

# Bushwalking NSW Newsletter

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## NEWSFLASH!! NEWSFLASH!! NEWSFLASH!!

In a close-fought battle, I am thrilled to announce that we have a new Management Committee, and furthermore, that for the first time in 18 months, we have a full complement of filled positions. Your new representatives are

President: Mitchell Isaacs	SUBW
Vice President: Sierra Classen	SUBW
Secretary: Margaret Covi	Watagan Wanderers
Treasurer: Alex Allchin	SBW

### Ordinary Committee Members:

Peter Hart	Sydney Christian BW
Bruce Lyman	Blue Steel Dash
David Trinder	SBW
Ex officio: Keith Maxwell	BWRS

Congratulations and thanks to all committee members - and good luck!



A slightly worrying but very helpful sign near Tidbinbilla. Photo C.Collins

Thankyou also to those who made the effort to get to this very special meeting - no organisation can move forward without the support of its members: I imagine you will see great things come out of this group so please, do get behind them - they are keen, energetic, enthusiastic and dedicated and will welcome with open arms anybody who steps up to the plate to offer ideas, expertise, a helping hand, or just a 'thanks, guys!'

For those who missed the brilliant presentation that Alex Allchin gave at the meeting on the centenary walk he participated in last year, the Dunphy Kowmung Adventure, it's well worth taking a look at the website: <http://www.colongwilderness.org.au/about-wilderness/dunphy-kowmung-centenary-walk>

And one final 'personnel' notice: this is my last day as Administrative Officer at BNSW. Your new AO, Catherine Svec, starts today and will, I am certain, serve you well. For my part, I would particularly like to thank David Morrison for his boundless good humour throughout my brief tenure here. I wish all bushwalkers the very best in walking and in whatever else life holds in store for you.



As many of you would be aware, our previous President, David Morrison, recently stepped down from the position of President to allow him some more time for himself. After several years as Vice-President, it appears my time is up, and I'm honoured to be elected to the position of President this week. I look forward to the challenges this will bring, and to continuing the good work of David.

Joining me in new positions are Sierra Classen as Vice-President, and Alex Allchin as Treasurer. Peter Hart rejoins the committee after a break of a few years, and we welcome Bruce Lyman, who joins the Committee from Blue Steel Dash, and was attending his first meeting with us. Welcome Bruce!

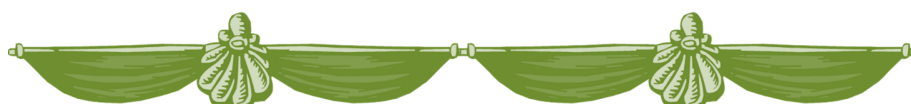
In other changes, our Administrative Officer, Cheryl Collins will also be moving on. Thank you to Cheryl for the work you've done in recent months to streamline and document our processes, and we wish you all the best. Our new Admin Officer, Catherine Svec, hails from the Sydney University Bushwalking Club, and I trust you will all assist her settle into this role.

While it is always disappointing to see good people leave us, change brings with it the opportunity for growth and development as an organisation, and I look forward to helping represent the needs and interests of bushwalkers in NSW.

This month we pay tribute to Jim Callaway, who after over four decades of service to Bushwalking NSW and its predecessors, has decided to step back from a regular committee role, and hand over the baton to a new wave of committee members.

Jim represents Sydney Bushwalkers, where he is an Honorary Life Member. He has served in various committee roles in the Federation, the Confederation, and Bushwalking NSW, including over a decade as Treasurer and a term as President.

Bushwalkers across several generations have benefited from Jim's service, and on behalf of bushwalking clubs and their members we express our gratitude and appreciation for Jim's time and effort. We hope he will find the time still to come along for an occasional meeting!



## From our Tracks and Access Officer: General Tracks and Access Issues - We're here to help!

At our Special General Meeting, two tracks and access issues were raised through the clubs. They were the state of the walking track in the Wild Dog Mountains between Mobbs Swamp and Mt Yellow Dog, and the Magdala and Sassafras walking tracks near Springwood. I appreciate that these issues have been brought to my attention, and I will keep member clubs informed of how BNSW progresses in addressing these issues.

As I said in the last edition of the Newsletter, please get in touch with me if you or your fellow bushwalkers have any tracks and access issues you wish us to look into. I can be reached via email at [AJAllchin@gmail.com](mailto:AJAllchin@gmail.com) or phone on 02 9540 9410.



Calna Creek Bridge

- Some great news has just come in yesterday from Matt McClelland at Wildwalks.

