

FOOTPRINTS

May 2023

*Newsletter of the Border Bushwalking Club Inc A5665
Affiliated with Bushwalking Victoria*

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Club Night including the Annual General Meeting for the Border Bushwalking Club, Tuesday, May 2, 2023

The Annual General meeting for our club will be held on Tuesday May 2 at the Senior Citizens, Meeting Room, at the rear of Cube Complex, Hovell Street, Wodonga (Havelock Street end of car park). Doors open at 7:00 pm to catch up with friends and the meeting kicks off at 7:30 pm.

The AGM generally lasts about 15 minutes. A nomination Form for the committee is attached to this email and also at the end of this issue.

This will be followed by Sandy reviewing her and John's 15 day trek that got them off the popular Nepalese Himalayan routes, along the unspoilt mountains of the Tibetan and Tamang communities from Dhunche (Nth) to Sundrajial (Sth). Their highlights included the rarely visited high altitude Sacred Gosainkund Lakes and traversing Laurebina Pass (4610m) to Gopte and beyond.

Next Sue and Ralph share their 6 weeks adventure of "Day Walking Across England". For those of you who enjoy the 12 to 15 km level 3 day walks that the club offers this will stimulate your imagination on how to extend this concept to the best of what England has to offer.

Exploring the gardens behind the beautiful village cottages, walking over forts built more than 3000 years ago, stopping off at a pub for lunch or enjoying Offa's Dyke from the valley below.



From the President's Stump

I had planned to write a positive message about how much I am looking forward to meeting and working with a vibrant and dynamic new committee over the next 12 months, assuming my re-election as president. Alas, that's not the case!

As our Annual General Meeting approaches and with it, the formation of a new Committee to guide and steer the Club, we are facing a very real challenge, that if not met and resolved may well see the eventual demise of the Club.

At the time of writing our secretary has received only **seven** (7) nominations for Committee which means we have vacancies for another **five** members to come on board. With a current membership of **145**, I find it hard to believe that there are only seven members willing to put in a bit of time and effort to ensure the club continues to function as a viable entity, in fact it beggars belief!

If you've been thinking about joining the committee, now is the time to put your hand up. Believe me, it's not an onerous job and you don't have to have any particular skills or expertise. Our secretary, Dick Wellard, gave some very important insights into how our committee works in the April edition of 'Footprints'. Here's some of what he said ...

The current committee consists of 12 members. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month except December. Meetings are conducted in a laid back, friendly, collegiate manner with only one thought in mind. What's best for the club. There are, sometimes, differences of opinion which are universally resolved in an orderly fashion.

The Secretary keeps detailed minutes which are circulated to all committee members within about 7 days post meeting. So, why this diatribe, I must confess to a hidden agenda. My aim is to reinforce Ian's earlier remarks about the need for fresh blood on the committee. As previously mentioned, a significant number of committee members are not seeking re-election. Their time has come, their job well done. They need and deserve a rest.

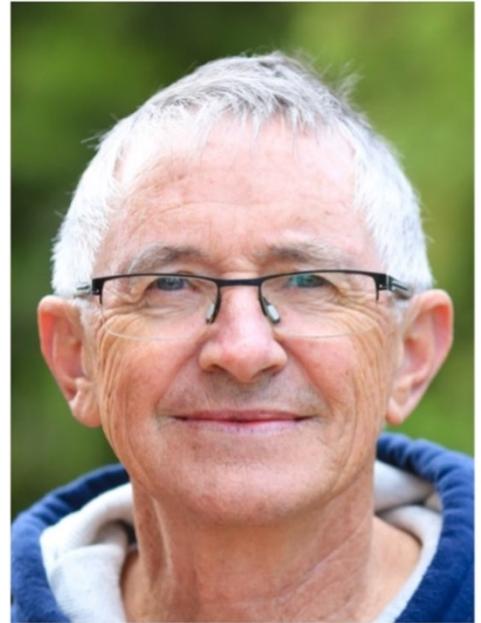
The club, however, just can't function without a viable committee. We will always manage to bumble through somehow, but we really do need some fresh faces.

The solution is pretty simple ...



... to join the committee and ensure the survival of the Border Bushwalking Club.

