

## Walk Report for 27th November 2019 – Chalet Road and Bendora Arboretum

An enjoyable and cool, fresh-aired day was had by WWers on Chalet Road. There was much to see, discuss and identify. Of interest and in flower, amongst others, were *Brachyscome spathulata*, *Bossiaea foliosa*, *Daviesia ulicifolia*, *Euphrasia collina*, *Tetratheca bauerifolia*, *Epacris brevifolia*, *Olearia erubescens*, and *O. lirata*. We added a few species to our list, including *Leucopogon gelidus* (possibly misidentified as *L. lanceolatus* on previous visits?). All those contrasting and bright colours were enough to satisfy our artistic souls.

We took time to note the similarities and differences between *Eucalyptus pauciflora*, *E. dalrympleana*, *E. viminalis* and *E. delegatensis* and hopefully we won't forget. I bet Jesse won't forget his first taste of *Tasmannia lanceolata* leaves (sorry ...).

We rested in Bendora Hut before walking down to Bendora Arboretum to view the stands of pines, planted in 1945, that had luckily survived the 2003 fires. Reading the interpretive signs encouraged us to hunt for the 'biggest' pine cone (*Pinus coulteri*, aptly known as big-cone pine) and the 'longest' (*Pinus lambertiana*), as well as looking for any available sap (*P. lambertiana* is known as sugar pine). It was surprisingly cool amongst the pines. We found *Pultenaea juniperina* flowering along the descent to the arboretum and a cluster of *Diuris sulphurea* near our parked cars. More highlights in a day of many.

Thanks Roger



*Brachyscome spathulata*



*Glycine clandestine* and *Daviesia ulicifolia*



Bristle fly *Microtropesia* sp on *Epacris breviflora*



Yellow Shouldered bee *Leioproctus irroratus* on  
*Olearia lirata*



*Pultenaea juniperina*



*Leucopogon gelidus*

Images by Kris Nash from top left to bottom right:

*Brachyscome spathulata*   *Glycine clandestine* and *Daviesia ulicifolia*

Images by Roger Farrow from top left to bottom right:

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*Pultenaea juniperina*   *Leucopogon gelidus*