

The Bush Club Inc

Winter Walks Schedule - June 2010 to August 2010

Welcome to a wonderful program of winter walking; all made possible through the excellent leaders that the club has. In this program, Ken and Judy Woodward are leading a walk for the first time. It's an excellent walk along the Waratah Track and Elvina Bay Circuit in Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park. The walk is on Tuesday 24 August and is listed in ***bold italics***. Do get along if you can.

The biggest change you will find throughout this program is that the grade of walks now follows a new grading system. As the Bush Club has grown, so has the variety and extent of walks that leaders submit for the program. This has highlighted some limitations in the walks grading system we have used. Although the system has served The Bush Club well for a number of years, the limited number of categories can make it difficult for leaders to adequately define the level of difficulty. Also, participants frequently comment on the differences between walks which are listed at the same grade. As well, with joint walks, there can be on occasions inconsistencies in the gradings of the respective clubs. The committee considered all the issues in some detail before adopting the new grading system. You can find details of the new grading system on the following page, and also on the website of The Bush Club.

The walks grading system is that developed by the Confederation of Bushwalking Clubs. It has been adopted already by a number of other bushwalking clubs, including NPA, and undoubtedly will be familiar to some members. The increased number of categories can make it easier for a leader to more clearly define an activity, and for participants to know what to expect. Probably more important is that from an insurance perspective there is no difference

between our walks grading system and that developed by the Confederation, through whom insurance is arranged.

Adoption of the new grading system has also meant some changes to the various qualifiers that may be added to Bush Club walks. **LTW** (Leadership Training Walk) remains, as does **M** for a qualifying walk. However, now all walks grade 3 and higher are automatically membership qualifying walks, unless the leader notes otherwise. The category of **LAW** (Less Active Walkers) has been discontinued, as this is adequately covered by grade 1. The **TIE** (Take It Easy) category has also been discontinued, as the acronym has been very confusing, and has not been well understood. However, it has been replaced by a new category (**SEA**) in an attempt to fill a need for those members wishing to attempt more challenging walks in a supportive, encouraging group. There is a full description of the definitions on the next page.

Another important change is that a minimum of four members (or prospective members) is now required for a Bush Club walk.

Over the past month or two, the short notice walks program has been very active. If you don't receive the details that are broadcast, I encourage you to register to do so. However, as the number of short notice walks has increased, it appears that some of them have been listed without reference to the published program, resulting in some overlaps. If you are planning a short notice walk, do check the program for what other leaders already may have planned for that date to ensure there are no conflicts.

John Cooper
Walks Secretary

*Does map reading have some mystery? Like to improve your navigation skills?
Check out Graham Conden's map reading training on Wednesday 2 June.*

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Walking with The Bush Club – What Can You Expect?

Walks of The Bush Club vary greatly in length and degree of difficulty. The best way to know what to expect is to look at the grade of the walk. The grading system used within The Bush Club is that developed by the Confederation of Bushwalking Clubs. The grades are printed in each walks program.

For any walk, the leader:

- *sets the grade, route and pace of the walk;*
- *is entitled to inquire about the capacity of a member to complete the walk as planned; and*
- *is understanding, helpful and supportive on the track.*

In return, participating members are expected to:

- *have the ability to complete the walk as described;*
- *be self reliant (in respect to water, food, first aid, navigation, clothing, etc); and*
- *be a participative and co-operative member of the group.*

Within The Bush Club, there are some further qualifiers that are used, in addition to the walk grading, to help describe and define the type and style of the walk.

SEA Support, Encourage, Achieve For those seeking to build up confidence and fitness, and looking to complete more challenging walks. For these walks, the leader:

- *is purposely considerate of the needs and wishes of such members when planning the route and setting the pace;*
- *systematically tailors and conducts the walk to suit the capacity of participants; and*
- *is an encouraging mentor and guide on the track.*

These walks are for members who:

- *are keen to get to new, exciting and wonderful places but with some uncertainty about their abilities to do so;*
- *want to further stretch and develop their skills and self reliance; and*
- *are happy to be part of a mutually supportive and encouraging group that stays together on the track.*

M Membership Qualifying All walks grade 3 and higher are membership qualifying walks, unless the leader notes otherwise. Look for the 'M' label. However, prospective members may attend any walk with the leader's consent.

LTW Leadership Training Walk The leader is available to instruct aspiring leaders in techniques of walks leadership.

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Every person participating in any activity organised by or with the involvement of The Bush Club Inc. does so at his or her own risk and by participating, acknowledges that neither The Bush Club Inc. nor its office-bearers or its activity leaders have accepted any responsibility or liability for any damage to property or for any death or injury suffered and that he or she will take all responsibility for any person under 18 years of age invited by him or her to participate in any activity organised by or with the involvement of The Bush Club Inc.

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GENERAL: Walkers should carry a small first aid kit, matches and torch, and come suitably equipped with strong walking shoes, a rucksack, hat, rain gear, and water. Members are also encouraged to carry map and compass and become proficient in their use. With experience gained in club walks it is expected that members will become walks leaders and/or office-bearers.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Phone **131 500** to check train, bus and ferry times. **Timetables are sometimes altered at short notice.** If the train is not running to timetable or if there is any doubt, contact the leader. Traditionally, Bush Club members travel in the second railway carriage from front, upper level, unless otherwise advised.

ENQUIRIES: Enquiries about a walk should be directed to the leader. In times of bush fires, check news services and/or NPWS re closures of parks or access roads. Do phone the leader if you are unsure.

GUIDE TO GRADING OF WALKS

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LTW Leadership Training Walk The leader is available to instruct aspiring leaders in techniques of walks leadership.

Grade 1 (Easy) Opportunity for large number of walkers, including those with reduced walking ability to walk on well marked and even tracks. Tracks are man made and may have a few steps. Should not be steep. Suitable for beginners. Distance should not exceed about 10km.

Grade 2 (Easy-Medium) Easy walk, mostly on tracks of low gradient. Opportunity to walk easily in natural environments on well marked tracks. Tracks should not be steep. Distance should not exceed about 15km.

Grade 3 (Medium) Medium walk with some hilly sections and/or rougher terrain. Opportunity to walk on defined and distinct tracks with some steep sections requiring a moderate level of fitness. Suitable for fit beginners. Distance should not exceed about 20km.

Grade 4 (Medium-Hard) Steeper, rougher terrain and may have off-track sections (no more than one quarter of the walk) or a longer distance track walk. Opportunity to explore and discover relatively undisturbed natural environments mostly along defined and distinct tracks. Tracks can be steep. There may be short sections of rock scrambling involved. Leaders should have map reading abilities and/or ability to use a compass. Distance depending on circumstances. Not suitable for most beginners.

