

Brindabella Bushwalking Club provides a program of bushwalking and other activities that adults and children can enjoy, and promotes interest in bushwalking, safety and survival in the bush. We encourage minimal-impact bushwalking and preservation of the natural environment. Visitors are welcome but should contact the leader beforehand. Please read the introduction to the program, particularly 'Enjoying bushwalking' and 'Rules for Walkers'.

## **BRINDABELLA BUSHWALKING CLUB**

### **WALKS AND SOCIAL PROGRAM**

**JANUARY – JUNE 2025**

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# INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS

## MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Year is from 1 October to 30 September. The current Application for Membership (form) is available on the Club's website: [www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au](http://www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au)

## WEEKEND DAY WALKS

### Meeting times and places

The normal departure time is 9.00am, unless shown otherwise (highlighted with \*\*\*). **Please arrive 10 minutes before the departure time to allow the leader time to organise the car-pooling.** The usual meeting places and their symbols are shown below. **Please do not stand on the roadway at the meeting place, obstructing traffic.**

- K:** Kambah Village shopping centre car park, corner Drakeford Drive and Marconi Crescent, opposite the petrol service station
- NL:** North Lyneham shops, Colville St, off Montford Circuit, off Cossington Smith Crescent
- Q:** Queanbeyan Swimming Pool car park, Campbell Street
- S:** Spotlight Queanbeyan car park, 6-8 Bungendore Rd (aka Kings Highway)
- W:** The Weston Creek Tennis Courts car park, in Dillon Close, which comes off Namatjira Drive directly opposite and north of McDonalds at Cooleman Court.

### Cancellation of walks

Walks are likely to be cancelled if heavy rain or high temperatures are forecast, or a total fire ban is in force. If warnings are issued or you are unsure about conditions, contact the leader at least a day in advance about possible changes. If there are fewer than four people the walk cannot proceed as an official club activity.

### Transport

Car sharing is arranged at meeting places. The contribution for each passenger is shown in the walk description and must be paid to the driver in cash. It is currently based on 14 cents per passenger per kilometre, rounded to the nearest dollar. In addition, any National Park and Nature Reserve entry fees are usually divided equally among all people in the car.

Drivers unsure of the route should ask the leader to wait at significant corners. A tail car may be nominated by the leader. Convoys inconvenience other drivers, so please allow plenty of room for overtaking traffic.

### Start and finish

Day walks usually leave the cars by 10.00am. The time of return to the cars cannot be guaranteed, but it will usually be by 4.00pm in winter and 6.00pm in summer. Some walks may start earlier and end later, and this will be indicated in the walk description. It is our custom to bring a thermos and enjoy a friendly chat after walks before driving home.

## DAY WALKS ON WEDNESDAY

### Short/Easy Wednesday walks

These half-day walks of 10km or less will be held throughout the year. The club would value your suggestions. If you are interested, come and try some of the walks.

### **Easy/Medium Wednesday walks**

These walks are conducted every Wednesday in cooperation with the Canberra Bushwalking Club (CBC) and the National Parks Association (NPA). They are graded at the upper level of 'Easy' or the lower level of 'Medium'. They will usually take most of the day but will be easier than the Medium/Hard Wednesday walk to be conducted on that day.

### **Medium/Hard Wednesday walks**

These walks are conducted every Wednesday in cooperation with CBC and the NPA. These walks will be graded Medium (grade 8) to the lower end of Hard (grade 12) and sometimes difficult or exploratory.

### **Notification of Wednesday Walks**

Descriptions of Wednesday walks are emailed separately to interested members a few days before the walk. Members wishing to regularly receive details of these walks need to send a request showing their name and email address to [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au) for the Short walks, and/or [mediumww@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:mediumww@brindabellabushwalking.org.au) for the Easy/Medium and Medium/Hard walks.

### **LATE RETURN FROM A WALK**

Let your family know where you are going and the contact details of the club's Emergency Officers – see front cover for contact details.

There can be many simple reasons for a walk finishing later than expected and, if the group is beyond mobile phone coverage, they cannot tell anybody the reason. If it is many hours later than expected, family members can contact one of the club's Emergency Officers who can begin activating emergency procedures. The ACT and/or NSW Emergency Services will not initiate any search or rescue activities until the next morning unless a Personal Locator Beacon (PLB) has been activated. Upon return, leaders of overdue parties must contact the Emergency Officers as soon as possible.

### **INSURANCE**

All members of Brindabella Bushwalking Club are covered for public and product liability insurance through our affiliation with Bushwalking NSW. This insurance cover is negotiated for all bushwalking clubs throughout Australia by Bushwalking Australia. All members sign an acknowledgement of risk each time they attend a club activity. Members are NOT covered for personal accident insurance, which remains the responsibility of individual members. Members may feel it necessary to insure themselves against any personal accident or injury that might occur while undertaking club activities.

**Members and visitors participating in club activities are strongly advised that they should have some form of ambulance insurance in case of an accident requiring evacuation by emergency services. If you purchase separate ambulance cover, ensure it covers activities in NSW as well as the ACT.**

### **DEVELOP YOUR BUSHWALKING SKILLS**

The club wishes to encourage members to improve their skills in navigation, first aid and more advanced bushwalking. The club sponsors an accredited first aid course every year. Further information is available on the club's website: [www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au](http://www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au)

### **WALKS LEADERS**

The club welcomes new leaders and new ideas for walks. If you are interested in leading or in finding out more, please feel free to talk to walk leaders, the Walks Officer, or other Committee members. Detailed *Guidelines for Leaders* are available on the club's website at: <https://www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/BBC-Guidelines-for-Leaders-October-2023.pdf>

The club has two Personal Locator Beacons (PLB) and an extensive collection of local maps, available for loan.

## **SAFETY ON WALKS**

The club encourages safe bushwalking practices by asking that all individuals on any walk be aware of the need to look out for the welfare of others in the party, especially the less experienced members of the party. The leader will follow the leader guidelines set down by the club, but there is a mutual obligation on other walkers to raise any concerns they may have about the route, weather, tired walkers, etc. with the leader and fellow walkers. Don't suffer in silence.

Walking in wilderness or remote areas also has its hazards if an emergency occurs. Walk leaders going into wilderness or remote areas may ask the club for the use of a personal locator beacon (PLB). For details contact the Walks Officer or see front cover for contact details. Such an emergency beacon, however, should only be used in life-threatening situations since their activation triggers a national and international rescue procedure and actions by the police and rescue services. Walkers should consider all other options for the safe return of the party before considering the activation of a PLB.

## **ENJOYING BUSHWALKING**

Bushwalking is an active recreation. The aim of the club is to facilitate enjoyment of the bush, safely and in good company. Each walker must be aware of the hazards and be prepared for them. If in the leader's opinion a walk is not suitable for someone, the leader has a right not to accept that person on the walk. The club expects all members and visitors to follow the advice given below:

- If you have doubts about your ability to undertake bushwalking, please consult your doctor beforehand.
- For your enjoyment and safety, and that of others, it is important that you read the walk descriptions carefully and understand them. If you have any doubts, phone the leader beforehand. Leaders' contact details are always given in the program.
- You should select an easy walk for your first walk, unless you are very experienced and the leader approves. Walkers with fitness problems and new members should stay with walks graded 'Very Easy' or 'Easy' until confident of their ability to undertake harder walks.
- If walking with children, make sure you choose a walk that they can manage comfortably. Most walks that are under 10km and over easy terrain are suitable for children of, say, seven years and older.
- Most day walks take the party several hours away from car or phone, and pack walks often much further away.
- All walkers must take their own first aid kits – see the Rules for Walkers for details. The club cannot guarantee that there will be someone in each party with first aid qualifications.
- Bring sunscreen and insect repellent as appropriate. Flies are likely to be a nuisance in summer.
- Unless the leader has indicated otherwise, always assume you will need to bring lunch with you.
- Visitors are welcome on all walks, but they must discuss the walk and their own experience with the leader before going to the meeting point. If you have doubts about your ability to keep up with the group on a particular walk, do not attempt the walk.

