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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
14	Echo Point	Jan	3374 3534	DW	
15	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
19	John Toohey Society – MJs	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
27	Mudgeeraba Creek & the Pinnacle	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
Nov 2/6	Australian Alps	Phil	5522 9702	TW	
10	Gheerulla Circuit	Michele	3353 2822	DW	
10/11	Lennox Head to Brunswick Heads	Paul	0412 339311	BC	
16	John Toohey Society – Lennon's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Larapinta Falls – The Top	Peter	3205 5982	DW	
19	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
219	Annual Photo Competition	Phil	5522 9702		
24	Noosa Heads	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M22
Dec 1	Middle Kobble Creek	Peter	3205 5982	TW	M55
8	Christmas Party	Russ N	3374 3534	Soc	
9	Moreton Bay Islands	Maxine	3409 4001	DW	S22
15	Northbrook Creek	Michael	3351 3810	DW	S44
17	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
21	JTS – Coffee Club Eagle St Pier	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
26	Boxing Day Walk	Russ	3374 3534	DW	
Jan 6	Warrie Circuit	Needed		DW	
12	Stairway Falls via Bullant Spur	Needed		DW	
18	JTS – Story Bridge Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	Obi Obi Lilo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
21	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
26	Blue Pool	Needed		DW	M33
Feb 3	Illinbah Circuit	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
9	Muscat & Bailey	Needed		DW	
15	JTS – Merthyr Bowls Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16	Canoe Trip	Needed		Can	
18	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
23	Wellington Point/King Island	Needed		DW	
23	Mt D'Aguilar	Needed		DW	
Mar 3	Purling Brook Falls	Needed		DW	
9	Valley of the Diamonds	Needed		DW	
15	JTS – Sparrow & Finch	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16/17	Club Hut Feast	Needed		ON	
17	Club Hut Walk	Needed		DW	
18	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
23	City to UQ & Return	Needed		DW	
Apr 1	Mt Goolman	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
7	Noosa to Coolum	Needed		DW	
13	Mt Joyce	Needed		DW	
15	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
19	JTS – The Plough Inn	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Sandgate to Scarborough	Needed		DW	
25/28	Moreton Island	Needed		TW	
27	Lowood to Cominya	Needed		DW	
28	Breakfast	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
May 5	North Stradbroke Island	Needed		DW	
11	Mt May to Maroon	Needed		DW	
17	JTS – Transcontinental Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	Annual Mass and Dinner	Needed		Soc	

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

<b>D/W</b>	Day Walk	<b>½ D/W</b>	Half Day Walk
<b>O/N</b>	Over Nighter	<b>B/C</b>	Base Camp
<b>T/W</b>	Through Walk	<b>C/W</b>	City Walk
<b>TRN</b>	Training	<b>S&amp;T</b>	Safety & Training
<b>FMR</b>	Federation Mountain Rescue	<b>SOC/SW</b>	Social/Social Walk

## KEY – Walk Gradings

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

Give us a joy that is deep, a hope that is inspiring, a faith that is strong, a love that is generous, a wisdom that sees through this world to you, a confidence that finds you in every moment. (Source: AHS Past Pupils' Mass, November 2008)

## EDITOR'S REPORT

All articles for December Jilalan are due on or before 1<sup>st</sup> December

Please check and adjust your article to comply with the Style Guide:

[www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/JilalanStyleGuide.html](http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/JilalanStyleGuide.html)

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# Look at last month's Jilalan and copy that format – especially the "headings" in Comings

# Type your article as a Word document, then attach it to the e-mail. A4 please, not in Columns.

# Type Face is "Arial", Font Size is "12", though Date, Name of Event & Title are "14"

## COMING EVENTS

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

### FOR LEADERS

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

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, where, cancel it – please tell the Outings Secretary Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702

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

### Monthly Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> November, Monday

**Contact:** Greg Ph: 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 come on the walk. Nominate for a walk. Nominate to lead an outing. Stay for supper. Bring those recent bushwalking snaps

### Annual Photographic Competition Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2011 At St Michaels At Ashgrove From 7.30 Pm

This is the ninth time we have had this photo competition. One of the main reasons for the photo competition is to find a "cover photo" for the Annual Report. The other reason for having a photographic competition is to encourage members to bring their photos out and share them with other members. Our goal as a club is to encourage the love of the bush and bushwalking. I trust the photos will display the spirit of the Club and the beauty of nature and why we go bushwalking.

More info in the separate article towards the back.

### Noosa Heads Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November Daywalk

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702  
0416 650 160  
**Meet at:** St Brigades Red Hill  
**Time:** 6.30 am  
**Cost:** \$25  
**Grade:** M22  
**Web:** <http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/noosa/index.html>  
**Emerg Off:** Phil Ph: 0416 650 160  
**Distance:** 14km approx

Noosa National Park is one of the wonders of south east Queensland so come along and enjoy a touch of paradise.

I plan to park the cars at Noosa Woods and detour around the glitz area of Hastings Street and out along the boardwalk to the National Park. Then it is out along Ti-Tree Bay and Granite Bay to Alexandria Beach. So we go past all the bays and the plan is to get to the far end of the Park near Sunshine Beach. So it will be a fairly long but easy trip. There will be time for a swim or two or three.

So put this one in your calendar and see you at Noosa. Bring your togs and a carefree outlook and join me on a "summer holiday".

It could be thunderstorm weather by then so pack a raincoat and umbrella just in case.  
Phil

Description	Tide times	
	Time	Ht
High tide	5.55 am	1.77 metres
Low tide	12.09 pm	0.64 metres
High Tide	5.52 pm	1.48 metres

### Middle Kobble Creek Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December Daywalk

**Leader:** Peter Constable Ph: 3205 5982  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6.00am  
**Cost:** \$10:00  
**Grading:** M55  
**Web:** <http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/daguilar/about.html>  
**Emerg Off:** Tracey Constable Ph: 3205 5982

What a beautiful creek. It's amazing what treasures there are within a short drive from Brisbane. Middle Kobble Creek is one these.

So where is Middle Kobble Creek? There are ridges going everywhere in the Mt Glorious but for those who are familiar with area here is an approximate description. The Lepidozamia Track runs northwards. From Tennison Woods along a ridge and not far along another ridge heads easterly. This ridge separates the Love Creek/Cedar Creek divide and the Kobble Creek divide with the Kobble Creek divide on the northern side.

There are three versions of Kobble Creek and we will start the walk from the junction of Middle and North Kobble Creeks. Initially we follow a fire trail which passes through farmland before entering the National Park. It isn't long before we climb and descend a small ridge that separates the two creeks. We will now follow the creek for 2-3 hours passing numerous pools and cascades. There is plenty of bird life in this area, that is, if you can take your eyes off the beautiful creek. The walking or rock hopping is easy except for one tricky waterfall but that should worry most people.

After two easy bypasses of two large waterfalls we will arrive at the Middle Kobble Campsite for a well deserves lunch. The rest of the walk follows fire trails which climb/descend and meander through dry Sclerophyll forests before rejoining North Kobble Creek. We now follow the creek back to our cars. So see me at the next meeting or ring me and sign up.