Grade 5 (Hard) Off-track or difficult terrain. Opportunity for walkers with advanced outdoor knowledge and skills to find their own way along often indistinct tracks or off track in remote locations. May include steep sections of unmodified surfaces. There may be rock scrambling, creek walking and crossing involved. Distance should not exceed 30km, but may be short and difficult. Not suitable for beginners.

Grade 6 (Very Hard) Strenuous off-track walk or very long distance. Opportunity for highly experienced walkers to explore remote and challenging natural areas without reliance on managed tracks. Terrain may be steep, uneven and no track. There may be rock scrambling, creek walking and crossing involved. Distance covered is unlimited, but may be short and difficult. Only for experienced walkers and not suitable for beginners.

CAR COST SHARE: The rate is **25c per km** divided by the number of car occupants, including the driver.

LEADERS: **All day walks must be held unless conditions are unsafe.** A minimum of four (4), including leader, is required for a Club walk. If there are fewer than four, including leader, a walk, if continued, is not an official Club activity and is not covered by insurance. If a leader is unable to lead his/her walk, he/she should arrange for a substitute leader and inform the Walks Secretary accordingly. The leader (or substitute) must travel to the starting point of the walk. **See list of volunteer substitute leaders on last page of the walks program.**

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS: Prospective members are required to **phone the leader** before attending any walk; they are advised to commence with Medium Grade 3 walks.

VISITORS: Visitors including children are welcome to take part in walks only if invited by a full member (who must be present on the walk) and subject to the leader's prior approval. Approval should be requested by the member, not the visitor. A leader has the right to refuse to take visitors on walks. Visitors will be granted temporary club membership to enable them to take part in the activity.

SEARCH AND RESCUE: Contact the police or other emergency agency only if life or limb is endangered. In the event of a party being overdue, or some other incident, please phone the following Bush Club contacts - **Graham Conden 0418 647 951, Kaye Birch 0407 115 560 or Dick Weston 4753 1003.** Contact may also be made with the Bushwalkers Wilderness Rescue by phoning 132 222. Ask the operator to page 627 7321, leave your message and a return telephone number. If there is no reply within fifteen (15) minutes please call again and repeat the message.

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**Missed the program?
Why not put on a short notice walk?
Send the details to bushclubsnw@gmail.com**

**Many more short notice walks and also this walks program are
available by email.**

**If you do not receive these by email already, you are encouraged to do so.
Send your request to bushclubmembership@hotmail.com**

JUNE

Wed 2 Jun		Map Reading Learn the mysteries of map reading in the comfort of the Club's rooms. Contours, direction finding, using a compass. Find out what those squiggly lines are all about. Perfect for beginners. \$4 cost for handout materials. To be held at Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre, 16 Fitzroy St, Kirribilli.
Wed 2 Jun	3 M	Berowra to Berowra Double Loop Walk Benowie track, Berowra Creek, Mt Kuring-gai, Berowra Track, Cowan Creek. Steady pace with good views and a chance to walk the recently reopened Berowra Track; 18 km and two climbs and descents of 250m each. Map: Hornsby
Wed 2 Jun	5/6 M LTW	Wollemi NP: Constance Point Park Vehicle at the locked gate on the Old Coach Road. Walk as though going to Tiger Snake Canyon but continue on along the ridge crest to the very end (Constance Point). Here explore the wild pagodas and interlocking ravines. We may even find a way down into Zobels Gully. Spectacular views; 12km; +/- up to 200m; some optional; some exploratory. Maps: Ben Bullen, Mount Morgan
Thu 3 Jun	3 M	Cremorne Point to Manly Wharf via Taronga Zoo, coffee at Chowder Bay, onto Balmoral, and then the Spit to Manly walk; approx 23km.
Thu 3 Jun		Bush Club Committee Meeting 4.30pm, McManus Room, Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre, 16 Fitzroy Street, Kirribilli
Fri 4 Jun	3/4 M	Taronga Zoo to the Spit This walk is a scenic, culturally rich walk encompassing views of Sydney Harbour with beautiful beaches along the way. Relatively flat with bush tracks and street walking; 11km. An option depending on time and interest is to continue to Manly (a further 9km). Map: Sydney Harbour National Park
Fri 4 Jun	Social	Lunch with Ramblers and friends Arrive 11.30am to 12noon. No need to book. Venue is Bardwell Park RSL next to Bardwell Park Railway Station (about 20 minutes from Central on Airport/East Hills Line).
Sat 5 Jun	3 M	Jilliby SCA The Pines – Wildflower walking trail – Dora Creek – Abbots Falls – German Point Road – Deep Creek Road – The Pines Trail. Fabulous forests, lovely waterfall, beautiful creek; 12km; 200m total ascent. Map: Morriset
Sat 5 Jun	4 M	Royal NP: Loftus to Bundeena Loftus – Audley – Winifred Falls – Mt Bass – Marley – Bundeena.
Sun 6 Jun	3 M	Royal NP: Bundeena – Cabbage Tree Basin and Creek – Bass Heights – Hacking River / Costens Point – Maianbar – Bundeena Rocky foreshore then off-track penetration of basin and creek. Short scratchy muddy section. Tracked route shortly after morning tea. Short climbs with gentle pace. Time to enjoy district and river views (all-track route if wet); approx 13km.
Sun 6 Jun	4 M	Kanangra-Boyd NP: Dione Dell Canyon Five abseils, no swims, suitable introduction to canyoning. Helmets, abseiling gear compulsory; 3.5km; 250m asc. Children over 11 OK but must be in the care of a responsible adult Bush Club member. Bush Club abseiling policy applies. Maps: Kanangra, Yerranderie. Jointly with NPA. Limit 10.
Sun 6 to Tue 22 Jun	5	Larapinta Track, NT Full pack walk, thirteen nights with two days before, and one day after in Alice Springs. Two food drops; 160km. Joint walk with NPA.

