** Melton Bushwalkers Program Jul – Dec 2022**

**Please book with the Booking Officer.**

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**Bookings open up to two days before each walk**

 **eg. 5pm Wednesday for Saturday.**

**SATURDAY 2 JULY** **Balt Camp – Wombat Forest**

**Meeting Point:** 8.45am Nolan’s Creek Picnic Ground for 9.00am start.

**The Walk -** We walk along Nolan’s Ridge Track to Stockyard Track, where we  pass through fern covered gullies and on to Gentle Annie Track, there, we will cross the highest point in the Wombat State Forest at 878m. and continue on to Camp Road.

Here there will be a detour along Camp Road to the site of the Balt Camp ruins.

Balt Camp was a work camp for displaced persons from the Baltic States working for the Forest Commission after WW2.

After visiting the Camp we’ll make our way back to Nolan’s Creek Picnic Area via Pumphouse Track and Lerderderg Road.

There are a couple of short steep climbs and the ground will be slippery in places when wet, especially due to the LGA (Lethal Green Algae).

There will be breaks for morning tea and lunch along the way.

Grade: Medium – App 14km Limit: No Limit

Leader: Lynda K

**SATURDAY 16 JULY**   **Mt Sugarloaf**

Meeting Point - 8.45am end of Antimony Mine Rd in Coimadai for 9.00am start.

**The Walk -** The walk starts with a steep climb up Antimony Mine track until we come to the intersection with Chapmans Rd and then we head along Chapmans Rd for a short distance. We then follow a couple of trail bike tracks and wander through some lovely gulleys, before a steady climb to the top of Mt Sugarloaf with views of the city and the You Yangs on the way up to the top. It is then a steep decline with a few short steep inclines back down Sugarloaf track until we meet up with Antimony Mine track again and make our way back to the cars.

There will be breaks for morning tea and lunch along the way.

**Facilities**

No toilet facilities, but plenty of trees and bushes.

Grade: Medium. 11km

Leader: Andrea

**SATURDAY 30 JULY**    **Angahook - Aireys Inlet.**

**Currawong Falls Circuit Walk**

**Meeting at** Distillery Creek Picnic Area, Aireys Inlet at 9.15am for a 9.30am start and finishing approx 14.30

**The Walk:**

We’ll be heading anticlockwise and gently climbing up towards Currawong Falls.  The track is narrow and mostly single file.

Once past the Falls we continue our ascent, walking through the beautiful surf coast hinterland.

There will be breaks for morning tea and lunch along the way.

**Facilities:**

There are toilets at Distillery Creek Picnic Area.

Walk details - TBC

Grade: Medium – App 11km Limit: No Limit

Leader: Lynda K

**SATURDAY 13 AUGUST**   **Brisbane Ranges**

Meet at the Boar Gully carpark at the northern end of the Brisbane Ranges

**Grass Tree Walk**

**The Walk -** Beach and foreshore walk to Torquay Life Saving Club and return. Mostly levelled walk.

Remember to order you meat selection prior to the BBQ – andrewjclough@outlook.com

Grade: Medium – 14km Limit No limit

Leader: Terry M Start at Meeting Point TBA

**SATURDAY 27 AUGUST**   **Daylesford**

**Tipperary Springs to the Blowhole Circuit**

**The Walk -** The walk will follow the water race to Bryce’s Flat, along the way there are remnants of the old gold diggings and views of Sailors Creek.

 From Bryce’s Flat we’ll climb back up to the track and on to The Blowhole. This is a water diversion dug by Victorian gold miners to expose alluvial gold.

We’ll have morning tea & lunch along the way.

Grade: Medium - 12kms  Limit: No Limit

Leader: Lynda K Start at Meeting Point: TBC

**SATURDAY 10 SEPTEMBER**   **Anakie -** **Brisbane Ranges**

**The Walk -** Ted Errey Circuit

Grade: Medium 12 kms Limit: No Limit

Leader: Terry S Start at Meeting Point: TBC

**SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER**   **Mt Blackwood**

**The Walk -** Mount Grey Circuit – Recce to be completed

Grade: Medium – TBC Limit No limit

Leader: Terry M Start at Meeting Point TBA

**SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER**   **Merri Creek**

**Meeting Point:** Lake Grove, Coburg Lake – 9am for 9:15 start.

**The Walk -** Commence walk at Coburg Lake. Follow the Merri Creek Trail south to the junction with the Capital City Trail. Walk along the Capital City Trail to Royal Park railway station, where we catch a train for a short ride to Batman station. Then a six minute walk from Batman station to our cars. On the day, you will need to bring along your MYKI card for the train trip. Wear sneakers if you wish or you may prefer regular walking boots for the concrete surfaces.

Grade: Easy 11km                                                                                                        Members - No limit

Leader: Brian Curtain - 0427 431 918                                                                          Assemble by 9am.

**SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER**   **Mt Macedon**

**Meeting Point: Douglas Road, near corner with Mt Macedon Road.**

**The Walk -** Walk along Douglas Road and pick up the walking track that zig zags up the side of the mountain, eventually reaching the Memorial Cross. Morning tea at the Cafe and onto the Camels Hump for lunch. A walk on the wide grassed verge along Cameron Drive, then a left turn onto Clyde Track and Alton Road, will return us to Douglas Road. The Hard section of the walk is the climb up the zig zag track from Douglas Road to the Memorial Cross.

Grade: Medium/Hard 14km                                                                                         Members - No limit

Leader: Noel Cornish - 0419 558 824                                                                         Assemble by 9am.

**SATURDAY 5 NOVEMBER**   **LORNE**

Henderson Falls / the Canyon / Phantom Falls – Recce to be completed

Grade: Medium – TBC Limit No limit

Leader: Andy C Start at Meeting Point TBA

**SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER**   **Blackwood**

Golden Point Circuit – Blackwood - Recce to be completed

Grade: Medium – TBC Limit No limit

Leader: Terry M Start at Meeting Point TBA

**SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER**   **Available**

TBC

**SATURDAY 17 DECEMBER**   **TBC**

WALK / BBQ