## **RULES FOR WALKERS**

- You (including visitors) must register on the Walk Report form, which includes a risk acknowledgement.
- Advise the leader of any physical or other limitation, or any dependence on medication, that may require urgent attention during the activity (e.g. insect allergy medication)
- There is a limit of 3 walks as a visitor - after this, visitors must apply for membership.
- Discuss your suitability with the leader beforehand if you plan on participating in a walk of a higher grade than you have done before.
- No person under the age of 18 can participate in a BBC walk unless accompanied by a parent, guardian or other adult who is authorised by the parent or guardian. This 'responsible person' must sign the Walk Report form.
- Dogs and firearms are not allowed.
- Bring lunch and plenty to drink with a minimum of 1 litre per adult and 1.5 litres per child in normal weather and 2-3 litres for hot weather. You may wish to have hot water for morning tea and lunch.
- Dress appropriately and always bring a hat, waterproof jacket or coat, and warm clothing, e.g., polar-fleece, thermals, gloves and warm headgear, for unexpected cold weather.
- Strong footwear with thick treaded soles is recommended. Walking boots with thick socks are best; joggers may be adequate for easy and medium terrain; if in doubt, contact the walk leader.
- Walkers must carry a first aid kit containing, as the minimum, a wide compression bandage (for snake bites, sprains and breaks), some wide micropore surgical tape (all-purpose), bandaids and pain killers. Some first aid needs arise more often than others: sunburn, thorn pricks, insect bites, abrasions and bruising from falls, blisters, heat exhaustion, and sprains and strains from slipping on rock or wet wood. Snake bite is always a possibility and tick bites can occur in NSW coastal areas.
- Carry everything in a backpack so that both hands are free.
- Keep together. Use the same route as the leader and do not get ahead of or behind the party. Keep the walker in front **and** behind in sight - call the leader to stop if necessary. If the party is large, a tail person is usually appointed to monitor slower walkers. The most common causes of separation are getting ahead of the leader, stopping to take photos or making a toilet stop without telling anyone. Do not assume you can drop behind and then easily catch up.
- If you do become separated, stop and call out. Do not keep walking. Wait in a visible place even if you have to wait some time. The leader will return for you. Call out at intervals.
- Be aware of fellow walkers – if a problem is apparent, advise the leader.
- Let the leader know if you are having any difficulties.
- If you want to leave the walk for any reason, you must consult the leader first – and abide by the leader's ruling. Do not assume you will get approval.
- The club endorses minimum impact bushwalking. Avoid damaging the bush environment, leave absolutely no litter, and do not burn plastics or aluminium in fires.
- Call for a stop at the first sign of a blister or other injury. The party will gladly stop for a rest while any necessary first aid is given. If you use someone else's supplies, replace them.
- If the leader is making a head count, assist by standing still.
- Avoid using mobile phones. If you must, then move well away from others.

## THE GRADING SYSTEM

Walks are graded by experienced walkers, but a grading will always be somewhat subjective. The difficulty of a walk can be greatly affected by changes in the weather, vegetation and track conditions. Note that the harder walks are carried out faster, with shorter and fewer stops.

Walk descriptions include the approximate distance, total climb and notes on the terrain, and are the best guide to the degree of difficulty. These factors are scored in the grading system, and the total score is used to grade each walk – see the tables below. Regular walkers will learn to match their capabilities to them.

FACTORS					
Dist. (km)	Score	Total Climb (m)	Score	Terrain	Score
		900	<b>6</b>		
21	<b>5</b>	700-899	<b>5</b>	Mostly rough going	<b>5</b>
16-20	<b>4</b>	500-699	<b>4</b>	Moderately rough going	<b>4</b>
11-15	<b>3</b>	300-499	<b>3</b>	Some rough going	<b>3</b>
6-10	<b>2</b>	100-299	<b>2</b>	Mostly road, track or footpad, no rough going	<b>2</b>
0-5	<b>1</b>	0-99	<b>1</b>	All road, track or footpad, no rough going	<b>1</b>

**Note.** Rough going includes medium or heavy scrub; rocky, loose or slippery ground; rock scrambling; and stony creek crossings.

GRADING		
Total Score	Grade	Comment
<b>15-</b>	Very Hard	Strenuous walking. Fit and experienced walkers only.
<b>12-14</b>	Hard	Demanding walking. Fit and experienced walkers only.
<b>8-11</b>	Medium	Moderate fitness and bushwalking experience is required. People who have not been on a full day's bushwalk before will find these quite difficult.
<b>4-7</b>	Easy	At the lower end (Grade 4), these are suitable for people with little or no bushwalking experience. The degree of difficulty increases with the grading score.
<b>3</b>	Very Easy	Distances up to 5km; urban or nature park rambles; suitable for family groups, including young children needing to be carried.

**Note.** Total scores are included with the grading in the walk descriptions, e.g. Medium (9)

# WALKS AND SOCIAL PROGRAM

## JANUARY – JUNE 2025

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### WALKING TRIPS AWAY

#### **Tue 14 Jan to Sun 19 Jan – WALKING IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK FROM CHARLOTTE PASS – Easy and Medium walks**

**Leader: Wayne Holgate (0420 359 223, [wmholgate@gmail.com](mailto:wmholgate@gmail.com)).** Four days of walking in Kosciuszko NP, staying at the Snowbird Lodge in Charlotte Pass. Enjoy the wonderful summer wildflowers in the alpine area. Walks include Mount Kosciuszko; Blue Lake, Mount Twynam returning to Charlotte Pass via Illawong Lodge; Mount Stilwell and the site of the old Mount Stilwell Chairlift and restaurant; and Porcupine Rocks. This trip is currently fully booked. **Contact the leader ASAP to join a wait list.**

#### **Sat 5 to Sun 13 Apr – NATIONAL PARKS NEAR LITHGOW – 7 days Medium /Hard walks Leader: Bill Gibson (0419 240 468).**

This trip will spend 8 nights / 7 days based in Lithgow NSW, exploring walks across the Gardens of Stone and Wollemi National Parks. We plan to stay at the Lithgow Tourist Park which has both powered and unpowered campsites as well as basic cabin accommodation. We will be using this location as a base, with most of the walks requiring a drive of up to an hour or so to get to the trailhead. Several of the walks require 4WD access and so AWD/4WD vehicles will be required. Walking will typically be at the high end of medium (9 – 11) on the BBC walk rating scale and so is suited to regular medium/hard walkers. Elevation of up to 650m; length typically 10km – 15km; some creek crossings (some will require wading); a bit of boulder hopping around the rock pagodas; some off-track / bush bashing along creek beds / gullies / gorges, and a tunnel walk with torches to see the glow worms. However, we will program some easier walks through the week to allow walkers, should they choose, to have a break and/or see some of the visitor attractions in the area. Due to the nature and profile of the walks there will be a limit of 16 walkers for this trip. **If you are interested, please contact Deborah Gibson at [dgibson56@bigpond.com](mailto:dgibson56@bigpond.com) not later than 15 January 2025.**

#### **Tue 27 May to Tue 10 Jun – FLINDERS RANGES – Walks rated from 6 to 11.**

**Leader: Janet Duncan ([janet.nd58@gmail.com](mailto:janet.nd58@gmail.com)).** Two weeks of walking in South Australia staying in 2 different locations: Melrose and Rawnsley Caravan Parks. Walks from Melrose will include Dutchmans Stern, Alligator Gorge, Hidden Gorge and Mount Remarkable. From Rawnsley we visit Rawnsley Bluff, St Mary Peak, Blinman, Angorichina, Parachilna, Brachina Gorge, Bunyeroo Valley and the Australian Arid Lands Botanic Garden at Port Augusta. This trip is currently fully booked. **Contact the leader ASAP to join a wait list.**

#### **29/30 Sep to 16/17 Oct – WALKING IN ANDALUCIA, SPAIN – Easy and Medium walks. A joint walk with CBC, limit of 6 BBC walkers.**

**Leader: Terrylea Reynolds (0408 715 218, [terryleainwashington@hotmail.com](mailto:terryleainwashington@hotmail.com)).** Join the leader and fellow walkers from CBC in the Alpujarras area in Spain. This lodge-based trip consists of day walks and sightseeing in and around the Parque Nacional de Sierra Nevada area in Spain. We will start in Granada with accommodation in Albaicin for two days walking/sightseeing including the Alhambra. From there we bus to Pitres for four days walking in the Pitres (Las Alpujarras) area. Then to Arenas de San Pedro (bus, train & high-speed train) for 4 more days of walks before we head back via bus to Madrid from where we all disperse. Walks will generally finish each day in the mid-afternoon. There are currently vacancies on this trip. **Contact the leader ASAP if you may be interested.**

### March, April and May – Three-day PACK WALKS – Easy walks

**Leader: Lou Alaimo (0428 328 686, mlalaimo@gmail.com).**

The leader is planning two separate three-day pack walks to huts with a toilet and tank water, with one or two easy/medium day walk(s) on the middle day. Huts being considered include Frank and Jacks (an indirect route from Yankee Hat car park), Brandy Flat (from Glendale) or Westermans (a short or indirect route.) The walks will be in March/April and April/May and will be easy and slow enough for beginner pack walkers. Further information will be sent to all members by email.