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Mon 7 Jun	3 M	Hornsby to Pennant Hills – an Alternative Route Lisgar Gardens, Dog Pound Creek, remnant blue gum forest, Westleigh, Stringy Bark Ridge, Pennant Hills station; 16 km. Map: Hornsby.
Mon 7 to Wed 9 Jun	6 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Kanangra Walls Kanangra Walls – Gingra Range – Kowmung River – Compagnoni Pass – Ti Willa Plateau – Hundred Man Cave – Mt Cloudmaker – Kanangra Walls. This is a strong walk only for fit and experienced packwalkers. Day 1 is 18km and 900m descent; Day 2 - 8km 800m ascent and Day 3 - 12km 350m ascent. Map: Kanangra
Tue 8 Jun	1	Homebush Bay Walk in biodiversity areas of Sydney Olympic Park including Narawang Wetlands, endangered Turpentine Ironbark Forest, Brickpit Frog sanctuary, waterbird refuge, mangroves, Lake Belvedere fishway, etc. Some local history. Bring binoculars. Relatively level, on track, easy pace; 8-10km. Return from Concord West Station.
Tue 8 Jun	4 M	Not Quite H-H, Part 1: Manly Wharf to Lindfield Station via Manly Lagoon and Dam, Seaforth Oval, Bantry Bay, Roseville Bridge. Brisk pace, tracks, minimum street walking. First stage of "improved" walk from Manly to Hawkesbury River; 22km, 300m ascent.
Tue 8 to Thu 10 Jun	4 M	Classic Walks in the Wollemi 6: Sandy Camp From a base near the old cattlemen's hut at Sandy Camp on Nullo Mountain, make day walks to 1. the southern peaks of Yodellers Range; 2. the puzzle of Acrostic Ridge; and 3. the chasm of a western branch of Cedar Creek. The trip also includes a visit to The Livery Stable – a historic cave with some fascinating rock art. Distance 6km on days 1 and 3, 12km on day 2; all in dry, rugged country. Maps: Taloozy, Widden Limit: 8
Wed 9 Jun	4 M LTW	Hornsby to Parramatta Hornsby – Great North Walk – Thompsons Corner – Darling Mills – Parramatta. Mostly tracks and bush, climbs. A classic walk. Easy pace; 24km.
Thu 10 Jun	3 M LTW	Hornsby Heights to Mt Kuring-gai Hornsby Heights, Great North Track, Berowra Creek, Mt Kuring-gai. Tracks, some uphill, pleasant country; approx 12km. Map: Great North Walk No 2
Fri 11 Jun	2	Manly Wharf to North Head Manly Wharf – Little Manly – Collins Flat – North Head – Shelly Beach – Manly Wharf. One long road climb, one steepish descent. Easy pace; 10km.
Sat 12 to Mon 14 Jun	5 M LTW	Morton NP: Ettrema Plateau Cave Circuit Greta Road – Bundundah Creek – Waterfall Cave #1 – Discovery Cave – Waterfall Cave #2 – Old 4WD track. Generally undulating country, some scrub, minor scrambling. No tents, great camp caves; 32km, 20km off track; 300m descent/ascent. Maps: Sassafra, Nerriga, Yalwal Limit: 8
Mon 14 to Thu 17 Jun	5 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Kanangra Walls Day 1 - Kanangra Walls to Hundred Man cave to set up base camp; Day 2 - Explore High Gangerang Tops; Day 3 - Circumnavigation of Ti-Willa Plateau below cliffline and elsewhere; Day 4 - Return to Kanangra Walls and thence home. Limit 8 persons
Wed 16 Jun	2	Lane Cove NP: Gordon Station to Chatswood Station This will be a gentle, half day walk of no more than 4 hours; 11km; 200m asc. Map: Hornsby
Wed 16 Jun	5/6 M LTW	Wollemi NP: The Penrose Slot and return via the Pagoda Track and the Old Coach Road. Walk as though going to Tiger Snake Canyon but continue on along the ridge crest before heading out to a pagoda at approx GR 432 205. Descend through a very tight slot and ramp complex to the base of Penrose Gully Falls and canyon. Before heading downstream to pick up the old Wolgan Valley Railway alignment and hence the Old Coach Road we will investigate the northern arm of Penrose Gully; 8km; 300m +&-; some exploratory. Map: Ben Bullen
Wed 16 to Tue 22 Jun	4 M	Larapinta Track, NT A seven day walk of highlights of the Larapinta Track. The walk is fully supported by World Expeditions. Spectacular scenery plus sleeping under the stars. Walk is fully booked with a wait list operating. Note that this walk will be organised and led by a commercial organisation and is not a Bush Club programmed walk. Therefore insurance arrangements of The Bush Club do not apply.
Thu 17 Jun	3 M	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Wahrenonga to Mt Kuring-gai via Bobbin Head and Apple Tree Bay. Mostly tracks, with some steep rocky sections, very scenic, easy pace; 14km; 210m asc.
Thu 17 Jun	4 M	Blue Mountains NP: Glenbrook Gorge – Portal Lookout – Glenbrook A round walk start and finish at Glenbrook Station. Rock hopping and rough tracks through gorge. An interesting climb, including some exposure, up to Lookout. Medium pace; 16km. Map: Penrith. Joint with NPA
Fri 18 Jun	1	Manly to South Head Day 2: Manly Wharf to Spit Bridge The classic walk around the coast including Grotto Point; about 9km.
Fri 18 Jun	2	Chatswood to Epping Road and Return Rail to River Walk to Fullers Bridge, then follow Lane Cove River (on RHS) to Chatswood Athletic Field at Epping Road/Mowbray Road. Return on Great North Walk (still keeping Lane Cove River on RHS) to Fullers Bridge, then Blue Gum Creek Track back to Chatswood Railway; 11 km.

