

LOWER BLUE MOUNTAINS WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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Nothing much to report this month. Last meeting was as informal as possible - no mail was sent or received - no minutes - no motions. Jim Ferguson, our Photo Officer, showed some interesting and beautiful colour slides of you know what, taken by him and some of the other members. It is the nucleus of a fine slide and photo collection; if you have any duplicates which have anything to do with natural history, pass them on to Jim Ferguson.

The programme this year could include trips to -- Minnimurra Falls, Fitzroy Falls, Kanangra Walls, Barren Grounds and a return to Newnes State Forest. This last may not be open for much longer since the Forestry Commission and Prisons Department are establishing a pine plantation there, and the bush will be vanishing at a rate of 1000 acres per year when things get moving. Mr. Martin will be organising the field trips.

Also, this year we will be teaching ourselves some simple botany, and if Messrs. Perrin and Smithard can find time for their valuable nature notes, by this time next year ignoramuses like yours truly may be better able to appreciate what we see; and even see more.

A reminder -- if you have not already paid your subs, please do so as soon as possible.

Next meeting - 8th. February.

G. Croghan  
Hon. Sec.