

JILALAN



Mt Maroon - Saturday 29th September - Trevor Ph. 3269 4795

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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
Aug 24/26	The Marathon	Phil		TW	
25	Mystery Walk and Dinner	Justin		Soc	
Sep 1	Flinders Peak	Michael		DW	
2	Bridge to Brisbane	Greg		Soc	
7/9	The Bushwalkers Pilgrimage	Phil		BC	
Sept 15	Greenmount to Currumbin	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S11
16	Lunch at the Rosewood Pub	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
17	Club Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
19	Talk Like a Pirate Day	Jack Sparrow		Soc	
21	JTS – Theodore Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
22	Shipstern Wildflowers	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L34
22/23	Search and Rescue Training	FMR		Trn	
29	Mt Maroon	Trevor	3269 4795	DW	M56
29	Aspley to Virginia	Desley	3369 5530	CW	M22
Oct 1	Jilalan Deadline	Carol	3269 4795		
1	Queen's B'day Public Holiday	EIRR			
6	Open House Brisbane	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
6	Active Outdoors Expo	QORF			
7	Lunch @ The Norman Kate Q	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
13	Great Aussie Campout				
14	Echo Point	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L34
15	Club Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
17	Ride to Work Day				
19	JTS – MJ's @ Traders	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Love Creek Falls	Peter	3205 5982	DW	S54
27	Boyd's Butte	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
28	West End to the City & Back Ride	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
Nov 1	Jilalan Deadline	Carol	3269 4795		
2/6	Australian Alps	Phil	5522 9702	TW	
5	Recycling Week				
10	Delica Road Area	Michele	3353 2822	DW	M34
10/11	Lennox Head to Brunswick Head	Paul	0412 339311	BC	L33
14	Full Solar Eclipse				
16	JTS – Lennon's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Larapinta Falls	Peter	3205 5982	DW	
18	Floressence				
19	Club Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
24	Noosa Heads	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M22
Dec 1	Jilalan Deadline	Carol	3269 4795		
1/2	Mt Barney Creek Circuit			TW	
8	Christmas Party			Soc	
9	Moreton Bay Islands			DW	S21
14	Christmas Lights			Soc	
15	Northbrook Creek	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
17	Club Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
21	JTS – Coffee Club Eagle St Pier	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
26	Killarney Glen			DW	
31	New Year's Eve Party			Soc	
Jan 1	Jilalan Deadline	Carol	3269 4795		

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

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

KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km per 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 per day	3 - Graded track with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	3 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to 5 hours walking. Undulating terrain
	4 - Rough unformed track or open terrain with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	4 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to 5 hours walking. Up to 300m gain/loss per day
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. Up to 450m gain/loss per day. Agility required
	6 - Steep, rough or rocky terrain with large climbs using hands or rock hopping	6 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking. Up to 600m gain/loss per day. 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. Up to 750m gain/loss per day. 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. Up to 1000m gain/loss per day. 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. 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

God of Compassion,
 Hear the cries of the people of Syria,
 Bring healing to those suffering from the violence,
 Bring comfort to those mourning the dead,
 Strengthen Syria's neighbours in their care and welcome for refugees,
 Convey the hearts of those who have taken up arms,
 And protect those committed to peace.

God of Hope, inspire leaders to choose peace over violence and to seek reconciliation with enemies,
 Inspire the church around the world with compassion for the people of Syria,

And give us hope for a future of peace built on justice for all
 We ask this through Jesus Christ,
 Prince of Peace and Light of the World,
 Amen. (St Williams Grovelly Parish Bulletin)

A NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR

Could everyone please have **their articles** for the October Jilalan by the **FIRST OF OCTOBER**

From now on, the due date for articles from the magazine will be the **1st OF EVERY MONTH**. I've made a couple of changes in the layout this month, and I hope you enjoy the mag. Carol

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.

