



Next Meeting

Sunday 14th 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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Up Coming Events

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

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Last Month

Colin Cook

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.



Invitation to Sunday 14th December



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 12th December to jlocke@parks.vic.gov.au or Mob. 0427 218 520 for catering numbers. Hope to see you all there.

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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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