



PROGRAM of ACTIVITIES 2004

- 17th January.** *Coon Island, Swansea Ramble .*
An easy walk followed by a picnic tea.
Leaders:
- 7th February.** *Annual General Meeting* and program organisation.
Venue:
- 6th March.** *Kariong Hieroglyphs.*
A day outing to view the Egyptian hieroglyphs carved into sandstone at Kariong.
Leader:
- 27th & 28th March.** *Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve.*
A weekend trip with the Ramblers Bushwalking Club. Munghorn Gap Nature Reserve is 30 km north-east of Mudgee. Entry is via paved roads off the Mudgee-Wollar Road. The trip will involve car-based camping on the Saturday night at Honeyeater Flat camping ground.
If the trip is cancelled, a weekend in Nundle will be the alternative venue.
Leader:
- 24th April.** *Newcastle Heritage Walk.*
Another interesting walk to have our understanding of Newcastle's history enhanced.
Leader:
- 17th May.** *Society Dinner - Monday Evening.*
The Brewery Room at Hamilton TAFE has been booked, **maximum 24 people**. No person under the age of 18 is permitted to attend. The three course meal, wine and service is excellent.
Meet 6.45 for a 7.00 pm start.
Organisers: Social Committee.
- 22nd May.** *Fossil Hunting, Trevallyn.*
A day trip to a private property to find & collect marine fossils.
An option to the day trip is an overnight camp at Lostock Dam which is nearby.
Leaders:
- 5th June.** *Soup & Slides.*
Back to the excellent social evening of soup, slides, fun & frivolity.
Organisers: Social Committee.
- 19th to 26th June.** *OPTIONAL Geological Safari.*
The venue has not been decided upon yet. As soon as it is, you will be notified.
Organisers:
- 10th July.** *Brian's Mineral Collection.*
An afternoon activity to examine Brian's fabulous collection of minerals followed by afternoon tea.
Leader:
- 31st July.** *Wetlands Ramble & Lunch.*
A morning activity to explore the Shortland Wetlands followed by a picnic lunch in the grounds.
Leaders:



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- 21th August.** *Devils Rock & Pancake Rocks.*
A day trip by 4 wheel drive (we will have to car pool) to Devils Rock & Pancake Rocks which are West of Mt. Simpson (turnoff near Koolang Observatory). Both sites are covered with an amazing variety of Aboriginal Carvings.
Leaders:
- 16th to 19th September.** *Hill End.*
A fabulous trip to explore the old gold mining area of Hill End & to discuss the geology of the region. **4 days** are needed to allow adequate time to travel & explore.
Leader:
- 2nd October.** *Murrung Walk, Fingal Head.*
An easy 3½ km walk on fire trails (2-3 hours) with some rock hopping. A chance to view the best coastal landscapes in Tomaree NP and to observe wildflowers in the area.
Leader:
- 30th & 31st October.** *Blue Mountains Weekend.*
Once again, we will stay at the Blackheath Caravan Park. Barry will the lead us as we explore some of the wonderful scenery, fauna & flora.
Leader:
- 20th November.** *Redhead Rock Platform.*
A half day walk (when will depend on the tide) to redhead Rock Platform which contains fabulous sedimentary structures, as well as being very scenic.
Leaders:
- 11th December.** *Xmas Get-together.*
Spit-Roast and social evening.
Organisers: Social Committee.
- 15th January 2005.** *Lake Macquarie Art Gallery & Coffee.*
A social activity to be organised by the Social Committee.
- 29th January 2005.** *Annual General Meeting* and program organisation.