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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings Members!

It's been a hot dry summer and the country side looks brown and parched. This can make overnight pack walks a bit difficult to plan in areas where water can be scarce, and the extreme heat can make any activity uncomfortable. The summer-autumn program, however, had been well planned by our leaders, with many excellent and well participated walks and activities, and the autumn-winter program is shaping up to be just as good.

On writing this article, we are making final preparations for our Leadership Training weekend in Blackwood on 24/25 March. A lot of work has been put into this by the sub-committee consisting of Chris Jarvis, Rob Hughes, Fiona Richardson and myself, and we think it will be a very informative weekend for the trainees. We will also have a set schedule with course notes for trainees and instructors that can be used for future training courses. These will be kept with the secretary for future reference.

After the success of the "Christmas in July" dinner in 2006, we will again subsidise another dinner at the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club. If the food is as good as last time, it will be well worth the money. Information about this shall be forthcoming.

As well as this, we have a Photo Com-

petition coming up, and in May we will attempt to change the Constitution in regards to refining the criteria for Life Membership, after we analyse the feedback received from our questionnaire.

This will be Tamara Hycenko's first solo Old Man Emu edition after Chris Jarvis's retirement as editor, and I wish her much success. Remember OME will only be a success if members keep contributing articles. Thanks again to Chris Jarvis for his nine year stint as editor.

Many thanks to the members of the committee for the time and effort they have put in to help keep the club running efficiently and to the many other people who help out behind the scenes.

Happy Walking.

Ian Tovey

RED ALERT!

MEMBERSHIP FEE RENEWAL

A reminder that the annual Membership Fee of \$40 is due in May 2007.

Membership fees not paid two months after June AGM render the member unfinancial.

THE NEXT CHALLENGE

The Victorian State Park challenge got off to a memorable start with the opening weekend being with a sizzler (reading 39°C on Sunday). However 18 dedicated, if not slightly crazy people, fronted up for VSP1 and VSP 2. The choice of Langhi Ghiran and Mt Cole was an excellent start as both State Parks are most attractive with great views, shady forests and good walking tracks.

Because of the heat an early start was decreed. It's amazing what you can do when you need to be ready for a 7am start. We were on time but packs got left behind, boots forgotten and keys misplaced.

Geoff made light work of the hills and the heat without a pack, plus he had a bonus of a gourmet lunch with contributions donated by fellow walkers; Beth's good shoes may no longer be good but they did survive the rough terrain; and thankfully Helen and her car keys were finally reunited.

We divided into two groups. One was the so called easy walk and the other was the longer walk. As both leaders found plenty of good hills and worked on the principle of why walk on tracks when you can plough your way through the bush instead and finished about the same time, there was little difference in the two walks. Bill and Keith's definition of 'easy' will need to be investigated!

Keith's group preferred to climb Langhi Ghiran from the wrong side. At one place a steep rock face stopped progress. Tony scouted around to see if there were any possibilities over or around this obstacle. He apologized for the severe pruning and a small tree suffered but its branches did provide a kick start up the rock face to reach the summit. The joy of a proper track down was short lived as it petered

out and the group went bush again.

The last 5-6km were enjoyed (??) by both groups. A steep gravelly descent had everyone slipping and sliding as they went, followed by an oven roasting 3km on an open road which finally led us back to the welcome sight of the cars.

With good air conditioning in the cabins, plenty of cool drinks and after the roast of the day at the RSL our spirits were revived and we were ready to tackle VSP2.

Next day we set off early again, this time for Mt Cole. We had a surprise, turning a corner we found the police waiting in the side street, we were all breathalysed (and passed). The police were probably surprised as well, to get 10 cars in a row at 7am on a Sunday morning. Maybe they completed their morning quota in 15 minutes and ended up with an easy morning.

For both walks, the tracks again went through very pleasant areas (and of course included more hills). The Beeripmo walkers and the Waterfall walkers crossed paths at one stage, so late morning tea, or early lunch, depending on which group you belonged to, was shared with time to enjoy the view and the breeze. The Beeripmo group decided not to be purists and abandoned the Mt Buangor decent in favour of a longer rest in the shade, while the Waterfall walkers continued with more ups and downs.

Keith's group were fortunate to end the day at a car park where there was a tap nearby. Cooling splashes with wet face washers rejuvenated everyone, who were by then looking and feeling quite respectable, and made their way into Beaufort. It was no surprise to see familiar cars already lined up in the street outside the coffee shop.

