

MIRANG FIRE TRAIL

HEATHCOTE NATIONAL PARK

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This afternoon Faye and I returned to the Mirang Fire Trail. It's close by and it was also a site where Faye helped transplant seedlings. The site was obviously an old house site.



Yes, a huge percentage of the plants appear to have survived. Faye told me she was told not to remove the “rubbish” because it might be of heritage value! Ah, the old rule of heritage within national parks! One day they will learn that objects are not the same as heritage and that context is everything. One day they might heed my advice that a historian is better value than “heritage consultants”.



Caladenia carnea



Caladenia catenata



Thelymitra ixiooides

There were many just appearing on this track, in the earliest stages of budding!



Glossodia minor

That's it for orchids today but we did walk down to the bottom near the Pipeline before returning home for NPA commitments and I need to say that there is a potential issue with mountain biking off in the valley to the north and a definite problem with trail bikes in and around the Spion Kop section of this, the Sebastopol land additions to Heathcote National Park.





Can you see me?





Grevillea diffusa and feral bee





The Heathcote wilderness



And the abused trails around “Spion Kop”

Brian Everingham