COMING EVENTS

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

15th SEPTEMBER, SATURDAY COOLANGATTA TO CURRUMBIN CREEK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Mob 0416 650 160
Meet time: 7.00am
Meet place: St Brigid's Red Hill carpark
Cost: \$20, plus \$3 for the bus fare
Bring your GoCard
Distance: About 12kms
Grade: S11
Location: On the Gold Coast
Web: www.southerngoldcoast.com.au/files/Walks%20and%20Lookouts.pdf
Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Or Phil 0413 307 580

The trip is on again but it only about 10 to 12km long to make it easy for people to do. It is an easy walk along the beach.

We leave Brisbane from Red Hill, park the cars at Currumbin Creek Carpark (north side) then catch the bus to Coolangatta. We then follow the concrete path around to Snapper Point and then there is a small hill to ascend (there is a compulsory hill to qualify as a walk). The party will then walk to the lookout above Duranbah, where we will have morning tea. Then it is a walk along the beach back to Currumbin.

We will have a longish break at Elephant Rock & Currumbin Beach to have lunch and to admire the sculpture festival called "Swell". Then we cross over the bridge and back to the cars.

Come along on a lovely easy trip with magnificent views, a spot of art and culture, a leisurely lunch and swim.
Phil

16th SEPTEMBER, SUNDAY LUNCH AT THE ROSEWOOD PUB SOCIAL



The Rising Sun Hotel

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Roma Street Station on Platform 8 (or whatever platform the Ipswich train leaves from.) Or along the way at any station on the Ipswich line. We will be in the last carriage of the train.
Meet Time: 10.20am for the 10.30am Ipswich train.
Return: 2.05pm Train. Arrive Roma Street 3.33pm
Warning: Rail trackworks could throw the timetable to the wind.
Cost: Train: Free if you have done 9 trips during the week on your GoCard. Or up to \$12.30 depending on time of day or type of GoCard.
Pub: depends on what you eat & drink.
Coordinates: -27.644663, 152.593747
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995
Transinfo: <http://translink.com.au/>

Rising Sun Hotel is the closest pub to the Rosewood Railway Station. It was built in 1908 and still retains its unusual corner roof turret and its delightful veranda and awnings. Part of the Rising Sun Hotel was destroyed by fire in its early days. Unusual or uncanny that all four pubs built in Rosewood have been destroyed or damaged by fire, with one not being rebuilt.

This is our lunchtime venue. Travel in air-conditioned trains to the small but important town of Rosewood. A survivor in the rural areas of south east Queensland. The pub is atmospheric and delightful. As well as historic.

The new two-storey hotel was designed in 1908 by Ipswich architect Will Haenke and was built by C. Risdale who probably started work around December 1908. The plans show four large and two smaller rooms on the upper floor and a large bar room and a billiard room on the ground floor. The curved bar is shown with elaborate pedimented shelving against the wall.

Come along for this unusual social in the country. Experience country hospitality. Have a great meal.

PS: There are Track Works on the Ferny Grove Line all weekend. (This does not affect the Ipswich Line). Expect delays of 1 hour. Leave earlier or drive to the City. I am getting a Buz from The Gap. There should be free parking in Upper Albert St (I hope) or elsewhere.

Photo 14/12/2008. Photo and information submitted by Jacko, Many Thanks courtesy - library.ipswich.qld.gov.au/pubs/pubctryt.htm

17th SEPTEMBER, 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.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.

19th SEPT, WEDNESDAY TALK LIKE A PIRATE DAY FUN

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/world/talk-like-pirate-day>

What do people do?

International Talk Like A Pirate Day is celebrated in more than 40 countries worldwide. It is a fun day that involves people talking like pirates. Some people dress in pirate costumes as well. It is celebrated among fans in countries such as Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States.

International Talk Like A Pirate Day is a growing global observance but it is not a public holiday on September 19. Talk Like a Pirate Day receives media attention closer to and around September 19 each year. Some communities work with organizations such as Childhood Cancer Support and Marie Curie Cancer Care to raise funds or increase awareness of cancer support and research.

