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BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC.

Annual President Report

It is my duty, and privilege to sum up the year that was.

Firstly I would like to commend all who have taken up positions of responsibility, the committee who have diligently turned up every 3 third Tuesday of the month to discuss and make decisions that keep the club ticking over, and taking on extra tasks. Organising meeting presentations, writing minutes and agendas, compiling the newsletter and sending out reminders and information about the upcoming meeting, keeping the website up to date.

Equally important if not more so, the leaders who have scoped the treks and in some cases a large amount of research and organising to make it happened. Your contribution is invaluable to the club. THANK YOU.

As one who has benefited from these people I took it upon myself to lead a walk, and found that it is not as daunting as you may think. If you have an idea of an activity put yourself forward, and talk to one of the more experienced leaders, whom I am sure would be only too willing to help you or be co-leader.

This is a good time to highlight some of the activities:

- Whitsunday paddle
- Gammond Ranges hike
- First Aide course
- Several bike rides
- White water rafting
- Croajingalong hike
- A number of day and overnight paddles, on in inland waterways as well as the sea.
- Base camp Thredbo
- Western Arthur hike
- Almost every weekend a day walk

The club is in a strong position with many and varied activities, and financially secure.

Recent enquiries through the website from prospective members also gives confidence that membership will remain stable, if not increase.

Kerry Cramer

Membership Dues July 2017 Final Newsletter Reminder

The incredibly low cost of membership of the BBOC continues with dues unchanged. To make it easier for members to pay and submit the all-important yearly **membership form** (available on the website) there are now alternatives.

- Send a cheque and membership form to our P.O. Box.
- Deposit dues into the BBOC bank account. Remember to type your surname into the reference field. Bendigo Bushwalking and Outdoor Club, Bendigo Bank BSB 633-108, Account Number: 134109016.
- Pay the treasurer at a general meeting.
- E-mail (bendigo.bushwalking@gmail.com), send by mail or hand the membership form in at a general meeting.

Membership Benefits

Insurance coverage on members trips. 10% discount at Aussie Disposals Bendigo, 25% at Mountain Designs Bendigo.

Your Bushwalking Victoria membership card enables you to obtain discounts at a number of retailers including Ajays (Heathmont), Bogong Equipment (Melb), EMC (Deepdene), Melb Map Centre (Malvern East), The Wilderness Shop (Box Hill), Paddy Pallin, Smitten merino wear, Tasmania, Woodslane Walking Guides.

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P.O. Box 989, Bendigo, 3552 Reg No. A0051482V E-Mail: enquiries@gobush.org.au

Meetings - 4th Tuesday every month [except Dec] Presbyterian Church Hall, 35- 41 Forest Street Meetings start at 7:30 pm sharp.

Web address: http://gobush.org.au/

The BBOC is affiliated with

Bushwalking Victoria

Membership

Fees are \$60 for a family and \$40 for single members. Payable each financial year.

A Membership Form can be found on the website at <u>www.gobush.org.au</u>.

Remember you must sign the Acknowledgment of Risk at the bottom of the membership application otherwise you are not covered by the Club insurance.

You are welcome to try a trip or two at the nominal cost of \$2 per trip.

Wanted

<u>Trip Leaders</u>: Have you found a wonderful place to visit and would like to share it with others? Is there a place you would like to go and want company? Organise a trip! We have many leaders who are eager to assist you.

<u>Club Night Events</u>: Is there something you would like to see at a club night? Learn to navigate? Camping food? Perhaps you want to tell us about one of your trips or know someone who can give a talk. Let us know.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 16/17

Deadlines

Submissions to the newsletter deadline are the third Tuesday of the month.

Email your submission to:

bendigo.bushwalking@gmail.com

President Kerry Cramer 03 5441 4422 Vice President Anne Bridley 03 5442 6188 Chris Franks 03 5439 3549 Secretary Treasurer Position Vacant **Trip Coordinator** Anne Bridley Equipment Officer Chris Franks 03 5439 3549 Web Master Peter Pemberton 0428 869 196 Newsletter **Roland Cauka** General Committee Roland Cauka 0402 024 096 General Committee Leisje Wilson 0448 031 647 General Committee John Lindner 03 5448 3406

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Reading

Bushwalk Australia Magazine Bushwalking Victoria News Echuca Moama Bushwalkers News Benalla Bushwalking Club Newsletter Shepparton Adventure Club Newsletter

Monthly Meeting Activity

To be announced via e-mail

Federation Walks

Message from John Lindner

Federation Walks weekend. If you want to go you have to **book almost at once**. As bookings close on September 1

Regent Honeyeater Project

An annual series of weekends devoted to saving the Regent Honeyeater. About the project: http://regenthoneyeater.org.au/. Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/regenthoneyeater/ . This year's dates August 12-13, August 26-27, September 9-10, September 23-24, October 7-8. John has planned attending and the details are in the next section..

https://tinyurl.com/julud7v https://tinyurl.com/mauntol https://tinyurl.com/ya7nbxhr https://tinyurl.com/ybnfzkx8 https://tinyurl.com/y6wwkbm4

Upcoming Trips

Here is your opportunity to tell everyone about your trip. Send me a paragraph with the highlights and a rough trip plan so that members can get excited and flood you with messages wanting to go.

