

Batemans Bay Bushwalkers Covid-19 Safety Plan

Purpose of Plan

To ensure that Batemans Bay Bushwalkers Inc operates in conformity with generally accepted standards during the time of the pandemic, consistent with rules promulgated by both Federal and State Governments and with Local Council Terms and Conditions. The rules cover the well-being of the Club members and those in contact with Club members, arrangements for physical distancing and personal hygiene and cleaning, and the keeping of records in order to maintain personal tracking ability should an infection be found. The Plan covers both walks and meetings.

Maintaining Well-being of Participants

For All Activities:

- Ensure everyone knows both the BBBW Covid rules and how to get tested (phone 1800 999 880)
- Exclude anyone who is identified or self-identifies as unwell, showing fever, coughing, sneezing or shortness of breath
- Exclude all visitors
- Be aware that due to restrictions activities may be changed at short notice
- All members to watch the BBBW website for changes to these rules and for last minute changes to walks or other activities

Physical Distancing

On Walks:

- Leader to ensure all walkers are aware of physical distancing rules
- There will be no car sharing (unless by agreement among members known to be uninfected)
- Walkers are to keep 1.5m apart from one another
- There should be no more than 20 participants in a group
- If a walking group has to sub-divide, the sub groups must keep in contact
- Participants to bring and use their own hand sanitiser and practise good cough/sneeze hygiene
- Lunch breaks and other breaks which involve resting should maintain social distancing rules
- Members must not share food or drink
- Leaders must have a strategy to manage physical distancing in unexpected circumstances (such as an accident)

In Meetings:

- Members to bring their own hand sanitiser, use it appropriately and practise good cough/sneeze hygiene
- Numbers attending must be within the constraints of the size of the room or hall at 4 sq m per person

- Social distancing to be maintained at 1.5m person to person, when both seated and standing
- Any additional activities must not involve personal contact
- All chairs and surfaces must be cleaned after use in conformity with the rules for the room or hall, usually with both detergent and disinfectant
- Be aware that room or hall rules may bar the sharing of food or drink and gloves may be required for cleaning

Record Keeping

For All Activities:

- Members should be made aware that the purpose of keeping a record of attendance in the case of both walks and meetings is for tracking individuals as well as for insurance cover
- The record must include phone numbers and emails for tracking purposes
- Regulations in some halls require the records to be kept for a minimum of 28 days
- Members should sign attendance sheets using their own pen
- If a shared pen has to be used it should be cleaned between users
- Members should download the CovidSafe App to assist with any tracing that may be required.
- Members must be willing to cooperate with NSW Health or other authorities if contacted in relation to any positive test
- Members who either test positive or are called by NSW Health should inform a member of the BBBW Committee as soon as practical

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