Peter.

### **Christmas Party** **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**Location:** Russ & Jan Nelson's house  
12 Bolton Close, Brookfield  
**Time:** 6.00pm  
**Web:** <http://www.santasletter.com.au/index.html>  
**RSVP:** Ph: 3374 3534 or email  
[nelhouse@bigpond.net.au](mailto:nelhouse@bigpond.net.au)

As 2012 is rapidly drawing to a close, the BCBC Christmas Party is a wonderful opportunity to get together with some good company, great food and some light-hearted fun to celebrate the culmination of another year.

For ease of catering, could you please bring:

- Your meat for the BBQ;
  - Drinks (non-alcoholic punch will be available);
- And Either –  
Savouries,  
Salad, or  
Dessert

Please indicate what you will bring when you nominate.

If it is a warm evening, you may wish to bring your togs if you feel like a swim.

### **Southern Moreton Bay Islands** **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December** **Lamb & Karragarra Islands**

**Leader:** Maxine Brophy Ph: 3409 4001  
or 0412 637 670

**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill

**Time:** 8.00am

**Cost:** \$20 (including ferry fare)

**Grade:** S22

**Web:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southern Moreton Bay Islands](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Southern_Moreton_Bay_Islands)

**Emerg Off:** Mike Brophy Ph: 3409 4001

If you have ever spotted a small group of islands, sandwiched between Nth Stradbroke and Redland Bay, on the nightly weather map, these are known as Moreton Bay Islands.

To come and explore them is very easy and the highlight is a very relaxing ferry ride across the Bay. These islands were home to three major indigenous groups for at least 20,000 years, with the first known European being Matthew Flinders in 1799.

It wasn't until the convict period in the early 1800's that the bay islands became a valuable source of timber for the colony on the mainland. Lamb Island was originally known as Ngudooroo, and attracted timber getters and oystermen as was the history of all the islands.

Farmers followed once the area was opened to settlers in the 1860's. We will visit the heritage sights of the only original jetty shed on Lamb Island, the only known grave near the jetty, one of the early farmhouses in Tina Ave, and the Pioneer Hall in Lucas Drive. Morning tea on Lamb before we ferry over to Karragarra to explore another

peaceful island and have lunch & swims down on the beach.

You can watch the activity of this busy water way as ferries, barges and private yachts move thru. I will have kayaks there for anyone who may like to paddle across the passage to Karragarra Island.

Back on the mainland we will have coffee near the ferry terminal, with the best views looking back over the islands Please bring the usual protection for summer days walking, along with a large insect spray for not so friendly island insects.

Cheers Maxine

**Northbrook Creek  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
Daywalk**

**Leader:** Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7.00am  
**Cost:** \$10:00  
**Grading:** S44  
**Web:** <http://bushwalkinginbrisbaneforestpark.blogspot.com.au/>  
**Emerg Off:** Catherine Ph: 3351 3810  
**Distance:** 8.5km **Ascent:** 146m **Descent:** 383m

Northbrook Creek lies in the Mt Glorious section of the D'Aguilar NP. It is a wonderful creek with plenty of pools and small cascades as well as a spectacular gorge. This used to be a very wet walk but after all the rain several years ago the gorge filled with segments of Lawton Road. I last did this walk in February this year and the last section of the gorge had water in it again. Albeit was only waist deep so I'm anticipating that it will have even more water in it by now.

After a brief car shuffle we will descend to the creek via 'Matthew's Ridge'. I have used several ridges in the past and I believe this ridge is the easiest and prettiest of them all. We do, however, enter the creek a lot higher up which allows plenty of time to soak in the scenery. There is a pool not far from the entry point which might just prove too enticing and a swim will be called for. So bring your togs. You will need them anyway for the wade through the last pool. I can't think of a better way to spend a hot summer's day. The only thing that will stop this walk from happening is a lack of numbers as it is still a great walk on a rainy day.

Michael.

**17<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, MONDAY  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**Contact:** Greg Ph: 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.bcabc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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**JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
The Coffee Club at Eagle Street Pier  
Social**

**Contact:** Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160  
**Address:** Eagle Street Pier, Shop 10, Waterfront Place, 1 Eagle St (opposite Charlotte St)  
**Time:** From 4pm till 9ish.  
**What For:** A chat, a drink and a meal  
**Web:** [http://www.coffeeclub.com.au/store-locator?location=eagle+street+pier&store\\_locator\\_submit.x=0&store\\_locator\\_submit.y=0](http://www.coffeeclub.com.au/store-locator?location=eagle+street+pier&store_locator_submit.x=0&store_locator_submit.y=0)  
**Emerg Off:** Phil Ph: 0413 307 580.

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering on the third Friday of the month.

Liz Little insisted we come here again. I have to agree with her, a lovely venue to watch the passing crowd with the beautiful river in the background with boats and ferries gently sliding by.

A great place to catch up with friends. I hope you can make it.

Come along for a great night for a drink of water or wine or a beer. And a chat about whatever you want. As it is restaurant we will definitely stay for a bite to eat.

Phil

## **ADVANCE NOTICE**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012**  
**Obi Obi Lilo Trip**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702  
0413 307 580 or 0416 650 160  
[bigrivers@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigrivers@optusnet.com.au)

**Web:** <http://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/kondalilla-national-park/obi-obi-gorge>

The Obi Obi lilo trip is a classic trip to do. It is just a buzz. The trip is about 11 km long and we spend about 10km in the water. It takes about 7 hours. There are about 12 long pools of water joined by zippy stretches of moving water. Some are wonderful mini- waterfalls and sometimes they are babbling brooks that bounce along under the overhanging rainforest.

Bring a lilo, wear thermals for sun protection and bring some food for a great day out. Bring either a dry bag (cost about \$40) or 3 garbage bags to use as water proof bags to go inside your back pack. I highly recommend wearing Dunlop volleys as footwear and garden gloves for your hands.

The old style lilo bed (red one side, blue the other) is becoming increasing hard to find. You can still get them at some of the camping stores. If you find one that has them please send me a text message with the details.

In 2010 and 2011 the trip didn't go out. In 2010 there wasn't enough water and in 2011 there was too much water. In March this year the trip went out but we only did the upper third of the trip as we didn't have enough cars do to do the car shuffle.

Please note, bring a sense of responsibility and 'water smarts' as the trip has an element of risk and you need to be aware of the danger as we will be in moving water. Phil

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2013**  
**West Canungra Creek**  
**AUSTRALIA DAY DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 or  
0413 307 580  
[bigrivers@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigrivers@optusnet.com.au)

**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7:30am  
**Grade:** M33  
**Distance:** 13.9 kilometres  
**Cost:** \$20

**Web:** <http://virtualwalkabout.gguide.com/west-canungra-creek-track-lamington-national-park.php>

**Emerg Off Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702**

Join me on an easy graded track walk at O'Reilly's to celebrate Australia Day. The plan is to do the West Canungra Creek Circuit trip. It is an easy 14 km trip through lush green rainforest. The first stop will be at Picnic Rock. We then head down to Elabana Falls, then follow the track beside Canungra Creek to Blue Pool for an optional swim. We have lunch here then return to the cars at O'Reilly's.

