

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## Curra Moors



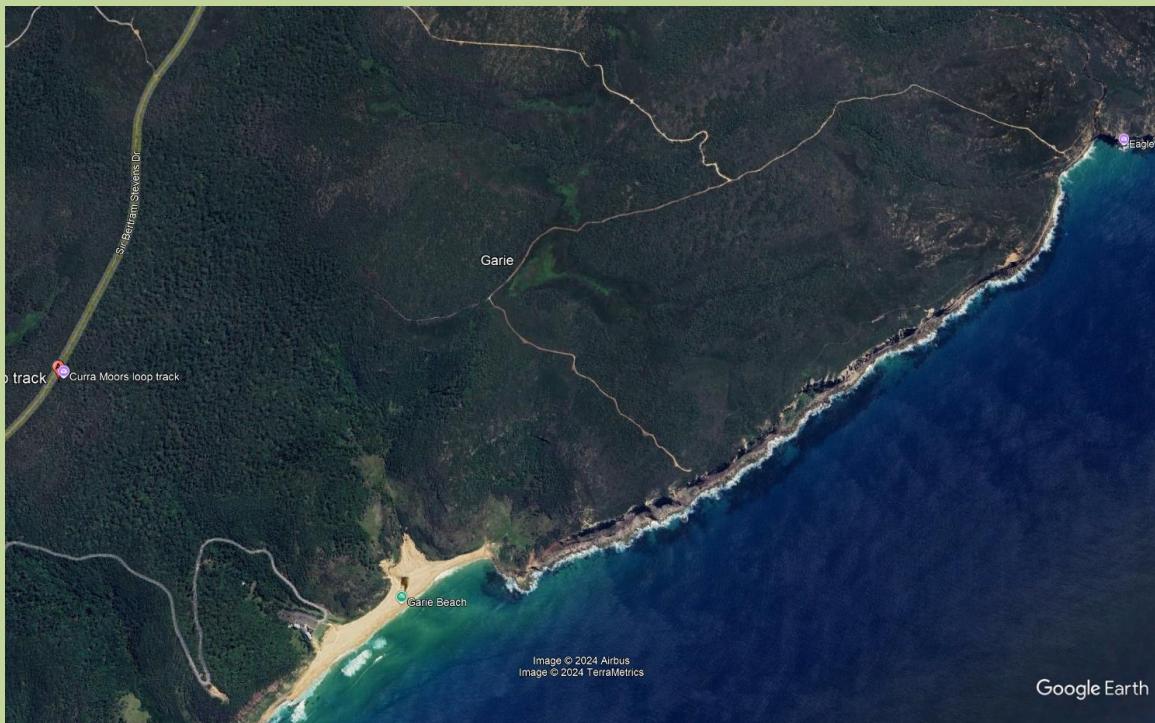
**Distance:** 9.5km

**Ascent:** 240m

**Grade:** 3

**Party:** Brian Everingham (i/c), Valerie Atkinson, Sue Bosdyk, Derek Hampton, Dave Noble, Suzanne Wicks and Elaine Yeoh

**Apologies:** Paula Richardson, Helen Fletcher, Cheryl Caraian, Debbie Davison and Vivienne Connolly. All were booked in to the first walk but could not make this date. And, as of the start of the day, Faye Bingham, carrying severe bruising after a fall while completing bush regeneration a few days ago.



Under clear blue skies, we gathered at the track head at Curra Moors! We were not alone. By the time we were leaving the car park, it was overfull!





