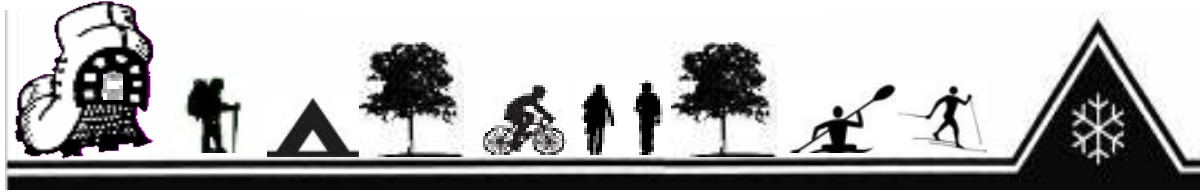


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BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC

Presidents notes for the April meeting.

Committee members Leigh, Chris, Peter, John, Roland & Kerrie met on April 19 .

It's not too soon to mention the AGM, and for members to think about involvement in the Committee. I'm having a break from the Presidency after 2 years. If you'd consider helping out the Club on the Committee in any capacity, we'd be very pleased to have you.

I notice that there are no photos on Dropbox of any activities in 2016. Please upload your photos. Roland or I can show you how to do this. Meanwhile some photos from David Crocker's Bogong walk last weekend can be seen by Control Clicking on this link <http://tinyurl.com/ou89w4m>. You'll go to BBOC Dropbox, then Click on BBOC Trip Photos/Bogong April 2016.

While you are on the internet, check out our continually improving website at <http://gobush.org.au>.

At the April meeting we will be having a Bush Scenes Quiz Nite. This is your chance to test your ability (anonymously) to recognise notable places in the Australian bush. You will be randomly allocated to groups of five or six. We will project images of about 40 scenes for about 15 seconds each. Your group should note an identification for each image. Then you can correct your scores yourselves. May the best group win.

Also at the meeting we want your suggestions for group activities and better still commit to leading one or some of them. We'll have got a whiteboard to record activities, leaders and dates.

We are still after Mentors to accompany new Leaders on trips.

Check out the Activities Calendar; you might find just what you are looking for. Come along to the Meeting to learn more.

Remember to get your outdoor gear at Aussie Disposals and Mountain Designs, and enjoy the discounts.

Leigh Callinan

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Club Meetings:

Meetings are at 7.15 for a prompt 7.30 pm start on the 4th Tuesday of every month (except December) now in the Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest Street, Bendigo.

There is an annual calendar of speakers, presenters, and activities. Visitors are always welcome.



Monthly Meeting Activity

Club Meeting – Calendar planning and the **President's famous Team-building quiz, 'Name it + Claim it!'**

Consider the Photo. Who, what, where, when, and perhaps most importantly WHY. Who are these masked men?

- April 26th

Come along for a fun night of photos, frivolity, tall stories and true.

Calendar planning – ideas for future adventures together. Give some thought to places you may wish to go or return to.

If you haven't lead a trip, but there is somewhere you want to go not on the calendar, put your hand up. You will get plenty of help to get started.



- May 24th

Club Meeting – Gear and Gadget night with an emphasis on new, light weight gear. If you have gear that you wish to sell or swap, bring that along also.

Membership fees.

Fees are \$60 for a family and \$40 for single members. 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.

Bits and Pieces

Bushwalking News Victoria

The most recent edition the Bushwalking Victoria Newsletter can be found here.

<http://www.bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/newsletter-archive.html>



Trip Reports

Easter Walk, Cobberas/Pilot area. 24th – 28th March

When I put this walk on the program, I was inundated with expressions of interest with more people than I really wanted, creating a dilemma for the leader in how to say “sorry but you can’t come” to some while saying “it’s a goer” to others. Fortunately there were scratchings & withdrawals and finallydisease!! In the end I struggled to get enough takers to run the walk. Both Robyn & myself had a dose of the flu the week before and struggled off our death beds to go, being supported in the ill health brigade by Melinda who sounded like she had whooping cough at times. The only fit person was Chris who was always happy & cheery as the rest of us coughed and wheezed our way through the walk.