Despite being a very hot weekend, the walking conditions weren't all that uncomfortable. The tracks (when we used them) were in good condition, the scenery was very pleasant and the Ararat accommodation was excellent along with the usual camaraderie amongst our group. The V.S.P project got off to a great start.

Thank you Bill for all the work, time and effort you have put in. We are looking forward to exploring and enjoying our state parks under your great leadership. Roll on VSP3!

By Hilary May

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Wednesday 11th July 2007

This will be a 2 course dinner held at the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club immediately before our July General meeting. For members only. The dinner will be subsidised by the club, cost per member \$10.00. Drinks at 6:00pm. Dinner starts at 6:30pm, meeting as usual at 7:30pm (approximately). Pre-booking is essential. Will be taking money for the dinner in May & June only. No money will be taken on the night.

MORNINGTON BRIARS PARK

Sunday 6th May
15+km Easy
David Bass.

This walk starts at Mt Martha Yacht club walking along the Balcombe Creek wetlands with morning tea at one of several bird watching areas. We then enter the Briars Historic Homestead Park walking around all parts of the park with lunch at the info centre and returning to Mornington for afternoon tea.

STEIGLITZ/SUTHERLAND CREEK CIRCUIT

Saturday 12th May
15 km. Easy/Medium
Ron Pearce

More of a figure of eight than a circuit, this walk in the Brisbane Ranges will start near the Steiglitz Court House, and will pass through various old mining areas. We will see the re-growth from recent bushfires and the effect that cinnamon fungus is having on the grass trees in the area. The route will take us through several conveniently placed picnic areas and along a part of Sutherlands Creek. Distance from Moonee Ponds is about 95km.and departure time will be 8.00 am. from the Bowling Club car park.

GOULBURN VALLEY TO THE GOLDFIELDS BIKE RIDE

Sat/Sun 12-13th May
120km Medium
Bike Ride NQE
Darren McClelland

The ride commences with a train journey to Nagambie. We then pedal through the pleasant Graytown

region to our overnight stay in Heathcote where we can enjoy some of the quality local wines. More pedaling to look forward to on Sunday before we arrive at Kyneton for our return train trip home.

LERDERBERG GORGE (SOUTH)

Wednesday 16th May
14 km, Medium
Tony Creedy

This walk starts from the car park/picnic area at Mackenzies Flat near Bacchus Marsh. This place will be familiar to most, where the Lerderberg Gorge ends and the river continues through flat country. We'll follow the river a short distance upstream then head due W up a spur to meet the Blackwood Ranges Track (Also Great Dividing Trail) and follow it NW along the western edge of the gorge. Near Long Point we'll descend back to the river, via the Long Point Track if necessary, and have a look around at the weir at Long Point! From here, access roads and tracks will be followed back to Mackenzies Flat along the eastern edge of the gorge.

BUNGAL FOREST

Saturday 26th May
16km Medium
Neil Campbell

This is a small forest, south of Ballan and near Mt Egerton and Ballarat bordering the edge of Moorabool River East branch. Today we will start the walk just off the Egerton-Ballarat Road and walk down to a ford across a small creek. From here it will be a short climb up a hill then along four wheel drive track and will find a stop for morning tea along the way. After morning tea we will walk

further until we reach the border of the park passing open farmlands as we head down to our lunch spot at the end of the four wheel drive track and above ,(and taking in the views), of the Moorabool River.

After lunch it will be all off-track, but easy walking as it will not be in long undergrowth but will be open forest walking, and basically following the line above the river occasionally taking in views along the way. It is also a heavily mined area, so we have to watch our progress as well. We eventually meet a four wheel drive track where we will have afternoon tea. After tea we will either test ourselves by scrub bash walking again, down and across the creek, which we crossed at the start, or time permitting, rejoining the four wheel drive track back to the cars. This will be an excellent walk for anyone who wants to try out some off-track walking, or maybe navigation skills with a map compass or GPS.

We will leave the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club car park at 8.00am.

STUNNING EAST MALVERN

Sunday 27th May
9.5 km Easy NQE
Darren McClelland

Come along for an intriguing walk among the grand architecture and leafy streets of East Malvern. I was so impressed with this walk that I just had to share it with EBC members. We'll see many fine examples of Melbourne's best housing developments of the 1890-1930's. It is true that they just don't build them like they used to! We'll meet at Essendon Station at 11am to take a few trains and trams at the grand price of \$2.50. BYO picnic lunch to have along the way. There might even be an ice cream shop along the way if all kiddies are on their best behaviour.