Background: John Baur ("Ol' Chumbucket") and Mark Summers ("Cap'n Slappy") are credited for

creating the concept of International Talk Like A Pirate Day on June 6, 1995. Instead, they chose September 19 as the annual date for the event.

International Talk Like A Pirate Day was a low-key event until 2002, when it received media attention via syndicated humour columnist Dave Barry. The event's popularity spread from that point onwards. International Talk Like a Pirate Day is celebrated among individuals, work colleagues, and charity and fundraising organizations around the world.

Symbols: Various phrases, such as "Ahoy", "Arrr", and "Aye aye", are spoken on International Talk Like a Pirate Day. Some people dress in pirate costumes that they make, buy or hire. Costumes include pirate swords, hats and eye patches. Some people have images of the skull and bones on hats, costumes or printed material to promote the day.

<http://www.talklikeapirate.com/piratehome.html>

21st SEPT, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY THE THEODORE CLUB

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

Time: From 4pm till 8ish

Where: 333 Adelaide St, Between Creek and Wharf Sts

What For: For a chat, a drink and a meal

Location: Opposite the Post Shop, Flight Centre and Gloria Jeans. It is on the 1st floor – go up the steps to your left just before the glass entry doors of the building

Web:<http://www.thetheodoreclub.com/inside.htm>

Emerg Off: Phil on 0413 307 580

We go back once again. Why? It is quite and, the drinks are cheap. Plus it is back in Brisbane proper and after our excursions north and south it is back to the City.

The last time we went here was back in January 2011 as we couldn't get across to the Story Bridge Hotel as the ferries weren't running because there was too much debris in the river after the floods. Anyway, the jetty at Thornton St was washed away.

The bar is on the first floor. Comer up the stairs or use the lift. As it is a Club you have to sign in. Jimmy the manager (yes we are first name basis with the manager) is a stickler for getting people to sign in. And it always a good time here.

Be here before 6pm as the kitchen closes then.

The Theodore Club is named after a former Queensland Premier who had the nickname of

Red Ted for his reformist zeal and he has been described a Keynesian economist

The last few JTS nights have been excellent with about 15 people at the Groove Train Bar in King George Square and about 12 at the Granada Tapas Bar both were very well received. Come along they are a good night out.

So come along and try a place that is one of old favourites. Phil

**22nd SEPTEMBER, SATURDAY
SHIPSTERN WILDFLOWERS
DAYWALK**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Or 0416 650 160

Meet at: St Brigid's carpark

Time: 7.00am

Cost: \$20

Grade: L34

Location: Binna Burra at Lamington NP

Web: <http://www.lamingtonnationalpark.net.au/Documents/Scene/ship.htm>

Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 5522 9702

Distance: about 16km

We went here in 2010 and the wildflowers were very, very, very good. There were about 30 species in flower. I heard from a reliable source that on the same weekend Dave's Creek had about 2 species in flower. Dave's Creek has the reputation for having wildflowers but actually there are more to see on Shipstern. I just hope the mini-drought doesn't affect them before we get there.

The walk is mainly through rain forest until we get out to the Shipstern Ridge where there is huge assortment of wildflowers. This will be an "out and back" trip to Shipstern via Nagoorigan Hut. We won't be doing the circuit walk. If time permits we might have a quick look at Surprise Rock. It is a wildflower trip but we will be setting a cracking pace to get out there so we can spend more time looking for the botanical treasures so it is not an easy walk.

It is a great walk with great views and lots of wildflowers. Distance about 16 km. Phil

**22nd & 23rd SEPTEMBER, SAT & SUN
SEARCH AND RESCUE
TRAINING FMR**

Contact: fmrqld@gmail.com

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

Email for more information about the planned activities for the weekend.