Matt Kean MP announced that the NSW Government is funding the new Calna Creek Bridge! The new \$250k bridge will be built at the same location as where the old broken one currently lies on the Great North Walk, in Berowra Valley NP.

The bridge will be installed by NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service this year. The good people at Crown Lands and NPWS have been working together to find a good solution. It is great news that the NSW Government has kicked in the money.

This is such an important link on the Great North Walk, it is a very popular walking area. If you have not been there yet - you really should. Whilst the bridge is being built, the walks in the area have reopened with a wet crossing downstream of the old bridge. It is only passable at low tide.



Very exciting - thanks again to all those who helped make this possible. Please share this great news with your walking buddies.

Along with the above listed organisations, I would like to thank Matt McClelland for his hard work and persistence in getting this issue addressed.

- **Narrow Neck Road closed 9-27 March for road works and asbestos removal**

*Taken directly from the NPWS website:*

“Crown Lands Sydney will be closing Glenraphael Drive (Narrow Neck) to vehicles and walkers from Cliff Drive between 9 - 27 March for road works and asbestos removal. The closure period is dependent on weather. This includes access to:

- Golden Stairs, Kanangra to Katoomba and Wild Dogs treks
- Narrow Neck cycling route
- Narrow Neck abseil training area
- Diamond Falls climbing area within the Blue Mountains National Park.

Alternative access to Narrow Neck climbing area is available via Devils Hole walking track. Alternative access to Ruined Castle and Mt Solitary is via Furber Steps. Alternative access to Kanangra to Katoomba and Wild Dogs treks is via Green Gully camping area (end of Megalong Rd).

[Penalties apply for non-compliance](#). For more information, please contact Blue Mountains Heritage Centre on (02) 4787 8877 or visit the [NSW National Parks safety page](#) for park safety guidelines.”

After ringing the supplied number, my comments as Tracks and Access Officer are as follows:

Essentially for the period 09-27 March 2015, access along Glenraphael Drive between Cliff Drive and the locked gate on Narrow Neck is completely restricted for both vehicular and foot traffic. However, bushwalkers are still able to use the firetrail along Narrow Neck from Clear Head all the way north to the locked gate, but no further. This means that certain Narrow Neck passes trips can still be completed (eg from Green Gully, ascend Redledge pass, descend Carlon Head and back to Green Gully.) whilst the road works are being completed.

Whilst this is an inconvenience, there are currently a number of very large ditches along the vehicular section of Glenraphael Drive that can cause troubles for cars with low clearance, especially when they fill with water. Let's hope they do a proper job with the road repair, and the issue is fixed for good!

- **National Park and walking track closure updates**

For all updates National Park and walking track closures, check the website:

<http://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/alert/state-alerts> when planning a walk and also before you head out, as closures can occur with short notice. Scroll down to relevant national park, and click on 'details' in the right hand column.

As I said at the Special General Meeting, I will only be publishing relevant new or major track closures, as the National Parks website does a good job in covering all the areas in NSW and is also more up to date than anything that I write.

It is also important to remember that on days of total fire bans (TOBANs), many parks close or do not allow walking on any of their tracks. Some parks close even if a TOBAN hasn't been declared by the RFS. This is in the interest of our safety so ensure that you check the National Parks website on hot days to see if you need to postpone your walk due to a park closure. Do note that if a club undertakes a walk when a park is closed, it is quite likely that they will not be covered by insurance if an accident does occur!

- **ANZAC Day at Splendour Rock, 25 April 2015**



*(Photo: Peter Medbury - Dingo Gap Gallery)*

On ANZAC Day 1948, a bronze memorial plaque commemorating the memory of Bushwalkers who fell in World War II was unveiled at Splendour Rock, Mount Dingo, in the heart of the Wild Dog Mountains. ANZAC Day dawn services have been held at the plaque nearly every year since then and this year Bushwalking NSW is assisting with the organisation of the service.

Two services will be conducted this year, the first at dawn commemorating the fallen bushwalkers, and the second is planned to

occur at 11am, reflecting on the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landing at Gallipoli. Further details will be distributed as the date nears, but we encourage clubs to run trips to Splendour Rock to partake in the ANZAC Day services.

For those attending the dawn service, we suggest that you camp at Mobbs Swamp on Friday night before climbing up onto Mt Dingo before dawn. Please note there is very limited space available for camping on Mt Dingo. We request that the majority of parties camp down below in order to allow the elderly who are not confident in climbing up in the dark to camp there.

For those who can't get time off to walk in on Friday afternoon, setting off from Dunphys Campground first thing Saturday morning should give you just enough time to make it out to Splendour Rock for the 11am service. You could either drive up early Saturday morning, or head up Friday night to camp by the car there in the large grassy area overnight.

