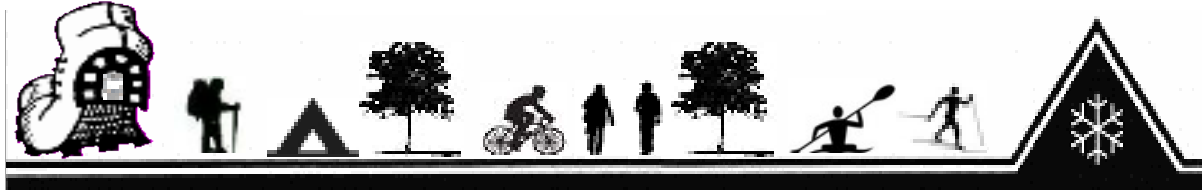


# GO BUSH

JUNE 2016



## BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC

BBOC Presidents notes for the June meeting.

A summary of the Committee meeting on June 21 is as follows:

- At the June meeting we will be having a presentation on Bicycle Maintenance & Repair by Mark Slater, who is a BBOC member and a bicycle mechanic with Moronis. If you ride a bicycle you will want to be there. Bikes require some DIY maintenance, come and learn from the expert.
- Bushwalking Victoria have asked us to nominate 10 tracks that need remediation work. We've nominated The Great Dividing Trail – Leanganook Track, where sign posts and the Track are disintegrating.
- I've been asked to remind leaders of overnite trips that they must arrange for an Emergency Contact Person (ECP) - someone that families and friends can contact about an overdue walking, paddling, climbing, skiing or cycling party. The Position Statement for the ECP is available on our Dropbox Site and can be sent to you by contacting a Committee person.
- The AGM is coming up in July. We still need more new blood on the Committee, especially a female or two (Kerrie Norris is having a rest). Please consider helping out the Club on the Committee in any capacity; we'd be very pleased if you did.
- We still want your suggestions for group activities and better still, your commitment to leading one or some of them. The Calendar is looking a bit sparse at the moment.
- Club memberships will lapse on June 30. Remember if you haven't renewed you are not covered by the Club's Activities Insurance. Activity leaders please note that non-financial participants need to sign on as a 'Guest', in order to be covered by our insurance.

There is a membership renewal form at the back of the newsletter or on the Website.

Leigh Callinan

### BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC

P.O. Box 989, Bendigo, 3552  
Reg No. A0051482V

Meetings - 4th Tuesday every month [except Dec]

Presbyterian Church Hall, Forest Street

Meetings start at 7:30 pm sharp.

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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

•	Tuesday June 28 7.30pm	<b>Club Meeting – Bicycle Maintenance &amp; Repair – Mark Slater.</b> Mark is a BBOC member and a bicycle mechanic with Moronis. If you ride a bicycle you will want to be at this meeting. Bikes require some DIY maintenance, come and learn from the expert.
•	Tuesday July 26 7.30pm	<p><b>AGM and Club Meeting</b> New blood is needed on the Committee. Please consider helping out the Club on the Committee in any capacity.</p> <p><b>A Tourist in Antarctica – Peter O'Meara.</b> Peter will talk and share photos from his short trip to Antarctica over Christmas 2008 with highlights of great scenery, cute wildlife and badly dressed adventurers.</p> 
•	August 23	<b>Club Meeting – TBA</b>

## Ideas Wanted

Do you have any ideas for the club meeting nights, pictures of special trips you have been on [club or otherwise], interesting people you know who might come and speak at a meeting, or anything else that you might think of to entertain the ever increasing numbers attending meetings. If so, please contact Kerrie - 5447 8017

## 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](http://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 Bushwalking Victoria Newsletter can be found here.

<http://www.bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/what-we-do/publications/newsletters>



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## Bob Brown's new campaign: Development through the Tarkine Wilderness

**The Age June 6, 2016 Adam Morton**

Former Greens leader Bob Brown is embarking on a campaign unlike any he has been involved with before. He wants backing for a 100-kilometre development through pristine wilderness – in order to save it.



