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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year to everyone, and I hope you all had a wonderful festive season.

The lucky winners of the "Leaders Draw" at our Christmas Party were Mark Heath, Lesley Hale and Rosemary Cotter. Each of these members received a voucher for \$50 to spend at Snowgum. On this night we also said "farewell" to Philip and Liz Wood who are returning to the UK. Philip has been one of the club auditors for a number of years and both of them have lead walks and also actively participated in club activities. We hope to see them again when they next visit Australia.



Please diarise the date of Monday 21 February for the club's Annual General Meeting. All members are invited to attend. Non members are welcome but are not eligible to vote. The Agenda appears separately in this month's NEWS.

Our clubrooms will be open on Australia Day – Wednesday 26 January for bookings, however there will be no Wine and Cheese Night this month.

Hopefully there will be a little more sunshine around in the next few months for the walks and other activities on our Program. Enjoy the walking and best wishes for 2011.

Margaret Curry

Members of the Melbourne Bushwalkers Inc meet on Wednesday evenings between 7.00 and 9.00 pm in the club rooms at:

**Royal Historical Society of Victoria
362 William Street
Cnr William and A'Beckett Streets),
Melbourne,
Vic 3001**

Visitors are always welcome!

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Walk previews, walk reviews, articles, poems, news items, photographs of club events, reports of new gear, book/movie reviews, letters to the editor, advertisements, etcetera are always welcome. However, the Editor reserves the right to edit contributions where space, clarity or propriety dictate, and to maintain editorial consistency. Note - photographs should be sent as separate files which are capable of being edited.

Please send your contributions as unformatted text files by email to news@mbw.org.au

Closing date for receipt of material for The News is without fail the 2nd last Wednesday of the month.

Only advertisements that directly relate to bushwalking (eg gear, maps, trips, tours etc) can be accepted. For current advertising rates please contact the editor.

Please note:

Next committee meeting will take place on

MONDAY 7 MARCH

TRACK MAINTENANCE GROUP

Track Maintenance and Conservation Activities. Bushwalkers are encouraged to assist with the following projects.

As provided by MBW member, Mark Heath.

2011 Activity Dates

Leader contact details



PLEASE

JOIN

US!

Wednesday 12 January

No wine and cheese night in Jan, but instead
GELATI NIGHT!!!!in the clubroom
Only \$3.00, so please bring loose change,
Note- from 7:30.

Friday 18 February

Restaurant night at
"Bombay Beat",
93 Burwood Road, Hawthorn.
Please book with Susan Maughan by 16/2.

**Wednesday
,23 February**

Regular Wine and cheese night

And an event to look forward to in March:

Paul George has been invited to give a presentation. The subject is an Introduction to Fungi which includes many images of the variety and beauty of Victorian fungi, and some background info on their life cycle and ecological role. Date TBA

Reports

TENT ZIPS

The zips in your tent have to put up with dirty campsites, long slider runs, foul weather and you, so it pays to look after them. Try to keep them away from anything abrasive and promptly clean them with your toothbrush or by washing the whole tent when you fail. Avoid stressing them and be gentle with their sliders. Aim to minimize their use but close them before packing. You could also consider lubricating them with a candle or proprietary wax. When they malfunction try gently squeezing the slider with a pair of pliers. If this doesn't help you may be able to obtain a new one from the tent manufacturer and install it yourself, or have the job done by an equipment repairer. If this is all to no avail, and you don't fancy replacing the zip yourself or paying an arm and a leg to have it done professionally, you will at least be able to contemplate the purchase of a new tent with a clearer conscience.

John Fritze



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

URCH MAUREEN
CHEY AMARA
FROWEIN FRIEDEL
SHERWOOD PETER
BERTING CHRIS
HU HONG XIA (CINDY)
ONAL LUTFU
TATE SUSAN
KELLY DANIEL

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – SOUTHERN AFRICA

The Bayside Bushwalking Club is running an "expedition" to Southern Africa (Swaziland, Zimbabwe, Zambia & Botswana) and have approached us to ascertain whether any members are interested in joining the group.

The departure date is 6 May 2011 & the duration – 22 days.

Further information & an itinerary can be obtained from Mike Curtin.