The sickly crew at the start. Greg, Melinda, Robyn, Chris

Chris, Robyn & I left Bendigo mid-afternoon Thursday, meeting Melinda at Myrtleford for tea. Super slow service at the pizza shop saw tea arrive an hour after we ordered, resulting in a late arrival at Native Dog Flat where we camped for the night in the Day Use Only picnic area. In the morning we piled into the car and drove along Cowombat Flat Track to the car park at the locked gate about 1km before Bulley Creek. From here we resorted to shanks pony for the rest of Easter. The BOM weather forecast for Friday said showers and Bob Jones favorite weather site from Norway predicted copious amounts of rain. Both were wrong as we had pleasant walking conditions under scattered cloud and mild temperatures. The walk into Cowombat Flat along the fire trail is relatively level for the first half, then provides a few steepish ups and downs as one approaches the Flat. There are limited views along the way.



Cowombat Flat, plane wreckage, The Pilot in the background

Cowombat Flat does not make a good landing strip. Later, when we looked at the surrounding country from the top of The Pilot, we realised the only clearing of any size to put a plane down on is Cowombat Flat.

After lunch we walked down to the stream called Murray and took the obligatory photo of everyone straddling the stream, one foot in Victoria & the other in New South Wales.

We emerged onto Cowombat Flat near the wreckage of the RAAF DC3 which crashed in 1954. We settled down for lunch as we surveyed the extensive clearing which makes up the Flat; well-cropped green grass, the odd scattered tree, divided by an infant Murray River with The Pilot looming to the North, and forest surrounding the lot. I dug a copy of the RAAF Incident Report on the aircraft crash out of my pack which provided details of the flight and the investigation into the cause of the crash in which the Co Pilot was killed.



Chris in two states at the same time

Saturday morning was fine and clear. We headed North along the fire trail, climbing all the way for several kilometres before we turned left and scrub-bashed our way steeply to the top of The Pilot for 360 degree views of the area. To the north, the Main Range & Kosciuszko dominated. To the south, a tiny clearing nestled deep in a valley was Cowombat Flat with the rocky peaks of the Cobberas looming above. In the east, in the far distance was farming land. Everywhere else was ridges, gullies and forest as far as the eye could see. We wrote our names in the log book at the summit cairn and retraced our way down through the scrub to the firetrail and back to camp and a well-earned rest. We found we no longer had the Flat to ourselves with four other groups having arrived.



*Melinda looking south towards the Cobberas and Cowombat Flat from The Pilot,
Below – the spring at the start of the Murray River*



*Greg, Robyn, Melinda & Chris at Border Cairn No1 Forest Hill,
Below – Greg, Melinda & Chris walking down the Murray River valley towards Cowombat Flat*



Sunday dawned foggy so we had a slow start, hoping the cloud would clear; it didn't. We opted for a walk to the spring at the start of the mighty Murray and a visit to the border cairn at Forest Hill. From camp we retraced our route from Saturday, northward up the firetrail for 2 kms to a small cairn on the side of the track. Here we followed a well worn brumby pad eastward which took us to a grassy shallow valley containing a trickle which was the Murray. Upstream a little was a marker ribbon marking another brumby pad which skirted a dense patch of teatree scrub. In this scrub, a steel post in the middle of a boggy spring marks the beginning of the Murray. Climbing further up the ridge we located Alexander Black's Border Cairn No 1, built in the late 1860s. This cairn was a pile of rocks when I visited it 15 years ago but has been rebuilt since. It stands about 4 meters high with timber arris's and a centre pole. A series of these cairns mark the straight line part of the Vic – NSW border from the Murray to the coast, the Black Allan Line.

Monday morning was fine and clear as we reluctantly broke camp, leaving this idyllic spot and walking out along the vehicle track to the car where we had lunch before the long drive back home. My GPS informed me we had walked over 60 kms for the four days. We didn't climb the Cobberas or explore The Playground, nor did we climb the Ram's Horn so there is plenty of unfinished business to warrant a return visit.

Greg Doubleday

Sea Kayaking – Port Welshpool to Johnny Souey Cove [almost] – April 2016

When the Bureau of Meteorology issue a Strong Wind Warning for the entire Victorian coastline, you know that a paddle from Port Welshpool to Johnny Souey Cove on Wilsons Promontory may get a little rough. We were not disappointed.

