

GO BUSH

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BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC.

Advance Notice for an Amazing Talk – November Meeting

Date: Tuesday 28th November

Description: Special Guest Speaker Craig Doubleday – **Solo** Trek of the Alpine Trail. Craig's **6 week**, July-August 2017, ski traverse of the Alpine Track, **Walhalla to the ACT**

At the November general meeting we will host a special guest coming down from Melbourne who is making the time to visit and talk about an absolutely insane adventure solo trekking the high country. Following the footsteps of other extreme adventurers (remember Peter Tresider?) Craig braved arctic conditions to trek the high country – alone, in an environment that would make Mawson weep in despair. Experience vicariously the trials, agony and ecstasy of pitting man against the harsh environment of this part of Australia. Make the time to come along and listen to an amazing tale and leave astounded at what a person may achieve.



December 12th End of Year Picnic

Date: Tuesday 12th, 6.30 pm onwards.

Description: BBOC End of year picnic

Rating: **Fun**

Where: White Hills Botanic Gardens.

BYO everything (including chair) and food to share. **Barbeque** on site.

Contact: John Lindner, 5448 3406

EPIRB Bulk Buy

Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon or EPIRB is used to alert search and rescue services in the event of an emergency. It does this by transmitting a coded message on the 406 MHz distress frequency via satellite and earth stations to the nearest rescue co-ordination centre. The club will be replacing its device soon and the committee has thoughtfully decided to try and obtain a bulk buy deal for members who wish to purchase this important device for their kit. Expected cost about \$250. Expensive? That is for you to consider. Email the secretary, BBOC Gmail account, phone a committee member – let us know to put you on the list

Membership Benefits

Insurance coverage on members trips. 10% discount at Aussie Disposals Bendigo

Your Bushwalking Victoria membership card enables you to obtain discounts at a number of retailers

Note that Bushwalking Victoria membership cards need to be presented prior to processing of sale.

<http://bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/bwv-membership-card-benefits/bwv-membership-card-benefits>

Note: RRP = Regular Retail Price-does not include sale or consignment items or hire gear

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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



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 www.gobush.org.au.

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

Trip Leaders: 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.

Club Night Events: 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.

Deadlines

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS 16/17

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Reading

Bushwalk Australia Magazine

<https://tinyurl.com/julud7v>

Bushwalking Victoria News

<https://tinyurl.com/mauntol>

Echuca Moama Bushwalkers News

<https://tinyurl.com/y7komctI>

Benalla Bushwalking Club Newsletter

<https://tinyurl.com/ybnfzcx8>

Shepparton Adventure Club Newsletter

<https://tinyurl.com/y6wwkbn4>

Monthly Meeting Activity

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BBOC Pizza Get Together Tuesday January 23

Tuesday January 23 :

Kangaroo Flat Botanical Garden Reserve, Camp St. 6:30

BBOC pizza get together. We will provide the pizza. Bring your own drinks, tea and coffee etc. Also some chairs. Look forward to seeing you there!

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.

Werribee Gorge Walk – Sunday 12 Nov 2017

Rating – **Hard**

Werribee Gorge – 12km circuit walk providing spectacular views of the gorge. Start at Ingleston Road side and enter Gorge via Eastern Walk. Travel up the gorge toward Myrniong Creek and then climb the spur up to Eagles Eyrie. Return back to Ingleston Road, detouring to Falcons lookout enroute. The park is a breeding site for both Wedge-tailed Eagles and Peregrine Falcons

NOTE. This walk is graded Hard due to River crossings (may have to take shoes off), steep climbs and sheer drop-offs from Eagles Eyrie. This walk is only suited to walkers who do not fear heights and who can challenge themselves. There is no half-way exit from the walk.

Bring – Morning tea, lunch, nibbles and at least one litre of water. Personal first aid. And as it expected to be hot (28 degrees predicted), your swimming togs.- if your keen!

Interested persons should contact me by Friday Night, so I can determine if enough starters For this walk.

Limit: 10 Hikers. Meet: Forest St Hall **7.50am for 8am depart.**

Hans Tracksdorf ph 04000 49 891

Mt Feather Top Bon Accord logging track 25/26 November 2017

The walk will be an over night hike starting from Harrierville, Saturday, up the Bon Accord spur track. Camping at the Federation hut, then the Sunday around to the Razorback dropping off at the spur leading to the Bon Accord logging track.

Depending on the quality of the track leading to the logging track and the logging track itself there could be some of track walking. Probably camp at the Harrierville caravan park Friday night.

Kerry Cramer 0409 537 799

Social Paddle with Bendigo Canoe Club. Dec 3rd

Aysons Reserve, 9.30 Paddling upstream toward Elmore and back on the Campaspe river for BBQ lunch. Bring snacks and drinks for the river and food for the BBQ at the finish. I will supply the BBQ. Suitable for all.

Garry Brannan, 0450879917 for more details.