Thanks to the support of the NPWS, all things going well, we will be able to drive some people who are no longer capable of making the whole journey on foot into Medlow Gap in order to shorten the journey. This is exciting as it hasn't happened for at least 11 years. Exact details are yet to be confirmed but we do need to know how many people would potentially require transportation.

NPWS wants an estimate on attendance, so if someone from each attending club could contact me to let me know how many people they are expecting to come, that would be great. I will also then update the contact as more information comes to hand. Those who can only make it to the service if they are transported to and from Medlow Gap will need to contact me as well.

Finally, if anyone knows of a pipe band that would be willing to play at the service, please get in touch. It has happened before, and it would be fitting to see it again this year.

I can be reached via email at [AJAllchin@gmail.com](mailto:AJAllchin@gmail.com) or phone on 02 9540 9410.

I think it would be great to see 100 people at the ANZAC Day service for the 100th anniversary, so spread the word to all bushwalkers about the service at Splendour Rock.

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Caro Ryan, our lovely friend from [lotsafreshair](http://lotsafreshair.com) ([lotsafreshair.com](http://lotsafreshair.com) [youtube.com/lotsafreshair](http://youtube.com/lotsafreshair)) is keen to share her latest video – this one is about Canyoning Safety and Code of Ethics. Check it out – it is fanTAStic – almost makes me want to take up canyoning myself... almost!! And the location is just spectacular!

The video was made with Police Rescue Blue Mountains and NPWS, and is all about keeping people safe and looking after our lovely canyon environments. Enjoy!

<http://youtu.be/DEYcFbyf9VI?list=UU885b3fcSEShQdz6-v8KwLg>

### *Letter from the ex-President*

Dear bushwalkers, Since the announcement about my resignation, I have had a few people contact me, concerned about my health. I want to thank them for their interest, and to assure everyone that I am not at death's door. The situation is this. I have had gut issues for many years. In September, I started a program to repair this condition. Our ambitious program to revitalise Bushwalking NSW unfortunately created extra stress for me and this was actually hindering my recovery. I felt that my health had to come first, and so reluctantly decided to give up the Presidency. I hope that when my health is restored, I will be able to contribute to Bushwalking NSW again. In the meantime, I will continue to help out with the new web site. Kind regards, David Morrison

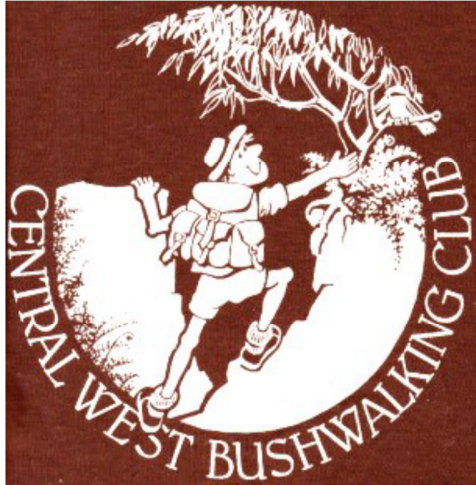
**IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT!**

**We have out-of-date addresses and contact details for some clubs and mail is being returned. Some of you missed out on receiving the BWRS Calendar this year! So can you please check your details in the table at the end of the Newsletter and if your details are incorrect PLEASE EMAIL corrections to [admin@bushwalkingnsw.org.au](mailto:admin@bushwalkingnsw.org.au) with the Subject Line "Club details update". Thanks.**

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## Retrace the Steps: Cox's Road dreaming: Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of April to Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015

A once in a lifetime opportunity to walk Cox's Road from Mount York to the Flag Staff at Bathurst.



The Central West Bushwalking Club and Greening Bathurst are jointly hosting a one-off opportunity to walk Cox's Road from Mount York to the Flag Staff at Bathurst over 7 days, including one rest day, commencing on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April through to the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015. This once in a lifetime opportunity to walk the western section of Cox's Road also coincides with the bicentenary of Governor Macquarie's grand tour across the mountains in 1815 with his supporting entourage of 50 persons along Cox's Road to the Bathurst Plains. Macquarie commenced his tour at Emu Plains on April 21<sup>st</sup> arriving in Bathurst on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May to the rousing cheers of the small party stationed on the Bathurst Plains. In 2015 we have or will celebrate three important bicentennial events:

- the completion of Cox's Road on the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 1815
- the bicentenary of the first official crossing of Cox's Road and the arrival of Macquarie at the Bathurst Plains on the 5<sup>th</sup> May
- and of course the focal point of this bicentennial year, the Proclamation of Bathurst by Governor Macquarie on the 7<sup>th</sup> May as Australia's first inland European settlement.