**29th SEPTEMBER, SATURDAY
MT MAROON
DAYWALK**

Leader: Trevor Kelly Ph: 3269 4795

Meet at: St Brigid's Red Hill

Time: 6:45am

Grading: M56

Cost: \$20.00

Location: South of Boonah

Web: http://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/mt_barney/mt_maroon

Emerg Off: Carol Ph: 3269 4795

Mt. Maroon has always been a favourite mountain for me with its own characteristics.

It is well known for its abundance of wild flowers, the fantastic gorge, the falls and the opportunities it provides for rock climbers.

I have decided we will ascend from the Cotswold Road entrance, and do a car shuffle, so that we can go down the gorge, and look at Maroon Falls.

Walkers need to take special care not to dislodge rocks on the ascent in some areas, we approaching the warmer weather, so take plenty of water, sunscreen and a hat.

Please nominate early for the walk where wildflowers reign supreme. Trevor Kelly

**29th SEPTEMBER, SATURDAY
ASPLEY TO VIRGINIA
CITY WALK**

Leader: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530

Time: Ring Desley

Meet at: Ring Desley

Cost: Ring Desley

Grading: M22

Location: In the north east suburbs of Brisbane

Web: http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/bccwr/facilities/documents/bike_map_3.pdf

This is another Brisbane Backyard Explorers (BBX) walk which the Club is joining. It will be a nice jaunt through some territory you did not know existed. September (with May) is the best time of the year to be walking – good blue skies, not too warm and one of our drier months.

Bring all the normal bushwalking things – incl water, lunch, hat, comfy shoes, GoCard or money, camera, and lots of conversation.

See you there on this Springtime walk.

**6th OCTOBER, SATURDAY
OPEN HOUSE BRISBANE
SOCIAL**

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Time: 9am
Meet at: The Old Convict Tower Mill, 226 Wickham Tce, Spring Hill
Cost: Nil – except for lunch in you buy it
Grading: S11
Location: Inner city of Brisbane
Web: <http://brisbaneopenhouse.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

Join us to discover Brisbane's hidden treasures as they unlock a multitude of contemporary, historic, and environmentally significant buildings in the heart of the city, South Bank, Fortitude Valley, Petrie Terrace, Spring Hill and Bowen Hills.

Brisbane Open House celebrates the city's surprising diversity and subtropical architecture, giving visitors a rare insight into the best of our buildings, places and spaces, free of charge.

Browse their site to find out more about the event and for some of the 2011 highlights. You can also [download the 2012 BOH program & map](#).

Brisbane Open House is a free-of-charge event, providing residents and visitors with the rare opportunity to discover the hidden wealth of architecture, engineering and history in buildings and places around Brisbane city. Selected buildings are opened for the public with guided and self-guided tours to encourage us to explore, re-examine and engage with Brisbane's built environment – opening eyes and minds to good design and curious spaces.

I have chosen a route that does not overlap too much with about 15 minutes walking between venues.

Come along with me to see the insides of buildings to learn their features and history.

Join us anywhere along the way – take my mobile number with you and just give me a call to find out where we are up to. Greg

**7th OCTOBER, SUNDAY
LUNCH AT The NORMAN
SOCIAL**

Kate Quinlan Society

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Time: 12 noon
Meet at: The Norman Hotel
Cost: \$21 to \$40

Location: 102 Ipswich Rd, Woolloongabba (cnr Qualtrough St)

Web: <http://www.normanhotel.com.au/menus.html>

Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

No better on a balmy spring day than having a steak at The Norman. The old Brekkie Creek owners took this hotel over years ago and rumour says did it better. Or have chicken, lamb, or pasta.

Gather with friends in a cosy atmosphere. Talk, discuss, show photos, plan and more. This is our first adventure here. Be in on the ground floor as we adventure into new territory.