Ian



Trip Reports

Tawonga Gap Track North

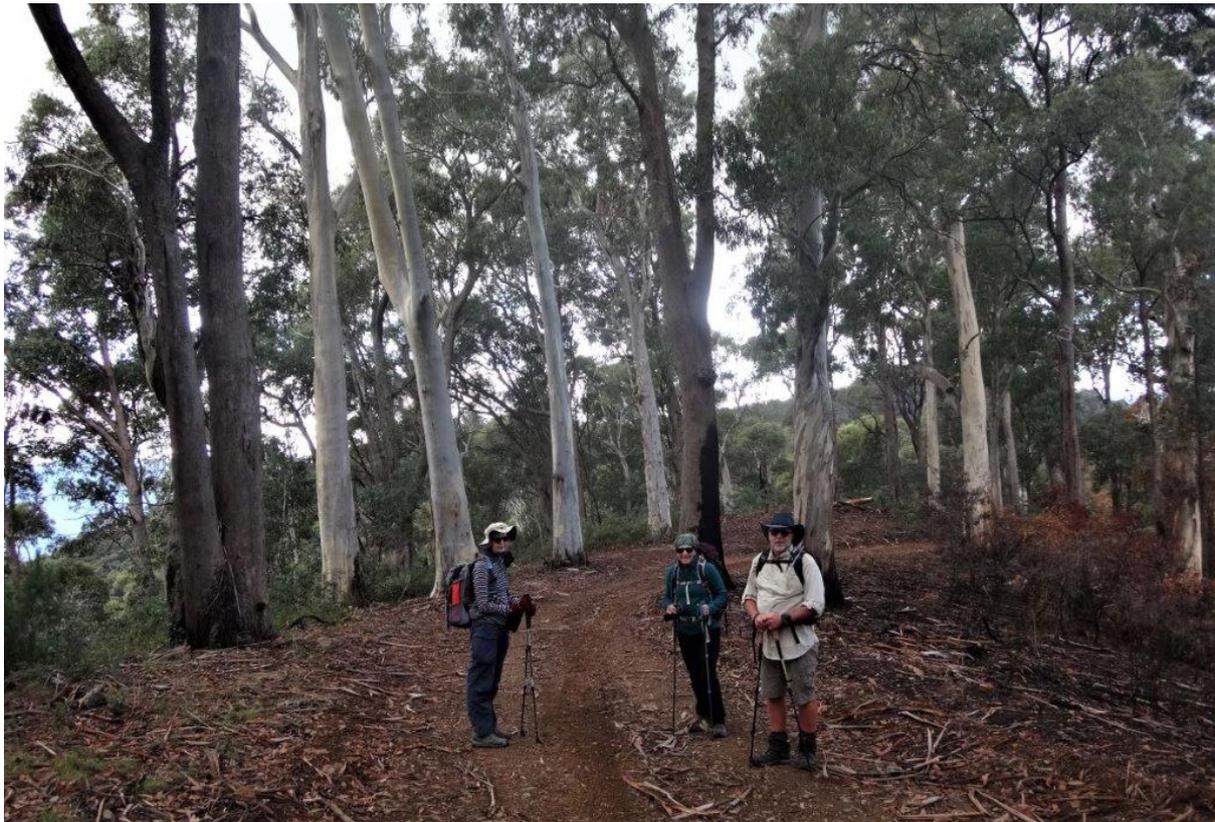
Four of us, including new member Lionel, met at the Tawonga Gap lookout on a cool, overcast morning. No doubt that winter is on its way! We moved one car to the end of the walk exactly 4 km down the road to Bright, where there is a small parking area at the exit from German Creek Track.

Then we started walking along the Tawonga Gap Track northwards through tall timber. Up we went, and upper, and upper, with a few downs in between. Occasionally we would get glimpses of views between the trees and enjoyed snatches of conversations on the less steep bits.

Needless to say, the leader was leading from behind and regretting her lack of fitness. We had a short break for morning tea, then more ups, past a track leading off on the right to Running Creek and then, shortly after on the left, our turning point, the German Creek track, well signposted.

Now we got our rewards for all that climbing, as we made a steady, but not steep, descent, looking west to see some unusual views of Mt Buffalo. By now the cloud had cleared and the sun shone and as the weather got warmer, we were glad the ascents were behind us.

We had a leisurely lunch and continued on down, across a small shallow creek, then a short climb up to the road and the car. The route is about 8 km along the main track and 4 km on German Creek track, a good workout but not too exhausting. It's a good cool weather walk.