Licola-Snowy Plains-Mount Howitt January 13th to 21st

Type- **Base Camp and Day Walks**. Grade – **Easy, Medium, Hard**

Base camps and day walks. Due to gravel roads to travel between walks, we use 4 different base camps for 2 nights each. Plan is flexible, and may be modified according to weather, and group inclinations and abilities.

Rating All levels - E/M/H. Some of the walks are longer and harder. But there are plenty of easier options, whereby you may either choose to stay put somewhere or turn back, as long as you are not alone.

Proposed Walks

1. Wellington River/Crolls Gorge (8 - 10 k according to the option chosen) Walking/wading/swimming up the river through the beautiful gorge.
2. Mount Arbuckle, Shaw's Creek, Mount Reynard (4 - 17 k according to the option chosen) Each of these 3 locations is further from the base camp. The second is an extensive open valley and the third is a slight rise on a wide elevated plain.
3. Moroka Gorge (6 -14 k depending on the option chosen) There are 5 magnificent waterfalls in this splendid gorge. Good track down to the river but rough from there. Aiming to reach all 4 lower falls, in particular the spot from where Eugene Von Guerard took his view for the lithograph "Moroka River Falls", 1865.
4. Mount Wellington (12 – 16 k depending on the option chosen) Great views of the alps and Gippsland.
5. Bryce's Gorge (8 k circuit) Visiting Guys Hut, Conglomerate Falls and Piemans Falls.
6. Mount Howitt (14 k return) Via Vallejo Gantner Hut to the summit on the open plateau. Wonderful views and wildflowers.

Organiser John Lindner, 54483406, will provide full details and map on request.

Baw Baw Alpine Resort January 24th – 29th

Type: Base camp accommodation and day walks

I have booked the JohnGardiner Ski Lodge for the period Wed 24 January till Monday 29th which includes the Friday Australia Day holiday. The lodge sleeps 20 in 6 rooms (2x2 [bunks]; 1x4 [bunks]; 3 x family rooms [1dble +2 top bunks]. Fees are reasonable, \$50 ph for the weekend and \$18ph for any other night. 4 bathrooms , fully equipped kitchen, large lounge room etc.

From the lodge a range of walks are available, 5km village trail which can be extended on track, it is only 3km over to the Alpine walking track so one can go to Mt St Gwinear, Mt Whitelaw, Mushroom Rocks, Mustering Flat or I'm keen to find Hobbitland which is the only spot on the plateau which has never been burnt. Walks would be determined by the calibre of participants.

As it is a long weekend I expect the Restaurant which has spectacular views over the LaTrobe valley will be open as will other green season facilities so non walkers can easily be occupied.

I would like expressions' of interest asap and preferably before Christmas so I can work on filling the lodge.

Janet Jiricek 0431463731 fjjiricek@gmail.com

BBOC Activities Calendar

Date	Description	Rating	Comments	Contact
November				
Nov Sun 12	Werribee Gorge	Hard	Day Walk	Hans Tracksdorf 0400 049 891
Tue 28 Nov	General Meeting		Craig Doubleday Alpine Adventure	
Nov 25-26	Mt Feathertop Bona Cord fire trail	Med/Hard	Pack carrying	Kerry Cramer 0409 537 799
December				
Dec Tue 12	End of Year BBOC Event	Fun	Picnic at White Hills Botanical Gardens @ 6.30 pm	John Lindner 5448 3406
January				
Jan Sat 13 to Sun 21	Base Camp – Day Walks	Easy, Med, Hard	6 high quality day walks, ranging from 10-17 k. Moroka Gorge, Mount Howitt, Croll's Gorge	John Lindner 5448 3406
Jan 21	Axdale Via rail trail. Return Whipstick	Med	50k day bike ride	Helen Cronin
Jan 23	BBOC Pizza Evening	Easy	6.30 BYO Drinks, Chairs	
Jan Wed 24 to Mon 29	Base Camp – Day Walks		Walks would be determined by the calibre of participants.	Janet Jiricek 0431463731
February				
Feb 11	Port Philip Bay sea kayak	Med	Day Trip	Garry Brannan 0450 879 917
Feb 17-18	Alisoni's Reserve Cycle	Med	Overnight Bike Ride	Helen Cronin
Feb 24-25	Princetown Hike			Hans Tracksdorf 0400 049 891
March				
Mar 3	Franklin Gorge	Med	Day Walk	Graham Borrell 0438 437 680
Mar 9-12	Murray River Canoeing		Canoeing	John Lindner 5448 3406
Mar 16-18	Phillip Island Paddle	Med	Sea Kayaking. Need experience on open water	Kerry Cramer 0409 537 799
Mar 17-18	Johanna GOW		Overnight Pack Carry	Hans Tracksdorf 0400 049 891
Mar 29 – Apr 4	Wombat flat - Cobberas	Med/Hard	4 day pack carrying	Greg Doubleday 0427 310 498
April				
April 28	Rhocola Range		Day Walk	Graham Borrell 0438 437 680