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 paddle from N to S. Short paddling days so long as weath-
 er is kind. Kayak/canoe hire can be arranged. Limit 10

30 Nov Tue **Lane Cove River Part 2** Sydney
 Day walk 12km
 Jean Blackman
 Meet leader QVB York St for 8.45am bus no 288 to Lane
 Cove Town Hall Phoenix St. ETA 9am walk along river,
 reserves to Wollstonecraft Station

1 Dec Wed **Urban Bushland** Sydney
 11km day walk 80m asc all on roads or tracks. Some parts
 loose stones or exposed roots
 Ralph Newbould 9579 4889 not Tue eve and never b'twn 6-
 8pm. Ph only if a query
 Epping to Turramurra. 9.17am Sydney terminal (country
 plat). Train goes to Newcastle. 9.39am Epping. Meet on
 platform. Map: Street directory

4 Dec Sat **Blue Mountains NP** Sydney
 Day walk 250m asc 6km on tracks (just about)
 Henry Roda 9948 2715
 Evans Lookout - Dryad Pool - Evans Lookout
 This is to be a perfect day for the fit romantic. Dryad Pool is
 somewhere on Govetts Creek waiting to be discovered by
 you. Relax by the pool which can be described by a poet.
 Bring your swim gear or don't bother about it. It is to be a
 bludge day (well almost). Map CMA Katoomba. Limit 15

4 Dec Sat **Great North Walk Part 7** Sydney
 Easy/med day walk 12-14km

Jean Blackman
 Lane Cove NP
 8.27am train Central (sub plat) to Thornleigh ETA 9.10,
 meet leader for walk to Fullers Bridge, bus to Chatswood

4 Dec Sat **Broughton Creek, Berry** Illawarra
 Day paddle 12km tidal estuary
 Caryll Sefton 4284 2004
 Relaxed paddle from Berry to the Shoalhaven River on
 Broughton Creek through idyllic rural scenery with the
 backdrop of the beautiful Illawarra escarpment. PFDs
 compulsory

5 Dec Sun **Blue Mountains NP** Sydney
 Day walk 200m asc flexible distance, track but rocky
 Malcolm January 9416 7915 (6.30-9.30pm)
 Butterbox Point circuit then Mt Hay return
 Good views of Grose Valley and Sydney. Interesting rock
 features. Car transport arranged. Limit 25

5 Dec Sun **Royal NP** Illawarra
 Day walk 12km undulating tracks, firetrails
 Wes Sweet 4272 2625
 Meet Heathcote Station 9am. Walk via Karloo Pool, Uloola
 Falls to Waterfall station. Swimming if desired

5 Dec Sun **Blue Mountains NP** Sydney
 Medium 14km walk 150m asc all on track
 Mike Schwarz 9144 2106 (7-9.30pm)
 Faulconbridge - Sassafras Creek - Glenbrook Creek - Perch
 Ponds - Martins Lookout - Magdala Creek - Springwood
 Pleasant summer walk with good shade and swimming.
 Map: CMA Springwood. Limit 20