The man most synonymous with Australia's environmental movement is calling for cross-party support for a walking track in north-west Tasmania's Tarkine region, through the country's largest temperate rainforest.

The Bob Brown Foundation is banking on agreement that a \$20 million eco-tourism project across the Norfolk Range highlands to the coast offers more chance of prosperity to the state's

north-west than mining or forestry.

"It is a very unusual proposal coming from the environment movement, but we've done our homework," Dr Brown told Fairfax Media. "It fits into the ideas of the bigger parties that a place like the Tarkine needs to have economic and employment opportunities for the region.

"Ideally we'd want to have the Tarkine protected for its wilderness values, and this will have an impact on those values, but otherwise it's death by a thousand cuts with mining and logging.

"If people come and see it, they will want to protect it."



Proposed route of the Trans-Tarkine Track

Named for the Aborigines who lived originally in the area, the Tarkine is a diverse, unbound landscape. It is home to rainforest, wild rivers, buttongrass moorland, caves and Aboriginal middens.

There are also areas that have been mined since the 19th century. The Savage River open-cut magnetite mine operates within the region.

Both the Liberal and Labor parties have backed mining in the area, but the state is also undergoing a tourism boom it wants to build on. Tourism spending in the state is growing by 10 per cent a year, in part due to a focus on high-end wilderness tours and walks.

The route was surveyed by Martin Hawes, who has designed many of the walking tracks in Tasmania and Victoria. He said it had the potential to rank as one of the world's great wilderness journeys.

The proposed walk would take 10 days in total, but could be split into two five-day sections. Construction works would include building campsites with elevated tent platforms and toilets, and several large bridges.

Much of the Tarkine is in conservation reserves, but logging is allowed in many of them. Read the complete article here. <http://www.theage.com.au/federal-politics/political-news/bob-browns-new-campaign-for-tourism-development-in-the-tarkine-wilderness-20160603-gpbgi1>

from: RACV Great Victorian Bike Ride  
to: Bendigo Bushwalking Club  
date: 23 June 2016 at 16:48

subject: 5 ways we make the RACV Great Vic easy

Hi Chris

The RACV Great Victorian Bike Ride along the Great Ocean Road always attracts some big crowds.

But don't worry - we've been working hard to ensure that this year's RACV Great Vic is one of the best ever! Here's a snapshot of what we're doing to maximum your enjoyment and minimize any congestion.

- 1) Capped rider numbers -Improved on-road riding experience
- 2) Re-introducing Team Zero Queues to help manage meal and shower time queues
- 3) Better toilet and shower ratios for riders
- 4) More toilets at rest stops
- 5) Generous and spacious campsites.

Hear from RACV Great Vic Event Manager Jess Klar for more on how we've changed this year's ride to be extra special just for you.

Remember, early bird prices end on August 3. So get in quick - places are strictly limited. Enter today.

<https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/racv-great-victorian-bike-ride/>

## Trip Reports

### Creswick Water Catchments – Sunday 29 May

This walk was completed successfully by nine walkers. The walk is described in detail as Walk 4 (Creswick Waters), accompanied by a map on pp14-15 in Federation Walks 2015 (20 days walks around Daylesford in Central Victoria).

The day was coldish with an overcast sky. It cleared slightly after lunch and by 4.30pm on the drive home it was sunny. There was no rain. After the walk we enjoyed a leisurely afternoon tea in Creswick at the Red Fox Deli and Café.

The highlight of the walk was the number and variety of fungi seen. Fungi lovers should get out their fungi identification books and head to Bullarto or Macedon in June and enjoy the beauty of the fungi.

Thank you to Kerrie, Anne, Janet, Reyer, John C, Peter, Hans E and Brad for supporting the walk.

Bob Jones.

## Murray to Mountains Rail Trail

Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd May. Riders: David C, Garry B, Kerrie N, Chris M & Stephen B.