Noticeboard

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Melbourne Bushwalkers (Incorporated) will be held on Monday, 21 February, 2011, 8.00 pm at The Clubrooms, Royal Historical Society of Victoria, Corner of A'Beckett Street & William Street, Melbourne

Members are invited to attend.
Non-members are welcome but are not eligible to vote.

Business:

Apologies
Confirmation of minutes from the 2010 Annual General Meeting
President's report
Treasurer's report
Determination of the annual subscription fee for 2011
Walks Secretaries' reports
Election of Office Bearers & Committee members
Appointment of Auditors
Motion – to appoint Jopie Bodegraven a life member of Melbourne Bushwalkers (Inc)
Conferral of Honorary Memberships
Award of Spoons
General Business

Nomination forms & Appointment of Proxy forms are available at the clubrooms.



Noticeboard

LEADERS/ACTIVITY CO-ORDINATORS – ALERT!!

It is essential that leaders check with local Parks Offices regarding the state of tracks in planned walk areas. Due to the recent heavy rains and flooding, damage has been caused in many areas - fallen trees, erosion, rock falls and structural damage to foot bridges. Forward planning is essential and, if necessary, an alternative route should be investigated.

GREAT OCEAN WALK

New Map and Guide

Parks Victoria has produced a comprehensive map and guide for the Great Ocean Walk. It is a useful for walkers doing the entire walk or step on-step off sections of a single day or even shorter walk. The double-sided guide is comprehensive and large scale (1:25,000). The dimensions are 1000m x 700m. It provides both latitude/longitude and GDA data. The map costs \$14.95 and is available from Parks Victoria and Information Centres. The guide includes details of several day walks.

Additional Information

The Government has allocated \$6.3M to upgrade the Great Ocean Walk. Some of the funds will be spent on creating dedicated walking tracks to replace the need for road walking and on extending the walk to the Twelve Apostles Viewing Centre.

Bimbi Park offers a shuttle service to take and retrieve walkers. A shuttle service is also offered by Geelong Bushwalking Club member Alan Dow.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - BASE CAMPS

LORNE (11 – 14 MARCH)

BEECHWORTH (10 – 13 JUNE)

Expressions of interest are invited as soon as possible from members who would like to participate in Base Camps at Lorne and Beechworth. As these locations are popular and the timing is over holiday weekends, accommodation needs to be obtained and paid for in advance.

At Lorne camp sites have been secured at a cost of \$50 per site per night. These should accommodate two tents and a car depending on sizes. Car pooling is necessary. A deposit of \$50 per person is required at time of booking.

At Beechworth cabins have been booked - 3 with en suite facilities and 1 without. Actual cost for the 3 nights will depend on numbers in each and the type of cabin, but will range from approximately \$80 to \$110. Couples/singles can be accommodated. A camping option is also available (unpowered site for 2 people \$28 per night). A deposit of \$50 per person is required for those booking in a cabin. For those wishing to camp, reservations need to be made directly.

In each case, 2 full day walks will be conducted plus a shorter walk on the Monday.

To register your interest please phone Margaret Curry from January 15.



Fire Season Updates!

Our **Total Fire Ban Policy** has been updated to reflect the Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission outcomes and the subsequent actions of the Country Fire Authority and the Bureaux of Meteorology.

1. The number of Total Fire Ban Districts has been increased from 5 to 9. Note that the Central District is now smaller so more of our Sunday walks will be in adjoining Total Fire Ban Districts.
2. The 9 previous Fire Danger Rating Zones have been aligned with the Total Fire Ban Districts. Council areas are now fully contained within a Total Fire Ban District.
3. The CFA has now over 135 'Safer Places' across the state
4. The highest Total Fire Danger Rating is now just called 'Code Red' – the 'Catastrophic' name has been dropped
5. The CFA site will provide a 5 day forecast for the Fire Danger Rating in each District

The new Total Fire Ban Policy is available on our Website and an updated Summer Activity Program has been posted or emailed to members. All the information is also available on a display in the Clubrooms.

CFA Website: <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/>

Mick Noonan

WILLIS'S WALKABOUTS

Ultimate

Six weeks across the top

13 March to 23 April 2011

This may be the last time we can offer this trip.
To run this trip, we need to use the Faraway Bay airstrip and boat. Faraway Bay is for sale. We've locked it in this year, but if we can't come to an arrangement with the new owners, we won't be able to offer it again.

