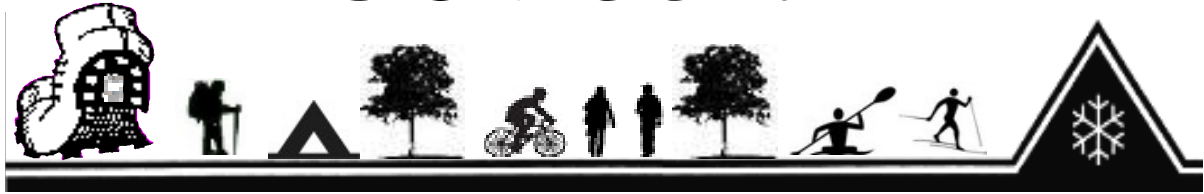


# GO BUSH

MARCH 2016



## BENDIGO BUSHWALKING AND OUTDOOR CLUB INC

BBOC Presidents notes for the March meeting.

Committee members Leigh, Chris, Liesje, Peter, John & Kerrie met on March 16.

In summary:

- The First Aid Course was run by Wilderness First Aid after the last meeting. Thirteen members attended and earned a First Aid Certificate. The Certificate will last for 3 years. It will be reassuring to know that many of us in the Club are competent first aiders.
- We have committed \$1000 to updating our rafting safety equipment.
- We need a replacement Newsletter Editor. Garry has done this job for several years and needs a break. However he is prepared to mentor a new editor. If you are interested, give it serious consideration.
- To enjoy recent photos of Trips, go to the link <http://tinyurl.com/ou89w4m> and have a look.
- While you are on the internet, check out our continually improving website at <http://gobush.org.au>.
- Remember to get your outdoor gear at Aussie Disposals and Mountain Designs, and enjoy the discounts.
- At the March meeting John Lindner will be presenting 'Snow Dreaming – my years of bushwalking on skis'. If you've never done this, come along and enjoy John's vast experience of multi-day skiing trips.
- Also at the meeting we'll bring along boxes of our records collected over the years; you can help sort out what we need to keep.
- We want to now promote the idea of encouraging Mentors to accompany new Leaders on trips.
- And importantly, check out the Activities Calendar; you might find just what you are looking for.

Come along to the Meeting to learn more.

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.

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

The BBOC is affiliated with



### COMMITTEE MEMBERS 15/16

President	Leigh Callinan	03 5442 3675
Vice President	Kerry Cramer	03 5441 4422
Secretary	Chris Franks	03 5439 3549
Treasurer	John Lindner	03 5448 3406
Trip Coordinator	Peter Pemberton	04 2886 9196
Equipment Officer	Chris Franks	03 5439 3549
Web Master	Peter Pemberton	04 2886 9196
General Committee	Kerrie Norris	03 5447 8017
General Committee	Roland Cauka	04 0202 4096
General Committee	Leisje Wilson	03 5441 6118

The statements and opinions expressed herein are those of the Editor and individual authors. They do not necessarily represent the views of the Bendigo Bushwalking and Outdoor Club Inc.

## 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

- March 22 **Club Meeting – John Lindner. Snow Dreaming - my years of bushwalking on skis**  
This illustrated talk will cover the time between when I finally learned to ski in 1978 to when I gave away the dreaded pack-carrying on skis for a home-made sled. I have undertaken some really great extended trips to all the major snowy mountains. Now I'm happy to settle for about 5 days each year on the Bogong High Plains, where there is a good variety of places to explore and some great huts with toilets (vital necessity for snow campers).
- April 26 **Club Meeting – Calendar planning and the President's famous Team-building quizz, 'Name it + Claim it! Consider the Photo.**  
Who, what, where, when, and perhaps most importantly WHY. Who are these masked men? Come along for a fun night of photos, location, tall stories and true; ideas for future adventures together.
- May **Club Meeting – TBA**



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 edition the Bushwalking Victoria Newsletter can be found here.