A late increase in the number of people and cars meant that the trip plan was able to be executed as in the original plan – car shuffling with only one car is always a challenging task. Two cars left from Bendigo and Echuca on Friday afternoon to travel across to Bright for a two night stay in a caravan park. This was after the original schedule had been disrupted when the trip leader had discovered that the planned stay in the Myrtleford caravan park was not the best idea as the park was almost full due to the annual Italian Festival taking place over the weekend.

On Saturday morning we headed off along the rail trail towards Myrtleford in fine and sunny weather. It was only a short ride before we were sitting in the Rail Trail Café in Porepunkah, 6km from Bright, for a morning coffee break. The next 24km to Myrtleford were completed with a couple of stopping spots along the way. When we arrived in Myrtleford the streets were crowded with people enjoying many street stalls selling Italian Food



and enjoying the music from the performers on stage in the centre of town. As we were early for lunch we all took the opportunity to have a look around the many activities that filled the main street which was closed off to traffic for the festivities. One person got really involved and was up and dancing in true Italian style! We had lunch in the park across the road from the festival events and enjoyed a music concert. Will keep the dates in mind and maybe use this weekend in following trips on the Rail Trail.



The return ride back to Bright involved a stop to harvest some horse chestnuts from a tree growing alongside the rail trail. Under the trees were the most vibrant red and white toadstools. Some people stopped for a second coffee at the Rail Trail Café. Our evening meal was at the Alpine Hotel in Bright.

On Sunday morning we packed up camp and loaded all the five bikes onto Garry's trailer and headed for Myrtleford, where we left one car for the end of the ride, and drove up to Beechworth for a morning coffee at the Beechworth Bakery. After unloading the bikes we headed off for the 14km descend on the rail trail downhill to Everton Railway Station. This section involves many kilometres of easy rolling downhill, easily reaching 40km/h. After leaving the station we set out across the flatter parts of the Ovens Valley on the way to Myrtleford. A stop for lunch was made on a roadside picnic ground before tackling the few km up the hill to Taylors Gap followed by a long descent through Gapsted and on to Myrtleford. To save a little time the two drivers headed off ahead of the rest of the party to do the car shuffle to retrieve the car and trailer from Beechworth.

Stephen headed directly home from Beechworth and after collecting people and bikes from Myrtleford, Garry's car headed home to Bendigo arriving in time for dinner. As is always the case this was a pleasant and enjoyable weekend of bike riding (60km +45km) on the Murray to Mountains Rail Trail.

David Crocker

## Activities . . . July and beyond

### Mount Alexander post-election wander.

Sunday 3rd July, Easy/Med

Walk up Mount Alexander from the Oak Forest, then to Langs Lookout, Dog Rocks & Sheppard's Lookout. This is an easy/medium grade walk, some on bush tracks, some off-track in grass and light scrub, and some on the Great Dividing Trail.

Bring nibbles and food for morning tea and lunch. You will need solid footwear, clothing to protect from the elements, and at least a litre of water.

Meet in Forest street outside the club's Meeting Hall, 9.00 am

Fuel Share: Ring 1 - \$10.

Peter Pemberton ph 0428 869 196

### October 7- 9 – Federation Weekend – Day Walks in the Western Grampians

**Bookings open on 8th July 2016.** To get the walk/s you want, you have to book early. John and Garry will both be in Queensland, so you will have to make your own individual bookings. Information is here –

<http://www.fedwalks.org.au/booking.html#documents>

The 2016 event is being hosted by the Wimmera Bushwalking Club (based in Horsham). Walks will be in the northern and western parts of the Grampians National Park and may also include the Black Range State Park and Mt Arapiles.

#### WALKS PROGRAM

The table below is a list of the walks on offer 8 & 9th October. Registration will open on Friday 8th July, first in, best dressed. More information – <http://www.fedwalks.org.au/> or talk to Garry or John.