TALLAROOK/MT HICKEY

Saturday 2nd June
18km Medium/Hard
Neil Campbell

Mt Hickey is in the northern part of the Mt Disappointment State Park, east of Broadford and Tallarook. We are going to do a 18km circuit walk starting from the Freeman’s camping ground and walk along Mill Creek to an old ruin. This area is a very dry open forest area, where an old mine appears. From here we walk to Falls Road, then down a steep valley towards Falls Creek, (Not to be confused with the ski resort!). We then meet a track junction and follow the creek for about a kilometre, where we will walk up a steep spur 4WD track out of the valley to meet up with another 4WD track where we stop for a late lunch. After lunch we will walk for a few kilometres along Horan track until we meet up with Mt Hickey Rd. We will continue on until we meet the base of Mt Hickey itself, by walking up the appropriately named track called Rocky Track, which will be a steady climb up to the summit of Mt Hickey, 806m high and has both a huge fire tower and communications tower, with magnificent views on a clear day. It is also the highest point in the northern end of the Mt Disappointment State Park. We will then do our final descent down Cadell track and back to the cars at Freeman’s Camp picnic ground. We will leave from the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club car park at 8.00am.

McIVOR RANGE / HEATHCOTE

Wednesday 20th June
12 km. Easy
Ron Pearce

The McIvor Range looks directly over the township of Heathcote on

the Northern Highway. There are various attractions to be seen on the walk, Devils Cave, Powder Magazine, and Viewing Rock Lookout. Also seen from the range should be the unique Pink Cliffs on the western side of the Northern Highway. Looking out over the main street, you will be able to decide whether the local claim that it is the longest main street in Australia is credible. Another of Heathcote’s claim to fame is that orienteering events were held many years ago on the McIvor Range. It was on one such course that this walk leader experienced his first “DNF” in orienteering, i.e. he couldn’t find the control. Wandering about for an hour in the heat, he finally gave it away and walked back to the finish area (mumbling about the map being wrong, of course). So it will be nice to return to the area for a bit of revenge. Don’t worry, I know my way around there now!! Distance from Gladstone Park is about 100 km. and we will leave at 8.30 am.

MOUNT JULIET

Saturday 23rd June
16km Hard
Neil Campbell

We will be starting from the Fern Shaw Reserve and walking around the rim of the Maroondah catchment area, as we will walk up near Box’s Hill Circuit, with our eventual climb up to the summit of 1116metres of Mt Juliet. After having lunch at the summit, it will be a bit up and down hill and back to the cars at Fern Shaw Reserve. We will leave from the Moonee Ponds Bowling car park at 8.00am

POSTPONED

- Bibbulman Track WA 146km

MOUNT BULLENGAROOK

Saturday 30th June
15 km, Medium/Hard
Tony Creedy

Mount Bullengarook is just E of the Gisborne-Bacchus Marsh road, at Bullengarook, about 8 km SW of Gisborne. From the top there are good views all round including the Macedon Ranges to the north, and the Coimadai area to the south. To get there, we’ll cross the Pyrete Range area of the Lerderderg State Park from Hobbs Road, heading west towards the foot of the hill. The forest has a pleasant, natural look and the terrain is rugged. The route includes walking off track and significant up and down gradients, but hardly any scrambling. The longest climb is 270m to the top of the hill over a distance of 1.5 km. From the top, we’ll go back through the forest to the cars, using an alternative route. I’m obliged to Bill Casey who led me on walks to Mt Bullengarook in 2001 and 2004 and has gone along with me dusting off the walk this year.

BLAKEVILLE/CARROLL'S SPRINGS CIRCUIT

Sunday 1st July
20kms Medium
Ian McLean

Starting in the old historic timber mill town of Blakeville we amble through the Wombat Forest towards the Werribee River, taking in Mt. Hope for morning tea. On reaching the river we will complete the walking track which encompasses the mineral springs and bring us back to the picnic ground. Lunch will be at either of these areas pending time. There will be a short scrub bash to gain tracks to the southern boundary of the park through beautiful forest, completing our circuit back to the

cars. Afternoon tea will be at the Ballan bakery.