Tarrengower- Rock Of Ages Range Sat 26 August

Day walk. Grade . **Medium** (A Fair Bit of Up and Down) Maldon. Involves. - A bit of history , a bit of hill climb, hopefully some views, a fair bit of granite. A creek crossing (bonus). Mainly off track. Bring your lunch. Distance . I don't know. (not far). Duration 4-5 hours. Meet Forest St Hall **8.45 am for 9 am departure**. Contact – Hans Tracksdorf m 04000 49 891

Mt Buller Challenge

Day walk – Date TBA

Calling adventurous club members interested in climbing to the summit of Mt Buller via the West Ridge in winter. This is a difficult day walk rated as Hard. You must be prepared for cold, wet conditions. For full details – Garry Brannan ph 0450879917

Regent Honeyeater Tree-Planting Project, Benalla September 22-24

Rating: **Medium** Comments: Staying at Warrenbayne with Heather Thomas and Doug Mannix Contact John Lindner, 5448 3406, <u>jwl.bendigo@gmail.com</u> Will email full details on request.

Tentative Mt Feathertop Thursday 28 Sept (Day Before AFL Public Holiday)

Day walk Grade – **Hard** Eight spots Early start depart Bendigo. Ascend the mountain. Most likely stop in Harrietville that night (after descent) Highly likely to still have cornice on summit. Contact – Hans Tracksdorf m 04000 49 891

Beeripmo Walk, Mt Cole State Park October Saturday 14th

Type: Day walk Grade: Medium/Hard 21.5km

The Beeripmo Walk is in the Mt Cole State Park to the south of Elmhurst. It passes through many forest types and includes features such as small waterfalls and a number of lookouts on top of granite outcrops It is usually completed as an Easy/Medium 2-day walk, but is M/H as a day walk. Afternoon tea/coffee in Avoca before returning to Bendigo.

MEET: At **7:30am** at the Club's Meeting Hall in Forest Street. Fuel Share: **Zone 2 \$20** Contact: Garry Brannan ph 0450879917

Federation of Victorian Walking Clubs (VicWalk) weekend, Warburton Fri 27 (pm) and weekend 28-29

Description 20 walks to choose from, all in the surrounding area

Rating All levels, easy to hard

Registration You must book and pay yourself on-line. The cost is \$55 for 2 day-walks, booklet with all walk details and Saturday night meal. Google "Federation Walks 2017" for the full scenario and booking procedure.

Contact John Lindner, 54483406, jwl.bendigo@gmail.com

I will be travelling down Friday afternoon, and can take 2 in my car. I will be staying at the Warburton Caravan Park, not at the Arrabri Lodge.

AAWT – Mt Hotham to Mt Wills November 4th to 12th

Type- Overnight Pack Carry. Grade - Medium

The Australian Alps Walking Track winds through the high country of Victoria, New South Wales and the ACT. It traverses rugged remote alpine country including some of Australia's finest alpine national parks. The track climbs our highest mountains and crosses exposed high plains. It passes through magnificent tall forests and stunted snow gum woodlands, and discovers sites rich in history.

You must be prepared for extreme alpine weather. It includes the summits of Mt Jim, Mt Nelse and Mt Bogong, as well as numerous cattleman and survival huts.

https://theaustralianalps.wordpress.com/the-alps-partnership/publications-and-research/australian-alps-walking-track-guide/ For further information, Garry Brannan ph 0450879917

Trip Reports

Porcupine Ridge to Vaughan Springs led by John



BBOC Activities Calendar

Date	Description	Rating	Comments	Contact
August				
Tue 22 Aug	Monthly Club Meeting			
Sat 26 Aug	Tarrengower Maldon	Med	Day Walk	Hans Tracksdorf 0400 049 891
September				
Fri 22-Sun 24 September	Regent Honeyeater Tree- Planting Project	Med	Base Camp	John Lindner, 5448 3406
Tue 26 Sep	General Meeting			
Thu 28 th Sep	Mt Feathertop	Hard	Tentative Day Walk 8 Spots	Hans Tracksdorf 0400 049 891
October				
Sat 7 to Fri 13 Oct	Base camp at Cooinda Burrong Scout Camp	Easy/Med	Day walks. Spring wildflowers, views, bushland and creeks.	John Lindner 5448 3406
Sat Oct 14	Beeripmo Circuit	Med/Hard	Day Walk	Garry Brannan 0450879917
Tues 24 Oct	General Meeting			
Fri 27 (pm) and weekend 28-29	Federation Walks	Mixed	Day Walks Book Yourself	John Lindner 5448 3406
November				
Nov 4 to 12	Mt Hotham to Mt Wills	Med	Pack Carry - Alpine	Garry Brannan 0450879917