No.	Title	Grade	Duration	Length	Style
1	Mt Zero & Flat Rock	Easy	2.5 hrs	3.6 km	Return
2	Hollow Mountain (Northern Grampians)	Medium	2 hrs	2.5 km	Return
3	Stapylton Traverse	Hard	5.5 hrs	6.6 km	Circuit
4	Pohlners Loop (including 1km section of Peaks Trail)	Medium	4.5 hrs	8.5 km	Circuit
5	Grampians Peak Trail - Coppermine to Dead Bullock Ck	Med/Hard	6.5 hrs	10 km	Car Shuffle
6	Pyke's Cave	Easy	3.5 hrs	6.6 km	Return
7	Wartook to McKenzie Falls	Medium	5 hrs	14.5 km	Car/Bus Shuffle
8	Zumsteins to McKenzie Falls	Easy	3.5 hrs	7 km	Return
9	Mt Rosea	Med/Hard	6 hrs	8.5 km	Circuit
10	Tower Hill & Calectasia Falls	Medium	5 hrs	7.4 km	Return
11	Asses Ears	Medium	4.5 hrs	6.5 km	Return
12	Hollow Mt & Red Cave (Victoria Range)	Medium	6 hrs	6.5 km	Return
13	Deep Creek	Medium	4.5 hrs	7.5 km	Return
14	Fortress (Walk details yet to be confirmed)	Hard	7 hrs	11 km	Return
15	Fortress Views (Walk details yet to be confirmed)	Medium	4 hrs	7 km	Return
16	Mt Thackeray	Easy/Med	3 hrs	3.1 km	Return
17	Chimney Pots	Medium	3.5 hrs	5 km	Circuit
18	Black Range Traverse	Med/Hard	6 hrs	8.5 km	Car/Bus Shuffle
19	Mt Arapiles Circuit	Medium	5 hrs	14.5 km	Circuit
20	Aboriginal Art Site tour (Details yet to be confirmed)	Easy	hrs TBA	km TBA	Drive & walk

## Big Hill Range Day Walk

Sunday 7th August      Grade E/M – approx 15km

Full details next month

Kerrie Norris ph 5447 8017

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## Whitewater Rafting and/or Kayaking – July to September – Dates TBA

The long range weather forecast for this winter is for above average rainfall. This may not be encouraging for walking, but certainly will make for great on water activities in late winter and early spring. River levels are not always predictable however, so if you are interested, and maybe have never paddled before, contact Garry or Sam to find out what it is about. This will get your name on the whitewater email list so you can be contacted if a paddling opportunity comes up at short notice and doesn't make it into the newsletter.

Likely locations. First up would probably be a weekend on the King River immediately downstream of Lake William Hovell. This is a relatively short run and three runs each day are possible. Ideal for beginner paddlers but is still great fun for the experienced.

Be prepared for wet and cold conditions. You will need wetsuits or dry-gear and a couple of changes of clothes so you are sure to have something dry and warm to change into after you get off the water. The club has some wetsuits, but you would be advised to try for size before first.

Previously, overnight accommodation has been the King River Camp at Cheshunt. At the end of a day on the water, a hot shower, and a dry, warm room and bed has great appeal. The cost is very reasonable.

Other locations. The MittaMitta over two days; Glen Wills to Bundarra, then the Gorge section to Hinomunjie. This rafting trip is graded intermediate so you would have had to at least paddled the King to be eligible for this one. We could also consider the Indi, Buffalo, Ovens, Delatite, Upper Goulburn, lots of possibilities.

Give it some thought and get in touch. Garry ph 04 5087 9917, Sam ph 03 5881 3100

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The deadline for the next edition of GoBush will be Sunday July 5 th 'cause I'm off to Queensland paddling.

Please forward Trip Reports and interesting articles to Garry – [garrybrannan@gmail.com](mailto: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.