MAD NORMAN'S CROSSING

Saturday 7th July
15km Hard
Neil Campbell

Mad Norman's Crossing is just off Acheron Way behind Mt Dom Dom Saddle in the Yarra Ranges State Park. We will start from the junction of Acheron Way and Strickland Spur Track up along Strickland Spur. This track is very steep, as we will follow this track to its summit for 2.5kms until we meet up with Anderson's Mill Road and Mt Strickland, where we plan to have our lunch. Anderson's Mill Track will then take us down hill. We will stop briefly before walking along Mad Norman's Crossing, (scrub bashing) to meet up with the appropriately named track called Lowering Gear Track! From here we will walk the final 4kms along the Acheron Way and back to the cars after such a rewarding walk. We will be leaving the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club car park at 7.30am.

SMYTHSDALE

Saturday 28th July
18km Easy/Medium
Ian McLean

This walk encompasses the Woody Yaloak Goldfields water races, dams and mine remnants along with those of Surface Hill. Afternoon tea possibly en route to Ballarat.

Wildlife Rescue
If you come across injured wildlife, Wildlife Victoria can be contacted 24/7, to arrange a rescue.
Phone **0500 540 000**
Put it in your Mobile!

SOUTHBANK/DOCKLANDS /CITY

Sunday 29th July
18+km Easy
David Bass.

We start this walk about 9.00am at Point Park at the west end of Southbank. Walking along the south side of the Yarra to Swan St bridge past the craft market and the boat houses looking at the changes to Yarra Park. Lunch will be in Flagstaff gardens then off to Docklands for a good look around at the many changes over the years.

**Federation Walk # 6
BLACKWOOD/
RUTH'S GULLY WALK**

Saturday 4th August
18 km Medium/Hard
Neil Campbell

Just to reminisce the successful federation walk No 6 of 2005, I have decided to do the walk again. This was one of the most popular walks on EBWC Federation 2005 Program. We will start the walk from the Blackwood Pub, walk down to the mineral springs, then crossing the Lerderberg River and head up a slow climb towards Shaw's Lake. From here it will be along Nth Blackwood road towards Ruth's Track and passing through Ruth's Gully, (around the top of the Great Divide), and a brief stop for morning tea. From here we will walk down Hayden Track towards an area where we have to walk off track, avoiding a reference area to a ford at Ambler lane crossing the Lerderberg River. From here it will be an 800metre climb up Ambler lane track to meet the GDT. We will walk along the trail to our lunch stop at the Tunnel. After lunch we will walk up a spur at the end of

Tunnel Point Track, then walking along Tunnel Point Track until we meet Nth Blackwood Road. We will then head down towards the lookout near Shaw's Lake, then descend towards the GDT, then back along towards the mineral springs and continue along the GDT into Blackwood, finishing at the Blackwood Pub. We will leave the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club car park at 8.00am.

GREEN HILL/METCALFE

Sunday 5th August
20km Easy/Medium
Darren McClelland

This walk, along country lanes and jeep tracks north of Kyneton, takes in undulating countryside with expansive views. We start in the vicinity of Green Hill, an extinct volcano, and will see contrasts between the fertile soils to the south and east of the volcano and the poor soils to the north. We also walk through parts of the Metcalfe State Forest to reach the hamlet of Metcalfe where we will enjoy our BYO lunch.

RIDDELL'S CREEK

Saturday 18th August
16km Easy/Medium
Ian McLean

Meeting and walking from our place, we will trundle through town up into Conglomerate Gully and go bush into the surrounding hills with fantastic views and light forest. Tracks are followed to return via the foothills. Hopefully we will get a good display of Wattles before heading back home for a BBQ. Everyone is welcome for the BBQ. Just remember to BYO everything. We can accommodate crockery/cutlery and have some beverages available.

MARYSVILLE/MARY MEADOWS/TRESTLE TRACK CIRCUIT

Saturday 25th August
16 km Easy/Medium
Neil Campbell

We will walk around the fringe of the township and explore the old timber mill and what remains of the old Taggerty Tramway. We will start the walk from the bottom end of town near the Stevenson's Bridge and walk through the town to pick up the Mary Meadows Track for a short distance, passing an old timber mill on the outskirts of town. We will walk towards the Buxton Road to a section of the old Taggerty Tramway along the Taggerty River. We will walk along Red Hill and then along the old Trestle Track. We should get some good views looking down on Marysville along the way. We will continue to walk up to the island hop area along Manfred Track, following the Dickenson's Track. We will finish the walk down Lady Talbot Drive, passing the wishing well, as we return back to the cars at Marysville.