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Sat 19 Jun	4 M	Brisbane Waters NP: Aboriginal Art Sites Originally a Bill Mack's inspired circuit however with emphasis on aboriginal engravings. Woy Woy station – Koolewong Ridge – Waterfall Bay Creek – Egyptoid engravings – Kariong Fire Brigade - partly different circuit return to Woy Woy station. Just about all on track or fire trail with a dash of bush bash. Views. Six different small aboriginal engraving sites including a rare dugong. With one site in the middle of f/trail and one on helipad, a chance to visit while they can still be seen; 15km; asc & des 200m. Map: Gosford
Sat 19 Jun	4 M	Walks into History 4: the Water Supply Dam on the Bungleboori From the route of the former Wolgan Valley railway, we follow a ridge out for wonderful views over the Bungleboori. There is a descent to the old dam, and the return route provides a spectacular outlook over pagoda country; 12km; 300m ascent. Maps: Lithgow, Wollangambe
Sat 19 Jun	5 M	Blue Mountains NP: Mt Solitary Traverse From Kings Tableland descend to Kedumba River, then ascent and traverse of Mt Solitary, Federal Pass to ascent of Golden Stairs. Car shuffle required. Great views north and south. Steep slippery ascent and descent, river crossing. Mainly tracks; distance 23km; total ascent 1,000 m. Joint walk with NPA
Sun 20 Jun	3 M	Milsons Point to Balmoral Beach Walk passes Cremorne Point, Mosman Bay, Little Sirius Cove, Taronga Zoo, Chowder Bay and Balmoral. All on track or footpaths and passing two coffee shops. Bus leaves Balmoral Beach for Mosman.
Tue 22 Jun	3 M	Hornsby Heights to Galston Gorge Hornsby Heights via Great North Walk – Galston Gorge – Pogson Trig – Fishponds – Blue Gum Track – Hornsby station; 15km. Joint with NPA
Wed 23 Jun	2	Carol's Cruise Culinary Italian Caper: Roam into Rome Drummoyne to Concord. Flat walk of approx 12 km along the Parramatta River done at moderate pace. Mostly riverside reserves and pathways. Some street walking. Smatterings of local river history. Lunch at Il Trattoraro on the Italian strip in Majors Bay Road, Concord. Great food. Limit on lunch bookings 20. Contact leader for lunch bookings by Sunday 20 June.
Wed 23 Jun	2/3 M LTW	Newnes State Forest: The Newnes Dunes Yes, there are real sand dunes on the Newnes Plateau, sorry no surf. This is an easy but instructive day learning about the Holocene sand dunes on the Newnes Plateau. We will visit at least two sites and see a very different aspect of this remarkable area. Several separate walks. Walk 1 is about 200m! Walk 2 about 4km and walk 3 about 2km. If we finish early a visit will be made to the very spectacular pagoda viewing point over Carne Creek with the 9km view down to the Wolgan Valley Resort. No climbs at all; limit 12. Map: Cullen Bullen
Wed 23 and Thu 24 Jun	6 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Coxs River Carlons Farm – Coxs River via Mt Dingo and Howling Dog Ridge, return via Mt Yellow Dog; 32km; 1600m+ asc. Maps: Kanangra, Jenolan
Thu 24 Jun	3 M	Royal NP: Helensburgh to Waterfall Helensburgh – The Burgh Track – Garawarra – Bola Ridge – Forest Island – Couranga Track – Waterfall; climbs; approx 16km.
Fri 25 Jun	2	Rumbalara Reserve Gosford – Rumbalara Reserve – Gosford; tracks with a hill and four lookouts; 7km.
Sat 26 Jun	3 M	Garigal NP: St Ives to Forestville St Ives – Cascades – Roseville Bridge – Magazine Track – Forestville. Undulating track; approx 22km. Map: STEP
Sat 26 Jun	3 M	Blue Mountains NP: Historic Mountain Roads Mt Victoria – Mt York – Hartley Vale – Mt Victoria. Follow the original pass (Coxs Road) down from Mt York to Hartley Vale, through farmland then up Lockyer's Road, steady 200m ascent. History, pagodas, views of Hartley Valley, coffee shop at end; about 16 km.
Sat 26 Jun	5 M	Blue Mountains NP: Wild Dog Wanderings #1 Galong, Ironpot Mountain, Pots and Pans, Gay Dog Ridge, Knights Deck, Knights Pups, Breakfast Creek, Ironmonger Spur. <i>16km, 1 x 500m, 1 x 600m ascent, on and off track, partly exploratory, some exposure possible.</i> Come and explore the beauty of the Wild Dogs with me – views and climbs to die for!
Sun 27 Jun	1	Narrabeen Lake Kayaking Ideal 2-hour session for novices, those needing a refresher or those wanting a short day out on the water. Bring own boat or hire from Prokayaks.
Tue 29 Jun	4 M LTW	Blue Mountains NP: Faulconbridge to Springwood Sassafras Gully Faulconbridge – Victory Track – Martins Lookout – Magdala Track – Springwood. One fair climb; many creek crossings; approx. 14km.
Tue 29 Jun	5 M	Not Quite H-H, Part 2: Lindfield Station to Mt Kuring-gai Station via Barrie St Lookout, Bungaroo, Cascades, Oxfam route to St Ives via Bare Creek, Wildflower Garden (Mueller Track), Warrimoo Track, Bobbin Head, Apple Tree Bay. Early start for a hard day's walk on tracks, trails, minimum street walking. Must be fit; 28 km; 550m. Maps: STEP 1&2, Hornsby
Wed 30 Jun	5/6 M LTW	Gardens of Stone NP: Hades and the Underworld This is a wild adventure in the pagoda country west of Baal Bone Gap within the Poseidon Arena. Short distances but a full day with perhaps 800m made up of many of small climbs. If we finish in time a visit will be made to another area of very wild country of bare rock on the western edge of the Arena. For pagoda lovers only; 5km; 800m +&-; all exploratory. Map: Ben Bullen

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JULY

Thu 1 Jul		Bush Club Committee Meeting 4.30pm, McManus Room, Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre, 16 Fitzroy Street, Kirribilli
Fri 2 Jul	3 M	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Bobbin Head and Return Circuit walk from Murrua Road to Gibberagong Track, Bobbin Head, and return via Warrimoo Track. Time for coffee at Bobbin Head; 12 km; 200m asc.
Fri 2 Jul	Social	Lunch with Ramblers and friends Arrive 11.30 to 12 noon. No need to book. Venue is Bardwell Park RSL next to Bardwell Park Railway Station (about 20 minutes from Central on Airport/East Hills Line).
Sat 3 Jul	2	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Berowra to Mt Kuring-gai District views as stony track descends to cross (slippery?) creek and follow foreshores. Morning tea at historic Windybanks site. Late lunch at Apple Tree Bay. Well-graded climb out is not overly demanding. Time to enjoy the scenery; approx 13km.
Sat 3 Jul	3 M	Brisbane Water NP: Umina Umina Heights – Goatsville – Tessellated Pavement – Elephant Rock – Van Dahl track – Umina Heights. Tracks, trails, climbs. Variety of beautiful forests, remarkable rock platforms, lovely look-outs; 12km; 200m total ascent. Map: Broken Bay
Sat 3 Jul	3 M	Blue Mountains NP: Mt Mouin Carlons Farm to Mt Mouin via Black Dog track and Medlow Gap fire trail; 19km; 340m asc. Slippery and steep near top, but good views. Moderate pace Maps: Jenolan, Jamison.
Sat 3 Jul	3 M LTW	Illawarra Escarpment: Austinmere to Bulli Lookout and return with a visit to the New Information Centre at Sublime Point. Tracks and roads with great views of the south coast; 8km; 260m asc/desc.
Sat 3 Jul	6 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Coxs River Carlons Farm – Blackhorse Ridge – Knights Deck – Coxs River – Ironmonger Spur – Carlons. A great day out in the Wild Dogs. Only very fit experience walkers please; 19km, 1130m asc. Map: Jenolan
Sun 4 Jul	2	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Cowan to Hawkesbury River Late lunch at Brooklyn; nice fish and chips; good Sunday walk; about 13 km.
Sun 4 Jul	3 M	Blue Mountains NP: Blue Gum Forest Lockley Pylon to Blue Gum Forest and return; 13km; 600m asc. Expansive views. Moderate pace Maps: Mt Wilson, Katoomba.
Sun 4 Jul	4 M LTW	Heathcote NP: Sutherland to Waterfall following the pipeline track. Fire trails and tracks with some deviations from the main fire trail; 23km; 240m asc/desc.
Mon 5 Jul	3 M	Hornsby Heights to Hornsby A little used track down Crosslands Ridge, then Great North Walk to Crosslands, Galston Gorge, Fishponds, Hornsby Station; 17km. Map: Hornsby
Tue 6 Jul	3 M	Cremorne to Chatswood Primrose Park – Tunks Park – Rock Gully Reserve – Stringy Bark Track – Mowbray Park – Blue Gum Track. Some street and cycleway, but lots of lovely bush tracks; 20km.
Tue 6 Jul	3 M LTW	Balmain: Historic Walk around Balmain This walk will be conducted by Dennis Suttor who has worked in the area for 15 years. Catch ferry to wharf, details on registration. Some road walking. Joint walk with NPA.
Tue 6 to Thu 8 Jul	4 M	Classic Walks in the Wollemi 7: Never Never Pack walk across the Great Divide tracing the historic bridle trail from Mt Never Never to the Widden Valley via Razorback and Coricudgy Creeks, with a base camp two nights on the creek. See the traces of early pioneers as they sought to cross this rugged area. 20km and 600m ascent. Maps: Coricudgy, Mt Pomany Limit: 8
Thu 8 Jul	1	Manly to South Head Day 3: Spit to Taronga Zoo Meet at the entrance to the car park of Middle Harbour Yacht Club (junction of Parriwi and Spit Roads) at 9.30 am. Walking along the coast through Balmoral, Georges Heights and Clifton Gardens; about 9km.
Fri 9 Jul	3 M	Mt Kuring-gai to St Ives Via Apple Tree Bay, Bobbin Head, and along Cowan Creek; 13 km. Part of a previous Trailwalker Route. A practice for the 71st Birthday Party.
Sat 10 and Sun 11 Jul	5 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Wheengee Whungee Creek Uni Rover Trail – Spinebender Ridge – Wheengee Whungee Creek and return. On this walk we'll visit several waterfalls including Moxley, Barrier, Shelf and Johnston Falls; 16km; 700m asc. Maps: Kanangra, Yerranderie

