Boree Log Sem II 2007 October 13-14

General Info:

Boree Log is the traditional weekend away run by the UNSW Outdoors Club every semester. We try to get out and have fun somewhere outside Sydney within easy driving distance. Depending upon the venue, we run different trips on these days. We usually run Rock Climbing, Bush Walking, Canyoning and Kayaking on these trips. But the trips are not limited to the above, it up to the members to decide what they want to do and organize trips (even on the spot). It a great chance to meet the rest of the club members and have fun with them.

Kangaroo Valley:

Boree Log for this semester will be held on the weekend of 13-14 October, 2007 in the most scenic and beautiful Kangaroo valley. It is about two hours drive South from Sydney and a short distance from Nowra. We will be camping in the *Bendeela campsite* in the Kangaroo Valley right on the banks of Kangaroo river arm of lake Yarrunga (8 Km from the village of Bendeela). The campsite is a large grass land and has basic



amenities.* We will be camping somewhere on the river side.

Trips:

Because of its close proximity to excellent climbing grounds around Nowra, there will be both beginners



There will be trips on both Saturday and Sunday.

and more advanced climbing trips to Nowra and Point Perpendicular (considered to be one of the best spots for traditional climbing around Sydney, on the sea cliffs above crashing waves).

We'll make use of the location of the camping grounds and go kayaking. Make sure you sign up to the individual trips to ensure your spot. We'll be taking 8 kayaks from the club.

As the Kangaroo valley is one of the most scenic spots around, bush walking is something you cangt afford to miss. So, make sure you tag along or if you want to explore new places run your own trip.

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Gear:

As we will be camping for one to two nights, you should bring your own basic gear. These include:

- i) Sleeping bag, mat and tent (or organize tent space)
- ii) Plate/Bowl, mug
- iii) Food for breakfasts and lunches
- iv) Gear for the activities you'dl be involved in
- v) A chair to sit on
- vi) Rain/Warm gear according to the weather + your swimming gear

The club will bring most of its gear down and will be free to borrow for the weekend. However, it a good idea to organize what you want to borrow with the gear guys before hand to avoid confusion. The stuff the club will bring down are:

- i) Tents (including the orgy tent that sleeps 13-15)
- ii) Stoves (however organize your own stove for personal use)
- iii) Technical gear for activities (eg. climbing gear, kayaks)

We'dl take the gear down to the campsite on Friday night or early Saturday morning. If you intend to go directly to the start of the trip, make sure you borrow the gear before hand. Otherwise, you may borrow the gear before heading out on the trips on Saturday or Sunday.

The club doesnot have enough sleeping bags and mats for everyone, so please organize this before hand if you do not have your own.

Food and Drinks:

The OC will provide dinner on Saturday night and limited water. Please bring food for breakfast and lunches and any other snack you may need. Bring your own grog but you're free to share with others. The club will not be able to provide enough water for drinking so make sure you provide your own. If you are driving, it's a good idea to get a 15-20 litre water container from woolies or coles. The closest shops are in the Kangaroo village or Nowra. So, make sure you get your food and drinks before getting to the campsite.

Saturday Night Festivities:

On Saturday night, we will have the clubøs traditional dinner. Itøs traditionally been a formal event so bring something oformalo along for Saturday nightos formal party and enjoy Discoøs excellent culinary skills. This probably is the most important part of the weekend so have fun there. Dongt go overboard with your formal wear, just get something respectable eg. from a local second hand store or even the Vinies will do to minimize cost. Depending upon whether fire will be allowed, we will try to have a camp fire going, but no promises just yet. With or without camp fire, it will be a relaxed



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social event under the starry skies with lots of food and drinks. So come prepared to have fun.

Getting there:

Carpooling is the best way to and from the Bendeela campsite. As there are no public transport to the campsite, make sure you have a car or a car space to get there and back. If you have a car and intend to drive down, make sure you offer a lift to others.

The best way to organize transport is on the discussion forum in the clubøs website. Please make sure you offer rides to those without one and those sharing the ride also share the cost of fuel and other incidentals. Do not forget to include when and from where you intend to leave and return to so people can decide.

The nearest train stations are "*Berry*ö and "*Bomaderry*" and if you intend to take the train down, please organize a pick up and drop off from and to the station.

It is best to get down there on Friday afternoon so you can get on trips on Saturday morning. However, you can rock up anytime you want as long as you know what you want to do and where the trips are happening.



More Info:

More info on Boree Log may be found at:

http://www.unswoc.org/activities/boreelog/

and photos from past boree log at:

http://www.unswoc.org/gallery2/v/boreelog/

Any queries? Email me but read through the info sheet first. Also read the õdirectionsö page for details on how to get there.

Cheers, Rajan Chhetri President UNSW Outdoors Club president@unswoc.org

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