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Copy for August to: John Rankin - Phone: 0408 373 148
email: wjrankin@outlook.com
by the 1st Wednesday in the month, 2nd July.

Laughter Is The Best Medicine

Your call is very important to us.
Please enjoy this 40 minute flute solo.

Membership Fees

At its last meeting, the Club Executive has decided to increase membership fees by \$5 per year. The same discounts still apply.
See notice on page 15.

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ATTENTION MWC MEMBERS

The MWC Activities Officer, Sue Cranage, is seeking a MWC Member for an exciting opportunity to be a Walk Coordinator for short walks, once a month, on a Sunday Morning or Sunday Afternoon.

A recent survey of MWC members, found that those members who were not participating in walks, were often those members still in the work force and were finding the Sunday walks take up the whole of Sunday, which took too much time out of their weekend.

So, to entice these members with limited time on weekends out for a walk, there is a need to create a short walk program on a Sunday. The Short Walks Sunday Program could make use of the catalogue of suburban short walks, held by the weekday walkers.

All that is needed is a MWC volunteer to coordinate a short walk once a month on a Sunday morning or afternoon.

If you feel inspired to be this walk coordinator, please contact Sue Cranage on Ph: 0414 669 948 or Email: smcranage@optusnet.com.au

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Mt Buller Lodge Voluntary Contribution Request

Thank you to all members who have already donated to the Mt Buller Lodge. Your support is most appreciated.

Over 30 years ago Gerald Morton and other forward thinking members of the Melbourne Walking Club had a vision for a new all seasons mountain lodge to replace the old lodge. Thanks to their determination and hard work we all have the privilege of access to our lodge at Mt Buller. Today the lodge has financial challenges. Every member of our club is now being asked to pay a voluntary contribution of \$100, or more, which will be spent solely on our lodge. This request is due to recent massive increases in insurance premiums and other costs, plus the many works required in preparation for the application to renew our lease from Alpine Resorts Victoria.

Payment can be made with your annual membership fee.

Executive Committee, Melbourne Walking Club

2025/26 Annual subscriptions are due by 30 June 2025, see below:

2025/26 rates:	<u>Within Victoria</u> <u>AND under 80</u>	<u>Outside Victoria</u> <u>OR over 80</u>
Annual Subscription:	\$70	\$65
With \$5 discount for payment by 30 June:	\$65	\$60
With \$10 discount for email circular only:	\$60	\$55
With both discounts:	\$55	\$50

Note: Life Members and those who have been members for 50 years or more are not required to pay annual subscriptions.

By bank transfer to the Club's general account:

Account Name: Melbourne Walking Club Inc.

BSB: 063-000, Account No: 1078 3218.

Please ensure that you clearly state your name on the transfer.

Or

**Please send a cheque payable "Melbourne Walking Club Inc" to:
Mr A Robertson, 45 Albany Cres, Aspendale, Vic, 3195.**

Arthur Robertson, Treasurer, MWC.

Little is known of Rodondo Island. It is believed to have been separated from the mainland for thousands of years, and the explorers hope to find some strange fauna and flora there.

Although, as far as is known officially, the party is making the first known visit to the island, they may find evidence of an earlier visit. Greybeards in the fishing fraternity of Port Albert say they have heard of the island being visited many years ago, but no details are known.

Rodondo from the Sea



Bushwalking News Victoria (BNV)

The Melbourne Walking Club is affiliated with Bushwalking Victoria which publishes "Bushwalking News" monthly. The Current and past BNVs can be read on their web page:

<https://bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/bushwalking-newsletter>



Bushwalking Victoria

MT BULLER LODGE

Winter
Season

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Individual Bookings Only

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Come up and stay at the lodge in winter. It is an experience not to be missed. Close to the centre of Mt Buller Village, with cozy accommodation and stunning Alpine views.

Did you know that your family and friends can enjoy a stay at our Mt Buller Lodge even if you cannot join them? Conditions apply. For more information contact

*julieparis@bigpond.com
or 0407 349 699.*



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The Lodge is located right at the village centre.
It sleeps up to 16
5 bedrooms (3 x 4 bed / 2 x 2 bed)
- each bedroom has its own en-suite bathroom.

Fully equipped kitchen and dining room, lounge, TV and table tennis rooms, deck and barbeque. A small supermarket is close by.