Stanley Plateau Loop Walk

The Stanley Plateau Loop walk is part of a project supported by DELWP, Indigo Shire Council, the Stanley Athenaeum, and the Victorian Government Bushfire Recovery Fund.

As the name suggests the walk loops around Stanley, using a variety of tracks/lanes, some well used others not so well used. These tracks take you through bushland, orchards, and pine plantations. As there had been well over 30ml of rain the day before our walk,



wet weather gear was on the “to pack” list. However, when the nine of us met at Stanley Pub on Saturday morning, we were all optimistic that it was going to be a good day.



Not long after starting we made a detour into, Black Barn Farm, famous for its apple cider donuts. Fuelled by donuts we got back on track and followed the intermittent signage, meeting MTB riders and families doing versions of The Loop.

Jim Jam Foods would have been a good spot for our next stop, if we hadn't already had one, so we walked past, commenting on how green everything was. After walking through Stanley Plantation, we next popped out on the Myrtleford – Stanley Road, near Bald Hills, and met Arlo, the Border Collie, who had decided following us and chasing cars was much more fun than staying at a BnB. Lucky for Arlo we were able to reunite him with his owner before we headed back into the bush.

Just after lunch, we had our biggest accidental climb, up

into the Dingle Plantation. By now we had walked about 15km and had roughly 4km to go. And with approximately 500m to go..... it started to rain, the first for the day and the raincoats came out.

Deb



The Big Walk Mount Buffalo

The big walk is an iconic walk that winds its way up to the Gorge at Mt Buffalo from the park entry far below. It starts with steep up, then very steep up followed by steep up and then some more up. The changing landscape along the way makes it all worthwhile.

We had 2 first timers along with 4 who forgotten how many times they've done it but like to check that they still can.



The weather forecast predicted cold weather at the top, so we all packed all our layers ready for the cool weather. It didn't happen. It was muggy all day so most of our gear was unused over the day.

Most write ups of the walk assume it is a one way walk but what comes up must go down so after a rest and lunch stop at the top, down we went to see it all in the other direction.

A most enjoyable day with great company and 6 happy walkers at the end.

Bernadette

Annual Reports for the May 2023 Annual General Meeting, BBC

Presidents Annual Report, May 2023

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to present my Annual President's Report.

It is a real honour and a privilege to be able to continue to serve and lead such an amazing group of outdoor adventurers. It is made even more enjoyable with the support and enthusiasm of a dedicated committee, some of whom are now ready to pass on the baton, and to whom we should be ever-so thankful for giving up their time and for making the effort to ensure the Border Bushwalking Club continues to thrive.

It is important to acknowledge that without a proactive and focused committee we would be like a rudderless ship at sea, drifting aimlessly towards the jagged rocks of destruction and disaster, to eventually slip beneath the waves and be no more. I would encourage all members to seriously consider getting on board and becoming part of the 'crew'. I'm sure there are many of you out there who could offer so much more to the club than just turning up for a hike, a paddle or a cycle.

The committee has met on a regular basis throughout the year and initiated a number of actions, including a review and cull of some of our hire equipment; the purchase of a portable AED (defibrillator); the on-going process of reviewing, revising and updating the Club's policies; the annual 'Leader's Day'; and the organisation of Club Nights designed to bring members together on an informal and social basis.

The club continues to prosper, as evidenced by a membership that now stands at 145 members, and a healthy bank balance of over \$15,000.00.

I am happy to report that the Border Bushwalking Club continues to offer our members a wide range of outdoor activities designed to suit most interests and capabilities. Our core business of bushwalking, (and related outdoor activities), has not diminished despite the intrusion of COVID-19, unexpected weather events and a significant landslip on the Bogong High Plains Road. A dedicated group of skilled and experienced Leaders, led by our very able Activities Coordinator, David Graf, have offered over 22 walks, (both day and weekend); 5 cycling trips; 2 canoeing weekends and an extended hike, attracting over 220 participants.

A big 'Thank You' is extended to our retiring committee members - **Ralph Simpfendorfer**, who has served in the role of 'Footprints' editor and Website Manager; **Eve Durham**, who as Treasurer has ensured we have remained solvent; **Nola Houghton** who looked after all things relating to membership; **David Graf**, who worked tirelessly as Activities Coordinator, **Paul Schirmer** who brought his years of experience and wisdom to committee meetings, and **David Butler** who monitored and maintained our gear and equipment. Thank you one and all for a job done well.

Congratulations and thank you also to all those members who either led an activity over the past twelve months, or have participated in an activity, whether it be just one or many.

