# Friends of Brisbane Ranges

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# **Next Meeting**

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December

#### Meet at;

10am at the Anakie Community Depot

#### Activities;

Presentation on Wildflowers of Western Australia by Cathy Powers.

#### What to bring;

Plate to share (preferably with something on it) for morning tea. BYO drinks and seating facility. Lunch will be provided.

# Next Month

#### January 2009

Nothing, zilch, in fact don't even bother turning up. Yep you guessed it, it is your month off.

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## Investigation of proposed realignment of a section of the Burchell Trail

# Route from Graham's Creek picnic ground to intersection of Back Track and Burchell Trail, via Hazel and Back Tracks

Distance (measured via GPS) 1.1km

The grade leading to the top of the hill from both directions is quite steep. Coming from Back Track to the intersection with Hazel Track, there is no marker post at the three way intersection to indicate which way the Burchell Trail goes. Burchell Trail may need some definition work following the burn off.

# Route from intersection of Back Track and Burchell Trail to Graham's Creek picnic ground, via proposed route following Graham's Creek Distance (measured via GPS) 0.8km

We followed the track as best we could along the creek. Trying to spot the route was a guessing game at times, and there were several spots where more than one track was visible. The track was also very steep in one spot, adjacent to the block of private land. The track condition was quite poor and would not currently be suitable for people carrying overnight packs.



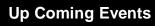
Proposed route from intersection of Back Track and Graham's Creek

#### The verdict?

The route via Back and Hazel Tracks is in better condition for walking, but the grade is quite steep. The track is also getting washed away in places.

The walk along Graham's Creek would be more picturesque, but significant works would have to be undertaken to improve the track condition, alignment and definition. Another alternative would be to follow the track that crosses back and forth across the creek, but this would also require major works to upgrade the creek crossings and may also require major maintenance following floods.

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# CHRISTMAS and

I am not saying when, that is up to you to find out.

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December 2008





The Friends of Brisbane Ranges would like to extend an invitation to the Friends of Werribee Gorge and Long Forest and Friends of Lerderderg to a presentation on the wildflowers of Western Australia and Christmas celebration. The event will take place at the old Parks Victoria Depot, Ballan Road Anakie. Attendees are asked to arrive at the depot at 10am for morning tea and a chat. The presentation will start at approx 10.30am followed by a catered lunch. Participants are asked to bring a plate to share for morning tea and their own drinks, although some tea and coffee will be available on site. Please RSVP by 12 noon on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December to <u>ilocke@parks.vic.gov.au</u> or Mob. 0427 218 520 for catering numbers. Hope to see you all there.

# 2008 A PICTORIAL RECORD



Expansion of the Boar Gully Campervan/Caravan Site

Grass trees in the Hazel Track Prescribed Burn



Re establishment of the Red Ironbark Tk Crossing



and a floral display

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