaged by fire, "Temporary Closure." If no repair by August, there is a lot of vegetation.

### **Wednesday 22 August St Kilda Beach - Brighton Beach**

Leader: Bruce Heath

Phone: 9024 2447  
0438 267 418

Rendezvous: 9:37am at tram stop 135 on the Esplanade / Fitzroy St, St Kilda. Melway 2N J6.

Maps: Melway 2N, 2P, 67 & 76

Grading: Easy

Distance: 9 km approx.

Transport: Tram #96 leaves Southern Cross Station Spencer St CBD at 9:19am. Alternatively, tram #16 leaves Fed Square Swanston St CBD at 9:11am.

Morning Tea: St Kilda Beach seats, Melway 57 K10

Walk Details: A pleasant picturesque flat walk along the Bay's beach tracks, cross at the lights towards St Kilda pier, then along coastal track to Point Ormond, Elwood Beach. Then go to upper track by Dendy St for lunch at Brighton Beach Gardens. Brighton Beach railway station is near the bend at Melway 76 C3.

### **Sunday 26 August Anakie Gorge Circuit - Brisbane Ranges National Park**

Leader: Trevor Rosen

Phone: 0412 136 124

Rendezvous: 9.30am at the carpark at Anakie Gorge Picnic Ground (if you type in this name into Google Maps it will come up). Take Geelong Freeway and take Little River turnoff. There is an alternative route via the Western Freeway and Bacchus Marsh. Toilets and picnic tables are available at the picnic ground. We will depart at 10.00am after morning tea.

reduces walk to around 7kms. A very pleasant rural walk, generally following Forest Creek into Castlemaine and is well worth the early start from Southern Cross Station. We should catch return train from Castlemaine at 1.55pm, if not the 3.00pm.

### **3rd Wednesday 19 September Cranbourne Botanic G'dns**

Leader: Travis Clark

Phone: 9874 6326

### **Sunday 23 September Domino Trail Walk**

Leader: Terry Simpson

Phone: 0400 037 291  
[simpson.ter@gmail.com](mailto:simpson.ter@gmail.com)

Rendezvous: 9.30am. Meet at the Quarry Street Recreation Reserve in Quarry Street, Trentham. From Melbourne, go on the Calder Freeway M79 and turn off to Woodend on to Black Forest Drive C792. In Woodend turn left onto the Tylden Woodend Rd. C317 and follow the signs to Trentham. Drive through Trentham on High Street. At the end of the shops turn right into Quarry Street and the reserve is on the left. There are toilets there. Trentham is approximately one and half hours drive from the city. We will have morning tea at the reserve.

Grading: Easy

Distance: 12 km

Transport: Private car.

Walk Details:

- The Domino trail is part of the original Daylesford-Carlsruhe railway.
- From Trentham it passes through bushland which is the habitat of the endangered Powerful Owl.

From the Quarry Street Recreation Reserve we will walk to the old railway line, and follow the tracks west out of the train station precinct. The old line will bring us to a road, which we will need to cross to meet up with the trail on the far side. The path takes us into a stand of introduced fir trees and then into native forest. The old rail line follows a direct route to Lyonville, cutting through the Wombat Forest. A collapsed bridge with a small diversion around it makes a good marker a couple of kilometres into the walk. Further along, the line becomes raised, allowing a new perspective into the trees on either side. A rest spot with a bench and interpretive sign explains how the forest on one side of the path has been logged more recently than the other. The last marker is a beautiful old wooden bridge, which is out of use as it is no longer safe to walk on. The route ends at the site of the old Lyonville railway station. Here we will stop and have lunch before returning back down the track to Trentham.





Morning Tea: Goulburn Park (VicRoads Country Street Directory Map 642, Ref C 8).

Maps: Above map, 1:25000 Topo map sheets 7923-4-1 and 7923-4-4.

Grading: Easy Medium (mostly flat walking)      Distance: 11 km.

