



# THE NEWS

OF THE MELBOURNE BUSHWALKERS

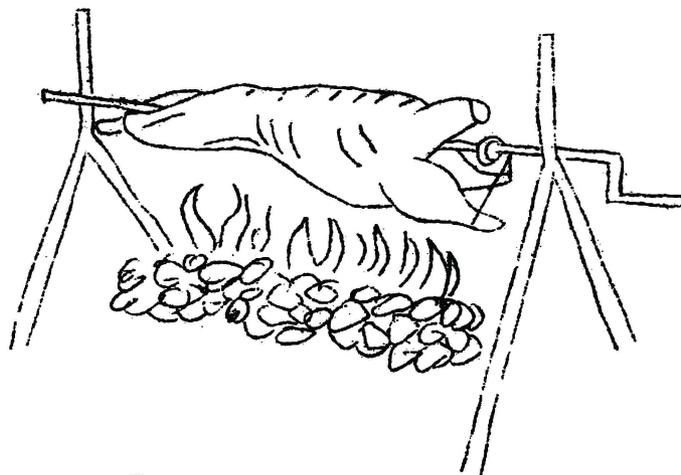
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# PRESIDENTS WEEKEND



NOV. 5 - 7<sup>th</sup>

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## QUOTES FOR NEW GESTETNER MACHINE

Following recommendations at the Half Yearly General Meeting the findings of Barry Short on updating Clubs Gestetner Duplicating Machine are as follows:-

Existing machine was bought for \$180.00 in about 1966	
Equivalent model now costs about \$600.00	
Trade-in value \$20.00	
Motorised model - 1 speed 70 copies/min	\$738.00
Variable speed 50 -120 copies/min	\$782.00
Reconditioned model 6 years old	\$680.00
Reconditioned current model, 3 years old with a year guarantee	\$725.00

A motion was passed at the October Committee meeting " This Committee approves the spending of not more than \$800.00 for the purchase of a motor driven Gestetner duplicating machine, Barry Short to decide which model."

All correspondence should be addressed to:-

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Melbourne Bushwalkers,  
P.O. Box 1751Q. G.P.O.  
MELBOURNE. Vic. 3000

Meetings are held in the clubrooms, 14 Hosier Lane, at the rear of the Forum Theatre, every Wednesday night at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome.

NOVEMBER WALK PREVIEWS.

Day Walks.

Cup Day HEATHCOTE - MT. IDA - REDCASTLE. Easy/Med  
Nov. 2nd  
LEADER: Tony Morris (B)665-6308  
TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue. 9.15 am Fare \$3.00  
EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 8.00 pm  
MAP REFERENCE: Heathcote 1:63,360  
APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 13.6 km (=8.5 miles)

From Redcastle which is approximately 15km north-east of Heathcote, we strike south through light bush and across fairly level ground. We then swing west up onto a ridge which we follow in a gentle climb to the summit of Mt. Ida (460 metre). From this summit we plunge down over the last mile to the van.

The area has quite a few kangaroos. To increase our chances of seeing them I intend to split the party into smaller groups which can move separately to the lunchspot. For this purpose I will hand around map photocopies.

Bring water for lunch.

Nov. 7th. ROSEBUD - KINGS FALLS - ARTHURS SEAT. Easy/Med  
LEADER: Alwyn Bloom  
TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue. 9.15 am Fare \$2.50  
EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 8.00 - 9.00 pm  
MAP REFERENCE: Sorrento 1" to mile.  
APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 10 miles.

Come and join us for a walk in some of Rosebud's delightful natural bushland before it is impossible due to proposed sub-division. If a fine day, we should have a magnificent view of part of the Port Phillip Bay Coastline.

A variety of birds and a couple of lovely native orchids were seen on the preview.

Bring water for lunch and also your togs in case the weather is warm enough for a swim in the bay at the end of the walk.

Nov. 14th. LORNE - TEDDY'S LOOKOUT - GEORGES LOOKOUT - PHANTOM FALLS. Easy  
LEADER: Art Terry (P) 93-3617  
TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue. 9.15 am Fare \$3.00  
EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 9.15 pm  
MAP REFERENCE: .??????  
APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 10 miles

An easy and beautiful walk in the bushland of the Otway Ranges. We have lunch on the ocean beach at the mouth of the St. Georges River, so bring your togs, plenty of time for a dip. After lunch we stroll along this mountain stream to the falls. We will arrive back in Lorne at about 6.00 pm so this gives us plenty of time for another swim in crystal and somewhat cold ocean water and also time for tea.

