



## **SUTHERLAND BUSHWALKING CLUB INCORPORATED**

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### **Borrowing a Personal Locator Beacon (PLB)**

***See club website Forms & Information page for PLB User Manuals***

#### **When Should I Carry a PLB?**

A PLB provides a radio communication system which can be activated when safety of life is endangered and you have no other means of communication.

We recommend that you carry a PLB if you are **LEADING A CLUB ACTIVITY** in locations where other means of communication may not be available – eg away from inhabited areas, in wilderness areas, areas with difficult terrain (ravines, canyons etc).

#### **Availability**

Our Club has two PLBs available for use by members on **CLUB ACTIVITIES**. They are available from the Equipment Officer and may be borrowed on completion of a form when it is collected.

**YOU MUST ENSURE YOU, AND OTHER MEMBERS IN YOUR GROUP, KNOW HOW TO USE THE PLB.**

**THE PLB IS ONLY TO BE ACTIVATED IN AN EMERGENCY WHEN OTHER FORMS OF COMMUNICATION ARE UNAVAILABLE.**

If the PLB is activated accidentally the most important thing is to switch off the beacon and notify the AMSA as soon as possible by calling **1800 641 792** to ensure a search and rescue operation is not commenced.