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| <p>5 Dec Sun Morton NP Macarthur
 Med/hard 16km
 Joanne Wells 4625 5386
 Meryla Pass near Moss Vale</p> | <p>11 Dec Sat Kiama Beaches Illawarra
 Day walk 10km headlands and beaches
 Pam Robinson 4284 1662
 Coastal walk with views from Minnamurra Station to Kiama and beyond. Swims</p> |
| <p>5 Dec Sun Christmas Ferry Trip Sydney
 Get a new view of Ku-ring-gai Chase NP from the water.
 Late bookings - contact Heather Roy 9918 9259</p> | <p>11 Dec Sat Heathcote NP Sydney
 Med day walk 200m asc 17km track, fire trail, off track, rock hopping
 Peter Fox 9799 9402 (h), 9662 5741 (w)
 Waterfall - Mooray Track - Bullawarring Track - Lake Eckersley - Woronora River - Trailers Lake - return
 A number of chances for a swim and the opportunity to visit Trailers Lake. Map RNP. Limit 15</p> |
| <p>4-5 Dec Sat/Sun Blue Mountains NP Sydney
 Medium pack walk, relaxed pace 600m asc 8km steep walk in and out
 Jenny Rich 9874 9821 (8-9pm)
 Govett's Leap to Acacia Flat, walk out via Perry's Lookdown
 Explore Blue Gum Forest and magnificent Grose Valley.
 Car shuffle. Time to relax and enjoy this beautiful area, even read a book. Map: CMA Mt Wilson & Katoomba. Limited to small group</p> | <p>12 Dec Sun Barren Grounds NR Sydney
 Day walk 360m asc 3.5km on track
 George Daniel 9449 4769 (7-9pm)
 Drawing Room Rocks on Illawarra Escarpment. At edge of nature reserve - sandstone-shaped rocks, great views over Kangaroo and Lower Shoalhaven valleys. Map: Kangaroo Valley CMA, 'Bushwalks in the Sydney Region'. Limit 15</p> |
| <p>6 Dec Mon NPA's Christmas Party All branches
 From 6pm in the Mitchell Room, Level 4, Imperial Arcade.
 Enter from Pitt St Mall</p> | <p>11/12 Dec Sat-Sun Morton NP Illawarra
 Medium overnight 2 x 300m climbs 25km medium street, off track and boulder hopping
 Geoff Bailey 4236 0787 (7.30-9.30pm)
 This walk provides nice entree to summer. Up Danjera Ck past Sloping Rock Bluff, up big hill to Fletcher's Crown, down to camping spot on Bundundah Ck. Next day follow creek downstream over another big hill, down to Danjera Dam and our cars (sounds easy eh?). Map: Yalwal. Limit 10</p> |
| <p>7 Dec Tue Ku-ring-gai Chase NP Sydney
 Easy/med day walk 10-12km
 Jean Blackman
 Meet leader Chatswood interchange for 8.45am Forest bus No 285 to Terrey Hills shops ETA 9.15am. Circular walk via Duckhole, Gledhill Falls, bus return</p> | <p>11-12/13 Dec Sat-Sun/Mon Blue Mountains NP Sydney
 Full pack 600m asc 14km off track
 Richard Thompson 9144 1392
 Great camping site on middle Kowmung River and return.
 This is an optional 2 or 3 day trip to a great location. Time for swimming and exploring area near Doris Creek junction.</p> |
| <p>8 Dec Wed Urban Coast Walk Sydney
 Day walk 70m asc 16km all on roads or tracks, some slippery with exposed roots
 Ralph Newbould and Bob Shayler 9579 4889 not Tue eve and never b'teen 6-8pm, phone if a query
 Martin Place to Watson's Bay along the coast
 9am Central (Illawarra line, plat 24). 9.05 Martin Place, meet at ticket barrier. Good water views, swimming. Map: Street directory</p> | <p>14 Dec Tue Warringah Shire Area Sydney
 Medium day walk 12-14km
 Jean Blackman
 Meet leader York St Wynyard for 9.05am bus No 169 to Beacon Hill ETA 10am walk to Manly via Allenby Gully, Manly Dam</p> |
| <p>9 Dec Thur Georges River NP Sydney
 Easy/med day walk 10-12km
 Jean Blackman
 8.28am train Central (East Hills line) to Macquarie Fields ETA 9.07 meet leader, bus to river, walk to Simmo's Beach. Swim possible, bus or road walk back to station</p> | |

