

## **Friends of the Great South West Walk - Recreational Walk Program 2024**

### **SWB (Short Walks on and around The Great South West Walk) - GB (The Great South West Walk Guide Book)**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>WALK</b>	<b>MEETING LOCATION AND TIME</b>	<b>DISTANCE (APPROX)</b>	<b>OPTION FOR LEAVING THE WALK</b>	<b>CONTACT PERSON</b>
Saturday January 20th	Bridgewater Lakes/Blacks Beach Loop Walk (SWB No. 18) Bridgewater Bay Cafe	Portland Info Centre 3pm	5km		Trish 0400 145220
Monday February 5th	Nelson (Ocean Beach) to Mombeong Campsite (GB Day 8)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	20km	Nobles Rocks car park 13km	Jen 0417 345440
Saturday February 10th	Sapling Creek to North Nelson Road. (SWB No.12) Lower Glenelg NP. Picnic Tea at Bridge Park, Nelson	Portland Info Centre 2pm	10km		Lou 0400 145220
Monday March 4th	Moleside to Fitzroy Camp (GB Day 4)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	22km	Jct Inkpot Rd/Harris Rd 9km	Andy 017 704303
Saturday March 16th	Moleside to Wild Dog Bend, loop walk. (SWB No. 10) Evening meal at Nelson Hotel.	Portland Info Centre 2pm	7km		Jenny 0427 788206 Wendy 0400 539839
Monday April 8th	Cape Nelson Lighthouse to Bridgewater Bay. (GB Day 13)	Bridgewater beach Carpark 7.45am	20km	Carpark on Bridgewater Rd, (approx 0.5km after Trewalla Camp track) 16km	Bronwyn 0400 911580
Saturday April 13th	Hamilton/Coleraine Rail Trail - bring lunch and drinks	Portland Info Centre 9am	7km		Wendy 55723097
Monday May 6th	Dutton Way to GSWW intersection with Surry River Rd. (GB Day 1)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	17km	Penny's Rd. 8km	Phyl 0488 629163
Saturday May 11th	Cobboboonee Camp to Fitzroy Camp - bring food and drink (GB Day 3)	Portland Info Centre 10am	12km		Julie 55232131
Monday June 3rd	Simpsons Landing to Pattersons (GB Day 7)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	19km	Jct North Nelson Rd/River Rd 14km	Russell 0427 234750

Saturday June 15th	Lake Mombeong to Nobles Rocks, GSWW inland track. Bring lunch & drinks.	Portland Info Centre 10am	8km		Lou 0400145220
Monday July 1st	Cape Bridgewater Circuit (clockwise) (SWB No. 20)	Blowholes 7.45am	22km	Bridgewater Bay 14km	Roger 0429 707258
Saturday July 13th	Bill's Walk – Quarry Gates (via Blacknose and Gannets).(SWB 30) - lunch at Blacknose picnic area	Portland Info Centre 10am	5km		Julie 55232131
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> August	Bills Walk to Cape Nelson Lighthouse (GB Day 14)	Cape Nelson Lighthouse 7.45am	20km	Yellow Rock 12km	Meg 0427 367894
Saturday August 10th	Mount Piccininny/Mount Sturgeon, Dunkeld Bring lunch & drinks.	Portland Info Centre 9am; Hamilton Info Centre 10am	5km		Wendy 0400 539839 Jenny 0427 788206
Monday September 2nd	Tarragal to Blowholes (GB Day 11)	Blowholes 7.45am	15km		Bronwyn 0400 911580
Saturday September 14th	Mc Hugh's Track to Nelson via Simson's Camp Lower Glenelg NP. Bring lunch & drinks	Portland Info Centre 9am	10km		Lou 0400 145220
Monday October 7th	Battersby's to Moleside (GB Day 5)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	20km	Pritchard's 8km	Russell 0427 234750
Saturday October 12th	Yellow Rock/Quarry Gates via Sam's Loop. Evening meal at local hotel.	Portland Info Centre 3pm	6km		Brenda 0418 520019
Monday November 4th	Lake Mombeong Circuit, plus optional 3km extension to Nobles Rocks (SWB 17)	Portland Info Centre 7.45am	17km		Meg 0427 367894
Saturday November 9th	North Portland Cemetery to Bolwarra via Portland Loretto Reserve. Picnic tea at Caledonian Inn, Bolwarra.End of year function for walkers.	Portland Info Centre 3pm	7km		Julie 55232131
Monday December 2nd	Mount Richmond Short Walks (SWB 6-9) Plus Christmas BBQ	Mt Richmond Picnic Area 9am	10km		Andy 0417 704303

## **Walks Program 2023**

All interested walkers must register their interest by:

**Saturday walks - 3 pm Thursday prior to the walk**

**Monday walks - 3pm Sunday prior to the walk**

There will be a **maximum of 20 walkers**. Contact numbers will be taken at time of registration to enable confirmation of meeting location/times or event cancellation.

**Carpooling from Portland can also be arranged. There will be a car sharing cost of either \$5 or \$10 depending on distance, payable by each passenger to the driver. The cost applicable will be indicated on registration and exact change would be appreciated.**

Walking with the FGSWW offers the opportunity to walk with others and share knowledge of the history, terrain, flora, and fauna of this beautiful South-West corner of Victoria, which is becoming increasingly popular with locals and visitors to the area. We welcome new members and visitors.

Where possible opt out options have been included for those walkers who would like to participate but not complete the whole planned walk. Saturday walks often have a few pick-up spots along the way. Please indicate to the contact person at the time of registering if you plan to opt out to assist with transport options.

Walkers are welcome to join in as visitors for up to two walks, after which they are required to join as FGSWW members in order for them to be able to participate in any further walks. Membership forms are available from the FGSWW website or the contact person on the day of the walk. For **non-members, a charge of \$5 per person/per walk** is collected on the day to contribute to the cost of the FGSWW insurance for such events – please have the correct change. FGSWW is affiliated with Bushwalking Victoria.

### **Suggested Equipment for Day Walks**

- Personal First Aid Kit (suggested contents available on request) including snake bandage and all personal medications.
- Morning tea, nibbles and lunch, water bottle (min 1 litre), day pack, waterproof jacket, sun hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, beanie, comfortable and broken-in footwear.
- A change of clothes for the return trip (left in the car) in case of wet weather.

Bushwalking Victoria for useful information <https://bushwalkingvictoria.org.au/>  
GSWW Walking Group Facebook page [\*\*The GSWW Walking Group is now on Facebook.\*\*](#)

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