Why so early? If you want to see the best this area has to offer, you have to go when nature offers it.

This is the longest single expedition we offer. You see an incredible variety of scenery and a wealth of Aboriginal art sites. The fishing is great in many places.

Too long? The trip is divided into four sections, any of which can be done on its own. This could be your trip of a lifetime. **Put it off and you may miss out.**

Special offer. Send us an email or give us a call and quote this newsletter and you'll get a **discount of 10 to 40%** depending on what bookings we have then.

Kimberley Expedition

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P/C STRONACHS CAMP- MT ST GWINEAR

DECEMBER 2010

We were grateful that Max had discovered that the Erica Rd was closed and had sent instructions to travel via Noojee. Some camped at Stronachs camp on Friday night and the remainder came on Saturday morning.

After a car shuffle to Mt St Gwinear car park we began walking from Stronachs camp (1200m) along the Australian Alps Walking Track. It was fairly easy going in very green surroundings as we passed by stands of beautiful Beech Myrtle trees, mossy rocks and many unseen lyre birds singing just in off the track.

After about 6km and lunch a gentle climb of 100m brought us to a rocky outcrop with nice views. Most of the track was to be around the 1500m elevation and the tall snow gums were very impressive. Although the weather was fine there were rain clouds about so this, along with the information that there were no views from the top, decided us to give the side trip to close by Mt Whitelaw a miss.

We arrived at the Hut Ruins camp site about 3-30. There is only a chimney remaining. There were plenty of nice spots for tents and the nearby creek had good water. It was good to have fine weather as we had dinner. We had some steady rain and occasional strong winds above us during the night.

It was fine again on Sunday morning as we continued with a variety of flowers to be seen. The track was more over grown today and the work party scheduled for April 2011 is an opportunity to put something back into this beautiful area.

We soon had views to Mt Baw Baw. The track went over Mt St Phillac which at 1565m is similar to Mt Baw Baw's 1566m. Next was Mt St Gwinear 1514m and from here we could see the upper reaches of the Thomson dam. The recent rains may have made this possible. We had a late lunch at the cars and were all able to travel in them back to Stronachs camp.

It was good to complete the walk this time, as the walk was rained out in December 2008 and in March 1999 snow fall and strong winds caused trees to fall across the roads and a return to the cars on Sunday.

A stop at the Red Parrot café in Noojee included some beautiful friendly King parrots and the host was a bit of a character. Fortunately we were happy with the service and the Noojee attitude adjuster in the form of a short vicious waddy was not required to be used.

We had the company of, Clare, Del, Faye, Merylyn, Wendy, Bill, Jerry, Rod, Mick, Richard, Jack and welcome to his young son Tom for his first walk with the club, and myself Bob. Thanks to Max for organising another great weekend for us.



Previews of walks and activities

A reminder that to view all available previews and any notifications of changes to walks, just log on to the walks program and previews pages on the MBW website:
http://www.melbournebushwalkers.org.au/activities/Walks/MBW_walks_program.htm



CYCLING

“ROSSTOWN RAILWAY”

DATE Saturday 15 January
STANDARD E/M
DISTANCE 35 km (option 45 km)
LEADER Jan Palich
TRANSPORT Train
AREA Glen Iris/ Murrumbidgee
MAP REF Melway Maps: 2E, 2F, 2G, 2H, 2I, 2J, 2K, 2L, 2M, 2N, 2O, 2P, 2Q, 2R, 2S, 2T, 2U, 2V, 2W, 2X, 2Y, 2Z, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, 3M, 3N, 3O, 3P, 3Q, 3R, 3S, 3T, 3U, 3V, 3W, 3X, 3Y, 3Z, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E, 4F, 4G, 4H, 4I, 4J, 4K, 4L, 4M, 4N, 4O, 4P, 4Q, 4R, 4S, 4T, 4U, 4V, 4W, 4X, 4Y, 4Z, 5A, 5B, 5C, 5D, 5E, 5F, 5G, 5H, 5I, 5J, 5K, 5L, 5M, 5N, 5O, 5P, 5Q, 5R, 5S, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Y, 5Z, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, 6E, 6F, 6G, 6H, 6I, 6J, 6K, 6L, 6M, 6N, 6O, 6P, 6Q, 6R, 6S, 6T, 6U, 6V, 6W, 6X, 6Y, 6Z, 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D, 7E, 7F, 7G, 7H, 7I, 7J, 7K, 7L, 7M, 7N, 7O, 7P, 7Q, 7R, 7S, 7T, 7U, 7V, 7W, 7X, 7Y, 7Z, 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 8G, 8H, 8I, 8J, 8K, 8L, 8M, 8N, 8O, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 8S, 8T, 8U, 8V, 8W, 8X, 8Y, 8Z, 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D, 9E, 9F, 9G, 9H, 9I, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M, 9N, 9O, 9P, 9Q, 9R, 9S, 9T, 9U, 9V, 9W, 9X, 9Y, 9Z, 10A, 10B, 10C, 10D, 10E, 10F, 10G, 10H, 10I, 10J, 10K, 10L, 10M, 10N, 10O, 10P, 10Q, 10R, 10S, 10T, 10U, 10V, 10W, 10X, 10Y, 10Z, 11A, 11B, 11C, 11D, 11E, 11F, 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Previews



