



## THE WANDERERS BUSHWALKING & OUTDOORS CLUB INC.

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### ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2016 — 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016

#### Committee Members (until 19<sup>th</sup> August 2016)

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#### CAR POOLING

The contribution costs are calculated on the travel time from the meeting place to the start of the activity:

**Up to 1 hour - \$5**  
**1 and 1.5 hours - \$7.50**  
**1.5 and 2 hours - \$10**

- \* Please ensure that there is an even distribution of passengers within cars.
- \* Remember to also share the costs of parking and tolls.

Examples of toll costs:

- ◆ Torrs St to M4 and return - \$19.92.
- ◆ Torrs St to Ryde or Lane Cove and return - \$13.22.



**AN EXPLANATION OF WALK GRADINGS**

**Grade 1.** 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.** 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.** Walk with some hilly sections &/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 20 km.

**Grade 4.** Steeper, rougher terrain & 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.** 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 & crossing involved. Distance should not exceed 30 km, but may be short & difficult. Not suitable for beginners.








**Grade 6.** 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 & crossing involved. Distance covered is unlimited, but may be short & difficult. Only for experienced walkers and not suitable for beginners.








**If you need further details of grading please discuss the walk with the nominated leader.**

### ADVANCE NOTICES





<p>23 Oct</p> 	<p><b>Blackheath to Hanging Rock returning via Popes Glen to Blackheath</b>          Firetrail, road &amp; footpad. Undulating, several steep loose sections with a creek crossing (shallow). Cliff edge views of Hanging Rock and the Grose Valley. Grade 3. Approx 14km.</p>	
<p>Sat 12 - Sat 26 Nov</p> 	<p><b>Brian and Eleanor's 10<sup>th</sup> car camping trip.</b>          Wilsons Promontory for the first week, moving to the Victorian High Alps for the second week. Fully booked. Camp sites at Wilsons Promontory will be organised and booked mid October and must be paid in full at this time. Participants will be advised of amount owing per head.</p>	
<p>Fri - Sun 10 - 12 Mar</p> 	<p><b>Hill End.</b>          A weekend at historic Hill End with accommodation in railway carriages (fully booked) and cabins. Planned activities are a mine tour, historic town tour, walk to Bald Hill and a museum visit.</p>	
<p>Sat 17 Dec</p> 	<p><b>Wanderers' Christmas Party</b>          Keeping to our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary theme our Christmas Party will be a seventies style celebration at the Northmead Bowling Club (6pm - 11pm). Save the date.</p>	
<p>Thu - Tue 13 - 18 Apr 2017</p> 	<p><b>Easter at Gerringong</b>          Chittick Lodge, Gerringong.          Come and join us for another wonderful Wanderers' weekend away.</p>	

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity and Description</b>	<b>Grade km</b>	<b>Leader</b>
Sun 3 Jul 	<b>Warrimoo Track – Ku-ring-gai Chase NP</b> Easy grade 3, one steep section near start. This walk starts and ends at the top of Warrimoo Avenue, St Ives Chase.	3  13km	
Fri 8 Jul 	<b>Wanderers Monthly Meeting</b> 8:00pm Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills.		
Sun 10 Jul 	<b>Gladstone Pass to Leura Falls via Lindemans Pass</b> Steep descents and ascents, exposure and some scrambling. Car shuffle. Limit 10.	3  11km	
Tue 12 Jul 	<b>Scaly Bark Creek Firetrail, Kenthurst</b> Porters Rd, Kenthurst down to Scaly Bark Creek firetrail and back via Nyari Rd. Easy grade 3 (3-4 hrs). Meet 8am Porters Rd.	3  10km	
Sun 17 Jul 	<b>Mount Piddington – Rienits Pass – Bushrangers Cave – Hourn Point</b> Plenty of ascents and descents and some scrambling to visit two of the caves. Bring a torch. Parts of the track could be wet.	3  10km	
Thu 21 Jul 	<b>Sheldon Forest – Lane Cove NP</b> Walk from South Turramurra to West Pymble. Bush tracks, firetrails, street walking and creek crossings. Bring Opal card. Meet 9:30am cnr Kissing Point Rd and Boyd St, Turramurra.	3  12km	
Sun 24 Jul 	<b>Cook River Cycle</b> A loop ride including The Cook River Cycleway, The Greenway and Hawthorne Canal and Parramatta River Paths. A level ride, mostly on cycle paths.	3  45km	
Sun 31 Jul 	<b>North Epping to Pennant Hills and return</b> Circuit walk through Lane Cove National Park. On tracks, firetrails and a small amount of street walking with several causeway like crossings and one moderate creek crossing.	2  7km	

