

Ben Cruachan Walking Club - Walk Preview

Please register with Walk Leader before the day of the walk. See website: http://bencruachanwalkingclub.com/				
Walk:	Easter Alpine Region 4 day adventure Diamantina Hut to Harrierville, Harrierville to Mt Feathertop, Feathertop to Dibbins Hut, Return to Mt Loch via Swindlers Spur			
Area:	Mt Hotham, Harrierville & Feathertop area			
Day & Date:	Friday 15 th – Mon 18th April 2022	To be publicised in local papers?		Yes
Grade:	X4	Style:	Multi Day Pack Carry	
Walk Length:	40+ km.	Walk Duration:	4 days	
Meeting Place:	Bairnsdale – Howitt Park Alt: Omeo	Meeting Time:	To Be Confirmed	
Walk Summary:	<p>A four day hard walk in the beautiful alpine region of Feathertop and Mount Hotham dropping down to Harrierville for the first night and West Kiewa River, Cobungra Gap and Dibbins Hut for the third night.</p> <p>The weather can be anything from very cold to warm. It may snow but there is unlikely to be deep snow from last winter season. You may like to stay overnight in Omeo if you have a long drive. We probably will.</p> <p>Day 1 Car shuffle. Leave cars at Mt Loch car park about 9.30 am, transport packs down to Harrierville Caravan Park in one vehicle. Take a car to Diamantina Hut, then walk to Harrierville via Bon Accord Spur. 12 kms. Loss of about 1000 metres.</p> <p>Your pack can be transported down to Harrierville so a day pack only for Day 1. Stay at Harrierville Caravan Park.</p> <p>Day 2 Harrierville to Feathertop Hut via Bungalow Spur. 1300 metre climb, 21.4 km. Up to the Feathertop Summit should you choose.</p> <p>Day 3 Feathertop Hut, down Diamantina Spur, West Kiewa River for lunch, camp at Dibbins Hut. This is the most difficult day as coming off Diamantina Spur is tricky and exposed in places. But the river is worth the effort and a swim may be in order at lunch time. Dibbins Hut is my absolute favourite and I have done this hike many times starting at Harrierville.</p> <p>Day 4 Up Swindlers Spur to Derrick Hut for lunch. This is a steepish climb, especially at the beginning. Then a short stroll back to Mount Loch carpark. Return home via Omeo.</p> <p>This walk will be a pleasant way to spend Easter in the High Country, so be quick to reply if you want to come.</p>			
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Ovens Valley



Mt Featheretop from near Mt Hotham