Friday night everyone was at Pt Welshpool for an evening meal at the pub, followed by animated conversation on subjects many and varied, even including the plan of attack for the following day. The one thing that worried me though was the forecast wind; not that it was too strong, but that there was none. Friday evening should have been blowing hard, peaking in the middle of the night, and abating towards morning, but as I lay awake in the wee small hours, still no wind.

Everyone was up and packing before first light on Saturday morning, but still only a light breeze. What the? Oh well, it will be what it will be. Off to the local [& only] cafe for their famous 'big breakfast'; two eggs, toast, four rashers of bacon, three big chunks of tomato, spinach, and a huge cup of coffee. We might be glad of that later, especially the spinach.

We were on the water right on 8:30 when the first really strong gusts arrived. **The peak gust for Saturday at the Wilson's Promontory Light House was 93kmh at 7:15am** It was solid paddling against the wind [GPS track in orange] but fortunately the waves were only small. After 1¼ hours we took a break on little snake island – a very slow 3.5km down, 24km still to go today. From there towards the top of the Prom the water is deeper, and although we were no longer paddling directly into the wind, the waves were about one metre high combined with a swell from the south which turned the water into the equivalent of a giant top loading washing machine.

We stopped for a lunch break at the top of the Prom. From Little Snake Island we had covered 10km in really good time, just 1½ hours.

The rest of the day proved to be a real slog. The wind never let up and by 5:30 we called it quits, still two kilometres short of our destination. Our camp site was on the narrowest possible strip of elevated sand between the high tide mark and really thick scrub. On the plus side; there was a tiny fresh water stream to wash off the salt. No trouble sleeping this night.

Sunday morning could not be more different. No wind and the sea absolutely flat. Phew, no complaints there.

After paddling for an hour we took a break at Lighthouse Point; believe it or not, to check out the lighthouse. Not exactly a lighthouse, just a rudimentary structure supporting the light and some solar panels.

The next stop was at Entrance Point. Because of the huge volume of water that flows in and out of Corner Inlet with every tide, we didn't want to be paddling against the flow, so this was a compulsory two hour stop waiting for the tide to change. Time for a leisurely lunch and a snooze.

From there it was just a matter of a steady paddle into Port Welshpool, pack up and head for home.

Thanks to Barry, David, Andy, Mark and Kerry

Garry Brannan.

Johnny Souey Cove => unfinished business



O'Keefe Rail Trail - Sunday 3rd April

Type: Bike Ride

Grade: Easy/Medium 55km

Riders: David C, Kerrie N, Kate L, John L, John B, Fiona P, Baden P

This bike ride was to take the opportunity to ride on the recently opened section of the O'Keefe Rail Trail between Axedale and Heathcote passing through the Knowsley Forest and crossing the currently dry upper reaches of Lake Eppalock.

Some people had decided just to ride one way from Axedale to Heathcote and they were joined by some others on the day, so only three people rode the entire distance. This meant that everyone was able to complete a ride to a length that suited them.

We had a fine and warm autumn day for the ride and unfortunately were not surprised by how dry all the countryside was that we rode through. We all had lunch together before the group separated for the ride or drive back to Axedale. This is an interesting and enjoyable section of the O'Keefe Rail Trail and most certainly we will be back to ride again. David Crocker.



Lake Eppalock – (photo Fiona P.)



Two Creek Walk – Wednesday 6th April

Type: Day walk

Grade: Easy/Medium 12km

Walkers: David C, Mark S, Fiona P, Louise P, Linton

On a morning of drizzling rain we meet at Kangaroo Flat. On the drive to Daylesford the weather remained rather bleak and at the start of the walk we all had rain jackets on. This walk is in the most southern region of the Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park to the east of Mt Franklin. The first part of the walk follows northward along the Great Dividing Trail (now re-badged as The Goldfields Track) heading in the direction of Vaughan Springs.

This region is littered with remnants of the early gold rush era with the remains of old shafts and foundations of old stone buildings. The lunch stop at Sebastapol was next to an old stone chimney with the weather still a little threatening. From here the GDT was left behind as we headed southwards across country to join Porcupine Ridge Road to head back to the cars.

The weather eased and four out of five people removed rain jackets with a warning from the fifth that such an action was likely to open the heavens! – it didn't. But as we arrived back at the cars it did finally rain heavily as we drove into Daylesford for coffee before one car went home to Ballarat and one to Bendigo.

David Crocker.