Winter Weekend Bookings:

Members & Dependants -

High Winter - \$125 / night

Low Winter - \$120 / night

Visitors -

High Winter - \$200 / night

Low Winter - \$190 / night

Winter Midweek Bookings:

Members & Dependants -

High Winter - \$115 / night

Low Winter - \$105 / night

Visitors -

High Winter - \$180 / night

Low Winter - \$170 / night

To book simply visit the Club Website, click on Mount Buller and open the Mount Buller Booking page

**An Unmissable MWC
Member Privilege**

Base Undercover Activity: A Camping Adventure at Wilson's Prom
Friday 17th October – Sunday 19th October 2025

Please note: You must contact Leaders if you want to attend this activity. This trip will be limited to a total of 8 participants with a maximum of 5 tents. Register early so you don't miss out.

An opportunity to explore and hike the southern section of the beautiful Wilson's Prom National Park, camping 2 nights at a stunning bush campsite overlooking Oberon Bay and return to beautiful Waterloo Bay.

Participants must bring tent, sleeping gear, their own food, wet weather gear, warm clothes, sunscreen, hat and insect repellent. For those who don't own camping gear, it can be hired. A full equipment list will be provided. Aim for a maximum pack weight of 8 – 10 kg, not including water.

This activity is primarily aimed for people looking to try out or return to pack carrying and outdoor camping. All levels of experience welcome. The leader is very familiar with this hiking area and with outdoor camping. Please contact the leader to book in or to discuss your interest. The cost to camp at Wilsons Prom after 30th June 2025 will probably be around \$15 per night.

Leader: Francis Brennan.

Rendezvous: Friday 17th October 2025 at 11.00am at Tidal River.

Transport: By private car, approx. 3 hours from Melbourne to Wilsons Prom National Park.

Hiking Details:

Day One: Friday, 17th October – Hike with your pack to the Oberon Bay campsite. Camping at Oberon Bay for 2 nights. Distance: approx. 7.6km (2.5 hours). Grading: Moderate with gentle gradients and well-maintained paths with the final 1.5km on a sandy beach and with an ankle-deep river crossing.

Day Two: Saturday, 18th October – A return hike to Waterloo Bay with lunch. Distance: 16.2km (3 hours each way). Grading: Moderate, mostly flat, with well-maintained paths.

Day Three: Sunday 19th October - pack up camp and hike back to Tidal River. Distance: approx. 7.6km (2.5 hours). Grading: Moderate with gentle gradients and well-maintained paths.

For further information, please contact: Francis Brennan

Email: francis.brennan@bigpond.com, Phone: 0438 383 899.

Important Note: Contact Francis by email only during May/June 2025.

cover, seating but no toilets (Melway 111 J6). From lunch we continue to enter the Beaconsfield Flora and Fauna Reserve and through Beaconsfield Centre to reach the station and end of the walk (10.5km). Trains to city 20 minute service.

Escapes: Limited escapes 2km and 8km to #837 bus (hourly service).

Sun 31 Aug Merri Creek – Clifton Hill – CERES

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Cynthia Lui

Phone: 0415 038 776

New Members

Six new Members have joined the Club since January this year: Ken Morgan, Helen Renehan, Brian Marks, Jacqui Marks, Luke Renehan and Catherine Bourne. We welcome these Members to the Club and wish them many happy years of walking and participating in other Club activities.

John Rankin, Membership Officer

Rodondo Island

From an Article "All's Well On Rodondo Island, Peak Of Mystery Isle Scaled"

Reprinted from "The Argus", 13 Jan 1947, Page 20

Rodondo, mystery island of Bass Strait, is six miles out to sea from Wilson's Promontory, and is a mountain peak rising sheer from the sea. It is timbered in parts.

An exploring party, led by Mr J. Béchervaise, science master at Geelong College, who is accompanied by three of his senior pupils, were landed on the island on Friday from a fishing ketch which will pick them up next weekend.

Speaking from the lighthouse at Wilson's Promontory last night, Mr A. Searle, head keeper, said that at 9pm he had intercepted a Morse message flashed by torch from a member of the party to indicate that all was well with the explorers.

