



**palawa lugganah –
footmark of blackman**

**~a nature adventure and
a cultural experience~**



The *palawa lugganah* track is a not-for-profit community project put forward by South East Tasmanian Aboriginal Corporation (SETAC), partnering with the HuonTrails.org, weetapoonaa (SE Tribe) and Pakana Services. This is a volunteer-run project, entirely for the benefits of the community.

We are applying for a \$20 million grant fund from Parks and Wildlife to build this major tourism draw card. It will benefit Huon Valley communities for generations. Your support will greatly increase its chance of success.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP GET IT OFF THE GROUND?

Visit our website HuonTrails.org to register your support for this exciting community project. Talk to people you know and spread the word. Be part of future-proofing the Huon Valley's economy and protect and value our environmental and cultural heritage.

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TASMANIA'S NEXT BIG TRACK COULD BE IN THE HUON!



palawa lugganah track - footmark of blackman is a cycling and walking adventure from town to town, through river, forest, coast and lagoon landscapes, meeting locals and enjoying regional food and hospitality.

The track will tell the story of the lyluequonny & melukerde people and 45,000 years of continued connection to land and sea.



***palawa lugganah* - footmark of blackman - where culture and landscape are one... a journey exploring a 45,000 year history of humanity. Escape the pressure of the city, wind back time through local towns and communities to enter a world of simplicity— a timeless relationship with land and sea.**

BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY

The Huon Valley needs jobs to keep young people in our communities. Tourism is a jobs opportunity, untapped and proven successful elsewhere. We need to convert the Huon Valley from a daytrip to a holiday destination. Our community groups are backing an ambitious project to build a 150km long track from Huonville to Cockle Creek. The track will provide locals with exercise and active travel options. Importantly, it will bring profit directly to communities via local businesses. Travellers move between towns without

clogging our roads, and without the social and parking issues caused by high-volume, road-based tourism. It will move us closer to reconciliation with the first nations people by acknowledging and celebrating their culture.

CLOSE IN DISTANCE BUT A WORLD AWAY

City dwellers are looking for active and cultural experiences and Hobart is only a short flight from Melbourne and other cities. The palawa lugganah track will provide an immersive experience that is transformative in its discussion of connection to place.

The track links Huonville, Geeveston, Dover, Southport and Cockle Creek with an dedicated walk/cycle track. The Track will have broad appeal to walkers and all cyclists. Electric bikes will add to the fun and appeal to a broad range of people.

***palawa lugganah* track will:-**

- Celebrate and share Aboriginal history and culture
- Value and preserve the visual appeal of our valley
- Contribute over \$14 million per year to the economy
- Create new jobs in the Huon Valley
- Stimulate building and construction in the towns
- Provide public transport to Cockle Creek
- Build a cycleway from Huonville to Geeveston
- Support local tourism activities (bushwalking, water sports, character shops, boats)
- Increase the market for local food and beverage (sales, tastings, farm tours, workshops)
- Increase the viability of restaurants and cafés
- Promote local fitness through safe cycle and walkways
- Generate new Trade Training Centre programs around track building, landscaping and woodwork
- Promote the Huon Valley's brand and produce