



**WARBY RANGE
BUSHWALKERS Inc.**

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FACT SHEET

Week Away – Thursday 7th – Wednesday 13th

April 2022 (6 nights)

Gippsland

Our accommodation for 2022 has been booked at Forest Lodge Farm, <https://forestlodgefarm.com.au/>

The address is 52 Forest Lodge Road, Jack River 3971, which is located about 17km south west of Yarram.

There are different options to travel there; through the outskirts of Melbourne it's about 450km, or over the mountains it's about 460km, both these distances are from Wangaratta.

The Camp is situated on 50 acres of farmland, with no neighbours near by. It's next to a state forest; Alberton State Forest, where there is an abundance of animal and bird life, and views of Wilson Promontory can be seen. Views of the Strzelecki Ranges, and surrounding dairy farms, can also be enjoyed from the camp.

There are a variety of animals on the farm, including pigs and goats.

The cost:

- \$245 for accommodation – same cost if you are in a tent, caravan or camper.
- About \$10/day for evening meals.
- Additional costs for traveling to and from walks.

Accommodation:

- The bedrooms vary in size, and the number of people they can sleep.
- Some bedrooms are closer to the bathrooms than others.
- All the beds are bunk beds, but we will only use the bottom bunk .
 - the mattresses and pillows have a plastic cover
- Couples may be able to have a room to themselves, dependent on the number of people coming – there are no double beds.
- In the lounge area, there is a fireplace, split system air conditioning, sound system and also a disco light (so that's an invite for some disco dancing) there is also a large projector screen, another alternative for entertainment.
- The kitchen is available for our usual self catering.
 - it includes a large walk in cool-room.
- There are also options to use your tent, caravan or campervan if you'd prefer.

Other facilities we're able to use:

- “Shelter Shed” – a partly enclosed outdoor meeting place with BBQ, tables and seating.
- Swimming Pool – in ground
- Camp fire place
- “Recreation Room” – a large carpeted room with a stage, table tennis, couches, trestle tables and bench seats. This can be used for indoor sports, and performances.
- There is also a sports oval, basketball hoops and outdoor volleyball facilities.

What you need to bring:

- Your own dinner for Thursday 7th April, a microwave is available.
 - Please plan to be there by 6pm, at the latest.
- Your own breakfast, lunch and snacks for the week.
 - Additional supplies can be purchased in Yarram.
- Your own alcohol and glasses if required, (there are no wine glasses available at the lodges).
- Bedding; including sleeping-bag, and or doonas and sheets, and pillow slip/s
- Towel/s
- Appropriate walking clothing and gear – <http://warbybushwalkers.org.au/equipment-checklist/>

Walks: A variety of easy/medium/hard walks will be offered daily. There will be walks every day, but people can choose to have rest day/s if they want to.

Due to the possibility of “bad” weather, the walks program will be flexible, and rest days may be included. Information about the walks will be provided when we arrive.

Anyone who thinks that they might be interested in leading a walk during the week away, please contact our walks coordinator; details below.

Check List for Day Walks:

- Day Pack – of adequate size and comfortable fit.
- Fluid – an amount sufficient to last the duration of the walk (as a guide; 1 litre for each 10km).
- Food – lunch plus high energy snacks plus some reserve.
- Wet weather gear – water proof coat and over pants.
- Woollen jumper (if not being worn).
- Attire – sturdy boots, woollen socks (two pairs), jumpers as required, shorts or trousers (no denim), long sleeved shirt with collar, hat with brim.
- Other personal items – sunscreen, sunglasses, toilet paper, and personal medication.
- Petrol money, as advised by walk leader.

Food: The “meals team system” will again be used to prepare, cook, serve and clean up a three-course dinner. Each participant will be “on duty” on one night only (more information will be provided closer to departure). Simple and wholesome meals will be served.

Please note:

- Car-pooling (traveling to and from Gippsland) is always encouraged; it's expected that passengers contribute to transport costs. Our usual car-pooling cost is 8cent/km.
 - A list of who is going, and their contact details, will be provided at a later date.
- The club (Warby Walkers) will bring tea, coffee, milo, sugar, milk, butter/margarine, milk, salt and pepper, olive oil, tomato sauce, salad dressing, foil, glad wrap, paper towels, washing up gloves, and hand sanitiser for everyone to use.
- The kitchen is in the same building where we sleep, so you'll be able to store, and prepare your own food, and have breakfast where you're staying.
- Supermarket and service station are available in Yarram; about 17 km, or 15 min drive.
- We will be meeting in the lounge, or dining room, at 6pm each evening to plan walks for the following day – commencing on Thursday 7th April.
- Car-pooling may be used for the day walks, to minimize vehicles used.
 - and the "Meter Maid" system may be used to cover daily walks' petrol costs.

How to Book:

Please provide a completed Registration Form for each person, and deposit of \$100 per person, by **Sunday 19 Sep September 2021**. The balance of \$145 will need to be paid in the New Year sometime, date still to be announced. In case of cancellation, every effort will be made to refund where possible, however a portion may be withheld to pay the Club's commitment to Cancellation Policy that we must adhere to. Further information can be found in a separate document, "Payment Terms and Conditions".

Sub-Committee members:

Chair: Cecily Fletcher ; 0490 024 471; fletchers@southernphone.com.au

Walks Coordinator: Sandie Church; 0421 657 440; sandrachurch@bigpond.com

Meals Coordinator: Anne Turnbull; 0409 208 218; turnbullanne62@gmail.com

Catering Support: Erin Pascoe; 0419 200 998;

Communication Officer: Marita Samuelsson ; 0427 52 1122; marita.samu@gmail.com

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the appropriate person from this list.

Some Information about the neighbouring areas:

[YARRAM, South Gippsland, Victoria - Map of district & local attractions. \(netspace.net.au\)](http://netspace.net.au)