

WIN WALK FOR CREEK 'GUARDIANS'

240
hectares

Blackburn Creek Conservation Group will celebrate the coming purchase of the big new parkland along the creek with a public nature walk and barbecue next Sunday, May 29.

Group spokesman, Mr Brian Crouch, said all local people were invited to the walk which would begin at the Laburnum scout hall in Pakenham St at 11 am and proceed through the new parkland area and also Wandinong Sanctuary and Furness Park.

A public barbecue would follow back at the scout hall at about 12.30 pm, Mr Crouch said.

People were asked to bring their own food and drink.

Mr Crouch said Nunawading Council deserved to be congratulated on its decision (Ga-

zette, May 11) to purchase the creekland area between Main St and Pakenham St from the Board of Works for \$272,000.

The group "adopted" the 240-hectares of land when it became under threat of subdivision some years ago when the council initially declined a Board of Works offer to sell it.

The conservation group subsequently campaigned for its retention and undertook detailed study of its flora and fauna.