I have attempted to do this trip 4 times in the last 3 years. The first 2 got called off due to flooding rain (February 2010 and October 2010). The third time (March 2011) we started the walk but one of our group had a stumble and needed to take the short cut back to the car. So several of us headed back up the Box Forest Circuit and I missed out on Blue Pool. Last year I planned to do the trip on Australia day but once again we got flooding rains and the trip was cancelled. Hopefully, I will get there for the first time in about 20 years. It is actually regarded as an easy trip. So I hope you can join me on the day. If this trip gets called off some might say I am officially jinxed.

There are 4 reasons for this trip.

- an easy summer trip in the shade.
- a reminder of the Club's history - the Club's first official trip was a trip to O'Reilly's on the Australia Day weekend in 1958. This year will be the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Club's first trip there.
- To have the inaugural Blue Pool Dash - a swim across Blue Pool. There will be men's and women's races and perhaps a race for over 50's and we will probably need a race for the over 60's as well. Gold Medals will be presented to the winners of each race. (there will be no medals for synchronized swimming).
- I am desperate to get to Blue Pool

Please feel free to wear the Flag on our National Day and you are invited to bring some Australian cuisine to share e.g. Lamingtons.

Please note there is 'a bit' of uphill walking at the end of the day.

Phil



## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

You have received a copy of the 2013 Calendar. You will see there are 60 trips on it. Thirteen already have leader's names against them. This leaves 47 leaderless. We have 110 members. This means that each of us has to lead point 427 trips. That is less than half a trip each. Leading has never been so easy.

I count 27 members who have lead trips in the past 2 years, or have already nominated for 2013. But only 6 of these have lead more than 4 trips. This has put a big burden on those 6. And at least 2 of them will not be leading many trips – certainly not as many as in 2012, next year. This means the load has to be taken up by the rest of us. Remember, only half a trip is required.

Please look through the 2013 Calendar. Choose your trips now – before someone else jumps in ahead of you to volunteer to lead them.

Leading is not hard, not complicated, not time consuming. More often than not, it is second nature. Most times navigation knowledge is not a must. Knowing terrain is not a necessary. Knowing most Club members is not a prerequisite. Just saying "Yes" is the most difficult part. Everything else is downhill from there.

Please pick up the phone and ring Phil on Ph: 5522 9702 and inform him of your choice.

## **MEMBERSHIP LIST**

Please look through the Membership List to see if your entry is correct. If not, give Terry a ring on Ph: 3355 9765

## **ANNUAL REPORT**

It is almost this time again. Committee Members, Leaders, Movers & Shakers – prepare your articles for Michael Simpson. You only have 6 weeks to put key to paper.

## **TREASURER REPORT**

Balance 17/09/12	\$3207.75
Plus Receipts	\$ 420.00
	\$5306.81
Less Payments	\$ 2099.06
Balance 15/10/12	\$3415.75
Term Deposit	\$2526.98

I hope to draw our second raffle for the year at our November meeting. It has two prizes with the first prize being a set of Denali walking poles and the second prize a pair of medium length Sea to Summit Spinifex gaiters which was donated by Pat Lawton. The tickets are still only a dollar each.

## **ABOUT PEOPLE**

John Blumke, Karen Frederiks, Anne Grant, Thea Kearney, Brenda Keough, Margaret Morgan and Gordana Stanojevic are celebrating their birthdays in November.

Denise Cruickshank and (past member) Graham Walters were interested visitors at our October meeting. Carmel Massingham, Karen Franklin and Rossi Minata were visitors on Jan's Echo Point walk. Both Carmel and Rossi have walked with us before. Visitors are always most welcome to join us on any of our activities. Pat and Jonas have recently returned from a trip to Flinders Island.

Regards, Terry

## **OUTINGS SECRETARY REPORT**

The mini-drought is still with us as I write this report. The land is so dry. On the positive side it makes it so much easier to do the off track walks. But with the wet season just around the corner it won't be long before we are back into the wet so we should enjoy the dry tracks while we can and there are several excellent trips coming up in the next few months.

### **Past Walks**

The number on walks has remained very modest but a small party is often very friendly. On the plus side at least members are out there enjoying the great outdoors.

I was fortunate in able to go on Michael Simpson's "Mudgeeraba Falls" trip. It was the first time the Club had done this walk and it was a little beauty with the added bonus of going to the Pinnacle. It was a rocky scramble to the top in a howling gale but it was just wonderful. A day to remember. Surprisingly only 2 walks went out for the month of October. As the Love Creek Falls trip didn't go out. The numbers on recent trips was as follows:-



**TABLE 1 – attendance on past trips**

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	
Oct 14	Echo Point	Jan	DW	14
Oct 22	Love Creek Falls	Peter	DW	0
Oct 27	Mudgeeraba Falls & Pinnacle	Michael	DW	6
Oct 28	Bike Ride	Phil	Bike	0

A special thank you goes to the leaders for the above trips. Especially Jan Nelson who stepped in as leader for the Echo Point trip as I had another commitment come up unexpectedly. Two trips didn't go out due to lack of nominations but we will re-schedule for next year or 2014 as they are great trips.

From the above table the numbers were down in October and it seems to be a trend in our Club that less people go walking in October. It must be people are spring cleaning.

**Vic Alps Trip.**

By the time you get this magazine the Victorian Alps to the Crosscut Saw trip will have gone out. The weather forecast was for snow on the first day. Could test us to see if we have sufficient warm gear. A bit of adversity is good for the soul. Also, our numbers for the trip have dropped from 6 to 5 as Chris's flight got cancelled and he couldn't arrange an alternative flight to get down there in time.

**Coming Walks**

Looking ahead for the next month or so there is a huge selection of trips available. There are several easy trips and some juicy medium and hard trips coming up. Below is a list of trips for the next monthly period. In particular, may I ask that you consider joining Michael and Peter on their off track walks.

**TABLE 2 – Coming trips**

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	
Nov 2-6	Vic Alps	Phil	TW	RTW
Nov 10	Gheerula Circuit	Michele	DW	GTW
Nov 10-11	Lennox Head to Brunswick Heads	Paul	BC	BW
Nov 17	Larapinta Falls	Peter	DW	OTW
Nov 24	Noosa Heads	Phil	DW	GTW
Dec 2	Kobble Creek	Peter	DW	OTW
Dec 9	Moreton Bay Islands	Maxine	DW	Easy
Dec 16	Northbrook Gorge	Michael	DW	OTW

The above trips are all virtually daywalks and to provide further information I just used an extra abbreviation to differentiate between the various daywalks.

- BW - Beach Walk
- CW - City Walk
- GTW - Graded Track Walk
- OTW - Off track Walk
- RTW – Rough track walk

There are so many trips available hopefully you have the time available to come along and support the leaders who do so much work to make the trips special events.

**Nominate for walks early**

Can I ask that people nominate early for trips. Also if you really want a trip to go out please let me know so we don't make any changes that disappoint people.

**Reports on private trips**

Just a reminder that you are encouraged to put a short or long article in about your private trips. Especially to places we rarely go. Like Flinders Island.

