Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management

Walkerville News

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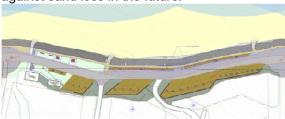


Bayside Drive upgrade

The committee has been continuing to progress the landscaping upgrades near the hall to boat launching area at Walkerville North. South Gippsland Shire Council has issued a planning permit for the project and the committee is now working with the Council and the local community to bring the project to fruition.

Through the planning permit process the layout of the proposal was amended to provide further multi use car parking opportunities. Please see the below revised plan which has been approved by Council.

The proposal will result in improved facilities for all users of the foreshore. The proposal is to replace the existing rock wall with one that is higher to extend the life of the beach and protect the coastal assets for 50 years. This project will also protect against sand loss in the future.





Other improvements include constructed road and footpath with roundabouts for ease of access, and constructed trailer parking. The proposed works will ensure easier launching and retrieval of boats, reduce conflict between road users and deliver safer boating practice.

Camping Ground News

As of September 2017 the on-site cabins within the caravan park will be removed and made available as bushland camping sites.

This will ensure that the caravan park is committed to temporary stays for the enjoyment of camping and experiencing the local natural environment.

Please contact the committee if you have any enquiries about this.

Enjoying your holiday at Walkerville



Fires

- Open fires are strictly prohibited during summer.
- The foreshore and surrounding bush is extremely dry.
- Be alert for smoke and fires and call 000 and Cameron on 5663 2224 if you see anything that looks like smoke or fire.

Water

- The water supply for the camping area is drawn from a local creek.
- · Water restrictions are in place this summer.
- No showers or washing machines are to be used between 10 am and 4pm. During this time toilet blocks will be cleaned so please avoid use while being cleaned.
- No hosing down of boats permitted.
- Please be very frugal with water.
- Water should be boiled for drinking.

Vehicles

- It is illegal to drive along the beach between North and South Walkerville.
- On hot days parking is very busy at Walkerville South. If possible, park at Walkerville North and walk, or park at the top of the hill at Walkerville South and take the track to the beach.
- In Walkerville South, no vehicles are permitted south of the boat ramp.
- Parking attendants will be working at South during January.
- Boomgate at park: one code per car is issued upon payment, max 2 cars per site. No tailgating through the gate. Extra cars need to park in car-park at entrance.

Noise

- No noise after 10 pm. After a second warning campers will be asked to vacate their site.
- Please be aware of others and keep noise down at the rotunda.

Dogs

- Dogs are not permitted in the Caravan Park at any time.
- Dogs are not permitted on the beach between 9 am and 6 pm from December 1 to March 31.
- Dogs are permitted on leads on the beach before
 9 am and after 6 pm from December 1 to March
 31.
- Dogs are permitted on lead other times (except in the Caravan Park).

Rubbish

- The Walkerville Foreshore is a delicate environment, please minimise the rubbish you leave at the reserve.
- Please do not put plastic bags in recycling bins and continue to be diligent about recycling bottles and cans.

Landslip at Walkerville South



Due to the high rainfall experienced this year, a 6 metre wide landslip has occurred on the track between 2nd and 3rd beach at Walkerville South. Please be aware that the track is now impassable in that section. Please obey the warning signs and do not enter the area as the land is unstable.

The committee is working to get the track repaired as soon as possible.

News from the kiosk

Walkerville Kiosk is open daily through the summer school holidays from 8am to 8pm. The kiosk has recently undergone some building improvements to the exterior and an upgrade of the kitchen facilities and back of house area.

The kiosk still has all the old favourites as well as more breakfast and hot food options, and a big range of bait. Ben is happy to take fresh fruit, vegetable and meat orders. If there is something they don't have, just ask and they should be able to get it in for you by the next day.

As you may be aware, the kiosk business is currently on the market for sale. Any enquiries or interest can be directed to Benjamin on benjamin@walkervillekiosk.com.au

Survey

You will have received a survey as part of your booking confirmation. The committee is very interested in your experience and suggestions. Please take the time to complete this quick two-page camper satisfaction survey to tell us how you have found camping at the Walkerville Camping Reserve.

Please drop off the survey in the committee letterbox at the caravan park office.

Summer by the sea activities in Walkerville



Rock pool rambles in Walkerville North

Rock pools are home to some incredible intertidal inhabitants! Join this guided rock pool adventure - you may see elephant snails, decorator crabs and sea stars! Meeting place: Walkerville Camping Reserve, Bayside Dr. Walkerville

Tuesday 10 January 2017 - 1pm to 2.30pm Tuesday 17 January 2017 - 10am to 11.30am

Geology Rocks at Walkerville North

Join a recognised authority on local geology and take a close look at amazing rock formations including faults, fossil limestone and greenstone.

Meeting place: Walkerville North Hall Wednesday 11 January 2017 - 3pm to 5pm Thursday 19 January 2017 - 10am to 12pm

These activities are suitable for all ages. An adult must accompany children under 14. Bookings can be made by visiting summerbythesea.vic.gov.au for enquiries call 13 61 86.

Foreshore contact details

The first point of contact is Cameron Walker, Walkerville Camping Reserve Ranger. Cameron can be contacted on 5663 2224.

The Walkerville Foreshore Reserve Committee of Management is responsible for managing the coastal reserve. The committee is a voluntary local group appointed by the Minister for Environment and Climate Change. You can contact the chairman of the committee, Bill Bray, by email bray@tpg.com.au, or write to the secretary of the committee, Merran Wilde, 215 Mathers Rd, Fish Creek 3959, or email merranwilde@hotmail.com

In 2017 the committee will meet on February 2nd, March 23rd, May 25th, June 29th, August 24th, October 26th and November 30th. Public questions and submissions are welcome during the first half an hour of the meetings. Meetings are held at the Walkerville Hall from 7.00 pm. Please confirm dates and intention to speak with Bill Bray, Chairman of the committee, by email bray@tpg.com.au.