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#### FRIENDS OF THE PENGUIN CRADLE TRAIL



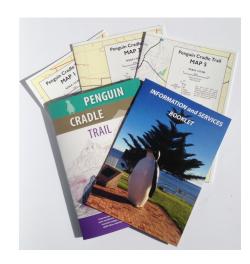
## What's new with the Penguin Cradle Trail?

In this long awaited third issue of the Friends of the Penguin Cradle Trail (PCT) newsletter the committee are excited to announce:

- The approval to put in a section of new track from Adit Creek to Wings Wildlife Park. This has been a 12 month process requiring recce trips to find a suitable route, permission from property owners then approval from Crown Lands and Council Planning. When constructed this section will eliminate going via the private plantation to Gunns Plains.

- We have provisional acceptance for funding from the Tasmanian Community Fund to employ authorized track contractors to work on the flood damaged Leven Canyon section (a little more is needed to get us across the line for funding).
- The PCT booklet and map set has been well received and we have done a reprint due to demand for this harder style bushwalking experience. Over 300 copies have been distributed around Australia and a couple overseas. We are installing some marker posts along the track that will relate to the next revision

maps. The next booklet / map revision isn't expected to be available till towards the end of the year at the earliest ... but stay tuned!



Available from the WILDCARE shop

### PCT track works

#### News and events:

- We have applied for funding to allow for contract track workers to do some maintenance on the more remote sections of the PCT with works expected to start around October 2020.
- The Dial Range Recreational Management Plan review is finally under way.
  PWS and the Central Coast Council are currently working with user groups and the community.

The varying weather experienced during spring and summer still allowed for several working bees to take place.

These included removing Bauera from the upper part of the Brookes Track to Black Bluff, clearing the track from Purtons Flats over Mt Lorymer to Adit Creek and initial work on an access road to the start of the section of new track to Gunns Plains, as mentioned above.

There is still a lot of work to be done by volunteer and contracted labour but the PCT is still open and going well.





Brookes Track (left) / Mt Lorymer (right)

Contrary to popular opinion working bees are fun...come join us for a day out in pleasant surroundings and see for your self.