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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
16	JTS – The Transcontinental Hotel	Graham	3371 9623	Soc	
17	Tallebudgera Walkabout (Q)	John	5514 0285	DW	S22
19	General Meeting – AGM	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
Mar 2	James Boag @ the Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
3	Tallebudgera to Main Beach	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M11
5	Committee Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
7	Coffee Night – Tomato Brothers Wilston	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
10	60th Anniversary	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
14	Yerongpilly to Indooroopilly	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	S11
15	Varsity Lakes to Broadbeach	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	M11
16	JTS – Gresham Hotel	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
17/18	Club Hut Feast (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	ON	S43
17/18	Planning & Bushwalking Summit	BWQ		Party	
18	Club Hut Walk (Q)	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S43
19	General Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
24	North Coast Mountains (Q)	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S45
27	Movie Night	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
30/2	Easter – Boonoo Boonoo (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	BC	Var
Apr 2	Lower Portals from Drynan’s Hut (Q)	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M34
4/15	Commonwealth Games				
4	Coffee Night – Café 107 Paddington	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
7	Mermaid Mountain (Q)	Jan	3374 3534	DW	L44
9	Committee Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
10	Banff Film Festival	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
16	General Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
19	Mt Cordeaux (Q)	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	S24
20	JTS –The German Club	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
21	Newstead to West End & Return	Phil	5522 9702	Bike	
22	Orienteering Training Day	Phil	5522 9702	Trg	
22/29	Canberra (Q)	Liz	3356 4874	BC	Var
28/29	Club Hut Working Bee (Q)	Iain	3870 8082	BC	S43
May 2	Coffee Night – Neighbourhood Pizza	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
3	Glennie’s Pulpit (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	DW	M34
4/7	2018 Combined Camp (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	BC	Var
5/7	Moreton Island (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	TW	
5	Kangaroo Mountain (Q)			DW	S45
7	Committee Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
12	Needed			Soc	
18	JTS – Brewski	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
19/20	Sunshine Coast Great Walk (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	TW	M24
20	Mapleton Falls to Flaxton (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	DW	M24
21	General Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
24	Flinders Peak (Q)	Russ	3374 3534	DW ^t	S56
26	Our Lady of the Way Mass			Sp	
27	Ballina to Lennox Head	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S11
Jun 2/3	Conondales (Q)	Kylie	0432 095659	BC	Var
2	Mt Coot-tha Double Traverse #2 (Q)	Liz	3356 4874	DW	L24
4	Committee Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
6	Coffee Night – Café 63 Hamilton	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
9	Toms Tum/Barney Beautiful (Q)	Iain	3870 8082	DW	M67
10	Kate Quinlan Society	Greg	33651 4092	Soc	
15	JTS – Lock’n Load	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
15/17	Running Creek Falls (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	BC	L45
16	Running Creek Falls (Q)	Michael	0409 620 714	DW	L45

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

WARNING: All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk.

KEY – Walk Types

DW	Day Walk	BC	Base Camp
ON	Over Nighter	S&T	Safety & Training
TW	Through Walk	SOC/SW	Social/Social Walk
TRN	Training	SP	Spiritual Event
FMR	Federation Mountain Rescue	Q	Qualifying Walk

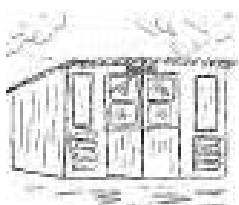
KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km / day	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	1 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Flat
	2 - Graded path/track with minor obstacles	2 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Minor Hills
Medium 10-15km / day	3 - Graded track with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	3 - Intermediate - Suitable for fit beginners. Up to 5 hours walking and/or minor hills
	4 - Rough unformed track or open terrain with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	4 - Intermediate - Suitable for fit beginners. Up to 5 hours walking and/or up to 300m gain/loss
Long 15-20 km per day	5 - Rough or rocky terrain with small climbs using hands or rock hopping	5 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking and/or up to 450m gain/loss. Agility required
	6 - Steep, rough or rocky terrain with large climbs using hands or rock hopping	6 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking and/or up to 600m gain/loss. Agility required
Extra Long Over 20 km per day	7 - Climb/descend steep rock using hands or footholds. May be some exposure. Good upper body strength	7 - High - Up to 8 hours walking and/or up to 750m gain/loss. High fitness. Endurance and agility required
	8 - Climb/descend near vertical rock with exposure. Climbing skills may be required	8 - High - Up to 8 hours walking and/or up to 1000m gain/loss. High fitness. Endurance and agility required
	9 - Sustained climbing or descending of vertical or near vertical rock with exposure. Advanced climbing skills required. Good upper body strength	9 - Challenging - Up to 12 hours walking and/or over 1000m gain/loss. Very high fitness. Endurance and agility required

Example: M48 is a medium walk 10 to 15kms long, over unformed rough ground with obstacles, in which the trip is hard or strenuous for fit walkers requiring agility and endurance.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

May God, who knows our deepest thirst,
 Reveal each day “the more”
 That there is to life.
 May God, who comes to us as the thirsty stranger,
 Challenge our priorities
 Showing us the truth about ourselves
 And the gift of life.
 (Source: All Hallows’ Staff Prayer 2008)



COMING EVENTS

TRIPS leave from St Brigid’s car park at 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.

The “**Leaders Guide**” is on the web at:
<http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>

Leaders: Print your own Event Nomination Form from the Club’s web site.

A reminder to visitors that you are required to do 2 walks before Committee officially declares you a Member of the Club.

LEADERS

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, where, or cancel it – please tell Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620 714.

**THURSDAY 15th MARCH
VARSITY LAKES TO BROADBEACH
DAY WALK
(Train & Tram Walk)**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650 160.
Meet at: Roma Street at 7.25 to catch the 7.32am train – front carriage. The train arrives at Varsity Lakes at 8.52am.
Cost: \$2 plus train & tram fares.
Distance: 14 km.
Grade: M23.
Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

This is a brand new walk for the Club. Lots of variety, lakeside pathways, the Bond University campus, parklands and a beach walk. Plus a train trip and a tram ride.

We start walking from Varsity Lakes station and zig zag across to Scottsdale Road to a lovely pedestrian walkway beside the lakes at Varsity lakes. The proposed route is – Varsity Lakes Station – Scottsdale drive (heading south east into Castello Court – then the lakeside walk on the western side of “varsity lake”, (parallel to Bayside Avenue) (I should note I have taken poetic license to call it ‘varsity lakes’ as it is merely labelled Reedy Creek in the UBD map 59), then cross the road bridge at Christine Avenue. Then along the lakeside walkway on the eastern side of Lake Orr (parallel to Bay Drive), across the footbridge, then along the lakeside walkway beside Lake Orr to Assembly Drive, then along Varsity Parade to the Ring Road, thru the Bond Uni Campus along Ring Rd, across the bridge over Lake Orr. Then take the underpass to the other side of Bermuda Street. Then zig zag thru some quiet streets, to Whitehead Ave, along Bardon Ave into Pizzey Park, through Pizzey Park (past the Burleigh Heads Rugby League field). We cross Pacific Avenue into Sonia Street, turn right into Karbunya Street, cross the Gold Coast Highway, then along Lavarack Rd to Nobby Beach Surf Club. Then it is 3 km beach walk up to Broadbeach. If you are keen you can have a quick swim along here.