**Changes to the Outings Program**

I am always somewhat reluctant to make changes to the Outings Program but if there is no leader for a designated trip and another option comes up, I am happy to accommodate alterations to the program. At the last monthly meeting we discussed trips without leaders and the Barney Creek Circuit throughwalk was changed to a daywalk to Kobble Creek to be led by Peter Constable and Russ Nelson volunteered to lead the Boxing Day walk. Thanks guys.

**Outings Planning for 2013**

The Outings Program has been formally approved by the Committee at the Committee meeting on 24-09-2012 and the plan is for the proposed plan to be included in this month's November Magazine. The Proposed Outing Program is set out in the magazine. I trust you find something you might be interested in.

**Leaders Needed**

Looking ahead, we still need many leaders for the trips next year. Hopefully you may find something that suits you.

I hope to see you on the track and remember the only walks you regret are the ones you didn't do.

Phil

## **PAST EVENTS**

### **Karawatha Wildflowers Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

Weather Fine – max temp - 22°C

Distance – approx. 8 km

Leader Phil

Attendance 7

Those on the trip were - Phil Murray, Graham Glasse, Erna Smith, Barry Crawford, Ora Duffley, Helen Mees, Maree Hutchinson

Great company and a great little walk. We did a loop through the southern part of the forest and spotted several wildflowers especially the pink boronia and some lovely mauve Hovea. There was only the one patch of the hovea in the whole forest – a collection of about 5 bushes in a patch the size of a living room. They have such a concentrated distribution and if this patch was to be burnt, it is feasible that the hovea species would disappear from the forest altogether. Anyhow we shuffled on and had an early lunch at Poet's Rock.

Then we headed back north along a meandering track and we spent most of the time discussing Helen and Ora's impending trips to Spain to do the Camino. Ora was doing the trip in September and Helen was doing the trip in late October. I was caught between two emotions - admiration as so many members are getting their act together to go off and do this classic 30 day walk, and jealousy, as I haven't done it yet. Ora hasn't officially joined the Club and someone asked if she intended joining the club and she had the classic reply in her lilting Irish accent "But I don't like hiking". Obviously she just loves the people in the Club. Hopefully we shall see Ora in the Club again soon with her beautiful Irish accent.

Anyhow back to the walk and wildflowers. Eventually we reached the 'sandstone belt' where the wildflowers were very prominent. We had afternoon tea at the picnic shelter and looked over a sea of yellow and orange pea bushes. The predominant species was the Pultanea villosa which has the 2 ghastly common names of "kerosene bush" or the "Hairy Bush pea". There were some blue flowers the native iris (Patersonia glabrata) and several native sarsaparilla vines (Hardenbergia violacea) and the pink boronia (Boronia rosmarinifolia). We also saw several other flowers including the heath Phyllota (Phyllota phylloides) and my favourite the Golden

Glory Pea (Gompholobium virgatum). All too soon it was time to go. Another nice day in the bush. Thanks to those who came on the trip.

Phil

### **M<sup>t</sup> Barney Mass Peasant's Ridge 15<sup>th</sup> August**

Sixteen of us went up Peasant's (South) Ridge on Exhibition Wednesday. We started out in 3 groups that met up along the way. Plus an extra 9 hangers-on who went up Peasants and then either did West or East Peak. This group started out after us, overtook us at the end of the forestry road and shot up the mountain to accomplish their peak by the end of lunch time.

As for the rest of us mere mortals, we basically left Yellowpinch by 7.30am to wander over the foothills and across the creek, over the washouts and onto the start of the track proper where it follows the ancient timber track to the base of the mountain.

Now for the faster ones to shoot forward; only to regroup at strategic places along the way. Fr Augustine Obi caught up to us, passed us and eventually shot to the saddle with the younger faster party. The old tired exhausted ones brought up the rear.

I noticed that National Parks have diverted the track around the degraded washed out section where the climb proper begins. The party stopped at the lookouts along the way – giving views from Wilson's Peak to Mt Lindesay and along the Border Ranges to Mt Gipps and Lamington beyond. The day was clear enough to soak up tremendous views.

The track was up over rocky ground with a fair bit of shrubs and trees on them. It was like going up a series of steps. Then there was the matter of the small rock slab and soon after that was the chimney. Towards the top, the forest got thicker and narrower and the trail even went down for a bit. Then we were in the rainforest of the saddle at Rum Jungle. Now down to the old hut site for lunch.

In several groups, we made our ways to the Mass site on the side of the ridge that goes up to East Peak. Here we met the Logans and South East parties. Fr Augustine said a Mass out in the open on our altar rock and gave a good homily on his

impressions of the outdoors, the mountain and the views.

Then, as usual, we all went down in our separate parties, but all out before dark. Thanks to: Peasants: Fr Augustine Obi, Russ & Jan Nelson, Anne Hayes, Roger Holmes, Laurie & Daniel Kearney, Terry Silk, Maxine Brophy, James Baxter, Vanessa Vrbancic, John & Claire Blumke, Trevor Kelly, Pat Lawton, Greg Endicott, Peasants & East Peak: Stephen & Lucy Endicott with 7 visitors.

Greg

### **M<sup>t</sup> Maroon Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September Daywalk**

Six walkers met at Red Hill at 6:45 to head out to Mt Maroon with Rusty driving his car and Terry volunteering to help with the car shuffle. We arrived at the Cotswold entrance to Mt Maroon at roughly 9:00am, and then drivers took both cars round to Drynan's Hut, where Terry left his car there, and returned back to the Cotswold side in Rusty's car. By then another 50 minutes had elapsed.

After an induction to look out for snakes, and take care of loose rocks on the way up we set off. There was some cloud cover but good walking weather, and not too hot.

The wild flowers didn't appear to be as prolific as last year, but as we made way towards the gully, things started to change with match stick flowers becoming more abundant.

We stopped for a break at the look out, to recharge our batteries then proceeded up the gully where it was badly eroded in some areas, and arrived at the old camp site, and then most headed up to peak of Mt Maroon then came back down just below the summit, to have lunch.

Keeping in mind our late start, I kept the lunch stop short, and it was 1:00pm when started to find our way over to the gorge and make our way down the Golden star case as it is known. As it is well over ten years since , I last led the gorge walk , the vegetation seemed vastly different, to what I remember with the upper reaches cool and damp, almost rainforest like, with king orchids jutting out of the cliffs, and both sides , it truly is a magical part of Mt. Maroon.

A recent storm had come through, which was evident by the number of rock pools we passed as we moved into the rock slab section, of the walk. Brenda even found a fresh water yabbie, recently deceased, and we marvel at a yabbie could be found, so far up the gorge. Looking back at Mt Maroon, there was discussion on how the gorge was formed. On the northern side of Mt Maroon there is a definite crater shape which gave the impression, it may have been volcanic, in years gone past, with maybe the lava flow carving out the gorge, followed by a glacier. It would be interesting to find out geological history of Mt Maroon.

We had another short break at the rock slabs and continued on down until we hit the camp site.

