


# Bushwalking NSW

Bushwalking NSW Inc. PO Box 904, Darlinghurst NSW 1300 P: (02)8003 5545 E: admin@bushwalkingnsw.org.au  
www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au  <https://www.facebook.com/bushwalkingnsw>  @BushwalkingNSW

## MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> 2017 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**Time & Date** 7:35-9:00pm on Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Location:** Redfern Town Hall, 73 Pitt St, Redfern NSW 2016

### Attendees:

NAME	Club	Nominated Club Delegate (Y/N)
Sierra Classen	Sydney University Bushwalkers	Y
Alex Allchin	Sydney Bush Walkers	Y
Kirsten Mayer	Executive Officer, BNSW	N/A
Keith Maxwell	CPW	Y
Neil Grill	WEA Ramblers	Y
Fay Wolker	BBC	N
Vince Murtagh	CBC	Y
Perrie Franks	CMW	N
Thais Turner	Bankstown and Catholic Bushwalkers	Y
Jon Gray	Bankstown BC	Y
Charles Bowden	All Nations	Y
Jim Close	SBW	N
Peter Stanfield	SUBW	N
David Springthorpe	CMW	Y
Sharon Fulcher	CMW	N
Jenny Donoghoe	Wanderers	N
Bill Donoghoe	Wanderers	N
Jane Millgate	CBC	Y
Paul Millgate	CBC	N
Barbara Wright	CMW	
Cheryl Fletcher	WEA	Y
Andrew Cox	WPA	N
John Flint	SBW	Y
Carmen Byrne	SBW	N
Sue Raikos	SBW	N
Andrew Stanger	NSW Nordic Ski Club	Y
Vanessa Hicks	Sutherland (SBC)	Y
Zhan Silvalli	NSW Nordic Ski Club	N
Stephen Poole	NSW Nordic Ski Club	N
Ute Foster	CMW	Proxy only
Brian Ethøingle	CBC	Y
Jayne Damels	CMW, Sutherland BW	N

### Apologies:

---

**NAME**

Edward Youds

George Quinn

Mitchell Isaacs

Margaret Covey

---

## **Chair & Quorum**

The meeting commenced at 7:35pm with Alex Allchin as chair.

The chair announced that a quorum was present and that the meeting was duly constituted.

## **Previous Minutes**

Meetings from the November February GM were accepted on the proviso that the section on the presentation about bush rescues be abridged and summarised to a single sentence about the theme of the presentation.

Proposed: Alex Allchin

Seconded: Sierra Classen

Unanimously Approved.

## **Agenda item/topic**

Welcome and introduction – President (Alex Allchin)

Sharon Fulcher: Keynote Presenter

Sharon presented on minimal impact bushwalking and biosecurity.

Sharon provided 5 USBs with the power point presentation, speaker's notes and brochure from the Invasive Species Council.

Requested volunteers for surveying the Jagungal wilderness and filling out an online survey (link provided in PPT)

Update from Bushwalking NSW

The Bushwalking NSW Newsletter Distribution:

MailChimp for more visually efficient production and distribution. It is attractive and responsive to device used/viewing format.

New Newsletter Distribution Options:

- Receive newsletter as a link.
- Members sign up to newsletter.

It's Sweet to Walk Soft Project Update:

Kirsten provided Minimal Impact Bushwalking Trainer Training Information.

The Bushwalker:

Digital Publication has reduced the number of articles being submitted.

## **Bushwalking NSW Inc.**

Making the Bushwalker an annual publication designed to give people information about bushwalking if they are not yet involved in bushwalking; or to attract bushwalkers to become involved in a club.

Possible Articles: How to join a club. List of Clubs. National Parks rules for walks. Map showing a walk.

John Flint from asked SBW: Should clubs be sending in their annual best article from the year? *This question will be considered in the planning for the publication. Any other input into future directions for publications may be directed to Bushwalking NSW management committee.*

### Membership Fees:

Reminder: fees change each year according to CPI.

### Risk Management:

Summary documents to be released in the coming months. Comments on existing complete document are welcome.

### AAAS Bushwalking and Camping draft standards release for public consultation:

Bushwalking NSW's views are being represented by Bushwalking NSW.

Clubs can comment, however.

AAAS apply to trips with dependants on them. They may apply to club trips on these grounds.

### Bushwalkers Wilderness Rescue Squad Name Change:

Name changed to **Bush Search and Rescue (BSAR) NSW**. They also have a new website.

### Meeting with Sport and Rec:

We met with the Office of Sport & Recreation to request funding. We don't immediately fit their funding criteria but we will work on this. Bushwalking fits with the premier's priorities: active recreation and obesity. Their focus is on child obesity and getting children active, which some clubs are interested in.

### Kedumba Valley Maxwell's Hut Opportunity:

Bushwalkers could freely use the historic restored hut from 1920s if clubs agree to do twice yearly restoration activities.

### Navshield:

Will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of June.

### Club Updates

## Bushwalking NSW Inc.

Alex: *SBW* is turning 90 this year.

*Springwood Bushwalkers* recently went to Splendour Rock for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Colin Watson died at 93 years old. Condolences sent from BNSW.

*CMW: Cowan Creek Bush Care* – croftons weed is almost all gone. There used to be a significant amount there.

*Wolli Creek Preservation Society* – 5 km of Bush. There will be a walk run by Ute in the 6<sup>th</sup> of August to expose why the bit of bush still exists and some of its wonders.

24<sup>th</sup> of May *Nordic Ski Club* Meeting Announcement - Photographer coming to present about night photography and outdoor photography. There will be a beginners' trip on the weekend of Navshield. There will be a gear night in June and another trip in July. Beginner's trips are good for learning about how to walk on skis.

AGM in the bush location suggestions:

- Kedumba Farm
- Carlons Farm
- Boyd's River Crossing
- Newnes
- Lane Cove NP

### **Next Meeting**

The next Bushwalking NSW Annual General Meeting shall be held at:  
**Saturday & Sunday, 12-13<sup>th</sup> August, 2017**

**Kedumba Hut? (TBA)**

Meeting ended at: 9:00pm