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**Innovative guided walk through the Surf Coast history**

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee and Traditional Owners the Wadawurrung are partnering for a unique coastal experience for campers at the Torquay Foreshore and Anglesea Family Caravan Parks. On 12-14 October 2018, Corrina Eccles of the Wadawurrung women will lead a guided tour of over 40km of the Surf Coast Walk from Torquay to Airey's Inlet.

Great Ocean Road Coast Chairman Ken Northwood said the tour was the first of its kind and demonstrated the value that a community-based organisation can add to a coastal experience.

“We are incredibly privileged to have Corrina lead this 3 day, guided walk, sharing cultural knowledge and stories of Wadawurrung Country and the Aboriginal heritage along the Surf Coast,” said Mr Northwood. “I encourage everyone who is interested to book now. This innovative tour will be an outstanding walk, embracing Cultural values, stories and coastal experience.”

Mr Northwood said the package included some of the best local eateries, sites and experiences on the Great Ocean Road.

Ms Eccles said: “This is a beautiful coastline to many, but do you know the cultural stories and values of this coastline? The Wadawurrung People of the land sustainably lived, cared and connected to this land for many generations.”

“You will see sites and be educated on the sites and stories as we all come together to yarn and walk to learn more about the rich Wadawurrung culture of the coastline.”

* 3 day fun and unique fully guided walk
* 1 nights accommodation in a Surfside Cabin at Torquay Foreshore Caravan Park
* 1 nights accommodation in a Superior or Cedar cabin at Anglesea Family Caravan Park
* Blackmans Brewery drink voucher
* 2 x in cabin continental Breakfast
* 2 x packed lunches and trail mix
* Vouchers for the heated spa at Anglesea Family Caravan Park
* Dinner at Captain Moonlight Anglesea
* Lunch and Devonshire tea at Willow's Tea House
* Tour of Split Point Lighthouse

**Price**

$450 per person twin share\*.

\*Singles price $700. Triple share $340 per person.

Bookings are available through [www.torquaycaravanpark](http://www.torquaycaravanpark) or [www.angleseafamilycaravanpark](http://www.angleseafamilycaravanpark).

Mr Northwood said the organisation continued to investigate new ways to encourage visitation, educate visitors, and support local businesses during off-peak times.

“We have a range of new experience packages and events at the Anglesea, Lorne and Torquay caravan parks, supporting local business.”

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee is a not-for- profit organisation that manages 37km of public land and coastline from Torquay to Lorne. All dollars raised through our commercial operations are reinvested back into the coastal environment, caravan parks and the community. To learn more about Great Ocean Road Coast visit the website www.gorcc.com.au.

**Itinerary:**

*Day 1 - Friday 12th October*

Check into the Torquay Foreshore Caravan Park early afternoon where you will have the opportunity to explore the local area and take in some sights. Mid afternoon you will be transported to Point Impossible where you will experience a Traditional Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony with local Wadawurrung Women Corrina Eccles. Corrina will then share her knowledge as you walk back to Torquay Foreshore Caravan Park (approx. 8km).

Spend the evening with new friends at local restaurant Blackmans Brewery with a drink voucher provided.

*Day 2 - Saturday 13th October*

Kick start the day with continental breakfast included in your cabin, and free coffee vouchers for Third Wave Kiosk (located just outside the park). The walk will commence in the morning and you will be provided a packed lunch and snacks for along the way. Corrina will take you to many interesting points along the way sharing the local history. You will arrive at Anglesea Family Caravan Park late afternoon where you will stay overnight. (approx. 30km)

Enjoy some time in the heated spa and rest your weary legs. Dinner tonight is provided at the beautiful Captain Moonlight for coastal European food at the Anglesea Surf Life Saving Club. Captain Moonlight is tucked over the cliff edge and offers magnificent views.

*Day 3 - Sunday 14th October*

Today we will be walking from Anglesea to Airey's Inlet. Your complimentary continental breakfast and coffee is included again, and after breakfast we will hit the trail again. After experiencing the beautiful scenery along the way you will arrive in Airey's Inlet and the end of the walk and also Wadawurrung Country. (approx 15km)

Take a tour of Split Point Lighthouse (famous from the Round The Twist TV series) with your ticket included, and finally finish off with Devonshire Tea and scones at Willow's Tea House. You will then be transported back to your car at Torquay Foreshore Caravan Park and drive home reminiscing a wonderful weekend.

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