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Tue 13 Jul	4 M LTW	Blue Mountains NP: Wentworth Falls to Katoomba Darwins Track – National Pass – Lilians Bridge – Prince Henry Cliff Walk – Katoomba. Ups and downs all the way; steps, approx 17km.
Wed 14 Jul	5/6 M LTW	Gardens of Stone NP: The Pagoda Maze This is a wild adventure in the pagoda country south of the Tarpeian Rock. It can take up to two hours just to find your way out once you are in the Pagoda Maze. Superb smooth pagodas and lots of slots and climbing bits. Some rope work possible. Expect stunning views of the Capertee from time to time. If we finish early a visit will be made to the Moffitt Pagodas. For pagoda lovers only; 5km; possibly 1000m +/- . Map: Ben Bullen
Wed 14 Jul		TIME TO SUBMIT WALKS FOR THE SPRING PROGRAM (September – October – November) Send your walks to the Walks Secretary: 1. via the Bush Club website at www.bushclub.org.au ; 2. by email to walkssecretary@gmail.com; or 3. by post to PO Box 95, Pymble Business Centre, 2073
Thu 15 Jul	2	St Ives to Mt Kuring-gai St Ives Chase – Warrimoo Track – Bobbin Head – Apple Tree Bay – Pipeline Track – Mt Kuring-gai
Thu 15 Jul	3 M	Coogee to La Perouse Great winter walk. Superb coastal scenery, beaches, bays to historic La Perouse. Largely on track, some small hilly sections and short rock scramble. Mainly open areas (bring hat, sunscreen, water); 16 km.
Fri 16 to Sun 18 Jul	4 M	Wollemi NP: Starlight Canyon Spectacular narrow tunnel with glow-worms; take a torch. No swims, 1 abseil. Helmets, abseiling gear compulsory. Children over 12 OK but must be in the care of a responsible adult Bush Club member. Bush Club abseiling policy applies; 14km walking, 320m asc. Map: Mt Morgan. Jointly with NPA. Limit 10.
Sat 17 Jul	4 M	Walks into History 5: The Gold and Diamond Mines of Mt Genowlan From the site of the old township of Airly, there is an ascent of Mt Genowlan to the “diamond mine in the sky”. See where gold was mined, experience a walk through canyon and some other surprises as well! Distance approx 12km, with ascents totalling about 400m. Map: Glen Alice
Sat 17 Jul	5 M LTW	Blue Mountains NP: Mt Solitary Traverse Kedumba Valley Rd, Kedumba River, Mt Solitary, Ruined Castle and finishing at the top of the Golden Stairs; 22km, 920m asc/desc.
Sat 17 and Sun 18 Jul	5 M	Kanangra Boyd NP Uni Rover Trail – Lost Rock – Mt Wheengee Whungee – Wheengee Whungee Falls; 13km; 800m asc. Maps: Kanangra, Yerranderie Limit of 6
Sun 18 Jul	4 M LTW	Blue Mountains NP: Glenbrook to Springwood Start at Glenbrook station, walk to Springwood station, and train back to Glenbrook. Creek crossings and great lookouts; 18km; 270m asc/desc.
Mon 19 Jul	3/4 M	Mt Kuring-gai to Hornsby Mt Kuring-gai – Lyrebird Gully – Crosslands – Galston Gorge – Fishponds – Hornsby. Downs and ups along the GNW and its link tracks; 22 km. Map : Hornsby
Tue 20 Jul	5 M	Not Quite H-H, Part 3: Mt Kuring-gai Station to Cowan Station via Berowra Track to Berowra, then Great North Walk route from Berowra to Cowan, with detour to Dusthole Bay for morning tea. Brisk pace; 15 km; 550m. Maps: Hornsby, Cowan.
Tue 20 to Thu 22 Jul	5/6 M LTW	Wollemi NP: Binnings Hole, the Totem Pole and a whole lot more Three day base camp pack walk. Days 1 and 3 are very long; 23km; 16km on track. Very early start from Sydney or we may stay at cabins in Newnes the night before. Numbers limited; exploratory. Maps: Ben Bullen, Mount Morgan
Wed 21 Jul	3 M	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Coastal Walk under West Head White Horse, Flint and Steel, Flannel Flower and West Head Beaches. Rock hopping and beach walking. A classic Sydney coastal walk; approx 10km but slow going. Map: Broken Bay
Thu 22 Jul	2/3 M	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Mt Colah to Wahroonga via Bobbin Head Climbs on track and fire trails; 15km; total ascent 250 m. Map: Ku-ring-gai Chase NP
Thu 22 Jul	3 M	Royal NP: Loftus to Bundeena Loftus – Audley – Winifred Falls – Anice Falls – Bundeena. Wonderful woodland, waterfalls, swamps and rock hopping along the coast. Medium pace; 20km. Map: RNP Tourist Joint walk with SBW
Fri 23 Jul	3 M	Parramatta The Ponds Walk, Galaringi Reserve and return. An interesting urban park walk with a lovely view for lunch; 19km (16km if finishing at Rydalmere station).

