

U3A HAWTHORN SHORTER WALKS ON WEDNESDAYS 2019

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- Participants for each walk must register with the walk leader not later than the day before the walk.
- We meet for each walk at 10:15AM for a 10:30AM start.
- Walks will be **cancelled** if on the 7PM news the night before, the forecast maximum temperature is 30 degrees C or more. Also, at the leader's discretion, if strong winds or heavy rain are forecast.

| Date | Location of walk | Leader |
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| March 13 | <p>The Australian Garden at Cranbourne</p> <p>Getting there: Cnr Bollarto Rd and Botanic Drive, Cranbourne.</p> <p>We will meet at the Visitor Centre at 10:15 for a 10:30AM start. The walk, on gravel paths all the way, will take in Trig Point, the Possum Gully Track, the Manna Wetlands, Wylie's Creek Track and we will return to the Visitor Centre for lunch. After lunch we will tour the Australian Garden.</p> | Garry Warne Tel 9818 6588 or 0421 699 039. Email garry@warnefamily.net |
| April 10 | <p>Wilson Reserve Yarra Riverbank Walk</p> <p>The walk follows a track on the riverbank through quite wild and unspoilt scenery that's wooded and features some older generation gums. The track is flat and easy but unsealed and can be muddy after prolonged rain. It is not frequented either by walkers or cyclists. The walk starts at the car park and playground in Wilson Reserve and we will end at the small bridge over the Yarra just short of the Burke Road bridge connecting to the main</p> | Frank Devlin 0421 008 838 |

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| | <p>Yarra trail. At this point we will turn back to our starting point. Total length 7km. Bird lovers should bring their binoculars.</p> <p>Meet where Melway says "Play" 31F10. This entails turning off the Boulevard in Ivanhoe and following the two signs saying "Main Yarra trail" and "Wilson Reserve". The car park and playground are at the foot of the hill.</p> | |
| May 8 | <p>Eltham Lower Park to Tinkalara Park and return This 7.5 kilometre walk links the Diamond Creek Track to the Main Yarra Trail. It follows the Yarra River past Petty's Orchard and its confluence with the Mullum Mullum Creek to a point opposite Tikalara Park. Although there are some sections of boardwalk, most of the footing is firm gravel. There is every likelihood of kangaroo sightings and birds are usually plentiful. Despite being shared between walkers and cyclists the track is not a busy one mid-week but participants should be on the lookout for passing bicycles.</p> <p>Meet at Eltham Lower Park; Melways 21 H10. Enter at Hohnes Road off Main Road, Eltham. Keep right at the roundabout and proceed to the carpark at the Cricket Club pavilion. There is ample parking and a toilet nearby.</p> | <p>Anne & Jeff Lodge. Ph. : 9882 5430. Mob.: 0417031082. Email: jeffandannelodge1@bigpond.com</p> |
| June 12 | <p>Castlemaine, historic buildings and Botanic Gardens. Meet at Southern Cross Station at 9.00 for a departure at 9.15 am, arriving at Castlemaine at 10.46. The walk winds backwards and forwards through the town passing most of the historic buildings, then back past the railway station to the Botanic Gardens where we will have lunch, followed by a walk through the gardens, where there are some beautiful old trees. On the return trip, the train leaves Castlemaine at</p> | <p>Margaret Deighton. Tel 9818 4933 or 0438 712 311. Email margdeighton@aapt.net.au</p> |

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| | <p>15.01, arriving at Southern Cross at 16.33. I will check the timetables again a week or so before the walk in case of change. This is quite a long day, but I think you'll find the train trip pleasant and the walk through Castlemaine worth the time spent travelling. It is best to get the train ticket (no cost with one of your annual Senior's Card vouchers) a day or two beforehand.</p> | |
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