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Submission: I agree with the improvements suggested for changing transport types. This has always been really unfair. I question the increases for bus fares. Those of us living on the Northern beaches have no choice other than bus and no discounts are provided on peak for buses. We have already had an increase from \$3.70 to \$4.50 for a single trip. I don't receive the discount for 8 or more - as I don't do more than 8 journeys. I also lose out on the 60 minute transfer - as mine are mostly in Manly and in the evening there is often 30-40 minutes between buses. An extra allowance is made for ferries, but not where the buses are infrequent. Short journeys now seem inordinately expensive! I also find inconsistencies in the fares charged- I assumed this was because the driver needed to indicate position- but looking at the Opal website, I'm told it is auto? I think we need to encourage more public transport to get cars off road- so far Opal has not for me or others in our area.