Not having completed pre-outing, we continued on down the slabs, and it got pretty, scungy, and I realised that this was not the correct way to the falls, so we made our way back to the camp site, and followed well worn track to the right side, we finally made it to the falls, however it was a quick stop as it was getting on to 4:30pm. We then back tracked to the main track, and arrived at Drynan's Hut where Terry's car was waiting about 5pm. Thanks to Brenda, Marie, Louise and Rusty, Terry for coming with me to enjoy a walk that the club rarely does. Special thanks tour drivers Rusty and Terry, the walk can't go ahead if we don't have people who are willing to drive.

### **Open House Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

Eight of us met at the old windmill on Spring Hill. We first had a look at the old Windmill on Spring Hill. Not much to see from the outside – but we peeked through gaps in the wall. Then in the old Windmill/Treadmill – but not up the steps to the top. Learnt some history of the first TV pictures broadcast in Q'ld. Now for a walk through the park to the Albert St Methodist Church. This is a little treasure in the middle of the City. Looks a bit small on the inside but can hold up to 1000 people. We read the signs, walked all around and climbed the stairs. Well worth going in.

Next on the agenda was St Andrews Congregational Cathedral. This was the "sleeper" of the day. It is fortress looking on the outside but hid architectural features on the inside. Again it looked big on the outside, but it appeared small (or should I say short) on the inside. We started out in the basement where there was an art display on the Camino. Then we moved upstairs

to the cathedral proper. It again looked short from front to back though wide. We had a guided tour, even of the vestry to see some old photos, out on the back balcony overlooking Wharf St, and finally at the organ and spoke with the organist.

Next on the agenda was the Masonic Temple – all 4 floors of it. The top floor - the state committee room is spectacular – the blue ceiling, the benches, the floor and finally the organ – which we could get up close and personal with. Once I saw the pipes that normally are not seen, I understand why organs have 1000 pipes but you only see the 100 big ones. We went down the stairs to look at the other meeting rooms, historic displays, and the vestments. We avoided the recruiting.

Now onto St John's for another guided tour. We were shown the differing styles of the 3 stages of building, the flying buttresses, the choir stalls, and more. It is a grand old building. The size of it.

Onwards to our next temple – the National Bank's QN Branch on the corner of Creek and Queen – the temple of commercialism. It has been faithfully and lovingly renovated to be brought up to its 1880's rural and mining boom condition. The bank is now private offices with the NAB only in the banking chamber. Our guide was the architect who ran the renovations.

Behind time now – so off to lunch at le Bon Choix under the fig tree and next to the fireman's memorial drinking fountain. After our fine fare, the group headed off to the Custom's House to hear of its history and to view its renovations. It too is back in its original state – a great Victorian building.

It was all over too soon. Off homewards we wandered. A great day and one to be repeated next year. A big Thank You to: Michele E, Roger & Julie Ford, Russell & Louise J, Paddy T and myself.

Greg

**The Norman Hotel Lunch**  
**Kate Quinlan Society**  
**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

Ten of us gathered at the Norman at Woolloongabba for Sunday lunch. It was a stinking hot day, but in the air-conditioned comfort down the back we did not notice it. We were given a long table to ourselves.

The conversation flowed, the food was ordered and eaten, and we all changed table places to catch up with one another. The venue was great - having several different areas which I think are suitable for different times of the year - outdoors for spring or autumn, indoors for winter or our hot summers and several bars. Parking was plentiful.

Thanks to: Michele E, Catherine & Michael S, Jan & Russ N, Graham G, Maria K, Eliz R and Wendy J (a visitor).

Greg.

**Echo Point**  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Daywalk**

A glorious Spring day awaited us as fourteen people set off from Red Hill to head to O'Reilly's.

We left the cars at around 9.30am and set off along the Border Track at a steady pace for 5km. A turnoff to the right took us along the Albert River Circuit track through some pretty forest with ferns and palms. The track initially wound uphill before beginning the gradual descent down to the creek. After an hour and a half of walking, we called a halt for a quick morning tea break during which we enjoyed some of Brenda's delicious home-made cake (thanks Brenda).

With renewed energy we continued the descent to the creek. Occasional views across to Lost World could be seen. We passed a number of pretty waterfalls and pools. A large blue crayfish was spotted in the pool below Echo Falls. The creek crossings were negotiated without difficulty and with dry footwear. The track began the gradual ascent and we were all pleased to reach Echo Point at around 1.30pm for a well deserved lunch break. The views from Echo Point were fantastic, with the Cougals and Mt Warning standing out clearly and you could even see across to the coast.

After lunch the track headed along the escarpment and another view point before the track turned away from the escarpment and headed back towards the Border Track. We then followed the Border Track back to O'Reilly's, with a few walkers out in front making a detour to the Tree Top Walk on the way back. Everyone was back at O'Reilly's shortly after 4.30pm. This was a long walk (21.8km) but everyone coped with the distance extremely well, particularly our visitors Karen

Franklin, Rossi Minata and Carmel Massingham. It was a very enjoyable day.

Thank you to the following people for joining me on the walk – Carmel Massingham, Maria Kerruish, Terry Silk, Maree Hutchinson, Janell Sammon, Marina Grey, Graham Glasse, Paddy Taylor, Brenda Keough, Karen Franklin, Jonas Bernotas, Pat Lawton and Rossi Minata. Particular thanks to Graham and Maree for driving. Jan

### **Mudgeeraba Creek & The Pinnacle Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October Daywalk**

What a great walk. The ideal walk in some circumstances, a beautiful creek, a short section of scenic rainforest, a mountain to climb (well a rocky outcrop really) with tremendous views and an open narrow ridge to wander down.

After collecting Phil and Veronica we set off from the end of the road at 7.50am along a long forgotten forestry trail. It wasn't long before we could drop into the creek which was very dry. This was unusual, I'm sure, given the copious amounts of rainfall the Springbrook Plateau receives every year. There were numerous pool and cascades to marvel at as well lovely palms, ash trees and many more I'm sure Phil told me but have since forgotten. The creek climbed very gently as we wandered along. The two or more mini waterfalls were easily ascended as the creek began to narrow and the ascent became steeper. One of these waterfalls, in particular, was very beautiful almost idyllic and was worth the effort alone to view.

The first of the largish waterfalls was reached and was climbed directly by two of our group whilst the others opted for the lazy way up around the edge. We were now in the gorge proper and the ascent of this would be very difficult if the creek was flowing. Thankfully it was as dry as a bone and we soon at the second largish waterfall. Even our adventurous duo was reluctant to climb this double waterfall and opted to detour around this one with the others.

It was time for lunch with a view. The view down the valley from the top of falls was limited given the amount of haze from the recent bushfires but was still worth the effort. It was now time to pull out the compass and navigate across to the Warrie Circuit. There was a fair bit of Wait-a-while vine around but nonetheless the rainforest was very picturesque with the occasional palm glade.

We were soon on the Warrie Circuit and headed down the bush track towards the Pinnacle and then the cars.

