



Boroondara Bushwalkers

Visitors Walks Program

Summer 2019

VISITORS PLEASE NOTE

The walks program is subject to changes and additions as advised at monthly meetings, amendments to the walks program on the club webpage and in the update notices that may be issued from time to time.

Walks Grades

- E** Easy. Up to 4 hours. 12km maximum. Minimal climbing. All on tracks or in open country.
- EM** Easy Medium. Up to 5 hours. 15km maximum. A little climbing. May include some minor obstacles.
- M** Medium. Up to 6 hours. 20km maximum. Moderate climbing. Mostly on-track. May include some light off-track.
- MH** Medium Hard. Up to 7 hours. 20km maximum. Significant climbing. Can include medium off-track forest or scrub.
- H** Hard. Up to 8 hours. No distance limit. Hard climbing. Can include significant off-track.
- VH** Very Hard. Up to 12 hours. No distance limit. Hard, consistent walking in difficult terrain.

Walk/Activity Type

- D** Day walk
- PC** Pack carry. Minimum grading for pack carry is Medium.
- BC** Base camp
- Con** Conservation
- Cyc** Cycling
- Can** Canoeing
- Soc** Social
- Trn** Training
- Other** Other

Meeting point and time for walks (unless otherwise indicated or advised)

Sundays and Saturdays: Kew Library car park at **7.45am** for 8.00am (sharp) departure

Weekdays: The Oval, Victoria park, East Kew (enter via High St, Melways 45G5) at **8.45am**

Club meetings: Phyllis Hore Room, next to Kew Library, off Cotham Rd, Kew, from 7.30 for **8.00pm**

To join a walk

- **Book** (up to 8 weeks in advance) by adding your name and details on the appropriate walk sheet at Club meetings or by contacting the Leader.
- If you later wish to cancel, please advise the Leader promptly
- Be familiar with our Club's *Incident Management System* - refer to Members Handbook for full details.
- Be adequately fit and suitably clothed and equipped for your walks. If you are not, the Walk Leader has **the right to refuse** participation in the activity.
- Any **medical condition** that could affect you during the activity **must be advised** to the Leader (in confidence) **before leaving Melbourne**
- Keep to the spirit of our Club's Code of Ethics (refer to Section 15 of the Members Handbook)

Visitors must pay the Walk Leader \$5 per day of walking, to a limit of \$15 for 3 or more days.

Day/s	Date/s	Type	Walk Title, Location	Grade & km	Dist Dirn	Leader Given-Name
<i>Walk Description.</i>						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO
Wed	20-Nov		CLUB MEETING			
Sun	24-Nov	D	Brighton to Sandringham	E 12km	20km S	Lyn
A return walk around the bay. Some on the sand, some along coastal path or boardwalk. We have done this previously as a dawn walk but have not yet found a good spot for breakfast. This time we will car pool from Kew at the usual time, but with the short drive will have most of the walk complete before any possible heat. Bring your lunch and we will have coffee towards the end in Brighton.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO
Wed	27-Nov	Soc	Pre Xmas Social Vietnamese Dinner	Soc	8km E	Peter & Jenny
It has been a long time between drinks, so let's get together and enjoy a pre-Xmas dinner. I have booked Tuong Long restaurant at 540 Whitehorse Road Surrey Hills for 7 pm Wednesday 27 November. They are offering a room to ourselves, and a menu comprising 2 entrees, 5 mains and 2 desserts for \$25pp (no corkage) BYO. Please sign the sheets at the November meeting to secure your place at this dinner or ring Peter. Social events like this enable all walkers to meet and share quality time together.						
35	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO
Sun	1-Dec	D	Mt Donna Buang	M 12km	84km E	Kim
A rescheduling of the walk that was cancelled due to bad weather in September. This walk is not a long distance but it includes 1-2 hours of walking off track. During the walk we will visit Mt Victoria, the ruins of several old ski huts, the summit of Mt Donna Buang and a hidden hut which is privately owned. Lunch will be in the hut in front of an open fire. Numbers are strictly limited due to the capacity and privacy of the hut. Poles and gaiters are strongly recommended.						
12	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO
Sun	1-Dec	D	Warrandyte Yarra River	EM 15km	30km NE	Sandra
This is a walk along the Yarra River from Stiggarts Reserve to the Warrandyte State Park. We may see kangaroos, wallabies, platypus, and some native orchids. At Jumping Creek there is a picnic area where we will stop for lunch. We will follow the river up to Blue Tongue Bend, then return on the same path.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO
Sun	8-Dec	D	Summer Sunrise: Yarra Bend Park	E 9km	4km E	Lyn
Meet at the end of Kanes Bridge near Studley Park Boathouse for a 6am start. We follow the river around Galatea Point and under Johnston St, cross the footbridge, pass the Children's Farm, and stop for breakfast at the Abbotsford Convent Bakery. Then return via Dights Falls and Deep Rock back to Studley Park.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers		Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO

