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ATTENTION :MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED A RED X

According to our records you are now unfinancial which means we will be unable to send you further copies of the "News" after this issue, unless the situation is remedied promptly.

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ATTENTION NOTE ALTERATIONS TO CURRENT PROGRAM - see page two.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

BAKER, John Masfield - 501 St.Kilda Rd., Melbourne. (p) 26 5987
 MIZON, Stanley George - 372 Ligon St., Carlton. (p) FJ 1208.(b) 62 0131
 SPRINZ, Fritz and Freda - Box 2183 T, GPO, Melbourne. --ex. 213
 Fritz (b) 630 7275

ALTERATIONS TO ADDRESS LIST

CHENNEL, John - 10 Maple Crescent, Camberwell (p) 29 5023
 EBSARY, Don - Box 5306 EB, GPO, Melbourne.
 FILSON, Rex - 65 Park St., Stn Melbourne.
 SKURRIE, Joan - 106 Grange Road, Glenhurstly.

DOWNING, Helen private phone now 314 7013
 POCCOCK, Doug - private phone 544 1686. Delete business phone extension.

PERSONAL

Lorranine Ritchie is back with us after some years at Christchurch, NZ where she worked at the Mountain (Mule) Equipment factory. === Fresh from the frozen wastes of Antarctica comes Rex Filson. Later this year Rex will give a Friday night lecture on his experiences there.

AUCTION of USED Equipment to be held after the General Meeting of June, 28.
 Packs, tents and other gear offered.

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DAY WALKS PROGRAM

- 19 MAY SUNBURY = ZMU CREEK = WILDWOOD (medium) Train leaves Spencer St. station at 9.00 am. Ticket: 2nd return Sunbury 6/-. Two errors have been found in the track notes. Bring "Walk" 1961 and see if you can find them. Map: "Sunbury" military 1"=1mile. Led by Joan Skurrie.
- 26 MAY MOORABOOL FALLS = CHAMPION HILL = MT.DORAN. (12 easy miles) Van leaves Batman Av. 8.55 am. (18/-) Map: "Ballan" Military. Note that the leader is now Nick (Fidel) Cole. (p) BM 4907.
- 2 JUNE NAVIGATION EXERCISE (see page 3). Also day walk in area.
- 9 JUNE BROADFORD = MT. PIPER (medium 12 miles). Train leaves Spencer St. station 9.00 am. Ticket: Sunday excursion 2nd rtn. Broadford (13/-) Mt. Piper is an extinct volcanic cone. "Tallarook" military map. Now led by Jim Hester- (p) 68 4086.
NOTE WELL: This walk will now be on the Sunday NOT Monday 10.
- 16 JUNE TYNONG = GEMBROOK (12 medium miles) Train leaves Flinders St. Station, platform 1, 9.05 am. Stops Caulfield, Dandenong. Ticket 2nd single Tynong 11/3. Returning from Gembrook by bus to Belgrave. Map: "Drouin" Military 1"=1 mile. Plenty of views- not many fences. Led by Faye Chesterfield (p) XM 4160. (b) 62 0171 ext. 486.

OVERNIGHT WALKS

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY LONG WEEKEND 7-10 JUNE

LAKE BARMAH (Takes place of Lake Hattah walk) Easy 25 miles. Now going by van. (£3). Leaving Batman Avenue, Friday 6.30 pm. then to Echuca via Sydney Road and Heathcote to camp same night at Barmah. Next morning we will cross the Murray again by ferry and then start walking past the Moira Lakes and through generally flat Red Gum Forest. Up early in mornings to see Emus and 'Roos. Mallies should be plentiful. A description of this area abounding in bird life can be found in the August issue of Walkabout, vol.27 - available for inspection in Clubroom. A pair of binoculars could be useful. Map: "Barmah Forest", Forests Commission of Vic. Led by Peter van der Duys (who has been before) - 54 Gipps St., East Melb. Phones (p) 41 3423. (b) FJ 0484 ex.607