Nov. 21st MT. WILLIAM - DEEP CREEK. Easy/Med  
LEADER: Simon Arnold (P)92-2229  
TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue 9.15 am Fare \$2.50  
EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: Approximately 8.00 pm  
MAP REFERENCE: Pyalong and Lancefield 1" to 1 mile.  
APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 12 miles. Bring water for lunch.

The walk will start by climbing Mt. William at everybody's own pace. Lunch will be had about 2 miles further on under the shelter of some trees. Generally the walk passes through farm country up and down a ridge of hills ending at Deep Creek.

Nov. 28th - DOM DOM SADDLE - CARTERS GAP - FERNSHAW. Easy/Med.

LEADER: Brian Busby (P) 350-3662  
 TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Ave. 9.15 am Fare \$2.50  
 EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 8.00 pm  
 MAP REFERENCE: Juliet 1:50,000  
 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 12 miles.

We shall start at Dom Dom and make our way along the main ridge of the Great Dividing Range to Acheron Gap. We will follow muddy tracks most of the way through thick bush. There are several good climbs including one for the post-prandial period.

Bring water for lunch. Salt for leeches may not be required if it stops raining some weeks before the walk.

Weekend Walks.

Nov. PRESIDENT'S SHEEP ROAST WEEKEND - AVON RIVER

5th-7th LEADER: Dave Oldfield (B) 31-7222 x330  
 TRANSPORT: Private EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 10.00 pm  
 MAP REFERENCE: Glenmaggie F.C.V. 1": 1 mile  
 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 20 km  
 DEPOSIT: \$2.00 ( to cover sheep)

There's never been a weekend quite like this, even the newest member could tackle it so come along and join in the fun. Saturday morning will be spent strolling mostly downhill to the campsite where feverish activity may be seen from the sheep roasters, ably directed by Rod. The campsite is near the Avon, one of Gippsland's mighty rivers rising under Mt. Wellington and we will have ample opportunity to explore its untouched reaches. Saturday night is the traditional time when you can B.Y.O.G. - in moderation please - we'll provide the meat and corscrew, the rest is up to you mate. Sunday will be spent quietly exploring more of the river. Bring WATER for Friday night's campsite.

Nov. GRAMPIANS - MT. WILLIAM - MAJOR MITCHELL PLATEAU. Medium

12th-14th LEADER: George Telehin  
 TRANSPORT: Van from Batman Avenue 6.30 pm Fare \$9.00  
 EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: 9.00 pm  
 MAP REFERENCE: Ararat 1:100,000  
 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: ????????

Limit 30.

A pleasant stroll to the summit of Mt. William climbing about 600 metres, dropping about 300 metres down to Major Mitchell Plateau to camp for the night. Good views weather permitting and plenty of wild flowers. A walk around the plateau on the Sunday having lunch on the edge before descending to the Halls Gap - Dunkeld Road to go home.

I appeal for another able person who is willing to lead an alternative trip in the same area, if he or she appears; two parties with a limit of 20 on each would be much more desirable.

Nov. MT. LOCH - SPARGOS HUT - COBUNGRA - BRANDY CREEK. Easy/Med

19th-21st LEADER: Graham Wills-Johnson (P) 52-4720  
 TRANSPORT: Private  
 MAP REFERENCE: Hotham & Falls Creek Alpine Areas 1:15840 sheets 3 & 4;  
 Algora 114 1:63360  
 APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: 9 miles + options

DAYWALKERS !!! Have you been wondering if it is time you were converted to weekend walking? (It is). Then this is the walk for you! Five miles - all downhill - to Saturday's campsite! Slightly less than four, with only a gentle climb of 396 metres on a 4wd track back to the cars on the Sunday. So .... how am I going to keep the "racehorses" happy? Well, you see, they arrive at the campsite for morning tea, put up their tents, and spinebash until we arrive at lunchtime. Then there is an optional side-trip up to Swindler's Spur (met about 2km below Charlie Derrick), down to Dibbins Hut, back down the Cobungra River to a beautiful little grassy flat tucked away where you could imagine nobody has ever been - and go home over Swindlers Gap. The frankly flaked can bludge ( in truly delightful surroundings) at camp. So you see, as a new weekend walker you will be able to find you own level.