The Club continues to endure due to your participation and contribution, so please continue to be involved in any way you can.

We look forward to another year of many and varied outdoor adventures, both near and far!

Ian Trevaskis
President

Activities Report

The start of this past activities year, in March 2022, came off a burst of activity as the COVID travel restrictions opened up and we could get up into the Alpine (and other) areas again. Highlights included Deb and Mick who led 2 days canoeing the upper Murray, and Bernadette and Ian put on their annual gourmet weekend at Tawonga Huts.

Pete's Jagungal walk over Easter crossed pristine treeless plains and river valleys above the snow line.

There were day walks ably led by Eileen, and bike rides led by Ian and Neil too. Leanne also led us in an Easter Sunday Magic Forest Singing Amble at Stanley, just one of several of this new walk 'format' she has introduced to the club, and which has been greatly appreciated by participants.

The start of the new membership year also meant the start of the new online annual risk acknowledgement process. While this has simplified things for leaders and participants, it has added some extra work for our membership officer Nola checking that the acknowledgement has been completed by all walkers renewing their memberships – many thanks for your efforts.

But it wasn't long until the days shortened and the snow fell, curtailing our plans. Fortunately our leaders were still able to find some worthwhile walks, such as Alwyn and Eileen's Mayday Monument, Murray & Meal Meander. While I got a bit diverted following a wombat (?) track on the way in, we found Kelly caves near Beechworth too (and found our way back out).

The winter months and early spring also saw David Butler and I join and provide support to the Federation Walks committee, preparing for the weekend 1-2 October which was based in Wangaratta and hosted by the Warby walkers and Benalla bushwalking club.

Thankyou to Mick and Deb for contributing by leading two walks for the weekend, and also Eileen for sharing her knowledge of Mayday Hills in Beechworth. Unfortunately I had to pull my cycle activities last minute, and Paul's two walks at Wahgunyah were underwater.

In late September we also had our not-quite-annual Leaders training day, which we were very grateful to Judy from Bushwalking Victoria for leading with Jim (also from BWV). Kudos to Cindy too for putting up taking up my offer of tailored walks leading mentoring (alas dates conspired against us so she ended up leading by herself anyway!).

Sensing our excitement at the impending walking season, mother nature gave us a landslide above Bogong village at the start of October. But our leaders stepped up again, putting on walks including a sunset on Mt Loch, Mt Beauty Moncreiff track, and another weekend canoeing the Mitta Mitta river.

Finally, thankyou to Eileen for keeping track of the walk stats during the year. (I have 'played' with them to format for this report – any errors or omissions are on me). I found these stats interesting due to the number of participants and that it's good to see the club leaders have offered so many walks at the easy to medium grade this year.

David G

Day walks

Area	Grade	No. of walkers
Beechworth Kelly Caves	3	16
Falls Creek	3	1
Stanley Singing	1	10
Mt Beauty	1	6
Beechworth Mt Sugarloaf	3	11
Mt Beauty	3	4
Chiltern	2	10
Beechworth Mayday Hills	1	7
Beechworth Mt Sugarloaf	3	11
Wodonga Maher/Huon hills	3	10
Albury Nail Can	3	8
Mt Buffalo bits	Ungraded	11
Mt Buffalo part Big Walk	3	7
Mt Beauty	3	4
Snowshoe - Mt Buffalo	3	8

Weekend walks

Area	Grade	No. of walkers
Mt Buffalo	3	4
Tali Karng	4	5
Mt Hotham	3	6
Mt Hotham	Ungraded	8
Falls Creek	3	4
Kosciuszko	4	5
Mt Wills	2	2

Bike rides:

Area	Grade	No. of riders
Beechworth/Everton	4	6
Porepunkah/Harrietville	3	9
Happy Valley/Wandiligong	3	7
Eurobin/Wandiligong	1	6
Porepunkah/Harrietville	3	3

Additional activities:

- An ungraded canoe weekend at Walwa led by Deb and Mick with 14 participants
- An ungraded canoeing weekend on Mitta Mitta river led by Deb and Mick with 11 participants
- An extended grade 5 trip to KNP Jagungal circuit with 6 participants.