**In the meantime, contact the leader if you may be interested.**

### April and May– CANBERRA CENTENARY TRAIL – Medium walks

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** This is a repeat of the Centenary Trail in 2023, but instead, doing the route in reverse. We will walk the full 147km of the Centenary Trail from start to finish, walking twice a week for four weeks to complete the full route. Preference will be given to those who register for the full walk, but walkers can register for individual days if they wish. Transport will usually be car shuffles, but the first and last day will use public transport. Daily distances range from 15 to 22km with some sections having significant climbs. The planned route is based on Woodslane's '*Walking and Cycling Canberra's Centenary Trail*', published 2015 and reissued in 2023. **There will be a limit of 16 walkers. Contact the leader by 1 April if you are interested.**

Day No.	Date	Section No.	Start location	Finish location	Section Distance (km)	Daily Distance (km)	Daily Climb (m)
1	Tuesday 29 April	16	Parliament House	Mugga Lane	8.7		
		15	Mugga Lane	Shepherdson Place Isaacs	8.5	17.2	440
2	Friday 2 May	14	Shepherdson Place Isaacs	Tuggeranong Town Centre	11.8		
		13	Tuggeranong Town Centre	Kambah Pool	9.3	21.1	130
3	Tuesday 6 May	12	Kambah Pool	Chapman	5.5		
		11	Chapman	Stromlo Forest Park	9.8	15.3	200
4	Friday 9 May	10	Stromlo Forest Park	Arboretum	10.7		
		9	Arboretum	O'Connor (Frith Rd)	10.8	21.5	250
5	Tuesday 13 May	8	O'Connor (Frith Rd)	John Knight Memorial Park	9		
		7	John Knight Memorial Park	Hall	9.7	18.7	200
6	Friday 16 May	6	Hall	Northern Border Campground	12.9		
		5	Northern Border Campground	Forde (Amy Ackman St)	6.5	19.4	440
7	Tuesday 20 May	4	Forde (Amy Ackman St)	Hughie Edwards Rest Area	11.7		
		3	Hughie Edwards Rest Area	Hackett (Kellaway St)	10.9	22.6	440
8	Friday 23 May	2	Hackett (Kellaway St)	War Memorial	4.4		
		1	War Memorial	Parliament House	6.7	11.1	250
			<b>TOTAL DISTANCE</b>		<b>146.9</b>	<b>146.9</b>	

## WEEKEND WALK and SOCIAL SUMMARY – January to March

Date	Walk Title	km	Rating	Leader
Wed 1 Jan	New Year's Day early evening Picnic	-		Elaine Atkinson
Sat 4 Jan	Lake Burley Griffin Basins	13	Medium (8)	Luisa Dal Molin
Sun 5 Jan	Pine Island to Point Hut and return, swim/walk	7	Easy (5)	Bob Chittenden
Sat 11 Jan	Bradleys Creek Walk	15	Medium (9)	Bob Chittenden
Sun 12 Jan	Pinnacle and Kama Nature Reserves	10	Easy (6)	Margaret Power
Sat 18 Jan	Smokers Loop and Square Rock	15	Medium (8)	Michael Clisby
Sun 19 Jan	Pine Island to Kambah Pool and return	19	Easy (7)	Bob Chittenden
Sat 25 Jan	Orroral Heritage Trail and Homestead	10.5	Easy (7)	Peter Dalton
Sun 26 Jan	Cuumbeun Nature Reserve	12	Medium (8)	Bob Chittenden
Fri 31 Jan	Mt Ainslie Sunset Walk	3	Easy (5)	Elaine Atkinson
Sat 1 Feb	Black Mountain Morning Circuit	10	Easy (6)	Ian Tucker
Sun 2 Feb	Tennent Homestead	6	Easy (7)	Leigh Hermann
Sat 8 Feb	Trees of Gigerline Nature Reserve	7.5	Easy (7)	Peter Dalton
Sun 9 Feb	Griffin Weston Forest Trail - Part One <b>(book by 6 Feb)</b>	15	Medium (8)	David Wardle
Sat 15 Feb	Red Hill Ramble	10	Easy (7)	Bill Gibson
Sun 16 Feb	Griffin Weston Forest Trail - Part Two <b>(book by 13 Feb)</b>	15	Medium (8)	David Wardle
Sat 22 Feb	West Belconnen to Civic	17	Medium (8)	Ian Tucker
Sun 23 Feb	Shanahans Mountain and Mount Boboyan	7	Easy (6)	Andrew Cupit
Sat 1 Mar	Cooleman Ridge Circle	11	Easy (6)	Peter Wellman
Sun 2 Mar	Tidbinbilla Peak Circuit with Scenic Saddles	13	Medium (10)	Henry Gardner
Sat 8 Mar	Mount Taylor twice	8	Medium (8)	Peter Wellman
Sun 9 Mar	Ashbrook and Other Trails	11	Easy (7)	Andrew Cupit
Sat 15 Mar	Walk in Arboretum	9	Easy (6)	Janet Duncan
Sun 16 Mar	To Be Advised	-	-	-
Sat 22 Mar	Legoland Exploration including Roman Walls & Belfry	8	Medium (8)	Phillip Hope
Sun 23 Mar	Yass Heritage Walk	9	Easy (6)	Sheree Bamforth
Sat 29 Mar	Autumn Family and Octogenarian/Nonagenarian Walk and Picnic	Short	Easy	Wendy Thompson
Sun 30 Mar	Devils Gap Circuit with Slabs and Rocks	11	Medium (9)	Henry Gardner

## WEEKEND WALK and SOCIAL SUMMARY – April to June

Date	Walk Title	km	Rating	Leader
Sat 5 Apr	Bushfold Hut Circuit (via Mt Tennent Fire Trail)	18	Medium (11)	Michael Clisby
Sun 6 Apr	Strathnairn to Shepherds Lookout (Daylight Saving Ends)	10	Easy (7)	Jane Melanie
Sat 12 Apr	Glenburn and Burbong Heritage Trails	12	Easy (7)	Ian Tucker
Sun 13 Apr	To Be Advised	-	-	Terrylea Reynolds
Sat 19 Apr	Rendezvous Creek to Middle Creek	13	Easy (7)	Wayne Holgate
Sun 20 Apr	Mount Bollard	10	Medium (8)	Leigh Hermann
Sat 26 Apr	Four Huts Namadgi National Park	16	Medium (9)	Bill Gibson
Sun 27 Apr	Molongo River Corridor Pines/Curtin Circuit	12	Easy (7)	Ian Tucker
Fri 2 May	Potluck Dinner ( <b>book by 25 Apr</b> )	-		Davinia Wells
Sat 3 May	Mt Wee Jasper	12	Medium (9)	Peter Wellman
Sun 4 May	Spring Creek Gorge	10	Medium (9)	Wayne Holgate
Sat 10 May	North Kowen/South Wamboin	11	Easy (7)	Kathy Handel
Sun 11 May	Smokers Trail ( <b>book by 4 May</b> )	18	Medium (9)	Leigh Hermann
Sat 17 May	Cotter Gap	19	Medium (9)	Bill Gibson
Sun 18 May	Circuit Via Sundial Rock	7	Medium (8)	Prue Deacon
Sat 24 May	Pheasant and Boboyan Hills and 2 Mountain Huts	11	Medium (8)	Robin Cayzer
Sun 25 May	Mount Tennent via new footpad	14	Medium (10)	Bill Gibson
Sat 31 May	Mt Eliza, Gibraltar Peak, Mushroom Rock	12	Medium (10)	Wayne Holgate
Sun 1 Jun	Border Track - Goorooyarroo Loop	12	Easy (7)	Robyn Gallagher
Sat 7 Jun	Brandy Flat Track from South to North	9	Easy (7)	David Wardle
Sun 8 Jun	Billy Billy Rocks from the east	7	Medium (9)	Peter Dalton
Mon 9 Jun	King's Birthday Coffee Morning	-	-	Elaine Atkinson
Sat 14 Jun	Settlers Track - Three Huts and ACT/NSW Border	13	Easy (7)	Robin Cayzer
Sun 15 Jun	Rob Roy Nature Reserve Circuit	13	Medium (10)	Prue Deacon
Sat 21 Jun	Southern Tallaganda Tracks	12	Medium (9)	Peter Dalton
Sun 22 Jun	Pinnacle and Kama	12	Easy (7)	Robyn Gallagher
Sat 28 Jun	Mt Domain returning via Ashbrook Fire Trail	15	Medium (11)	Phillip Hope
Sun 29 Jun	London Bridge to Washpen Crossing	9	Easy (7)	Jane Melanie