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.... On Sunday the "racehorses" find THEIR level somewhere up on the Cobungra/Bundarra divide, and join us normal people for lunch somewhere far down the Cobungra River. We, meanwhile, have sauntered down Swindlers Creek and the Cobungra to where we have cunningly dumped our packs at the foot of the Brandy Creek track. We have then taken lunches for a gentl side-trip down the river. After lunch all those who have not managed to get lost come back to Melbourne.....

Nov. 26th-28th 1/LITTLE RIVER - DAIRY FARM FLAT - JUMP UP - THE PINNACLES - BILLY GOAT BLUFF - DINGO NOB - LITTLE RIVER. Easy/Med

LEADER: Geoff Mattingley (B) 544-1666 x395  
TRANSPORT: Private  
EXPECTED TIME OF RETURN: ???  
MAP REFERENCE: F.C.V. "Wonnangatta", V.M.T.C. "Crooked River- Dargo"  
APPROXIMATE DISTANCE: ???

I haven't done this walk before, and I don't think I'll be able to survey it beforehand. So anyone who knowsthe area will be most welcome in the party! The best I can do for a description of the walk is to refer you to "Bushwalking in the Victorian Alps", by Melbourne University Mountaineering Club, Edition 2, page 20. (formerly titled "Guide to the Victorian Alpa") See me in the clubrooms for transport arrangements.

2/ WILKINSON LODGE. Easy

LEADER: Rod Mattingley (B) 350-1222 x771  
TRANSPORT: Private - about 230 miles from Hosier Lane.  
MAP REFERENCE: Bogong High Plains - Algona Guides 1": 1 mile.

Wilkinson Lodge, commonly known as Wilky, is on the Bogong High Plains about 7 miles from Falls Creek.

The lodge has a hot water system worked off the kitchen stove, a shower, a partially blocked septic tank and quite a few resident mice. Any members of the Club can use Wilky after first obtaining the keys from the lodge manager, but they must have stayed in Wilky before to learn how to "drive" the place. This weekend then is intended especially for those who have not been to Wilky before.

There will be a good medium walk on Saturday over Malms Point to Mt. Nelse, visiting Fitzgeralds and Ropers Huts. If we can obtain the services of a volunteer cook, we will arrange a common dinner on Saturday night, as the kitchen becomes impossibly chaotic if everyone tries to cook separately.

To work off the effects of Saturday night's festivities we will walk out to Mt. Cope on Sunday morning.

As Wilky is small and numbers must be limited to about 12, early booking is advisable.

For those interested in the history of Wilky, please refer to the article by Pete Carlyon in Walk 1974.

W A N T E D

Wanted urgently, donations to the Wilky Library.

Your old copies of Womens Weekly, Loose Licks, Hustler or Playboy or any old books will be gratefully accepted. The only thing we don't want is Readers Digests. ALSO any suitable posters or large photos to hang on the walls.

CHRISTMAS TRIP - TASMANIA.

LEADER: Charles Knight  
STANDARD: Medium - experienced walkers only.  
PARTY LIMIT: 6

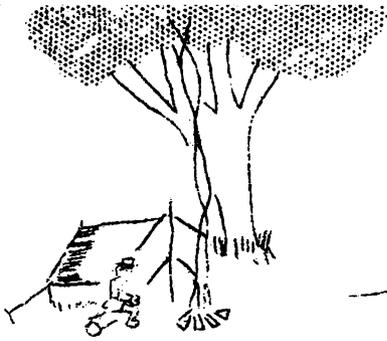
Leaving Melbourne on the 23rd December, 1976 for 21 days.

1/Geeveston - Federation Peak - Port Davey.

2/Port Davey Precipitous Bluff - Catamaran.

ATTENTION: GOULBURN - JAMIESON - HOWQUA WALK. OCTOBER, 29th - 31st

Those people intending to go on the walk should ensure that they have their Sleeping Bags, spare clothers, Cameras etc wrapped securely in plastic bags since the walk entails the wading of both the Goulburn and Jamieson Rivers.



# ALONG THE TRACK

## WHEN KNIGHT DESCENDED ON THE PROM.....

An uneventful van trip on Friday night belied any hint of the weekend to come and an hour after arriving at Tidal River all was quiet. In the morning however, chaos reigned with the revelation at circle time that extra starters had materialised over night. Fortunately a semblance of order returned and with high spirits we headed for Sealers Cove.