We will leave from the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club Car Park at 7.30am.

EDGEWATER

Sun 26th August
16km Easy/Medium
Ian & Sylvia McLean

A "good winter walk" around the Maribyrnong River, encompassing the new and fascinating Edgewater estate.



WALK BEHAVIOUR (Racehorses)

We have had people who were at the back of a large group, and where walkers in front did not bother to wait at the appropriate track junction, or turn-off. Therefore we had the embarrassment of spending time having to find and track down these walkers separated from the party!

There have been occasions where people out in front of the walking party have been marching ahead of every body else, (as we may nickname them as race horses), and ignoring constant warnings from Walk Leaders:

1. It creates a safety issue for the club.
2. It ruins enjoyment for both the Leader and the rest of the walking party.

This subject was touched upon a few years ago by Sylvia McLean, but it appears we have slipped in our standards again.

The **Golden Rules** should be: On long distance walks, or especially **large groups:**

1. Listen to instructions from the Leader before setting off on a walk.
2. Take responsibility and consider other walkers behind you, and continue to look out and wait at the track junctions. Remember it is a social activity as well as a fitness activity.

The Leader should also nominate additional leaders and a whip to make up the end of the walking Group.

General Rules

Always **STOP** at intersections, or track junctions, wait for people behind to catch up and **DO NOT** commence walking until the Leader instructs you to do so.

If you are a faster/fitter walker and you happen to be up at the front of the group, stop and wait for the rest

of the group to catch up, and give them the common courtesy to have a drink or rest before being given authority of the Leader to proceed. Obey instructions from the Leader; remember he is in charge on the day. To all walkers and Leaders please also take into account that we all walk at different paces, so look after one another on walks.

If you are a fast walker and these are problems why not try a harder walk next time, but don't make it uncomfortable for others who just want to enjoy the walk and don't want be challenging a racehorse!

Remember one final point: EBWC has never had people overdue on any walk in the history of the club, but if these Rules are not obeyed we **DO RUN THE RISK** of serious incidents, so please next time you are out on a walk, listen to Leaders instructions, co-operate and consider and look after one another, and enjoy the day.

Remember at the end of the day, the main aim is to get everyone back to the cars, safe and on time.

By Neil Campbell (Vice – President)

FUTURE EVENT

Federation/Bushwalking Victoria Walk 2007

Healesville Area – Various Walks

Sunday 21st October

This year's Federation Walk 2007 will be in and around the Healesville area on Sunday 21st October, and will be run by both the Diamond Valley and Koonung Bushwalking Clubs.

More information will be made available closer to the event.

**WHAT DID WE ALL DO
IN 2006?**

For the calendar year 2006, I have calculated that there were 190 members, (including one junior member), 8 children and 108 visitors who walked with EBC. 8 of the visitors were off to a challenging start with overnight pack walking. Visitors, who have joined within this period (to my best knowledge) have been included as members.

We were guided by 29 active and marvellous leaders. According to the walks sheets that have been returned to me, events that actually proceeded included 147 day walks, including 19 base camps 2 one week extended base camps and 5 evening walks, 14 overnight pack walks, 8 bike rides, 1 four day canoe trip, 19 social events, a bush dance, movies or restaurant nights. Other events involved navigation theory & practice, first aid training, orienteering, tree planting, Clean Up Australia Day, track clearing & maintenance and novice bike training skills. Unfortunately, 3 planned cross country skiing events were cancelled due to lack of snow. Planned events that did not proceed were due to illness on behalf of the leader or lack of participant numbers. Ron Bell has to be congratulated as running the most qualifying events (21), followed by Colin Cody (16), Bill Casey (12), Sylvia McLean (11), Ian McLean (10) Tony Creedy (8), Ian Tovey and Darren McClelland (7 each).

Congratulations and thanks to Fiona Richardson, Ryan Davies and Ian Yarde, who all led their first walks, particularly Fiona, who enjoys putting on overnight pack walks.

There continues to be a very loyal group among us (32), who pay the annual fees but have not walked at all. 74 members have walked 5 or less events. 38 members were more regular, joining us on 6 to 10 occasions. 28 members attended between 11 and 20 walking events. The keener members who attended

more than 20 walks were Jan Smith (20), Henry Laskowski (20), Peter Whelan (20), Vickie Bass (22), Sue Baxter (23), Alan Moule (24), Keith Hart (25) and Ian McLean (25).