SUNDAY BUS

PHANTOM FALLS, THE CANYON, SHEOAK FALLS

DATE: Sunday 30 January
STANDARD: E & E/M
DISTANCE: 12 km & 15 km
LEADERS: Lesley Hale & Richard Long
TRANSPORT: Bus
AREA: Great Otway NP, Lorne
MAP REF: VICMAP
Outdoor Leisure Series: The Otways & Shipwreck Coast

FIRE BAN DISTRICT: SW

TEMPERATURE REFERENCE SITE: co

Breathtaking views, waterfalls (with lots of water), rainforest gullies, wet forest, dry forest, ups and downs - we get it all.

Starting from Teddy's Lookout or Allenvale CP, both groups will follow the Saint George River to Phantom Falls, and continue through The Canyon to Sheoak Picnic Area. After lunch we climb the ridge to Castle Rock and descend to Sheoak Falls near the coast.

There are blackberries beside some sections of the track so long sleeves and pants will protect from scratches; and boots will help if track is muddy after rain.



SUNDAY CAR POOL

MORTIMORE RESERVE – FOUR BROTHERS ROCKS

DATE Sunday 6 February
STANDARD E/M
DISTANCE 15km
LEADER Ian Mair
TRANSPORT Car – Southbank Blvd, 8:45am
AREA Gembrook
MAP REF Melway Page 14, R12
FIRE BAN DISTRICT CN
(November to April only)
TEMPERATURE REFERENCE SITE md
(November to April only)
TRANSPORT COSTS (per person) \$12
(Sunday private transport trips only – calculate by multiplying total kms for return trip x 8c/km)

When it came to writing a Preview I could do little better than to draw on that written by Jean Woodger in 2003! A walk not to be missed.

Mountain Ash grows on the steep southern slopes of Bunyip State Park, whilst in the foothill forests, silvertop and messmate are prevalent. Below, in the heathy woodland, correa and pink heath are to be found.

The walk will start at Mortimore Picnic Area and walk along Silvertop Ridge Track. Then over a little bridge which crosses Triangle Creek, with mossy boulders and ferns on either side. A steady climb up Nichols Hut Track to the top where we visit Four Brothers Rocks, a group of granitic rocks with views across the park, then it's back down Lyrebird Track and along the beautiful Tree Fern Track, with some of the

biggest tree ferns you are ever likely to see. There's a choice of tracks to lead us south again, finishing with a delightful nature walk that will take us back to the cars.



WEDNESDAY WALK

WARRANTYTE STATE PARK

DATE Wednesday 9 February
STANDARD E/M
DISTANCE 15 km
LEADER Graham Hodgson
TRANSPORT Private
AREA Warrandyte
MAP REF Melway Map 23 & 24
FIRE BAN DISTRICT CN
(November to April only)
TEMPERATURE REFERENCE SITE me

A pleasant stroll relatively close to the city. We will start at Tills Rd and walk through Black Flat following the Yarra River to Jumping Creek and then on to Blue Tongue Bend. Most of the walk up to this point will be fairly shaded with a few short climbs to help break into a sweat.

We leave the river and the shade after Blue Tongue Bend and climb a moderately steep hill heading towards the ruins of Stanebrae homestead which is located in a very picturesque valley surrounded by open grassland and usually mobs of kangaroos.