It became immediately obvious that apart from the two programmed walks (and Michael G's unprogrammed one), there would be the often seen distinction between the egotists and the bushwalkers. Our egotistic colleagues, all children of the "supersonic age" seemed determined to cut the Bushies times by more than half. At Sealers Cove we parted company with Paul's base campers and headed for Refuge Cove with the racehorses clearly in the lead, while Charles, the rest of his party and some of Michael's mob tagged along an increasing distance behind. At lunch it was announced that a "sizzling" pace was to be maintained if the intended campsite at Nth. Waterloo Bay was to be reached before dark. Our S.L.G.B. Convenor then suggested that those too slow to stay with the party should remain at Refuge Cove overnight, walking out via the Lighthouse Track the following day. After finalising arrangements the remainder of the party headed for the campsite to be leaving the intrepid, but slow, Mr. Knight to stagger up Kersops Peak by himself.

On reaching Nth. Waterloo, we pitched camp on a spot more preferable to the Public Pigsty. After tea the nocturnal walkers retraced their steps to Kersops Peak to view the lighthouse in operation. The effort yielded a reward when some "shady" marine operations were uncovered (see Tony Morris for details), promoting a discussion which continued well into the night. Eventually all settled into blissful oblivion.

Sunday morning found us on the track by 8.00 with six separate parties !!! This increased to seven in as many minutes when Margaret took a tumble hurting her knee and necessitating the separation of yet another group. We pushed on once again, through the swampy heathland to the Lighthouse Track where yet another split eventuated. The "faster" walkers were to finish as intended whilst the "slower" ones were forced to stroll down the Lighthouse Track much to the dismay of yours truly who was stuck behind the "slowies" with the task of whip. After a one and a half hour lunch we arrived at Oberon carpark however all was not well (remember there were seven other parties to account for). Early arrivals had a three hour wait until the last of the flock had returned to the fold. This time was spent by the more energetic/insane of us walking to and from the shop at Tidal River.

Despite all that might be said, here's one walker who enjoyed the weekend. Thanks Charles.

..... AND NIGHT DESCENDED ON THE PROM.

## "PLASTICS AT THE TOP"

Did you know that plastics played a small but vital part in the latest successful British expedition to Mt. Everest. Yellow "Karrimats" made from "Evazote" foamed ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer provided comfortable, non-absorbent, insulating lightweight sleeping mats while "Plastazote", foamed polyethylene was used to prevent chafing from the shoulder pads of the rucksack harness and as an insulating lining for overboots worn by the expedition's sherpas.

Polly Mer.

THE 1976 FEDERATION WEEKEND.

Bushwalking - Has It a Future ? This was the theme of the seminar which took the place of the Federation Weekend Walk on September 4th and 5th. Organised by Melbourne Bushwalkers, and held in pleasant surroundings at Gilwell Park, Gembrook, the seminar set out to give bushwalkers an opportunity to discuss the future of their recreation. A wide range of viewpoints was given by the nine invited speakers, and the questions and discussion which followed each speaker were all interesting and often thought provoking.

The opening address was given by Dr. Downes, the Director of Conservation for Victoria. Ken McInnes, the president of Federation, explained the history and function of the North East Alpine Working Group, followed by Stuart Calder, of the Forests Commission, who spoke on the recreational uses of forests.

Trevor Arthur, of the MMBW, gave a very interesting presentation on the Board's Metropolitan Parks, one of the functions of which is to ease recreation pressures on bushland outside the suburban area. Ronda Green of the ACF closed the Saturday sessions with a talk on Nature Trails.

After dinner on the Saturday evening, Les Southwell showed some superb slides of his trip down the Gordon River (South-West Tasmania) on a lilo, and spoke of the threatened wilderness that is the South-West.

The first two speakers on the Sunday were Steve Blundell from the Four Wheel Drive Association, and Don Tilbury from AMTRA ( the Trail Bike Association). Both explained the nature of their recreation, the work of the appropriate clubs in the drawing up and enforcing codes of behaviour, and their views on the rights of bush users. Some spirited discussion followed !

Dick Johnson, of the VNPA, presented that organisation's new Alpine National Park Policy, and explained some of the thinking behind it.

The weekend was concluded by Gerry McPhee, of MBW, who outlined the results of a study he has made of the workings of the Land Conservation Council.

Considering the implications of the subject, the attendance by members of Federated clubs was very poor, with a total of 36 attending at some time during the weekend (including the organisers). If this is a true indication of the level of concern, then bushwalking may not have a future.

