



Bushwalking Leadership

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2020 Dates

Plan your qualification pathway now with the release of the 2020 BLSA course dates.

(Further Details to follow in January)

Basic Skills Bushwalking Course (BSB)

Delivered by Outdoor Adventure Skills

Learn the secrets, tricks and techniques to lightweight overnight bushwalking. This course is designed to provide individuals with the knowledge to comfortably participate in a self sufficient overnight bushwalk. BSB includes the opportunity to trial different equipment and hire tents and stoves.

This course is intended for anyone who is looking for an introduction to bushwalking. Perfect for schools, students, families or anyone wishing to experience more of the outdoors.

Pre requisites: Nil

Assessment: Each participant will be required to complete a practical assessment during the overnight walk in order to receive their participation certificate.

Cost: \$280.00

\$250- Concession

March Intake

- Evening Workshop 1 – Wednesday 4th March
- Evening Workshop 2 – Wednesday 11th March
- Overnight Walk – Saturday 21st & Sunday 22nd March

May Intake

- Evening Workshop 1 – Wednesday 6th May
- Evening Workshop 2 – Wednesday 13th May
- Overnight Walk – Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th May



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Day Walk Leader Training Course

Become an accredited Day walk Leader with this industry recognised course. Completion of both step 1 and 2 of this training course will allow you to lead day walks with a maximum group ratio of 1:12 and a maximum group size of 20 people. Walks should be limited to one day duration and extreme weather to be avoided.

This qualification is ideal for teachers, youth workers, personal trainers, therapists, coaches and interested bushwalkers.

Pre requisites: Nil, however sound bushwalking experiences would be advantageous.

DWL Step 1 (DWAL)

Completion of step 1 of the Day Walk Leader Training course will provide you with a Day Walk Assistant Leader Certificate, only allowing you to assist a qualified leader during day walks.

Assessment: Each participant will be required to undertake some pre-reading, practical assessment during the workshop and a written exam.

Cost: \$330
\$285 – Concession

May Intake

- Evening Information Session – Tuesday 26th May
- Equipment Session – Saturday 30th May
- Workshop – Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June

September Intake

- Evening Information Session – Tuesday 8th September
- Equipment Session – Saturday 12th September
- Workshop – Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th September

DWL Step 2 (DWL)

Once you have completed and passed step one, you will need to complete a formal assessment in order to receive your Day Walk Leader Certificate.



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Assessment: In order to pass your assessment you must have the following;

- *Completion of 3 logged walks*
- *Current Senior First Aid Certificate*

Your formal assessment will require you to plan and undertake a walk as the leader of a group with a minimum of 5 participants with a 5 hour minimum duration. You will be required to source the participants and liaise with your assessor to book in a suitable time.

Prior to the walk, you will need to submit a walk plan to your assessor. The walk will need to be planned in a location that you are not familiar with and haven't walked before.

Cost: \$180

\$130 Concession



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Bushwalking Leadership Program

The Bushwalking Leadership Program aims to develop outdoor leadership qualities and methodologies allowing you to be confident in basic over night adventuring to advanced and remote journeys. This course complies with the Australian Adventure Activity Standard (AAAS) guidelines.

This course is suitable for;

- Youth Groups
- Bushwalking Clubs
- The Educational sector
- Government agencies
- Commercial operators

The Certificate Training Program has three levels:

Level 1 – Bushwalking Leadership Assistant Certificate (BLAC)

Level 2 – Bushwalking Leadership Certificate (BLC)

Level 3 – Advanced Bushwalking Leadership Certificate (ABLC)

All trainees commence with the Assistant Bushwalking Leadership Training Program and must complete each level before entering the next level.

Each trainee has a volunteer Adviser, appointed by the Board to assist their progress through the course. Regular contact with this person is your responsibility and is an essential aspect of your training.

Level 1 - Bushwalking Leadership Assistant Course (BLAC)

Become an accredited Bushwalking Leader Assistant with this nationally recognised course which results in being qualified to assist a leader on multi-day walks up to 3 days.

Assessment: You will be required to complete pre- reading and task preparation prior to each workshop. You will be given access to online learning modules that you will need to complete and pass in order to complete Level 1. During each workshop and the 3 day walk, participants will partake in practical assessments to demonstrate their knowledge and capabilities.

Cost: \$840 + \$60 textbook
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April Intake

- Evening Information Session – Tuesday 24th March
- Workshop 1 – Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th April
- 3 Day Walk – 24th to 26th April
- Workshop 2 – Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th May

July Intake

- Evening Information Session – Tuesday 2nd June
- Workshop 1 – Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th July
- 3 Day Walk – 17th to 19th July
- Workshop 2 – Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd August

Level 2 – Bushwalking Leadership Certificate (BLC)

Once you have successfully completed level 1, you will then progress to become a qualified Bushwalking Leader. You will be trained to a standard appropriate to lead groups of less experienced adult or dependent groups (including students) on bushwalking trips. Successful completion of level 2 give participants with a qualification that complies with the Department of Education (DECD) guidelines to lead bushwalking trips with students that don't exceed more that 3 days duration. It DOES NOT endorse capability to lead extended trips in remote and rugged areas.