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



***Bush Heritage is running a number of guided day trips to our Victorian properties this year and we invite our supporters and friends to see the work you make possible.***



**BUSH HERITAGE  
AUSTRALIA**

<http://bha.informz.net/informzdataservice/onlineversion/ind/bWFpbGluZ2luc3RhbmNlaWQ9MTQ2NTM3MyZzdWJzY3JpYmVyaWQ9NTEwMDI4OTMw>

### Victorian National Parks Association.

The VNPA is the leading voice for nature conservation in Victoria, and meets regularly with heads of government agencies and State Government ministers. Generous philanthropic support from the community gives us the capacity to make a real difference to nature conservation in Victoria.

<http://vnpa.org.au/home>



## 2016 Victorian Walking Festival

Going Solar is organising and sponsoring the inaugural Victorian Walking Festival. The Festival will run from April 1 to May 8, 2016 and will include walks in Melbourne and Regional Victoria. Details will be available shortly at <http://www.goingsolar.com.au/>



## Trek the historic Kokoda Track and help keep the 'Flying Doctor' flying

In 1942, the Kokoda Track area was the scene for bitter fighting. Today, walking the track has become a pilgrimage for many Australians, and those honouring the ANZAC spirit. 05 - 15 November 2016

<https://inspiredadventures.com.au/events/rfds-kokoda-2016/>



from: Alexander Wells <AWells@conservationvolunteers.com.au>

to: "enquiries@gobush.org.au" <enquiries@gobush.org.au>

date: 11 March 2016 at 11:51

subject: Volunteer Opportunity in Barmah National Park

Dear Bendigo Bushwalking and Outdoor Club,

Conservation Volunteers Australia is currently seeking volunteers for a week long trip to the Barmah National Park in early April (11th - 15th). This trip is focused around working alongside Parks Victoria to assist in works throughout the park. These works will include restoration of the old post and rail fences in the heritage listed Barmah muster yards, invasive weed control and habitat restoration throughout the world heritage listed River Red Gum forest.

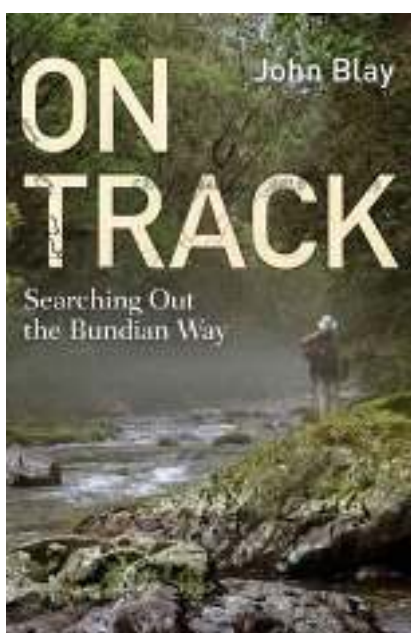
Further information can be found here.

<http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/about-us/news/volunteers-needed-in-barmah-national-park>

If you have any questions feel free to contact me on 0475 804 523, or Meigan Waayers on 0475 972 354.

Thanks

Alex Wells



## On Track: Searching Out the Bundian Way

John Blay

On Track tells the story of John Blay's long-distance search for the Bundian Way, an important Aboriginal pathway between Mt Kosciuszko and Twofold Bay near Eden on the New South Wales far south coast. The 360-kilometre route traverses some of the nation's most remarkable landscapes, from the highest place on the continent to the ocean.

This epic bushwalking story uncovers the history, country and rediscovery of this significant track. Now heritage-listed, and thanks to the work of Blay and local Indigenous communities, the Bundian Way is set to be one of the great Australian walks.

This track may be of particular interest to BBOC members as it follows close by and parallel to the Black Allen Line [the straight section of the Vic/NSW border] one end of which will be explored on Greg's trip at Easter.

