

BRINDABELLA BUSHWALKING CLUB NEWSLETTER



This 'n' That

President's Pontifications

The Namadgi National Park is, I think, a real jewel. Following up his participation in a walk led by Doug Finlayson (see June Newsletter); Ken Free, now of the Ben Cruachan Walking Club of Gippsland, has sent me their latest newsletter which includes a report of their walk concluding with:

'Thank you Doug and all the BBC participants for making us feel very welcome and giving us a great day in the Orroral Valley.'

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It's sometimes unkindly said: 'There's no problem so bad that a [insert your favourite scapegoat here] can't make it worse.' However, I'm reliably informed that one of the Club's founding principles was: 'Keep it simple'. This is a principle that your committee often applies in its consideration of tricky issues and, not surprisingly, it generally yields a good result.

Peter Ford

BBC Facebook Page

Visit the facebook page to see photos, walk reports and information about upcoming activities. It is at: <https://www.facebook.com/BrindabellaBushwalkingClub/> You can set your facebook page to receive notifications every time there is a new post.

AGM Reminder

The AGM will be held on Tuesday 11 September at St Margaret's Uniting Church Hall, at the corner of Phillip Avenue and Antill Street, Hackett. Arrive from 7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm start.

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Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park

Associate Professor Graeme L. Worboys PhD, Protected Area Management Specialist at ANU, has recently written several articles about the NSW Government legislation on managing (or not managing, if you prefer) brumbies in KNP. He was also interviewed on the topic on the ABC 7.30 report on 4 July.

His articles are being published as a public information blog on John Menadue's web site. Links to two recent articles appear below. You can subscribe to the blog at these if you want to keep being informed.

<https://johnmenadue.com/graeme-worboys-save-kosciuszko/>

<https://johnmenadue.com/graeme-worboys-kosciuzko-the-destruction-of-a-national-heritage-icon/#more-19294>



Planned Facelift for The BBC Website

Thanks to Allan Mikkelsen's endeavours BBC's website has served us well over the years.

In conjunction with Allan, the committee has been investigating ways to enhance it without costing us a lot of money, without complicating it, and always bearing in mind that the outcome should benefit our members. We are aiming at a website that is comprehensive, user-friendly, easy to update and equally valuable for members and curious visitors to the site.

An immature example of the sort of product we are aiming at is here (there is a lot of fine tuning to be done yet and the final version will, of course, be at our current web address rather than this one): <http://brindabellabushwalking.club>

Please take a look at this and send any comments you might have to either the president or walks officer.

It looks like we'll be able to incorporate the Membership Application form so that you can complete and submit it online. This will benefit members and also make life easier for the membership Secretary.

We'd really like to have many more photos and could create a 'gallery' section if we get enough. Either one or two photos showing our members in action or even a set of up to 20 photos taken on a trip or memorable walk would be most welcome.

Family Walks

There were very few responses to the survey on Family Walks in the June newsletter. Although this indicates we don't have many people who are interested in Family Walks at the moment we will be persevering, but without the routine of programming these walks for the last Sunday of the month.

The Secretary is consolidating an email list of Family Group members and these will be advised by email a few days ahead [as we do with the Easy Wednesday Walks] and informed of details of the walk, weather forecast etc and be asked for an RSVP so leaders have a better idea of who is coming.

If leaders of other programmed Easy weekend walks think they would be suitable for children (leader to determine the minimum acceptable age), then they should advise secretary@brindabellabushwalking.org.au who will email the details to members of the Family Group.

Bushwalk Australia Magazine

Bushwalk Australia is an electronic magazine that is privately produced, but supported by Bushwalking NSW. It includes some stunning photographs and items of interest. It can be found at:

<http://emag.bushwalk.com/BWA201806.pdf>

Bushwalk Australia



New Facebook Representative Wanted

Terrylea has done a marvelous job in creating and posting regularly to the club's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/BrindabellaBushwalkingClub/>). It now has over 300 followers and every post gets nearly as many 'Likes'. Most of our membership enquiries come from here.

Due to all her travelling and other commitments, we need to appoint a replacement for Terrylea at the AGM on (or even before) Tuesday 11 September. Many of you use Facebook regularly and would have no difficulty in managing one more Facebook page, so please nominate yourself for this position.

Contact Terrylea directly at terryleainwashington@hotmail.com with any questions you might have, or nominate yourself to the secretary, Julie Pettit, at secretary@brindabellabushwalking.org.au



Contributing Articles to the Newsletter

Suitable articles are always welcomed and photos make them better. It may not be possible to use all the photos. We will include the photographer's name in the newsletter, unless they ask us not to bother. If it is not your photo, you must have the photographer's permission to use it. Send your articles to walks@brindabellabushwalking.org.au

An article may be edited to correct spelling errors and to suit the newsletter's style by restructuring, cutting to fit, and even re-writing sections if the editor believes that will better appeal to readers.

