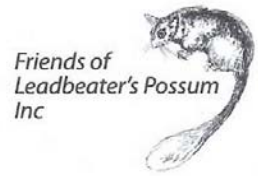




**Friends of Leadbeaters Possum
Lake Mountain
Supplementary Feeding Program
Wednesdays and Weekends (Saturday or Sunday)
From June – December - 2011**



Friends of Leadbeater's Possum (FLBP) have been asked by Parks Victoria to assist with supplementary feeds to the remaining Leadbeater's Possum (LBP) survivors from the February 2009 bushfires. The habitat at Lake Mountain was seriously affected by these fires and has not significantly recovered to ensure an ample food supply for the possums over the more extreme weather that winter can bring in these alpine areas.

A minimum of 2 FLBP volunteers are needed for each day's activities to deliver the required nectar to feeding stations at designated locations on Lake Mountain (LM). This is a daytime activity and requires volunteers to have a medium to high level of fitness to walk or ski if there is sufficient snow, the circuit is approximately 10 kilometres return. Ladders do not need to be carried as they will remain at the feed stations.

All training and observations that might be expected will be provided at the start of the season. At least one volunteer with a "Working at Heights" ladder training are required to deliver the feed into the raised feeding stations. Your observations will be recorded and added to an ongoing monitoring program for supplementary feeding Leadbeater's Possum.



New nest April 2010
Photo: Parks Victoria

LBP entering feed station
Photo: Parks Victoria



Where to go on the day:

Gerraty's Carpark Lake Mountain.

The feed will be kept at the Lake Mountain Resort.

Entry to the park is free, but your car registration needs to be recorded with the Volunteer Feeding Fieldwork Coordinator/s (details following page) prior to days attendance.

On registering to assist with supplementary feeding you can request a copy of the Powerpoint presentation that details all that is required of volunteers. It is a large file and will only be sent to those who are registered to participate upon request.



One in and one out...

Come Join us
Photos: Parks Victoria



What to bring:

- Parks Victoria will provide capacity for registered participants to hire snow chains, snow shoes or skis at no cost to volunteers
- Clothing for cold, possible rain or snow weather (not supplied by Parks Victoria)
- Sturdy boots (not supplied by Parks Victoria)
- Snow shoes (supplied) or skis to be hired dependant on snow depth (can be hired)
- Map of route (copy also located at LM food preparation area)
- Nectar feed (located at LM food preparation area)
- Sunscreen if sunny
- Lunch, water and/or other snacks for the day
- Camera as required

RSVP with your interest to register on the schedule:

Maureen Cochrane, Rebecca Cochrane or Emma Campbell - Volunteer Field Work Co-ordinators.
Please try Maureen first!

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Note:

- Extreme weather could cause last minute cancellation due to track/road closures.
- Try to car pool with volunteer/s that you will be working with
- All volunteers must have FLBP membership to cover your insurance going into the field. For more information on how to become a member or update your membership go to:

www.leadbeaters.org.au/membership

If you are new please allow time for us to process your membership before you go into the field.

For more information on volunteering with FLBP or other ways to assist the ongoing survival of Victoria's faunal emblem visit: www.leadbeaters.org.au