Border Bushwalking Club Inc

Treasurer's Report

For the 12 months from 1 March 2022 to 28 February 2023

Assets and Liabilities

Assets as at 28 February 2023

• Cash at Bank – Current Account	\$ 3,280.42
• Cash at Bank – Term Deposit (2.00% : 6 mths maturing 29/07/23)	\$ 5,280.66
• Cash at Bank – Term Deposit (3.75% : 12 mths maturing 10/02/24)	<u>\$ 6,700.00</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$15,261.08</u>

Liabilities as at 28 February 2023 \$ 0.00

Income and Expenditure

The period ended with a decrease in cash at bank of \$871.29. Income included interest received of \$0.47 from the current account and \$81.26 from our Term Deposits.

Key points include:

- An additional term deposit was taken out in Jan 2023 to take advantage of a higher rate of interest.
- The total of Member Fees and Temporary Members Fees remained stable.
- Equipment Hire fees showed a decrease of \$86 over last year.
- Bushwalking Victoria's affiliation fees of \$3,383 were less than last year by \$693 mainly due to a special rebate of \$814 provided by Bushwalking Victoria. These fees include our insurance for members and non-members.
- A portable AED was purchased in Oct 2022 for \$1,430.
- The annual website hosting and domain name registration cost of \$450 remained the same as last year.
- Club room hire fees of \$680 were invoiced by the Wodonga & District Senior Citizens Association for the 2020, 2021 and 2022 years.

Comments on overall financial position

Our revenue exceeded our recurrent expenditure by \$559. The one-off purchase of an AED for \$1,430 resulted in the reduction of \$871 in the overall cash balance.

Membership Fees

The committee proposes that the membership fee structure for the 2023-24 membership year remains at the current levels.

Evelyn Durham

Treasurer

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE DISSECTION 2022/23

INCOME	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Total Yr 22/23
Member's Fees	\$ 45.00	\$ 410.00	\$ 980.00	\$ 1,990.00	\$ 340.00	\$ 455.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 305.00	\$ 170.00	\$ -	\$ 125.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 5,350.00
Temp Mbr's Fees	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00
Equipment Hire	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	\$ 41.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26.00	\$ 110.00
Club Sales	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Current Acc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.47
Interest Term Deposit	\$ 4.40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49.85	\$ -	\$ 81.26
Total Income for month:	\$ 49.40	\$ 430.00	\$ 1,023.00	\$ 1,999.72	\$ 340.00	\$ 506.00	\$ 432.51	\$ 310.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 0.25	\$ 174.85	\$ 201.00	\$ 5,641.73

RECURRENT EXPENDITURE	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Total Yr 21/22
Affiliation fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 56.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156.00
BWV Affiliation (incl. pers insurance & public liability)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,383.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,383.76
Club Room Hire	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 680.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 680.00
Consumer Affairs	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61.20	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61.20
PO Box Hire	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Postage	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Printing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Website - non-discretionary	\$ -	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00
Recurrent expenditure:	\$ 4,730.96												

DISCRETIONARY EXPENDITURE	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Total Yr 21/22
Advertising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
BWV AGM attendance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Christmas Party	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 101.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 101.27
40th anniversary	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Club Nights	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Club Suppers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22.34	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 99.34
Computer	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Gifts to Members	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Equipment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Maintenance	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,430.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,430.00
Equipment Purchase	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
First Aid Course	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leaders Night	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Leadership Training	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37.45
Member Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Snake Bandages	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49.00
Website	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65.00	\$ -	\$ 65.00
Youngs Hut	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Discretionary expenditure:	\$ 1,782.06												

Total expenditure for month:	\$ -	\$ 450.00	\$ 22.34	\$ 56.00	\$ -	\$ 3,493.96	\$ 114.45	\$ 1,530.00	\$ -	\$ 781.27	\$ 65.00	\$ -	\$ -
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Total expenditure: \$ 6,513.02

Net Cash In (Out): \$ (871.29)

Balance 01/02/22	16,132.37
Cash Movement	(871.29)
Balance 28/02/23	15,261.08

Comprising:	
Cheque Account	3,280.42
Investment Account #1	5,280.66
Investment Account #2	6,700.00
	15,261.08

Difference -

BBC - Equipment Hire Report 2022/ 2023

First, we must again thank and acknowledge Gino and his Team at Adventure Gear, for their kind assistance with storing and managing the daily hire of the Border Bushwalking Clubs hire equipment.

The past 12 months the use and hiring of the clubs Equipment has been minimal. A further review of the BBC Equipment by the committee will be on going, should the current trend of minimal hiring maintain over the coming months.