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Sat 24 Jul	4 M	Muogamarra Nature Reserve: Aboriginal Art Sites Old Pacific Highway entrance – Whale Feast site – Dreamtime Creation site – Peats Bight, Boarding house ruins (early settlement history) – Peats Crater and Road – Lloyds Trig – Hunters and Animals site – Whale site – entrance. All on track or fire trail; 13km; 250m asc. Special Permission to enter granted. Limited numbers. Map: Cowan
Sat 24 Jul	5 M	Blue Mountains NP: Wild Dog Wanderings #2 Dunphys Car Park, Lyre Bird Ridge, Breakfast Creek, Faithful Hound Ridge, Mt Mouin, Medlow Gap. <i>18km, 1 x 400m, 1 x 200m ascent, on and off track, partly exploratory, some exposure possible.</i> Come and explore the beauty of the Wild Dogs with me – views and climbs to die for!
Sat 24 to Mon 26 Jul	5 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Mt Cloudmaker and Hundred Man Cave Kanangra Walls – Mt Cloudmaker – Hundred Man Cave and return. Great views and on the second day much exploring around Ti Willa Plateau; 30km; 700m asc. Map: Kanangra
Mon 26 Jul		CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE SPRING WALKS PROGRAM (September – October – November) Send your walks to the Walks Secretary: 1. via the Bush Club website at www.bushclub.org.au ; 2. by email to walkssecretary@gmail.com; or 3. by post to PO Box 95, Pymble Business Centre, 2073
Tue 27 Jul	3 M	Jannali to Oatley via Great Kai'Mia Way, Como Pleasure Gardens, Como Bridge, Miles Dunphy Reserve, Oatley Park, Oatley Station Mostly bushland, great water views, some street walking. Smatterings of local history. Steady pace; a small amount of rough terrain; 18-20 km.
Wed 28 Jul	2	Gosford to Rumbalara Reserve Gosford – East Gosford Art Galley – Rumbalara Reserve – Gosford. Streets and tracks with a small hill; 7km..
Wed 28 Jul	3 M	Devines Hill and Finchs Line Circuit A mixture of history (the Old Great North Road – a convict built road) and wonderful views of the Hawkesbury River. The historic Thomas James bridge, just before the end of the walk, is the oldest in-use bridge on mainland Australia. Some ups and downs; 11km; climbs of about 550m in total. Maps: Gunderman, Lower Portland, St Albans
Wed 28 Jul	5/6 M LTW	Gardens of Stone NP: Hecate's Cauldron Is this the ultimate pagoda adventure? From The Bi Centennial National Trail, walk to Mount McLean then head west and descend into an amazing complex of pagodas. There will be views into Capertee Valley, The Wolgan Valley and the Mount McLean drainage. Expect lots of climbing but super rewards. You never know we may catch up with Orpheus and Eurydice. Up to 12km depending on how involved we get; +&- could be anything up to 1000m, again it will be up to the group on the day. Map: Ben Bullen
Sat 31 Jul	3 M LTW	Empire Bay to Wagstaffe Empire Bay – Bouddi – Hardys Bay – Box Head – Wagstaffe. Climbs, great water views; 16 km.
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Tue 3 to Thu 5 Aug	4 M	Classic Walks in the Wollemi 8: Yodellers Range Experience the Yodellers Range from a camp site on Myrtle Creek. In three day walks, there will be ascents of Lovers Leap, The Cats Ears and The Wedding Cake. Yodellers Range is known as the most spectacular sandstone ridge in NSW. There are steep climbs, but exceptional views every day. Up to 6km and 400m ascent each day in dry and rugged country. Map: Widden Limit: 8
Wed 4 Aug	3 M	Fairfield City Farm to Toongabbie via Western Sydney Regional Park, Prospect Reservoir and Girraween Creek Path Mainly on cycle/walking tracks. Views to the Blue Mountains. Some road walking; 18 km. SBW walk done with Wilf Hilder 2006.
Thu 5 Aug	1	Manly to South Head Day 4: Taronga Zoo to Circular Quay via the lower north shore and across the Harbour Bridge; about 9km.
Thu 5 Aug		Bush Club Committee Meeting at 4.30pm, followed at 6.30pm by a Special General Meeting of The Bush Club to ratify the appointment of five new honorary life members. This will be followed by the Annual General Meeting of The Bush Club ; all meetings to be held in the Trelawney Room, Kirribilli Neighbourhood Centre, 16-18 Fitzroy Street, Kirribilli.
Fri 6 Aug	2	Circular Quay to Bronte Circular Quay – Botanic gardens – Rushcutters Bay – Trumper Park – Centennial Park – Queens Park – Bronte Beach. Some steep steps, mostly parks. Easy pace; 10 km.
Fri 6 Aug	Social	Lunch with Ramblers and friends Arrive 11.30 to 12 noon. No need to book. Venue is Bardwell Park RSL next to Bardwell Park Railway Station (about 20 minutes from Central on Airport/East Hills Line).