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Sun 7 Aug 	<b>Cowan to Brooklyn</b> Strenuous walk, steep ascents/descents. Some rock hopping. Bring Opal Card and min 2 litres of water. Limit 16.	3  13km	
Sun 14 Aug 	<b>St Leonards to Milsons Pt</b> Take the Gore Creek track to the harbour. Morning tea at the Coal Loader Cafe. Walk around Balls Head and Waverton. Lunch in Wendy Whitley's garden, Lavender Bay. Finish at Milsons Pt. Station with option to visit Kirribilli markets.	2  11km	
<b>Fri</b> <b>19 Aug</b> 	<b>Wanderers Monthly Meeting and AGM</b> 8:00pm Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills.		<b>Note the change of date</b>
Sun 21 Aug 	<b>Illawarra Escarpment</b> Mt Keira Ring and Summit Tracks and Mt Kembla Ring and Summit Tracks. On tracks with steps and cliff edges.	3  up to 14km	
Tue - Tue 23 - 30 Aug 	<b>Trip to Port Macquarie with Countrylink</b> Train from Sydney. Staying at YHA in Port Macquarie. Fully booked.		
Sat 27 Aug 	<b>Wondabyne to Pindar Cave</b> Steep 100m ascent/descent from Wondabyne Station. Remainder of walk on firetrail and undulating bush track. Several rock scrambles, large overhang/cave, wildflowers and views. Bring lunch, morning tea, plenty of water and Opal Card (or \$3.40 for ticket).	3  12km	
Sun 28 Aug 	<b>Dr Darks Cave and Yardleys Cave</b> Walk out to Lockleys Pylon and then an off-track scramble down a creek to Yardleys Cave. Steep descent and ascent. Return to cars and drive to Fortress Ridge. Walk to Dr Darks Cave. Track has overgrown sections and involves scrambling. Limit 10.	4  12km	

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Fri - Tue 2 - 6 Sep 	<b>Mungo Brush – Myall Lakes National Park</b> 2.5 hours north of Sydney. Unpowered tent and caravan camp sites (\$16/night – 2 people). Park entry – NPWS pass or \$8 per vehicle/day. Non-flush toilets, gas BBQs. Must bring your own water. Nearest shops: Hawks Nest/Tea Gardens ~ 25kms south. Campground near lake and not far from ocean beach. Activities include walking and kayaking. Please contact Jenny and Bill if you would like to come along.	various	
Sun 4 Sep 	<b>Simpsons Track</b> Mangrove Mountain Pumping Station to Ten Mile Hollow then onto Clares Bridge and return. Bring old shoes for short wade across base of dam.	3  16km	
Fri 9 Sep	<b>Wanderers Monthly Meeting</b> 8:00pm Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills.		
Sun 11 Sep 	<b>Bargo River Gorge</b> Including Mermaids Pool and visiting lookouts Troopers, Ghosties and Squatters. Afternoon Tea at Nepean Dam picnic area..	3  10km	
Sat 17 Sep 	<b>Hazelbrook – Woodford – Linden</b> Horseshoe Falls - Burgess Falls – Hazel Falls – Edith Falls -Mabel Falls – Paradise Pool – Lady Martins Bath. Bush tracks, firetrails and some street walking. Short steep ascents and minor creek crossings. Car Shuffle. Limit 16.	3  13km	
Sun 18 Sep   	<b>Ettalong to Patonga via Umina and Pearl Beach</b> Easy grade 3. Public Transport day. Meet ... Epping Station for ... train to Woy Woy. ... bus from Woy Woy to Ettalong. Walk from Ettalong to Patonga via Umina and Pearl Beach. ... ferry to Palm Beach. Bus to Wynyard. Train to return to Epping. Bring Opal Card. Cost of ferry \$7:50/\$6:50 conc.	3  10km	

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Sun 25 Sep 	<b>Hornsby to Crosslands</b> Starting at Hornsby, walk through Galston Gorge, cross Berowra Creek and onto Crosslands.	3  13km	
Fri - Mon 30 Sep - 3 Oct 	<b>October Long Weekend at Patonga</b> Five camp sites have been booked at Patonga Camping Ground. A pleasant and relaxing weekend at the beach. Fully booked.		
Fri 7 Oct 	<b>Wanderers Monthly Meeting</b> 8:00pm Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills.		
Sun 9 Oct 	<b>Valley Heights to Blaxland via Sun Valley and Cripple Creek</b> Firetrail and track - steep descent and ascent.	3  12km	

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

	<b>Golf</b> Tuesday mornings at Rum Corps. All welcome.	
	<b>Tennis (Suspended. Will resume in September)</b> Wednesdays. Newcomers welcome.	