Mr Searle said that at noon on Saturday the lighthouse staff had seen flashes from the summit of the island peak. These signals were apparently flashed with a mirror to indicate that the party had scaled the mountain. It had been arranged for the party to fly a flag from their camp on a ledge if they were in difficulties.

Yesterday Mr Searle scanned the island with a powerful telescope, and observed members of the party moving around their camp.

Tue 12 Aug Lunch – Charles Dickens Tavern

Please let the leader know if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Charlie Freedman Phone: 0415 558 249

Our regular monthly social lunch occurs on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except January) at the Charles Dickens Tavern in the basement of 290 Collins Street Melbourne at 11:45 am for 12 noon. All welcome.

Wed 13 Aug Greensborough – Greensborough

Leader: Stephen Pfundt Phone: 0434 199 736

Sun 17 Aug TBA

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: David Adams Phone: 0419 342 633

Mon 18 Aug Seville East – Woori Yallock

Leader: Wayne Hansen Phone: 0415 351 492

Mon-Mon 18-25 Aug Coffs Harbour, NSW

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Kim Rosen Phone: 0422 804 816

Wed 20 Aug Studley Park

Leader: Jim Cone Phone: 9560 8175

Mon 25 Aug Canterbury – Glenferrie

Leader: Graeme Barker Phone: 0437 006 938

Wed 27 Aug Berwick – Grassmere Ck – Cardinia Ck – Beaconsfield

Leader: David Watkins Phone: 0414 547 190
david39mwc@gmail.com

Rendezvous: Outside Berwick station, northern side, at 9.30am.

Maps: Melway 111 Grading: Easy Distance: 10.5km.

Transport: Pakenham train 8.34am Flinders St (8.26 am Southern Cross; 8.38am Richmond; 8.49am Caulfield) arrive Berwick 9.30am.

Morning Tea: Arch Brown Reserve (Melway 111 F6). Seating, cover, toilets.

Walk Details: This attractive walk is 10km in length and is a modification of an original walk which passed through Harkaway, involved some climbs and was 14km in length.

From the station we walk 2.5km to Arch Brown Reserve for Morning Tea. From Morning Tea we continue north to the Grasmere Creek which we follow through the Cardinia Creek Parklands Reserve to lunch at 7km;

Base Undercover Activity – Expressions of Interest Tasman National Park, Tasmania Monday, 23rd February, 2026 – Saturday, 28th February, 2026

Explore the breathtaking Tasman Peninsula over 5 days including the famous Cape Hauy and Cape Raoul and the Port Arthur Historic Site. The Tasman Peninsula is 90 minutes from Hobart.

Co- leaders: Francis Brennan and Cynthia Lui.

Rendezvous: In Hobart on Monday, 23rd February for a group dinner. The group will be staying at the RACV Hobart Hotel on 23rd February 2026.

Transport: Private bus includes transfers to/from each walk and transfers to and from Hobart or drop-off at the airport on the last day.

Participants are responsible for booking their own flights to Hobart.

Accommodation: One night at the RACV Hobart Hotel and four nights at the Stewarts Bay Lodge in Port Arthur (stewartsbaylodge.com.au).

Participants are responsible for booking their accommodation at the RACV Hobart Hotel.

Walk Details:

There will be four separate day walks, including Cape Hauy and Cape Raoul, ranging from medium – medium/hard. On the last day, you can either explore the Port Arthur Historic Site or arrange a cruise of the Tasman Peninsula.

Estimated costs:

Cost of 4x nights accommodation at Stewarts Bay Lodge -

- **Single room:** Water view - \$1,000 or Bush view - \$910
- **Twin share room:** Water view – \$500 per person or Bush view room - \$455 per person

Total cost of private bus transport is \$2,720. The cost is \$340 per person for a group of 8. Exact cost will depend on the final group size.

A deposit of \$200 per person (single room) or \$100 per person (twin share) will be required to register for the trip as accommodation and transport has been booked by the leader.

Cost of accommodation at RACV Hobart Hotel ranges between \$200 - \$250.

A park pass is required for Tasman Peninsula - \$50 per person.

- For further information, please contact:
Cynthia Lui (0415 038 776 cynthialui@mac.com) or
- Francis Brennan (francis.brennan@bigpond.com).

Please note: Places are limited to a maximum of 8 participants. Expressions of interest close 30th September. A wait list will be maintained in case of cancellations.