Tipperary Track – Sunday 6th April

Type: Day walk

Grade: Easy/Medium 15km

Walkers: David C, Max E, Fiona P, Garry B, Geoff B, John B, Aaron F

A fine and sunny Sunday morning found the trip leader waiting at Forest Street. At 8:55am the trip leader was still by himself perhaps wondering – right place? -right time? -right day? By 9:00am there were a total of three people at Forest Street for a Sunday day walk but all was not lost as four others were travelling independently from Eppalock – by car, from Ballarat – by car, from Daylesford – by car, Hepburn Springs – by foot. Have so many people ever come on a BBOC day walk from so many locations? A short car shuffle from Hepburn Springs had everyone at Lake Daylesford to start the walk.

Almost all the walk is along the Great Dividing Trail heading in the direction of Castlemaine. After a short section from Lake Daylesford we were in the valley of Sailors Creek and heading north along old water races firstly to Tipperary Springs and then on to Bryces Flat for a lunch break. Aaron left us here to walk back home to Hepburn Springs.

A short distance after lunch brought us to The Blowhole which is one of a number of locations in Victoria where miners dug tunnels through vary narrow spurs between two sections of a river to divert water leaving a large loop of exposed river bed in which to look for gold.

As Sailors Creek had no water flowing it was a fairly easy task to explore and scramble through the short tunnel.



After reaching the Hepburn Springs – Newstead Road the GDT leaves Sailors Gully and heads eastwards up Springs Creek passing on the other side of the creek to the Hepburn Springs township. We cut a kilometre and the only hill (Jacksons Lookout) from the walk to ensure that we were back into the Hepburn Mineral Springs Reserve before the coffee shop closed. After retrieving cars from Lake Daylesford everyone headed off in many directions to go home.

David Crocker.

The Monk & Poverty Gully Water Race- Wednesday 20th April

Type: Day walk

Grade: Easy/Medium 13km

Walkers: David C, Mark S, Louise P

On a warm sunny morning there were just three of us as we drove off from Kangaroo Flat for this newly created walk in the Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park just south of Chewton. A slight lapse of concentration soon after the start took us off on a track (road) that was not on the map and added a little distance as we ended up as far south as Spring Gully – not lost but not as far as planned. Even bumping into a house that Louise had previously lived in. Heading west we soon picked the water race system which we were to follow for a total of 11km of the 15km we walked in total.

All the water races that we walked were completely devoid of water and the surrounding countryside is extremely dry also. We took the opportunity to use the table near the carpark for the Eureka Reef Mine before walking further along to join the Poverty Gully Water Race and the Great Dividing Trail.

In the latter part of the walk we passed by the large tailings area of the Wattle Gully Gold Mine (now not working) and back to the car. Togs Café in Castlemaine for coffee and then the drive back to Bendigo

David Crocker

Bogong High Plains – The Huts Tour (Part 2) Friday 15th – Sunday 17th April

Type: Overnight walk

Grade: Medium 34 km

Walkers: David C, Garry B, Melinda I, Leigh C, Fiona P, Matthew C, Kerrie N.

This walk was a follow up to a previous walk completed on the eastern side of the Bogong High Plains in March 2014, again the plan was to visit a number of old (and new) huts this time on the western side of the High Plains and also some down below the High Plains.

Departure from Bendigo in two cars was early enough for a stop for dinner in the Alpine Hotel in Bright before heading on through Mt Beauty and Falls Creek to camp at Pretty Hut on Friday night. The weather was fine and mild and remained so all weekend. The drive was memorable by the amount of wildlife we encountered once it was dark including deer (many does and one buck), wallabies (numerous), foxes, rabbits, hares and ⅓ of an echidna (- ask Garry about this figure!).



Pretty Valley Hut, and below, Westerns Hut



Tawonga Hut, and below, Blair's Hut



Matthew arrived (from Auckland, via Melbourne) to join us at Pretty Valley Hut early on Saturday morning and we drove the cars a short distance down the hill to the start of the walk at Pretty Valley Pondage. The morning walk started up the old road and onto the Bogong High Plains on the Mt Fainter Track. A short time later we dropped packs and headed down (750m) to visit Tawonga Huts, returning to pick up packs we headed on a snow pole line across the High Plains to Snow Pole No 333 which is meeting point of four tracks that cross the High Plains, a stop was made here for morning tea in fine warm sunny weather.



