

# Trip Report

## Climies Track Bridge Repair Working Bee

Justin and Mark met Lyndon on Friday late morning at the Cradle Mt Link Road Junction and headed to Zeehan for lunch. Then not far out of Zeehan we went for a bit of an explore looking for an elusive waterfall but was stopped short by a very rutted hill that will require further exploration on a later trip. We then headed into the Cornwall mine not far from Trial Harbour. At the end of the track there is a short walk to the mine site and then further down the hill is the foundations and axle from what would have been a very large water wheel. We headed into Trial Harbour to set up camp and catch up with Scott and Mick who arrived a short while later, we got a good fire going and settled in around the campfire for a fun night.

Saturday morning we were greeted by Leighton and then made our way to the start of the Climies Track to meet with PWS Officers Jenna Myers and Alan Board. After a quick toolbox meeting to discuss the upcoming days events the timber decking material was loaded onto trailers for the trip in.

The going was quite slow towing trailers, but we only encountered one spot that required recovery, the recent weather had turned a normally easy section of rutted track into a sloppy bog. After close to 2.5 hours we arrived at the bridge. It is over an unnamed creek that is a tributary of Granite Creek.

The old decking material was very loose and came off easily, the new decking was laid on the bearers, holes drilled through and secured with large nails. In less than an hour the job was completed.

We moved back up the hill to cook some lunch and a few keen walkers went for a quick stroll into the Carn Brea Mine to look at the remains of the old mine site including a stamper.

The trip back out took about the same amount of time but with a few more dramas, Mick did quite a bit of damage to his trailer when a leftover bridge decking timber slid out and then attempted to pole vault the trailer. We spent a bit of time winching at the first obstacle we had encountered on the way in before an alternate route was discovered nearby.

We travelled to the Zeehan Caravan Park where most people stayed for the night and the club put on a BBQ for everyone involved.

A special mention to Justin Stevens for getting the ball rolling on this project and Jenna Myers from Parks for making it all happen, let's hope this leads to more co-operation between Parks and 4WD Clubs that benefits both parties.



### Trip Leader:

Justin Stevens

### Date:

5,6,7 August 2016

### Destination:

Climies Track, West Coast

### Attendees:

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