After Stanebrae we head back towards the Yarra for some welcome shade. It is then a matter of keeping on the track (It was difficult following it on the preview as it tended to keep disappearing).

The partial bushbash will head us in the general direction of Yarrabrae where some beautiful views of Yarra rapids will be seen. After Yarrabrae we are back on tracks but we do have a fairly long climb with no shade.

There are parts of this walk that are exposed so please bring a big sunhat and plenty of water. It could be quite hot.

Meet at 10.00 am at the Clifford Park Scout Centre gates Clifford Drive (Melway 24 J6) for a car shuffle.

You can call me to book or for further information.

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PACK CARRY

BIG RIVER BRIDGE TO BATTY HUT RUINS

DATE	11-13 February
STANDARD	Hard
DISTANCE	30km
LEADER	Peter Leech
TRANSPORT	Private
AREA	Mt Wills and Timmons Lookout
MAP REF	Falls Creek 8324-S

This is a circuit that can deviate on the second day. The nature of the walk is mainly exploratory on the first day, so walkers will need to be prepared for any type of terrain. There should not be a water supply problem but a check with Rangers will confirm water source at the campsite. Batty Spur is quite possibly a challenging location as there is very steep countryside either side and the vegetation is unknown.

I expect the rewards will be dependent on the weather. Regardless of the weather we should arrive at the campsite and enjoy the time there on Saturday evening. This walk is not recommended for someone who has not been on recent multi-day hard or medium walks.

Please call me (Peter) if you have an interest in this walk.



CYCLING

“SUNSHINE - CAROLINE SPRINGS”

DATE	Saturday 19 February
STANDARD	E/M
DISTANCE	35 Km (option 55 km)
LEADER	Ross Berner
TRANSPORT	Car
AREA	St Albans/ Caroline Springs
MAP REF	Melway Maps: 26, 25, 39, 360, 358 & 356

The meeting point is at Ginifer Railway Station at 9:30 (on the south side at corner of Clare St & Willaton St) Melway Map 26 C5. Take 8:56 train from Flinders St on Water Gardens (Sydenham) Line. Ginifer is 2 stops after Sunshine and 1 before St Albans. Please be ready to leave at 9:30, especially if weather is warm. Bring your Lunch or purchase on the ride.

As the weather may be quite warm at this time of year, I have several options depending on weather. For all options we will meet in the same spot and time. If predicted temperature at Tullamarine is 38 degrees or greater the ride will be cancelled. If the temperature between 30 & 38 degrees, the ride will follow alternate route of 24 km and finish at Williamstown Beach.

The main ride is a loop of about 35 km starting and finishing at Ginifer Railway Station. There are several optional side routes which can add a further 20km. The route heads for Western Ring Trail to Derrimut and then follows the new Western Freeway Trail (aka Deer Park Bypass) through Ravenhall to Caroline Springs. (At Robinsons Rd we have the option of doing a short section of trail along the Laverton Creek.)

Caroline Springs is well serviced with bike trails, we follow Caroline Springs Bvd north on an “off road” shared path until we reach Kororoit Creek. Here again we have the option of exploring the trail which follows the creek upstream. We then head downstream to Burnside. Here we use side streets and a trail to reach Deer Park. From here we follow side streets though Cairnlea and Join a trail along Jones Creek, which will return us back to near where we started our ride.

The Alternative ride is following the Western Ring Trail to Laverton North, then the Federation Trail to Millers Rd and then through side streets to the Foreshore trail which we follow to Williamstown Beach. Here we can swim or relax in the shade!!

If you wish to discuss ride or book on ride ring Ross.



SUNDAY WALK

WELSH VILLAGE (CHEWTON)

DATE	Sunday 20 February
STANDARD	Easy/Medium
DISTANCE	12 km
LEADER	Stuart Hanham
TRANSPORT	Car
AREA	Near Castlemaine - VICMAP 1:25,000 Chewton.
MAP REF	Melway 609 D6
FIRE BAN DISTRICT	Central
TEMP REF SITE	Bendigo

Here is a walk of great historic interest and scenic beauty, in the old Forest Creek area, one of Victoria's richest goldfields. On the preview, I saw 3 prospectors still trying to find nuggets. The trail starts at the ruins of Victoria's largest waterwheel, used to power gold extracting equipment, and follows the aqueduct that channelled water to the wheel. Along the track, you will see many shafts, tunnels, and open cuts. A highlight of the trip is the ruins of a Welsh miners' village, with many stone cottages, mine works and European trees.