Published in Australia by NewSouth Publishing

Paperback 376 Pages. ISBN9781742234441

<http://www.newsouthpublishing.com/articles/track-and-bundian-way/>

[http://www.bundianway.com.au/Bundian\\_Survey\\_Public.pdf](http://www.bundianway.com.au/Bundian_Survey_Public.pdf)

## Trip Reports

Dear Auntie Beryl

How are you? Well I've just been on a wonderful weekend to Mount Eccles and Lake Surprise and despite its name it was a great surprise. The weather was surprisingly good being summer and all, and as well thirteen people in all attended and I'd like to thank, Max, Helen, Bob, Kerrie, Hans T, Garry, Rochelle, Janet, Hans E, Janet, Garry, Chris, Glenys and Tyrone for making it a memorable weekend.

Lake Surprise sits snugly inside a dormant volcano and surrounded by lava plains. It's a window into our volcanic past with lava flows and collapsed caverns. By the way I should mention that I thoroughly enjoyed the tin of biscuits you gave me, and although I didn't finish them, a possum certainly did and he has a belly ache as a result. He and his tree friends the koalas kept us awake during the banquet. It's a pity they eat in the middle of the night. That's appreciation for you.

Next morning over breakfast Chris just said, "Go with the lava flow." I wasn't sure what she meant at the time but the more I think about it, the more I think that her words were just the harbinger of what was to follow. Is that confusing? Maybe I should try and explain.

After breakfast on Sunday we arrived at Byaduk caves and as I exited the car a flurry of wings made me duck. Apparently Byaduck is an Aboriginal word for stone tomahawk. Strange really because I thought tomahawks were American and it seems that the influence of the confluence of our Australia culture was a lot earlier than we originally thought. Maybe it came with the lava flow.

A lone duck guarded the path to the caves and it stood its ground obstinately before finally departing at a quacking pace. As I descended the first lava tube I couldn't help but think that I was being watched and I know there were twelve others with me but I had the absurd idea that I was being watched by the duck. By a duck of all things!! Some of the group were a bit claustrophobic and so they didn't enter the subterranean dungeon but I was awed by the unpredictable nature of the chasms as I descended into the rocky gloom. The distant flap of wings startled me causing me to stumble. Was that the duck or only bats?

Some of the lava tubes were as cavernous as a cathedral and were as dark as night. I closed my eyes but still I could sense the duck and it brought forward in me this absurd fear that I could not control. It was only with an immense effort (and Chris' calming words, "Go with the lava flow") that I was able to conceal my panic from the others.

Getting back to the cars brought only partial relief because every flickering shadow and every wing flapping reenergised the fear. What could I do? It was driving me crazy this unexplainable fear that I was being watched by a duck.

The biggest surprise for the weekend was when we stopped at Bill's Fish and Chip shop on the way home in High St Maryborough. I was almost too scared to get out of the car but I'm glad I did because although Bill cooked the best fish and chips in central Victoria, that wasn't his obvious calling. Like so many of us – what we come to do in our working life isn't necessarily what we are good at. In Bill's case it just came a close second.

And so I was waiting for my dinner order, he said to me. 'You look worried.' And I was. I was scared to go outside because even in my state I realised that the chances of being watched by a duck were somehow greatly diminished by being actually inside a fish and chip shop.

'What's up?'

I was on the brink of saying nothing but I thought, what the hell. 'Promise you won't laugh.' He nodded and I leaned over the counter and whispered, 'I've got this strange feeling that I'm being watched by a duck.' I waited for him to laugh and to tell the world but all he said was, 'I knew it.' My order was ready and as he passed it to me, I said wanting to break the silence between us, 'Do you think I'm a being a bit of a duckwit?'

And he answers deadpan like, 'Are you trying to be funny?'

'No!' (But if I wanted to be, I would probably say. Why don't ducks fly upside down? Answer. Because then they would quack up).

'That's good then because I think you may only have a mild case of anatidaephobia.'

'Anatid.....!!!' You try saying that with a mouthful of hot chips. 'What the .....?'

'As soon as you get away from them, the better. I used to work for the council in the gardens and there were ducks everywhere! And I had a part time job at night working in a Chinese restaurant and the last thing you want to hear when you are suffering from anatidaephobia, is diners ordering Peking Duck all the time. And now I work in a fish and chip shop in one of the driest places in the country. What does that tell you?'