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Sat 7 Aug	3 M	South Coast: Scarborough to Bulli and Beyond Scenic footpath down road to Wombarra. Morning tea on beach. Walk continues with short clamber over tumbled rocks before continuing along easy flat rock platforms and scenic beaches. Probable late lunch at Bulli Point with continuation to Corrimal (drop out points along route); approx 13km.
Sat 7 Aug	3 M	Patonga Ridge Hawkesbury River Station – Little Wobby – Spring Beach – Cliff Track – Juno Point – Little Patonga Beach – Patonga Creek Lookout – Brisk Bay Lookout – The Dam – Horseshoe Track – Cliff Track – The Palisades – S & R drop-down. Lovely old ferry ride. Magnificent views over Hawkesbury River and Patonga. Wonderful wildflowers and forests. Not a well-known area, but really beautiful; tracks, firetrails, climbs, a little rock-scrambling; 14km; 300m total ascent. Map: Broken Bay
Sat 7 and Sun 8 Aug	5 M LTW	Kanangra Boyd NP: Upper Kowmung River Ridges Uni Rover Trail – Misery Ridge – Kowmung River – Megalith Ridge. Open ridges, some scrub. Two great ridges and pretty a campsite beside the river; 26km; 15km off track; 750m descent/ascent. Maps: Kanangra, Yerranderie
Sun 8 Aug	3 M	Blue Mountains NP: Circuit Walk Valley of the Waters (Conservation Hut) to Wentworth Falls, National Pass, Roberts Pass and return via Lilians Bridge; 15km; 500m asc. Map: Katoomba
Mon 9 Aug	3 M	Cowan to Taffys Rock and return Cowan, Jerusalem Bay, Govett Ridge, Taffys Rock. The walk along Govett Ridge is closer to grade 4; 16 km. Map: Cowan
Tue 10 Aug	4/5 M	Not Quite H-H, Part 4: Cowan Station to Hawkesbury River Station with side trip to Taffy's Rock. Brisk pace; 21 km; 450m. Map: Cowan.
Tue 10 to Thu 12 Aug	4 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Morong Deep Three day pack walk. <i>Day 1</i> - Drive to walk start in Kanangra Boyd NP, easy walk to camp site, set up camp. Afternoon walk traversing Morong Falls. <i>Day 2</i> - Off track day walk, very steep descent down into Morong Deep (Kowmung River) exploring a small section of this special place, return to camp. <i>Day 3</i> - Cruisey start, walk to cars, return to Sydney. Map: Shooters Hill.
Thu 12 Aug	2	Royal NP: Waterfall to Heathcote Waterfall – Uloola Falls – Karloo Pool – Heathcote
Thu 12 Aug	3 M	Royal NP: Helensburg Helensburg – Burning Palms – South Era – Helensburg. Another walk through wonderful woodland and coastal heathland. Medium pace; 18km. Map: RNP Joint walk with SBW.
Fri 13 Aug	2 M	West Pymble Radiation – Route 3: West Pymble to Thornleigh via Brown's Waterhole, Whale Rock Circuit, then to Thornleigh Oval and railway; 13 km.
Sat 14 Aug	3 M LTW	Rip Bridge to Ettalong Rip Bridge – Maitland Bay Circuit – coast to Hardys Bay – Wards Hill Rd – Ettalong. Lovely bush and views. Climbs, one rough track; 16 km.
Sat 14 Aug	4 M	Blue Mountains NP: Govetts Leap to Victoria Falls Govetts Leap – Junction Rock – Blue Gum Forest – Little Blue Gum – Grose River – Victoria Creek – Victoria Falls and Lookout. Great scenery all day. All on tracks; creek crossings; car shuffle; 18km; total ascent 600m, similar descent plus undulations. Maps: Katoomba, Mt. Wilson
Mon 16 Aug	3 M	Marramarra NP: Canoelands to Gentlemans Halt Return by same route. Great views of Hawkesbury River. Good wildflowers if the season is kind. Local history. Distance 19 km; ascent 340 metres. Track may be slippery on steep downhill sections. Walking stick recommended. Map: Bushwalks in Sydney Region: Lord and Daniel: Vol 1
Mon 16 Aug	3 M	Middle Harbour Valley Follow upper reaches of Middle Harbour on both sides. Lindfield – Gordon Creek – Lockley Track – Bungaroo (Gov. Phillip's campsite) – Gov. Phillip Track – Lyrebird Track – Roseville Bridge – Little Diggers Track – Roseville Station. On track; relatively level; some minor scrambles and climbing over fallen logs; creek crossings; approx. 16-18km. Map: STEP Middle Harbour Valley Sheets 1 & 2
Mon 16 to Thu 19 Aug	5 M	Wollemi NP: Glen Davis Drive to Glen Davis and set up base camp and then do day walks. Spend 2 days exploring passes and ridges east of Pipeline Pass. Spend 2 days on north side of river climbing an unnamed peak and walking Cooroongooba Creek, etc. Some scrambling involved. Limit 8 persons. Maps: Gaspers Mountain, Mt Morgan
Tue 17 Aug	4 M	Blue Mountains NP: Leura Ridges above the Grose Valley Includes Fortress Ridge and Lockley Pylon. Creek crossing (possibly wet), some easy off-track, a couple of small steep sections. Stunning views; about 16 km. Maps: Katoomba, Mt Wilson

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Wed 18 Aug	3 M	Blue Mountains NP: Four Heads Walk Walk to Asgard, Thor, Valhalla and Ikara Heads. Some off track, one short steep scramble but mainly on tracks. Spectacular views of the Grose Valley from different perspectives; 12km. Map: Mt Wilson.
Wed 18 and Thu 19 Aug	6 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Kanangra Walls Kanangra Walls – Gingra Range – Hughes Ridge – Kowmung – Brumby Ridge – Kanangra Walls; 28km; 950m asc. with approx 7 or 8 river crossings. Only very fit and experienced packwalkers. Maps: Kanangra, Yerranderie
Thu 19 Aug	4 M	Berowra Valley RP: Mt Kuring-gai to Hornsby via Crosslands and Galston Gorge. Climbs on tracks and fire trails, creek crossings; 21km. Map: Ku-ring-gai Chase NP
Fri 20 Aug	2	Wollstonecraft to Milsons Point Wollstonecraft – Gore Creek – Berry Island – Balls Head – Lavender Bay – Milsons Point. Bush track, some steps, harbour views. Easy pace; 10 km.
Sat 21 Aug	4 M	Blue Mountains NP: Katoomba – Ruined Castle – Katoomba Furber steps – landslide – Ruined Castle – Golden Stairs – Narrow Neck – Katoomba
Sat 21 Aug	5 M	Blue Mountains NP: Wild Dog Wanderings #3 Galong, Ironpot Mt, Ironmonger Spur, Coxs River, Blue Dog Spur, Joy Dog Lookout, Cattle Dog Ridge, Breakfast Creek, Hobbles Spur. <i>16km, 1 x 500m, 1 x 400m ascent, on and off track, partly exploratory, some exposure possible.</i> Come and explore the beauty of the Wild Dogs with me – views and climbs to die for!
Sat 21 to Sun 22 Aug	4 M	Kanangra Boyd NP: Kalang Falls Canyon No swims, 9 abseils, long steep climb out. Helmets, abseiling gear compulsory; 2km walking; 380m asc. Children over 14 OK but must be in the care of a responsible adult Bush Club member. Bush Club abseiling policy applies. Maps: Kanangra Jointly with NPA Limit 8.
Mon 23 Aug	3 M	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: Mt Colah to Berowra Kalkari Track, Kalkari Visitors Centre, Bobbin Head, Apple Tree Bay, newly opened Berowra Track, Winson Bay, Lords Bay, Waratah Bay, Berowra. Bush tracks, water views, climbs; 16 km. Map: Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park
Tue 24 Aug	2	Ku-ring-gai Chase NP: West Head – Waratah Track and Elvina Bay Circuit Coastal views and waterfall. Fire trails and some bush track; 13km; 200m ascent.
Wed 25 Aug	3 M	Garigal NP Forestville Park, Carroll Creek, Roseville Bridge, Bantry Bay, return via Natural Bridge to Forestville. Wildflowers, water views; 16 km; 150m asc.
Thu 26 Aug	3 M	Brisbane Water NP: Wondabyne to Patonga 19km, 300m asc. Maps: Gosford, Broken Bay
Fri 27 Aug	3½ M	Hornsby to Eastwood The Great North Walk in Berowra Valley River Park and Lane Cove National Park, and Terrys Creek Track. Some street but mainly bush tracks with lots of creek crossings and ups and downs; 23km.
Sat 28 Aug	4 M	Dharug NP: Aboriginal Art Sites Mills Creek circuit with off-track extension to Biambi Rock site. Return via Biambi Creek and Hand Stencil cave to picnic ground; 12km; 250m asc; mostly on track, about 25% cross country. Map: Gunderman
Sat 28 Aug	4 M	Copocabana to Woy Woy Copocabana – Little Beach – Maitland Bay – Bouddi – Woy Woy. Mostly tracks; many ups and downs; great views; easy pace; 20km. Leader joins at Gosford.
Mon 30 Aug	2	Muogamarra Nature Reserve: Botanical Walk: Point Loop, Deerubbin Lookover, Lloyd Trig Join our botanist Janice Jacobs as she identifies and tells us lots of interesting stories about the various flowers and plants that abound in Muogamarra and see an area of great beauty that is only open for 6 weekends a year. As this guided walk is held under the auspices of NPWS there is a \$10 fee. Moderate pace, lots of stops, a couple of steep climbs up to lookouts; approx 10 km.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Sat 11 Sep	3 M	Georges River NP. Riverwood – Salt Pan Ck – Georges River – Panania. Creek and riverside walking before we visit the bush orchids at the local wildflower garden. Some rough sections. Medium pace. 14km Map: Street directory. Joint walk with NPA.
Sep 2010	6	High Passes Trek Everest Region, Nepal This is a challenging trek in the Everest region over approx. 20 days providing an unforgettable experience and superb breathtaking views. Trek commences from the mystical Kathmandu Valley, and then traverses some high passes and valleys in the Everest region. The inclusion of a section of a historic trade route makes this a very adventurous trek with Everest Base Camp as its focus. A good fitness level required, and a sense of adventure and strong cultural sensitivity required. Max altitude 5545m; max 12. Note that this walk will be organised and led by a commercial organisation and is not a Bush Club programmed walk. Therefore insurance arrangements of The Bush Club do not apply.