...Geoff Mattingley.

The "AGE". October, 13th. page 5.

A.P.M. SWAPS P.B. FOR FOREST.

The Australian Paper Manufacturers have conceded to conservation pressures to preserve the Precipitous Bluff Wilderness and instead have been granted a concession from the Tasmanian Government to remove 4,600 Acres of prime forest in the Haast Mountains.

This swapping of one area for another seems to indicate that A.P.M. feel they have a God-given Right to log any State Forest they wish, continuing to hack more away of the South West Tassie Region. What to do? If you are interested in preserving the S.W. write to the "AGE", A.P.M. and the Federal Minister for Conservation protesting at this action. For further details contact Les Southwell (p)728-4913

WORKING BEE.....NOVEMBER 4th..... 5.15 TIL 7.00

Members, please come and make the job easier.  
If enough members come each person only needs to do about 1/2 hours work.  
Remember your working clothers - See you're there.

Janet and Max.

ODD SPOT

From an article on the Florida swamplands, in the August, 1976 issue of National Geographic:

"Biologists worry ..... that new plants - particularly pines and the rapidly spreading melaleuca tree, a fire-and-drought-hardy invader from Australia - will overrun the swamplands."

HOW TO RETRACT A RED HERRING.

At the recent General Meeting, I argued for the Conservationist voice of M.B.W. to be directed through the Federation. I suggested that there was too much time and emphasis with-in the Committee (and at General Meetings) given to Conservation matters at the expense of very real concerns about the nature and activities of M.B.W. as a Walking Club. I felt that the Federation could adequately represent its member clubs in conservation matters and should be the body (rather than separate member clubs) which affiliated with organisations having a conservationist charter.

I am now aware that I spoke without thinking clearly enough about the issues involved, and I would like to retract, or at least substantially modify, what I said at that meeting.

On reflection, I think it was simplistic of me to assume that Federation could adequately represent us. We have active and informed conservationists in our club who are at least able to bring the issues to our notice by working through MBW. Any moves that Federation makes are not called to our attention nearly so well. The Conservation Group within M.B.W. may even manage one day to sting us into action (if they don't give up first).

I would like then to modify my stance. It is not less of conservation that we need, but more of those other issues which concern us. I consider that we could profitably address ourselves to some of the following questions ( at least ) !

Can M.B.W. cater for the Walking preferences of most or all of its members - do we even know what they are ? Does the increased membership permit us to have more walks programmed, with perhaps more than one walk on at once ? Are we in favour of ever-increasing membership or not? Is enough attention given to encouraging new members to become self-sufficient in the bush? Are we training enough new leaders? Should established members undergo refresher courses in navigation and leadership from time to time? Can we work out ways of teaching active consideration for the bushland we walk through, so that M.B.W. members take individual initiative in conservation matters rather than being pushed along by a few? Should we consider looking for alternative (larger) club rooms? What are we (if anything) beyond a walking club?

Many of these issues are hardy perennials (as in conservation). They all require continuing discussion, in a way that allows the club to progress in a balanced fashion. I was wrong in seeking a diminution or deflection of conservation-related activities: what we need is to press home with everything else as well.

....Michael Griffin

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NATIONAL FITNESS V9 BUSHWALKING COURSE.

People are required to help supervise the two preliminary functions related to the Howmans Gap Leadership Course, May, 1977.

1. Nov. 27th - 28th - Kinglake West Forest Camp.
2. Feb. 26th - 27th 1977 - Special Training (Navigation) Weekend in the Whroo State Forest.

Transport and food expenses will be reimbursed.

If you can help out or are interested contact Manfred Lewandowski or Joan McKay at National Fitness (B) 67-6391 or after hours, Rod Lingard (P)723-2764 or Stuart Brookes (P)83-8903

Applications close November, 1st, 1976.

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING ON 29th SEPTEMBER, 1976.

CHAIRMAN: Dave Oldfield

PRESENT: 44 Members and 11 Visitors.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received two copies of "Report on Forests - Economic and Environmental Aspects of the Export Hardwood Woodchip Industry". See Gerry McPhee if you wish to read the report.

The Melbourne University Mountaineering Club has informed us that there will be no more fires in their hut on the N.W. spur of Mt. Feathertop. Walkers intending to stay there will need to take their own portable stove to cook on. Comments on this new arrangement are wanted.

REPORTS.

