



## St John's Cartophiles

### **Kalkari & Birrawanna Loop Track, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2014**

This is a repeat of the very first Cartophiles' bushwalk along the 5.1 km Kalkari and Birrawanna Loop Tracks circuit in the Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park in April, 2010. The picture on the right shows the original Cartophiles on a rest break.



The original 2010 Cartophiles

This great little walk starts and ends at the Kalkari Discovery Centre. We'll do it anti-clockwise: down the ridgeline and through the open forest to the National Park Regional Office, down the steep descent to Apple Tree Bay, then around to the picnic area at Bobbin Head. We'll have lunch there and then take the Birrawanna Loop Track back to the Kalkari. As well as the open forest we'll enjoy some nice views of Cowan Creek. The path has very good flat footing and formed steps on the climbs and descents.

The outing will take about three hours: 2- 2½ hours of walking and the lunch break at Bobbin Head. The picnic area includes shelters, a kiosk, toilets and BBQ's, and the Bobbin Inn café does not-too-expensive light meals. The relatively slow walking pace allows for lots of stops during the short but steep climb up from Bobbin Head.

We will meet at the Kalkari Discovery Centre on the Ku-ring-gai Chase Rd near Mount Colah at 10.30am. You will need to take drinking water, a hat and wet weather gear, and a camera would be a good idea. Kit will carry a first aid kit. Sue & I both wore walking shoes when we last did this walk, but I recommend boots if you're not sure of your ankles.

There is an entry fee to the National Park of \$11 per car, so car pooling is a good idea. Sue and I can carry three passengers.

**To register for the walk, or to get more information,  
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