JULY ACTIVITIES

Wed 2 Jul Bentleigh – St Kilda – Middle Park

Leader: David Blackwell Phone: 9557 9177

Rendezvous: 10.10 a.m. at Bentleigh Station (Melway 68 D12).

Maps: Melway 68, 67, 2P, 2N & 2K.

Grading: Easy Distance: 11/12½ km.

Transport: 9.31 a.m. Frankston train departing Flinders St, arriving Bentleigh 10.04 a.m. OR Flinders St train departing Frankston 9.28 a.m. arriving Bentleigh 10.06 a.m. Meet at 10.10 on Centre Rd just outside station.

Morning Tea: Allnut Park approx 15 mins walk from Station.

Walk Details: Easy flat walk; plenty of footpath walking but mostly follows footpath/bikepath west & north along Elster Ck reserve, Elwood drain, Elwood Canal, via Gardenvale & Elsternwick to the sea at Elwood. Then north along the coast to St. Kilda (11 km), and for the more energetic, to Middle Park (12½ km, but you need to get a new leader for that). Trams either in to the City (12, 96) or trams out to Balaclava, Malvern, Glenferrie or Kew (16).

Note: Lunch about noon at Elsternwick Park. Possible escapes in many places. Ask the leader who will advise at the time.

Sun 6 Jul Sailors Falls – Old Wombat Station

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Colin Crook Phone: 0418 386 459

Rendezvous: 10 am at the Carpark at Sailors Falls Picnic Area, Ballan-Daylesford Road, C141. Melway X909 C10.

Maps: Melway X909. Grading: Easy/Medium Distance: 12km.

Transport: Private Car. If coming from Melbourne and crossing the West Gate Bridge the signs indicate the road to Geelong initially. Further on the signs to Ballarat appear. Take the M80 Western Ring Road and later the M8 Western Freeway towards Ballarat. Near Ballan, take the exit to Daylesford, C141. Sailors Falls is 24km from the M8 Western Highway. Sailors Falls is on the left 900 metres past Sault restaurant which is also on the left.

Morning Tea: Along the Goldfields Track at junction with Telegraph Road. This is also an escape route back to Ballan-Daylesford Road.

Walk Details: We meet at the car park for Sailors Falls Picnic Area where

Transport: 9.12am Upfield train ex Flinders Street arriving Batman station at 9:37am. Return trains from Gowrie station to the city every 20 minutes.

Morning Tea: Coburg Lake Reserve (Melway 17 J10). Toilets, seating and shelter available.

Walk Details: A pleasant, flat walk along the Merri Creek trail north to Lorne Street then crossing Sydney Road to Fawcner Cemetery. We exit the cemetery at Box Forest Road and enter the Northern Memorial Park where we have lunch at the Commemoration Centre (Melway X891 D2). Shelter, tables and seating available but no toilets. After lunch we retrace our steps to Box Forest Road and make our way to Gowrie station.

Escapes: Train escape to the city from Fawcner station at 4 km.

Wed 30 Jul Mordialloc – Carrum

Leader: Jenny Hosking Phone: 0423 627 232

Rendezvous: By Train, 9.11am Frankston train ex Flinders St Station (Platform 8) arriving at Mordialloc Station 9.56am.

Maps: Melway 92, 93, 97 and/or Google.

Grading: Easy Distance: 11km approx.

Morning Tea: 10.00am Mordialloc Creek Reserve near boat ramp, Melway 92 G2 (Seating & toilets).

Walk Details: Pleasant walk following Longbeach trail to Edithvale and Patterson Lakes wetlands. Then walk along Patterson riverbank to Carrum station. Lunch is at Chelsea Bicentennial Park. (Sheltered seating & toilets). Escape possible after lunch.

AUGUST PROGRAM

Sun 3 Aug Sepastopol – Brown Hill

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Colin Crook Phone: 0418 386 459

Mon 4 Aug Seawinds – Baldry Crossing

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Jim Smith Phone: 0437 077 532

Wed 6 Aug Mooroolbark – Croydon

Leader: Doug Swinbourne Phone: 0438 881 176

Sun 10 Aug Four Brothers Rock – Bunyip State Park

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Trevor Rosen Phone: 0412 136124

Escapes: There are no escapes.