The track is now very distinct unlike the faint track I followed seven years ago so obviously the Pinnacle is now part of the Warrie Circuit for most walkers. We were now in a Sclerophyll forest which was covered in places with beautiful ferns. Five of the group climbed the Pinnacle and were rewarded with better views than the waterfall but again the haze ruined any distant views. We could see, however, Boyd's Butte our original destination this weekend. Another day. It was now a short walk from the Pinnacle to Fairview Mountain through forest alive with Lepidozamia before dropping to the cars on a steep fire trail arriving just before 4.20pm. All agreed that the club's first walk up Mudgeeraba Creek was well a return but only when it's dry. For those interested we walked 14.3km and ascended/descended 613m each way.

We said our goodbyes to Veronica and headed back to Mudgeeraba for a cold drink before heading home. My thanks to the 5 walkers who joined me – Peter, Phil, Paddy, Russell, and a visitor, Veronica.

Michael.

### **Cup Weekend Walk in the Victoria Alps Mt Howitt, Mt Magdala & the Crosscut Saw Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

This was possibly the best bushwalk I have ever done. Rugged terrain, hard walking, views for miles, terrific companionship, great camping spots with camp fires every night. Bushwalking Nirvana. Plus we had Tom Buykx leading the trip. He is a bushwalking legend.

The walk across Mt Howitt was sensational with the alpine meadows allowing views for miles. On Monday we traversed a part of the jagged razorback that is the Crosscut saw.

Day 1 – Distance about 16 km and height gain about 900 metres. It was a punishing day as we walked up the Howitt Spur. It was very hard going as it was steep with a huge number of trees down blocking the track that slowed us down. Finally we got to the end of the ridge at the West peak of Mt Howitt. A long break then onto the main summit of Mt Howitt (1,742 m). The views from Mt Howitt were just sensational. You could make out the summits of Mt Feathertop and Mt Bogong in the

distance – they are approximately 80 km away. Then onto Macalister's Springs where we camped for the night. A long day about 9 hours of walking.

Day 2 – distance about 14 km and height gain about 600 metres. A daywalk today out to Mt Magdala. We traversed Mt Howitt again. A special place. You feel like you are on top on the world. The vegetation is only ankle high so you get unobstructed views. Then a few ups and downs to get across to Mt Magdala. Just before the summit there is a distinctive cleft in the rocks called Hell's Window. We had lunch here. We then quickly zipped up to the summit. A beautiful place made more memorable as Russ lead us in the celebration of the Liturgy of the Word. Peter and Michael were keen to do the circuit around Mt Magdala and zoomed off to do the circuit of the upper and lower tracks. Then back to Macalister's Springs. Plenty of time tonight to visit the Vallejo Gantner Hut that was built in 1971. It was an easy day of only about 6 hours walking.

After dinner we discussed changing our plans. The weather was on the turn and we would be pushed for time if we tried to do the Crosscut Saw to Mt Speculation daywalk on the Monday and walk back to the cars on Tuesday and then drive to Melbourne. Plan B was decided on - leave early and go down the Stanleys Name Spur via the Crosscut Saw and camp at the 'Howqua Junction'

Day 3 – distance about 16 km – height gain 400 metres – height descent 900 metres. Up early and away by 7.53am. Finally we got to walk on the Crosscut Saw. It is a special place. Very easy walking but so sensational. The Crosscut is about 4km long and undulates up and down across a narrow ridgetop with huge valleys either side. One side had the ominous name of the Terrible Hollow. The wind in places was very gusty then a few more metres along there was no wind. There was a big snow drift beside the track and we took the obligatory photos and made snow balls and threw them into the air. All too soon we were at the turn off to go down – 'Stanleys Name Ridge'. Several of us ambled along the Crosscut to its highest point. Michael and Peter got to the ends of the Crosscut saw but time didn't allow them to get to Mt Buggery (yes that is the name of the place). The Crosscut is a special place. All too soon it was time to go. This ridge was extremely steep in places and required some scrambling to get around a few of the rocky knolls. Half way down the ridge we found an idyllic camp spot which was close to a mountain creek. We followed the old logging Road which was a bit treacherous in

places as Peter Matheson had the misfortune of stepping on a soft spot on an old bridge and the road gave way and his leg fell into a pot hole up to his thigh. How he didn't break a leg is a mystery. We finally arrived at the junction of the north and south branches of the Howqua River. We were close to the cars but we decided to camp here and have another night in the bush. It was a good call as soon as we got our tents up the rain set in for a few hours and it would have been a bugger walking out in the rain and the road out in the wet would have been painful. We had a lovely night around the camp fire enjoying our last meal together.

Day 4 – distance about 4km – up early and a quick walk back to the cars. It took just over an hour. There were 6 creek crossings and some of us kept our boots dry by wearing 'crocs'.

The drive out was along the Bindaree Road and then the Circuit Road was sensational. We made a few tourist stops to look at the Bindaree Falls and the Howqua Gap Huts. The terrain was so steep and covered by huge trees – mainly the alpine ash. We also got views of the ranges we had been to. We also got great views of Mt Buller and Mt Stirling and both had a sprinkling of snow drifts. A quick stop in Mansfield for lunch and a shower. Then the drive back to Melbourne with the obligatory stop to watch the running of the Melbourne Cup at a hotel in the small town of Yarck. Of course the hotel had a sign on the wall "Where the Farck is Yarck" and of course we got several photos of it. Back in Brissie by 8pm

The trip was just sensational. We are definitely going to the Victorian Alps again next year to do the Bogong High Plains. And we are going back to the Crosscut Saw and Mt Speculation probably in four years time. The trip has rekindled the interest to do more of these long distance walks, so come along and join us next time we go.

The party this year had nine eager walkers  
BCBC  
Phil Murray, Russ Nelson, Jan Nelson, Mike Wood & Peter Constable

CWCV  
Tom Buykx, Janet Wilkinson, Joan Donnan, Peter Matheson

Phil

## **JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY PROPOSED ITINERARY 2013**

At the last JTS meeting the itinerary for next year was proposed. There was plenty of lively discussion especially about the Granada Tapas Bar. Some really loved it, some were dead against it. We will have to have a vote at the next meeting to resolve the dilemma. The second draft of the itinerary is set as follows

<b>DATE</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
January 18 <sup>th</sup>	Story Bridge Hotel
February 15 <sup>th</sup>	Merthyr Bowls Club
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sparrow & Finch *
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	The Plough Inn
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	Transcontinental Hotel*
June 21 <sup>st</sup>	Groove Train Bar
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	Lock'n'Load Bistro* or Granada Tapas Bar

Aug 16 <sup>th</sup>	Irish Club
Sept 20 <sup>th</sup>	Elephant & Wheelbarrow & Dinner at China Town
Oct 18 <sup>th</sup>	MJs Bar at Traders Hotel
Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	Gilhooley's City*
Dec 20 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee Club Riverside -
* There are at least 4 New venues for next year	

Also has anyone tried the Public Service Club – would it be a suitable venue for a JTS meeting?