<u>Treasurer:</u> On August 31st, 1976.	Fixed Deposits	\$2,000.00
	Investment Savings	\$2,000.00
	Cheque Account	<u>\$3,816.26</u>
	Total.	<u>\$7,816.26</u>

Walks Secretary: So far this year until the end of August there have been 1,256 members and 706 visitors on walks. From the 1,962 walkers there has been a profit of \$618, and now fares on day and weekend walks have been reduced.

Membership Secretary: There are now 306 members.

Walk Editors: An Editorial Sub-committee has been formed to edit Walk, and there are enough articles on hand to make a small magazine. A good, vertical colour slide is required for the frontcover. Some members were unhappy about the double page advertisement which will appear in the centre pages of the magazine.

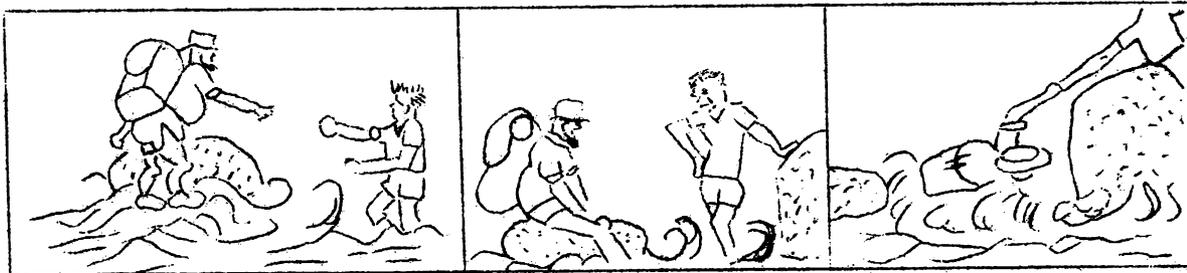
Wilky Manager: Wilky was occupied for 5 weeks and a few extra weekends over winter. There has been more trouble with the septic tank, the cause of trouble unknown.

Equipment Officers: In the period from March to September the receipts for equipment hire have totaled \$107.75. Since the last meeting we have purchased a "high pack" and other assorted equipment.

Map Custodian: We have received a copy of the 2 miles to 1 inch map titled "Portion of the Macalister River Watershed" produced by the V.M.T.C. dated 1976.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1/ As foreshadowed in the August News, the motion "We propose to affiliate with the Ski Touring Association of Victoria" was proposed by Gerard McPhee and seconded by Rod Mattingley. After a brief discussion the motion was passed unanimously (on the show of hands.)
- 2/ The motion about the donation to the ACF Alpine National Park Fighting Fund reported in the September News was modified to "This club donates \$200.00 to the A.C.F. Alpine National Park Fighting Fund". The motion was proposed by Gerard McPhee and seconded by George Telehin. After a heated discussion the motion was carried on a show of hands.
- 3/ The last copy of News was very badly printed and if the machine was at fault, a new machine should be purchased. Although there was no formal motion on the matter it was decided that Barry Short should investigate the problem and report to the committee for a decision.
- 4/ The proposal "The clubs policy on huts is no additions only maintenance" was proposed by Gerard McPhee and seconded by Sue Oldfield. There were no speakers against the motion and the motion was carried unanimously.
- 5/ The motion "This clubs policy on tracks is no additions, no maintenance" was moved by Gerard McPhee and seconded by Michael Griffin. The motion was put forward and passed on the show of hands voting was FOR 23 AGAINST 17.
- 6/ The navigation course was attended by 18 members of the club. Charles thanked all those who helped him run the course, and the 7 who assisted with the check-points of the participants on the practice weekend.
- 7/ Upon request of some of the members the walks committee will consider a third type of walk - a medium or medium hard walk every month, preferably in addition to the current range of walks.
- 8/ There will be a forum on the direction that the club should take at some date in the near future. The forum is expected to discuss the more important issues which effect both it and its members. The date will be announced in News.



### SHADY SCORPION

Newsflash. Silver shares have taken an upward turn again with yet another Committee member putting in his application for a spoon. The membership secretary has followed the trend and announced his engagement. Congratulations to Paul and Pat and all the best in the future.

Barry and Gwenda are back from overseas and are back in the "News" printing business again after eight months absence.

Many thanks to Ian and Marion for holding the fort while the Shorts were away.

Charles' Navigation and Orienteering Weekend up at Dunnolly went pretty well after his expert tutorials had taught his charges the virtues of map and compass. Only one trouble though, guess who didn't reach all the check points. How embarrassing.

