

# Ben Cruachan Walking Club - Walk Preview

<b>Walk:</b>	<b>Mt FEATHERTOP</b>		
<b>Area:</b>	<b>ALPINE NATIONAL PARK</b>		
<b>Date:</b>	Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> - Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2022	<b>To be publicised in local papers?</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Grade:</b>	L - 7 - 3	<b>Style:</b>	3 day Pack carry with Overnight camping
<b>Walk Length:</b>	Day 1: 10km Day 2: 6km Day 3: 13km	<b>Walk Duration:</b>	Day 1: 3.5hrs Day 2: 4hrs Day 3: 5hrs
<b>Meeting Place:</b>	Howitt Park – Lucknow, Bairnsdale	<b>Meeting Time:</b>	8:00 am
<b>Walk Summary:</b>	<p>This walk which was initially scheduled for early Oct has now been re-scheduled to late October. Taking place over 3 days and covering approximately 30km the walk is aimed at completing a circuit starting from Diamantina saddle.</p> <p>To begin, we travel to Mt Hotham and beyond to Diamantina Hut. From Diamantina we walk out along the well-known Razorback ridge line which takes us all the way to Mt Feathertop. Depending on “traffic” we will either camp in the saddle at Federation Hut or Molly Hill located nearby.</p> <p>Day 2, we hike to the summit of Feathertop and take in the surrounding views which include Mt Hotham, Mt Bogong, Jaimathang, Mt Buffalo and more. We then return to camp and pack up to continue our hike around to MUMC Hut where we will set up camp for the night. For those who are keen the option to watch the sunset from the top of Mt Feathertop is a possibility – so long as you have a good headtorch and the weather conditions allow.</p> <p>Day 3: Rising early we pack and hike back to Federation Hut stopping for morning tea and then continue down Bungalow Spur to arrive at Harrierville. All going according to plan we catch the 1:45pm Alps Link bus in Harrierville at a cost of \$4.50pp back to Diamantina Spur, thus completing our circuit walk.</p> <p>Although this walk is scheduled in Spring, participants will need to be prepared for wintry conditions as sudden changes in weather and the higher altitude may result in snow being encountered at any time of year.</p> <p><b><i>NB: This walk replaces the scheduled walk to Mt Bogong</i></b></p>		
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*On approach to Mt Feathertop from along the Razorback*





*Approaching Federation Hut*