The plan is to have afternoon tea or coffee at the new Kurrawa Surf Club then back down along Margaret Avenue to Broadbeach North and then catch a tram back to Helensvale then a train back to Brisbane.

Of note there is a minimum of walking through suburban streets. The walk is mainly on pathways, parklands and beach. It is a nice way to see a little visited part of south east Queensland.

The distance is approximately 14 km. Bring the usual day walk stuff, plus I suggest you bring at least 2 litres of water as it could be a bit warm. We will probably have lunch in Pizzey Park.

I would like to start walking before 9.00 am and hopefully finish walking by 3.45 pm. The plan is to catch the 4.04 tram and then catch the 4.54 train from Helensvale Station that gets back to Roma Street at 5.57 pm.

Tram Timetable every 7.5 minutes
Broadbeach South 3:41 3:49 3:56 **4:04** 4:11
Helensvale 4.26 4.34 4:41 **4:49** 4:56

Train Timetable – every 30 minutes
Helensvale Station 4:24 **4:54** 5:24 5:54
Roma Street 5.27 **5.57** 6:27 6:57

**FRIDAY 16th MARCH
THE GRESHAM HOTEL
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Michael Simpson 0419 620 714.
Address: 308 Queen Street.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal.
Web: <http://www.thegresham.com.au/>

The Club meets regularly to enjoy a chat, enjoy a few craft beers and a meal. We meet somewhere in the inner City close to public transport. For the month of March we are meeting at The Gresham Hotel.

This is a new venue for us

They have a constantly evolving range of local, international & seasonal beers available on tap as well as a large selection of wines.

**17th TO 18th MARCH
SATURDAY TO SUNDAY
CLUB HUT FEAST
WALK-IN SOCIAL**

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620 714.
Meet at: St Brigid’s Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 12 Noon. Non-stop to the Lower Portals carpark.
Cost: Approx \$40.
Location: On beautiful Mt Barney Ck, below the Lower Portals.

Web: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Banquet>

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

RSVP: Wednesday 7th March.

What is a "Feast": A gathering of friends for the purpose of having a formal meal of several courses in nice surroundings spread out over a night.

What is "The Club Hut": it is a hut (Yalburu) built by members about 50 years ago on the banks of the lovely Barney Creek.

Members, Visitors, Friends & Family are invited to Dinner at Yalburu

Each year in March at the time of the anniversary of our Hut's opening in 1967, the Club holds a birthday party for it – we call it "The Feast."

The Feast consists of five courses of food spread over five hours of Saturday evening. The food is a combined effort of all those attending. As the organiser, I work out the menu and then ask the attendees to buy/prepare the food and drink for the various courses. With the work spread out amongst a dozen people, there is not much to do for each person. Some will buy the nibblies, some prepare the entree, some cook and present the main courses, others prepare the deserts and finally there are the cookies and coffee.

We start nibblies about 5pm as the main cooks prepare the courses to follow. Various wines and other beverages are on offer. Dress is semi-formal top and bushwalking bottom.

The Hut can sleep approximately eight comfortably, and some do bring tents and sleep outside. The Hut is a substantial building with good solid walls, ample ventilation, concrete floor, table & stools, it is water tight; considering it is out in the bush, it is a wonderful place.

The cost of transport and food is calculated from all your receipts and divided by the number of people attending – so the cost is not set in advance; but is not normally over \$40.

What to bring: spare clothes, Sunday breakfast, sleeping bag/light blanket, water, toiletries, small towel, togs, small pillow or something to suite the purpose, something to put under you when sleeping (but not too bulky/heavy, platex2, bowlx2, mugx2, cutleryx3, tea towel, smart casual top, comfy shoes, camera, torch, a share of the feast food, receipts, and cash.

Be prepared to carry in your own personal gear, and a share of the "feasting food & drinks." If you want to sleep outside, include a tent.

There will be a reduced price for non and low drinkers of alcohol. The cost will be calculated at Yalburu, so bring your receipts and cash.

Sleep in the BCBC hut - borrow a sleeping bag or a light blanket. Borrow a weekend pack. The Club has a few to hire out.

The drive from Red Hill to the Portals carpark is 90 minutes. Have lunch before you leave home as we will be driving straight to Barney. The walk carrying your pack is approximately two hours – up minor hill & down small dale. There are approximately four small ridges and one low creek to cross on your way into The Hut. Two hours is a very short day walk.

Ring or e-mail me as soon as possible so I can start the preparations.

SUNDAY 18th MARCH CLUB HUT WALK DAY WALK

Leader: Michele Johns 3353 2822 or 0414 635 542.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 7.00am.

Cost: \$25 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Grading: S43.

Location: Mt Barney National Park.

Emerg Off: Graham Glasse 3371 9623.

Web: <https://www.npsr.qld.gov.au/parks/mount-barney>

Once again, it is time to celebrate a milestone in the club's history and hike into the club hut to celebrate its birthday. The club hut was built in the sixties by enthusiastic club members with most materials carried in by hand.

The hut is a four kilometre walk from the Lower Portals carpark. There are a couple of easy creek crossings and slight uphill sections but the walk is definitely within the capabilities of most people.

Once we get to the hut, we will down backpacks and have a shared morning tea with tea or coffee. Afterwards, we will make our way down to the Lower Portals for a swim. This is a short walk, crossing the creek below the hut. Then we will retrace our steps back to the hut where

we usually relax over a cuppa and lunch before making our way back to the cars.

This is a chance to catch up with friends, relive those early trips spent at the hut and be part of history as we celebrate the club hut's birthday.

Bring the usual day walk gear as well as morning tea to share and a mug or cup. If you plan to swim, don't forget your swimmers.

Give me a call to nominate.

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY
17th & 18th MARCH
PLANNING WEEKEND &
BUSHWALKING SUMMIT
BUSHWALKING QUEENSLAND**

Leader: Bushwalking Queensland
Contact: secretary@bushwalkingqueensland.org.au

Meet at: Ashgrove Library,
87 Amarina Ave.

<https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/facilities-recreation/libraries/opening-hours-locations/ashgrove-library>

Time: 11am to 4pm Saturday &
10am to 4pm Sunday.

Location: Northern Suburbs.

Web: <http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/index.php>

Emerg Off: Greg 0418 122 995.

Bring this number with you

RSVP: secretary@bushwalkingqueensland.org.au is necessary for catering purposes, by Wed 14th

Bushwalking Queensland usually has a gathering at the start of the bushwalking season (when it is not too hot) for members of all clubs to get together and meet each other so we can talk about mutual problems and fixes to them. We cannot be an island; what we do someone in another club has already faced, done and found a solution. We all need to hear about others successes (or failures) and learn from them.

We need to move into the 21st century electronically – there are workshops on all things electronic and other scary things.

