



FoCC Incorporated November 2019 News Update

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1. Auction of 55 Recreation Road "deferred"

55 Recreation Road is a 7000 square meter triangle shaped property owned by the Education Department which was put up for an auction to be held on November 21st by the State Government.

The triangle shaped land contains the old bunny rail track embankment including a rail bridge across Mr Toms Creek, plus significant grass trees and lomandra grasses. The trees on the block are a mixture of pines and gums. The property is zoned Rural Conservation Zone with ES05 and VPO 1 Koala overlay.

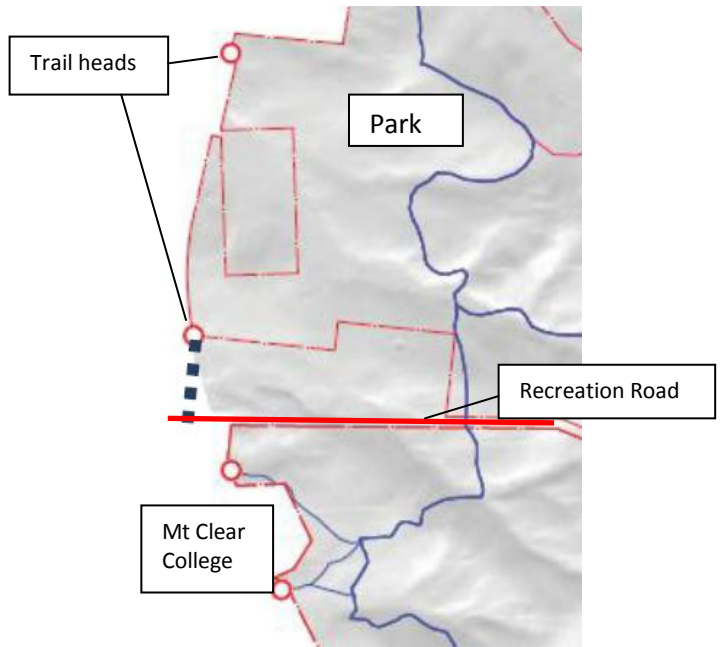


	Boundary of Block
	Possible easement
	Railway embankment

The creation of a walking/cycling trail utilising an easement across private land to connect Recreation Road to the park via the railway embankment is a real possibility.

This trail would meet the Woovookarung Regional Park Strategic Directions Plan of 2018:

- Page 17 and Page 64 Strategies, "Provide neighbourhood trail entrances along western interface....."
- Would be an addition to the trails proposed on page 79
- And within the spirit of "Working with neighbours" as per Page85 strategies.



The blue dotted line shows the possible link from Recreation Road to the red circle trail head in Woovookarung Regional Park Plan.

The FoCC made representation to local Member Michaela Settle MP, seeking a deferment of the auction, so as to allow the community to consult about how the trail may be brought into being. The auction signs were removed on Tuesday November 17th. The FoCC is grateful for the advocacy by Ms Settle with the Education Minister is gaining the deferment.

The FoCC will be talking to all interested parties including local residents, schools, Ballarat Sebastopol Mountain bike Club, Ballarat Bushwalking and Outdoor Club as well as health providers interested in gaining better access to the Park.

2. Christmas Drinks at the Lookout 6.30pm Friday Dec 6th

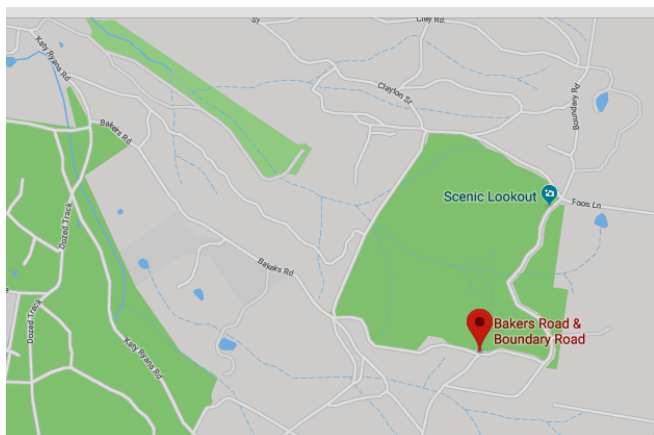
The final FoCC event of the 2019 year is drinks at the lookout which is Ballarat's best kept secret place.

BYO chair, drinks and nibbles. Warm weather has been ordered for the evening, but you know what Ballarat can be

like. If you have not seen the sun set on Ballarat or the lights come out, this is the place.

Best access via Bakers Rd or Boundary Rd, look for signs.

More info call jeff 0408509591



3. Bakers Road consultation November 20th

Parks Victoria held a consultation session with local residents round the Bakers Rd area to discuss which tracks are valuable to locals in light of the soon to be constructed Dementia Friendly Sensory Trail and the Pick My project trail.