Our old friend, *Caladenia catenata*



*Aotus ericoides*



*Sticherus flabellatus* (Umbrella Fern)



*Platyllobium formosum* subsp *formosum*

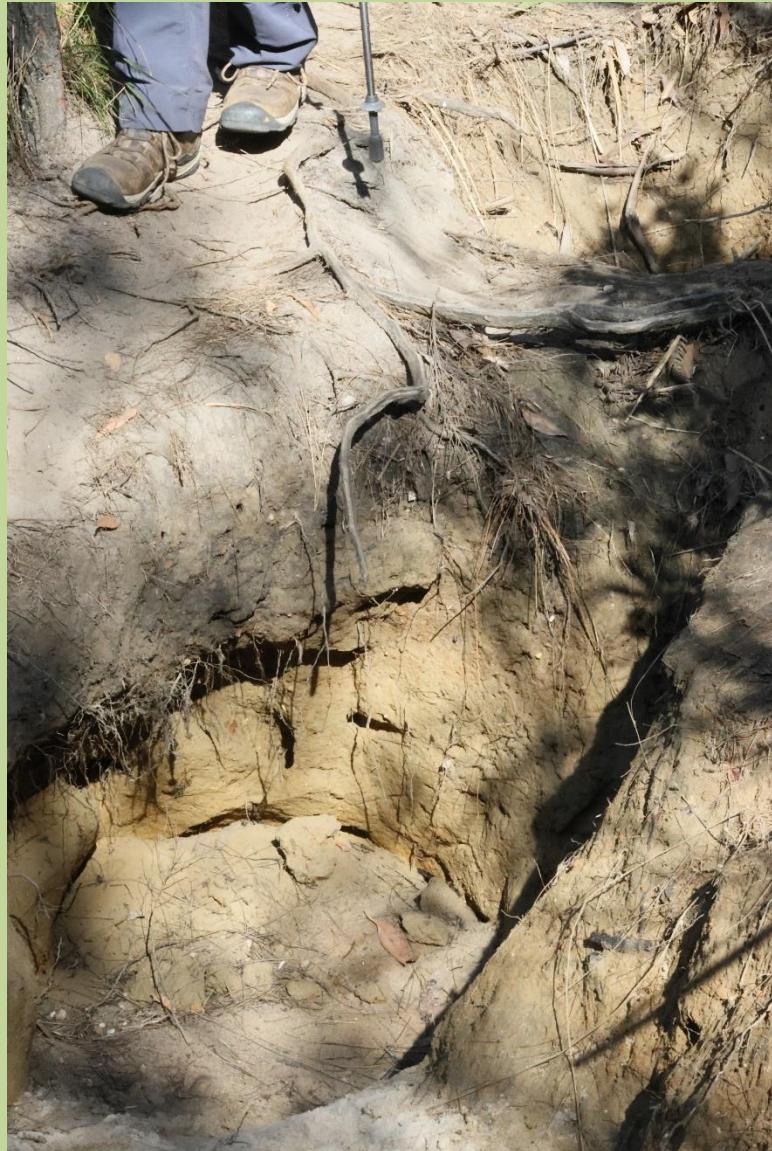
Handsome Flat-pea



*Pultenaea daphnoides* (Large-leaf Bush-pea)



*Dampiera stricta*



Serious track erosion

By then we had met up with the party from Otford who were exploring plants to draw enroute to making art works of the images! Initial evidence is that this and the finished lino cuts might be impressive works, aka Margaret Preston! Neighbours to Ian Hill. Yes, the world in the bush overlaps often!



Out on the heath I discovered that there was a *Styphelia triflora* in bud!!!!



Madame Allocasuarina



*Telopea speciosissima*



Apparently, Gompholobium flowers are tasty



Derek looks down, down!



*Calochilus paludosus* – Red Beard Orchid



Thelymitra malvina or pauciflora



*Dillwynia floribunda*





The Coast Track was awash in white: Pimelea and Leptospermum everywhere



And the odd birds



Morning tea time: just in time for the whale-breaching



All eyes on the whale!



The view over the final drop for Curra Brook



And, after that, home, crossing Curra Brook once more before a third visit to it became our lunch stop!

After that we headed out, though the remainder of the party at the back was blessed by a sighting of a *Cryptostylis subulata*, Large-tongue Orchid!

Along with some small furry things (Sue) and a snake or Legless Lizard (Derek), it proved to be quite a day!

*Brian Everingham*