<u>Items</u>	<i>Total Hired Units 2022/23</i>	<i>Total Hired Units 2019/23</i>
Tents	2	11
Backpacks		9
Sleeping Bags		5
Jackets		3
Stoves		2
Trekking Poles		2
Snow Shoes	3	13

With the advent of Covid and its impact, the BBC Committee completed a review of the Hire Equipment, with a commitment to hygiene concerns highlighted by the Covid virus. Based on the review, the committee withdrew Sleeping Bags and Liners from our clubs Hire Equipment.

We also withdrew 2 backpacks due to wear and tear.

On the upside the committee discussed and purchased a Defibrillator for the use of Team Leaders on organised Club Walks.

David B

Membership Report – 2023

Total number of members: 145 as at April 12 2023

Single memberships: 119

Family memberships: 26

Nola

BORDER BUSHWALKING CLUB
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TUES, 2 MAY, 2023 7:30PM
AGENDA

Welcome (All members sign attendance register)

Apologies

Quorum Confirm meeting has a quorum

Minutes of previous AGM May 2022. Attached to May 2023 footprints.

Motion . That the minutes of the 2022 AGM as circulated be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved Seconded Carried.

Business arising from 2022 AGM minutes.

President's Report Attached to May 23 Footprints.

Motion. That the President's report as circulated be accepted.

Moved Seconded Carried

Treasurers Report Attached to May 23 Footprints.

Motion That the treasurer's report as circulated be accepted.

Moved Seconded Carried.

Fees for forthcoming year; It is recommended that there be no increase in membership fees for the 23/24.year

Motion. That there be no increase in the membership fees for the 23/24 year.

Moved Seconded Carried

Activities Coordinator's Report Included with May 2023 Footprints.

Equipment Officer's Report Included with May 2023 Footprints.

All Committee positions declared vacant.

Election of 2023/2024 Committee

At the time of writing, the following nominations have been received.

- President Ian Trevaskis.
- Secretary Dick Wellard.
- Treasurer Geraldine Bohan
- General Committee Sandy Kaitler Wendy Enver Ira Robinson Alwyn Friedersdorff.

Retiring committee members.

The chair on behalf of our club acknowledges and thanks the following retiring committee members

Eve Durham David Graf David Butler Paul Schirmer Nola Houghton Ralph Simpfendorfer.

Management of accounts Motion That the signatories to the club accounts held at Hume Bank be;

President Vice President Treasurer Secretary

Moved Seconded Carried

General Business

Meeting closed

NOMINATION FORM

for the 2023 ELECTION of OFFICE BEARERS
of the BORDER BUSHWALKING CLUB INC. A5665

NAME of NOMINEE:

POSITION (Please CIRCLE): President, Vice President, Secretary,
Treasurer, General Committee

PROPOSED BY:

SIGNATURE OF PROPOSER:

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE:

DATE:

Return to the Secretary, Border Bushwalking Club Inc at secretary@borderbushwalkingclub.com.au
or deliver to the Secretary before the commencement of the Annual General Meeting on May 2,
2023

Of Interest for member

Guided walk to Mt Wills, May 20 by Cam Walker and Friends of the Earth



Last month Friends of the Earth hosted a [mountain road trip](#) to visit some special places in the Alps. This included a walk to Mt Wills and the areas threatened by logging.

The forests that will be cut were very impressive, older alpine ash forests.

Mt Wills itself is a magical '[island in the sky](#)' of [isolated snow gum woodland](#), largely dominated by older trees. We had a lot of requests to host another walk, so here it is.

Public walk to Mt Wills and the proposed coupes.....Saturday May 20

[Read more of this post "Guided walk to Mt Wills, May 20"](#)

Services included in your BBC membership include.

A range of gear is available from the club to hire at a very minimal rate

1. Sleeping bags
2. Back-packs
3. Hiking poles
4. Waterproof jackets
5. We even have a dehydrator if you want to prepare your own meals

Safety equipment is available free of charge for leaders of club activities

- First aid kits
- GPS
- PBLs

All of the above is stored and managed by [Adventure Gear, 479 Dean Street, Albury.](#)

Call in and have a chat to Gino, Wendy and Peter for all your equipment needs whether it be hiring or buying at the special BBC club discounted rate.

They appreciate members coming in during a quiet time a few days early. You can then book any items for collection on the day before use. This avoids potentially arriving during a busy time when they are with customers looking to buy products.

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