And we have a Kate Quinlan connection:

From 1896, Heaslop leased the hotel before selling it to brewing company, Perkins & Co, in 1900. Perkins & Co, which acquired a number of Brisbane pubs in the same year, was known for its series of beers featuring the letter X. They produced the Perkins XXX Bitter Ale, the iconic XXXX Bitter Ale (introduced in 1924) and even a XXXXXX beer. (The number of Xs referred to the alcoholic strength of the beer.)

Perkins & Co leased the Norman to a series of Publicans until 1928, when the brewer was taken over by its biggest rival and Castlemaine Perkins was born. With the exception of minor renovations and the construction of air raid shelters, the Norman Hotel remained relatively unchanged until the late 1980s.

In 1987, the Cavill family of hoteliers purchased the Norman Hotel and some adjoining land, on which they built a beer garden and outdoor dining area. The air raid shelters and stables were also removed from the rear of the property and, in 1988, the now-famous steakhouse opened.

With their experience in operating successful pubs and steak restaurants, the Cavills quickly transformed the Norman Hotel into one of Brisbane's most iconic, destination pubs.

As its popularity and reputation grew, the Norman Hotel became known as Brisbane's Worst Vegetarian Restaurant - a tag that endures today. Greg

**14th OCTOBER, SUNDAY
ECHO POINT
DAYWALK**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Or 0416 650 160
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark
Time: 7.00am
Cost: \$20
Grade: L34

Location: At the O'Reilly's end of Lamington
Web: <http://www.oreillys.com.au/lamington-national-park/bushwalking/full-day-walks>
Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702
Distance: about 20km

This is a great trip up at O'Reilly's an easy but long trip. It is one of my favourite trips - we go past the lovely rainforest along the Albert River. It is a must do trip. It is only 20kms long and just a few gentle inclines. There are a few shallow creek crossings but nothing too challenging. I am looking forward to the chance to stride out on a walk. So come along for an easy graded track walk. You will feel as though you are on top of the world for days afterwards. So come along for a great walk.

Bring all the usual daywalk stuff. Plus maybe a jacket as it can get cool at the high altitude at O'Reilly's.

The coffee shop may be closed by the time we get back so you may need to pack a thermos to leave in the car for a coffee after the trip.

Terry mentioned at the last Committee meeting there had been whispers that there were too few Sunday walks, so hopefully this walk will cater for that preference. Phil

15th OCTOBER, 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.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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17th OCTOBER, WEDNESDAY RIDE2WORK DAY

<https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/general/ride2work/93176/>

The Ride2Work Program aims to get people started and keep them riding to work.

The Ride2Work Program is a nationally run, year round program that actively encourages thousands of Australians thinking of commuting by bicycle to give it a try. Existing riders can share their knowledge and experience with peers, as well as support and encourage those starting out.

The big event on the Ride2Work calendar is [Ride2Work Day](#), the only nationally recognised event of its kind which provides an opportunity for individuals and organisations to celebrate riding to work and encourages people that don't currently ride to give it a go. Ride2Work Day on 17 October is the perfect opportunity for you to have a go at riding to work, or celebrate your regular commute in Australia's largest bike riding event.

Ride2Work Day is the perfect opportunity for you to have a go at riding to work. Whether you are a new or existing commuter, by participating in Ride2Work Day and registering to make your ride count, you make an important contribution to building the case for better bike facilities in your community.

Join the commuter revolution and make your ride count. It's fast, free and makes a difference. Be a part of Australia's biggest celebration of bike riding for your chance to win great prizes and help Australia's bicycle organisations to build the case to improve bike facilities for everyone.

19th OCTOBER, FRIDAY MJ's RESTAURANT AND BAR TRADERS HOTEL AT THE ROMA St TRANSIT CENTRE John Toohey Society

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Location: Roma Street; at the old Travel Lodge (it had a name change) Level 2, 159 Roma St,
Time: From 4pm till 8pm
What For: For a chat, a meal and a drink
Web: <http://www.shangri-la.com/brisbane/traders/dining/>
Emerg Off: Phil Ph: 0413 307 580.

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



**20th OCTOBER, SATURDAY
LOVE CREEK FALLS
DAYWALK**

Leader: Peter Constable Ph: 3205 5982
Mob 0418 778 972
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7:30am
Grade: S54
Cost: \$10
Location: Cedar Creek Samford
Web: http://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/brisbane_forest_park_d-aquilar_national_park/cedar_creek_to_white_cedar_picnic_ground
Emerg Off: Tracey Ph: 3205 5982
Distance 7.5kms return.

Grab your Hat and your togs and join me on a pleasant rock hop up Cedar Creek.

We Park the car along Cedar Creek Road and walk down into Cedar Creek and follow the creek upstream. There are several swimming holes and cascades along the way. Once we reach Love Creek Falls we can have lunch at the bottom or do a short scramble up to the top for great views back down the creek. The creek may be slippery after rain and depending on the water level, may need to walk in the water. Return the same way.

**28th OCTOBER, SUNDAY
WEST END TO CITY AND BACK
Via the River Bike Path
BIKE RIDE**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
0416 650 160
Meet at: Orleigh Park, Cnr Orleigh Tce and Hoogley Street, West End Near the Ferry Terminal
Time: 8.00am
Cost: Nil
Location: http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCCWR/assets/bcc/pop-ups/riverwalk/html_map_pop.htm
Distance: 20kms approx
Emerg Off: Phil Ph: 0416 650 160

Another bike ride. This will be the third and last ride for the year. This is a fairly easy ride along the pathways and bikeways along the Riverside.

The plan is to ride along Riverside Drive, then get through Southbank before the crowds get too big. We will ride along the cliffs below Kangaroo Point.

Under the Story Bridge then come up to the Bridge around Dockside. Over the Bridge down under the bridge, past the Riverside Centre, back along the Gardens, along North Quay below the freeway, along bikeway beside Coro' drive, down to the Regatta Hotel and catch the ferry across to Orleigh Park.

If you get tired you can catch the ferry back (bring your GoCard). Approximate distance is about 20km. Hope to finish just before lunch time. I plan to have a bite to eat around 11ish in the Botanical Gardens. So bring a snack along for a leisurely morning tea in the Gardens. This is a very, very short ride and is an ideal ride for new starters to get into bike riding.

This is a very pleasant Sunday morning ride so I hope to see at least several people there. You never know we might get into double figures. Phil

**2nd to 6th NOV, FRIDAY to TUES
VICTORIAN ALPS
Mt HOWITT & THE CROSSCUT SAW
THE CUP WEEKEND WALK
4-DAY WALK**

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Or 0416 650 160
bigrivers@optusnet.com.au

The trip to Victoria Alps for the Melbourne Cup Weekend Walk is on again this year.

We are heading for Macalister's Springs for a walk in basecamp. There will be daywalks to the Crosscut Saw and Mt Magdala. A superb part of Australia to visit.

Macalister's Springs which has a wonderful hut called the Vallejo Gantner Hut. The hut was built in 1971 and it is most unusual design.

The walks on Sunday and Monday are along the Australian Alpine Walking Track.

Please be warned once you do one of these trips you might get hooked on doing them every year so please exercise caution in case you become hooked.

Already 6 people have nominated for this walk so if you really want to come nominate soon.

the trips so far the Cup Weekend Walk we have done with the CWCV.