Dibbins Hut



Cope Saddle Hut



Ryders Huts



Snow Pole No 333 -The Centre of High Plains!

Then began the long descent from the High Plains down to the recently re-built Westons Hut. A lunch stop was taken at Westons before tackling the steeper descent into the West Kiewa River valley finally arriving at Blairs Hut. From Blairs Hut there is a long climb past the Red Robin Mine to the Cobungra Gap, then a short sharp descent to Dibbins Hut. A brief shower of rain interrupted the evening meal but soon cleared allowing a couple of hours of card playing under a half-moon.



*Mornin Tea – Snow Pole No 333,
Below, Heading up from Dibbins Hut*



*Mt Feathertop,
Below, On the High Plains again*



Sunday morning was very foggy and this remained the pattern into the afternoon except for the occasional brief lifting letting the sunlight through. Today we had to regain most of the height we had lost yesterday as we headed in the mist on the Australian Alps Walking Track, past Basalt Temple (not to be seen) and broke out of the tree cover to reach Snow Pole No 267 where the side track goes to Youngs Hut (2km away). It would have been good to add this hut to our list but unfortunately time did not allow us to do this. On along the AAWT and back to Snow Pole No 333 for morning tea for the second time. A number of brumbies were sighted when the mist lifted at times. Now turning eastwards we headed to Cope Saddle and Cope Saddle Hut for a lunch stop. Without packs we then made a detour to Ryders Huts (3km return) still in very misty weather. On our return we collected packs and walk along a management road to finish back near to Pretty Valley Hut and the cars.

By 3:00pm we were heading home, five to Bendigo and two to Melbourne, with a short stop together for coffee in the bakery at Mt Beauty. David Crocker.

Activities . . . March and beyond

Sat April 30 – 'Three lost children' walk – Daylesford.

Day walk, Grade – Medium. 15Km, although a shorter version will probably be walked on the day.

Fuel share \$12

This is a one way, up,down & around walk that starts just near 'The Mill' market on the Ballarat Rd, one kilometre out of town. We need to do a car shuffle after arrival; participants can look over Tasman house while we do the shuffle. At the end I hope we can drive to the actual site where the Children were found, although this is not the finish of the walk.

Meet at the Kangaroo Flat Library car park at 8.30am sharp! **Please book in before, if you intend going.**

Leader: Ray Wilson ph 54478862

Wednesday 4th May – Spring Gully & Break Neck Hill

WALK CANCELLED

Maldon & Mt Tarrengower – Wednesday 18th May

Type: Day Walk

Distance: 13km Grade: Medium

Description: This walk will take in the many impressive views from various points on top of the Mt Tarrengower Range. This will be a circular walk starting and finishing in Maldon and there will be some climbing involved as fire lookout tower on the top of Mt Tarrengower will be climbed both from the east and west of the summit. Mostly on tracks but there will be some off-track walking traversing the slopes of the mountain.

Afternoon tea/coffee in Maldon before returning to Bendigo.

Meet: At 8:30am in the carpark in front of Rebel Sport at Lansell Square, Kangaroo Flat.

Fuel Share: Zone 1 – \$10

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

Murray to Mountains Rail Trail – Bike Ride

Friday 20th May to Sunday 22nd May 2016

A bike Ride from Base Camp at Myrtleford Caravan Park covering the section of the Rail Trail between Beechworth and Bright

Distance: Over the two days – 102km

Grade: Medium

Party Size: Max party size is 9

Features: Over 100 kilometres of sealed off-road trails provides you with the perfect link between the already popular tourist villages of Wangaratta, Beechworth, Rutherglen and Bright.

Proposed Itinerary:

1. Friday: Drive from Bendigo to Myrtleford
2. Saturday: Ride from Myrtleford to Bright and return (60km)
3. Sunday: Ride from Beechworth [downhill] to Myrtleford (42km)

Costs: 1. Zone 5 - \$45

2. Accommodation costs for camping or shared cabin at Myrtleford Caravan Park.

Info: www.murraytomountains.com.au and www.railtrails.org.au

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604 email: dcrocker46@gmail.com

Mt Alexander – The Great Dividing Trail

Wednesday 1st June

Type: Day Walk

Distance: 13km Grade: Medium

Description: The walk starts on the Old Calder Highway at Faraday where the climb up Mt Alexander begins passing the old koala park to reach Dog Rocks. From here the Western Ridge Walking Track is followed to Langs Lookout (lunch).