The newsletters will also be placed on the Club's website.

Parking at North Lyneham

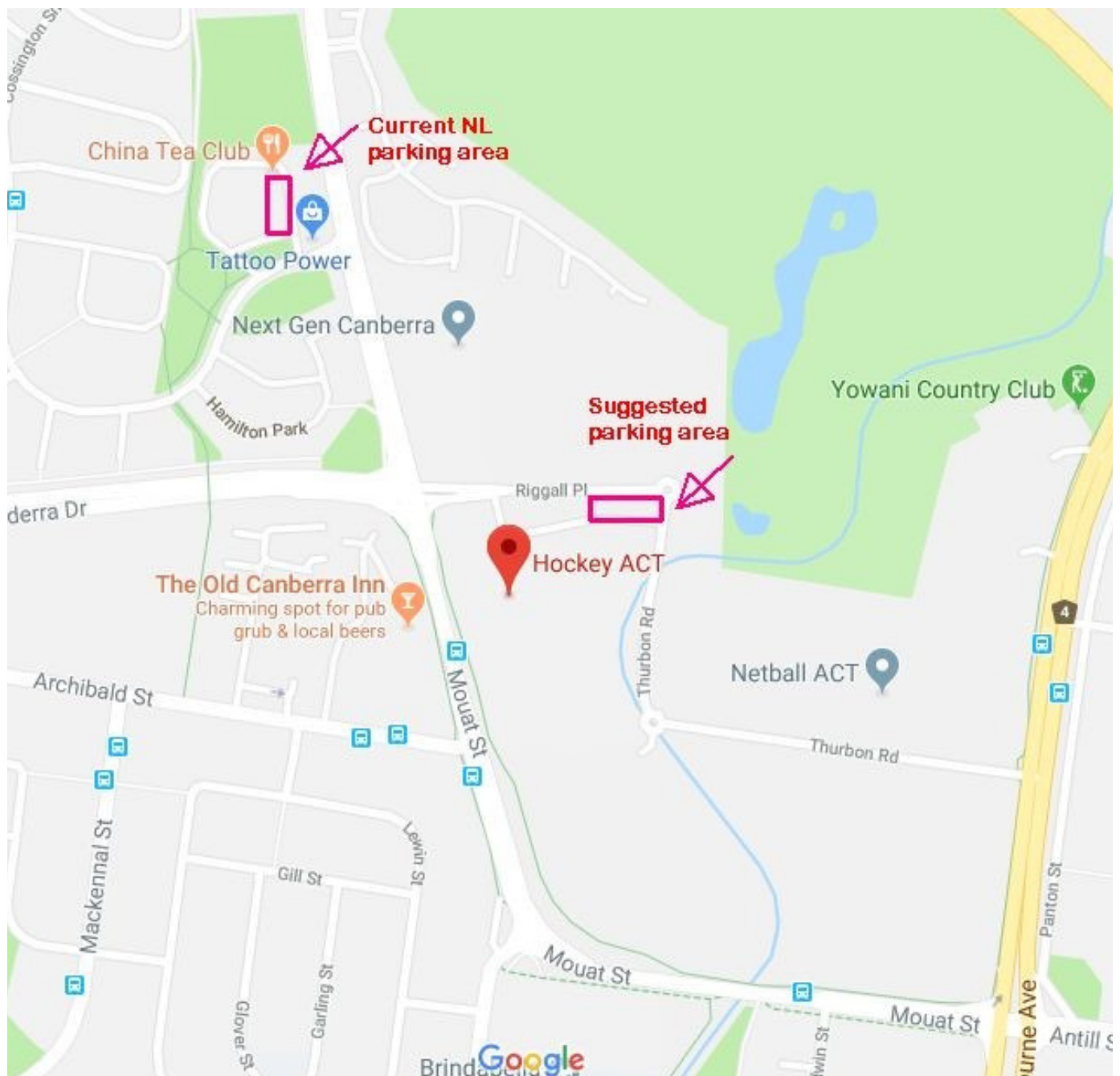
The club doesn't often use the North Lyneham shops area as a meeting place before walks, but when we do we place a strain on the already overcrowded car park. This has not gone unnoticed.

The committee has been looking for alternative locations in that general area. We are mindful that commuters will likely fill all the available spaces down near Northbourne Avenue once the tram starts operating.

There are several large car parks (300 places in all) in the Hockey ACT precinct, off Mouat St. The entry is via Riggall Place, which is the extension of Ginninderra Drive. The eastern portion of the parking area is the least used and could be a good alternative parking area for the club. The sketch map below has this area highlighted.

The committee would like to make a decision on this at their first meeting after the AGM. This gives you plenty of time to comment or even to suggest an alternative meeting place in the outer northern area. Please address correspondence to walks@brindabellabushwalking.org.au.

In any case, there will be no change made before the Jan-Jun 2019 program is issued.



From Some Recent Walks

