

Bush Telegraph July 2007

Newsletter of the Locksley Bushwalking Club Inc. A1186C
LBC on the Federation of Victorian Walking Clubs Web page: www.vicnet.net.au/~vicwalk

Next Meeting Annual Dinner Wednesday 15 August (see below for details)

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T RENEWED:

Fees: single email \$30, family email \$60, single posted \$41, family posted \$71
Now due and payable to:
Glenys Schubert,
20 Hillside Road
Rosanna 3084
Tel 9459 5524

UPCOMING TRIPS AND EVENTS

Urban Walk Saturday 14 July

BURIED TREASURE

The Melbourne General Cemetery is full of treasured history - mostly buried .
The walk on Saturday 14th July will take the form of a treasure hunt, so bone up on your (early) Victorian history. The hunt should take about 2 hours followed by a "wake" in a good cafe in nearby Lygon Street to assess "exhumed" cadavers, compare treasures and allot prizes - if deserved..

Participants meet at the main gate (opposite St Hilda's College) on College Crescent at 10.30am. In order that I can prepare sufficient Treasure Maps please advise me on 9827 8775 if you wish to attend. Also a return phone number if a last minute cancellation/deferment is necessary because of inclement weather - no fun treasure hunting in the rain.

David Pincus
Undertaker

Great Dividing Trail Association – Frith Park Loop – Sunday 22 July

Trail planned Macedon extension, 12 km Easy - medium, Richard Piesse 0407 087 319.
Contact person: Barb Guerin 9895 5945. Cost \$5 donation to GDTA.
For more details on the GDTA walks see http://www.gdt.org.au/asn/walk_pgm.htm

Annual Dinner Wednesday 15th August

Where: Heidelberg RSL corner Mount and Yarra St Heidelberg.
Time: 7 pm onwards.
What: Al a carte menu, basic "club" style food. Drinks at bar prices.
No BYO!

Attendance: Please let me know by Monday 13th at the latest so I can adjust numbers up or down.
Elizabeth 9459 7891

Day walk Saturday August 25th.

Leader: Elizabeth Ainsworth 9459 7891

Where: Cranbourne Botanical and Australian Native Gardens.

Entry off South Gippsland Highway Ballarto Rd.

Mel: Map 133 A10 (signed). Park Stringybark picnic area.

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Meet: Banyule Council car park behind the Rosanna library 8AM for car pooling

Entry off Douglas St. Mel: 32 A1

Plan: Meander about 5-6 kms around the Botanical Gardens.

This is mixed native vegetation including an interesting man made lake/drainage system.

Return to the cars for lunch and then walk to the Native Gardens.

There is an entry fee of \$6.75: \$9.00.

Enjoy a lemon myrtle tart before going home.

September 14 Meeting

The business for this meeting (Sept 14th) will be Barb Guerin telling us about the workings of the Federation and our place in it.

Elizabeth Ainsworth

Federation walks 21 October

The 2007 Federation Walk is a Bushwalking Victoria activity and is being hosted by Diamond Valley and Koonung Bushwalking Clubs. It will be a single day event based in Healesville.

The walks program will be available on the Bushwalking Victoria website (http://www.vicwalk.org.au/fed_walks.htm). Detailed descriptions of the walks should be available on the website within the next month or so.

To minimize congestion at the start of Federation Walk Day it is planned that all walkers should submit their registration and walk preferences via their Club's Federation Walk Coordinator by 21 September 2007. Walkers will be booked into walks in the order of their registrations being received by the organizing committee. When a walk is fully booked, walkers will be allocated to their second preference wherever possible. Under this scenario, where a walker does not indicate a 2nd or 3rd preference they will be allocated to another walk of similar length and grading.

Registration

Cost \$15.00

\$20.00 for registrations on the day of the Federation Walk (21 October)

Further Information

Fred Bover email fbover@ozemail.com.au

For information regarding accommodation in Healesville see www.visityarravalley.com.au

TRIP REPORTS

Yuroke Creek to Greenvale Reservoir 23 June

This walk was an exploratory one. We started from a point we passed on the Moonee Ponds Creek walk in July last year. I looked up this valley and wondered what it was like – so this year we tried it. The Yuroke creek is pretty small but it did have running water in it, along with a collection of cans etc. The various councils and developers

haven't quite got their act together. There are walking tracks on both sides but they often don't join up with each other. Nevertheless we intrepid LBC walkers bushbashed through.

Although the valley was quite wooded in places and had some interesting wetlands, the surrounding housing developments are encroaching rapidly, with a ferocious competition going on to build the biggest and ugliest house. Finally we arrived at the Greenvale reservoir, with its high towering dam wall. None of us had seen it before. The surrounding park and lake is quite pleasant. We climbed to the lookout and saw a gazillion ducks, and a view of the city in the distance. Elizabeth spotted a Greater Crested Grebe. Thus ended an urban walk for Sim, Savita, Andrew, Sue, Howard, Elizabeth and Peter Grub.

PROPOSED LBC PROGRAMME

| Date | Location | Activity | Grade | Leader | Telephone |
|--------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|
| July 14 Sat | Melbourne Cemetery | Day walk | Easy | David | 9827 8775 |
| July 22 Sun | Firth Park loop | Day Walk | | GDTA - Barb | 9859 5945 |
| August 11 Sat | Cobblers Gully Chewton | Day walk | | GDTA - Barb | 9859 5945 |
| August 15 Wed | Heidelberg RSL | Dinner | | | |
| August 25 Sat | Cranbourne/Lysterfield | Day walk | Easy | Elizabeth | 9459 7891 |
| Sept 8-9 | St Arnaud | Base camp | | Barb/ Elizabeth | 9859 5945 |
| Sept 14 Fri | | General meeting | | | |
| Sept 22-23 | Grampians | O/n walk | Medium | | |
| October 12 Fri | | Committee meeting | | | |
| October 21 Sun | Fed walk Healesville | Day walk | Medium | Grub | 9337 9077 |
| Nov 3-6 Cup w/e | Mt Eccles | Base camp | Easy | Neil | 9458 3317 |
| Nov 9 Fri | | General meeting | | | |
| Nov 17-18 | Alpine | O/N | Medium | | |
| Dec 1-2 | Phillip & French Is | Day walks | Medium | Elizabeth | 9459 7891 |
| Dec 7 Fri | | Xmas BBQ | | | |

COMING ON A WALK?

Please let the trip leader know personally as soon as possible. Day walks by the Tuesday before and weekend walks at least a week in advance.

A FEW IMPORTANT THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE ON WALKS.

We need to do a couple of simple things on walks.

1. Visitors and "non members" need to be signed up as *Temporary Members* and sign an *Acknowledgment of risk* form before going on a walk with us. These forms will be E mailed to all and sundry so they will be readily available and the trip leaders need to have with them for each walk.
2. Trip leaders need to have a list of all participants on the walk and their emergency contact details. The list of walkers needs to be sent to the Newsletter Editor with the trip report or given to the Club Secretary – Savita - at some stage after the walk.

Newsletter Editor: Peter Seligman

Please send all the reports, trip details etc to lbc@seligman-family.net

Please forward contributions by 25th of the month.