Sun	8-Dec	D	The Farm Yard	MH 8km	119km NE	Peter McM
A rescheduling of the walk that was cancelled due to bad weather. This energetic walk has very good views from the North Jawbone peak. It is a relatively short walk of approximately 8 kilometres. However, the walk is rated Medium/Hard given that the climb of approximately 500 metres involves a lot of steps instead of an upward traverse. The last stretch of the walk to North Jawbone also involves a relatively steep but short walk over rocks. Poles are recommended. The walk is expected to take 3.5 to 4.5 hours, including lunch at North Jawbone.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Wed	11-Dec	D	Norton's Park & Shepherd's Bush	E 8km	25km SE	Glenys
Walk begins at Norton's Park and continues to Shepherd's Bush. Then on to Bushy Creek Wetlands, retracing some of our steps to meet up with the linear track to Jells Lake Conservation area. Lovely bushy environment close to the city and lots of birds. Return to Norton's Park for lunch. Please bring a treat to share at lunch to celebrate Christmas. Meet at Victoria Park, Kew, at 8.45am.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Sun	15-Dec	D	Cape Schanck to Gunnamatta and back	M 15km	100km S	Michael
A mix of clifftop with great views and beach walking. On the way back (or there depending on tides) we will have a closer look at Fingal Beach and the impressive rock platform and cliffs. Also time for a bit of an explore at Cape Schanck and the tea tree vegetation around Fingal picnic area. Steep climb and lots of steps up from Fingal Beach.						
15	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Wed	18-Dec	CLUB MEETING				
------------	---------------	---------------------	--	--	--	--

Sun	22-Dec	D	Mt Vinegar, Yarra Ranges NP	MH 15km	80km ENE	Graeme
This is the end stage of the walk from Mt Donna Buang to Dom Dom Saddle along the ridge-line. "Breathtaking scenery and spectacular views". From the saddle drive 4.3km south along Road 8 (a 2nd road) to the walk start at the Carters Gap Rd junction (elevation 650m). Walk south on Road 8 to Mt Vinegar (1080m) and then on to Mt Vinegar Rd (840m). Return via Road 8, Cleft Rock Walking Track and Carters Gap Road (a 'lasso' walk). This is an EXPLORATORY walk.						
12	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Tue	31-Dec	D	Clifton Hill	E 7km	5km N	Fran
Starting and finishing at the Quarries Park, walk along the Merri Creek to finish at the Ramsden St Reserve in Clifton Hill in time to enjoy BYO Christmas leftovers and champagne while watching the 9.30pm New Year's Eve fireworks. Park in the car park at the end of Ramsden St (Melway 44 F2) at 6.45pm ready to start walking at 7.00pm. Car parking might be crowded so car pool or public transport to nearby Clifton Hill Station are both good options. Families and kids welcome.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Wed	1-Jan	D	Day-night walk plus dinner in Trentham: Blue Mount & Domino Trail	M 17km	100km NW	Vanessa
Enjoy New Year's Day public holiday with a lunchtime start, walking on the Great Dividing Range. Climb Blue Mount, then wander through the forest to dinner in Trentham, reversing the walk we have done previously. Sunset & dusk walking along the Domino rail trail back to the cars at Lyonville. Night return to Melbourne. If windy or high fire danger, we will have to postpone it. Car pooling and meeting arrangements to be notified by leader to those on the list.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

