

Thursday 18 May 2017

Guided Walk: 'Fairyland' Track Walk

In the heart of the Lane Cove National Park are the remains of a hidden gem of yesteryear known as "Fairyland" - a once bustling picnic ground area famous for its wharf, dance hall, kiosk, picnic shelters and playground. It was in the 1920s that "Fairyland" attracted hundreds of people from all over Sydney who would arrive by charter boat. The picnic grounds eventually closed in the 1970s but these days you can still get a glimpse of its past with plenty of historic signage and photographs along the Great North Walk. Discover the intriguing history of this peaceful bush area, just 20 minutes from the CBD, where mangroves grow along the river bank.

The "Fairyland" Track Walk is part of Council's Free **Active in Ryde** program. Spaces strictly limited. Bookings essential www.cityofryde.eventbrite.com.au

Date: Saturday 27 May 2017
Time: 10.30am – 12.30pm (arrive 10.15am. 2-hour round trip. Approx 3km)
Location: Fairyland Track within Lane Cove National Park
Meeting Point: Playground at the corner of River Ave and Fairyland Ave, Chatswood West.

Suitability: Easy grade walk suitable for adults, seniors and families with high school and primary school aged children who are competent walkers.
Basic level of fitness and mobility required. This walk is conducted on a combination of paths and bush tracks including some uneven ground, grass surfaces, steep slopes and steps.
Not suitable for stroller, prams or mobility devices.
No dogs.
No smoking.
All children must be accompanied and supervised by a parent/carer.

Equipment: Please bring your own water, water bottle, sunscreen and insect repellent.
Clothing: Must be suitable for physical activity. Hats must be worn.
Bring a jacket in the event of inclement weather.
Footwear: Shoes must be sturdy, enclosed, have a non-slip sole and suitable for physical activity.
Thongs, sandals and open toed shoes are not permitted.

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