Sun 27 Jul Cape Woolamai Circuit – Phillip Island

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Francis Brennan

Phone: 0438 383 899

Rendezvous: 10:00 am at the carpark by the Cape Woolamai Surf Life Saving Club.

Transport: Private Car. Phillip Island is approx. 1.5 hours drive from Melbourne. The easiest route to Phillip Island is to take the Monash Freeway towards Warragul. Exit the freeway at the Pakenham/Koo Wee Rup exit. Take the Koo Wee Rup bypass to the South Gippsland Highway. Stay on that road and follow the signs to Phillip Island. The turnoff to Cape Woolamai is approx. 3km past the San Remo bridge. Take the first exit from the Phillip Island Rd (B420) at the intersection with Woolamai Beach Rd. The carpark is approx. 2.8km from the turnoff.

Morning Tea: At the Cape Woolamai SLSC. There is a coffee shop at the clubhouse.

Lunch: At Churchill Island near San Remo. Churchill Island is a 15 min drive from the Woolamai SLSC. We have the option of a picnic in the farmhouse grounds or lunch in the café.

Distance: 8km approx. 2.5 hrs

Grading: Easy.

Walk Details: A scenic walk with panoramic views of the Bass Coast along a well maintained track. Parts of the walk are on the Woolamai surf beach and the Cleveland Bight beach. The walk features diverse scenery and some wildlife. The track is exposed to the weather so be prepared for gusty winds and rain. Depending on the tide the walk may be clockwise or anti clockwise. There are toilets at the Woolamai SLSC. There are many benches on the track to sit and admire the views. Complete the walk at about 12:30pm.

Optional Walk after lunch: Grading Easy. We have the option of an easy walk around Churchill Island. Churchill Island has a historic working farm with beautiful grounds. You will come upon Cape Barren geese, Highland cattle and peacocks. Distance 4km approx. 1hr.

Escapes: No escapes.

Mon 28 Jul Easy Metro: Batman – Fawkner

Leader: Alex Hordijkeno

Phone: 0497 699 507

Rendezvous: 9.37am at Batman railway station.

Maps: Melway 17 & X891

Grading: Easy

Distance: 8 km.

there are sheltered picnic tables and a clean drop toilet (the only toilet facility on the walk). After viewing the waterfalls we head to the Goldfields Track and then follow it south to old Wombat railway station. Here there is a comfortable rotunda to have afternoon tea before heading home. A short car shuffle will be required.

Mon 7 Jul Seawinds – OT Dam

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Ron Anderson

Phone: 0448 512 525

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 9:30am at Seawinds Arthurs Seat State Park, Melway 159 D12.

Maps: Melway 159 & 160

Grading: Medium

Distance: 10km.

Transport: Private car.

Walk Details: We walk around Seawinds Park then to Pindara Rd, on to Arthurs Seat State Park bush walk and a circuit of OT Dam, where we will have lunch, completing the walk back to Seawinds car park by the same track. There are a couple of steep sections on the walk but most of it is easy going through nice bushland.

Tue 8 Jul Lunch – Charles Dickens Tavern

Please let the leader know if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Barry Revill

Phone: 9555 1114

Our regular monthly social lunch occurs on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except January) at the Charles Dickens Tavern in the basement of 290 Collins Street Melbourne at 11:45 am for 12 noon. All welcome.

Wed 9 Jul Greensborough – Plenty River – Westerfolds Park

Leader: Marsha Rankin

Phone: 0402 058 184

Rendezvous: 9.35 am at Greensborough railway station.

Maps: Melway 21, 20 & 33

Grading: Easy

Distance: 13 km.

Transport: Hurstbridge train, departing Flinders Street at 8.42 am (Southern Cross at 8.46 am), arriving Greensborough 9.32 am. The #901 and #902 smart buses also stop at Greensborough station.

Morning Tea: Poulter Reserve. Toilet, seating but no shelter (Melway, 21 A2).

Walk Details: A pleasant walk following the Plenty River Trail to Main Rd then the Old Eltham Rd and across the Yarra into Westerfolds Park. We end the walk at a bus stop in Porter St, Templestowe from which the #905 smart bus runs every 15 minutes to the City (Lonsdale St) or to the Pines

Shopping Centre. There are toilets at morning tea, before lunch, at Fitzsimons Lane bridge and Porter St., just before the end. Escapes at Main Road/Para Road (#513 and #901 buses).