Sun	5-Jan	D	Lysterfield Lake Circuit	E 9km	47km SE	Cathy
------------	--------------	----------	---------------------------------	------------------------	--------------------------	--------------

A gentle walk to get going after the Christmas/New Year festivities. Meet at **7.00am** at bottom carpark nearest the dam wall (turn left immediately on entering the park from Horswood Rd and continue to the end). Walk the Granite Peak Track to the junction with Lamberts Track then return via Lakeside Track. 9km in total. Almost completely flat apart from a very small rise early in the walk. Breakfast to follow at Cafe Correa, Squatting Frog Plant Nursery 5mins drive away in Heatherton Rd.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	5-Jan	D	Around Eastern View: Great Otway NP	M 15km	125km SW	Chris
------------	--------------	----------	--	-------------------------	---------------------------	--------------

This walk starts from the Great Ocean Road just past Aireys Inlet and we head inland along rough tracks and 4WD roads. We walk along Moggs Creek for 3km before stopping for lunch at Moggs Creek picnic area. After lunch we head back to the coast and get some great views over Aireys Inlet. After reaching the coast the last part of the walk is along the beach back to the cars.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Wed	8-Jan	D	Summer Sunrise: St Kilda Beach	E 12km	10km SW	Lyn
------------	--------------	----------	---------------------------------------	-------------------------	--------------------------	------------

Meet at the beach end of St Kilda Pier in time for a **6am** start. Note you can get all day early bird parking in the lower level of the car park under the St Kilda Baths. You must park and pay on level 2 to get this deal. We walk around the bay to Station Pier. Stop for breakfast at the end of the light rail, and then return around Albert Park Lake.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	12-Jan	D	10 Bridges Walk: Yarra River vicinity	M 16km	8km E	Rob / Fran
------------	---------------	----------	--	-------------------------	------------------------	-----------------------

The 10 bridges walk starts at Victoria Park Kew (this is our normal Wednesday starting point) 7:45am for an 8am start. From here we walk into the Darebin parklands and then catch a train at Alphington Station to Westgarth Station (need to bring your Myki card). From Westgarth Station we walk to Dights Falls and then on to Ivanhoe-Northcote Canoe Club via the flyfishing training ponds for lunch. After lunch/coffee we wend our way back to Victoria Park. Note that this walk is graded M because of the distance. It is all relatively flat on formed paths.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Wed	15-Jan	CLUB MEETING: BARBECUE			
------------	---------------	-------------------------------	--	--	--

Sun	19-Jan	D	Summer Sunrise: Around the River to the City	E 12km	8km E	Lyn
------------	---------------	----------	---	-------------------------	------------------------	------------

Meet at the bridge over the Yarra where Riversdale Road joins Swan St (Melway 45A11) in time for a **6.30am** start. Free all day parking on Sundays at Leonda or over the bridge in Yarra Bvd. We follow the walking / bike path around the river and along the boardwalk under the freeway. Cross the river on the Morell footbridge and wander through the Botanic Gardens. Breakfast at Jardin Tan at the Observatory and then walk down through the gardens to Flinders St. Take the number 70 tram back to the cars. (Don't forget to bring your Myki.)

