Mt Wilson Mt Irvine Bushwalking Group

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VICTORY TRACK AND SASSAFRAS GULLY

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OUR PROPOSED JANUARY WALK

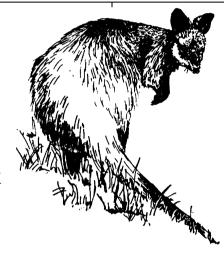
The VICTORY TRACK and SASSAFRAS GULLY TRACK FAULCONBRIDGE to SPRINGWOOD

Friday 18th January 2019

During a programme of three hundred and sixty walks over a period of just under twenty-nine years we have had to cancel only eight walks due to weather conditions. Five of those were due to heavy rain, two on account of bushfires, one because of heavy snow, and, our proposed January walk was cancelled owing to extreme forecast temperatures.

I do hope I was not hypersensitive in making that decision but I was hyperconscious of the risk of someone suffering hyperthermia in the extreme conditions. My hypothesis for making that decision appeared to be borne out by the fact that a total fire ban was declared across the Blue Mountains, and indeed across most of the State, for that day. I trust no one will be hypercritical of that resolution, nor of this little piece of hyperbole.

We will reschedule the Victory Track and Sassafras Gully Track from Faulconbridge to Springwood to April. Please note this will be held on the FIRST Friday of April, as the third Friday in April this year is Good



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Friday; and of course the second Friday is Bush Care day.

Our February walk will be Darwins Walk and the Under and Overcliff Tracks at Wentworth Falls. It did not seem right to be walking the Victory Track, though named for the allied victory in WWI, on the 15th February as that is the anniversary of the Fall of Singapore in 1942.

We will then walk to Odin

Head in March which gives us
a complete change in terrain,
yet a connection to war

remains, Odin being the Scandinavian god of war; as stated we will return to the Victory Track in April.

John Cardy

OUR FEBRUARY WALK

FRIDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2019

Walk beside a Burbling Creek; see Beautiful Waterfalls and Panoramic Views

Darwins Walk, Under/Overcliff Tracks at Wentworth Falls

This walk will take us through a variety of environments and is shaded for the majority of its length. It is a medium grade walk of about 9km on mostly good tracks. We will have a morning tea stop as usual along the track. Freda Moxom, who has kindly offered to lead this walk, has graciously invited us to divert to her place on the way back to the cars; there we

can partake of our lunches in comfort at her lovely home.

Meet at Wilson Park in Falls Road just off the Great Western Highway at Wentworth Falls, (near the Bowling Club) at 9.30am. Those wishing to car share from Mt Wilson should meet at St Georges Church for an 8.30am departure.

Bring morning tea and lunch only and remember to bring PLENTY OF WATER.

Contact Helen and John Cardy on 9871 3661 or on mobile 0400 444 966.

FUTURE WALKS (Tentative schedule)

Friday 15th March – Odin Head at Mt Victoria

Friday 5th April – Victory Track and Sassafras Gully Track, Faulconbridge to Springwood. **NB: This is the FIRST FRIDAY.**

BUSH CARE

Bush Care is held on the second Friday of each month from 9am to Noon. Any help, even for a short time, would be appreciated.

Friday 8th February at Wynne Reserve

Friday 8th March at Hay Lane – Ferny Corner – Planting

Friday 12th April at Hay Lane – Sloane Reserve

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