

Bridge to Bridge Walking Track, Strathbogie township



Strathbogie Ranges Nature Trails



Distance

2 km return

Time to complete**Advanced walkers**

30 min return

Moderate walkers

1 hour return

Slow walkers

1½ hours return

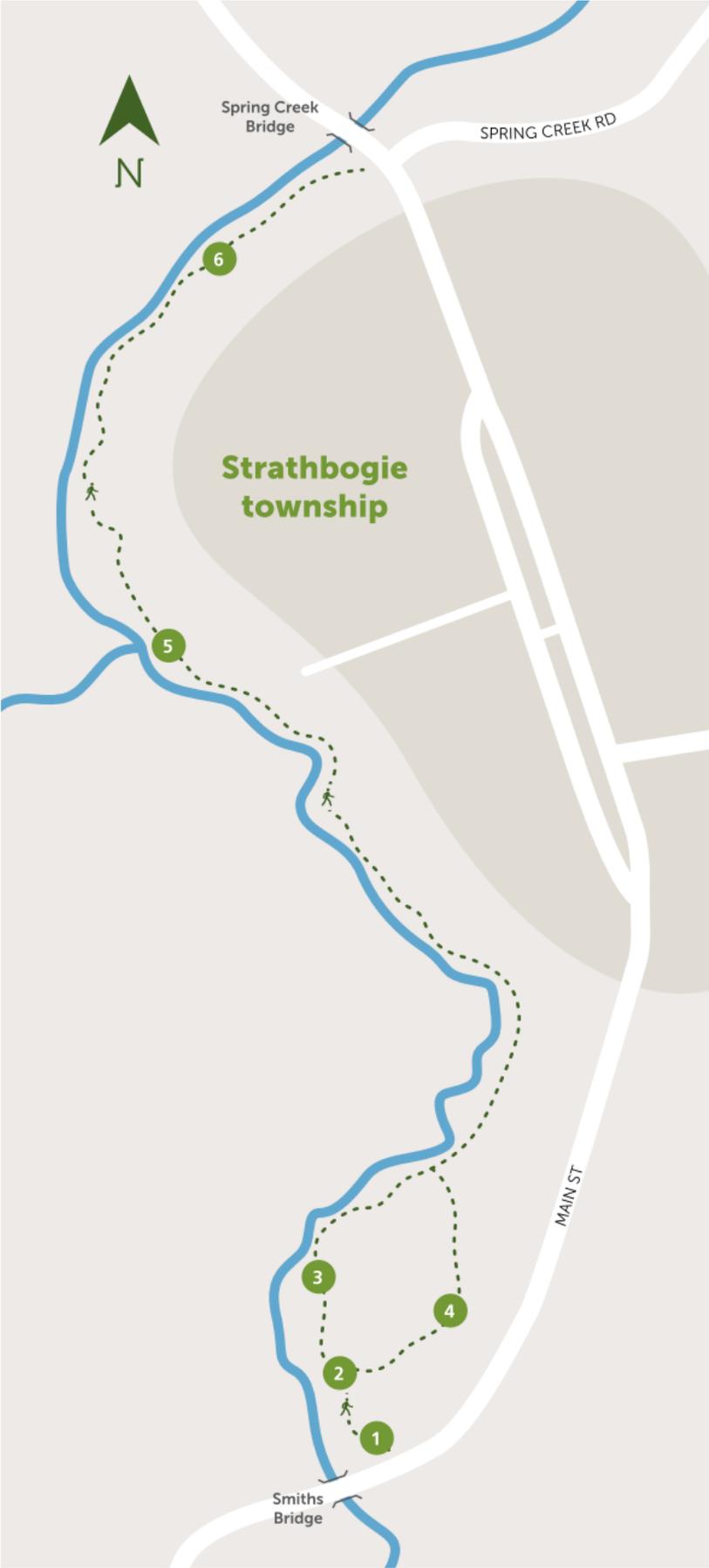
Relative difficulty**Easy**

This is an easy walk on mostly flat terrain. The one step section of the track has a hand-rail.

This walk meanders along the Seven Creeks and Spring Creek behind the township of Strathbogie. The track also passes the confluence of these two creeks, where the Seven Creeks heads west and flows towards Polly McQuinns Weir.

You'll walk beneath a canopy of Swamp Gums along the creek where you can see a variety of bird and animal life – ducks, bush birds, even koalas and platypus. Wooden benches are provided at intervals along the track and boards show information on local natural history.

At the southern end of the walk the track loops, so you can choose to walk either along the stream or across the floodplain, which is about 100 m wide here. If the weather has been very wet, or there has been heavy rain, parts of the floodplain track may be under water.



Location

Start the walk at either the Smiths Bridge day-visitor picnic area at the south end of town, or at the Spring Creek Bridge at the north end of town.

Track notes

1. Starting from the Smiths Bridge day-visitor area, view the information kiosk near the picnic tables to find out about the local area and fauna. Then take the path either to the left along the creek or the right along the floodplain – these paths meet up 150 m further on.
2. Information boards near the track junction explain some local fauna. This area was, until recently, over-run with weeds and exotic trees, which had to be cleared. The Strathbogie Landcare Group has planted hundreds of seedling trees and shrubs to rehabilitate the site.
3. Deep pools and cloudy water along the left-hand path along the creek are home to platypus.



Notice the many Silver Banksias and other shrubs that have been planted along the track, providing a nectar and pollen source for insects and honeyeaters.

4. The right-hand path follows the edge of the creek's floodplain, where the deep fertile soil is moist year-round. There is a small ephemeral pond along this path where herons sometimes stalk frogs. This pond is part of the old creek-line, which still flows after heavy rain or when the creek floods.
5. The confluence of the Seven Creeks and the Spring Creek is about 350 m from the Spring Creek end of the walk.
6. Along the northern end of the walk at Spring Creek Bridge, the track follows the creek closely. Notice the rocky stream-bed and how clear the water is. Take care to stay on the path – the drop-off is sometimes steep.

In case of emergency

- In case of fire call 000.
- For emergency help call 000.
- The nearest medical facilities are the Euroa Medical Family Practice and the Euroa Health Hospital, 30 km away.

About Strathbogie Ranges Conservation Management Network

The Strathbogie Ranges Conservation Management Network (SRCMN) is a community organisation whose mission is to improve nature conservation and management in the Strathbogie Ranges through learning, sharing and collaboration.

Formed in 2010 the SRCMN has been actively involved in on-ground conservation activities such as protecting wetlands and rocky outcrops. The SRCMN creates and organises community activities such as the Wild Strathbogie Festival and education workshops such as our Landscape Discovery Tours.

We partner local Landcare groups and work with the traditional owners of this land, the Taungurung Clan.

For further information please visit our website www.strathbogierangescmn.com