**The dates of the walk:** Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of April – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015

**The cost of the walk:** The cost of the expedition is expected to be **\$295.00 per person** excluding most food and accommodation/camping fees where applicable.

**Registering your interest:** To register your interest in this expedition please email [coxsroaddreaming@gmail.com](mailto:coxsroaddreaming@gmail.com), and place the following wording in the subject line: ***Retrace the Steps expedition***

**Receive more Information:** To receive more information email [coxsroaddreaming@gmail.com](mailto:coxsroaddreaming@gmail.com) and place the following wording in the subject line: ***Retrace the Steps Information***





## Distress Beacons for bushwalkers

Many bushwalkers / some clubs are choosing to carry distress beacons as a safety measure in case of accidents. The following text are some notes to increase your understanding of distress beacons.

The beacon to use for bushwalkers is a PLB (Personal Locator Beacon). The marine beacon is used by "boaties" (fisher people etc) is an EPIRB. EPIRBs and PLBs operate in different ways according to the environment and thus are quite different in shape and size.

There is good background information on distress beacons at the Bushwalkers Wilderness Rescue Squad (BWRS) website - [www.bwrs.org.au](http://www.bwrs.org.au)

Now since PLBs are not cheap, have a limited (but long) battery life plus you only need one per bushwalking group many bushwalkers find it difficult to justify the expense. NSW Police in conjunction with NP&WS have a hire system via the TREK program. In the Blue Mountains there is no fee but you are required to fill in a Trip Intentions form.

The BWRS website ([www.bwrs.org.au](http://www.bwrs.org.au)) has a link to the TREK page of NSW Police.

In 2006 Australia moved onto digital distress beacons which allowed the individual registration of every beacon. This was a big step forward as the previous (analogue) beacons could not be individually registered and were subject to around 97% false alarms!!

The free registration of distress beacons in Australia is done via AMSA (Australian Marine Safety Authority). Their registration web page is easy to find at

<https://www.beacons.amsa.gov.au/Default.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

Registration must be renewed every two years but AMSA make re registration / amendment as user friendly as possible.

## USE of a DISTRESS BEACON

**The PLB system is to be used as a last resort only.** Your initial distress alert should still be made by telephone, radio or other direct communication if possible. Direct communication will result in a faster and more appropriate response as you will be able to explain the situation to the emergency services. If you are near your vehicle you could consider sending somebody to walk out and drive to summon assistance. A PLB should only be used if no method of direct communication is possible and urgent assistance is required.



Thus unless you can recharge your mobile phone mid trip the phone should stay turned OFF (powered down) and safety stored until needed in your rucksack.

When you register your PLB please carefully consider your choice of contacts. Because all PLBs just send an alarm message "help required" AMSA (or local emergency services) will seek more details of your trip via your contacts so as to better respond to your emergency.

You will better understand how to get the best result from your distress beacon by (again) reading the BWRS web site at <http://www.bwrs.org.au/?q=node/239> or at the AMSA site at <http://beacons.amsa.gov.au/activation/>

## DISPOSAL of old DISTRESS BEACONS

Beacons have a long battery life but are sealed so the user cannot change the battery. Old beacons (especially old analogue beacons) must NEVER be thrown out as they can still deploy and hence waste emergency services resources. The battery may not be flat; just past its guaranteed life.

There are a number of ways for free disposal of PLBs via the suppliers or "Battery World" shops. For more information see

<http://beacons.amsa.gov.au/maintenance/disposal.asp>

## CONCLUSION

A bushwalking distress beacon (PLB) is not a replacement to bushwalking safely. You still need to leave details of your planned trip with a responsible person and be adequately prepared / equipped. The BWRS website ([www.bwrs.org.au](http://www.bwrs.org.au)) has a good checklist of DO & DON'T.

A distress beacon is your last resort to contact emergency services. Irrespective of how you contact emergency services (written message, radio, mobile phone call or distress beacon) there will still be some delay before emergency services arrive. During this time you may need to offer First Aid as per your training.

To gain maximum benefit from a PLB you need to carefully consider how you register it and read the BWRS and AMSA websites on their operation.

An old PLB must be disposed of responsibly.

In the Blue Mountains NSW Police and NP&WS have a system of free short term PLB hire via the TREK program. You will also find a link to TREK on the BWRS website at [www.bwrs.org.au](http://www.bwrs.org.au)

Keith Maxwell.

