

## **COME ON OUT TO OUR 1<sup>st</sup> BLUE MOUNTAIN PROBUS HIKE IN JULY!**

**Frank's Lime Kiln Hike and Lunch - Thursday 13 July 2023**

**Leader: Dick Edwards**

This is a 3 Km walk exploring the processing of limestone back in the 1800's to current times. We will visit the restored archeological site known as Frank's Kiln to see how limestone was processed in the 1800's, and also look at a modern limestone operation run by Walker Aggregates. Both sites are on the Bruce Trail. We will walk at a relaxed pace along a fairly level, well-worn pathway, BUT there is some uneven ground and sturdy footwear is required.

We will meet in the parking lot behind Tim Horton's on 1<sup>st</sup> Street in Collingwood at 9:30AM, and carpool to the Bruce Trail parking lot on County Rd 91 approximately 4km West of Duntroon. From there we will walk through field and hardwood forest to a view-point overlooking a 'huge hole' where Walker Aggregates extracts limestone for modern uses. From our vantage point, vehicles in the hole will look like the Tonka trucks your grandkids play with. After a good look we will retrace our route back to the parking lot and then a ½ km further to Frank's Kiln where we will see how folks dealt with limestone in the 1800's. Your leader will provide details on the restoration and history of the kiln.

The entire walk will fit nicely into a 2-hour timeslot, after which we will have lunch at nearby Mylar and Loretta's in Singhampton.

Notes: There is some uneven ground and rough stairs. Sturdy footwear is required. Hiking poles or a stick would be useful. Also bug spray, sunscreen, water, and a hat...kind of depends on the weather obviously.

**Please confirm with Dick Edwards ([edwardsdick04@gmail.com](mailto:edwardsdick04@gmail.com)) no later than Sunday July 9th.**