'That there are no ducks here!' I offered lamely, but as I walked from the shop I recalled Chris' words. 'Just go with the lava flow.' And even though it sounded like a metaphor, I was just glad it didn't have wings.

Love from Graham

PS Anatidaephobia is defined as a pervasive, irrational fear that one is being watched by a duck

---

## Clean up Australia Day, 6 March.

I suspect many Club members would have cleaned up their local bush area as I did along the Spring Gully Linear Path. I collected three supermarket bags full of small items (including a lot of "Kleenex flowers"), as well as six large objects. If you are not aware of "Kleenex flowers" I refer you to Edward Abbey's excellent book *Desert Solitaire*. However, two significant clean ups deserve special mention.

### 1. Whipstick Regional Park.

On a recce trip John and Kate identified 16 separate sites where long-term rubbish had been dumped. Then using his excellent organisational and preparatory skills John transferred the locations onto a map of the forest (note photo 1) as well as producing a data base listing the sites; their distances from known track junctions and describing the amount and type of rubbish at each site.

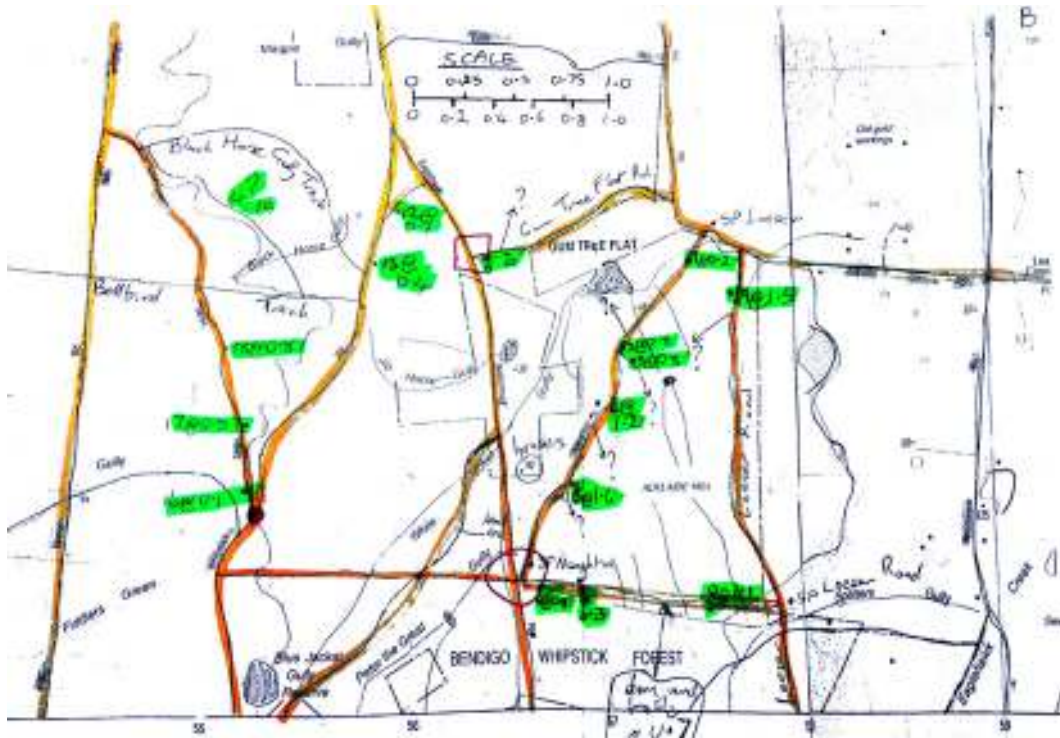
On a very hot Sunday John, Kate, Leigh, Chris B, Reyer and Bob together with Parks Officer Tim began the clean-up (following of course an appropriate Induction Session). At 10am (Public Service working hours) we stopped for morning tea with cake. By then the car trailers were half full (note photos 2 and 3). In all 1,700kg of rubbish was deposited at the tip. Our cars and trailers were weighed before and after dropping off the rubbish. The rubbish included amongst other things concrete, children's toys, cans, glass, wood, fibreglass, truck parts, a computer monitor, a TV, garden refuse, wooden doors, a hose, mattresses, plastics, two couches and tyres (Tim took these away and they were not left at the tip).

