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Welcome to our new Events and News format

Thank you for signing up! So many of you were looking for events that we combined them up front and followed with news - including guest writer: Caro Ryan on Cleaning our Gear, Your Say in Our Focus, the Clarence Colliery prosecution, Giant Pink Slugs, and more! Enjoy!

We have been meeting with NPWS and NSW Sport & Recreation, and NPWS have kindly offered to support our [minimal impact bushwalking training project](#). The NSW Environmental Trust approved of our achievements this year and provided their second year of funding, so our bottom line is greatly improved this year!

We have been analysing your survey responses, establishing new volunteer roles that we invite you to apply for, helping clubs out with incorporation and insurance questions, as well as walks promotion ideas. We also thanked our newsletter competition winners with free passes to the [Mountainfilm - Women's Screening](#).

Events for your calendar

9am 2 July: **RALLY: Stand Up For The Royal** Bundeena Reserve, Loftus St, next to the RSL, just up-hill from the ferry wharf (ferry from Cronulla at 8:30am)
Now is the time to wave the flag to stop the NSW government even thinking about an extension of the F6 Freeway through Royal National Park.

[Location Map](#) | [Facebook Event](#)

Sunday 6 August: **Two Valley Trail** from Tempe Station, NSW

This 12km loop walk along Cooks River and Wolli Creek, will surprise you with the secrets of this hidden bushland.

[Read more and book](#)

Sat 12 - Sun 13 Aug 2017: **Free 'Train the Trainer' Training** Glenbrook, NSW

Pick up new skills and obtain a Statement of Attainment in this 1.5 day course to help

you pass on the Minimal Impact Bushwalking message to new bushwalkers.

[Learn more and apply here](#)

12 - 13th Aug 2017: **Bushwalking NSW AGM in the Bush** near Katoombah, NSW

Explore the historic Kedumba Valley Hut and help move your peak body into a new year.

[Express your interest](#)

22 Oct 2017: **Spring Trek Sydney** Ku-ring-gai National Park

An 18 or 30km trail event where teams of three to six walk (or run) to support the global NGO Room to Read

www.springtrek.com.au

21 Oct 2017: **Adventure Conservation Adventures**, Redfern Town Hall, Redfern, NSW

Hear how you can reach wild and remote places through adventurous conservation expeditions from Carol Isaacs at the Bushwalking NSW General meeting.

[More details](#)

Your Say on Our Focus

Thanks to your responses to our survey!
You told us that the top three areas that Bushwalking NSW should focus on are:

1. Safety, rescue, risk management
2. Tracks and access (defined walks)
3. Conservation (natural places to walk)
4. Public promotion of bushwalking

[Read on...](#) or if you have another view please tell us through [our survey](#).

Volunteer Opportunities

Make a difference to bushwalking in NSW & ACT, apply now for these positions with Bushwalking NSW:

- [Newsletter Writer/Editor](#)
- [Community Liaison Officer](#)
- [Finance Officer](#)
- [Events Coordinator](#)



Why it's important to clean our gear

As people who love wild places, we're generally pretty aware of what it takes to keep our campsites clean and to practice good minimal impact bushwalking. But Caro Ryan from lotsafreshair.com has some great tips about how to stop tiny little issues, turning into great big problems...

[Read more](#)

Get out of the Gambe update



Image: [ABC News: Gavin Coote](#)

Don't fancy the weather changing?

Noticed a change in your cross-country skiing conditions? Don't fancy bushwalking in a serious bushfire?

Before this emergency further affects our parks and wild places [sign the Climate Emergency Declaration Petition](#).

National Park Plans under review

See the NPWS [consult](#) page, for park plans that are under review across the state including:

- [Ku-ring-gai Chase NP and nearby islands](#),
- [Mallee Cliffs NP](#)
- [Morton and many more](#).

Bushwalking NSW lead the 'Get out of the Gambe' campaign in 2016 to raise awareness of the Clarence Colliery waster water dam collapse into the Wollangambe river. The company has since pleaded guilty to charges brought by the EPA and Office of Environment and Heritage and the sentencing hearing commenced in [May](#)

Travelling Stock Reserve (TSR) - corridors for nature

Have your say by 5pm 7 July 2017 on the current review of the Travelling Stock Reserve (TSR) network across NSW to help ensure recreational use and nature gets a voice:

[What's this review?](#) [Have your say](#)



Giant Pink Slug, Kaputar NP - Photo: Elicia O'Reilly

Volunteer of the Month

Sending a big thank you out to Elicia O'Reilly from The Sydney Bushwalkers for being the inspiration behind our new newsletter format! Elicia has volunteered many hours and ideas to Bushwalking NSW in the form of our Communications Plan and also our new newsletter format.

Elicia is here enjoying a very wet day at Mt Kaputar National Park along with giant pink slugs like the one above!



New name for NSW volunteer land search and rescue organisation

The Bushwalkers Wilderness Rescue Squad have announced a change of squad name to Bush Search and Rescue (**BSAR**) **NSW**.

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- The Truth About Spider Bites
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Also learn about bushwalking, and find a club to walk with on our website.

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Keep exploring, be amazed!

Before you head out, check:

- Park closures: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NationalParks/FireClosure.aspx>
- Weather & river heights: <http://www.bom.gov.au>
- Fire: <http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/fdr-and-tobans>
- Planned hazard reductions: <http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/fire-information/hazard-reductions>

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