Phil

### **BCBC WEB SITE**

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

Contains a wealth of information for Members and Visitors. Have a look

## **ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

**MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2011**

**At St Michaels at Ashgrove from 7.30 pm**

This is the ninth time we have had this photo competition. One of the main reasons for the photo competition is to find a “cover photo” for the Annual Report. The other reason for having a photographic competition is to encourage members to bring their photos out and to share them with other members. Our goal as a club is to encourage the love of the bush and bushwalking. I trust the photos will display the spirit of the Club and the beauty of nature and why we go bushwalking. The best overall photo will go on the front cover of the Annual Report.

The categories of the competition are -

1. **Landscape** - this includes all the landscapes, waterscapes, mountains
2. **Moods of nature** - sunrises, sunsets, storm and rain or misty days
3. **Nature Close up** - plants, animals, birds, rocks, leaf litter etc
4. **People and faces** - Portraiture & Club Character
5. **Miscellaneous**- any photos that do not fit into any other category.
6. **International Walking** - photos from overseas walks
7. **Best overall** - awarded to the print deemed to be best overall by the invited judge.
8. **People's choice**. The best photo selected by the members.

The previous winners of the Best Overall and the People's Choice are as follows

	Year	Best Overall		People's choice	
		Photo	Winner	Photo	Winner
1	2004	Lending a Helping Hand to a Bushwalker*	Iain Renton	Pat's Bluff	Phil Murray
2	2005	Mt Barney	Patricia Mackie	Karawatha Pool	Robyn Jones
3	2006	Mt Lindsay	Marie Ricketts	The 'Organ Pipes' at Mt Kaputar	Michele Johns
4	2007	Archbishop Bathersby at Barney	Patricia Lawton	Mt Lindsay with Morning Cloud	Phil Murray

		Mass 2007 -			
5	2008	A Bushwalker** on the razorback at Page Pinnacle	Richard Johns	Club Founders at 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass	Phil Murray
6	2009	A Bushwalker# on the Glasshouse Mountains	Paddy Taylor	Early Morning Mist on Hinchinbrook island	Pat Lawton
7	2010	50th Anniversary Barney Mass with Archbishop	Phil Murray	The Main Range	Paul Evans
8	2011	Pandanus tree on Stradbroke Island	Andrea Turner	Tranquil Morning at Tooloom Falls	Maree Hutchinson

\* *The Bushwalkers in 2004 - John Carter & Maxine Brophy*, \* *Bushwalker in 2008 - Michael Simpson*, # *Bushwalker in 2009 - Julia Cowan*

**The Competition Rules**

- entry is open to club members only
- the photographs have to be prints and displayed at the November meeting.
- size - photo approximately A5 size - 210 mm x 149 mm or smaller so it can fit on the front cover of the Annual Report (this will be strictly enforced)
- Each person may enter 2 photographs per category.
- Each photograph must be titled and have the owner's name and date.
- the photos must be from a BCBC trip or in the area in which we usually walk.
- Photographs can be entered on the night but no later than 8.00pm. There is no entry fee.
- There will be an overall winning photo which will receive a modest prize.
- The winning photo will go on the front cover of the next annual report.
- The ownership of the photo will remain that of the photographer.
- The owner agrees to allow the Club to scan their photos to use the photos in the club magazine annual report and website.

## **PROPOSED OUTING PROGRAM FOR 2013**

The Proposed Outings Program has been formally approved by the Committee at the committee meeting on 24-09-2012 and it was also discussed at the October general meeting. A copy of the program is included in this month's Magazine.

The program is designed to cater for the broad spectrum of outings for all the members of the Club. The next major task is to organise members to lead the walks. So if you get a phone call to ask about your availability to lead a trip, it would be good for the club if you can lead a trip. Please note I am flexible in trying to cater for potential leaders by making small changes to the proposed program.

Structure of the program

Over the last few years there was no easily discernible structure to the Club's Outings Program. This year as a means to ensure it is easy to follow the program we have adopted a more structured approach. In very brief outline the starting point for the planning was to have a clearly defined structured approach to ensure we catered for a wide spectrum of interests and abilities.

The program structure was designed as follows

- a. first Sunday - graded track walks
- b. second Saturday - off track walks
- c. -third Saturday - special events e.g. lilo trips, bike rides and Shepherds walk, socials etc
- d. fourth Saturday - City Walks
- e. fourth Saturday and Sunday – base camps, through walks or other hard daywalks



f. for the fifth Saturday - we tried to plan other hard daywalks

### Theory Behind the Structure

The aim of preparing the program was to address what was perceived as a key need for the Club. Traditionally 'bushwalking' in the Club has catered for the off track walks. But going through the records there has been a noticeable decline in the number of people doing the off track walks and camping trips over the last few years. There was also a noticeable decline in numbers of leaders for the off track walks and camp trips. As Outings Secretary when I go through the list as to who I can ask to lead the off track walks the list is not a long one. Fortunately, Justin Tobin, Peter Constable and Michael Simpson have taken on most of the responsibility of leading the off track walks. As an aside, the term 'off track walks' is perhaps a misnomer as most of these trips off track walks there is actually a rough track, eg Mt Maroon, but more often than not it somewhat rough and can be steep in places.

A decision was made to make the 'off track walks' the primary focus of the Outings Program. To ensure that the focus was placed on these off track walks the decision was made to design the program around them. Hopefully, this renewed focus will help revitalize them and ensure that they weren't perceived as the interest of a few dedicated hard walkers and try to appeal to a greater number of members. But how to do this?

Firstly, it was noticed that certain events were very successful, especially those events that had a clearly identifiable day on the program set aside for them e.g. the JTS meetings on the third Friday of the month or Terry's Shepherds Walk, which is always the third Saturday of July. So following on from the success of those events the obvious plan was to have a designated day set aside each month for the 'off track walks'.

But which day?

After a lot of permutations the best day we came up with was the Second Saturday of the month as it has the day with the least conflicts with other events and with public holidays.

Also, it was observed that the third Saturday seemed to have other regular Club events on that day eg the Club Hut feast was around the third Saturday of March, the Shepherds walk was on the third Saturday of July, the Currumbin walk & Sculpture Festival was usually on the third Saturday of September and the Annual Mass and Dinner was usually on the third Saturday of May.

So rather than fight a natural pattern we decided to go along with it. Therefore the third Saturday was set aside for these events which we have labelled the 'special events'. It didn't take long to slot in other events that may fit that category e.g. wildflower walks or other themed events and special socials e.g. the Progressive Dinner by Ferry. It was noticed that the first Saturday often had public holidays and the fourth Saturday also had a string of public holidays. So by default the second Saturday seemed to be the best fit where we could have a designated day each month for the off track walks.

The next decision was the scheduling of firstly the graded track walks and secondly the camp trips and they seemed a natural fit to put them on the first Sunday and last weekend respectively. Also, we have noticed that there was a demand for what can be called City Walks and they were also catered for by lining them up on the same weekend as the camp trips.

The next part was the hard part, as we had to slot in all the relevant walks. Many hours were spent coming up with ideas and having meetings to get to where we are with the latest version of the Proposed Outings Program for next year. But the hard part still has to be done and that is to get leaders to take on the task of leading those trips.

