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# Walks Program, July, August, September 2025

If the walk leader(s) cannot be contacted to book into a walk, phone Jeanette, 0417 546 974; or Michael, 0447 617 880.

If a walk needs to be cancelled (for example, due to weather) an alternative walk will be offered where possible.

AWTGS = Australian Walking Track Grading System (see below for details)

Day/Date	What's on	Grade	Contact
Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Mount Porepunkah	E, M & H	Marita, 0427 521 122
Thursday, 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Beechworth Gorge	E/M	Lesley, 0439 776 687
Sunday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July	White Box Walk, Chiltern – Mount Pilot NP	Е	Sandi, 0439 552 152
Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Mount Glenrowan	E/M & M	Jeanette, 0417 546 974
Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup> August	Barry Falls, Eldorado	E/M	Jeanette, 0417 546 974
Thursday, 21 <sup>st</sup> August	Lower Ovens Wildlife Reserve	E	Andy, 0439 209 749
Saturday, 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Ritchies Track, Stanley State Forest	М	Lesley, 0439 776 687
Friday, 12 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday, 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Weekend at Yea, with walks in the Murrindindi Scenic Reserve	E, M & H	Michael, 0447 617 880
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> (Public Holiday) and/or Saturday, 27 <sup>th</sup> and/or Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Warbys South to North over three days, and other short walks.	E, M & H	Andy, 0439 209 749
Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> August	General Meeting, 2pm		Michael, 0447 617 880
28 <sup>th</sup> April - 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Yarra Valley – Annual Week Away		

**Easy Walk.** Usually about 10 km or less, suitable for beginners and usually on graded, well formed tracks in open terrain **Medium Walk.** Usually between 10 km and 15km, where medium fitness is required. Perhaps some bush, minor scrub, some rock hopping or scrambling.

Hard Walk. Greater than 15 km, a hard and strenuous walk for fit walkers only. There may be bush, thick scrub, major rock and creek crossings, rock hopping, scrambling and use of hands.

## **Australian Walking Track Grading System**

- Grade 1: Up to 5km, gentle gradients, well formed track without steps, clearly sign-posted, no experience required.
- Grade 2: Up to 10km, gentle hills, formed track with occasional steps, clearly sign-posted, no experience required.
- Grade 3: Up to 20km, short steep hills, formed track with many steps, sign-posted, some bushwalking experience required.
- Grade 4: May be more than 20km, some long steep sections, rough track, limited sign-posting, intermediate bushwalking experience required.
- Grade 5: May be more than 20km, many long steep sections, rough track, no sign-posting, extensive bushwalking experience required.

## Sunday, 6th July. Mount Porepunkah from One Mile Creek side. Marita, 0427 521 122

Options of Easy (9km), Medium (12km), and Hard (17km) walks along single lane bush road, which comes from One Mile Creek Road and ascending to Mount Porepunkah. There is ascent of about 350m for E, 500m for M, and 700m for H. But there are no steep sections, just a steady ascent. The road is lightly shaded by trees, and there are views of Mount Buffalo along the way. From the summit, there are 360 degree views of the surrounding valleys and mountains. From there we'll do the return walk, descending back to the start. [AWTGS 3]

## Thursday, 10th July. Beechworth Gorge. Lesley, 0439 776 687

An easy/medium walk of approx 9 km in the gorge area of Beechworth Historic Park. We will take in Spring Creek Cascades, the Precipice, Fiddes Quarry and Ingrams Rock. Mostly on made walking tracks, with good views over Woolshed Valley. Short steep descent and ascent. [AWTGS 3]

## Sunday, 20th July. White Box Walk, Chiltern - Mount Pilot NP. Sandi, 0439 552 152

An easy loop walk of approx. 8.5k mostly on bush tracks in the Chiltern - Mount Pilot National Park. Starting and finishing at the Honeyeater Picnic Area, taking in the remaining gold mining landscape of the Golden Bar Mine among other natural and historical features of the park in the remnant Box-Ironbark Forest. [AWTGS 2]

## Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Mount Glenrowan. Jeanette 0417 546 974