## 2. One Tree Hill Regional Park.

For the last 12 months Bill Clark has been cleaning up One Tree Hill. During this time a small group of workers including Parks Officer Tim completed a concerted effort to remove rubbish from locations identified by Bill. In typical Bill fashion a massive technical report has been compiled and I think we should invite Bill to address the Club on this mammoth task.

As Club Members we all have a passion for the bush so it follows that we should take a lead role in cleaning up our local bush. It is amazing what a small group of people can achieve. Let's hope we can double our numbers participating next year. John has also wisely suggested that we should do the clean-up in May and not in the hottest part of the year.

Bob Jones.



## Activities . . . March and beyond

### Easter Walk – Thursday 24th to Mon 28th March – The Pilot & Cobberas.

This walk is a mixture of on & off track through a remote area with lots of points of interest. Unfortunately it involves a long drive to get there so an early departure from Bendigo on Thursday would be a distinct advantage.

We will visit the historic cairn on Forest Hill, marking the start of the Black Allen Line. Also the marker post at the start of the Murray River. A couple of 1800m high mountains & a few minor ones provide superb views and a plane crash site to investigate as well as a couple of excellent campsites to enjoy round out this walk.

Details of the area can be found in Chapmans book Australian Alps Walking Track. Bring something to carry water in as our last night may not be near water. This is a remote area with alpine peaks so be prepared.

Medium grade walk approx 50kms on & off track.

Map: Suggan Buggan 1:50 000 LPI – NSW

Fuel share: \$60 ECP – Garry Brannan 04 5087 9917

For more info & bookings contact Greg Doubleday 54483661

[http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0010/217783/Surveying\\_the\\_Black-Allan\\_Line.pdf](http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0010/217783/Surveying_the_Black-Allan_Line.pdf)

---

### O'Keefe Rail Trail – Bike Ride

Sunday 3rd April 2016

Covering the section of the Rail Trail between Axedale and Heathcote

Type: Bike Ride

Distance: 55km

Grade: Easy/Medium

Party Size: Maximum party size is 10

Features: Ride over the recently opened section of the O'Keefe Rail Trail between Axedale and Heathcote passing through the Knowsley Forest and across the Mt Ida Creek Bridge at Lake Eppalock.

Proposed Itinerary:

1. Drive from Bendigo to Axedale
2. Ride from Axedale to Heathcote and return (55km)
3. Lunch in Heathcote before the return ride to Axedale
4. Drive back from Axedale to Bendigo

Costs: Zone 1 - \$10

Info: [www.bendigokilmorerailtrail.com](http://www.bendigokilmorerailtrail.com) and [www.railtrails.org.au](http://www.railtrails.org.au)

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

---

### Two Creeks Walk - Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park

Wednesday 6th April

Type: Day Walk

Distance: 12km

Grade: Easy/Medium

Description: Gentle forest walk in the lesser known southern reaches of the Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park with some interesting ruins, water races and old diggings along the way.

Afternoon tea/coffee in Castlemaine before returning to Bendigo.

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

Fuel Share: Zone 2 – \$20

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

---

## Mt BUFFALO OVERNIGHT HIKE Friday 8-Sun 10 April 2016

Friday night Camp at Porepunkah  
Saturday Camp Mt McLeod Campsite ( Hike In )  
Sunday Day Walks Mt Buffalo ( eg. The Cathedral )

Rating – Medium Limited numbers

An overnight Hike of approximately 16 km each way. Most Club members would be familiar with the Mt Buffalo plateau and its interesting terrain. The plan is for interested parties to share/drive over on Friday afternoon.