LOGISTICS: BWQ Will Be Supplying Tea And Coffee, Along With Morning And Afternoon Teas. The Cake To Be Cut On Sunday. Can People Please Bring Their Own Lunches Or A Plate To Share.

Here is our opportunity to find out what other clubs are doing and come up with solutions to our problems.

**MONDAY 19th MARCH
MONTHLY MEETING**

Contact: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after.

Where: St Michael's Parish Hall,
250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church. Drive down the ramp at the left.)

Web: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

Come along to hear about what has been really happening at recent club events, as well as our coming events and past walks.

Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as to whether to come on the walk.

Nominate for a walk.

Nominate to lead an outing.

**SATURDAY 24th MARCH
NORTH COAST MOUNTAINS
Mt Cooroora & Mt Coolum
DAY WALK**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or
0416 650 160.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 7.00am.

Cost : \$25 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Distance: 14 km.

Grade: M44.

Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

This is the first walk after the equinox and as the weather is getting cooler it is time to start climbing mountains so we are heading to the Sunshine Coast to climb two very distinctive mountains.

These two mountains are very prominent peaks and every time I go past them I want to climb them. They are a bit steep in places but so worth the effort. I hasten to add they are not a place for everyone

Mount Cooroora is located just west of the town of Pomona in the Sunshine Coast Region, Queensland, Australia. The peak is a 439 metres high intrusive volcanic plug. The track to the top is apparently 1.5 km long and a climb of over 400 metres. The climb is short and very

steep and you need to be fit to climb it. There are great views from the top. It is also home to a very rare species of she oak, *Allocasuarina rigida subsp. exsul*, is found only on Mount Cooroora. We may also see glossy black and yellow-tailed black cockatoos feeding on she-oak seeds.

Mount Coolum is an isolated volcanic dome, 208 metres in height, roughly circular in outline. Geologically, it is principally composed rhyolite. The mountain has been dated as between 25 and 26 million years. Mount Coolum also has a very diverse plant life within confined. The mountain has over 700 plant types. By way of comparison, there are only 1400 species in all of Great Britain. The track to the top is only 1.6 km. It starts at a carpark on Tanah Street West off David Low Way in the suburb of Mount Coolum. The lower part of the track is well-formed and gentle but it quickly deteriorates to become very steep, very rough and dangerously slippery when wet. The walk up and back can be completed in 30–40 minutes, but I want to spend some time looking at the wildflowers.

TUESDAY 27th MARCH NEWMARKET CINEMAS MOVIE NIGHT

Leader: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Meet at: Schnitz Bistro, Downstairs,
Newmarket Village Shopping
Centre,
Cnr Enoggera and Newmarket
Roads.

<http://www.newmarket-village.com.au/>

Transport: <https://translink.com.au/>

Time: 5.30pm for dinner @ Schnitz
<https://schnitz.com.au/>
6.30pm for the movie

<https://readingcinemas.com.au/locations/theatre/newmarket>

Location: Inner Northern suburb

Emerg Off: Greg 0418 122 995

Bring this number with you

We are experimenting with a change of theatres. We will try out the new cinemas at Newmarket. They have a one price (no concession or discount) of \$10. There is ample parking below in the basement. The food court is ground level and the theatres are above the food court.

Meet us at Schnitz about 5.30pm where we will choose a movie to see. The starting times range from approx. 6pm to 7.30pm. As you are aware, theatres never advertise their programmes in advance, so I cannot tell you what will be on in 2 weeks' time. Look up the web, see what's on and come along to help us decide. People may want to see different movies – wait around afterwards for coffee to de-brief what we all saw.

FRIDAY TO TUESDAY 30th MARCH TO 3rd APRIL TENTERFIELD BASE CAMP

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620 714.

Grade: Various.

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

If you are not doing anything special over Easter then join me at Tenterfield. We will be walking mainly in the National Parks of Bald Rock, Boonoo Boonoo and Basket Swamp. We will also be taking in the sites of Tenterfield and surrounds such as Mt McKenzie.

There are several options for accommodation in Tenterfield. Some of us have booked a cottage whilst others have booked tent sites.

EASTER MONDAY 2nd APRIL LOWER PORTALS STARTING AT DRYNANS'S HUT DAY WALK

Leader: Pat Lawton 3366 1956.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 7.00am.

Cost: \$25 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Distance: Approx. 10 kms.

Grade: M34.

Emerg Off: TBA.

If you are not going away over the Easter break but want to do a walk come with me on a trip to the Lower Portals. We won't be going via the usual lower Portals track. Instead we will start the walk at Drynan's Hut and walk over barrier ridge. Before we start walking we will pay a visit to the beautiful Drynan's waterhole on Barney Creek. This was a popular swimming hole before the Lower Portals Track was constructed but as it is on private property is now closed to the public.

The walk over barrier ridge is on an old road – steep in parts. Once down to the flats we will be on private property almost all the way to the Power Portals.

The Lower Portals is one of the most popular spots at Mt. Barney, and no doubt, there will be other people enjoying a swim.

We will return via the same route, with a short detour to visit the Club Hut.

This is a different route to the Portals and as I have the property owner's permission to access the land, come along and see a bit of new country not available to the public.

Hoping to see you on Easter Monday. As is usual on Easter Monday this will be a combined walk with Bushwalkers of Southern Qld.

WEDNESDAY 4th APRIL DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620 714.

Meet at: Café 107, 107 Latrobe Terrace, Paddington.

Time: 6.00 pm for dinner or 7.30pm for coffee.

Cost: Your choice – visit their website for their menu.

Web:<https://www.facebook.com/Cafe107LatrobeTerrace/>

This is our first visit to Café 107 so come along and make it a good one. Check out their website.

Join me for either a meal and a chat of just a coffee and a chat.

SATURDAY 7th APRIL MERMAID MOUNTAIN DAY WALK

Leader: Jan Nelson 3374 3534 or 0401 030 137.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, 78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 7.00am.

Cost: \$10 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Grading: L44.

Emerg Off: Graham Glasse 3371 9623.

The walk begins at Anstead near Little Ugly Creek. The track (fire road) is very easy going at first but starts to narrow in preparation the steep incline up the mountain. After an hour's

steep climbing up the rocky unstable track, the track levels off and the walking is easier along the ridge line. This part of the country is open bushland which leads to our destination, the fantastic view overlooking Lake Manchester, Horse Mountain, Mount England and Mount Nebo and Mount Glorious. The walk finishes by following a track to Upper Brookfield Valley. Therefore there will be a car shuffle.

It is quite some time since the Club has been here and this is an opportunity to see our backyard and still be in the City of Brisbane. A post-walk afternoon tea will be at the Nelsons so bring something to share (tea and coffee will be provided).

TUESDAY 10th APRIL THE BANFF FILM FESTIVAL SOCIAL

Contact: Michael Simpson 0409 620 714.

Venue: The Powerhouse Theatre, 119 Lamington Street, New Farm.

Meet at: Watt Bar.

Time: 6.30pm.

Movie: 7.00pm - finish about 9.45pm.

Cost: \$37.

Web:<https://brisbanepowerhouse.org/events/2018/04/09/banff-mountain-film-festival-world-tour-2018/>

The Banff Mountain Film Festival is an international film competition about mountain climbing, hiking, skiing, canoeing, extreme mountain bike riding and amazing extreme treks held in November each year in Banff Canada and the best films then go on a world tour.

The Club has attended for the last 5 years and I can highly recommend the films. Four people from the Club are already going this year.

To join us you need to make a booking. To do this, simply go onto the Powerhouse website and make a booking.

MONDAY 16th APRIL MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Greg Endicott 3351 4092

Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after.

Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church. Drive down the ramp at the left.)

Web: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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**THURSDAY 19th APRIL
Mt CORDEAUX
DAY WALK**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650 160.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, 78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill or Aratula.

Time: 6:30am Red Hill or 8.00am Aratula.

Cost: \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Distance: 12.4 km. **

Grade M33.

Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

Mt Cordeaux is that lovely mountain on your right as you pass through Cunningham's Gap.

The walk starts at Cunningham's Gap and is part of the main range. This walk provides an opportunity for walkers to enjoy a walk which is mainly under the rainforest canopy. It is a graded track walk with medium and steady inclines.

It is a relatively straight forward walk following the new track which was needed after the "Landside" caused by the floods of 2011. The views from the Cordeaux Lookout are great as you look back over Mt Mitchell and points further east.

Continuing around the southern side of the mountain you pass briefly through rain forest, and then a grassy patch below the summit. We then have a quick detour out to Morgan's Lookout, (I have heard that trees at the Lookout have grown and have partly obscured the view) then we head onto Bare Rock. Here there are incredible views of the Fassifern Valley and the Main Range but I can't remember if you can see Mt Castle from here. Anyhow we can play spot the peak before returning along the same route.

This is a very popular walk for the Club. Listed below is a table setting out a quick history of the

Club's walk to Bare Rock. The trip goes by 2 names either Bare Rock or Mt Cordeaux. Obviously from the table the Club does this walk about every 2 years. Of note is that there is a huge variety of leaders for this walk. I have only done this walk twice. The first time back in 1988 when I did the pre-outing with Joe Finn and the second time on the 28th October 2000 when Justin Tobin led a day walk along the Ramparts from Sylvester's Lookout to Cunningham's Gap. It was a hard daywalk as there was no track for most of the way. Then the car shuffle afterwards seemed to take forever. A daywalk to Bare Rock will be cushy in comparison.

I should point out we don't actually climb the summit of Cordeaux as it requires rock climbing to get up there. Bring the usual day walk gear for this very interesting walk. I hope you can join me.

Travel Details for drivers

Description	Distance	Time
Red Hill to Aratula	90 km	60 mins
Time buffer for traffic delays		30 mins
Arrive Aratula		8.00 am
Break at Aratula		20 mins
Aratula to Gap	20 km	20 mins
Arrive the Gap		8.40 ish
Total Travel	110 km	1 hr 50 min

Hopefully the list below will rekindle your memory and bring back happy memories from previous trips you may have done. How many have you done?

Name of Walk	Leader	Date	
Cordeaux	Merv Galvin	3 Apr 1959	40
Mt Cordeaux	Imelda Endicott	16 May.1965	33
Mt Cordeaux	Ann Bullimore	8 Feb 1976	?
Bare Rock	Dave Mort	4 Apr 1979	7
Bare Rock	Joe Finn	7 May 1988	?
Bare Rock	Pat Lawton	25 May 1990	16
Bare Rock	Russell Code	10 Oct 1993	6
Bare Rock	Jim O'Meara	24 Sept 1995	?
Bare Rock	Maxine Brophy	1 June 1997	21
Mt Cordeaux	Anna Egert	8-Jun 1997	9
Mt Cordeaux	John Carter	15 Sept 2001	3
Mt Cordeaux	Geoff Egert	3 Aug 2002	12
Mt Cordeaux #	Terry Silk	9 Jan 2004	12
Bare Rock	Michele Johns	18-Jan 2009	15
Bare Rock	Terry Silk	8 May 2010	7
Bare Rock	Trevor Kelly	31 Jan 2015	12
Mt Cordeaux	Jonas Bernatos	3 Oct 2015	11
# Night Walk			

** the distance for the walk is as per the distance listed at page 254 of John and Lyn Daly's book Take a Walk in South East Queensland



**FRIDAY 20th APRIL
THE GERMAN CLUB
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Michael Simpson 0419 620 714.
Address: 416 Vulture Street,
East Brisbane.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal.
Web: <http://brisbanegermanclub.com/>

The Club meets regularly to enjoy a chat, enjoy a few craft beers and a meal. We meet somewhere in the inner City close to public transport. For the month of April we are meeting at The German Club.

We have visited here before during the Octoberfest but I have always found it to be too crowded. So this year we will go earlier. They have great German beers to taste like the few below that are on tap. See their website for more. Also the food is great.

Some of the beers on tap:

- Veltins
- Arcobräu Zwickl
- Arcobräu Schlöss Dunkel
- Löwenbräu
- Erdinger Weissbier

There is even a cider on tap. See you there.

**SATURDAY 21st APRIL
NEWSTEAD TO WEST END &
RETURN
BIKE RIDE**

Leader: Phil Murray 0416 650 160.
Meet at: Newstead House.
UBD ref: Map 140 ref G19.
Time: 7.45 am.
Distance: approx. 30 km.
Grade: easy.
Limit: maximum of 8 riders.

This will be the first bike ride for the year. This is a fairly easy ride along the pathways and bikeways beside the river.

The plan is to ride from Newstead House to Orleigh Park at West End. We start at Newstead House below the Eagle sculpture.

We then ride along the riverside boardwalk, then through New Farm, along the new pedestrian walkway (that replaced the floating walkway) then past the Gardens. We will cross the Goodwill Bridge, go through Southbank and

on to Orleigh Park. We will then catch the ferry to the Regatta Hotel wharf and ride back along the north side of the river. We then cross the Goodwill Bridge gain and head to Kangaroo Point and cross via the Story Bridge and head back to Newstead. Morning tea will be held on the second crossing of the Goodwill Bridge. So yes, the route this year will be a bit different to last year.

I hope to finish before 1 pm. A quick history note the Club has done this ride once each year for the last 3 years. We have done it before but it is so worth doing again. Come and join us. The day could be popular so nominate early as I need to limit the number as too many on the trip it becomes unwieldy.

**SUNDAY 22nd APRIL
TOOHEY FOREST – (NATHAN)
Safety & Training Event
Navigation Training
Orienteering with
Queensland Orienteering Association.**

Co-ord: Phil Murray 0416 650 160.
Meet at: West Ring Road, Nathan
(part of the Griffith University –
Nathan Campus).
UBD ref: Map 200 ref G7.
Time: 8.45 am.
Distance: approx. 5km.
Costs: about \$7.
Grade: easy.

This activity is a means to improve your map reading, compass and navigation skills. Orienteering is one of the best ways to do it.

This event is in the middle of Brisbane and should be easily accessible for most people. The event starts at 9.00 am and is usually very popular.