## June – December 2016 BBOC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Description	Rating	Comments	Contact
<b>June</b>				
Tuesday 28th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		Bicycle Maintenance & Repair – Mark Slater.	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
<b>July</b>				
Sunday 3rd July	Mount Alexander post election wander.	E/M	Walk up from the Oak Forest, then to Langs Lookout, Dog rocks & Sheppard's lookout	Peter Pemberton 0428 869 196
10th July to 23rd July	Whitsundays Paddling **Booked out**.	Hard	Two weeks of sea, sun, surf, snorkelling, and sand.	Garry Brannan 0450 879 917
Tuesday 26th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		AGM and election of office bearers. A Tourist in Antarctica – Peter O'Meara.	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
30 – 31 July	Day Walk Leader wanted			
<b>August</b>				
Sunday 7th August	Big Hill range – Day walk	Easy/M	Approx 15km	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Tuesday 23th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		TBA	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Sunday 28th	Kooyoorra State Park	Easy/m	Scar trees and magnificent tors. Mostly on track.	Reyer De Moel 0429 434 992
<b>September</b>				
2nd – 11th September	Vulkathunha Gammon Ranges South Australia.	Hard O/N	**Booked out**	Peter Pemberton 0428 869 196
3-4 Sat-Sun				
Sat 10 to Sunday 25 September	Day walks in the Flinders Ranges **Booked out**	Easy-Medium	Base camp – choice of 16 walks, from Mount Remarkable to the Heysen Range.	John Lindner 5448 3406
Tuesday 27th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		TBA	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
<b>October</b>				
1-2	Day Walk Leader wanted		*Daylight saving commences*	
8th & 9th October	Federation Walks weekend.	Various	John is away till August, call Garry if you have questions. 04 5087 9917	John Lindner 5448 3406
Sunday, 23rd	Bike Ride – Eastern half of the Bendigo Bushland Trail	Easy	The Bendigo Bushland Trail encircles the fringe of Bendigo mostly in forest.	Garry & Rechelle 04 5087 9917
Wednesday 26th			Bendigo Cup Holiday	
Tuesday 25th 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		TBA	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
29-30	Day Walk Leader wanted			
<b>November</b>				
21th – 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov 16 days	Croajingolong/Nagee Wilderness Thurra River – Merrica River	Medium P/C	Two walks of one week duration each Participants can do either week or both.	Garry Brannan 04 5087 9917
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: <a href="mailto:ppemberton@bigpond.com">ppemberton@bigpond.com</a> Garry: <a href="mailto:garrybrannan@gmail.com">garrybrannan@gmail.com</a>				



## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Adults:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

Children:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin/Nominated person to contact in an emergency:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Membership Fees for 2016/17 are due from 1st July 2016. Please return this form with your payment to:

The Treasurer,  
Bendigo Bushwalking & Outdoor Club Inc.  
PO Box 989, Bendigo, Vic 3552

Membership: Adults - \$40, Family - \$60.

The Newsletter "GoBush" will be forwarded to you by email.

If you wish a hardcopy of the news letter delivered by Australia Post – tick the box

Please ensure you sign and date the Acknowledgement of Risk at the bottom of the page

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISKS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

This acknowledgment of risks applies to all club activities I may undertake as a member of the Bendigo Bushwalking and Outdoor Club Inc. In voluntarily participating in activities of the Club which are described to me by the activity leaders I am aware that my participation in the activities may expose me to hazards and risks that could lead to injury, illness or death or to loss of or damage to my property. I also acknowledge that I may encounter weather conditions that could lead to hypothermia and being in locations where evacuation for medical treatment may take hours or days.

In particular when participating in abseiling or above the snowline activities I am aware that these activities could expose me to additional hazards and risks described to me by the activity leader.

#### To minimise risks I will endeavor to ensure that

- Each activity is within my capabilities,
- I am carrying food, water and equipment appropriate for the activity.

#### In addition

- I will advise the activity leader if I am taking any medication or have any physical or other limitation that might affect my participation in the activity.
- I will make every effort to remain with the rest of the party during the activity
- I will advise the leader of any concerns I am having, and
- I will comply with all reasonable instructions of club officers and the activity leader.

**I have read and understand the above requirements.** I have considered the risks before choosing to sign this acknowledgment of risk. I still wish to join the activities of the Club. I acknowledge that I will take responsibility for my own actions and that signing this form or the payment of my subscription will be deemed as full acceptance and understanding of the above conditions.

Name:

Signed:

Date:

