

NEWSLETTER of the BUSHWALKERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES

The N.S.W. Federation of Bushwalking Clubs
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THE FUTURE OF SOUTH WEST TASMANIA

South West Tasmania has been described by Sir Edmund Hillary as being 'one of the last great wilderness areas of the world' and by UNESCO as 'a unique wilderness of incomparable significance and value'. It is the last remaining wilderness area of any size in South East Australia. For over 60% of Australia's population it is the closest large wilderness area.

It is also a paradise for bushwalking and other types of wilderness recreation.

However the future of the South West Wilderness is uncertain. The Tasmanian Hydro Electric Commission (H.E.C.) plans to flood the Lower Gordon River, the Franklin River and many of their tributaries. As well forestry activity is taking place along the South Coast and in the Huon, Weld and Picton Valleys. The disastrous effects of both these possible future activities is shown on the accompanying maps.

All bushwalkers, whether familiar with South West Tasmania or not should be concerned about the future of this great wilderness area.

What you can do now

1. Write to Tasmanian Premier, Hon. D. Lowe, MHA, Parliament House, Hobart, 7000 expressing your objections to these activities and asking for all of South West Tasmania to be preserved as a National Park.
2. Join the South West Tasmania Committee, P.O. Box N204 Grosvenor St, Sydney 2000, phone Dave Kelly 662-2424 (W).
3. Buy a 'Franklin River' Poster and booklet. Available at Paddy Pallins, N.S.W. Environment Centre etc. or from the Tasmanian Wilderness Society, 102 Bathurst Street, Hobart 7000.
4. Come to the South West Tasmanian film night. September 15 or 16 at the Law School Theatre, Cnr. King & Elizabeth St, Sydney.