The organiser for the day is Rob Simpson -
Contact phone 3345 4527
Contact email robinsimson5@bigpond.com
Organisers Toohey Forest Orienteers Qld
Officials Contact person Robin Simson
Comments 5 hard courses 8km, 6.5km, 5km,
3.5km and 2km - Moderate - Easy - Very Easy.
Starts off Nathan ring Road, Griffith Uni.
The QOA costs are usually - Members \$5, Non-
members \$7, Family members \$12.

**22nd TO 29th APRIL, 2018
A WALKING TOUR OF THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL
CANBERRA CITY WALK**

Leader: Liz Little lizlittle@bigpond.com
or 3356 4874.

This tour combines city walking and sightseeing in Australia's National Capital. Each day we will set out from our centrally located accommodation (YHA Canberra City) and walk to a key location in Canberra. We will walk 10 - 15 kilometres most days, usually on flat ground, but two small mountains are included. We expect to attend a ceremony at The Australian War Memorial on ANZAC Day. Other highlights include the RG Menzies Walk, National Museum of Australia (free), Parliament House tour (free), Parliamentary Gardens, Museum of Democracy (\$2/ \$1 concession), Mt Ainslie, Black Mountain, Telstra Tower (\$7.50 / \$3 concession), Australian National Botanic Gardens (free), Scrivener Dam and the National Film and Sound Archive (free).

Breakfast can be ordered at the accommodation or prepared in the guest kitchen. It will be important to carry morning tea and lunch each day. There will be an opportunity to shop for food on the day of arrival. Dinners will be eaten at local restaurants.

Bookings are open now and can be secured with \$100 deposit per person, given to Terry or Liz. Bookings cannot be accepted after the end of February, 2018 and are always subject to the availability of accommodation. Accommodation will probably be between \$45 and \$75 per person, depending on the type of room or dorm preferred. **I urge you to book as soon as you can while accommodation is still available.**

For a detailed itinerary, please email lizlittle@bigpond.com.



**SATURDAY to SUNDAY
28th TO 29th APRIL
CLUB HUT WORKING BEE
WALK-IN BASE CAMP
(& DAY WALK)**

Leader: Iain Renton, 3870 8082 or
0401 429 085
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.
Time: 6.30am Saturday.
Cost: \$20 (car pool) \$2 (private).
Grade: S43.
Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan 3876 8125.

The hut's 50th anniversary was last year. It was a great occasion and the hut was looking spic and span. But in hidden corners the years have taken their toll, there is some significant carpentry to be done. A rotted fascia on the northern side needs replacing (which will mean removing and then refastening the guttering). We will also be replacing a thin metal downpipe with a much larger diameter plastic one, which should do a better job of draining the lower gutter between the hut and the chimney. There is more painting to be done, including on the roof.

So this is a major working bee where we can make an impact on jobs needing doing. A good roll up to achieve this would be great, so think about coming for the weekend or a day. All are welcome, as a wide range of skills and abilities are useful. If you are worried about what you can do there are several skilled people to direct you or simpler tasks to do. Mike Simpson will be driving his 4WD in to the hut on Saturday morning taking in timber, materials and tools. There is also the standard maintenance: cleaning the hut, weeding the paddock and cutting the grass. Apart from the usual stuff for day walks or base camps, secateurs and gardening gloves could be useful. When you talk to me I'll let you know if you need to bring any other tools in.

Terry Silk will be leading the day walk on Saturday, if you would like to come in on the Sunday, let me know. Hut working bees are usually relaxed and convivial occasions with some getting stuck into the hard yakka and others working for a bit and then relaxing and enjoying the surroundings. There is always the chance for a visit to the Lower Portals for a dip in the creek. The hut is always a wonderful

place to be, even if you're working, so join me for a great weekend.

**ADVANCED NOTICE
SUNDAY TO SUNDAY
17th TO 24th JUNE**

**“2CC” TWO CATHEDRALS CAMINO
MOVING BASE CAMP**

- Leader:** Russ Nelson 3374 3534 or 0427 743 534.
- Meet at:** St Stephen's Cathedral, Elizabeth Street, Brisbane.
- Time:** 7.00am, Sunday 17th June.
- Cost:** Accommodation, meals and bus fare (\$26 non-refundable).
- Grade:** L24 – 7 days of walking.
- Noms:** Sunday 27 May 2018.
- Emerg Off:** Graham Glasse 3371 9623.

This is the “proof of concept” walk to verify that all the components of the Camino come together and actually work. As such it is a “stage 2” pre-outing.

The Two Cathedrals Camino is a pilgrimage from the Cathedral of St Stephen in Brisbane to the Cathedral of St Patrick in Toowoomba. This Camino will be in a similar class to the Aussie Camino (Vic / SA) and Camino Salvado (WA). It takes its inspiration from the Camino of St James which begins in southern France and ends almost 800kms later in western Spain.

The broad route and timetable of the 2CC is –

Day	#	Start	Destination
Sunday	1	Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane	Darra
Monday	2	Darra	Ipswich
Tuesday	3	Ipswich	Rosewood
Wednesday	4	Rosewood	Laidley
Thursday	5	Laidley	Gatton
Friday	6	Gatton	Helidon
Saturday	7	Helidon	Cathedral of St Patrick, Toowoomba
Sunday	+1	Toowoomba	Return home by bus

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Now that the very successful 60th Anniversary is behind us, with its memories of what we did in our youth, let us now look forward.

Michael has again mentioned that “leaders”, or should I say “a lack of leaders”, is a concern. He commented only recently that there are only 2 members leading 30 of the walks this year – that is half the walks. This is not because of greed, not because either put on the calendar walks they particularly wanted to lead; but

because they had to, otherwise those walks would not go out.

Look through the Annual Report and see who our 2017 leaders were. Only 2 of the 18 leaders had less than 2 years' experience. The other 16 each had over 15 years with us. Nine each had over 30 years in the Club. Our newer folk are letting present leaders down by watching leadership in motion on trips but not taking the step themselves. I can count 9 newer members ready to lead, and an equal number of mid-term members who are certainly beyond the time to lead their first walk. The Oldies want to relax and enjoy the walking experience as a “follower”.

Leading a walk is not hard. It is not like wrangling cats. You are not herding the walkers. You are not making those difficult navigation decisions on the actual walk. Leaders are not always up front showing the way, not always down the back pushing the slowies on, not cajoling the tired and worn out; but they are looking at the whole trip to ensure every walker is getting the best out of it and walking beside everyone at some point.

We will not be handing out the impossible walk to a first timer – normally there would be minimum navigational knowledge required. For new leaders, the hardest part is before you leave home – the writing of the pre-walk article for Jilalan, asking someone to be the Emergency Officer, standing up at the meeting and spruiking that your walk is the best of the year, taking the phone calls of nominations, taking the phone calls of those pulling out, answering queries about the walk, arranging the transport. Not all these are difficult once you have lead a walk or two. It gets easier with time – I know because an independent observer would not recognise me as a leader of a walk I am leading.

