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Avoca on the Darling 2016 Christmas Break-up

This report is a little belated, but nevertheless it is always very interesting and amazing how Santa Claus manages to locate where the Sunraysia Bushwalking Club is holding their Christmas break-up party. Fortunately evidence was gathered by Verna's camera.



Avoca on the Darling was a most delightful spot chosen by Meryl, where-in to salute the passing of the 2016 year. The Avoca homestead is of state heritage significance. It was established in the early 1870s.



What leering looks lurk behind those locks.

Santa once again was most generous with a gift for everyone. Though perhaps he does need a bit of a beard trim and tidy up.

Barbara Laws, an owner of Avoca on the Darling, provided our Club members with a delightful home cooked pizza lunch.



What a top spot to enjoy fellowship and great pizzas. Thanks to Meryl for organizing a great day.

Mallee Catchment Management Authority

At tonight's meeting Susan Saris of the MCMA will give a short talk on Environmental watering in 2017 - 2018.

Also she is inviting us to join them on a field trip to Heywood Lake on 8th April 2017

Etiwanda Wetlands

17th February, 2017

Our first walk for 2017 was an evening affair starting at the Etiwanda Wetlands. Thirteen members came along for the walk.



The first part was a 30 minute stroll around the wetlands checking out the bird life and the waste catchment area.

The Mildura Rural City in partnership with Floating Islands Australia have developed a floating biosphere to demonstrate the effectiveness of reed beds and



floating vegetation in the cleaning of street run-off water.

A rather large and smelly carp was discovered as we strolled around. Quite a number of water birds now inhabit the wetlands, which is great to see.

After our allotted 30 minutes for our wetlands stroll we then drove to the Ski Club where a car shuffle was achieved and we set off for the Riverland Golf course, approximately 2.4klms away. The evening weather was very mild which made for a very comfortable and enjoyable walk.

Just before arriving at our destination of the Golf Course Club rooms and tea, much to our surprise we came across what was the original early swimming pool of Mildura/Nichols Point.

A great start to the year, thanks Meryl.



Trip & Trek News - latest news on trips and treks

More information on these items can be obtained from the SBW Secretary



PGL Adventure Camps provide venues and accommodation at Campaspe Downs (Kyneton/Macedon Ranges area) and Camp Rumbug (Wilsons Prom area)

Take a Walk Adventures are now promoting and providing information on their Andalusian Coast to Coast Walk.

Southcoast First National have information on their Inverloch holiday homes.

OYAT (NZ) are now promoting and providing information on their many trips and treks including Milford, Routeburn and Stewart Island.

Murray River Walk - Riverland South Australia now has information on a designated walk that is now included in the Great Walks of Australia.

Willis's Walkabouts has information on their next Kakadu Highlights Trek (Oct 24 - Nov 6)

Kokoda Trekking

Cameron James (www.1hundredpercentkokoda.com) specialises in trekking packages involving the Kokoda Trail. Check his website for details of packages and testimonials.



CALENDAR

2017		
March 1st	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
19th	Fletcher's Lake Day Walk	Contact Noel: 0438456335
April 5th	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
8th	Abbotsford Bridge to Cowra Day Walk	Contact Roger: 0488121648
8th	Heywood Lake-Field Trip with MMCA	Contact Susan:
29-30th	Grampians - Day Walks to selected sites	Contact Meryl/Karl: 50227676
May 3rd	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
21st	Hattah Lake Mournpall Loop Day Walk	Contact: Karl 50227676
June 7th	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
June	Lock Island to Apex Park	Contact Neil: 0429865232
10th	Sunset NP - Mt Crozier Loop 3 day Trek	Contact Meryl/Karl 50227676
July 5th	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
15th	Thegoa Lagoon Day Walk	Contact Meryl/Karl: 50227676
August 2nd	Meeting	Contact Neil: 0429865232
13th	'Sextons' Kulkyne to Chalka Creek Day Walk	Contact Peter:0458935239

Next Meeting
Wednesday March 1st at 8.00 pm
at Apex Park,
Life Saver's Club Rooms,
Mildura