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	19-Jan	D	Blackwood - Ruth's Gully Circuit	MH	95km	
				19km	NW	Roger

Starting from Blackwood Mineral Springs, pass Shaws Lake Rotunda and continue to North Blackwood Road and then Ruth Track. Head south down Hayden Track and then take a southerly spur to the Lerderderg River. Cross the river at the ford, then climb Ambler Lane to the Byers Back Track. Cross the Lerderderg once again at The Tunnel, then head northwest along Tunnel Point Track to North Blackwood Road. Retrace steps to the carpark at the Mineral Springs Reserve.

15	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Wed	22-Jan	D	Lilydale Lake	E	40km	
				10km	E	Fran

Take a train to Lilydale for a leisurely walk round Lilydale Lake finishing with afternoon tea at the Lilydale Historical Society Museum. Take the 9.07am train from Flinders St on the Lilydale Line. If boarding at any other station along the line please let me know. Meet in the second last carriage.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	2-Feb	D	Lilydale -Mt Evelyn Circuit	EM	36km	
				14km	E	Peter

This walk starts and finishes at Lilydale station, but we do car pool from Kew. We walk the Warburton Rail Trail as far as Mt Evelyn; a steady gradual ascent of approximately 8km. We will have a coffee break at the railway cafe before we returning to Lilydale via the Mt Evelyn Aqueduct which includes one quite steep descent, and Lilydale Lake. Depending on how we feel we might indulge in another coffee in Lilydale before returning early afternoon.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Tues	4-Feb	D	Williamstown, Newport Lakes	E	8km	
				12km	W	Julia

The walk starts at Williamstown Station and takes in the Timeball Tower, the Esplanade, and the Jawbone Conservation Reserve before heading north up Maddox Rd to Newport Lakes Park. We'll have lunch there before exploring the lakes. Then we'll walk back via the streets to Newport Station. **Meeting arrangements:** Catch the Williamstown train that leaves Flinders St at 9.31am. Go to the back carriage (eastern end of platform). If preferred catch the train at Southern Cross at 9.34am (southern end of platform). This walk can be shortened if the forecast is for a very hot day.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	9-Feb	D	Westernport	E	75km	
				10km	S	Fran

An easy walk along Westernport Bay foreshore from Hastings to Bittern and return.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Sun	9-Feb	D	Forest Creek Diggings, Castlemaine	M	125km	
				12km	NW	Chris

A gentle meander north from Chewton through the Forest Creek section of the historic Castlemaine gold diggings. The Forest Creek Gold Mine occupies the remains of White Hill and Red Hill. There have been nearly 150 years of continuous mining here, and a range of techniques has been used to extract the alluvial gold. Should be time for good coffee in Castlemaine after the walk.

24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?	NO
----	-----------------------------	--	----