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY LONG WEEKEND 8-10 JUNE

MALMSBURY = VAUGHAN SPRINGS = THE BLUFF = LYONVILLE (30 medium miles) As an alternative walk, how about the Spa area of Victoria between Malmsbury and Castlemaine? A land of fields, fold and forest this is one of the earliest settled areas and so we'll be following the footsteps of many a gold digger where the possibility of payable washdirt still exists. A Hikers Ticket may be obtained from Tourist Bureau - 30/-. Maps: Castlemaine and Daylesford military 1"=1 mile. Train leaves Spencer St. station 8.20 am. Saturday. Now led by Bill Thompson (p) 89 8240 (b) 60 0371 ex. 343.

LYRE-BIRD WEEKEND 22-23 JUNE

With the cool, misty weather approaching the Lyrebirds of fame make song and display feathered finery along the fern glades of Sherbrooke Forest. By hiring out the Kallista Hall we hope to be on the spot hours before the noisy Sunday trippers. For Saturday night bring rug, song books etc. 10 easy miles. Maps: Broadbent's "Sherbrooke Forest" Card No. 200E (1/-). "Monbulk" military 1 1/4"=1 mile.(5/-). Train leaves Flinders st. station 1.23 Saturday afternoon. Ticket: Single Belgrave. Led by Joan Skurrie.

TOUR OF CENTRAL AUSTRALIA

Notice has been received that the Youth Hostels Association is running an excursion to the "Centre" 4 to 23 AUGUST, 1963. This will be a cheap holiday at £55/14/- inclusive. Going by train - accomodation in YHA tents. Enquiries and booking at VRI Ballroom, Monday nights at 8 pm. Ayer's Rock -Olga Range.

NAVIGATION EXERCISE

SUNDAY, 2nd JUNE, 1963

This outing is to be used as leader training as well as an exercise in navigation.

The course will be in the medium category with 6 to 8 miles walk in the Mt. Robertson - Mt. Charlie area.

Members will be off-loaded from the van in groups of three and each group must find its way to the common finishing point. They will endeavour to locate two other grid reference points enroute and if successful will leave, endorse or collect a party identification marker at each of those places.

Each member of a party will, in turn, navigate from one map reference to the next. During this period he/she will be responsible for the compiling of the track notes.

One member of each party must be an experienced leader. It is hoped that members going on this exercise will make up their own parties of three.

Each member taking part in this exercise must bring :-

- (1) MAP OF THE AREA "Lancefield" Military.
- (2) Compass
- (3) Notebook and Pencil
- (4) Brightly coloured rag, one piece.
- (5) Plastic Bag.

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A walk for members not interested in the exercise will be held in the same area

THE MAP FILE is now installed in the clubroom and Map Custodian appointed. The military system of numbers will be used for filing.

Following is a list of maps deemed necessary to complete the file and published in the hope that there may be some in the possession of members willing to donate same to club:-

Kaye, ID $\frac{1}{4}$ sections 2"-m. C
 Ellery, LD, $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 2"-m. C
 Bendock, LD, $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 2"-m. C
 Orbest, Mines, 1"-m. (Buchan area)
 Murrindal, LD, 1"-m. Plan.
 Deddick, LD, 1"-m. Plan.
 Jacobs River. FCV. 1"-m. Plan. (Vic. only.)
 Bruthen, LD, 1"-m. 50C
 Stirling, LD, 1"-m. 50C.
 Glen Hills, FCV, 1"-m. Plan.
 Benambra, FCV, 1"-m. Plan.
 Wonnangatta, FCV, 1"-m. Plan.
 Dargo, FCV, 1"-m. Plan.
 Tawanga, A & B, LD, 2"-m. OL
 Ben Cruachan and Environs, VMTc.