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- 15 Dec Wed **Royal NP** Sydney
Day walk 100m asc 14km mostly on tracks, one steep climb off track with loose stones and exposed roots
Ralph Newbould 9579 4889 not Tue eve and never b'twn 6-8pm. Phone only if a query
Car start Sutherland to start of Curra Moors Track, walk to Eagle Rock, along coast to Garie Beach, climb Thelma Ridge to Governor Game LO, back to cars. 8.17am Central (Illawarra line, Plat 25). 8.52am Sutherland Stn. Walk south along Old Princes Hwy beside railway for approx 400m. Meet under rail bridge over road at Park St for car transport to start of walk. Bring a car if you can! Map: CMA Otford
- 16/17 Dec Thur-Fri **Wollemi NP** Sydney
Overnight trip, full pack, 10km 100m asc, wet terrain
Peter Witt 6355 5144 (9am-9pm)
Upper Wollongambe River to Wollongambe Crater the short easy way. No tents needed - we will camp in a magnificent sandy-floored cave. Swim in crystal-clear rock pools. Wading knee deep and rock hopping to get to camp
- 18 Dec Sat **Great North Walk Part 8** Sydney
Easy/med day walk 12-14km
Jean Blackman
Meet leader 9am Chatswood station. Walk to Gladesville along river. Bus or ferry back to city
- 18 Dec Sat **Blue Mountains NP** Sydney
Medium day walk 800m asc 16km track, off track, rock hopping, rough terrain
Arthur Anderson 9624 1296 (H after 7pm) 9622 4700 (w)
Cliff Drive - Ferber Steps - Causeway Creek - Ruined Castle - Golden Stairs - Cliff Drive
Follow the old cable from near the Scenic Railway across Jamison Valley to the Ruined Castle. Gaiters recommended. Maps: Katoomba, Jamison. Limit 15
- 19 Dec Sun **Minnamurra River** Illawarra
Canoe 12km estuary optional walk, swim
John Bell 4227 3928
Paddle full tidal section of Minnamurra River from Swamp Road to the entrance and return. Optional walk around the sand spit. River or ocean swimming. PFDs compulsory
- 19 Dec Sun **Dharawal SRA** Macarthur
Medium day walk
Barry Durman 4634 1359
Walk to October Pool and visit lovely spot on Stokes Creek
- 18-23 Dec Sat-Thur **Morton NP** Sydney
Full pack
Henry Roda 9948 2715
Wander through the Budawangs, starting from Wog Wog entrance. A rough outline of the intended route is Mt Tarn, Mt Haughton, Sturgis Mtn, Folly Pt, Mt Cole, Corang Peak and any diversions suggested en route. Map: Budawang Sketch map. Limit 8
- 21 Dec Tue **Sydney Harbour NP** Sydney
Easy/medium day walk 10km
Jean Blackman
Meet leader Circular Quay for 9am ferry to Manly. Walk to Spit Bridge, swim. Kids and visitors welcome
- 26-28 Dec Sun-Tue **Morton NP** Illawarra
Canoe 24km flat water, swimming, relaxing, optional short walks
Caryll Sefton 4284 2004
Paddle to Fossickers Flat on Shoalhaven branch of Lake Yurunga from Tallowa Dam in Kangaroo Valley. Magnificent scenery, great campsite. A wonderful way to recover from the Christmas rush. Canoe hire available. PFDs compulsory
- 27 Dec Mon **Lower Blue Mountains** Syd/Blue Mts
Easy day walk 150m asc, 12km all on paths, lots of steps
Judith & Nick Hill 4739 2871 around 7pm
Glenbrook to Emu Plains via the Lapstone zig zag
Climb at start then all down hill. This is a "no rush" walk and is meant for people who would like to hear about the local history of this area. Map: Penrith. Limit 25
- 27 Dec - 3 Jan **Nymboida NP** Armidale
Full pack walk, 800m asc without packs. Off track following rivers, some rock hopping and possible pack swimming
Paul McCann 6772 6156 (7pm - 10pm)
Raspberry Lookout - Cooraldooral Creek - Mann River - Nymboida River - Jackadgery

ARTWORK NO 10

SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDS

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Remember to wear a hat and take water!

We will follow Mann R downstream through scenic granite gorge. Depending on river level, we may lilo some sections. Spend New Years Eve camped by river with friends. Side trips to various view points depending on weather. Phone before Oct 31st. Maps: Cangai, Mt Wellington, Gundahl, Jackadgery CMAs. Limit 12

28 Dec Tue **Sydney Harbour NP** Sydney
Easy/med day walk 8-14km
Jean Blackman
Meet leader Circular Quay for 9.30am ferry to Rose Bay, walk to Watsons Bay or beyond. Swim. Kids and visitors welcome

31 Dec - 3 Jan **Deua NP** Blue Mts
4 day walk tracks/trackless
Mark Goodson 4739 3898 (7-8.30pm Mon-Fri)
Wyanbene Caves - Mongamula firetrail - Deua River - Bendethera Caves - Shoalhaven River - Jinden Trig
Deua River is an absolute delight: huge grassy campsites, dozens of swimming holes - a wonderful place to savour summer break. Map: Krawarree & Snowball CMAs. Limit 12