The Board considers that people awarded the Bushwalking Leadership Certificate are capable of leading dependent groups on bushwalks satisfying the following criteria:

- *Length of trip not to exceed 3 days*
- *Walks to be undertaken mainly on defined tracks or walking trails, and*
- *parties to be within a half-day walk of outside help or assistance in case of emergencies*

Pre-Requisites:

- *Successful completion of your Bushwalking Leadership Assistant Certificate (Level 1)*
- *Hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent.*

Prior to your assessment you will need to complete the following;

- *Walk Planning Project: Copies to be submitted to your allocated Advisor within three months of the Bushwalking Assistant Leadership Course.*
- *Bushwalking Experience:*
 - *Fourteen days bushwalking experience to include at least:*
 - *1 x 2 day walk as a participant.*
 - *1 x 3 day walk as a participant.*
 - *3 x 2 day walks as a leader.*
 - *1 x 3 day walk as a leader.*



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- All walks to be logged as a leader *MUST* be preceded by contact between the candidate and Advisor.
- It is a requirement that the log of walks listed above must include at least:
 - 1 trip in cold, wet conditions
 - 1 trip with an adult walking group
 - 1 trip with an adolescent group
 - 1 trip in the Grampians or an equivalent venue
 - 1 trip in the Flinders Ranges North of Wilmington.
- An Adviser Accompanied Walk (Recommended)

Assessments: You will need to successfully complete both the Technical Skills Assessment Weekend and the Group Management Assessment in order to gain your qualification.

Technical Skills Assessment Weekend

The Skills Assessment is run over 2 days in an area with challenging topography. The assessment is focussed on navigation skills, camp-craft, incident response and general bushwalking knowledge.

Cost: \$180
\$162 – Concession

May Intake

- Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st May

August Intake

- Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th August

Group Management and Leadership Assessment

A Group Assessment Walk is a minimum 2 days duration, where you will prepare and evaluate the group in terms of: fitness, experience and knowledge; documentation of pre-trip planning; the leading of an appropriate walk; and a self-evaluation of the walk.

*The Group Management assessment is the final phase of level 2. Trainees **MUST** complete all other requirements before they can apply for this assessment. Applications will need to be sent to the Assessment Coordinator along with all relevant documentation (application form, fully filled out Record Book, copy of current First Aid Certificate, full walk details and payment).*

Participants will need to liaise with their advisor to find a suitable time to complete this assessment. You will also be responsible for organising the group of people that you will be leading. The group will need to be a minimum of 5 people and the walk is to be in an area that you not familiar with.

Cost: \$340
\$300 – Concession



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Advanced Bushwalking Leadership Course (ABLC)

Become an accredited Walk Leader with this nationally recognised course. This course differs from the Bushwalking Leadership Certificate as it trains you as a leader with a high degree of skill and experience suitable for leading longer bushwalks, including prolonged expeditions in remote and difficult mountain areas.

- *On completion, the successful candidate is endorsed to lead walks:*
- *Of extended journeys of a more demanding nature*
- *In Remote & Mountainous Areas of South Eastern Australia*
- *That can be off track in difficult conditions*
- *Beyond a half day walk of emergency assistance*

You will also require specific units that will need to be completed to enable Alpine leading.

The Board considers that people awarded the Advanced Bushwalking Leadership Certificate are capable of organizing and leading extended walking trips in the remote and mountainous regions of southern Australia.

No experience is implied in such specialised skills as mountaineering, rock climbing, skiing, etc. The certificate DOES NOT imply competence and capability in these specialised areas.

Pre-requisites:

- *Successful completion of Level 1 & 2 of the Bushwalking Leadership Course*
- *Current First Aid Certificate or equivalent*
- *Maximum time for completion is 18 months unless an extension of time is granted by the Board.*

Interim Learning Requirements:

- *Fourteen days bushwalking experience to include at least:*
 - *Four full days walking in the central or northern Flinders Ranges (North of Hawker).*
 - *Four full days walking in the highland areas of the Eastern States or Tasmania.*
 - *A leadership role must be fulfilled in either one of the above walks.*
 - *Two 3 day walks both of which are to be led by the candidate.*
 - *At least 1 x 4 day walks both of which are to be led by the candidate.*
- *It is a requirement that the candidate has completed at least one walk in hot dry conditions within their total programme of experience.*
- *All walks to be logged as a leader MUST be preceded by contact between the candidate and Advisor. The leader must demonstrate development of the group's skill level and experience prior to the assessment walk. Documentation of pre-trip planning, the leading of an appropriate walk and a self-evaluation of the walk.*



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Training Course

The candidate participates in a peer-oriented advanced and difficult trip of at least five days duration in a remote arid mountainous area (or alpine), led by an Advanced Instructor. The trip could involve arid or alpine environments.

During this program you will participate in:

- *General Mountain Training*
- *Steep Terrain Group Management*
- *Advanced Group Assessment*

Cost: \$440

\$400 Concession

October Intake

- Friday 2nd October – Thursday 8th October

Assessment

You will be required to complete the following to receive your qualifications;

- *Written Assessment*
 - *Consisting of navigation, incident response and route planning.*
- *ABLC Group Management and Leadership Assessment*
 - *3 day journey in a remote and unfamiliar environment, supervised by an assessor.*

Cost: \$350

\$320 – Concession