The fanatic members who did greater than 30 walks were Ron Pearce and Marek Turski (34), Ron Bell and Denise LaRocca (35), Hilary May (36), Sylvia McLean (42), Rod Casey and Tony Creedy (44 each), Geoff May (48) and Colin Cody with a mammoth 80 walks of which he led 16! That record will stand for quite some time, I'm sure.

And, just for the record, we had 1414 day walk and base camp participants including 127 visitors, 84 pack walk participants including 9 visitors, 30 bike riders and 109 social participants (bike ride and social events are incomplete as they exclude all of Bryan's walks sheets). Congratulations and well done to everyone! It is a credit to the leaders for their safe and careful guidance. No major injury or mishaps occurred last year. Also thank you to all walkers for assisting the leaders in performing their tasks so diligently. May we enjoy the same in 2007.

Sylvia McLean

**FAIR DINKUM
BUSHWALKS**

Jim McLaughlin from a Melbourne club, wishes to start up an independent internet pack walking club specifically for those aged 40 to 70 with a more adventurous nature that would include overnight walking, cross-country skiing, snow walks etc. It would be web based with online bookings. Those interested: the e-mail contact is jimmclaughlin58@hotmail.com

Sylvia McLean

**SPRING IN THE
GRAMPIANS
October 2006**

Tony Creedy's inaugural walk at Dadswells

Bridge Caravan Park base camp lived up to its promise of good walks, spring wildflowers, wildlife and some Aboriginal rock art. (I say 'inaugural' in the hope that it will become an annual event). The venue was modest and pleasant with a spacious recreation hall, and our host, Dave, rode round on his bike dispensing cheer and helpfulness, followed by his friendly kelpie. Wildlife experience ranged from removing a dead joey from the road, to Alan's sleep being disturbed by two stumpy tails creating a dynasty under his tent. Tony tapped into his amazing knowledge of the area, and with Charlie and Colin had organized a choice of walks for each day. Between us, we walked under and over Mount Stapylton, up to Beehive Falls (dry), through Roses' Gap (dry), along the pretty Mount William Creek (flowing), and on the final day Group A found itself looking from the top of Iskra Crag over the valley at Group B on Hollow Mountain - or was it Mount Hollow? I am still confused by these two, despite Tony's desperate efforts to enlighten me.

Our thanks to Tony and his team of Charlie & Colin for the careful organization which made this a wonderful Grampians experience.

Pamela Lloyd

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Moonee Ponds 3039



YOUR COMMITTEE

For 2006 - 2007
President: Ian Tovey
Vice President: Neil Campbell
Treasurer: Ian Yarde

Committee: Ron Bell, Jan Edwards,
Darren McClelland, Tamara
Hycenko and Ryan Davies.

MEMBERS' DISCOUNTS

Don't forget that members can obtain a discount at Bogong Equipment, 374 Little Bourke Street, City. They offer a 10% discount on all non-sale items.

LOAN EQUIPMENT

The contact for loan of equipment is Ron Bell, Ph. 9388 4057.

Equipment available for loan: Tents; backpacks; sleeping bags; rain jackets; stoves; sleeping mats.

PARKS VICTORIA

www.parkweb.vic.gov.au

This web site will give you the Draft Access Reopening Strategy on tracks that were affected by bush fires.

CONTACTING THE CLUB

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CLUB MEETINGS

Are held on the second Wednesday of each month, at the Moonee Ponds Bowling Club, Mt Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds. Meetings start at 7.30pm

WALKS PROGRAMS

Are released three times each year, at the April, August and December Club meetings. One copy of the program is included within the hard copy version of the Club newsletter, Old Man Emu. Additional copies are available from the Secretary or Treasurer for 20c each

CLUB FEES

Annual Membership
(from June 1st) \$40.00
Visitor's Fee (per event) \$5.00

Annual Membership fees apply from June 1st to May 31st.

Membership fees not paid two months after the June AGM render the member unfinancial. There are no pro-rata membership fees as the Club is required to pay an annual Federation/Insurance premium.

An unfinancial member is required to pay the visitors fee for every event they attend until they have paid their full membership fee.

As an unfinancial member, the Club's Personal Accident and Public Liability Insurance on any Club activity does not cover you.

Unfinancial members and visitors attending more than three events in a Club year are required to pay the full membership fee.

New members fee within 28 days of their membership application being approved by the Committee.

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