

ABW ACTIVITY INVENTORY (AI) - Activity Information Record

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Activity Code W

Area code F

Record No F0013

Activity

Walk ('W'), Cycle , ('C') Kayak/Canoe ('K'), Other ('O') (Indicate here with Symbol)..... W

Location

Based on Moolooloo Station, Nth Flinders Ranges. Located between Parachilna and Blinman north off the Parachilna Gorge rd via the Glass Gorge rd..

Outline of activity

Moolooloo Station provides basic accommodation on site and walking, camping and 4WD facilities on the property. The participants can drive to and meet at Moolooloo Station.
The 6 day walk outlined started and finished with a night at Moolooloo Station Shearer's Quarters. The route is described below.
The walk outlined here was lead by John Callinan and Lee Marling in August 2010.

Permits & permissions required, with contact details

Permissions and charges apply to use the Station facilities and to walk and camp on the property. Bookings and arrangements should be made well in advance. Walks can include the adjacent Warraweena Station which also provides similar accommodation, walking and camping facilities and water drops, if required. This walk was restricted to Moolooloo due to feral animal culling taking place at the time on Warraweena.

Moolooloo – www.moolooloo.com.au (08) 8648 4861 Warraweena – www.warraweena.com.au (08) 8675 2770

Maps required

Cadnia 1:50,000

Travel: recommendations, times, car shuffling, parking etc.

Vehicles were parked at Moolooloo Station. The group spent the first night at Moolooloo so it was possible to drive from Adelaide that day. Approx 7– 8 hours. The unsealed roads are suitable for 2WD vehicles, with care, as far as Moolooloo if road conditions are OK.

Water availability

Water was available at all camp sites or at nearby springs, wells or tanks. However this should be confirmed. Water drops may be available if required.

Restrictions (fires, gates etc.)

Usual seasonal fire restrictions apply. Otherwise small campfires were permitted the time of this trip. Any gates were left as they were found. Some are locked to vehicular access.

Blinman hut – the small rental hut on Moolooloo Station is hired regularly. Water is available there but it may be in use by others (4WD accessible)

Route overview

This was a 6 day walk from Moolooloo Station roughly east to Artimoor Ruins and Patawarta Hill, then NW to (New) Blinman Hut, then West to Nuccaleena Mine ruins and then back to Moolooloo Satation. 2 nights were spend at Pendulum Well and near Blinman Hut.

The detailed itinerary with grid references is attached.

This is mostly good country to walk in so routes can be varied subject to good navigation and water availability.

Campsites used & possible alternatives

There are ample good bush campsites in the area subject to water availability. Other groups, often in 4WD vehicles, may use the area so walkers may wish to avoid camping at/near wells, roads of any designated sites such as Blinman Hut. Water bladders should be carried to transport water to camp if required.

Walk Ratings (indicate rating below where indicated ..eg 'SMMQ')

Distance	S: Short, 0-9 km	M: Medium, 10-17 km	L: Long, 18+ km
Gradient	E: Undulating	M: Steep	H: Very steep/exposed
Terrain	E: Track/open, 4 km/h	M: Medium scrub, 2-4 km/h	H: Heavy scrub/rock, 0-2 km/h
Qualifying? (Q)	Insert Activity Rating here..... MMMQ		

Supplementary information (Insert below, if required)

See detailed itinerary for one walk included below.

Note: This activity outline has been compiled from information provided by ABW members. Its accuracy is subject to variations in individual members' observations, climate and weather conditions, land and ownership, accessibility, national park rules and permits.

Members should not rely on this information but use it as a guide and supplement it with their own research as appropriate.

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Detailed Itinerary.

This is the itinerary for one walk. There is ample scope for variations of route and itinerary. Cadnia 1:50,000 map refers.

Day 1 AM. Walk from Moolooloo Station to Pendulum Well campsite (GR785715) via Hannigan Gap track. PM: Loop walk to mines (Mt Rugged, Lady Lehmann, Flying Fox)

Day 2 Day walk: To Artimore ruins via track. Then follow ridges to the Patawarta Hill track, climb and return directly to Pendulum Well. The Patawarta Hill track starts in the creek between the parallel ridge lines c 1km west of Patawarta Hill.

Day 3 Walk to Blinman Hut via Patawarta mine (did not find) and camp c 700m SW of the hut on creek. (Note the new hut is c 400m W of 'ruins' shown on the map.)

Day 4 Day walk to Fergusson Gorge (approx GR732 754) and adjacent high points. The Gorge is obstructed by a waterfall.

Day 5 Walk west c 9Km to Northern Well (GR 660757) on track Jn with Captains Creek. Collect Water. Follow track (there is an 'old', obscure track, and a new track from the well but both converge approx 2km south of the well) and continue SW off track when track turns sharply SE. Camp on the creek approx 1 km west of Tam O'Shanter Hill.

Day 6 Walk to SW of Tam O'Shanter Hill. Drop packs, climb hill. Walk on to Nuccaleena Bore track, drop packs, walk to bore and mine ruins. (worth visiting) Return to packs and follow ridges and some unmarked tracks cross country to Moolooloo Station.

The Blinman Hotel is a relatively short drive away for a good evening meal or else there are cooking facilities at the Moolooloo Shearers Quarters.