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EXCURSION PROGRAMME

It is essential on all excursions in the hot weather that members carry at least 1 litre of water. Please carry on all walks: First Aid Kit, Torch, Matches, Warm shirt or Sweater, Protective Rainwear, Hat. Wear safe footwear

All people attending excursions do so at their own risk

Members arriving by train should advise contact prior to the excursion. Train timetable on week-days might be altered. Walks starting times and meeting places will remain as stated.

- **SPECIAL INVITATION FOR SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER:** Members of the Conservation Society are invited to join the Society for Growing Australian Plants on a garden inspection and walk of historic interest. Meet at Mount Victoria Station at 9.45 am and proceed to the home of Rachel Makinson, 8 Beaufort Avenue, Mt. Victoria. View her garden. Tea and coffee provided for morning tea. (Phone 87 1302) Then drive to Kanimbla Valley for easy walk commencing in private property. Mill Creek, then to an old sawmill, a coalmine and the remains of an old railway. All now are abandoned. Leader, Charles Johnson 87 1354. Take lunch.
- **JULY WALKS** Note, no train times are included due to uncertain timetables.

Sunday 5 July: Murphy's Glen area. Meet at Hazelbrook Station carpark at 9.15 am. Muriel Healey, leader. 58 6975

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Sunday 2 August: Cox's Rd, Lockyer's Rd. Meet at Mt Victoria Station at 8.30 am. Val Carlross, leader. 87 8837. Approximately 6 hours.

Saturday 15 August: Slacks Stairs. Meet at Wentworth Falls Station at carpark at 9.30 am. Bob Jones, leader. 58 8361. Approximately 5 hours.

Thursday 20 August: Pool of Siloam to Lyrebird's Dell. Meet at corner of Gladstone Rd and Fitzroy St, Leura at 10 am. Reg and Dulcie Toseland, leaders. 84 1682. Approximately 3 hours.

- **SEPTEMBER WALKS**

Sunday 6 September: Upper Wolgan River. Meet at Mt Victoria Station at 8.30 am. John Noble, leader. 87 8342. Approximately 7 hours.

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- **OCTOBER WALKS**

Sunday 4 October: Waratah Walk, Golden Stairs, Ruined Castle, Mount Solitary. Meet at G.W.Highway side of Katoomba Station at 8.30am. David Thomas, leader. 84 2121. Approximately 7 hours.

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EXCURSION PROGRAMME

It is essential on all excursions in the hot weather that members carry at least 1 litre of water.

Please carry on all walks:

First Aid Kit, Torch, Matches, Warm Shirt or Sweater, Protective Rainwear, Hat, Wear safe footwear.

All people attending excursions do so at their own risk.

Members arriving by train should advise contact prior to the excursion.

Train timetable on week-days might be altered.

Walks starting times and meeting places will remain as stated.

SPECIAL INVITATION FOR SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER: Members of the Conservation Society are invited to join the Society for Growing Australian Plants on a garden inspection and walk of historic interest. Meet at Mount Victoria Station at 9.45 am and proceed to the home of Rachel Makinson, 8 Beaufort Avenue, Mt Victoria. View her garden. Tea and coffee provided for morning tea. (Phone 87-1302). Then drive to Kanimbla Valley for easy walk commencing in private property. Mill Creek, then to an old sawmill, a coalmine and the remains of an old railway. All now are abandoned. Leader, Charles Johnson 87-1354. Take Lunch.

JULY WALKS: Note, no train times are included due to uncertain timetables.

Sunday 5th July: Murphy's Glen area: Meet at Hazelbrook Station Carpark at 9.15 am.

Leader: Muriel Healey. 58-6575

Thursday 16th July: The Grotto. Meet at the end of White Cross Road, Winmalee at 10 am. 4km walk.

Leader: Grace Bayley. 59-1955

Saturday 18th July: Rhubarb Falls. Meet at Faulconbridge car park, Great Western Highway side, at 9am.

Leader: Alan Macaulay. 39-2767

AUGUST WALKS

Sunday 2nd August: Cox's Rd, Lockyer's Rd. Meet at Mt Victoria Station at 8.30 am.

Leader: Val Carloss. 87-8837. Approximately 6 hours.

Saturday 15 August: Slacks Stairs. Meet at Wentworth Falls Station carpark at 9.30 am.

Leader: Bob Jones. 58-8361. Approximately 5 hours.

Thursday 20 August: Pool of Siloam to Lyrebird's Dell. Meet at corner of Gladstone Rd and Fitzroy St, Leura at 10 am.

Leaders: Reg and Dulcie Toseland. 84-1682. Approximately 3 hours.

SEPTEMBER WALKS

Sunday 6th September: Upper Wolgan River. Meet at Mt Victoria at 8.30 am.

Leader: John Noble. 87-8342. Approximately 7 hours.

Thursday 17th September: Wall's Lookout (Bell's Line of Road). Meet at Mt Victoria Station at 10 am.
Leader: Grace Bayley. 59-1955. 3km walk.

Saturday 19th September: Dargans Creek. Meet at Mt Victoria Station at 8.30 am.
Leader: Olive Noble. 87-8342. Approximately 6 hours.

OCTOBER WALKS

Sunday 4 October: Waratah Walk, Golden Stairs, Ruined Castle, Mount Solitary. Meet at Great Western Highway side of Katoomba Station at 8.30 am.
Leader: 84-2121. Approximately 7 hours.

Thursday 15th October: Mystery Wildflower Walk. Meet behind Springwood Library at 9.30 am.
Leader: Alan Macaulay. 39-2767. Approximately 5 hours.

Saturday 17th October: Burra-Kurrarn Flats. Meet Mt Victoria car park at 8.30 am.
Leader: Olive Noble. Approximately 6 hours.

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