The GDT then drops down the eastern side of Mt Alexander to join bush track, the GDT then heads north but we turn south to cross Young Drive (the main road over the mountain) to pass through an old quarry returning to Dog Rocks. From here the old Eastern Ridge Walk is followed to Leanganook Picnic Ground before heading past South Lookout and descending back to the cars.

Afternoon tea/coffee at

Meet: At 8:30am in the carpark in front of Rebel Sport at Lansell Square, Kangaroo Flat.

Fuel Share: Zone 1 \$10

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

Gippsland Lakes by Sea Kayak – Queens Birthday Weekend – 11th to 13th June

Three days paddling from Sale to Painsville on the Thompson and LaTrobe Rivers, Lake Wellington, McLennans Straight and Lake Victoria. This trip is open to new paddlers but can only be undertaken in a sea kayak.

Distance – 72Km. Limit – 10

Garry Brannan ph 0450879917

The deadline for the next edition of GoBush will be Wednesday May 18th

Susan has had a change of heart regarding the Editor's job, so you are stuck with the old team. Please forward Trip Reports and interesting articles to Garry – garrybrannan@gmail.com ph04 5087 9917

The Editor reserves the right to edit contributions where space, clarity or propriety dictate, and to maintain editorial consistency.



April 2016 – BBOC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Description	Rating	Comments	Contact
April				
Tuesday 26th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		Trip Planning and Presidents Quiz..	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Sat 30th April	Daylesford 'The Three Lost Children' Walk	Easy DW	Includes a visit to Tasman House	Ray Wilson 54478862
May				
Wed 4th May	Spring Gully & Break Neck Hill		WALK CANCELLED	
Wed 18th May	Maldon & Mt Tarrengower -13Km	M/DW	Circular walk – Start and finish in Maldon. Includes the fire lookout tower on the top of Mt Tarrengower	David Crocker
Fri 20th – Sun 22nd May	Murray to Mountains Rail Trail – Bike Ride 102km	Med	Covering the section of the Rail Trail between Beechworth and Bright	David Crocker 0409 425 604
Tuesday 24th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		Gear and Gadget Night	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Sunday 29 May.	Water Catchments of Creswick.	Medium	Well defined tracks with one short section off-track in steep and rough terrain.	Bob Jones. 0458012934
June				
Wed 1st June	Mt Alexander – Great Dividing Trail – 13km	M/ DW	Starts at Faraday, climbs up Mt Alexander and includes Dog Rocks, Western Ridge Walking Track and Langs Lookout	David Crocker 0409 425 604
11th – 13th June Queens Birthday	Gippsland Lakes by Sea Kayak This trip is open to new paddlers.	Medium	A three day paddle from Sale to Painsville. Limit 10.	Garry Brannan 0450879917
Tuesday 28th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		TBA	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
July				
2nd or 3rd July	Day Walk Leader wanted			
10th July to 23rd July	Whitsundays Paddling **Booked out**.	Hard	Two weeks of sea, sun, surf, snorkelling, and sand. Booked out.	Garry Brannan 0450 879 917
Tuesday 26th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		TBA	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Future events				
2nd – 11th September	Vulkathunha Gammon Ranges South Australia. **Booked out**	Hard O/N	Gammon Gorges. Desert dry rocky mountain range with small spectacular gorges. Wilderness area . Booked out.	Peter Pemberton 0428 869 196
Sat 10 to Sunday 25 September (16 days)	Day walks in the Flinders Ranges **Booked out**	Easy- Medium	Choice of 16 walks, from Mount Remarkable in the south to the Heysen Range in the North. Includes 3-4 base camp locations.	John Lindner 5448 3406
8th & 9th October	Federation Walks weekend	Various	Based in Laharum and Wartook valleys, Grampians	John Lindner 5448 3406
<p>For additions to the activities calendar: - Email trip details to Peter and Garry for inclusion in the calendar together with a write-up for the newsletter. Please include BBOC in the subject, and Cc to both Garry and Peter. Peter: ppemberton@bigpond.com Garry: garrybrannan@gmail.com **NB** Susan will not be doing the Newsletter after-all.</p>				