The Strathbogie - Seven Creeks Walk provided some interesting interludes as Ken led or attempted to lead the party from Charmain Falls to the Seven Creeks Gorge via Polly McQuinns. As usual of late, the racehorses soon created a break on the rest of the field and were not seen after lunch until near camp.

The rain on Saturday Night tested out a couple of the Clubs Hire Tents with Debbie not fairing too well.

On reaching the Falls on Sunday there was a bit of debate about whether a side trip that entailed wading the fast flowing creek was acceptable. The majority opted for the side trip (with packs) and then the fun began. Shirley tentatively made her way across the rocky bottomed creek when she slipped in about a foot of water and gave her clothes a soaking. Then it was Charles' turn. Being a hardened S.W. Tassie veteran he carefully removed his socks before crossing and tied them to his belt. Ken was standing in mid stream helping everyone across as Charles cautiously entered the water. Inch by inch he stalked his way across, finally reaching the safety of Ken's grip, then all of a sudden one step backwards and over went Charles, up to his neck. His pride permanently damaged, he staggered ashore and wrung out his saturated socks.

More than one head turned in Sydney Rd. as George and Shirley alighted from the Van on the way home with Shirley striding down the street wearing her pink long johns, the only dry pants she had to change into.

G.C. was a bit disturbed on his Goulburn-Jamieson preview when he discovered that the proposed crossing point on the Goulburn, Baines Bridge, had been washed away in recent floods. This means that either the River will have to be waded first thing Saturday morning or the Walk will have to be drastically modified. Sounds exciting.

### NOVEMBER SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

Sat. 6th & Sun. 7th - President's Sheep Roast Weekend - Avon River. See page 3 for details.

Wed. 10th - Talk on First Aid in the Bush by Dr. Hugo Mackay who lectures for the National Fitness.

Wed. 24th - Slides of the Picton - Mt. Bobs Area and the lower Gordon by Les Southwell. Hopefully it will be dark enough to show slides, with day light saving starting soon, because these slides are well worth seeing as anyone who was at Gilwell Park will testify.

NEW MEMBERS.

- BOWRA - Cleone. Flat 5, 50-56 O'Shaunessy St, Nth. Melbourne. 3051 (P)329-6607
- CUTLER - Charles & Glennis, 55 Stanley Rd., Vermont Sth. 3133 (P)233-2058 (B)689-3199
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- LITTLE - Roger, Flat 5, 2 Coclullah Ave., Sth Yarra. 3141. (P)24-5956 (B) 24-5956
- MOORE - Helen, 12 Naughton Ave., Warrandyte. 3113. (P)844-2005 (B) 478-3122 x2526
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- SUTHERLAND - Ian, 35 Lemon Grove, Nunawading. 3131. (P)874-5677 (B)62-2601
- WESTBROOK - Phillipa, Cottles Cottage, Strathlewen Rd, Cottlesbridge (B)45-0411  
(Tues & Wed A.M.)

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

- COOMBS - Bob, 68 Patyah St., Diamond Creek.
- GEORGE - Spencer, (P)83-4225
- HUBREGTSE - Virgil, 6 Saniky St., Nth Clayton. 3168. (P)560-7775 (B)541-2676
- ROGERS - Fred, 51-55 Alma Rd., St. Kilda. 3182. (P)94-6140
- STIRKUL - Alex, 3/432 Buckley St., Essendon. 3140.
- WHITE - Janet, (P) -
- WILKINSON, Max, C/- P.O. St. Andrews. 3761



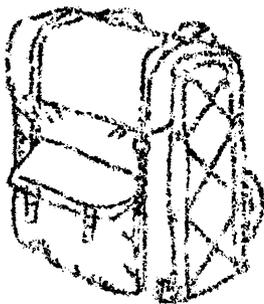
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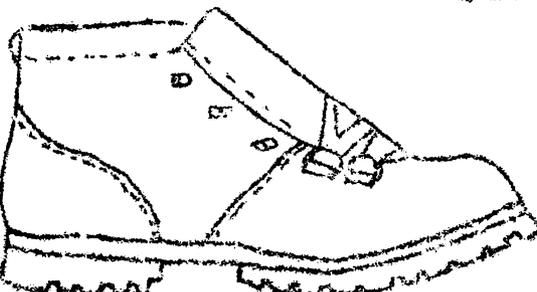
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