#### ARMIDALE BUSHWALKING CLUB INC ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

#### Summer & Autumn 2016

DATE	CONTACT	VENUE	DETAILS
Saturday January 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Paul McCann 6772 6156	New England National Park CC (2d2n)MB3	Car camp at Thungutti with day walks both days. The four day walk scheduled for this weekend in the last program has been postponed to Easter.
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	Science Block at Armidale High School commencing 5:30 PM	Come along and have your say about how the club is run. Memberships for 2016 can be paid at the meeting.
Sunday February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Kathy King 6772 5401	Cathedral Rock National Park DWSB4	Day walk to a rocky knob with a great view west. Also an optional detour to the sumit of Round Mountain which is the highest point in the New England.
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Peter Rodger 6772 0464	Booroolong Creek west of Armidale DWSB4	Day walk along Booroolong Creek and the Gywdir River. Visit an old orchard and maybe see some of the turtles unique to the river.
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Peter Rodger 6772 0464	Mother of Ducks Lagoon near Guyra DWSB4	Day walk around the shore of the lagoon where one may spot different birds and other acquatic wildlife,
Friday 11th to Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Joc Coventry 0427007458	Cradle Mtn-Lake St Clair National Park in Tasmania	Hike the famous Overland Track in Tasmania's Central Highlands. Limited sapces so contact Joc ASAP if interested.
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> to Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> March (Easter)	Paul McCann 6772 6165	Washpool National Park east of Glen Innes BP(4d3n)MD5	A four day overnight walk down Pi Pi Creek to Pi Pi flat to see the lovely Christmas Orchids which may still be flowering. Magnificent old growth forests are also a feature of the walk.
Saturday April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Paul McCann 6772 6165	Dorrigo National Park DWSB4	Day walk to be decided subject to the weather. Option to stay overnight in Dorrigo for the walk the next day.
Sunday April 3rd	Kathy King 6772 5401	Dorrigo National Park DWSB4	Day walk to the Upper Bobo River mostly along tracks with an optional off track ascent to a viewpoint for a view if atomospheric conditions are suitable.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Peter Laffan 6771 3097	Styx River east of Armidale BP2D1NMC3	Overnight walk along the Styx River downstream from Dinner Flat. Some rocky sections and thick vegetation in places.
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Peter Laffan 6771 3097	Aberfoyle River east of Guyra BP(3d2n)LD3	Overnight walk down a scenic ridge to the Aberfoyle River returning up another ridge which will offer greta views.
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Kathy King 6772 5401	New England National Park DWSB4	Day walk in conjunction with the Northern Rivers Bushwalking Club.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Kathy King 6772 5401	Long Point area	Day walk to a viewpoint overlooking the gorge of the Macleay River.
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> to Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Joc Coventry 0427007458	Green Gully Trail east of Walcha	A four day walk along the Green Gully Trail which follows ridges and creeks with a hut each night for added comfort. Limited sapces so contact Joc ASAP if interested.
Expressions of interest May or June 2016	Paul McCann 6772 6156	Great Ocean Walk in Victoria Extended walk up to 7 days	Walk along the magnificent coastline where the Otway Range meets the Southern Ocean. Scenic coastal vistas, lovely forests and spectacular rock formations including the Twelve Apostles. Contact leader ASAP if interested so permits can be arranged.
Expressions of interest June or July	Paul McCann 6772 6156	Wet Tropics Great Walk west of Ingham North Queensland	A six to seven day walk along a track which starts near the Herbert River and finishes at Wallaman Falls which are the highest in Australia. Contact leader ASAP if interested so permits can be arranged.

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NOTE ALL WALKS ARE SUBJECT TO LAST MINUTE CHANGES IF RIVER LEVELS FIRE AND WEATHER CONDITIONS MAKE FOR UNSAFE WALKING. ALWAYS CONTACT THE LEADER PRIOR TO THE WALK AT LEAST A WEEK IN ADVANCE.

## Walk Type

DW = one day walk

BP (3d2n) = Backpack, 3 days, 2 nights

CC(2d2n) = Car camp, 2 days, 2 nights

# Approx. Daily Distance

S = Short, less than 10 km

M = Medium c. 10-15 km

L = Long c. 15-20 km

XL = Extra long, over 20 km

### Fitness Level

A – Low fitness

B – Moderate fitness

C – Good fitness

D – Good fitness with agility

E – High fitness level

F – Strenuous – experienced walkers only!

### **Terrain**

Graded track walking – these walks are on formed and maintained tracks for walking or for vehicles

Off-Track walking – these walks are over territory where there are no formed or maintained tracks

- 1. Graded track, some incline
- 2. Graded track, hills, creek crossings
- 3. Rough track, steep sections, creek crossings
- 4. Off-track, moderate terrain
- 5. Off-track, thick terrain
- 6. Off-track, rock-climbing and exposure