ADVANCE NOTICES

2-9 Jan 2000 Sun-Sun **Murrumbidgee River** Illawarra
Family canoe trip, base camps, fast-flowing river
Greg Carthew 4226 5472
Magnificent paddle from Childowlah to Gundagai with a side trip on the even faster flowing Tumut River. Suitable for novices. PFDs compulsory

Mid January 2000 **Murray River** Sydney
Canoeing on the upper Murray 150km give or take
Peter Witt 6355 5144 (9am-9pm)
Coleman's Bend to Jingellic or if low water Albury to Yarrawonga
5 leisurely days paddling upper Murray River Grade 1-2 water, away from the heat of the plains

13-20 May 2000 **Lord Howe Island** Sydney
Joe Pike 040 827 6883
Seven days on this very special island, cost including airfare approx \$850. Trip half full already so call early if interested.

SHARING TRANSPORT COSTS

When transport is arranged by private car it is normal for passengers to share the costs with the driver.

Taking into account some of the extra costs of running a car, the following formula is suggested:

- Calculate the contribution of each person by doubling the cost of fuel and dividing by the number of occupants.
- Share equally any additional costs such as park entry fees and so on.

For example if fuel costs \$30, a single passenger (plus the driver) pays \$30. For two passengers, each will contribute \$20.

Many NPA activities rely on the generosity of drivers in providing transport and this suggestion does not fully compensate for their costs. Please make sure that you do contribute.

NPA BRANCH MEETINGS

ARMIDALE BRANCH: Monthly excursions and newsletters, with quarterly meetings and social gatherings. Contact John Davidson 02 6772 1296 or Judy Grieve 02 6775 1205.

BLUE MOUNTAINS BRANCH: Third Wednesday of the month at 8pm, Springwood Neighbourhood Centre.

CENTRAL COAST BRANCH: Third Thursday in March, May, July, September, November at 7.30pm, Bateau Bay Progress Hall.

CENTRAL WEST BRANCH: Second Friday of the month at 6-8pm, Bathurst Information and Neighbourhood Centre. Ph 02 6331 5284.

CLARENCE VALLEY BRANCH: First Monday of the month at 7.30pm, Grafton High School Common Room.

FAR NORTH COAST: Contact Hazel Bridgett 02 6629 5010.

FAR SOUTH COAST: Meetings every second month, field trip alternate months. Contact Kim Tayson, PO Box 797, Bega 2550.

HUNTER BRANCH: Contact Secretary, David Cater, on 02 4921 6376; or e-mail: ccdic@cc.newcastle.edu.au

HAWKESBURY-CUMBERLAND BRANCH: First Wednesday of alternate months (starting February) at 7.30 pm, Tebbutt Room, Windsor Library. Ph 02 4573 6169.

ILLAWARRA BRANCH: Contact President, Pam Robinson, on 02 4284 1662.

LACHLAN VALLEY BRANCH: Third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm, Parkes Neighbourhood Centre.

MACARTHUR BRANCH: Second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm, Campbelltown North Public School, corner Thomas St and Rudd Rd, Campbelltown.

MID NORTH COAST BRANCH: Third Monday of the month at 6pm; alternate months at 6.30 pm. Ring Gwen O'Dea 02 6583 2272, Mollie Rowell 02 6583 1427.

MILTON BRANCH: First Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm, Room 10, Ulladulla Primary School.

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS BRANCH: Third Friday of alternate months. Contact Secretary 02 4872 1116. (Note: this Branch used to be known as the Berrima Branch.)

SOUTHERN SYDNEY BRANCH: Slide show or general meeting, third Wednesday of the month (not school holidays) at 8pm, Multi-purpose Centre, 123 Flora St, Sutherland. Ph Peter Vaughan 9528 7341 for details.

SYDNEY BRANCH: See Members' Diary in *Sydney Branch Newsletter* and this Activities Program for details.

TAMWORTH-NAMOI BRANCH: Third Friday of the month at 8pm, No 1 Oval Pavilion Kable Avenue, Tamworth. Phone Ron Webster for details on 02 6766 4296.

THREE VALLEYS BRANCH: Third Tuesday of the month at 9.30 am, Lot 100, Grassy Head Road, Grassy Head (about 2 km from Scotts Head Rd turnoff).