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Sep 2010	6	Island Peak (6,189m), Nepal Two week trek involving Tea House trekking and camping expedition. Experience at high altitude and mountaineering an advantage but not essential. Training with ropes and ice axes, eg self arresting techniques, will be taught on the ascent to base camp. This trek can be done in conjunction with Helena Smith's High Passes trip (branching off on the descent to Lukla), or as a stand alone trek. Note that this walk will be organised and led by a commercial organisation and is not a Bush Club programmed walk. Therefore insurance arrangements of The Bush Club do not apply.
Tue 28 to Thu 30 Sep	4 M	Classic Walks in the Wollemi 9: Gundywattledie Explore the rainforest and natural arch of Blackwater and Gundywattledie Creeks, with an ascent of Elyl Peak. Three day walks in the spectacular Wollemi wilderness from a base camp on Blackwater Creek. Up to 10km and 300m ascent each day. Map: Mt Pomany Limit: 8
Tue 5 to Wed 13 Oct	2/3/4 M TIE	Cape to Cape, Western Australia Walk Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin in the wildflower season, 135 km, taking 9 days, including a vineyard rest day. A spectacular and varied walk. Supported walk likely. Some caravan parks, some camp sites. Walk full. Waiting list operating
Tue 26 to Thu 28 Oct	4 M	Classic Walks in the Wollemi 10: Three Creeks of Nullo Experience the canyons and gorges of three iconic creeks of the eastern Nullo – Stone Quarry, Washpen and Cedar Creeks. Three potentially rugged day walks from a base camp on Nullo Mountain. Up to 10km and 300m ascent each day. Maps: Growee, Mt Pomany Limit: 8
Wed 27 Oct to 1 Nov	3	East Gippsland – Cycling on Maureen's Meander to Melbourne. Exploring on rail trails visiting places such as Nowa Nowa, Bairnsdale and Lakes Entrance. We will cycle through tall forests, over old timber bridges and even visit a winery. Suitable for MTB's and hybrids. Up to 65km day. Medium pace. Maps/books available. Joint with NPA.
Sep/Oct 2010	4	Turkey: Taurus Mountains, Cappadocia, Lycian Way, Pamukkale, Ephesus and Gallipoli Experience multi-day supported trekking in the Taurus Mountains and along the Mediterranean. Explore a variety of natural and ancient wonders and wander the Gallipoli peninsular.
Nov 2010	4	Travers-Sabine and Leslie Karamea Tracks, New Zealand Two full pack walks. Each walk is in the north of the South Island and there will be a 2 day rest between the walks. These are high quality walks with high alpine passes, river walking, pleasant bush and interesting huts each night but as they are not graded as "Great Walks" there are relatively few walkers. 10-15 km each day with often rough tracks and plenty of climbs and descents. Come for one walk or two. Expressions of interest by end of June. Limit 8
Sun 16 to Sun 23 Jan 2011	2/3/4/5	Snowy Mountains NP Walks in Southern Kosciuszko area. Stay at St George Alpine Club Lodge, Jindabyne. \$100 per person, payment in full to book. Limit 22. * 2 vacant bunks only in ladies room. Wait list begun. (Members staying independently in the area are welcome to join our day walks)
Feb/Mar 2011	4 M	Patagonia Lyn Taylor will be our guide and will get final prices to me very soon. We're planning about 4 weeks in Patagonia, including the 'W' trek and Easter Island on the way over. Then we'll have an optional 2 weeks in the Atacama Desert of Chile and NW Argentina which, I've been told are fantastic. I'll email details asap to those who have shown an interest. Note that this walk will be organised and led by a commercial organisation and is not a Bush Club programmed walk. Therefore insurance arrangements of The Bush Club do not apply.
Jun 2011	5	Kokoda Track Eight Day Trek Come and experience the physical challenge and raw emotion of this legendary track. 96km of steep climbs and descents. Numbers limited. Dates to be finalised but will be outside Australian school holidays. Contact leader for information pack. Other activities, eg ascent of Mt Wilhelm (4509m), after Kokoda track being planned. Note that this walk will be organised and led by a commercial organisation and is not a Bush Club programmed walk. Therefore insurance arrangements of The Bush Club do not apply.
Sep 2011	4	The West Highland Way plus The Great Glen Way Scotland (Milngarvie, Glasgow, to Inverness via Fort William) This 269 km, 18 day walk will be self-guided, but commercially supported (B&B accommodation and door to door luggage transfer) Cost £895 per person in 2010 prices, plus your meals/airfares, etc. Deposit of £90 per person required. Must be prepared to share room. Limit 10. Exact dates will be determined when booking made. Member Priority Booking.

For train, bus and ferry timetables, see the transport infoline on <http://www.131500.info/> or call 131500. Log on to <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NationalParks/FireClosure.aspx> (or call 9995 5000) for park closures, flood and fire information. Phone leader for queries about walks.

Receive short notice walks and changes to scheduled walks by email, or call one of the contact people listed in the Bush Club Newsletter.