There will be a camping cost associated with Friday nights stopover at a camping ground. Weather is generally a bit cooler on the plateau at 1600-1700m elevation.

Leader Hans Tracksdorf m 0400 049 891

[http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/315597/Park-note-Mt-Buffero-Great-Granite-Plateau.pdf](http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/315597/Park-note-Mt-Buffero-Great-Granite-Plateau.pdf)

---

## Tipperary Track Day Walk – Sunday 10th April 2016

Distance: 16.5km Grade: Easy/Medium

Features: Passing through the Hepburn Regional Park, the one-way walk from Lake Daylesford to the Hepburn Mineral Springs Reserve follows historic water races along the Wombat, Sailors and Spring Creeks. Towards the end of the walk there is a short climb over Jacksons Lookout.

Afternoon tea/coffee at Frangos in Daylesford before returning to Bendigo.

Meet: Club's Meeting Hall in Forest Street at 9:00am. Fuel Share: Zone 2 \$20

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

---

## Bogong High Plains – The Huts Tour (Part 2)

Friday 15th April to Sunday 17th April 2016

Type: Overnight Walk Distance: 27km pack carrying + 4km with daypack

Grade: Medium Party Size: Maximum party size is 8

DESCRIPTION: As a follow up to the Bogong High Plains – The Huts Tour on the weekend of 29th to 30th March 2014 which visited seven huts on the eastern section of the Bogong High Plains, the plan is to walk a western section which will include visiting a further six or seven huts.

Friday night camping near Pretty Valley Hut.

Saturday morning walk with packs from Pretty Valley Pondage up onto the Bogong High Plains with a short detour (without packs) to visit Tawonga Huts, later arriving at Snow Pole No 333 on the Australian Alpine Walking Track. From this track junction an easy descent will be made to stop at the Westons Hut (rebuilt after the bushfires) (lunch) and then a steeper descent into the West Kiewa Valley to visit Blairs Hut followed by a steady climb up to Cobungra Gap on the Kiewa/Cobungra divide. It is then just a short descent to the campsite at Dibbins Hut.

Sunday morning with packs, along the AAWT back up to Cobungra Gap and on upwards past Basalt Temple and onto the flatlands of the Bogong High Plains passing Mt Jim and back to the junction at Snow Pole No 333 before heading east to Cope Saddle (Cope Saddle Hut). A short detour (without packs) along the Cope West Aqueduct to visit Ryders Yards (hut).

The walk continues northwards across the Bogong High Plains back to the cars were left at Pretty Valley Pondage. A possible extension would be to visit Youngs Hut. This would add an extra 4km to the walk.

This is an alpine walk so be prepared for every sort of weather over the weekend.

Contact: David Crocker ph 0409 425 604

---



## The Monk & Poverty Gully Water Race - Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park

Wednesday 20th April

Type: Day Walk

Distance: 13km

Grade: Easy/Medium

Description: A loop walk through the higher parts of the Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park south of Chewton.

Commencing on the Chewton-Fryerstown Road initially following Jacobs Track skirting around the base of The Monk before heading south for a short distance on the Great Dividing Trail. By staying in the forest before the farm land is reach and heading west to meet the Poverty Gully Water Race (after 5km). The remainder of the walk is along the Water Race and therefore very easy walking. With interesting remains and ruins, sluices and adits from the gold mining era to be seen along the way. A stop will be made to explore the Eureka Reef Mine area along the way.

Afternoon tea/coffee in Castlemaine 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

---

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

Medium- Day walk :- 15ks. 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 K'Flat Library car park at 8.30am sharp! Please book in before, if you intend going.

Leader: Ray Wilson 54478862

---

## Spring Gully & Break Neck Hill - Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park

Wednesday 4th May

Type: Day Walk

Distance: 14km Grade:

Easy/Medium

Description: A walk on the Great Dividing Trail (GDT) though parts of the Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park, commencing in Fryerstown.

