

# SPRING ACTIVITY PROGRAM

## October 2009 to April 2010

The first six months of this program are confirmed. Beyond this time, suggestions for base camps, overnight walks and extended walks are noted; your suggestions for walks are invited and appreciated. If leaders are unable to fulfil their role they must advise **Heather Walker (Ph: 5996 2679 or 0429 948 826)** as soon as possible.

All participants in an activity please note the following:

- It would be appreciated if you could contact the Leader prior to attending any club activity. Do not assume that the walk details will not be changed or that the walk will go ahead.
- All walkers are responsible for ensuring an adequate level of fitness. Any health problems or disabilities likely to affect your participation must be notified to the Leader prior to a Club activity.
- Petrol costs suggested in the program for a Day Walk may be adjusted by the Leader, depending on the number of passengers per vehicle.
- It is requested that all mobile phones be either switched off, or switched to "silent mode" for the duration of the walk. Please be discreet if you need to answer the phone.
- Should an accident occur resulting in an injury requiring medical attention on a Club activity, it is imperative that the Secretary, President or Vice President be informed immediately by the leader if such an incident occurs.

**Note: Length of walks are approximate and may be varied at Leader's discretion**

Sun 11 Oct Day Walk	<b>You Yangs National Park</b> 13 kms E/M The You Yangs granite peaks rise 340 metres high and dominate the landscape between Melbourne and Geelong. This park is a haven for wildlife with more than 200 species of birds, kangaroos, wallabies and koalas to be seen if we are lucky. There is variety of plant life with Manna, Yellow and Red gums giving way to undergrowth of native shrubs and ground covers. We will be combining several tracks and roads and pass through rocky terrain and sparse woodlands with lots of viewing points over the surrounding valley. Meet at Pre-School at 8am		Phil Charters
Sun 18 Oct Bike Ride	<b>Capital City Trail-Moonee Ponds Creek Trail-Merri Creek Trail</b> <i>A circuit ride covering approximately 54 kms starting and finishing at the Studley Park boat house (Melway 2D (8F)). We will meet at the boathouse (free all day parking is available) and leave from there at 9.30 am. Afternoon tea will be taken at Ceres Environmental Park (about 7 kms from the end of the ride). Contact leader.</i>		Ken Ayton
Sun 25 Oct Day Walk	<b>Anakie Gorge Circuit, Brisbane Ranges</b> 10 kms M Enjoy a lovely spring walk in one of Victoria's botanically and geologically diverse parks, with stone weirs, gorge walking, wildflowers and rocky outcrop views. Meet at Pre-School at 8am		Heather Walker
<b>CupW/E 31 Oct to 03 Nov</b>			
Touring Long Weekend Bike Ride	<b>Goldfields Area</b> <i>This will be a touring ride of approx 40 and 80 kms per day beginning in Ballarat. We will make our way to Clunes (1<sup>st</sup> night). Day 2 will be a meander through Ullina. Koorocheang, Werona and Newstead and onto Castlemaine (2<sup>nd</sup> night). Day 3 we will head to Bendigo via Lockwood South (3<sup>rd</sup> night). Contact Leader</i>		Peter Keefer
Sun 08 Nov Day Walk	<b>Yarra State Forest</b> 15km, E/M A lovely walk following Richard's Tramway with lots of interesting historical information along the track. Meet at Pre-School at 8am		Tim Rounds
<b>Thursday 12 November Club Night 8pm Slides of past walks presented by Heather Walker</b>			
Sun 15 Nov Day Walk	<b>Bungal Forest</b> 16 km M Interesting walk (south west of Ballan) following the Moorabool River East Branch & Bungal Creek. Old mine workings from gold rush days. Open forest and potentially many wild flowers. Meet at Pre-school at 8 am		Julie Kidd