We do try to help new leaders. You will get the easier trips where navigation is not a worry, one which is not too steep, one not way out off track; but one where you can learn as you go through the entire process. You will get help with your pre-outing where you walk the trip a month before (you will be shown alternatives, navigational features, escape routes, etc), help with the Emergency Officer, help, if you ask, in writing the Jilalan article and the features to talk about at the meeting, perhaps a helping hand of the actual trip (without your leadership being

“stolen” from you), and any other help you ask for.

We do have “Leader’s Notes” on the web under “The Forms We Use / Our Booklets, Brochures, Guides & Publications / Leader’s Guide: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>

Safety & Training Officer Phil is planning a Leader’s Day where you will run through the procedures for successfully leading your first few trips. It will be a broad course showing you the easy ways that the experienced leaders have learnt and passed on. It is a day that our newer members, and those who have never led, will find helpful. We do not want to tap on the shoulder of those we think are ready – but may have to do so in the near future.

Learn how to do it now so you can step up in 2019. It is not that far away.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Balance 18/12/17	\$3516.70
Plus Receipts	\$4224.40
	\$7741.10
Less Payments	\$3235.48
Balance 19/2/18	\$4505.62
Term Deposit	\$2855.35

If you have not renewed your membership, this is the last magazine that you will receive. I am currently collecting tax deductible donations for The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped which is the second of two charities that we support each year. Thank you in advance for your support of this worthwhile charity. Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Barbara Eastoe, Fiona Fitzsimmons, Tim Hanley, Donna Harris, Jan Nelson, Kerriane Pearce, Julie Philippi, Gerard Sammon, Robin Thorn, Susan Walsh, Susan Ware and Michael Wood are celebrating their birthdays in March. Jarrod Sefton was an interested visitor at our February meeting. Sue Ferguson was a first time visitor on Phil’s Echo Falls walk. Visitors are always most welcome on any of our activities. Matthew Palmer along with his son, Ethan, and past member, Phil Kearns have just returned from rafting on the Franklin River in Tasmania. Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin and Josh Cooke have just returned from walking in flooded New Zealand. Rose O’Brien has also just returned from walking the Routeburn track in New Zealand..

OUTINGS REPORT

I know I’m harping on but we still need leaders. There are still two (2) walks left to fill before the middle of the year. But there are fourteen (14) walks needing leaders in the second half of the year.

I have given advance notice for my Easter base camp in this month’s Jilalan. We will be staying in Tenterfield so read the article and nominate early as I’m sure accommodation will fill quickly.

Karen and I have just completed two through walks in the last month. Both were great walks for different reasons. The four day walk in the Jagungal Wilderness was both off and on track. Whilst the three day walk in the Walls of Jerusalem was virtually all on track. The scenery on both was spectacular but the weather varied from hot and dry to coldish and some rain. I will really regret the day I can no longer do through walks.

The reason I’m talking about through walking is that there are number on this year’s calendar. They range from easy beginner through walks to fairly tough ones. But they are the reason I love walking. The ability to get to areas very few people visit.

Hope to see you on the tracks.

Michael 0409 620714 or

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LEADER’S NEEDED

- May 5** Kangaroo Mountain
- June 23** Araucaria Track
- July 5** Mt Moon
- July 7** Savages Ridge
- July 14** Vinegar Hill
- August 4** Montserrat
- August 11** Kobble Creek Circuit
- August 25** Mt Lindesay Cliffs

OUTINGS STATISTICS

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
February 11	Enoggera Reservoir	Paul	DW	9
February 14	Echo Falls	Phil	DW	3
February 17	Tallebudgera Walkabout	John	DW	12
March 3	Tallebudgera to Main Beach	Phil	DW	5

THANK YOU!

There are not enough words to express our sincere gratitude to everyone for their presence, kindness, expression of sympathy and prayers

on the passing of Justin. He was a great husband, father, family man and wonderful friend. Everyone misses him dearly, but it is with great comfort that we know he has gone home into God's care.

Susan and Mary.

MEMBERS OF BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB, PAST MEMBERS, FRIENDS.

A moment of your time.

We would like to express our thanks for all of the massive outpouring of love towards ourselves on the recent passing of our brother, brother in law and true friend. A person, a friend, we struggle to accept the pain of his passing.

We know Justin James' death is sad and painful, but we are greatly enriched by his sharing of himself and his gifts which we knew of and often just shared them between we three. Please know and accept that Justin James has gone home to his God; something we are truly grateful for Justin James was a man of faith.

He was a simple man, but he was also a complex man. A gentle man in so many ways, a man who knew right from wrong; yes, a man who did have a difference of opinion with some and a man loved by his God.

Please know your prayers, thoughts and love will strengthen Veronica and myself. We ask only that you continue to remember Justin, Pray for ourselves, his family and his extended family.

God Speed God's Love

Veronica and Nathan

PHIL'S TRIBUTE TO JUSTIN TOBIN

Justin James Tobin a stalwart of the Club died last month. He left us too soon. He was just 60. Justin joined the Club back in 1980. His first walk with the club was to Mt Greville. (It was led by Bev Price on 23 March 1980). He was hooked and soon he was out on the hills and ranges, traipsing the rainforest tracks of Lamington and the sandy islands of Fraser and

Moreton. He loved them all, but he had a special place in his heart for Mt Barney.

Justin was a man of many moods and was inclined to share his opinion with you whether you wanted to hear it or not. But clearly his views and ideas were coming from the right place as he loved the Club, the bush, his family. He loved walking, he loved reciting poetry to you and he loved a joke. And he laughed so hard while he was telling you those jokes.

Justin did a huge number of Club trips and led numerous walk. He led his first walk for the club to Beau Brummel in March 1982 just 2 years after joining the Club. Over the years he led over 120 trips for the club. Plus, he helped many people with their pre-outings for walks. He loved the bush and he was always available to help and was keen to share his bushwalking knowledge. He also walked with other clubs and did many private trips.

Justin held many positions in the club over the years. For a bloke who loved poetry and talking so much it was surprising and revealing that his writing was very succinct and to the point. His reports in the Annual Report were always brief and often included a quote from one of his favourite poems.

In the 1999 report as Outings Secretary he made a short comment and then let a quotation from a Henry Lawson poem to guide us on the way:-

*I rest not, 'tis best not, the world is a wide one,
And caged for an hour I pace to and fro,
I see things and dree things and plan while I'm sleeping,
I wander for ever and dream as I go.*

*For my ways are strange ways and new ways
and old ways,
And deep ways and steep ways and high
ways and low,
I'm at home and ease on a track that I know
not,
And restless and lost on a road that I know.*

(Henry Lawson)

In the 2000 annual report as Outings Secretary he made a short comment and then let a quotation from a Robert Service poem that encapsulates the call of the mountains:-

*Let us probe the silent places,
Let us seek what luck betide us,
let us journey to a lonely land I know.*

*There's a whisper on the night wind,
There's a star agleam to guide us,
And the wind is calling, calling, calling, let us go.*

In the 2001 Annual report as Outings Secretary he commented as follows:-

How fortunate are we as bushwalkers with a world at war and no sign of peace to be able to spend a few hours in the peaceful silent places of the bush, standing on top of mountain peaks, having lunch beside the waters of running creeks, and enjoying old and finding new friends, gazing at the world God made before returning to the man-made cities and a world at war. Keep praying for peace.

