

## Program January – July 2021

### **MEMBERSHIP FEES AND CHARGES (Subject to confirmation)**

- New walkers pay one-off fee of \$5.00 which covers up to 3 walks. New walkers may apply for full membership after 1 walk.
- Carpooling not recommended, but is at members discretion
- Annual membership: \$40.00.

### **MEETING PLACES**

- Walkers must contact leader prior to walk to notify the leader they will be attending, and to confirm meeting place details.

### **Occasions when the walk is at the leader's discretion – check with leader the night before.**

Days predicted to be 33 degrees or above

### **Occasions when the walk will be cancelled without notice**

- Damaging winds or thunderstorms predicted in the walk zone and it is a forested area
- Bushfires in the vicinity of the walk

### **Walk variations**

- Many walks will have shorter options available depending on the type of walk, weather conditions on the day etc.

*When in doubt check with the leader*

#### ***Walk and safety rules***

- Bring your mobile phone and enter the walk leader's mobile number in it
- Inform the leader if you have a medical condition that may affect your walking
- Stay with the group. If you are having trouble keeping up alert the leader
- No person to leave the group without notifying the leader or whip, even for a nature call. Leave your pack at the side of the track for a nature call
- Stop at intersections and wait for all walkers
- Each walker should be able to see the person in front or behind at all times
- If you become separated blow your whistle 3 times. Listen for a response and stay where you are. Keep calling until a response is received
- The leader is in charge of all events for the day. You must report any illness or injury to the leader immediately
- Care and respect the bush by using designated paths and take all your rubbish home

#### ***What to bring***

- Water (1 litre minimum), snacks and lunch. In hot weather carry extra water. It's a good idea to have extra food, water & clothing in case the weather changes
- Your personal first aid kit and essential medication (e.g. asthma, anti-histamines)
- A whistle
- Wear walking shoes or boots.
- Toilet paper, sunscreen and insect repellent
- Have a change of footwear to wear home especially if wet and muddy
- Wear clothing suitable for the conditions

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Date	Walk	Leaders
Wednesday 13 January <b>Welcome Back Dinner</b> 6:30pm	Sandro's 104 High St, Berwick <b>Advise Marg by 6<sup>th</sup> if going.</b>	Marg Knapton
17 January Start 09:30	Hastings Boardwalk. Walk starts at the Hastings Jetty and goes through mangroves. 12km Easy	Janine Jefferys
24 January Start 09:30	Gladysdale circuit. Views of vineyards and Yarra Ranges 11km Easy/medium	Haydn Foster
26 January <b>Australia Day</b> 11:00am	Wilson Park, Berwick. Meet at the right hand side of the lake near the amphitheatre. A short walk begins at 11am. For those who don't wish to walk, lunch begins at 12 noon. <b>BYO chair, lunch and something to share</b>	Brenda King and Marg Knapton
31 January Start 09:30	Warrandyte State Park / Black Flat 5 and 10km options Easy / Med	Marg Knapton
7 February Start 09:30	Greens Bush. Circuit walk 13km Easy. <b>Shorter options available</b>	Haydn Foster
14 February Start 09:30	Gembrook Township. 12km Easy/medium. Rural paths, road and park tracks.	Clio Wiegerink
21 February Start 09:30	Punty Lane – Red Hill South circuit walk. Farmland, majestic old pine trees 14km Med	Marg Knapton
28 February Start 09:30	Maryknoll township and surrounds. 14km Medium – some hills	Haydn Foster
7 March Start 09:30	London Bridge to Gunners Cottage mostly tracks 10km Easy/medium	Di Evans
14 March Start 09:30	Maroondah Reservoir / Donnelly's Weir circuit 5 or 10km options Easy/Med	Marg Knapton
21 March Start 09:30	Cranbourne Botanic Gardens. Walking tracks and the Australian Garden 5 or 8km options Easy	Kim Arlove
28 March <b>Start 10:00am</b>	Tanjil Forest. Starts at Tanjil Bren picnic shelter. Gentle climb up the valley of the West Tanjil River to the upper Toorong Falls. Gradual descent back to cars along Saxtons Road. Lush tree ferns. 13km Easy/medium	Janine Jefferys
4 April	NO WALK. EASTER SUNDAY (Daylight Saving ends)	
11 April Start 09:30	Sugarloaf Reservoir, Christmas Hills Circuit walk around reservoir 16km Medium/hard	Haydn Foster
18 April Start 09:30	Grants Picnic Ground, Kallista. Circuit Walk 10km Easy/Medium	Rob Osborne
25 April	NO WALK. ANZAC DAY	

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2 May Start 09:30	Cockatoo – Gembrook Rail Trail and return. 13km Easy 6km option available	Marg Knapton
9 May (Mother's Day) Start 09:30	Cardinia Creek Parklands. Short walk around parklands and Grasmere Creek. 6-8km Easy	Marg Knapton
16 May Start 09:30	Seville Circuit. Rural paths, road and rail trail. 11km Easy/medium	Clio Wiegerink
23 May Start 09:30	Emerald township and Lake. 10km Easy Paths and some pavement	Haydn Foster
30 May Start 09:30	Lilydale to Yering Trail. The walk begins at Beresford Road Lilydale 15km return. Easy/medium. <b>Short Option:</b> Coldstream Station and return – passes through farmland and vineyards 7km Easy	Janine Jefferys
6 June Start 09:30	O'Shannassy Aqueduct. Return walk along aqueduct from Millgrove. Aqueduct carpark, Dee Road, Millgrove 14km Easy <b>Short Option</b> Return from any point along trail	Janine Jefferys
13 June Start 09:30	Devilbend Reservoir and Woods Bushland Reserve return. A return walk using the easterly side of Devilbend Reservoir then Woods Bushland Reserve prior to return.- 10 km then optional 3 km of walks near the car park. Easy 13km (10km + optional 3km)	Clio Wiegerink
20 June Start 09:30	Four Brothers Rocks, Bunyip State Park. Circuit walk from Mortimer Picnic Ground, Gembrook-Tonimbuc Rd, Gembrook Med/Hard 13km <b>Short Option:</b> Easy 7km	Haydn Foster
27 June Start 09:30	Noojee Trestle Bridge then Torongo Falls. Trestle Bridge, Mt Baw Baw Tourist Rd., Noojee <b>Walk 1</b> Pleasant walk along trail to trestle bridge 6km Easy <b>Walk 2</b> Drive to Toorong Falls and walk the circuit 6km Easy	Isobel Caulfield
4 July Start 09:30	Blackburn Lake. Pleasant circuit walk around lake and surrounding areas 10km Easy	Rudi Oost
11 July Start 09:30	Police Paddocks and Churchill Park. Start walk from Dandenong Basketball Stadium via wetlands, through Police Paddocks, to Churchill Park and return. <b>Short option:</b> Walk to Police Paddocks and return (6km) Easy-Medium 14km	Haydn Foster
Wednesday 14 July <b>AGM</b>	Venue to be confirmed	Marg Knapton