

NEWSLETTER MONTHLY



**Trip Calendar:
Now bursting at
the seams!!**

July 2009

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Cover Shot:
Dave enjoying the caving at Abercrombie.
Photo by Bob Horn

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Quote of the Month

“You'll like this bit, it's really ... good” - Johan personifies enthusiasm in Aladdin cave, Jenolan.



Some of the Abercrombie crew in front of the Arch.
(Don't know about that guy in the middle)
Photo: Bob Horn

Announcements

This year's annual dinner and Xmas party have joined forces for an MSS celebration extravaganza! To be held at Bachus on the 21st of November. RSVP to Jim Crockett to book your place, before they all fill up!

Nullabor trip, August 2010!! Who wouldn't want to visit the caves of the Nullabor? At this stage all you have to do is let Rod Smith know that you're interested. If there's sufficient numbers then the trip will get organised. Not one to miss!

Next Month

Trip reports from Kanangra, Jenolan, Castle Head!
Continued excessive use of exclamation marks! Not too be missed!

Future Trips

Welcome to the new look future trips section. Anyone with artistic abilities are welcome to submit their own icons for any of the categories here, and/or any other categories. If we use your icon then you'll have to be prepared to accept the praise and admiration from your fellow club members. Send your icons, or any other feedback, to roderick_smith@hotmail.com.

Legend:

Activity



Caving



Canyoning



Diving



Hiking



Abseiling



Cycling



Horse Riding



Kayaking



Climbing



Skiing

Grade



Easy



Easy/Medium



Medium



Medium/Hard



Hard



Extreme

Accommodation



Camping



Cottage
















Extras





































Kites



Camp Ovens

Where	When	Activity	Grade	Trip Leader	Accommodation (if applicable)	Additional Costs	Let Trip Leader Know By:	No. of Spots Left
Snowy Mountains	22 nd 23 rd Aug			Dave Stuckey 0414 590 305 stuckedl@cba.com.au			19 th Aug	
Other Info:								
Big Hole and Marble Arch	5 th - 6 th Sep			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			1 st Sep	
Other Info:								
Yarrangobilly	7 th - 13 th Sep			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com		We'll be staying in Caves House, which will be an additional cost	14 th Aug	
Other Info:								
Tiger Snake and Penrose Gully	26 th Sep			Rod Smith 0438 444 262 roderick__smith@hotmail.com (that's 2 underscores)			23 rd Sep	
Other Info:								
Mirraball	27 th Sep			Rod Smith 0438 444 262 roderick__smith@hotmail.com (that's 2 underscores)			23 rd Sep	
Other Info:								

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Mt Solitary	10 th - 11 th Oct			Johan Verhagen 4758 9811 johan.verhagen@sydneywater.com.au			7 th Oct	
Other Info:								
Starlight	17 th Oct			Julie Burton 0447 604 786 julbur@tpg.com.au			14 th Oct	
Other Info:								
Nightmare	18 th Oct			Julie Burton 0447 604 786 julbur@tpg.com.au			14 th Oct	
Other Info:								
Bungonia	7 th - 8 th Nov			Rod Smith 0438 444 262 roderick__smith@hotmail.com (that's 2 underscores)			3 rd Nov	
Other Info: This will also be an instructional trip for people that want to practice and learn more about vertical caving, in a real cave environment!								
Grand Canyon	21 st Nov			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			18 th Nov	
Other Info:								
Annual Dinner/XMas Party	21 st Nov		Delicious	Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com		The meal will cost around \$35 plus drinks	7 th Nov	
Other Info: This will be held at Bachus in Katoomba.								

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Fortress	22 nd Nov			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			18 th Nov	
Other Info:								
Cottage Rock/Coal Seam Cave – Decadence Walk	5 th - 6 th Dec			Dave Stuckey 0414 590 305 stuckedl@cba.com.au			2 nd Dec	
Other Info:								
Wollangambe	26 th Dec			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			22 nd Dec	
Other Info:								
Claustral	27 th Dec			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			22 nd Dec	
Other Info:								
Better Offer	28 th Dec			Jim Crockett 0407 284 256 jim.crockett@reach.com			22 nd Dec	
Other Info:								
Freshwater	9 th Jan			Rod Smith 0438 444 262 roderick_smith@hotmail.com (that's 2 underscores)			5 th Jan	
Other Info:								

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Kites Over Kosci	23 rd - 26 th Jan			Johan Verhagen 4758 9811 johan.verhagen@sydneywater.com.au			19 th Jan	
Other Info: You will need to take the 25 th off since it's not a public holiday								
Nullabor	Aug 2010			Rod Smith 0438 444 262 roderick_smith@hotmail.com (that's 2 underscores)			At this stage I just need expressions of interest	
Other Info:								