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IMPORTANT Information to Clubs

Confederation will soon be relocating to new office accommodation
Advice will issue in due course as to new Post Office box number

„The Bushwalker%o May 2008 Edition: available for collection on 20th May

Bushwalking Australia Inc. – Photos required of NSW walking areas please

Confederation require 10 – 15 photographs showing NSW bushwalkers in the bush; also nature photos which depict the various terrain which we all enjoy. Photos are for inclusion on our webpage on BA,s website. Need to be shots that when reduced to around 200 pixels in width won,t lose their focus. Please label photos what and where. There will be a rotating banner at the top of the webpage and our web designer is looking for photos that look great when reduced to 614 by 140 pixels.

Email to Admin. Officer:

<mailto:admin@bushwalking.org.au>admin@bushwalking.org.au

Thank you

NP&WS: Blue Mountains N.P. – Wentworth Falls Picnic Area – Site Closure

For upgrade works from 12 May to late September 2008. Includes all parking areas, road way access, toilet facilities and access to walking tracks and lookouts. Closed 7 days a week and public holidays. Most walking tracks in the Wentworth Falls area

will remain open with access only from the Conservation Hunt / Valley of the Waters or via Darwin,s Walk. No access to walking tracks from Falls Road or Wilson Street.

NP&WS: Blue Mountains N.P. – Woodford Oaks Trail – Closed

from Monday 5 May until Friday 30 May (Mondays to Fridays) for essential maintenance work. Closed section is between Woodford and the Oaks Shelter Shed.

Information: Blue Mountains Heritage Centre on 4787 8877; open seven days 9.00am to 4.30pm. or

<[http://www2.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/parks.nsf/ParkContent/N0004?](http://www2.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/parks.nsf/ParkContent/N0004?OpenDocument&ParkKey=N0004&Type=FIRESUMMARY)

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BWRS – Remote Area First Aid Course – August 2008

See website: <http://www.bwrs.org.au/>

Game Council NSW: 191 Additional State Forests open to Conservation Hunting

See the NSW Department of Commerce website for the NSW Government Gazette of 7 March 2008 which lists Official Notices of proposed declarations.

<<http://www.advertising.nswp.commerce.nsw.gov.au/Gazette/2008+Gazettes/2008+Gazettes.htm>><http://www.advertising.nswp.commerce.nsw.gov.au/Gazette/2008+Gazettes/2008+Gazettes.htm>

Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA): <http://www.amsa.gov.au/>

Personal Locator Beacon (PLBs) is the preferred term

Keith Maxwell, BWRS, advises that the AMSA who monitor „distress beacons% are emphatic about using correct terminology. For bushwalkers either of two terms can be used. The general term "distress beacon" or "personal locator beacon" (PLBs) are both acceptable. The term EPIRB must not be used as this particular type of distress beacon is for use by mariners that is designed to work on oceans, not land. PLBs are portable units used by bushwalkers, 4 wheel drivers and other land adventurers and are designed to fit into pockets. They are activated manually.

Switch to digital 406 MHz prior to 1st February 2009 when the analogue 121.5 MHz beacons will no longer be detected. Your new 406 MHz PLB or other distress beacon **must** be registered with the AMSA otherwise your beacon is anonymous.

Registration is FREE.

To dispose of your old beacons: <<http://beacons.amsa.gov.au/index.asp>><http://beacons.amsa.gov.au/index.asp>

The Great Australian Cancer Bush Walk

See Website: <[http://](http://www.thegreatcancerwalk.com.au/)

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Commences: 5 May 2008 at Cape York

Finishes: 27 June 2009 at Wilsons Promontory

See webpage regarding Risk Management and application requirements:

<<http://www.thegreatcancerwalk.com.au/assets/160/files/Risk%20management.pdf>><http://www.thegreatcancerwalk.com.au/assets/160/files/Risk%20management.pdf>

Administration Officer

The Confederation of Bushwalking Clubs NSW Inc.

9th May 2008

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