**Wed 1 Jan – NEW YEAR’S DAY EARLY EVENING PICNIC**

**Coordinator: Elaine Atkinson (0410 154 133).** An early evening picnic or BBQ at Bowen Park from 4pm (weather permitting). BYO and something to share if you wish. An email with further details will be sent closer to the date.

**Sat 4 Jan – LAKE BURLEY GRIFFIN BASINS – 13 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Luisa Dal Molin (0478 297 775).** Beat the heat with this early morning walk around the central and eastern basins of Lake Burley Griffin. The predictions are for a hot, dry summer so we’ll be starting early and completing the walk before the heat of the day really sets in. We will meet at the National Library and walk in an anticlockwise direction on established paths past the High Court, along the Kingston Foreshore, through the Jerrabomberra Wetlands, over to the northern edge of the basins, and back to the cars. Following the walk, there is an opportunity to stop by one of the nearby cafes for a cool drink, brunch or an early lunch. While the walk is relatively easy, being solely on established paths, we will maintain a relatively fast pace throughout. Climb: 115m. **Meet at 6.50am for a 7am departure, in the car park nearest to the front entrance to the National Library (just off King Edward Terrace). \*\*\***

**Sun 5 Jan – PINE ISLAND TO POINT HUT AND RETURN, SWIM/WALK – 7 km Easy (5)**

**Leader: Bob Chittenden (6231 0856).** We start this walk at the southern parking area at Pine Island (closest to Point Hut) and follow the track to Point Hut and cross the road to the swimming spot and morning tea. We return to Pine Island for another swim and lunch. Climb: about 60m. Maps: Tuggeranong and Williamsdale. **Meet 9am at the far southern parking area at Pine Island (closest to Point Hut) GR 872775.**

**Wed 8 Jan – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 8 Jan – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Sat 11 Jan – BRADLEYS CREEK WALK – 15 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Bob Chittenden (6231 0856).** We start on Bradleys Creek Walk from Googong Dam and continue to Queanbeyan River Fire Trail. We lunch at the Bradleys Creek ford and return the same way. Climb: 640m. Cars: 26km (\$3). Map: Hoskinstown. **Meet at Q.**

**Sun 12 Jan – PINNACLE AND KAMA NATURE RESERVES – Beat the heat morning walk – 10 km Easy (6)**

**Leader: Margaret Power (0448 924 357).** We’ll start with a walk through The Pinnacle Nature Reserve and then to Kama Nature Reserve. After walking through Kama on the west side of a loop walk, we’ll descend to the river for morning tea, and then continue on the eastern side of the loop track back to The Pinnacle Nature Reserve and the cars. We should be back at the cars by lunchtime. Optional: Cuppa and/or lunch at Rock Salt café in Hawker. Climb: Minimal (< 100m). **Meet at the end of Dungowan Street, Hawker at 8.30 am. \*\*\***

**Wed 15 Jan – NATIONAL PARKS NEAR LITHGOW (5-13 April)**

Last date for expressions of interest in this trip. See Page 7 for details.

**Wed 15 Jan – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260).**

**Wed 15 Jan – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Prue Deacon (6286 1573, 0487 388 959 (SMS)).**

**Sat 18 Jan – SMOKERS LOOP AND SQUARE ROCK – 15 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Michael Clisby (0438 851 959).** We start on the Smokers Loop track from the Square Rock car park on Corin Dam Road. Then we take the Smokers Link track to the Square Rock track, out to Square Rock via the Orroral Valley lookout, and back by the usual path. Mostly on track. Climb: 350m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Corin Dam. **Meet at K at 8am. \*\*\***

**Sun 19 Jan – PINE ISLAND TO KAMBAH POOL AND RETURN - 19 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Bob Chittenden (6231 0856).** From Pine Island North car park (top of hill) we follow the track to Kambah Pool for lunch and swim. Return via same route, with another opportunity for a swim. All on track. Climb: <100m. Map: Tuggeranong. **Meet at Pine Island North car park (top of hill) GR 864778. Start 9am.**

**Wed 22 Jan – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Walks at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Elaine Atkinson (0410 154 133).**

**Wed 22 Jan – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Philip Gatenby (0401 415 406, philip.gatenby@gmail.com).**

**Sat 25 Jan – ORRORAL HERITAGE TRAIL AND HOMESTEAD – 10.5 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).** We start at the Orroral River Picnic Area and go over to the campground to follow the Heritage Trail until it crosses the river. We'll then continue along the valley to the Homestead for lunch. After lunch and some sightseeing, we will head back via the rarely visited lookout. All the walk, except for a short diversion towards the finish, is in open areas and/or on tracks. Climb: 275m. Cars: 80km (\$11). Maps: Michelago, Rendezvous Creek. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 26 Jan – CUUMBEUN NATURE RESERVE – 12 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Bob Chittenden (6231 0856).** A short drive from Queanbeyan to a point 1.4km along Captains Flat Road. We head off on foot along fire trails and footpads until we get to a creek which will lead us to a lovely gorge. We follow this gorge for several kilometres for views over Queanbeyan. Climb: 300m. Cars: 20km (\$3). Map: Bungendore. **Meet at S.**

**Wed 29 Jan – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 29 Jan – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Fri 31 Jan – MT AINSLIE SUNSET WALK – 3 km Easy (5)**

**Coordinator: Elaine Atkinson (6288 3557, 0410 154 133).** This is a social event offering drinks and nibbles at the top of Mt Ainslie, timed so that you can enjoy the sunset over the Brindabellas while chatting with friends. Bring a drink receptacle and a torch. Everything else is provided. The event will be cancelled if extreme weather is threatening. Please note: You are welcome to drive to the top to meet the group. Climb: 200m. **Meet at the base of the Mt Ainslie walking track behind the War Memorial at 6.00pm, to avoid walking back to the cars in poor light. \*\*\***

**Sat 1 Feb – BLACK MOUNTAIN MORNING CIRCUIT – 10 km Easy (6)**

**Leader: Ian Tucker (0421 312 374).** From the car park at the Glenloch Interchange, we will do a circuit of Black Mountain, firstly through the southern traverse and woodland tracks (great views) and to the Botanic Gardens for morning tea under the trees on the eucalyptus lawns. We will complete the circuit around Little Black Mountain, into the Aranda Bushland and finish on the Ian Loiterton Track. All on track with plenty of shade and back to the cars by lunchtime. One sharp climb (poles recommended). Climb: 200m. Cars: nil. **Meet at the GDE Memorial Carpark (Black Mountain). If coming from the south, the car park is on the left heading north between Glenloch Interchange and Aranda (no sign). If coming from Belconnen exit William Hovell Drive onto Old Caswell Drive. Meet at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Sun 2 Feb – TENNENT HOMESTEAD – 6 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannasuk@hotmail.com).** A short morning walk to visit the remains of the rammed earth Tennent Homestead and woolshed burnt in the 2003 fires. Starting from Namadgi Visitor Information Centre we take the Australian Alps Walking Track until it turns left at an arrow. Here we turn to the right taking a faint footpad north, following it to cross a small watercourse. On reaching a second stream we drop down it to meet the powerlines. From here it is a straightforward walk to the homestead. Some (possibly dense) scrub so be prepared in long trousers, long-sleeved shirts, gaiters and gloves. The walk is for history buffs and those who don't mind a little scrub to reach a destination of interest. The pace will be easy. Hoping it's not too early for blackberries. Climb: 180m. Cars: 40km (\$5). Map: Williamsdale. **Meet at K.**

**Wed 5 Feb – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 5 Feb – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: David Abela (0482 802 050).**

**Wed 5 Feb – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Andrew Cupit (0478 309 791).**

**Thu 6 Feb – GRIFFIN WESTON FOREST TRAIL – PART ONE – 15 km Medium (8)**  
Last date to register for the Griffin Weston Forest Trail Part 1 (9 Feb).

