
CBC January Leaders Letter

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January 2024 LEADERS LETTER

It's not too late to make a New Year's Resolution

Some of us haven't led a walk in a while. Maybe 2024 is your year to share your special destinations with others. Help is available with suggested walks, mentors/co-leaders, using Bilby, navigation. All you have to do is ask!



New Walk Leader: Richard Hurley

Richard Hurley joined CBC in 2017 and has completed over 130 activities.

"I've always been a keen walker, but it wasn't until I joined the club that I realised how much fantastic bushwalking country there was right on my doorstep. I particularly enjoy the social side, spending time with like-minded people, and having the opportunity to explore areas that I probably wouldn't visit on my own.

Some of my best recent memories include visiting Mt Ginini in the snow, a multi day trip exploring the Genoa River, and walking Hadrian's Wall under Terrylea's able leadership.

I'm looking forward to leading my first walk in early January - time to start giving back!" Richard's first led walk is on Saturday morning 6 January.

New Walk Leader: Craig Lilley

Craig has been a CBC since December 2022 and has participated in nearly 30 Club activities. He gained his corroboree frog pin by completing the club's Navigation Course in 2023.

"I enjoy hikes around the local area in Namadgi and taking in the quiet views attempting to get some fitness. I recently completed a CBC 3 day hike to Gungarlin Trig and Kidmans Hut in the Jagungal Wilderness."

Craig is always looking for new adventures and challenging himself and others to explore the great Aussie landscapes close by. His first-led walk is coming up soon, on Tuesday evening 9 January.



Can you lead 8 walk-days?

At the AGM each year, the Club presents thank you/encouragement gifts to walk leaders who have led a certain number of walk-days, and to new walk leaders. This year the bar has risen to 8 walk-days, so plan your next activities!

Guests

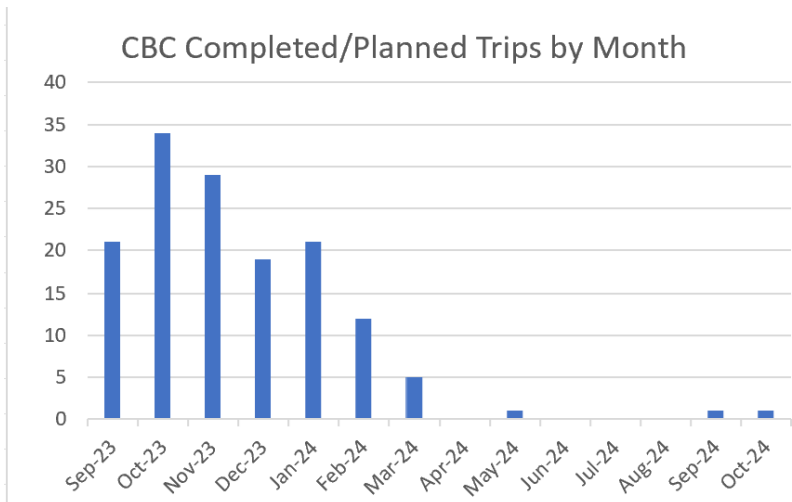
It's great to have guests on our walks, introducing them to the places you like to go. They are able to do up to 3 activities as a guest. Do encourage them to consider joining CBC. You could have a chat with them at the end of the walk.

Many guests would not realise that they need to be nominated and seconded to join our Club. Andrea, our Membership Secretary, works tirelessly to welcome new members and has come up with a great plan:

- If a guest on one of your trips applies to join CBC, the Membership Secretary will use you as the nominator. That's unless you think that the guest would not make a suitable CBC member, or you don't wish to be the nominator. In that case, communicate with the Membership Secretary.

December walk stats

Our completed activities were a bit low in December. 19 trips. An additional 6 were programmed, but had to be cancelled due to the weather. Remember how wet it was? Where's El Niño?



Thanks heaps to contributing walk leaders who were Jenny Arnold, Mike Bremers, Peter Conroy, Allan Donnelly, Rob Horsfield, Di McDean, Mark Peirce, Terrylea Reynolds, Andrew Struik, Sandra Teffer, Ian Turland, Ana Vrancic, John Evans.

2024 Training Calendar

Training activities have kicked off with a bang. Snake Awareness has run (timing determined by availability of trainers and snakes). Canyoning 17-22 January is booked out, and there is much interest in David D's Birding trips in March.

PLBs/SEND devices and future developments

Listen to Caro Ryan's [podcast](#), interviewing Linda from AMSA. Good stuff!

Past Leaders Letters

These are available on the CBC website [here](#). Or access the website and navigate to About Us > Newsletter, Publications & Submissions. Then scroll down to Leaders Letters.

@Tagging

Bilby can do all your emailing for you! No need to know participants' email address when you, say, communicate final trip arrangements. Use 1-to-1 Notes between you and a participant, or Message Board Notes with @tagging.

It works like this:

1-to-1 Notes. Navigate to the Details area for a participant on your activity. Fill in the Add a note for this participant Use Add Note. That's it! Bilby generates an email to the participant alerting them that there is a message for them.

Message Board Notes. Perhaps you've been surprised when, checking your activity's Message Board, you see a note from a participant. You received no Bilby alert. Why? The participant didn't @tag you! Similarly, you post a Message Board entry to participants and receive no reply. Did you @tag them? If not, they get no alert to your message. Solution – use @everyone or @[individual participant1] @[individual participant2] ... to generate Bilby alerts. Don't guess at the participant's userID – select the participant from the @ Mention drop down list of valid participants.

Please **contact me** if I can assist you in any way.

Yarra.

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