**Are your Club's details correct? If not, please send your Club Name, website, email contact, postal address and a contact name and phone number to [admin@bushwalkingnsw.org.au](mailto:admin@bushwalkingnsw.org.au)**

| Club name                                            | Web site                                                                                                | E-mail contact                                                                                       | Postal address                                |
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| All Nations Bushwalkers                              | <a href="http://anbwalkers.org.au">http://anbwalkers.org.au</a>                                         | <a href="mailto:club@anbwalkers.org.au">club@anbwalkers.org.au</a>                                   | PO Box Q23, Queen Victoria Building, NSW 1230 |
| Armidale Bushwalking Club                            | <a href="http://armidalebushwalkers.org">http://armidalebushwalkers.org</a>                             | <a href="mailto:committee@armidalebushwalkers.org">committee@armidalebushwalkers.org</a>             | PO Box 1772, Armidale NSW 2350                |
| Bankstown Bushwalking Club                           | <a href="http://www.bankstownbushwalkingclub.org.au">http://www.bankstownbushwalkingclub.org.au</a>     | <a href="mailto:bankstownbush@gmail.com">bankstownbush@gmail.com</a>                                 | PO Box 7061, Mt Lewis, NSW 2190               |
| Batemans Bay Bushwalkers                             | <a href="http://www.baybushwalkers.org.au">http://www.baybushwalkers.org.au</a>                         | <a href="mailto:secretary@baybushwalkers.org.au">secretary@baybushwalkers.org.au</a>                 | PO Box 838, BATEMANS BAY NSW 2536             |
| Berowra Bushwalkers Club                             |                                                                                                         | <a href="mailto:jblanche@tpg.com.au">jblanche@tpg.com.au</a>                                         |                                               |
| Blue Mountains Conservation Society Bushwalking Club | <a href="http://www.bluemountains.org.au">http://www.bluemountains.org.au</a>                           | <a href="mailto:bmcs@bluemountains.org.au">bmcs@bluemountains.org.au</a>                             | P.O. Box 29, Wentworth Falls, NSW 2782        |
| Blue Steel Dash                                      | <a href="http://bluesteeldash.com">http://bluesteeldash.com</a>                                         | <a href="mailto:lymangb@gmail.com">lymangb@gmail.com</a>                                             |                                               |
| Brindabella Bushwalking Club                         | <a href="http://www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au/bbc">http://www.brindabellabushwalking.org.au/bbc</a> | <a href="mailto:secretary@brindabellabushwalking.org.au">secretary@brindabellabushwalking.org.au</a> | GPO Box 1044 CANBERRA ACT 2601                |
| Brisbane Water Outdoors Club                         | <a href="http://www.bwoc.org.au">http://www.bwoc.org.au</a>                                             | <a href="mailto:info@bwoc.org.au">info@bwoc.org.au</a>                                               | P. O. Box 845, Gosford, NSW 2250              |
| Bush Club                                            | <a href="http://www.bushclub.org.au">http://www.bushclub.org.au</a>                                     | <a href="mailto:bushclubsecretary@hotmail.com">bushclubsecretary@hotmail.com</a>                     | PO Box A1241, Sydney South NSW 1235           |
| Canberra Bushwalking Club                            | <a href="http://www.canberrabushwalkingclub.org">http://www.canberrabushwalkingclub.org</a>             | <a href="mailto:committee@canberrabushwalkingclub.org">committee@canberrabushwalkingclub.org</a>     | GPO Box 160, CANBERRA ACT 2601                |
| Central West Bushwalking Club                        | <a href="http://www.centralwestbushwalking.org.au">http://www.centralwestbushwalking.org.au</a>         | <a href="mailto:centralwestbushwalkingclub@hotmail.com">centralwestbushwalkingclub@hotmail.com</a>   | PO Box 836, Bathurst NSW 2795                 |
| Clarence Valley Bushwalkers                          | <a href="http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/clarence">http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/clarence</a>       | <a href="mailto:clarencevalleybushwalkers@gmail.com">clarencevalleybushwalkers@gmail.com</a>         | P.O. Box 1618, Grafton NSW 2460               |
| Coast and Mountain Walkers of NSW                    | <a href="http://www.cmw.asn.au">http://www.cmw.asn.au</a>                                               | <a href="mailto:bns@cmw.asn.au">bns@cmw.asn.au</a>                                                   | GPO Box 2449 Sydney NSW 2001                  |
| Downhill Bushwalking Club                            |                                                                                                         | <a href="mailto:amsmcameron1@bigpond.com">amsmcameron1@bigpond.com</a>                               |                                               |