In the 2003 annual report as Membership Officer he commented:-

All of us at one stage were new members, for some a short while ago, for others many years have passed since we made the first phone call, came to our first meeting and went walking with the club for the first time.

Wondering what bushwalking was all about. Someone's taken the time to make us feel welcome, less apprehensive, because we're still here, still walking.

The Club has become our club, we've made friends and discovered what a great life bushwalking can be and it's our turn to welcome the visitor's and new members to the Club.

It's a continuous circle without the past there's no present, without the present there's no future.

In the 2006 annual report he commented:-

May we continue to find God in the silent places, Our Lady of the Way be with us on all our walks and enjoy yourself. "These are the good old days you're going to miss in the years ahead".

Justin married Sue Herron a member of the Club. Their daughter Mary often attended walks with the club.

Justin always had a huge pack. He was notorious having too much in his pack. But so often he pulled out little goodies to share with the group. Justin liked to be prepared for contingencies and after a walk along the Main Range we had to wait while the drivers did the car shuffle. To help pass the time he pulled out a pack of cards (yes, a full-size pack of cards) and we duly played a game of 500.

Justin loved poetry and often recited his favourites as we were walking along. In 2014 the Club did the club trip to Mt Kosciusko and on the drive back to Canberra we stopped at Cooma for a quick lunch. There was a second-hand market in the town square with a wide

range of 'shops' including a second-hand book seller. Justin quickly found it and came back with a handful of poetry books and he had the biggest grin on his face about the little treasures he just bought. He loved his family, the club, the bush and poetry. He will be missed.

Below is a quick list of his walking history with the club.

Total walks with Club	349
Through walks with the Club	38
Number of Club Trips he led	129
Editor for the Club	4 years
Outings secretary	7 years
Vice President	1 year
Secretary	1 year

HEYBOB!!

Come to Dunne Phaartonne at 65 James Rd.
Pine Mountain, on Sunday 25 March
for a 'Cuppa for Justin!'

Begin time: 9am

OR after Mass at St Mary's, Elizabeth St
Woodend, Ipswich - 8:30am

Finish Time: "When the stars kiss the moon in
the night time sky, and when the sun meets the
dawning morn!"

Bring your bushwalking necessities – billy, mug,
a "Justin sized plate of food" to share, chair or
log of wood

A chance to share "Justin and me" stories

And

"What Justin did for me" stories

How to get here:

Follow the directions below OR use a GPS
OR go to Google maps OR look at a Referdex.

Get onto the Ipswich Motorway. Stay in far
LEFT lane. Merge onto Warrego Hwy. Stay in
LEFT lane. About 19 – 20kms later come to
80km/h zone. Look for sign to Wivenhoe Dam /
Esk. Use that exit from the LEFT lane. Over the
road bridge, onto the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Up
a hill in a 100km/h zone. Down the other side.
See the sign for "Borallan Correctional Facility".
(Just about there.) Look for the first street on
the RIGHT. (Turning lane provided) Into James
Rd. Up the hill. Down the other side. Slow
down. Number 65's driveway is behind the
small gums on the RIGHT. STOP to open the
gate!!

How to gain entry: Like all good Bushwalkers –
slide the gate to the right, drive through, shut
the gate, and continue.

Susan, Mary, Veronica & Nathan TOBIN (Ph: 0411 837 644)

PAST EVENTS

SUNDAY 11th FEBRUARY

ENOGGERA RESERVOIR

DAY WALK

There is one thing you cannot control and that is the weather. The previous weekend was 20 degrees and raining. This weekend was a humid sunny 39 degrees. It was going to be an early walk and then finish with a swim and a cold drink. The beauty of this walk we were walking by 6.30am after meeting at Red Hill at 6.00. It was a pleasant walk around the reservoir with early morning tea at the top of the reservoir. The walk was uneventful except for a goanna near the track. By 10am everyone were feeling the heat and it was decided to head for the swim at the walkabout centre. We all up completed 10 km. I don't think the walk could have kept going in that heat. The swimming area was crowded but still enjoyable after the walk.

I would like to thank Sue, Khaleel, Pat, Jonas, Louise, Richard and Steve (visitor) for joining me on this walk. A special thanks to Rusty for driving and for Terry for organizing the walk (a late withdrawal due to foot injury). This area has endless tracks to explore and is worth a revisit.

WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY

ECHO FALLS

DAY WALK

Weather: A fine day with sunny periods.
Temperature: 26°.
Distance: Approximately 23kms.
Attendance: 3 – Phil Murray, Paddy Taylor and Sue Ferguson.

A lovely rainforest walk up at O'Reilly's. The walk was along graded tracks and was just lovely. I have done the Albert River Circuit walk about 5 times previously but each time I go I notice more things. In particular this time I noticed a huge number of Antarctic Beech trees and lots and lots of walking stick palms.

We had a visitor on the walk Sue Ferguson and she did very well on her first walk and had no trouble keeping up with the medium pace (4 kph) we scurried along at.

The trip was uneventful but it seemed like a very long trip. It seemed to take for ages to get

down to the Albert River. Although we did a detour to look at the memorial cairn at the Moran's Creek for the to the Forestry workers who constructed most of the walking tracks near O'Reilly's. But it was only a small diversion.

We didn't get to Echo Falls until 2.30 pm which didn't leave time for a swim. Echo Falls was a very pretty spot with 2 Blue Crayfish scurrying around the rocks but the quickly retreated back to the water when we arrived. We quickly scooped down our lunches and were walking again by 2.55 pm.

The trip seemed to be taking longer than expected and we were able to check our distance as Sue had a GPS app on her phone which showed the distance to Echo Falls as 13.6 km. I had listed the expected distance for the walk as 16 km approx.. I was skeptical of the distance provided by Sue's GPS as it sounded like it was a false reading. I did contemplate doing the full circuit but decided to retrace our steps as according to the map it appeared to be shorter to retrace our steps.

On the way back Paddy set a cracking pace and we got back to O'Reilly's guest house by 5.55 pm. We were in a bit of a hurry as we wanted to get back before the predicted storm. In the rainforest we couldn't see the western horizon and we scurried along in the gathering darkness but when we got to O'Reilly's the sky was perfectly clear.

As an aside on the return journey we checked the distance recordings on Sue's GPS against the distance markers on the Border Track. The distance from the turnoff back to O'Reilly's was listed as 5 km and I can report that Sue's GPS recorded the distance as 4.9 km. So the GPS was basically providing a realistic measure of the distance. The total distance recorded per the GPS was 24.4 km so it was a longish walk.

One benefit for the late-ish finish was that we got a stunning sunset over the main range as we drove down the Lamington Rd to Canungra.

Thanks to Sue and Paddy for joining me on this walk. Phil.

FRIDAY 16th FEBRUARY

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL HOTEL

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Ten members gathered in the bistro area of the Transcontinental Hotel (known as *The Dining Hall*) on a hot, humid afternoon which was

followed by evening thunderstorms. The bistro was probably the best meeting place in the hotel as it was relatively quiet, with patronage well below capacity. A soloist performed live music at intervals in the front bar which was somewhat noisier.