A choice of two walks. An easy to medium walk of approximately 11k along the Ridge Track to Morgans Lookout at Mount Glenrowan via Chick Hill, or a medium walk of approx 15k following the Casuarina and Moonlight Tracks to reach Morgans Lookout, and return via Chick Hill. Both walks have a short steep climb on bitumen to the communications towers. Possible waterfalls along the Moonlight Track, if there's been sufficient rain, a steep climb along the Moonlight Track of approx 120m over approx 1k, excellent views from Morgans Lookout. [AWTGS 2-3]

#### Sunday, 17th August. Barry Falls, Eldorado. Jeanette, 0417 546 974.

An easy/medium walk of approx 10k in the Chiltern - Mount Pilot NP, taking the Warbler Track to Barry Falls (a waterfall if there's been recent rain), and then onto some mining ruins off Nieoffs Road. Mostly on gravel roads, and bush tracks. Less than 200m ascent/descent. [AWTGS 2]

## Thursday, 21st August. Lower Ovens Wildlife Reserve. Andy, 0439 209 749.

An easy stroll of about 7km on the Ovens/Murray floodplain, mainly north of the Murray Valley Highway. We will be visiting the Lower Ovens Wildlife Reserve, plus the place close to where our special heritage Ovens River combines with the much larger Murray River, and Lake Mulwala. [AWTGS 2]

## Saturday, 30th August. Ritchies Track, Stanley State Forest. Lesley, 0439 776 687

A medium walk of approx 12k, beginning at Old Stanley Road. This walk has several steep sections, and is mostly on 4wd gravel roads with plenty of shade. We pass by the outskirts of Stanley township. [AWTGS 2]

#### Friday, 12th to Sunday, 14th September. Murrindindi Scenic Reserve. Michael, 0447 617 880

A weekend staying at the Yea Riverside Caravan Park and walking in the Murrindindi Scenic Reserve with a mix of easy, medium and hard walks, taking in the Wilhelmina Falls and Murrindindi Cascades. [AWTGS 2-3] Book your own accommodation, or camp site, at the Yea Riverside Caravan Park: 03 5797 2972.

#### Let Michael know if you are attending by text message to 0447 617 880.

Friday, 26th &/or Saturday, 27th &/or Sunday, 28th September. A weekend in the Warby Ovens National Park walking the Warbys south to north, Killawarra Forest to Peechelba, plus other shorter walks.

**Andy, 0439 209 749.** A weekend in the WONP with the opportunity to walk the Warby Range, and the Killawarra Forest, south to north from Glenrowan to Peechelba. [AWTGS 2-3]

# Day 1: Friday, 26th September - Glenrowan to Wenham's - plus a shorter walk offered.

Starting at Glenrowan's Morrison's Winery, and ascending Mount Glenrowan/Morgan's Lookout, following the Ridge Track to Taminick Gap then continue on to Mt Warby and Wenham's Camp. A hard walk of approx 18k, initially off track, then on bush tracks and gravel vehicle tracks which will finish at Wenham's Camp.

#### Day 2: Saturday, 27th September - Camp to Camp - plus a short walk in the Killawarra Forest.

Starting at Wenham's Camp and walking to the Killawarra Forest camp via Friends Track, Loggers Lane, Blakely's Track, Spring Creek Picnic Area, Cox's Track and over Boweya Road to the Killawarra Forest camp. A hard walk approx 18k on bush tracks, and gravel vehicle tracks. Shorter walks to Wallaby Hill and/or the Springtime Wildflower Walk will also be offered to finish at Killawarra Forest camp where the AFL Grand Final will be listened to around a fire!

# Day 3: Sunday, 28th September - Killawarra Forest Camp to Peechelba in the WONP Ovens River.

On bush tracks then along Irishtown Creek and gravel roads to Peechelba township, walk approx14k.

Do 1, 2 or all 3 stages, with options to camp out at the two WONP camps which have basic facilities (picnic tables with seating, toilet/s). Tis the season for wildflowers, blooming trees, plus super birdlife!!