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| Geehi Bushwalking Club                          | <a href="http://geehiclub.blogspot.com.au">http://geehiclub.blogspot.com.au</a>                       | geehiclub@hotmail.com                                                                                                                            | PO Box 5344, Cooma<br>North NSW 2630        |
| Goulburn Bushwalkers Club                       |                                                                                                       | <a href="mailto:goulburnbushwalking@hotmail.com">goulburnbushwalking@hotmail.com</a>                                                             | 114 Denneys Lane,<br>Goulburn NSW 2580      |
| Happy Wanderers<br>Hill View Bushwalkers        |                                                                                                       | <a href="mailto:brendapiper@msn.com">brendapiper@msn.com</a><br><a href="mailto:hillviewbushwalkers@gmail.com">hillviewbushwalkers@gmail.com</a> |                                             |
| Hunter Area Walkabout Club                      | <a href="http://newcastle-hunterbushwalking.org">http://newcastle-hunterbushwalking.org</a>           | <a href="mailto:hawcss@gmail.com">hawcss@gmail.com</a>                                                                                           | P.O. Box 166, New<br>Lambton, NSW 2305      |
| Inverell Bushwalking Club                       |                                                                                                       | <a href="mailto:bushwalkers@northnet.com.au">bushwalkers@northnet.com.au</a>                                                                     | PO Box 560, Inverell,<br>NSW 2360           |
| Ku-ring-gai Bushwalkers Activity & Social Group | <a href="http://www.bushwalkers.org.au">http://www.bushwalkers.org.au</a>                             | <a href="mailto:admin@bushwalkers.org.au">admin@bushwalkers.org.au</a>                                                                           | PO Box 3121 Asquith<br>NSW 2077             |
| Lake Macquarie Bushwalkers                      | <a href="http://www.lakemacquariebushwalkers.org">http://www.lakemacquariebushwalkers.org</a>         | <a href="mailto:lbushwalkers@gmail.com">lbushwalkers@gmail.com</a>                                                                               | 47 Balcolyn Street,<br>Balcolyn NSW 2264    |
| Macquarie Explorers Club                        | <a href="http://www.macquarieexplorers.com.au">http://www.macquarieexplorers.com.au</a>               | <a href="mailto:vanderfam@bigpond.com.au">vanderfam@bigpond.com.au</a>                                                                           | 1 / 2 Bell Avenue, West<br>Ryde NSW 2114    |
| Manly Spit Bushwalking Club                     |                                                                                                       | <a href="mailto:manlyspitbushwalkingclub@hotmail.com">manlyspitbushwalkingclub@hotmail.com</a>                                                   |                                             |
| Manning River Canoe Club                        | <a href="http://manningcanoebushwalk.wordpress.com">http://manningcanoebushwalk.wordpress.com</a>     | <a href="mailto:manningrivercc@hotmail.com">manningrivercc@hotmail.com</a>                                                                       | PO Box 511, Taree<br>NSW 2430               |
| Mount Druitt Bushwalking Club                   |                                                                                                       | <a href="mailto:blewwalker85@yahoo.com.au">blewwalker85@yahoo.com.au</a>                                                                         | PO Box 23, Mt Druitt<br>NSW 2770            |
| Mountain Devils Bushwalking Club                | <a href="http://mountaindevils.org.au">http://mountaindevils.org.au</a>                               | <a href="mailto:mountaindevilscontact@gmail.com">mountaindevilscontact@gmail.com</a>                                                             | P.O. Box 228,<br>Campbelltown, NSW,<br>2560 |
| Mudgee Bushwalking Club                         | <a href="http://www.mudgeebushwalking.org.au">http://www.mudgeebushwalking.org.au</a>                 | <a href="mailto:info@mudgeebushwalking.org.au">info@mudgeebushwalking.org.au</a>                                                                 | P.O.Box 1070,<br>MUDGE, NSW 2850            |
| Murray Valley Bushwalkers                       | <a href="http://murrayvalleybushwalkers.org.au">http://murrayvalleybushwalkers.org.au</a>             | <a href="mailto:secretary.mvb@gmail.com">secretary.mvb@gmail.com</a>                                                                             |                                             |