Mon 14 Jul Kooyong Station – Flinders Street Station

Leader: Stuart Galloway Phone: 0421 560 031

Rendezvous: 9:49am at Kooyong Station.

Grading: Easy Distance: 11km.

Transport: 9:49am Kooyong Station (Glen Waverly line). NB: Trains infrequent with next train at 10:19am.

Morning Tea: HA Smith Reservation.

Walk Details: This is a flat easy walk mostly along pleasant Yarra River parklands with some suburban streets. There are several escapes including Burnley, Richmond and Jolimont Stations.

Toilets: Tom Bartlett Reserve + others in fairly easy reach.

Wed 16 Jul Safety Beach – Dromana

Leader: Les Littlejohn Phone: 5987 2215
0409 499 302

Rendezvous: Safety Beach boat club, Melway 150 E 11, at 11.00am.

Transport: 8.57am Frankston train ex Flinders Street, arrives Frankston at 10.04am. #788 bus departs at 10.14am, alight at Safety Beach boat club at about 10.58. Leader will be at Frankston for bus departure.

Maps: Melway 150 & 160 Grading: Easy.

Distance: Before lunch 4.4 km. After lunch 2 km or more if desired.

Morning Tea: Near rendezvous. Toilets, water, and shelter available.

Walk Details: After morning tea pass under boat entrance (lift available) and follow boardwalk inland. It is right on the water's edge and affords good viewing of the boats and residences of the (supposedly!) rich and famous. Eventually we turn south and follow the inland edge of the marina. There is a lunch spot with toilets and a table under cover. After lunch we retrace our steps for about 2 km and then climb a small rise to a bus stop in Bruce Rd for the return bus to Frankston. These run about every half hour. However, if walkers are keen to do more we can reach the beach and continue towards Dromana.

Escapes: Leader will arrange to have a car at the lunch spot should an escape be required.

Note: Leader will be at Frankston to shepherd walkers on to the correct

bus. Anyone planning to drive, park in car park near Safety Beach boat club, Melway 150 E11.

Sun 20 Jul Hastings – Jacks Beach

NB. You must contact the leader if you want to attend this activity.

Leader: Daryl Hergt Phone: 0434 140 022

Rendezvous & Morning Tea: 10:00 am at Babington Park, Marine Parade, Hastings, opposite The Hastings Club. Melway 154 J8.

Maps: Melway 154 & 165 Grading: Easy Distance: 11 km.

Transport: Private car.

Walk Details: A very pleasant easy walk along the boardwalk through Kings Creek reserve then along the Hastings foreshore reserve past the Jetty, yacht club and onto the Western Port trail. This joins up with the Bittern coastal wetlands boardwalk which will lead us to the mangrove coast at Hastings then to Jacks Beach Crib Point for lunch in a picnic area with tables. After lunch there is a short walk to Jacks Beach with pleasant views of Western Port. We then return via the same path back to the start.

Note: Toilets available along the way and at the lunch spot.

Wed 23 Jul Keilor Village – Brimbank Park Circuit

Leader: John Ackerman Phone: 0477 648 528

Rendezvous: 10.00 am Lagoon Reserve Keilor Village. This is a few metres from the bus stop with toilets and tables. Leader will be waiting at this rendezvous.

Maps: Melway 14 & 15 Grading: Easy to Medium.

Distance: There is a significant hill climb after lunch, but the distance is approximately 8 kilometres.

Transport: From Platform 5 Flinders Street catch the 09.00 am Craigieburn Train and alight at Essendon Station. Walking down the sloping subway turn right and at Bay 2 catch the 9.25am 476 Watergardens Bus.

The bus is scheduled to reach Flora Street, Keilor Village at 9.59 am which is the destination. The Bus Stop is almost at the rendezvous.

Morning Tea: At Lagoon Reserve where there are tables and toilets.

Walk Details: A very pleasant walk with the minimum street walking and natural surrounds. Lunch at the cafe at the centre of the park, when we have crossed the Maribyrnong River. Good view of Horseshoe Bend after lunch. We will rely on crossing the river by means of a ford. Heavy downpours prior to the walk would require a route change.