DAVE NOBLE

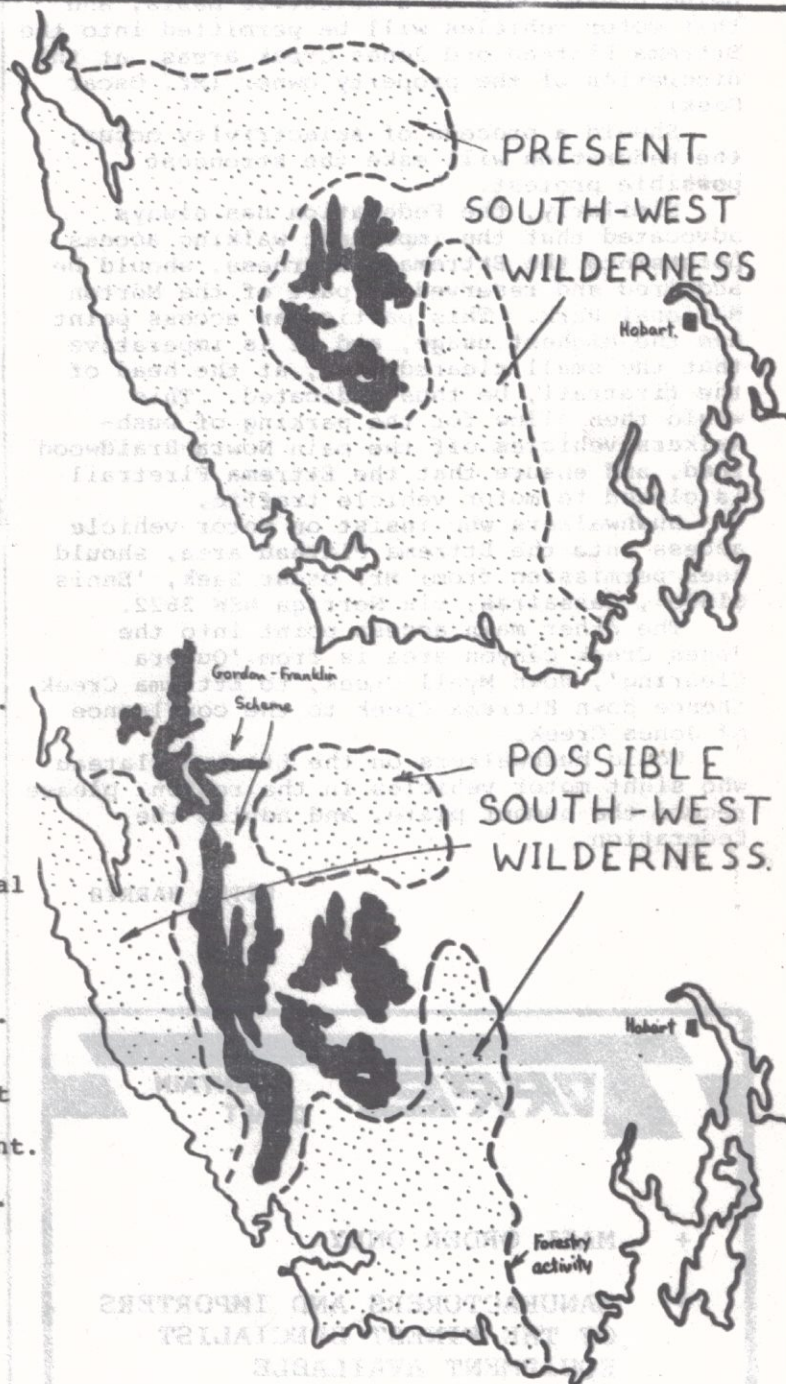
A CHANGE IN THE RAMBLERS

The Y.M.C.A. Ramblers Bushwalking Club is no longer affiliated with the Y.M.C.A. Henceforth it will be known as

THE RAMBLERS BUSHWALKING CLUB

The club now has a general business meeting on the 1st Tuesday of each month in the Environment Centre, 399 Pitt Street, Sydney with social activities on each other Tuesday of the month.

For further details please contact
the Secretary - Rose Adams 827 3919 (h)
516 1466 (w).



WILDERNESS - KEEP IT ALIVE BUY A CAR STICKER

The following vehicle window stickers have been produced by the Federation, and are available from your Club Secretary, the N.S.W. Environment Centre, or send large-stamped S.A.E. to the Secretary, Box 2090, Sydney, G.P.O. N.S.W. 2001.

"Save the Colo-Our Greatest Wilderness"	\$1.00
"Keep the Ettrema Wild"	\$1.00
"Wilderness - Keep It Alive"	\$1.00

D.W.N.
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BOB BUCK RELIEF ACCOUNT

A group of Catholic Bushwalkers have organised a fund for Bob's welfare. Any contributions to this fund would be gratefully accepted. Cheques should be made out to "The Bob Buck Relief Account" and sent

Alternately Vincent Mahon (55 5453) or
Tim Hager (78 5518) could be contacted.

WHAT'S NEW

It appears that bushwalkers aren't the only ones who have problems with sandshoes. Apparently the synthetic tennis courts are taking their toll on the soles. Incidentally most disposal shops are selling Dunlop O.C. Volleys at \$6.50 (seconds), however a sports store at 314 Pitt Street still has them at \$5.95 a pair. The G.T.s and the newer blue lines are also at a cheaper price.

The main door prize at the Ball will be a candle lamp and candles from Jorski.

Joy Scott 520 0750
or Jim Calloway 520 7081

Michigan has raised over \$2,000 in an appeal for the preservation of the Etowah. The N.S.W. Dept. of Sport & Recreation, the

ETTERMAN - Restoration took the forefront in

presently before a Mining Warden Court of

TRAVELLING ON YOUR OWN?

OR ORGANISING A GROUP?

...and dams. The Federation has become

Climbing Frenchman's Cap, Annapurna or the Eiffel Tower?

W-10897 - Mining application in the Bindi
W-10898 have required the Federation to

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