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NEWSLETTER

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BUSHWALKERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES

The N.S.W. Federation of Bushwalking Clubs G.P.O. Box 2090, Sydney, 2001.

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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

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 disasterious 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

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.

Join the South West Tasmania Committee, P.O. Box N204 Grosvenor St, Sydney 2000, phone Dave Kelly 662-2424 (W).

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 5 1843 Street, Hobart 7000.

401 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.

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)

Henceforth it will be known as

PRESENT SOUTH-WEST WILDERNESS POSSIBLE SOUTH-WEST WILDERNESS

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 largestamped 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" "Wilderness - Keep It Alive"

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CAMPING IN MONOLITH VALLEY: Following a request from the Budawangs Committee and the Superintendent of Morton National Park Federation has decided to ask all walkers not to camp in Monolith Valley. This hopefully will ease the pressures on A campsites, vegetation and wood. At present camping in Monolith Valley can only be possibly tolerated if a stove and aluminium tent poles are used. Not camping in the valley should not be difficult for walks as there are several pleasant (and more secluded) spots nearby.

CHANGE OF NAME: At the Annual General Meeting last month, the name of Pederation was changed "The Federation of Bushwalking Clubs (N.S.W.) This name was chosen firstly as it uses the word 'Clubs', secondly as it is concise, and lastly as it preserves the initials 'F.B.W.'. Neither the previous name (New South Wales Federation of Bushwalking Clubs) nor another proposed name (Bushwalkers Federation of New South Wales) satisfied all the three requirements.

FEDERATION BALL: The Ball this year will be held at Chatswood Town Hall on Friday, 6th October, starting at 7.30 p.m. Cost for a single is \$8.00. Raffle prizes this year are:-1st Prize: \$120 worth of Goods from Paddy Pallin 2nd Prize: \$120 worth of Goods from Mountain EASTWOOD Crementagons AND CAME

3rd Prize: A sleeping bag from Southern Cross GOOWTEAN Equipment NWALEST

4th Prize: \$25 worth of Goods from the Outdoor

Scouting Centre
The main door prize a the Ball will be a candle lamp and candles from .orski.

Any club requiring extra 2311 or Raffle tickets should ring
Joy Scott 520 0750 SUDSER HORASS

or Jim Calloway 520 7081 SEARCH AND RESCUE PRACTICE: There will be a one day abseilling and stretcher hauling and rol practice on Sunday 20th August, at Wahroonga. Rocks Wahroonga Rocks are behind the oval at the end of Cliff Ave (three miles north-only west of Wahroonga station). The practice should start at about 8.00 a.m. ad son blood only

Around 35-40 persons were, in the field

EDITORS NOTE of bedresenger year . Yes

The aim of the Newsletter is to keep a negative bushwalkers up to date with current matters of 62 of interest. It will do this best if its articles come from a reasonably large range void of walkers, not just the regular contributors. Articles for the Newsletter are always wanted. W Any articles for the Newsletter can be sentwois suspicious located.

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member of Mt. Divitt Bushwelking Cirp Relations with the police were relaxed and friendly and the location of such a small excellent impression they had gained of our aprility, Mr. Adams was also impressed wirk our thoroughness and expressed his appreciation for our efforts.
I would like to thank all those who

participated especially those who searched both days. They were very [ul] days.

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While returning from a Catholic Bushwalkers walk at the end of Easter, Bob Buck (a bush-walker particularly well-known for his Colo sketch map) was involved in a car accident.

Bob lost his right leg below the knee, and sustained injuries to his left leg, arms and body. He is receiving care at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Campberdown, where he will be for some months. for some months.

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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
C/o The Catholic Bushwalking Club,
P.O. Box C59,

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Alternately Vincent Manon (55 5453) or
Tim Hager (78 5518) could be contacted. catactysmic development proposal

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An updated soft coveredition of the Trampled Wilderness is now available and is selling for \$11.00. Formanyone who has orbintends to vasitoTasmania, the book offers an interesting account of the history of Tasmania in areas generally now visited by bushwalkers. me Also seem in the shops An Introduction to Ski Touring by the NoStW. Ski Association and this book sells for \$2.500

It appears that bushwalkers aren't the orly 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 W \$5:95 a pair: The G.T. s and the newer blue lines are also at a cheaper price.

the M. S.W. Dept. of Sport & Recreation, was support for the preservation of the Ettrena port & Recreation, the Wilderness has raised over \$2,000 in an

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