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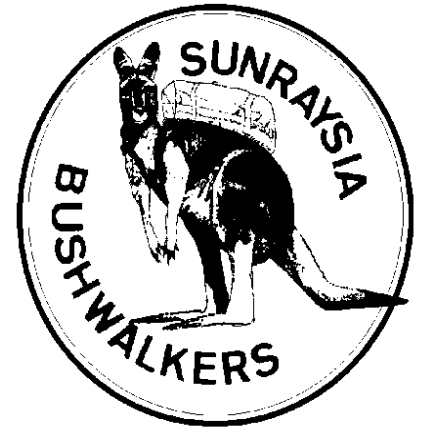
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**\$30 per Person  
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# *Sunraysia Bushwalkers September 2015*

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## PINK LAKES STROLL

On Saturday 7 of the 8 who indicated they were up for an early start headed for Pink Lakes. It just also happened to be one year on from our last visit in August 2014. This time we headed for Lake Kenyon, starting over the hill at Lake Crosby. Lake Kenyon has the greatest shoreline of the three major lakes and over the day we covered over 10



kilometres as we walked around it in an anti-clockwise direction. Having a number keen bird observers on the walk we progress was fairly slow initially as many various birds were located and noted. (See list below).



The appearance of a kangaroo crossing Lake Kenyon about midway along did not cause anyone to follow suit and try for a shortcut. Probably a wise move, as I remember in 1999 when we were able to walk from one side to the other on the very hard layer of salt and on that occasion digging through to the black smelly mud only 5 cms below.

Not something that anyone would want to attempt if not sure of the strength and load bearing capacity when wet. A place in a returning car may have been declined!

Our lunch spot was on a high sand dune with a view of the eastern end of the lake and the contrast of distant crops and the bush was remarkable due to the brightness of the



newly emerged wheat and oats.

Much to our surprise we were met near the end of the walk by Steve & Di Knoll, from the Wimmera Club, who were having a peaceful weekend away.

#### *BIRDS OBSERVED or HEARD*

Grey Butcher bird	Bronze cuckoo	Nankeen kestrel
Blue Bonnet	White winged Choughs	Jacky Winter
Brown Headed honey eater	Major Mitchell	Galah
Grey Currawong	Tawny frog mouth (in flight)	Raven
Yellow Plumed honey eater	Spiny Cheeked honey eater	Shrike thrush
Mallee Ring neck	Weebill	Babblers
Willy wag tail	Black shouldered kite	Splendid wren
Striated Pardalote	Chestnut Rumped Thorn bill	

Thanks to Jeff, Kim, Christiane, Russell, Meryl, & Findlay for a great winter's walk.

*Report by Roger*



## CALENDAR

<b>2015</b>		
September 2	Meeting	
September 6	Nowingi, Day Walk	Contact Roger 0488121648
September 20	Lindsay Island Day Walk together with MMCA. Depart 8.00am - Cnr. 11 <sup>th</sup> St & Koolong Ave. returning 4.00pm	Contact Roger 0488121648
October 7	Meeting	
October 24 -25	Federation Walks Weekend Daylesford & Hepburn Springs	Contact Roger 0488121648 (details in April newsletter)
October 31 – 3 Nov	Great South West Walk – 3 days with packs.	Contact Peter 50221898
November 16th	Overseas Walk – Patagonia South America	23 day walk, early indication of interest required. Contact the Club at: enquiries@sunbushwalk.net.au

**Next Meeting**  
**Wednesday 2nd September at 8.00 pm**  
**at Drysdale's**  
**2164 Fifteenth Street,**  
**Irymple**