Wed	12-Feb	D	Merri Creek Path	E 12km	10km N	Peter
This walk begins at Batman Station and finishes at Victoria Park Station. It mainly follows the Merri Creek Path which passes through many pleasant parks including Coburg Lake Park, and finishes at the confluence with the Yarra River. Meeting arrangements: Catch the Upfield train that leaves Flinders Street Station at 9:24am. Be in the back carriage. Don't forget your Myki card.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Sun	16-Feb	D	Summer Sunrise: Sandringham to Ricketts Pt	E 12km	15km SE	Lyn
Meet on the foreshore near the rotunda at the end of Bay Rd Sandringham (Melway 76G10) in time for a 6.45am start. Plenty of free all-day street parking, but do check the signs! We follow the path around the bay to just past Ricketts Point. Breakfast at Ricketts Point and then return via the same route.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Wed	19-Feb	CLUB MEETING				
Sun	23-Feb	D	Mordialloc & Carrum	MH 19km	30km S	Peter McM
This walk starts off with a short meander through the Mordialloc Creek boat moorings before emerging at the Mordialloc sailing club. There is then an 8.5km walk along the beach before turning left up the Patterson River. The return trip is past the Chelsea Pony Club, the Bicentennial Park, the Edithvale wetlands including the Edithvale Bird Hide.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Sun	23-Feb	D	Sweetwater & Kananook Creeks, Frankston	EM 12km	50 KM SE	Ian
We will follow the Sweetwater Creek downstream to the coast and then walk upstream beside the Kananook Creek. Then it is back along the beach and upstream beside Sweetwater Creek to the start. Most of the downhill and uphill between the starting point (at about 60m above sea level) and sea level is on steps and wooden stairs.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Wed	26-Feb	D	Myrtle Gully Tanglefoot Loop	M 17km	70km NE	Jan
Rescheduled from Spring Program. A walk in Toolangi SF, steep in places and often muddy. Walking poles will be helpful. The odd leech or two may be lurking. Meet at Wattle Park Chalet car park (Melway 60J2) at 7.45am for 8am departure. NB Not Victoria Park.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Wed - Fri	26Feb- 6Mar	PC &/or BC	Tasman & Freycinet NPs	M & EM	Tas	Graeme
Three Capes walk followed by the Tasman Trail in Tasman NP, then Wineglass Bay and Hazards Beach walks in Freycinet. For those not wanting to do the Three Capes PC there are base camp/day-walk alternatives. Also for the Freycinet BC, there are M and EM options. Walk list closed.						
12	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	
Sat	29-Feb	D	Station Pier, Webb Dock & Westgate Park	E 10km	8km SW	Lyn
It is Leap Day! Celebrate a once in four-year opportunity for a walk on Feb 29th with a late afternoon walk by the bay, followed by fish and chips at Station Pier. Meet at Kew Library carpark at 3.20pm to catch 109 tram at 3.27, or meet at the Station Pier tram stop at 4.30. Don't forget to bring your Myki card. The walk can be shortened if the weather is hot.						
24	= Maximum-Number-of-Walkers	Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required?			NO	

ADVANCED NOTICES

Fri- Mon 6-9 Mar BC Mount Baw Baw Var 150km E Lyn /Cathy

Stay in the comfortable EdSki Lodge and enjoy a variety of alpine walks over the March long weekend
 24 = Maximum-Number-of-Walkers Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required? NO

Wed 11-Mar D Camberwell/Canterbury historical walk E 11km 15km E Marlene

An easy walk through old historical, leafy streets of Canterbury and Camberwell, through several small hidden parks, throughways, along rail tracks, parts of the Outer Circle Rail Trail. Option of 8km or a further 3km loop of Outer Circle Rail Trail. Meet at 8.45 at Victoria Park Kew or 9am at Riversdale Park corner Riversdale & Spencer Rds (Melway 60B1). Please notify leader if going directly to Riversdale Park.

24 = Maximum-Number-of-Walkers Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required? NO

Fri- Sun 3 - 5 Apr BC Mystery Weekend Var within 200km Vanessa

Postponed from November, this weekend offers everything! Great company, a range of walk options, comfortable affordable accommodation, a convivial shared meal, optional fun activities, all based around the history of walking to the goldfields! How great that we don't need to do it the hard way, too! (You could even camp out instead, if you wish to emulate the old timers.)

24 = Maximum-Number-of-Walkers Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required? NO

Wed 8-Apr D Wilson Park Berwick E 9km 40km E June

We will follow tracks around a lake and through bush land. We should see both waterbirds and bush birds. There is a lookout, an information centre, and a covered picnic area. Climbing the lookout is optional as there are good views from other locations. Meet at 8.45 at Victoria Park Kew

24 = Maximum-Number-of-Walkers Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required? NO

Fri- Tue 30Oct - 3Nov BC Bright Var 320km NW Lyn /Cathy

Return to Bright Alps Lodge for day walks on Mount Buffalo and surrounding alpine areas. List available from the May meeting.

30 = Maximum-Number-of-Walkers Sat-comms (PLB or sat-phone) required? NO

Fri- Mon 13-16 Nov BC Federation Weekend: Licola Var

Keep the dates free for Federation Walks 2020 in the Gippsland Foothills and Southern Alps.