

A volunteer has spent many hours re clearing the track to Stoney Biv in St James and asks that horse riders use it to keep the track well worn.

From Scotties Camp (2.5 to 3 hours from Homestead), go over Charlies Saddle. When the main track turns north, go straight ahead 50m. Look to your left for a gap in the manuka scrub, follow this path down several river terraces on old bulldozer tracks. There is lots of pink tape marking the route. Go under mature beech trees to meet the Edwards River. Go upstream crossing 2-3 x as needed until reaching Stoney stream on true left (TL). (That means, look downstream the way the river is flowing - true left is now on your left). The stream and side valley is very obvious from the Edwards. Follow Stoney stream bed for about 1km until the 90 degree bend at the rock out crop. Travel will be in the water and on the bank. Go another 50 metres in the stream to the next 90 degree bend. Turn up the cut track on the TR (true right) and onto the terrace for about 1.2km.

Caution, river rocks a bit slippery, enough room for a couple of horses, take tape. We will let you know when there is more permanent fencing.