

celebratenature

Week of September 6- 12

To celebrate the 2010 International Year of Biodiversity, the Nature Conservation Council of NSW and its member groups have put together a program of nature-based events throughout the month of September.

Celebrate Nature has something for everybody: bushwalks, bird watching, bat counting, bug spotting, bush restoration, workshops, conferences, slide shows and even a nature-inspired concert. Go to www.nccnsw.org.au for updates on events throughout September.

September 6-7

Explore Nature

Wollemi NP Walk

Monday, 6 September - Tuesday, 7 September.

Where: Wollemi National Park.

This is an optional continuation of the walk on 4-5 September (see those dates for further details). Walk from Tootie Creek to Mount Townsend Bend (treating a few rogue weeds on the way).

RSVP required.

Contact: Andy Macqueen on 4757 1083.

Monday September 6

Explore Nature

Blue Mountains NP Walk

9:30 am. Monday, 6 September.

Meet at Medlow Bath.

Catch the 7:21am train from Central to Medlow Bath. ETA 9:31am. Meet leader on platform. A circuit walk in Medlow Bath.

Contact: John Massar on 0424 794 450 (enquiries until 7pm).

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Tuesday September 7

Explore Nature

Warriewood - Mona Vale Walk

8:45 am. Tuesday, 7 September.

Meet at Wynyard, Carrington St Stand D.

Walk to Mona Vale via Warriewood, Narrabeen and Turimetta. Meet at Wynyard for 8:45am bus to Narrabeen. Walkers will take the bus when returning to the City.

Contact: Fae Barton at NPA on 9299 0000.

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Wednesday September 8

Explore Nature

Brisbane Waters Area Walk

Wednesday, 8 September.

Walk from Umina to Patonga. 8:15am train from Central to Woy Woy (ETA 9:28 for bus to Umina). Climb to a beautiful waterfall, and enjoy magnificent coastal views and spring flowers.

RSVP required.

Contact: Jan on 9975 5472.

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Wednesday September 8

Explore Nature

Central Coast Walk

10 am. Wednesday, 8 September.

Where: Point Clare.

8:45am train from Central arriving at Point Clare ETA 10:07am. Walk from Point Clare to Gosford.

Contact: Bob Shayler on 9890 1648.

Thursday September 9

Explore Nature

Georges River Walk

9:40 am. Thursday, 9 September.

Meet at Revesby station.

Ramble down the river to Yeramba Lagoon, which is about 5-7km.

Contact: Fae Barton from NPA on 9299 0000.

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Friday September 10

Explore Nature

Elvina Bay Walk

8:40 am. Friday, 10 September.

Where: Elvina Bay.

L90 bus departs at 8:40am from Wynyard Carrington St at Stand C, then change bus at Wahroonga and then private ferry. Private ferry: \$12.80/\$6.80 concession return. A picturesque walk overlooking Pittwater. Lots of steps.

Contact: Yvonne Hardiman 9670 3649 for more information.

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Saturday September 11

Celebrate Nature

Bimbadgen Blues Festival

Saturday, 11 September.

Where: Bimbadgen Estate, 79 McDonald Road.

Bimbadgen Outdoor music provided by some of the best blues and roots musicians Australia has to offer. Enjoy a day of fine entertainment, great food and wine amongst the vines in the beautiful surroundings of Bimbadgen Estate near the Blue Mountains.

For more information call 4930 9190.

Saturday September 11

Think Nature

Biodiversity and Environmental Forum

Saturday, 11 September.

Where: Kurrajong Room, Western Plains Cultural Centre.

Organised by the Dubbo Field Naturalist and Conservation Society.
RSVP required on 6887 2692.

Saturday September 11

Explore Nature

Blue Mountains NP Walk

Saturday, 11 September.

Where: Katoomba.

Grade 3 walk of about 10km. A wonderful walk under the escarpment and through some superb sections of rainforest. Limit of 15 people.

Contact Mark Goodson on 0425 313 173 or mgoodson@bigpond.net.au.

Saturday September 11

Explore Nature

Georges River NP Walk

Saturday, 11 September.

Grade 3 walk of about 14km. Creek and riverside walking, with a visit to bush orchids at a local wild-flower garden. Some rough sections.

RSVP required.

Contact: Maureen Carter on 9773 4637.

Organised by National Parks Association of NSW with The Bush Club.

Saturday September 11

Think Nature

Forest Forum

10am - 8pm. Saturday, 11 September.
Where: Batemans Bay Soldiers' Club.

Batemans Bay Soldiers' Club Topics for discussion will include:

- conserving our Great Eastern Ranges
- native forest carbon accounting
- jobs and tourism in forest regions, and
- law matters in state forests.

RSVP required on 4472 4117.

Sunday September 12

Explore Nature

Brisbane Waters NP Walk

Sunday, 12 September.

Easy day walk on tracks to Rocky Ponds. Great views overlooking Brisbane Water and Hawkesbury River.

RSVP required.

Contact: John Simpson on 0400 882 897.
Organised by National Parks Association of NSW.

Sunday September 12

Explore Nature

Discover the Wolli Creek Valley

Sunday, 12 September.

Where: Wolli Creek Valley.

Walk the full 13km along Wolli Creek or just a section - lots of public transport options for return.

RSVP required on 9554 3176.

Organised by the Wolli Creek Preservation Society.

Sunday September 12

Explore Nature

Loftus - Royal NP Walk

Sunday, 12 September.

Where: Loftus.

Walk from Loftus to Bundeena via Temptation Creek, Bungoona Lookout, Winifred and Anice Falls.

RSVP required.

Contact: Des Towne on 4261 5855.
Organised by the National Parks Association of NSW.