

**ARMIDALE BUSHWALKING CLUB INC ACTIVITIES PROGRAM**  
**Autumn 2013**

DATE	LEADER	VENUE AND GRADING	DETAILS
13-14 April	Paul McCann (6772 6156)	Guy Fawkes River National Park – Chaelundi area BP(2d1n)MD4	Walk into Guy Fawkes River down McDonalds Ridge. Pleasant river walk. Climb out of valley along Jordans Trail.
25-28 April	Peter Laffan (6771 3097)	Point Lookout to Upper Thora BP(4d3n)LD5	The classic New England walk. Down from Pt Lookout, along fire trails, Sunday Ck & Bellinger River.
4 May	Peter Rodger (6772 0464)	Blue Hole-Powers Creek-Mushroom Rock DWSB2	A pleasant walk close to Armidale exploring the Gara Gorge.
18-19 May	Peter Laffan (6771 3097)	Styx River area BP(2d1n)MD4	Overnight walk along the Styx River from the Point Lookout Road to Wattle Flat.
1 June	Peter Rodger (6772 0464)	Booroolong Creek- Gwydir River DWSB2	Easy walking along the Gwydir River west of Armidale.
6 June (Thursday)	GENERAL MEETING	TAFE Outdoor Guiding Campus Rusden Street opposite the Big Light Bulb starting 7 PM.	Come along and be part of your club. The meeting will be followed by a short slide show featuring members travelling experiences overseas.
8-10 June (Queens Birthday I/w)	Peter Laffan (6771 3097)	Mount Kaputar NP BP(3d2n)LD5	A walk along the Nandewar Range north from Killarney Gap towards Mount Grattai. Stunning views from the peaks are a feature of this walk.
16 June	Kathy King (6772 5401)	Long Point east of Armidale DWC2	Daywalk along Long Point Ridge (16 km return ) starting at locked gate at end of Long Point road, through private property to Oxley Wild Rivers National Park and walking the fire trail to the end of the ridge. Good views of Halls Peak mine and down into Chandler River.
22-23 June	Kathy King (6772 5401)	Guy Fawkes River National Park BP (2d1n)MD4	Walk down (5 km 700 m) into river beside Lucifers Thumb. Walk along 10 km river to Jordans Trail and climb out (12 km 600 m).
30 June	Peter Laffan (6771 3097)	Bakers Creek east of Armidale	Daywalk near Hillgrove down into the gorge of Bakers Creek.

**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.**

The Kyeewa Bushwalkers have an overnight walk to the Guy Fawkes River for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> May (Thursday and Friday). The walk will descend Macdonalds Ridge and return up Jordans Track. Contact Peter Rodger on 6772 0464 if you would like to join the walk. The walk will be similar to that planned for the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> April.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST September October (possibly school holidays)

Blue Mountains 9 day walk from Hilltop near Mittagong to Katoomba through the scenic Kanangra Wilderness. The walk from Kanangra Walls to Katoomba is one of the most scenic in NSW. Possibility of a food drop at Werranderrie to reduce the pack weight. Contact Peter Rodger on 6772 0464 for more information.

Walk Type

DW = one day walk 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 Off-track, rock-climbing and exposure BP (3d2n) = Backpack, 3 days, 2 nights CC (2d2n) = Car camp, 2 days, 2 nights

Approx. Daily Distance S = Short, less than 10 km = Medium c. 10-15 km L = Long c. 15-20 km XL = Extra long, over 20 km Fitness Level