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| National Parks Assn of NSW          | <a href="http://www.npansw.org.au">http://www.npansw.org.au</a>                                                 | <a href="mailto:activities@npansw.org.au">activities@npansw.org.au</a>                             | PO Box A96 Sydney<br>South NSW 1235                                                                               |
| National Parks Assn of the ACT      | <a href="http://www.npaact.org.au">http://www.npaact.org.au</a>                                                 | <a href="mailto:admin@npaact.org.au">admin@npaact.org.au</a>                                       | GPO Box 544,<br>Canberra City ACT<br>2601                                                                         |
| Newcastle Bushwalking Club          | <a href="http://sites.google.com/site/newcastlebushwalker">http://sites.google.com/site/newcastlebushwalker</a> | <a href="mailto:NBCwalks@gmail.com">NBCwalks@gmail.com</a>                                         | PO Box 554,<br>Charlestown NSW<br>2290                                                                            |
| Newcastle Ramblers Bushwalking Club | <a href="http://newcastleramblers.org.au">http://newcastleramblers.org.au</a>                                   | <a href="mailto:newcastle.ramblers@gmail.com">newcastle.ramblers@gmail.com</a>                     | PO Box 719,<br>Charlestown NSW<br>2290                                                                            |
| Nimbin Bushwalkers Club             | <a href="http://www.nimbinbushwalkers.com">http://www.nimbinbushwalkers.com</a>                                 | <a href="mailto:nimbinbushwalkers@gmail.com">nimbinbushwalkers@gmail.com</a>                       | PO Box 61, Nimbin,<br>NSW 2480                                                                                    |
| Nordic Ski Club                     | <a href="http://www.nordicskiclub.org.au">http://www.nordicskiclub.org.au</a>                                   | <a href="mailto:info@nordicskiclub.org.au">info@nordicskiclub.org.au</a>                           | PO Box A683, Sydney<br>South NSW 1235                                                                             |
| Northern Rivers Bushwalkers Club    | <a href="http://www.northernriversbushwalkersclub.org.au">http://www.northernriversbushwalkersclub.org.au</a>   | <a href="mailto:theseecretary@gmail.com">theseecretary@gmail.com</a>                               | PO Box 5155, East<br>Lismore NSW 2480                                                                             |
| Outdoor Club of NSW                 | <a href="http://www.outdoorclubnsw.com.au">http://www.outdoorclubnsw.com.au</a>                                 | <a href="mailto:bobdora@smartchat.net.au">bobdora@smartchat.net.au</a>                             | GPO Box 1680 Sydney<br>NSW 2001 (acc to<br>Keith Maxwell Feb<br>2015 , calendars were<br>returned 'left address') |
| Shoalhaven Bushwalkers              | <a href="http://www.shoalhavenbushwalkers.org.au">http://www.shoalhavenbushwalkers.org.au</a>                   | <a href="mailto:info@shoalhavenbushwalkers.org.au">info@shoalhavenbushwalkers.org.au</a>           |                                                                                                                   |
| South Coast Bushwalking Club        | <a href="http://www.southcoastbushwalkers.org.au">http://www.southcoastbushwalkers.org.au</a>                   | <a href="mailto:scbw.secretary@gmail.com">scbw.secretary@gmail.com</a>                             | PO Box 102,<br>Wollongong East NSW<br>2520                                                                        |
| Southern Highlands Bushwalkers      | <a href="http://www.shb.org.au">http://www.shb.org.au</a>                                                       | <a href="mailto:shbushwalkers@gmail.com">shbushwalkers@gmail.com</a>                               | PO Box 461 Mittagong<br>NSW 2575                                                                                  |
| Span Outdoors                       | <a href="http://www.spanbush.org.au">http://www.spanbush.org.au</a>                                             | <a href="mailto:info@spanbush.org.au">info@spanbush.org.au</a>                                     | PO Box A545, SYDNEY<br>SOUTH NSW 2000<br>(BWRS calendars<br>returned Feb 2015)                                    |
| Springwood Bushwalking Club         | <a href="http://www.springwoodbushwalker.org.au">http://www.springwoodbushwalker.org.au</a>                     | <a href="mailto:walks@springwoodbushwalker.org.au">walks@springwoodbushwalker.org.au</a>           | PO Box 126,<br>Springwood 2777                                                                                    |
| Sutherland Bushwalking Club         | <a href="http://www.sutherlandbushwalkers.org.au">http://www.sutherlandbushwalkers.org.au</a>                   | <a href="mailto:info@sutherlandbushwalkers.org.au">info@sutherlandbushwalkers.org.au</a>           | PO Box 250,<br>Sutherland, NSW, 1499                                                                              |