### Weekend Trips

When the Outings sub-Committee meeting discussed the program we realized we had to be somewhat conservative for the camping trips we 'programmed' as there was a concern we didn't want to be too ambitious. There is always the possibility we could list 12 walks and only a few

actually eventuate. So we didn't plan 12 camp trips for the year but if anyone wants to slot in more camp trips the offers of leading such a camp trip will be accepted. The success of the weekend camp trips is dependent on experienced leaders taking on the leadership roles. So we aimed small, with the hope that we get at least those walks out.

There was also a request that camping trips be planned to line up with the full moons. On later checking it was noticed that many of the proposed camping trips did actually line up reasonably closely with the full moon, so fortunately that concern has been addressed by default.

I have tried to include a few other special events like the lilo trip, bike trips, the sculpture walk in the program and hopefully in time we might also have an interest in doing rogaining trips and abseiling trips again.

The Proposed Outing Program is set out in the magazine. I trust you find something you might be interested in.

Phil

**BCBC 2013 PROPOSED OUTINGS PROGRAM  
VERSION 3 AS AT 24-09-2012**

Month	Date	Day	Trip	Leader	Type
<b>Jan</b>	1	Tues	?????		
	6	Sun	Warrie Circuit		DW
	12	Sat	Stairway Falls via Bullant spur.	Michael?	DW
	19	Sat	Obi Obi - Lilo Trip	Phil Murray	Lilo
	21	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	26	Sat	<b>Australia Day</b> Blue Pool Trip	Phil Murray	DW
	26, 27, 28		Australia Day Long Weekend??		
<b>Feb</b>	3	Sun	Illinbah	Greg Endicott	DW
	9	Sat	Muscat & Bailey creeks	Peter?	DW
	16	Sat	Canoe Trip		Canoe
	18	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	23	Sat	Wellington Point & King Is	Maxine Brophy	CW
	23, 24	Sat	Mt D'Aguilar		DW
<b>March</b>	3	Sun	Purlingbrook Falls		DW
	9	Sat	Valley of the Diamonds		DW
	16	Sat	Club Hut Feast		ON
	17	Sun	Club Hut daywalk	Michele Johns	DW
	18	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	23	Sat	City to Uni and back		CW
	23, 24		Camping trip?? vacant		
	31 <sup>st</sup>	Sun	Easter Sunday		
	29,30,31 1		Easter Weekend trip????		
<b>April</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mon	Pats Easter Monday Walk - Mt Goolman	Pat Lawton	DW
	7	Sun	Noosa to Coolum Beach Walk		DW
	13	Sat	Mt Joyce		DW
	15	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	20	Sat	Bike Ride – Sandgate to Scarborough		Bike
	27	Sat	Lowood to Cominya – Rail Trail		CW
	25, 26,	Thurs	<b>Anzac Day W/E</b> - Moreton Island –		TW

	27,28	to Sun	TW		
<b>May</b>	5	Sun	Straddie – Blue Lake area		DW
	11	Sat	Mt May to Mt Maroon		DW
	18	Sat	Annual Mass & Dinner		Soc
	20	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	25	Sat	Bridges of Brisbane		CW
	25, 26	Sat/ Sun	Emu Creek BC - Steamers & Panorama		BC
<b>Jun</b>	2	Sun	Bare Rock		DW
	8	Sat	Glen Rock		DW
	15	Sat	Lizard Point	Michael Simpson	
	15	Sat	Backyard Camp Fire –		Soc
	17	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	22	Sat	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Helen Mees	CW
	21, 22	Sat/ Sun	Camp trip???? vacant		
	29	Sat	Mt Castle		DW
<b>Jul</b>	7	Sun	Trachyte Circuit & Ngun Ngun		DW
	13	Sat	Beau Brummel to Grass Tree Knob		DW
	15	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	20	Sat	Shepherd's Walk		DW
	27	Sat	Mt Gravatt to Southbank		
	27	Sat	Larkin's- Mt Barney via Savages Ridge		BC
<b>Aug</b>	4	Sun	Somerset Trail	Desley Pedrazzini	DW
	3,4,5	Sat to Sun	Main Range Throughwalk – Lemon Tree Flat to Teviot Gap	Matthew Palmer	TW
	4	Sat	Spicers Peak Traverse	Michael Simpson	
	10	Sat	Mt Warning	Phil Murray	DW
	14	Wed	Barney Mass		DW
	17	Sat	Toohey Forest Wildflower Walk	Phil Murray	DW
	19	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	24	Sat	Forest Hill, Marburg Heritage Walk		CW
	24, 25	Sat	Swan Knoll & Huntley		DW
	31 <sup>st</sup>	Sat	Noosa Trails	Terry Silk	DW
	31 <sup>st</sup>	Sat	Blue Mountains - the Marathon		
<b>Sept</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> ????	Sun	Bridge to Brisbane??	Greg Endicott	DW
	7, 8	Fri to Sun	Pilgrimage???		BC
	14	Sat	Stinson & Pt Lookout		DW
	15	Sun	<b>Currumbin to Burleigh (Low Tide at 10.08)</b>	Phil Murray	
	16	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	21	Sat	Currumbin to Burleigh Walk – Sculpture Festival		DW

	28	Sat	Norman Park to Stones Corner		CW
	28, 29	Sat to Sun	Border Fence Walk?		TW
<b>Oct</b>	6	Sun	Cabarita to Pottsville Beach walk		DW
	6,7,8,	Fri to Mon	Labour Day weekend??? – Boonoo Boonoo		TW & BC
	12	Sat	Tibrogargan & Coochin Hills	Greg Endicott	DW
	19	Sat	Bike Ride – West End to North Shore		Bike
	21	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	26	Sat	Russell Island		CW
	26,27	Sat to Sun	Border Ranges		BC
<b>Nov</b>	3	Sun	Tooloona Circuit		DW
	1,2,3,4,5	Fri to Tues	Vic Alps		TW
	9	Sat	Fountain Falls		DW
	16	Sat	Progressive Dinner by Ferry		Soc
	18	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	23	Sat	Cleveland Point		CW
	23, 24	Sat to Sun	??? camp trip vacant		
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	????		
<b>Dec</b>	1	Sun	Lower Portals		DW
	7	Sat	Xmas party		Soc
	14	Sat	Bohgaban Falls		DW
	16	Mon	<b>BCBC Monthly Meeting</b>		
	21	Sat	??		??
	26	Thurs	Boxing Day		DW
	28	Sat	New Farm to South bank		CW

## HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

**GENERAL MEETINGS:** Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 carpark.

**VISITORS** are always welcome.

### 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.
- (h) All visitors must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance purposes.

**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: \$40; Associate Members: \$30; Spouse Members: \$10.00; Country: \$30.00.

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. 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 Outings or Socials, contact the leader shown in the calendar or article.

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## PARK ALERTS & WEATHER

[http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks\\_and\\_forests/park\\_alerts/index.php](http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/park_alerts/index.php)

Find a Park: <http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/index.php>

See: Weather

<http://www.bom.gov.au/weather/radar/>

<http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/>

<http://info.energex.com.au/tracker/asp/lightningtracker.asp>

Search & Rescue

<http://www.fmrqld.bwq.org.au/overdue.html>

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