**Sat 8 Feb – TREES OF GIGERLINE NATURE RESERVE – 7.5 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).** This walk passes some excellent old and photogenic trees in an area that wasn't burnt in the last fires. We park at Angle Crossing Road on the east of the Murrumbidgee and enter Gigerline Nature Reserve. Initially we follow a fire trail and then turn uphill to a great morning tea spot with views. We'll then continue north to Guises Creek where the more adventurous can do a little exploring up and down stream before returning to our lunch spot. We'll meander across undulating ground and through the magnificent trees on the way back to the cars. Climb: 350m. Cars: 60km (\$8). Map: Williamsdale. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 9 Feb – GRIFFIN WESTON FOREST TRAIL PART– ONE – 15 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: David Wardle (0418 695 142, wardle@webone.com.au).** The Griffin Weston Forest Trail is a new Canberra walk linking parts of the city designed by Walter Burley Griffin and subsequently planted by Charles Weston. The walk, in four sections, starts at Dairy Farmers Hill and finishes on Mt Pleasant. We will walk the four sections over two days. Today's walk will be from Dairy Farmers Hill at the Arboretum to Mount Ainslie via Black Mountain. Climb: 480m. Map: *Walking Canberra's Griffin Weston Trail* guidebook. Available from the Arboretum, Botanic Gardens and the National Library bookshop. **As this walk requires a car shuffle please contact the leader by Thursday 6 February to arrange the meeting point. Part two is on 16 Feb.**

**Wed 12 Feb – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 12 Feb – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 12 Feb – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Thu 13 Feb – GRIFFIN WESTON FOREST TRAIL – PART TWO – 15 km Medium (8)**

Last date to register for the Griffin Weston Forest Trail Part 2 (16 Feb).

**Sat 15 Feb – RED HILL RAMBLE – 10 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Bill Gibson (0419 240 468).** In anticipation of a hot day, we will start at 8.30am and enjoy a nice hike through the Red Hill Nature Reserve. The trail explores many of the tracks within the reserve passing through a variety of scenery. We will have a late morning tea at the Red Hill Lookout with great views out over Canberra and surrounds, with leader providing cake/biscuits. It is then a 10-minute walk downhill back to the cars. Climb: about 300m. **Meet at the Red Hill Nature Reserve Car Park on Mugga Way slightly north of Francis Street, Red Hill by 8.20am for an 8.30am start. \*\*\***

**Sun 16 Feb – GRIFFIN WESTON FOREST TRAIL – PART TWO – 15 km Medium (8)**  
**Leader: David Wardle (0418 695 142), wardle@webone.com.au).** The Griffin Weston Forest Trail is a new Canberra walk linking parts of the city designed by Walter Burley Griffin and subsequently planted by Charles Weston. The walk, in four sections, starts at Dairy Farmers Hill and finishes on Mt Pleasant. We will walk the four sections over two days. Today's walk will be from Mount Ainslie to Mt Pleasant via Mount Majura. Climb: 340m. Map: *Walking Canberra's Griffin Weston Trail* guidebook. Available from the Arboretum, Botanic Gardens and the National Library bookshop. **As this walk requires a car shuffle, please contact the leader by Thursday 13 February to arrange the meeting point.**

**Wed 19 Feb – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 19 Feb – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Margaret Power (0448 924 357).**

**Wed 19 Feb – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Prue Deacon (6286 1573, 0487 388 959 (SMS)).**

**Sat 22 Feb – WEST BELCONNEN TO CIVIC – 17 km Medium (8)**  
**Leader: Ian Tucker (0421 312 374).** From Civic, we will take an R2 bus to Kippax (30min ride – bring your MyWay+ card) for our walk back to town. After a short walk through the suburb of Holt, we will join the Bicentennial Trail and Old Weetangera Trail and visit the Old Weetangera Cemetery. We will continue east through The Pinnacle, Mount Painter (optional), Aranda Bushland, Black Mountain and the ANU back to the cars. All on track. Climb: 400m. **Meet at the front of the Street Theatre, University Avenue at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Sun 23 Feb – SHANAHANS MOUNTAIN AND MOUNT BOBOYAN – 7 km Easy (6)**  
**Leader: Andrew Cupit (0478 309 791).** We will start from Shanahans Mountain car park and walk along Shanahans Mountain Walking Track till we reach Shanahans Mountain for views eastward over Clear Range, before returning to the cars. A short car ride to Yerrabi car park. We will follow the trail up to Mount Boboyan and Tor for great views of the southern areas of Namadgi National Park before returning the same way to the cars. Climb: 300m. Cars: 100km (\$14). Maps: Yaouk, Colinton. **Meet at K.**

**Wed 26 Feb – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 26 Feb – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 26 Feb – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Sat 1 Mar – COOLEMAN RIDGE CIRCUIT – 11 km Easy (6)**

**Leader: Peter Wellman (6288 5985, 0472 916 456).** It is expected to be hot, so the walk is planned to finish in the cool early morning. The walk is all on closed fire trails with a good surface, but the trail has some short steep parts. We go in an anticlockwise direction, first looking at the fields and Bullen Range, then the back of Chapman. We will go at the slowest person's pace, so the walk should take about 2.5 hours. Climb: 130m. **Meet at the end of Kathner Street Chapman (that is, the end furthest from Darwinia Terrace) to start walking at 8am. \*\*\***

**Sun 2 Mar – TIDBINBILLA PEAK CIRCUIT WITH SCENIC SADDLES – 13 km Medium (10)**

**Leader: Henry Gardner (0431 016 975).** This walk is a clockwise loop along part of the Tidbinbilla Skyline that pays close attention to two beautiful saddles. From the Mountain Creek car park we climb steeply along the Camelback Fire Trail and then turn west onto a small footpad up to the ridge just before Tidbinbilla Peak. Here we will leave our clockwise circuit briefly to inspect a saddle to the south and then head back over Tidbinbilla Peak to another saddle to the north. Our route then continues clockwise over Johns Peak and back down to the Camelback Fire Trail and the Mountain Creek car park. Climb: 750m. Map: Tidbinbilla. Cars: 73km (\$10 per person plus Tidbinbilla Entry Fee). **Meet at K to leave at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Wed 5 Mar – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 5 Mar – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: David Wardle (0418 695 142).**

**Wed 5 Mar – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Andrew Cupit (0478 309 791).**

**Sat 8 Mar – MOUNT TAYLOR TWICE – 8 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Peter Wellman (6288 5985, 0472 916 456).** This walk is mainly on walking tracks with short sections on fire trails. Very short sections of the tracks are steep and stony. We walk directly from the cars to the trig, and then on the walking track to the Sulwood Drive main track terminus then return. About 2 hours walking. Climb: 410m. **Meet at Waldock Street Chifley at the corner just after the last house to start walking at 8am. \*\*\***

**Sun 9 Mar – ASHBROOK AND OTHER TRAILS – 11 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Andrew Cupit (0478 309 791).** From Hanging Rock car park at Tidbinbilla we walk up the Ashbrook Fire Trail, exploring tall forests and wet gullies before crossing Ashbrook Creek. We then continue up to the locked gate on Mountain Creek Road where we will walk along the Cascade and Lyrebird Trails returning the same way to the cars. Climb: 200m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Tidbinbilla. **Meet at K.**

**Wed 12 Mar – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 12 Mar – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Wed 12 Mar – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Sat 15 Mar – WALK IN ARBORETUM – 9 km Easy (6)**

**Leader: Janet Duncan (0423 213 679).** We walk through an underpass that takes us to the National Arboretum and from here wander through many of the Forests, walk up to Dairy Farmers Hill and explore most of the Arboretum. Expect to feel exercised and back at the cars before 3pm. Climb: 200m. **Park your car at a small parking area near the Lake about 300m north-east of the Zoo. You will see a small shelter there.**