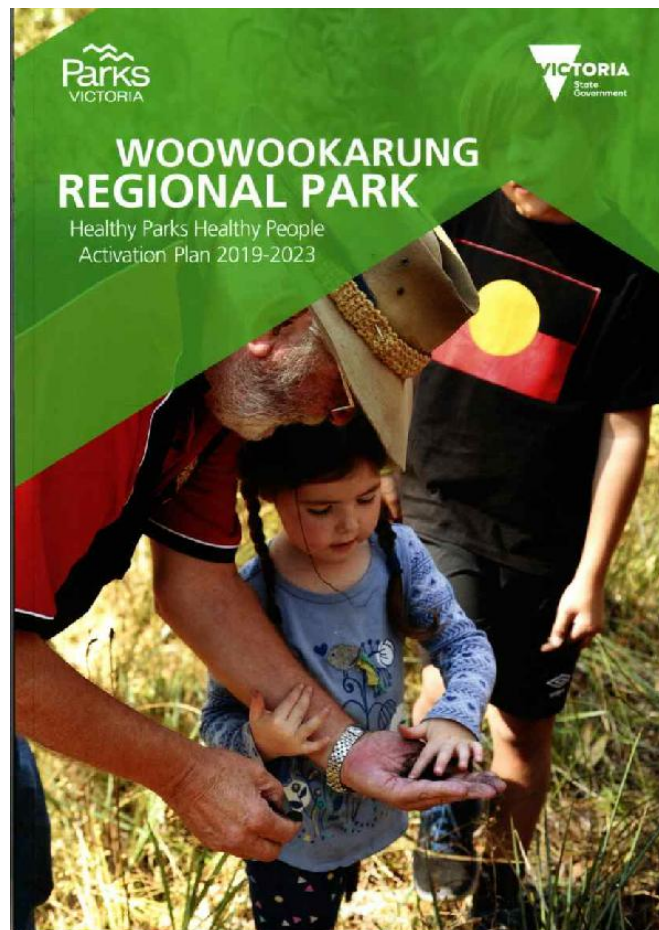
Parks staff and local resident's consultation Nov 20th

4. Woowookarung is the first park in Victoria to have a Healthy Parks Healthy People activation plan launch

On Wednesday November 13th Parks Victoria launched the "Woowookarung Regional Park Healthy Parks Healthy People Activation Plan 2019 - 2023": which is the first plan in Victoria for a Park. Wow eh!

A broad range of health professionals from the local government, Ballarat Health Services, agencies and the community attended the morning launch.

Outcomes for the launch included a number of organisations putting their ideas together on including park activities to improve the health and wellbeing of Ballarat residents in their programs.



Koala news

If you see koalas please record time, place and hopefully an image. Send to focinfo@gmail.com

This is the season to hear Koalas as they seek mates.



This Koala was following the Mt Buninyong summit road Nov 8th 2019. Thanks Pierre.



Gear Avenue November 15th 2019. Thanks Peter.



Clayton St Nov 28th Thanks Rob D

5. Bushfire Conference November 10th

The Ballarat Renewable Energy and Zero Emissions (BREAZE) group ran a bushfire conference at the Mechanics Institute on Sunday November 10th.



Bob & Joel on the FoCC stand.

10. Membership

All 2019 members will be sent a reminder notice that their 2019 membership expires on December 31st. Thank you to the couple of who have paid early!.

FoCC facebook

Rob and Joel at webmaster@focc.asn.au is now overseeing the FoCC Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/friendsofcanadiancorridor/

Currently we have just over 403 413 followers on facebook and growing. Feel free to add and pass on to other friends and press the like button.

2019 Calendar

- December 6th 6.30pm on Christmas drinks and nibbles at the lookout. Weather forecast says cool! BYO everything including coats, hats and chairs.

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Individual membership of the FoCC runs from January 1st to December 31st each year at a cost of \$20 per year Community groups may be represented by individual members.

First Name:	
Last Name:	
Name of Group represented: (if applicable)	
Address first line:	
Address second line:	
Town/City:	
State:	Post Code:
Home Phone:	
Mobile phone:	
Email address:	
I agree to the rules of association and abide by the FoCC committee of Management decisions	
Applicants signature:	
Date:	
Applications may be sent by email to focinfo@gmail.com or by mail to the Treasurer (address below)	

Payment may be made by
1. Bank transfer to details: BSB 06 3502 Account No 10955630. Note: Please add your name to the bank transfer and email focinfo@gmail.com a copy of this application form or your name and the date of the transaction.
2. Payment to the Treasurer at a FoCC meeting
3. Cheques to made out to "FoCC Incorporated" and addressed to:
FoCC Treasurer PO Box 83, Mt Clear Vic, 3350.

Date Received:
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