Sun 22 Nov Bike Ride	<b>Dromana to Portsea</b> Approx 60kms <i>A pleasant coastal ride starting at Dromana heading along the beach trail taking in all the coastal towns to Portsea, where we will stop for lunch before heading off to Point Nepean. There will be some road riding on bike lanes. The return trip will be inland back to Dromana.</i> Contact leader		Anna Lee
28/29 Nov O/N Walk	<b>Beeripmo Walk – Mt Cole State Forest</b> 21km M Mt Cole or Bereep Bereep (meaning Wild Mount in Beeripmo Balug language) will provide us with different forest environments from lush ferny forests, water falls, moss covered rocks and weather-beaten rocky outcrops. We will have magnificent vistas of the tablelands below and surrounding mountain ranges. Contact leader.		Tiz Murray
<b>29 Nov 2009</b>	<b>Deadline for Pack Chat Articles to Editor</b>		
Sun 06 Dec Afternoon Walk and Dinner	<b>O'Shannassy Aquaduct (West section) and dinner</b> 14km E Meet at the pre-school at 1.30 pm. This will be an afternoon walk with some stunning views of the valley along a pleasantly shaded track. Then we will have dinner at the Yarra Junction Hotel at 6.30pm.		Maria Annal
<b>Thursday 10 December Club Night 8pm (Please bring a plate)</b>			
Sat 12 Dec Social	<b>Xmas BBQ &amp; Kris Kringle</b> (\$10.00) Venue: Ken and Anna Lee's Place 4pm onwards BYO Meat, Drinks, Chair, Plates, Cutlery, Glasses etc. & Nibbles, Salad or Dessert to share. Contact Leaders		Ken and Anna Lee
<b>Extended Trip 27 to 31 Dec 09</b>			
O/N Extended Walk	<b>McMillan Track</b> 40kms M-H The walk will commence from Arbuckle Junction following the original Track to Breakfast Creek. From there several possibilities, either proceed on the Track to Licola Jamieson Rd via Macalister & Barclay Rivers, or day walks to The Crinoline and Bruni Knob. Departure date can be flexible. Contact leader for further details. <b>Note:</b> The walk will be cancelled if there appear to be any bushfire threats. Contact leader		Julie Kidd
<b>Happy New Year Welcome to 2010</b>			
Sun 10 Jan Bike Ride	<b>Pakenham Circuit</b> Approx 60kms <i>Starting at Pakenham station taking in the towns of Koo-Wee-Rup Bayles, NarNar Goon &amp; Tynong and back to Pakenham. A pleasant rural ride through tranquil farmland. See grazing cattle, horses sheep and even deer. Most of the ride is flat except for one section north of the rail line, which is hillier and can be avoided if desired.</i> Contact leader		Anna Lee
Sun 17 Jan Day Walk	<b>Tallarook</b> 15 kms M Loacated east of Broadford, this area has two key attractions – the ferny Mill Creek and Mount Hickey (805 m high). <b>Note early start time:</b> Meet at Pre-school <b>7:30 am</b>		Ken Ayton
<b>Australia Day W/E 23 and 24 January</b>			
Beginners O/NWalk	<b>Mustering Flat - Mt. Baw Baw.</b> M This medium grade pack carrying overnight walk will be from Mount St Gwinear to Mustering Flat. It will be one night base camping at Mustering Flat with day walks from there on the Baw Baw Plateau. **NOTE: This walk will only take place if weather conditions permit and will be cancelled if there appear to be any bushfire threats ** Contact Leader		Ian Danne
Sun 31 Jan Kayaking	<b>Sea Kayaking at Sandringham</b> followed by lunch at a local venue. Contact Leader		Derek Grantham

Sun 07 Feb Day Walk	<b>Wirilda Track</b> 15kms M/H Approx. 20kms from Rawson this is a picturesque circuit walk down the Tyers River Valley, commencing at the Moondarra Reservoir picnic ground. Great views of the river from narrow foot tracks along the steep sided valley. Some steep climbs, descents and river crossings. Meet at Pre-school 8am		Di Keefer
<b>Thursday 11 February Club Night 8pm</b> <i>China Trip photo/video show</i>			
Sun 14 Feb Bike Ride	<b>Murrumbeena Rail Stn to Yarraman Stn via Gardiners Creek</b> , by train from Nunawading to Ringwood then bike trails to Jells Park and finally East Link. Approx 50km Contact Leader		Derek Grantham
Sat 20 Feb Day Walk & Social Night	<b>City Walk followed by Music in the Park</b> 8 km E Meet at floral clock at Midday for city walk and then 5pm in the Myer Music Bowl for a picnic meal before enjoying a free concert by the Melbourne Symphony Orchestra. Contact Leader		Ron Nethercott
Sun 28 Feb Day Walk	<b>Tanglefoot-Myrtle Gully</b> 18 kms M We will start from beneath Mt St Leonard with lunch at the Tanglefoot Car Park. The track winds through Mountain Ash forests with some 200 year-old trees that survived the 1939 fires and apart from Mountain Ash and tree ferns, the rainforest contains Mytle Beech and Blackwood. If time, weather and inclination allow we may climb to the fire tower on top of Mt St Leonard before the main walk begins. Meet at Pre-school 8am		John Freeman
<b>28 Feb 2010</b>	<b>Deadline for Pack Chat Articles to Editor</b>		
<b>Labour Day Long W/E 6 to 8 March</b>			
Base Camp	Location and details of this base camp to be advised. Contact Leader		Ken Landy
Overnight Walk	<b>Lerderderg Gorge</b> 35 km H It is only an hour from central Melbourne but Lerderderg Gorge is one of Victoria's most rugged gorges. The bush in the area is typical of the dryer woodlands found throughout the Victoria's goldfields area. There is a good chance of seeing wallabies and wombats. There will be some off-track walking along a rocky riverbed. Contact Leader		Phil Charters
<b>Thursday 11 March Club Night 8pm</b>			
Sun 14 Mar Day Walk	<b>Pyrete Range</b> 15kms M-H The Pyrete Range is in the Eastern part of the Lerderderg State Park North west of Melton and rarely visited by walkers. We will traverse open Red Ironbark forest, which features wildflowers, interesting terrain and great views on the higher peaks. The historic Antimony Mine is also here (1872 –1947). Meet at Pre-school 8am		Ken Lee
Sun 21 Mar Bike Ride	<b>Yarragon Loop</b> 55km ride from Yarragon to Trafalar & return E-M <i>A delightful undulating ride, in a most scenic area of Gippsland.</i> Contact leader		Rick Annal
Sun 28 Mar Track Maintenance	<b>Bunyip State Park - Track Maintenance Activity</b> In conjunction with Bushwalking Victoria's Bushfire Recovery Program, our Club will be co-ordinating development and/or maintenance of a track yet to be nominated. Contact leader		Graeme Kidd
<i>Daylight Saving ends Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2010 at 2 am</i>			
<b>Easter 2 to 5 April</b>			
Accommodated Base Camp	<b>Snowy River Wildernest</b> A great location that allows for interesting bush walks, cycling sections of the East Gippsland Rail Trail or just lazing around.		Peter Keefer Leaders required for day walks