**Sun 16 Mar – TO BE ADVISED**

**Wed 19 Mar – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 19 Mar – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Ian Moorcroft (0434 978 755).**

**Wed 19 Mar – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Phillip Hope (0405 916 004).**

**Sat 22 Mar – LEGOLAND EXPLORATION INCLUDING ROMAN WALLS AND BELFRY – 8 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Phillip Hope (0405 916 004).** From the Honeysuckle Campground we drive to the Collimation Tower car park on Orroral Ridge. From there we walk along the top of the Ridge to some great lookouts, Legoland (with cave) and the Trojan Wall, then to Roman walls for morning tea. Then back to the start to go in the other direction to Belfry rocks and back to cars again. Gaiters recommended as some scrub near Roman walls. Rock scrambling involved if desired. Climb: around 200m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Corin Dam. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 23 Mar – YASS HERITAGE WALK– 9 km Easy (6)**

**Leader: Sheree Bamforth (0419 471 200).** We head east along the Munnagai Yerribi trail taking in views of the Yass Gorge and weir. Return via Victoria Park dedicated in 1875, with its stunning avenue of pine trees planted in the 1890s, crossing the Yass River beside the tramway bridge for our morning tea stop at Riverbank Park (toilet). We then head out to the old Yass cemetery to visit the grave of explorer Hamilton Hume and his wife Elizabeth, and early pioneer headstones dating from the 1800s. We stop to take in a sweeping view over the Yass River and township on our way back to town and join the Yass River Walk passing under the Hume Bridge. Historical commentary will be provided along the way. Paved footpaths in town, grassed road verge out to the cemetery, uneven dirt and grassed terrain at the cemetery. BYO morning tea. After the walk you may want to stop by the newly opened Yass Valley History Centre at 247a Comur Street and visit the Hamilton Hume: Going Places Exhibition (free entry), the Yass Railway Museum or National Trust's Cooma Cottage (home of Hamilton Hume). Climb: 150m. **Meet in Yass at the riverside car park at the end of Church/Warrambalulah Streets near the poplar trees (please park nose in) at 9.20am for 9.30am start.** Those wishing to carpool (cars 96km (\$14)) **meet outside Aarwun Gallery 18 O'Hanlon Place Nicholls (southern end, opposite Gold Creek Chapel) at 8.20 for an 8.30 departure.** Carpoolers will need to self-organise as the leader will meet them in Yass. \*\*\*

**Wed 26 Mar – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 26 Mar – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Mike Smith (0412 179 907).**

**Wed 26 Mar – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Philip Gatenby (0401 415 406, [philip.gatenby@gmail.com](mailto:philip.gatenby@gmail.com)).**

**Sat 29 Mar – AUTUMN FAMILY AND OCTOGENARIAN/NONAGENARIAN WALK AND PICNIC**

**Leader: Wendy Thompson (0439 026 751).** Autumn is a beautiful time in Canberra and a wonderful opportunity for club members to get together for a walk and lunch. This is a BYO (and something to share for sweets if you wish) event including chairs. Includes an easy one-hour short walk. **Meet at Weston Park BBQ area opposite the miniature railway at 10.00 am. \*\*\***

**Sun 30 Mar – DEVILS GAP CIRCUIT WITH SLABS AND ROCKS – 11 km Medium (9)**  
**Leader: Henry Gardner (0431 016 975).** From Woods Reserve, we head up to Devils Gap and then off-track north towards Gibraltar Rocks, stopping for morning tea at rock slabs affording a view of the Tidbinbilla Valley. We then continue off-track along the ridge to the Gibraltar Fire Trail and then to Gibraltar Rocks for lunch. To return to Woods Reserve, we descend the Gibraltar Fire Trail eastwards with a stop at Mushroom Rock for afternoon tea. Some scrub along the way so gloves, glasses and gaiters are recommended. Climb: 400m. Cars: 54km (\$8). Map: Tidbinbilla. **Meet at K to leave at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Tues 1 Apr – Last date to register for the 8-day CENTENARY TRAIL (see page 8 for details).**

**Wed 2 Apr – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 2 Apr – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: David Abela (0482 802 050).**

**Wed 2 Apr – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Henry Gardner (0431 016 975).**

**Sat 5 Apr – BUSHFOLD HUT CIRCUIT (via Mt Tennent Fire Trail) – 18 km Medium (11)**  
**Leader: Michael Clisby (0438 851 959).** Walking from Namadgi Visitor Centre on the Australian Alps Walking Track (AAWT) up to Mt Tennent Fire Trail we then walk south, later turning north to have lunch at Bushfold Hut. We return via the AAWT to Namadgi VC. Poles suggested as the 2 plus km walk down the fire trail towards Bushfold Hut is gravelly and steep. Climb: 800m. Cars: 60km (\$8). Maps: Rooftop's Namadgi – ACT South Activities 1:50,000; AAWT – NNP VC to Booroomba Rocks Car Park (a one page map available from the Namadgi Visitor Centre). **Meet at K.**

## **DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS SUN 6 APRIL**

### **Sun 6 Apr – STRATHNAIRN TO SHEPHERDS LOOKOUT – 10 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Jane (0447 261 663).** An easy walk with great views, starting and ending at The Link Building in Strathnairn. We'll follow the newish track through the Ginninderry Conservation Corridor to Shepherds Lookout, with some variations. Most of the walking is on well-made tracks so we should be back at The Link (or the Stepping Stone Cafe) for lunch. Climb: about 50m. Map: published by Ginninderry Conservation Trust. **Meet at the car park for track walkers. From Pro Hart Avenue, turn left onto Gullifer Street and follow it around to 2 large parking areas.**

**Wed 9 Apr – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 9 Apr – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded upper Easy or the lower Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Wed 9 Apr – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

### **Sat 12 Apr – GLENBURN AND BURBONG HERITAGE TRAILS – 12 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Ian Tucker (0421 312 374).** From the locked gate on the Kings Highway, we will follow the Glenburn and Burbong Heritage trails. This loop passes most of the heritage sites within these areas, giving an excellent in-depth understanding of the history of the entire area. This area contains early European structures, ruins, plantings, graves, farm machinery and other sites dating back to the very first days of European settlement in the Canberra - Queanbeyan region. [The Glenburn Precinct Heritage Trails \(act.gov.au\)](http://www.act.gov.au). All on track. Climb: 200m. Cars: 17km (\$2). **Meet at S.**

### **Sun 13 Apr – Easy or Medium walk**

**Leader: Terrylea Reynolds (0408 715 218).** The walk will be sent to members by email.

**Wed 16 Apr – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 16 Apr – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Kathy Handel (0447 289 638).**

**Wed 16 Apr – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Phillip Hope (0405 916 004).**

### **Sat 19 Apr – RENDEZVOUS CREEK TO MIDDLE CREEK – 13 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Wayne Holgate (0420 359 223).** From the Rendezvous Creek car park, we walk across open country partly on track to Middle Creek taking in a couple of (now vacant) hut sites and a rock shelter on the way. After some exploration along an old vehicle track running alongside Middle Creek through light forest, we will have lunch at the cascades. After retracing our steps for a few kilometres, we will then return by a more direct route through open country. Gloves may be useful for dealing with some scratchy vegetation near the creek. Climb: 200m. Cars: 90km (\$12). Map: Rendezvous Creek. **Meet at K for 8.30am departure. \*\*\***

**Sun 20 Apr – MOUNT BOLLARD – 10 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260).** For this walk in Tallaganda National Park we leave the cars 9km from Captains Flat on Wild Cattle Flat Road at GR245516 and walk 2km up the fire trail to Mount Bollard. From there it is off-track, south down the spur to Ballinafad Creek, and by the creek east of the road, a tributary of Post Creek. The walk is mainly in open forest with little scrub, as it is a rain-shadow area. Climb: about 300m. Cars: 108km (\$15). Map: Tinderry. **Meet at S.**

**Wed 23 Apr – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 23 Apr – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Wed 23 Apr – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Fri 25 Apr – Last date to book for the POTLUCK DINNER on Friday 2 May.**

