



# KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB

## Enjoy Hiking Wu Kau Tang Country Trail

The 'Hiking Activity' is organised for KBGC Members; Members' families and guests.

**Date:** Sunday, 14 January, 2018

**Time of Departure:** 8:30 a.m.

**Venue:** Kowloon Bowling Green Club

**Destination:** Wu Kau Tang Country Trail

**Remarks:**

- 1. Maximum number of participants: 20**
- 2. Deadline for enrolment: Thursday, 11 January, 2018**

If you are interested in joining the 'Hike', please register hereunder on a "First-come-first-served basis".

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## Enjoy Hiking

### Wu Kau Tang Country Trail

#### Trail Information

Make a start at Wu Kau Tang Village. Past the village houses, the hill path climbs steadily up dense woodlands. Along the way, sweet songs of birds echo through the forests. The trail runs parallel with a hill stream, so even on hot summer days it feels mellow and cool. At the summit there is a hill fire lookout. Facilities of this kind are watchdog stations to protect our Country Parks from devastating hillfire. During the dry season between September and April, all hillfire lookouts are manned by Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department staff around the clock. When a fire is detected, the hillfire control centre will be alerted at first instance, so that fire fighting missions can be promptly organized, for example, sending in fire fighters or requesting helicopter assistance.

Looking north from the hillfire lookout, your gaze takes in Sha Tau Kok and surrounding areas like the Yim Tso Ha Egretty and A Chau Egretty, mangrove beds along the Luk Keng coast, fishponds and paddy fields. This part of the New Territories is frequented by field and wetland birds, such as kingfishers, bitterns, egrets and herons. Also within sight is the Sha Tau Kok countryside both within and outside the Hong Kong border. Looking down, the foothills are verdant with thick tree canopies, reflecting decades of hard work by Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department afforestation staff.

#### 烏蛟騰郊遊徑資訊

自郊遊徑入口沿山徑慢慢向上走，是一段林森蔽天、百鳥爭鳴的山徑，徑旁有小溪流淌，即使在炎炎夏日，也清涼舒適，十分寫意。山頂設山火瞭望台，其作用主要是為監察郊野公園內是否有山火發生。在 9 月至翌年 4 月之旱季，由漁農自然護理署職員 24 小時當值，每當有山火發生，便會即時通知山火控制中心，再由控制中心統籌滅火工作，如派出滅火隊救火或要求直昇機協助。從山火瞭望台北望，可盡覽沙頭角海一帶景色，包括鹽灶下及鴉洲的鷺鳥林、鹿頸沿岸的紅樹林、魚塘及田園，這些都是如翠鳥、鵝、鷺等原野和濕地鳥種出沒的地點；此外，這裡也是遠眺沙頭角邊界景色的好地方。山腳綠樹成蔭，是漁護署多年來致力植樹的成果。