The morning follows the GDT from Fryerstown passing through Irishtown and Choken Flat before turning north and making the steady climb to Break Neck Hill (405m). Further north the Dingo Park is passed before making a short steep climb to The Monk (459m). From The Monk the route now turns south along the GDT (Old Coach Road) passing the old mining village of Spring Gully where there is much evidence of the 1850s gold mining.

Afternoon tea/coffee in Castlemaine 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

---

## 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

---

## 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

---

The deadline for the next edition will be Wednesday  
April 20th

*For the time being, please forward Trip Reports and interesting  
articles to Garry at [garrybrannan@gmail.com](mailto:garrybrannan@gmail.com) 04 5087 9917*

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



---

### **Wanted Urgently – Wine Bladders.**

In June, nine members are setting off for two weeks of sun and surf, kayaking in the Whitsundays. One of the difficulties with this trip involves the lack of water on the Islands – *there is no fresh water*. We will have two water drops, but considerable water must still be carried between drops. Wine bladders are excellent for this purpose because they conform to the shape of anywhere they are put, and take up no space when empty. If you have empty bladders now or in the future, please give them to one of the kayak group.

Cheers, Garry.

P.S. Donations of not so empty wine bladders also will be cheerfully accepted.

---

## March 2016 BBOC ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date	Description	Rating	Comments	Contact
<b>March</b>				
Tuesday 22nd 7.30pm	Club Meeting - Presbyterian Church Hall, 35-41 Forest St.		Presentation by John Lindner	Kerrie Norris 5447 8017
Easter – Thursday 24th to Mon 28th	The Pilot & Cobberas, pack-carry	Hard PC	Includes The Pilot, the source of the Murray River, & Forest Hill historic border marker.	Greg Doubleday 5448 3661
<b>April</b>				
Fri 1st – Sun 3rd April	Weekend sea Kayak trip. Must have open-water experience.	Hard	Corner Inlet - Pt Welshpool to Johnny Souey Cove and return	Garry Brannan 0450 879 917
Sun 3rd April	O'Keefe Rail Trail Bike ride 55km	E/M DW	Recently opened section of the O'Keefe Rail Trail between Axedale and Heathcote.	David Crocker 0409 425 604
Wed 6th April	Two Creeks Walk - Castlemaine Diggings Heritage National Park	E/M DW	Gentle forest walk in Castlemaine Diggings National Heritage Park	David Crocker 0409 425 604
Sunday 10th April	Tipperary Track Day Walk - 16.5km Hepburn Regional Park	E/M DW	Walk from Lake Daylesford to the Hepburn Mineral Springs Reserve	David Crocker 0409 425 604
15th – 17th April	Bogong High Plains – The Huts Tour (Part 2) Overnight Walk	M PK	Bogong High Plains, walk a western section which will include visiting six or seven huts.	David Crocker 0409 425 604
Wed 20th April	The Monk & Poverty Gully Water Race 13km	E/M DW	A loop walk through the higher parts of the Castlemaine Diggings NH Park Chewton.	David Crocker 0409 425 604
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
<b>May</b>				
Wed 4th May	Spring Gully & Break Neck Hill 14km	E/M DW	Great Dividing Trail through parts of the Castlemaine Diggings NH Park, Fryerstown.	David Crocker 0409 425 604
Wed 18th May	Maldon & Mt Tarrengower -13km	M/DW	Circular walk – Start and finish in Maldon.	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
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
<b>June</b>				
Wed 1st June	Mt Alexander – GDT – 13km	M/ DW	From Faraday, incl Dog Rocks, Langs Lookout	David Crocker
<b>Future events</b>				
12th – 23rd August (TBC)	Vulkathunha Gammon Ranges South Australia. Wilderness .	Hard	Please indicate intentions soon so dates can be confirmed.	Peter Pemberton 0428 869 196
Sat 10 to Sunday 25 September (16 days)	Day walks in the Flinders Ranges <b>(Note: John will be away May, June, July)</b>	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
<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: <a href="mailto:ppemberton@bigpond.com">ppemberton@bigpond.com</a> Garry: <a href="mailto:garrybrannan@gmail.com">garrybrannan@gmail.com</a></p>				