The Welsh later turned to slate mining and we will walk through an impressive open cut. Another highlight is the beautiful Expedition Pass Reservoir, the source of the waterwheel's power. On a warm day, this is a great spot for a swim, and is followed by a kind of jungle area. The return journey includes part of the Great Dividing Trail. It's a walk of great variety.

Estimated petrol cost \$20.

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MOFS

CITY PARKS AND GARDENS

DATE	Monday 21 February
STANDARD	Easy
DISTANCE	approx 10-km
LEADER	Keith White
TRANSPORT	Public
AREA	City
MAP REF	Melways 1BN10

Meet under the clocks in front of Flinders Street Station at 10.30 am.

We will meander through parks and gardens to the south-east of the CBD, including a visit to a volcano which has re-surfaced in the Botanic Gardens after a number of years.

The route and length of the walk will depend on the forecast temperature for the day.

We cross a number of tram routes returning to Flinders Street.

We will finish the walk around 2.30 pm.



TOFS

BOLIN BOLIN BILLABONG

DATE	Thursday 24 February
STANDARD	Easy
DISTANCE	5 km
LEADER	Jean Giese
TRANSPORT	Private
AREA	Bulleen
MAP REF	Melway 32
FIRE BAN DISTRICT	Cn
TEMPERATURE REFERENCE SITE	Me

Starting from the Veneto Club, we will walk around Bulleen Park and beside the Yarra River to Bolin Bolin Billabong, a meeting place of significance to our First People. There are plaques telling some of their history, and ancient River Red Gums that have borne silence witness.

Meet in the car park of the Veneto Club, close to the gate (Melawi 32 D9) to start walking at 10.30 am. Lunch will be at the Club. Book with the leader.



PACK CARRY

MT COBBLER ALPINE NATIONAL PARK

DATE:	25-27- Feb 2011
STANDARDS:	E/M
DISTANCE:	Approx 25KM
LEADER:	Agajan Akbari
TRANSPORT:	Private
AREA:	Great Dividing Range east of Mansfield
MAP REF:	Howitt - Selwyn 1:50k (old series) or Selwyn 1:50k (new series)

Forestry, Rugged, beautiful and scenic, this is an excellent and not particularly difficult walk to the summit of Mt Cobbler. Depended on the weather of the day we may climb Mt Cobbler either at the attractive Lake Cobbler (bit easy) or at King Lake huts via Muesli track which make the walk more interesting. The actual summit area of the mountain is rocky and requires some dexterity among climbers. The reward is a 360 degree scenic view of mountains in all directions in a clear cloudless day. Subjected to the water availability we may camp either at track junction below Mt Cobbler summit or at the Lake Cobbler with an option having a dip and revitalise. If time allowed we may have a site trip to the longest water falls in Victoria (Dangdongadale). Finally we are walking in the alpine area so be prepared for the cold, wet, wind and heat conditions. This is a very good classic walk and therefore is recommended. If interested contact me or see me in clubroom.



BASE CAMP

WILSONS PROM IN A DAY

DATE	Fri 18 – Sun 20 March 18
STANDARD	Medium-hard
DISTANCE	42km
LEADER	Lynda Larkin
TRANSPORT	Private

Those wishing to participate are advised to arrive at Tidal River on Friday evening in preparation for an early start the following day. We will meet outside the Tidal River General Store at 06:55 Saturday morning in time for a 7:00am departure.

Our walk will follow the same course as in previous years, traditionally heading off from Tidal River towards Telegraph Saddle (Mt Oberon car park) and from there to a number of favourite Prom locations including Sealers Cove, Refuge Cove, Waterloo Bay, Oberon Bay and Norman Bay. We usually arrive back at Tidal River around sundown.

The walk is well-paced with sufficient time to rest and enjoy main points of interest and have a swim if the weather is warm enough

Make sure you are in good shape for the day and well-equipped with sturdy, comfortable footwear, 2 or 3 pairs of socks, food and adequate fluids, sun protection, swimmers etc.

