

# PAT'S BUSH CAMP

## AT 'WANGRAH', MARTINDALE

This camp is held on the last weekend in March and the second weekend in September weather permitting. It is open to all ages. Below is the basic programme for the weekend which maybe changed slightly closer to the date.

You can set up camp Friday evening or Saturday morning.

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### Saturday

**9am** Ensure your camping equipment is set up

**10am** Introduction

**Morning activities**     *Weed and Bush food walk*  
*Fire making*

**Lunch** Fat hen fritters, Nettle quiche, salad, twister and apple with dates or banana with choc chips cooked in Dutch oven for dessert.

**Afternoon activities** - *Preparing the pumpkin for the feast*  
*Bush crafts eg weaving, pottery, string making*  
*Making buddy burners*

**Afternoon tea** - Cook pancakes on buddy burner with bush jams and cream

**Free time** - *Check out humpy making*

**Feast** Bunya nut curry  
Fish cooked in clay and other methods  
Vegetables in the pumpkin, plus corn and sweet potato  
Kangaroo kebabs  
Shell fish  
Damper  
Lemon myrtle cheese cake  
Local blackberries, Lilly pillys  
Wattle seed ice cream

**Night time activity** *Creating bowls*

Enjoy a chat and quiet time around the camp fire. Musical instruments are welcome.

NOTE: Tea, coffee, native teas, milo and fruit available all day.

# Sunday

**Breakfast** Bunya nut rissoles, eggs, porridge, twister, left overs from the feast.

**Morning activities** *Morning walk or trip in the buggy up to the top hut.  
Look at grinding sites and finding stones for knapping.*

**Morning tea** Chocolate cake cooked in orange skins with lots of orange juice to drink.

**Further activities** *Practice throwing your spears (grass tree sticks)  
Making Paddys lucerne cough syrup or Bush ointment*

**Lunch** Make pizzas and cook in Cob oven.

Clean up and pack up camp.

**3pm** Goodbye and safe trip home.

Times are not stated as so difficult to keep to a strict schedule. When on camp we change to camp time. Beware poor phone coverage.

All bush crafts, fire making, humpy making etc are inspired by the old ways. We use many different methods of cooking and will cater for people who have food intolerances, just let me know beforehand. There is plenty of variety in the menu so no need to bring extra foods.

## What to bring

You will need to bring a plate, dish, cup, knife/fork/spoon and tea towel. If planning to camp bring all your camping gear or you can bring your campervan or caravan. Beware road to our place is gravel and has poor clearance.

## Directions

To get to our place from Denman, drive to Martindale school and turn left and follow the road until you get to Williams Bridge, take the second turn on the right. The number on the gate is 1780. Follow the signs for 3.5km. There are three gates and at the second gate at the gun club follow the track up the hill, past a house on the right and down over the creek (often dry), over our ramp and past our house. The camping site is on the flat past our house.

Put into the GPS 1780 Martindale Road, Martindale and this will find the front gate then follow the track for 3.5km.