Transport: 8:25am train from Southern Cross Station to Seymour. Scheduled arrival Seymour at 10:03. Alternatively, the Seymour train can be boarded at Broadmeadows railway station at 8:56.

Walk Details: From Seymour railway station the walk will head south-west to Goulburn Park beside the river for morning tea (toilets available), then north to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the High St median strip. We will cross the Goulburn Valley Highway to the Lions Park beside the Goulburn River for lunch. After lunch, an optional return walk from the historic bridge along the Seymour Multipurpose Trail (about 3 km return), then along the same trail north-east to the Seymour Railway Heritage Centre for a guided tour of the restored railway carriages, locomotives and signal boxes. The return walk to the station is about 350m. Return trains to Melbourne in the afternoon depart Seymour station at 1:14pm, 3:09 and 3:41, with scheduled arrival at Southern Cross at 2:35pm, 4:40 and 5:16 respectively. (The 3:09pm train originates from Albury, and to ensure a seat pre-booking is recommended.) It is envisaged that the 3:41 train will be used by those who want to have a look over the Railway Heritage Centre.

Escapes: The walk could be cut short when the route passes back close to the station and the shopping strip (Station Street) after morning tea, or after viewing the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and lunch had in one of the town cafes before catching the 1:14pm return train. For those who may not be interested in going to the Railway Heritage Centre, an escape shortly before is available to the shopping strip and the station.

## **SEPTEMBER PROGRAM**

### **Monday 3 September Peninsula Walk (Teurong)**

Leader: Les Littlejohn

Phone: 5987 2215  
0409 400 302

[littlejohnleslie53@yahoo.com](mailto:littlejohnleslie53@yahoo.com)

Rendezvous: 9.45 am at intersection of Wallace's Road and Nepean Highway Dromana, Melway 160 J3. We will leave some cars here and drive to the walk start, about 6 km away.

Maps: Melway 152, 151 & 161.

Grading: Medium

Distance: Approx 14 km.

Transport: Private cars. No public transport opportunities exist.

Walk Details: We will leave some cars at the rendezvous and drive to the walk start near Teurong Junction. We will have morning tea about 15 minutes into the walk. Walk will start near Camp Niall scout camp and will pass through some fine stringy bark forest in Wood's Reserve before emerging onto Derrill Road. We will follow Derrill Road south to Foxey's Hangout (not the winery) where we may partake of lunch. Our route then takes us along Foxey's Road before turning south along Bulldog Creek Road which we will follow to its end. We will then pass through a gate into an unused road reserve. This eventually becomes Wallace's Road which is followed to its end where we left some cars. This walk has no toilets (plenty of bush) and no escapes. It passes through the Kangerong Basin which is rarely visited by walkers.

### **Wednesday 5 September President's Walk - Daylesford - Hepburn Springs - Goldfields Track**

Leaders: Trevor Rosen  
Alan Hosking

Phone: 0412 136 124  
9504 0377, 0402 205 576

Rendezvous: 8.00am at Nunawading Civic Centre Car Park. Additional pick up will be at Heidelberg Station at 8.30am.

Morning Tea: At Bacchus Marsh. Hot water provided by coach for tea and coffee.

Map: VICMAP 1:25,000. Daylesford.

Grading: Longer Walk 11km - Medium; Shorter Walk 6km - Easy.

Transport & Bookings: Bus. All bookings to either Oliver Lucas (0451 957 821) or Bruce Armstrong (0416 758 204). The cost is \$35.00 which includes afternoon tea at a café in Daylesford. Please make bookings (cash or cheque) as soon as possible so numbers can be confirmed. In order to be effective bookings must include payment of \$35.00. Please let Oliver or Bruce know whether you will be boarding the bus at Nunawading or at Heidelberg Station.

Walk Details: There will be a shorter walk of about 6km led by Alan Hosking from Daylesford Lake to Cornish Hill and return. The lake walk is easy and Cornish Hill has a few short hills. Walking poles and boots are recommended. Lunch along the way. There will also be a