**Sat 26 Apr – FOUR HUTS NAMADGI NATIONAL PARK – 16 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Bill Gibson (0419 240 468).** A combination of two walks in Namadgi National Park, the Settlers Track and Old Boboyan Homestead. Pleasant walking in open and unburnt countryside. We drive to Old Boboyan Homestead car park, then do a short car shuffle to position the cars at our finishing point at Brayshaws Hut. We visit four historic structures, three of which have been restored by the Kosciuszko Huts Association. Climb: 350m. Cars: 120km (\$17). Maps: Rooftop's Namadgi – ACT South Activities Map 1:50,000; Yaouk (8626-2N); Shannons Flat (8626-2S). **Meet at K.**

**Sun 27 Apr – MOLONGO RIVER CORRIDOR PINES/CURTIN CIRCUIT – 12 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Ian Tucker (0421 312 374).** We will initially make our way to the Curtin horse paddocks and cork oaks and then on to the Equestrian Park and Yarralumla Woolshed. We will cross the Molonglo into the pine forests behind the Zoo and the southern reaches of the Arboretum. We will complete the circuit back to the cars through more pine forests and including Barrer and Bold Hills (optional but great views) and a second crossing of the Molonglo. All on track. Climb: 200m. **Meet at the end of Kirkpatrick Street Weston; past the RSPCA and turn left at the end.**

**Tues 29 Apr – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 1**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, [hermannsuk@hotmail.com](mailto:hermannsuk@hotmail.com)).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Wed 30 Apr – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 30 Apr – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Wed 30 Apr – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Fri 2 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 2**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Fri 2 May – POTLUCK DINNER**

**Leader: Davinia Wells (0439 424 834, daviniawells@gmail.com).** All members are welcome to share a great meal with food contributed by participants and enjoy a social time together. The venue is St Margaret's Uniting Church Hall at Hackett, corner of Antill Street and Phillip Avenue. The grounds are shared with Holy Cross Anglican Church and the entrance to parking is on Antill Street. Meet at **6pm** for pre-dinner drinks and nibbles followed by dinner at 6.30pm. **Please phone or email Davinia by Friday 25 April** to book a place and discuss your contribution.

**Sat 3 May – MOUNT WEE JASPER – 12 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Peter Wellman (6288 5985).** This popular walk climbs Mount Wee Jasper on the Hume and Hovell walking track. The walk is a there and back, the vegetation is very variable, the path is good, and the trig has a nice atmosphere. Walk 5-6h duration. Climb: 680m. Cars: 162km (\$23) Map: Couragago. **Meet at W.**

**Sun 4 May – SMOKERS TRAIL – 18 km Medium (9)**

Last day to register for **SMOKERS TRAIL** on 11 May.

**Sun 4 May – SPRING CREEK GORGE – 10 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Wayne Holgate (0420 359 223).** The walk starts from the day use area on Woolcara Lane in Yanununbeyan NP (about 1 hour drive from Queanbeyan). We climb 150m through scrub to the trig on Corner Hill, and then descend 200m to the large pool on the Queanbeyan River at GR124624. We next follow the river upstream, with views of its pools and rapids, to the junction of Spring Creek. The creek has a small, interesting gorge and several cascades. From here, we return to the cars via the ridge tops. Long pants, gaiters and gloves are recommended. Climb: 525m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Captains Flat. **Meet at S, leaving at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Tues 6 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 3**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Wed 7 May – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 7 May – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Lou Alaimo (0428 328 686).**

**Wed 7 May – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Andrew Cupit (0478 309 791).**

**Fri 9 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 4**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Sat 10 May – NORTH KOWEN/SOUTH WAMBOIN – 11 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Kathy Handel (0447 289 638).** From Bingley Way, Wamboin, we walk on track through native forest then cross the border into Kowen Pine Forest. We take fire trails to the House that Jack Built (ruins), Old Kowen Homestead recreation area and an old forestry settlement. We return via fire trail then take a steep rough footpad up to the NSW border. We go to the top of Poppet Hill for views of Canberra and the Brindabellas and return on track to Bingley Way. Climb: 250m. Cars: 36km (\$5). Map: Bungendore. **Meet at S.**

**Sun 11 May – SMOKERS TRAIL – 18 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** The Smokers Trail connects Corin Dam Road to Orroral Valley, starting from the Square Rock car park and ending at the Orroral Valley Tracking Station. It is mostly fire trail, about 18km, some up but mostly downhill with some boggy areas. The walking won't be too hard but the transport arrangements will depend on the number of walkers and whether non-walkers can assist with transport. Without additional help, we will meet at Tharwa to position sufficient cars at the tracking station, and then pick up the rest of the group at Tharwa and drive to the start at Square Rock car park. At the end of the walk we retrieve the cars from the start, so it's a long day for the drivers. If you have a friend who can help with transport that would shorten the day. Climb: around 200m. Maps: Corin Dam, Rendezvous Creek. Cars: 110km (\$15). **So that transport arrangements can be organised, you must register with the leader by Sunday 4 May. \*\*\***

**Tues 13 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 5**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Wed 14 May – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 14 May – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 14 May – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Fri 16 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 6**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Sat 17 May – COTTER GAP – 19 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Bill Gibson (0419 240 468).** We walk from the Orroral Valley Tracking Station car park along the Cotter Hut Road for about 6km. The first part is very pleasant, gently undulating and shaded by trees. Part way along we start to climb, getting steeper as we approach the junction with the Australian Alps Walking Track (AAWT). The 3.5km walk up to Cotter Gap via the AAWT has several quite steep sections but once at the shoulder we are rewarded with glimpses of Split Rock. We go on a further 0.5km where we lunch with great views of Split Rock. We return via the same route except we'll walk the last 2-3km along the grass in Orroral Valley. Climb: 600m. Cars: 90km (\$13). Maps: Corin Dam, Rendezvous Creek. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 18 May – CIRCUIT VIA SUNDIAL ROCK – 7 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Prue Deacon (6286 1573, 0487 388 959 (SMS)).** From the Honeysuckle Campground we walk up a road and footpad to the Sundial Rock (GR 791 593). We follow a creek, roughly south, to a swampy area where several creeks converge. We continue roughly south up another creek to a saddle and have lunch in a pretty area with big boulders. After climbing through boulders to peak 1203, we descend to cascades on the main creek, return to the Sundial Rock and then back to the cars. The walk is mostly off-track so long pants and/or gaiters recommended. Walkers new to off-track walking will be welcome but contact the leader first. Climb: 300m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Corin Dam. **Meet at K.**

**Tues 20 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 7**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Wed 21 May – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 21 May – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Kathy Handel (0447 289 638).**

**Wed 21 May – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).**

**Fri 23 May – CENTENARY TRAIL – DAY 8**

**Leader: Leigh Hermann (0417 147 260, hermannsuk@hotmail.com).** See Page 8 for further information. To register contact the leader by noon on the previous day.

**Sat 24 May – PHEASANT AND BOBOYAN HILLS AND TWO MOUNTAIN HUTS – 11 km Medium (8)**

**Leader: Robin Cayzer (0417 238 652).** This walk in the extreme south of the ACT starts from the historic (1903) Brayshaws Hut car park (loo) then heads west on the Settlers Track before going off-track to easily ascend Pheasant Hill (1450m) and Boboyan Hill (1403m) through open forest which has not burned in over 100 years. After morning tea, we will proceed off-track, again through pleasant open forest, to a collection of huge boulders before doubling back to Waterhole Hut (lunch) and returning on the Settlers Track to the cars. Climb: 250m. Cars: 130km (\$18). Map: Yaouk. **Meet at K at 8.30am for an 8.45 am departure. \*\*\***

**Sun 25 May – MT TENNENT (VIA NEW FOOTPAD) – 14 km Medium (10)**

**Leader: Bill Gibson (0419 240 468).** We walk from Namadgi Visitor Centre on the Australian Alps Walking Track (AAWT) up to the Mt Tennent peak via the new Mt Tennent track for lunch. We return to the Namadgi VC via a combination of fire trail, footpad and the AAWT. Climb: 800m. Cars: 60km (\$8). Maps: Rooftop's Namadgi – ACT South Activities Map 1:50,000; AAWT – NNP VC to Booroomba Rocks Car Park (one page map from the NVC). **Meet at K.**

**Wed 28 May – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 28 May – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Coordinator: Philip Gatenby (0401 415 406).**