	Bookings essential. Contact leader		
<b>Thursday 08 April Club Night 8pm</b>			
<i>The following walks will be confirmed in the next program</i>			
Sun 11 Apr Social Day	<b>Car Rally</b> Join in the fun and test your navigation skills on this team event. A picnic / BBQ will follow at the final destination. Contact Leader		Ken Lee
Sun 18 Apr Day Walk	<b>Billy's Creek area in the Morwell State Park</b> ~ 12 to 14 Kms M-H This is a circuit walk commencing from the car park on Junction Rd and walking along Billy's Creek, Clematis, Lodge and Blue Gum Tracks. Meet at Pre-school 8 am		Lorraine Divine
<b>Anzac Day Long W/E 24 to 26 April</b>			
<i>Accommodated Base Camp Bike Rides</i>	<b>Rutherglen</b> Distances vary from 29-40kms. <i>We will be based at Rutherglen in cabins and will do daily rides such as the wineries west loop, the Rutherglen gourmet loop, the Humpty Doos, or the Chiltern Valley loop. Riding is on roads, mostly quiet back roads. Contact leader early to book in.</i>		<i>Shirley Wallace</i>
Base Camp Day Walks	<b>Shelley, Burrowa-Pine Mountain NP</b> Located in north-east Victoria near Corryong. Details to be advised. Contact Leader		Joan Horton
Sun 02 May Day Walk	<b>Two Bays walking track - Mornington Peninsula National Park, Cape Schanck M</b> ~16kms We begin the walk where the Two Bays walking track intersects with Boneo Road (Rosebud-Flinders Road) then follow the track to Bushrangers Bay and Cape Schanck Lighthouse. Meet at pre-school at 8:00 am.		Paula James
Sat 08 May Social night	<b>Social Activity</b> Details to be advised at a later date		Leader Required
<b>Thursday 13 May Club Night 8pm</b>			
Sun 16 May Day Walk	<b>Mt Worth State Park</b> 12kms M Commencing at the Moonlight Creek picnic area we will walk a longer circuit following the Moonlight Creek, then climbing to the ridgeline for views of Mt Worth. A shorter circuit will then take us through Mountain Ash forest and fern gullies. Meet at pre-school at 8:00 am.		Jamie Stewart
<i>Sun 23 May Bike Ride</i>	<b>Drouin Loop</b> 70kms M-H <i>Ride through beautiful undulating farmland from Nar Nar Goon to Drouin via Longwarry and return. Return by train if necessary. Contact leader</i>		<i>Joan Horton</i>
Sun 30 May Day Walk	<b>Dandenong Creek Track</b> 12 kms E-M This is a lovely environment for those who truly love bushwalking. The flora and fauna is varied and spectacular. This walk will start at Doongalla homestead and will follow the Dandenong Creek Track and using a variety of other tracks in the area we will follow a circuit for a about 12 kilometres back to the beginning of the walk. A walk not to be missed. Meet at pre-school at 8:00 am.		Phil Charters
<b>30 May 2010</b>	<b>Deadline for Pack Chat Articles to Editor</b>		
Sat 05 Jun Social Night	<b>Club's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration</b> – a themed gathering A merry night of friendship, fun, feasting and frivolity to celebrate the club's milestone – venue and time to be advised.		Tim Rounds
<b>Thursday 10 June Club Night 8pm</b>			