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| Sydney Bush Walkers                   | <a href="http://www.sbw.org.au">http://www.sbw.org.au</a>                                           | <a href="mailto:president@sbw.org.au">president@sbw.org.au</a>                                 | PO Box 431, Milsons Point NSW 1565                            |
| Sydney Christian Bushwalkers          | <a href="http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/scripture">http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/scripture</a> | <a href="mailto:scbushies@yahoo.com.au">scbushies@yahoo.com.au</a>                             | PO Box 268, Engadine, NSW 2233                                |
| Sydney University Bushwalkers         | <a href="http://www.subw.org.au">http://www.subw.org.au</a>                                         | <a href="mailto:subw@outdoorgenius.com">subw@outdoorgenius.com</a>                             | Box 29, Holme Bldg. A09, Sydney University NSW 2006           |
| Tamworth Bushwalking & Canoe Club     | <a href="http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/tamworth">http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/tamworth</a>   | <a href="mailto:mikp2@hotmail.com">mikp2@hotmail.com</a>                                       | PO Box 1651 Tamworth NSW 2340                                 |
| Tumut Bushwalking Club                |                                                                                                     | <a href="mailto:Michelle.Johnson@health.nsw.gov.au">Michelle.Johnson@health.nsw.gov.au</a>     | PO Box 575 Tumut NSW 2720                                     |
| Up and Downers Bushwalking Club       | <a href="http://www.updownbwg.com.au">http://www.updownbwg.com.au</a>                               | <a href="mailto:upanddownersbwc@gmail.com">upanddownersbwc@gmail.com</a>                       | P O Box 1602, Lane Cove, NSW 1595                             |
| Upper Blue Mountains Bushwalking Club | <a href="http://www.ubmbc.org.au">http://www.ubmbc.org.au</a>                                       | <a href="mailto:draxcel@gmail.com">draxcel@gmail.com</a>                                       | C/- 226 Evans Lookout Road, Blackheath, NSW 2785              |
| Upper Lachlan Bushwalkers             |                                                                                                     | <a href="mailto:upperlachlanbushwalkers@outlook.com">upperlachlanbushwalkers@outlook.com</a>   | PO Box 733, Cowra NSW 2794 (BWRS calendars returned Feb 2015) |
| Walkers and Talkers                   |                                                                                                     | <a href="mailto:deniseimwold@optusnet.com.au">deniseimwold@optusnet.com.au</a>                 |                                                               |
| Wanderers Bushwalking Club            | <a href="http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/wanderers">http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/wanderers</a> | <a href="mailto:wanderersbushwalking@gmail.com">wanderersbushwalking@gmail.com</a>             | PO Box 132, Baulkham Hills, NSW 1755                          |
| Warringah Bushwalking Club            | <a href="http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/warringah">http://www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/warringah</a> | <a href="mailto:wbcinbox@gmail.com">wbcinbox@gmail.com</a>                                     | PO Box 1452, Dee Why NSW 2099                                 |
| Watagan Wanderers                     | <a href="http://www.wataganwanderersinc.org.au">http://www.wataganwanderersinc.org.au</a>           | <a href="mailto:secretary@wataganwanderersinc.org.au">secretary@wataganwanderersinc.org.au</a> | PO Box 263, Hamilton NSW 2303                                 |
| WEA Illawarra Ramblers Club           | <a href="http://www.illawarraramblers.com.au">http://www.illawarraramblers.com.au</a>               | <a href="mailto:patriciamackey@bigpond.com">patriciamackey@bigpond.com</a>                     | PO Box 1231, Wollongong, NSW 2500                             |
| WEA Ramblers                          | <a href="http://wearamblers.org.au">http://wearamblers.org.au</a>                                   | <a href="mailto:secretary@wearamblers.org.au">secretary@wearamblers.org.au</a>                 | PO Box Q1687, Queen Victoria Building NSW 1230                |
| Weekday Walkers                       |                                                                                                     | <a href="mailto:centralcoastweekdaywalkers@gmail.com">centralcoastweekdaywalkers@gmail.com</a> | 9 Britannia Street, Umina 2257                                |

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| Yarrawood Bushwalking Club                | <a href="http://www.yarrawood.org.au">http://www.yarrawood.org.au</a>         | <a href="mailto:ebinet@bigpond.com">ebinet@bigpond.com</a>                   | PO Box R346, Royal Exchange 1225                    |
| Yatra Bushwalking Club Inc                | <a href="http://yatra.org.au">http://yatra.org.au</a>                         | <a href="mailto:yatracontact@gmail.com">yatracontact@gmail.com</a>           |                                                     |
| YHA Social & Outdoor Club - Sydney Region | <a href="http://meetup.com/YHAClubSydney">http://meetup.com/YHAClubSydney</a> | <a href="mailto:ian.arthur.turner@gmail.com">ian.arthur.turner@gmail.com</a> | C/- 312/6 Brodie Spark Drive, Wollie Creek NSW 2205 |