**Wed 28 May – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (NPA) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: Philip Gatenby (0401 415 406, [philip.gatenby@gmail.com](mailto:philip.gatenby@gmail.com)).**

**Sat 31 May – MT ELIZA, GIBRALTAR PEAK, MUSHROOM ROCK – 12 km Medium (10)**

**Leader: Wayne Holgate (0420 359 223).** Mt Eliza is often forgotten when one visits Gibraltar Peak. Today we'll visit it first. We start our walk at Dalsetta car park walking up to Eliza saddle. From here we bush bash the 300m up the south side of Mt Eliza for morning tea. Dropping off the north side we track round to a large rocky formation mostly hidden from view in the valley. This is well worth exploring. We then return to the saddle and head up to Gibraltar Peak and, optionally, on to Mushroom Rock, lunching at a suitable time. We return to the cars via the stand of Xanthorrhoeas. Climb: 500m. Cars: 60km (\$8). Map: Tidbinbilla. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 1 Jun – BORDER TRACK – GOOROYARROO LOOP – 12 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Robyn Gallagher (0409 891 187).** We walk from the car park on Mulligans Flat Road at the edge of Forde to the start of the Border Track just along Mulligans Flat Road and follow it to where Mulligans Flat Reserve borders Goorooyarroo Reserve. We keep following the northern edge of Goorooyarroo around the bottom of Old Joe Hill. Our return route is via the Centenary Trail, including a section through the corner of Mulligans Flat Sanctuary. The walk is all on tracks or across open grassland, with good views of Canberra on one side and NSW on the other. Climb: 300m, but this is because of undulations rather than steep climbs. Map: Canberra Centenary Trail. **Meet at the car park on Mulligans Flat Road at the outer edge of Forde at 9.00am.**

**Wed 4 Jun – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 4 Jun – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Elaine Atkinson (0410 154 133).**

**Wed 4 Jun – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Prue Deacon (6286 1573, 0487 388 959 (SMS)).**

**Sat 7 Jun – BRANDY FLAT TRACK FROM SOUTH TO NORTH - 9 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: David Wardle (0418 695 142, wardle@webone.com.au).** We walk from the South Brandy flat car park on the Boboyan Road near Gudgenby north to Brandy Flat Hut. Lunch at Brandy Flat Hut, then on the track to Glendale Crossing. Climb: 430m. Cars: 120km (\$17)  
Note, a car shuffle will be required. Map: Michelago. **Meet at K.**

**Sun 8 Jun – BILLY BILLY ROCKS FROM THE EAST – 7 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).** We park alongside Corin Dam Road near Billy Billy Creek and head off along a disused road for a while before starting up the spur on the scrub-free route. The climb is not too steep and there is a good morning tea spot after about an hour. Then it is on to the massive Billy Billy Rocks. We will go around to the back, or northern side, and work our way to the top for magnificent views (weather permitting) and lunch. We'll continue the circumnavigation and return to the cars via the route we came up on. Climb: 450m. Cars: 70km (\$8). Map: Corin Dam. **Meet at K at 8.30 am. \*\*\***

**Mon 9 Jun – KING'S BIRTHDAY COFFEE MORNING**

**Coordinator: Elaine Atkinson (0410 154 133).** A repeat of the successful event at the Courtyard Café, Old Parliament House. Further details by email closer to the date.

**Wed 11 Jun – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 11 Jun – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at upper Easy or lower Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Wed 11 Jun – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro (danaro@bigpond.net.au).**

**Sat 14 Jun – SETTLERS TRACK, THREE HUTS AND ACT/NSW BORDER – 13 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Robin Cayzer (0417 238 652).** This walk in the extreme south of the ACT starts from the historic (1903) Brayshaws Hut (loo) and proceeds to Waterhole Hut, west across open grassland to the junction of the Bicentennial Trail and Grassy Greek Fire Trail, then eastwards to Westernmans Homestead (another loo) and on to the wonderful footpad back to Brayshaws and the cars. Climb: 245m. Cars: 130km (\$18). Map: Yaouk. **Meet at K at 8.30am to leave by 8.45. \*\*\***

**Sun 15 Jun – ROB ROY NATURE RESERVE CIRCUIT – 13 km Medium (10)**

**Leader: Prue Deacon (6286 1573, 0487 388 959 (SMS)).** From the southern edge of Banks we follow the reserve boundary southwards to the main creek which we follow, climbing up to the big waterfall. We follow another creek up to the fence marking the boundary of the leasehold land. We follow the boundary to the Rob Roy Fire Trail and continue to the summit (with lunch on the way). The return is via Big Monks and a spur back down to Banks. This walk is mostly off-track with terrain ranging from old pasture to wooded slopes with some scrub. Some steep climbs rewarded by good views and cascading creeks. Long pants and/or gaiters recommended. Climb: 700m. Cars: 24km (\$3). Maps: Tuggeranong and Williamsdale. **Meet at K at 8.30am. \*\*\***

**Wed 18 Jun – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au**

**Wed 18 Jun – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Walks graded at the upper level of Easy or the lower level of Medium. Leader: Lou Alaimo (0428 328 686).**

**Wed 18 Jun – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (BBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).**

**Sat 21 Jun – SOUTHERN TALLAGANDA TRACKS – 12 km Medium (9)**

**Leader: Peter Dalton (0414 363 255).** Starting from Mulloon Creek campground, we follow disused motorcycle tracks east and then south for about 5.5km to the junction of Jinglemoney Fire Trail and Mulloon Creek. After wading across the ford here we head north, still following old tracks, for a further 3km. The final 3.5km are off-track, but mostly through relatively open bush down to the road and a final wade across the ford to the cars. There are plenty of undulations and some loose areas, so poles will help. Climb: 500m. Cars: 80km (\$11). Map: Bombay. **Meet at S.**

**Sun 22 Jun – PINNACLE AND KAMA – 12 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Robyn Gallagher (0409 891 187).** The walk starts and ends at the water tanks on Springvale Drive. We do a loop around the west of the Pinnacle Reserve and into the bit of the Pinnacle excised from the Kama property, which gives us access to the Kama Reserve via the William Hovell underpass. We follow the Kama River Walk loop before crossing back to the Pinnacle Reserve. The walk ends with a gentle climb back to the cars along a track at the eastern end of the reserve. The walk is all on tracks or over grass. Climb: about 200m. **Meet at the parking area at the intersection of Springvale Drive and De Salis Street Hawker.**

**Wed 25 Jun – SHORT WEDNESDAY WALK – Easy. Contact: Robyn Kelly (6288 0449) or Colleen Fox (0424 030 015) or email [ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au](mailto:ewwcontact@brindabellabushwalking.org.au)**

**Wed 25 Jun – EASY/MEDIUM WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Walks graded at upper Easy or lower Medium. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Wed 25 Jun – MEDIUM/HARD WEDNESDAY WALK (CBC) – Medium to Hard graded walks. Coordinator: John Danaro ([danaro@bigpond.net.au](mailto:danaro@bigpond.net.au)).**

**Sat 28 Jun – MT DOMAIN VIA ASHBROOK FIRE TRAIL – 15 km Medium (11)**

**Leader: Phillip Hope (0405 916 004).** This walk includes an off-track section from Ashbrook Fire Trail to a saddle below Mt Domain. There is a 500m climb (over 2km) through some rather thick bush initially before reaching the saddle below Mt Domain and onto the usual track to the summit with great views. Returning via Fishing Gap on track. This is a hard medium walk. Gaiters and gloves are needed, poles for the return on track would be useful. Walk starts from Hanging Rock car park in Tidbinbilla. Climb: 700m. Cars: 70km (\$10). Map: Tidbinbilla. **Meet at K for an 8am departure. \*\*\***

**Sun 29 Jun – LONDON BRIDGE TO WASHPEN CROSSING – 9 km Easy (7)**

**Leader: Jane Melanie (0447 261 663).** This is a walk through the southern section of Googong foreshore. We walk from the London Bridge woolshed to the old homestead then beside Burra Creek to approach the London Bridge arch from the south. We will continue north to the junction of the Queanbeyan River and Burra Creek, visiting Washpen Crossing. Returning we will get a different view of the London Bridge arch by approaching from the north. We then return to the cars by crossing the arch. Climb: 250m. Cars: 50km (\$7). Map: Captains Flat. **Meet at Q.**