



## Melton Bushwalkers Program July – Dec 2024

**Full details of each walk (including booking requirements) will be sent out by email about 2 weeks before the walk.**

**Unless otherwise stated, walks must be booked with the Booking Officer.  
Bookings for each walk close two days before the walk, eg. 5pm Wednesday for a Saturday walk.**

**(Where not stated, our walks are usually between 10 and 15 kms and about 5 hours).**

### **SATURDAY 6 JUL**

#### **Djerriwarrh Creek Circuit**

**Walk Details:** Meet at end Antimony Mine Rd. A circuit walk along Chapmans Rd and tracks running along Djerriwarrh creek in the Pyrete Ranges. Some undulations and short steep sections

**Grade:** 15km, Medium+. No limit

**Leader:** Andrea S

### **SATURDAY 20 JUL**

#### **Chettle Rd Walk - Lerderderg**

**Walk Details:** This walk shows you a series of tracks in The Lerderderg that you might otherwise not see. Some have deep ruts due to erosion, reasonably steep ascents and descents and 2 creek crossings. Recent weather will determine if you need to take boots off to cross the creek, hopefully not, I've done this 3 times & never had to get wet, final track back to the car park is short but slightly uphill ....

Breaks will be shorter to enable completion of walk in timely manner

**Please Note:** if there is heavy rain on the day or immediately prior to 24th June this walk will be cancelled, it will be too slippery - if that happens there is no back-up walk.

**Grade:** 17.2 km – Hard - 11 kms

**Leader:** Jane

**Limit:** 11 members

## SATURDAY 3 AUG

## Brigitte Memorial - Lerderderg

**Walk Details:** A circuit walk, parking at Lohs Lane Mount Blackwood. Last walked 25 July 2009. The walk is in two parts. A 3 km return walk on Ah Kow Track to visit Brigitte's plaque, and then an 8 km circuit on a few tracks, including Foxy Gully Track. Mostly a medium grade, but a number of steep but short sections. Some have loose gravel and are slippery.

**Grade:** Medium/Hard - 11 kms

**Leader:** Terry M

## SATURDAY 17 AUG

## Ted Errey – Anakie

**Walk Details:** Meeting at Anakie Gorge Picnic and Parking Area, off Staughton Vale Road. An interesting walk with some climbing. The walk includes interpretive signs about the rich flora along the route. Four lookouts provide views over the flat plains to Port Phillip Bay and to the rugged hills of the goldfields. Part of the walk follows the Stony Creek through scenic and twisting Anakie Gorge. Mostly on clearly defined tracks. There is a 150 metre change in elevation overall and a number of easy crossings of Stony Creek.

**Grade:** Medium – 12.2 km

**Leader:** Lynda K

## SATURDAY 31 AUG

## Lower Chadwick/Razorback

**Walk Details:** Meet Square Bottle Carpark on Mt Blackwood Rd. Circuit Walk past Mt Blackwood Tower, then down Lower Chadwick and up Razorback. Many sections of steep decent and ascent.

**Grade:** Hard – 10km

**Leader:** Andrea

## SATURDAY 14 SEP

## Edgars Creek – Merri Creek

**Walk Details:** This walk starts from the Coburg Lake Carpark and follows the Merri Creek until it meets Edgars Creek. The walk then follows Edgars Creek to Edwards Lake and onto the Edgars Creek Wetlands. Return along Edgars Creek and Merri Creek back to the cars.

**Grade:** Easy 12km (4.5 hours)

**Leader:** Andrew Cl

## SATURDAY 28 SEP

## Spanish Onion - Lerderderg

**Walk Details:** Winding through wooded forest and grass trees, this track is sometimes difficult to find. Vegetation depends on recent weather conditions. Some narrow tracks, steep descents and ascents - the final ascent is hard and unrelenting but many of you have done this before.

**Grade:** Medium/Hard 12.5km (4.5 hours)

**Leader:** Jane

**Limit:** 15 members

**SATURDAY 12 OCT****Brisbane Ranges**

**Walk Details:** Parking at Fridays Campground, on Steiglitz - Durdidwarrah Rd. Last walked in March 2022. A circuit walk; this time anti clockwise. Mostly easy to medium tracks, but some harder sections, and a couple of short off-track sections. The walk includes the Old Mill Picnic Area. Bush toilets at campground and picnic area.

**Grade:** Easy/Medium/Hard -14 km

**Leader:** Terry M

**SATURDAY 26 OCT****Heathcote**

**Walk Details:** Heathcote-Graytown National Forest. 14km circuit starting at Dargile Reserve and going up to Mt Ida and back.

**Grade:** Medium -14 km

**Leader:** Andrea S

**SATURDAY 9 NOV****Sailors Falls**

**Walk Details:** TBC

**Grade:** TBC

**Leader:** Lynda K

**SUNDAY 24 NOV****Point Lonsdale & Bellarine Railway**

**Walk Details:** The walk will follow the coast, on pathways, tracks and sand, from Point Lonsdale to Queenscliff. Lunch in the park at Queenscliff. A ride on the Bellarine Railway will return us to our parked cars. Further details on the train trip, including fares, will be included in the Walk Bulletin nearer the walk date.

**Grade:** Easy. 11 Kms.

**Leader:** Brian Curtain

**SUNDAY 8 DEC****Bacchus Marsh**

**Walk Details:** A sit down breakfast, then a walk around town – location TBC

**Grade:** Easy 8.5km

**Leader:** Noel C