The food in the bistro was excellent, as was the range of drinks on offer. Thanks to John, Liz, Anne, Mike and Cath, Michele, Russ and Jan, Peggy and Graham for supporting this very enjoyable social.

SATURDAY 17th FEBRUARY TALLEBUDGERA WALKABOUT DAY WALK

This day walk was fortunately not as hot as earlier in the week. This circuit walk around the lower reaches of Tallebudgera Creek is known as Tallebudgera Greenspace – a pocket of naturalness on the Gold Coast.

Twelve of us met at the David Fleay Wildlife Park's car park which is lined with mangroves by 7.50 am. We soon headed off westwards, with the creek approaching high tide. We continued to West Burleigh, stopping at Martin Snell Park named after a local mail contractor (perhaps Terry should have a park named after him). Then along Tallebudgera Creek Road under the M1 to the council's Schuster's Park for a breather at a lovely shelter shed.

We crossed over a footbridge into Elanora. Here we followed Nineteenth Ave eastwards. This street led back over the M1. A couple of suburban streets later we reached Tallebudgera Conservation Park. We enjoyed smoko beside the creek under the bridge. Continuing eastwards beside the CP, the weather was still pleasant.

Reaching the Old GC Highway, beside the caravan park, there was a lovely view back up the creek. Beside the Talle Rec Centre we stopped for a refreshing short swim and more nourishment. The beach was very crowded. We headed out to the rock groyne where there was a clear panorama of the Gold Coast from Surfer's Paradise to Point Danger and west to Springbrook Plateau and Cougals with low hanging cloud. Across the creek was Burleigh Headland, our next destination.

Crossing the bridge we took the coastal track past Echo Beach also very busy around the headland. We marvelled at the newly upgraded concrete coastal walking track completed by

QPWS. Lunch was enjoyed at the shelter shed at the northern entrance which overlooks Burleigh beach. There were massive seas pounding into the beach and headland with a strong easterly cooling us down.

The return was via the rainforest circuit which had some impressive rainforest trees on the southern slopes. We continued on past the suburban Koala Park and back through the Conservation Park. There was plenty of birdlife including sulphur crested cockatoos, rainbow lorikeets, currawongs, pied and black cormorants, gulls, butcher birds, bearded dragons and scrub turkeys. Even enjoyed spotting koalas in David Fleay Park.

Thanks to all who came – Paddy, Terry, Ray, Helen, Sue, Peggy, Kaheel, Allan, Paulette, Louise and Rusty. It was lovely to have you on the walk which was a little warm but there was a great sea breeze. Thanks also to Peggy & Rusty for using your cars. Peggy's ankle came through with flying colours!

I enjoyed everyone's company on this day walk. John.

TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY MOVIE NIGHT

We had a small intimate gathering at Reading Cinemas on this evening. The group met at Schnitz bistro in the food court below the theatres. Here we all had something different from the wide range available on the menu. We spent a good hour here talking about all the happenings in our lives. We unanimously chose the movie to see.

Then upstairs to buy our tickets and get ready to enter. We sat in the middle of the middle – not hard when the cinema has only 10 rows – at least we were not right upfront under the screen.

Our chosen movie, Finding Your Feet, was a good choice by a committee. It was funny, serious, happy, sad, light-hearted and teary at different times. It was the typically British movie with great selection of settings, lovely old houses, great streetscapes, good interiors and full of good character actors. Recommended for all to see.

Thanks to Michele E, Andria Turner, Liz Little and Terry Silk for joining me in this adventure.

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

OUTINGS

- (a) Always read the Jilalan article to check the departure point, date and time.
- (b) Walk departures are usually from Red Hill Parish Hall, 78 Musgrave Rd. Check "Jilalan" to determine the location to be sure.
- (c) The Club will usually organise transport for each outing, but you must nominate in advance to the leader. Contacting someone else may lead to your nomination becoming "lost". Nominations should preferably be made by the Wednesday night prior to the activity so that transport etc. can be arranged. Note that nominations for some walks may close well in advance of this. Late nominations may not be accepted.
- (d) Walkers are responsible for their own transport to and from the departure point.
- (e) Walks are rarely cancelled – if they are, all nominees will be notified. Do not presume that outings are cancelled – ie, because of bad weather.
- (f) Should you change your mind and decide not to come to a Club event, please notify the leader as soon as possible.
- (g) If you are running late for the departure point, ring the Emergency Officer, or if the leader shows a mobile phone number, phone the leader.

All visitors must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance purposes.

VISITORS – for general enquiries contact Greg on Ph: 3351 4092.

GENERAL MEETINGS: Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7:30pm. The location is St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St, Dorrington. The hall is on the terrace below the church, out of sight – drive down to the lower car park.

VISITORS are always welcome.

EMERGENCY OFFICER: If you have not returned from an outing by 9:00pm, your family may ring the Emergency Officer (Or "EO" or "Emerg Off") for that outing – but please they are not to panic. If the EO is not mentioned, ring either the President or Vice President. IF any action is to occur, the Club will arrange it.

<http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/EmergOffSyst.html>

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT: The Club requires that all walkers on all trips should carry certain minimal basic equipment. This should comprise the following – a first aid kit, a torch, a parka/raincoat, hat, shirt, 30+ sunscreen and at least 2 litres of water. Leaders may require that walkers carry other equipment. Advice of this will be given in Jilalan and/or by the leader.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$20; Associate Members: \$16; Spouse Members - Ordinary: \$20;

Spouse Members – Associate: \$16; Country: \$20.

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. There is an additional \$25 cost for Ordinary and Associate Members who elect to receive a printed Jilalan with the exception of Life & Honorary Members. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer.

Pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

WARNING: All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk.

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For specific enquiries, contact the committee member (from above) concerned.

For Outings or Socials, contact the leader shown in the calendar or article.

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Triple Zero Awareness Work Group (TZAWG)

As a result of problems experienced by emergency call-takers and emergency services, in late 2013 TZAWG launched a free smartphone app: Emergency*. TZAWG identified that more than 66% of incoming emergency calls were now made from mobile phones; however, mobile callers often do not know exactly where they are, meaning call-processing times are longer and call-takers are then unavailable to take the next incoming emergency call.

Determining caller location is the most critical piece of information emergency call-takers need when a call comes in. If callers don't know where they are, emergency services can't send help.

Emergency+ uses the existing GPS functionality of smartphones to enable callers to provide emergency call-takers with their location information as determined by their smartphone. When activated, the built in accessibility features of a smartphone will describe aloud what appears on-screen, so a caller can use the app without seeing it.

The Emergency+ app is available for free download in Apple iOS, Android and Windows phone versions, and has already saved lives by ensuring emergency services arrive on-scene as quickly as possible to assist someone in need. One group for which Emergency+ has obvious benefits is bushwalkers, and TZAWG has numerous examples where lost or injured bushwalkers have used the app to pinpoint their location for emergency services.

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