Crinoline - Mt. Tamboritha, MAWTC
 Moroka, LD, 1"-m. 50C
 Matlock, LD, 1"-m. 50C
 Walhalla, LD, 2"-m. $\frac{1}{4}$ sections 50C
 Jamieson, LD, 1"-m. 50C.
 Wonthaggi, MS, 1"-m. 50C.
 Drouin, Ms, 1"-m. 50C
 Juliet, LD, $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 2"-m. 50C
 Taggerty, LD, $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 2"-m. 50C.
 Kinglake, LD, $\frac{1}{4}$ sect. 2"-m. 50C
 Sorrento, MS, 1"-m. 50C.
 Otway A, LD, 2"-m. 50C.
 (Beoch Forest $\frac{1}{4}$ sections)
 Grampians, VMTc, 2m.-" (?)

WANTED - ARTICLES AND PHOTOS FOR "WALK" MAGAZINE

At the last General Meeting it was decided to print and publish "Walk" for 1964. This means that we are relying on members to support the venture by their contributions of articles, stories etc. Now is the time to start writing - don't put it off, for Val Goldsmith will soon be around to collect that material.

PUBLICATIONS

"THE BUSHWALKER" magazine of the NSW Federation of Bushwalking Clubs will soon be available. (3/-). If you would like a copy, please put your name on notice board or let secretary Robert know.

"JUGEND AM BERG" We are on the mailing list of this mountaineering magazine printed in German. Current copies available for inspection at clubroom.

"THE SHELL GUIDE TO AUSTRALIAN WILDFLOWERS" Twelve coloured plates with key references of the flora of localities favoured by walkers. It is a pity that a lavishly finished production should be marred by mis-spelt names of plants - still a bargain for your bookshelf at 2/6.

FEDERATION NEWS

ANNAUL GENERAL MEETING of the Federation was held last Wednesday -15 May - Guest speaker was John Landy who told of his walking tour in New Guinea and illustrated his talk with some fine slides particularly of tropical butterflies and spiders.

Result of nominations: President - Bill Thompson (yes, our own). Secretary: Eric Quinlan. Treasurer: Tom Buchs.

From the Federation Reports:-

WILSON'S PROMONTORY NATIONAL PARK: The question of building a luxury hotel/motel at Bishops Rock by private enterprise arose during the year. At a public meeting a body was set up to oppose the scheme - The Wilson's Promontory Protection Committee - under the chairmanship of Mr. Lloyd Edwards. Your Council gave very deep consideration to this question and wrote to the "Age" and "Herald" stating its views. Letters were also sent to the premier, the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Country Party. Replies in due course were received from all these party leaders indicating that our views would be given consideration. The "Age" did not print our letter - the "Herald" did print it after editing. It was also approved for the W.P.P.C. to append the name of the Federation to its leaflet.

YOUTH COUNCIL OF VICTORIA: An Exhibition of matters of interest to young people will be held at the Exhibition Buildings from May 20 - 25. Photos have been made available for inclusion in the exhibition.

MOOMBA NATURE SHOW: It is estimated that approx. 10,000 people saw this show last year. The show may be regarded as having been successful. However it has not been found possible to continue it again and next year it is to be dropped from the programme.

ALPINE NATIONAL PARK REPORT: This was completed to the extent intended by the Convener on the sub-committee and handed over to the National Parks Association for further action. Mr. Warren Olle arranged the printing of a number of copies of the map used in the report (having produced the map originally)

FEATHERTOP HUT: The Harrietville Progress Association has control of this hut. It is prepared to do some work on it but finds the transport of materials a difficulty.

HUT AT KNOTT'S MILL: This hut belongs to the First Hawthorn Rover Crew - and may be used by Bushwalkers when not required by the Crew.

ALPINE SHELTER HUTS: The Tourist Authority has offered to build shelter huts in Alpine regions provided the walking fraternity agrees to maintain them. A plan of the type of hut required has been forwarded.

MANSFIELD SUNDAY TRAIN: The introduction of a train leaving Mansfield on Sunday evenings has made accessible by rail a convenient walking area.

LITTERBUGS NOT WANTED

Never strew your way through the bush with telly wrappers, cigarette packets, orange peel etc. Think of others coming by later. Keep the tracks clear - and clean. Before leaving camp or lunchsite burn your rubbish on the fire.