2006 The Fainters & Feathertop
2007 Wilson's Prom
2008 The Cobberas
2009 The Bogong High Plains & Mt Nelse
2010 Mt Bogong
2011 Mt Bogong & Mt Feathertop
2012 Mt Howitt & the Crosscut Saw
Phil

**10th NOVEMBER, SATURDAY
GHEERULLA CIRCUIT
(starting at Thilba Thalba Walkers Camp)
DAYWALK**

Leader: Michele Johns Ph: 3353 2822
or 0414 635 542

Meet time: 7:00am
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark
Cost: \$20
Grading: M34
Location: Part of the Sunshine Coast
Hinterland Great Walk in the
Mapleton National Park

Web: <http://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/sunshine%20coast>
Emerg Off: Richard Johns Ph: 0409 871 641

Gheerulla Circuit is part of the Great Walks trail and was last walked in 2009 by the club. I have decided to do a shorter version of about 14km. There is a variety of vegetation ranging from open eucalypt forest on the ridges to rainforest, ferns and palms along the creeks. Hundreds of grass trees are also scattered throughout the circuit.

We will begin the walk by joining the circuit via a forestry track, a distance of about 250metres. This will take us to the Thilba Thalba Walkers Camp where we can take in the views of the valley below. We will then follow the track clockwise thus we will descend rather than ascend the Gheerulla Bluff with a number of stone steps on this section, a descent of 300m taking us down to the Gheerula Creek and recreation area.

The last section of the walk follows the creek and some old logging trails and a side track to Gheerulla Falls. There are several creek crossings, most are bridged with very little rock hopping.

This walk should take us about 5 to 6 hours but will be rewarding, with great views and company, so mark this date in your diary. There will be plenty of time to enjoy a coffee on the way home. There is also a great lookout on the way home with views of the Sunshine Coast below, should time allow. Michele Johns

**10th-11th NOVEMBER, SAT - SUN
BRUNSWICK HEADS TO LENNOX HEADS
BASECAMP**

Leader: Paul Evans Ph: 0412 339 311
Leave: 6am Saturday
Meet at: tba
Cost: tba
Grading: L33
Emerg Off: Carolyn Ph: 0412 339 322

Every year, we head down to north NSW for a weekend in November. This weekend is a basecamp by which we are able to explore the surrounding areas. This year I am organizing a beach walk.

The aim is to walk from Brunswick Heads to Lennox Heads with Saturday night staying at Byron Bay at one of the caravan parks. We will be using a car shuffle so as to need day packs during the day. On Saturday night we will be able to go to Mass at Byron Bay followed by fish and chips on the beach.

Camping is the aim for Saturday night however people can stay in cabins or nearby motels. Byron Bay is a beautiful place to start in the morning as we walk down to Lennox Heads. High tide is at 11am so will aim to go around Broken Head around this time. The rest should be a relaxing walk on the beach. You are welcome to walk all, some or none of this walk; it is a great area to visit.

As I am away in October, I would appreciate it if people could nominate as soon as possible. Paul

**18th NOVEMBER, SUNDAY
FLORESSENCE
The Botanical Artist Society Of Queensland
Annual Exhibition**

Information: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Address Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens
Auditorium
Location: At the bottom end of Mt Coot-tha Rd
Time: From 11.00am to 1pm
Web: <http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/facilities-recreation/parks-and-venues/parks/brisbane-botanic-gardens-mt-coot-tha/index.htm>
Emerg Off: Phil on 0413 307 580

This event is organised by The Botanical Artists' Society of Queensland, which is a voluntary organisation formed to foster a greater knowledge,

love and understanding of Botanical Art. Botanical Art illustrates the incredible beauty of plants while retaining scientific accuracy in scale, form and colour.

The Society's focus is two-fold: to provide classes for those beginning or improving their art and to exhibit members' art.

The Society has a recurring exhibition each year called: *Floressence* – it is held in the Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens, Mt Coot-tha Brisbane. One of the standout exhibitors is the work of Anne Hayes who is a former member of the Club and was at the Barney Mass this year.

<http://www.botanicalartqld.com.au/things-we-do/exhibitions>

The Society conducts classes and workshops that all are welcome to participate in. Please visit the classes and workshops page for further information. You can buy a coffee or tea and a bite to eat at the auditorium

Come along for an easy morning and see the beauty of the world through an artist's eyes and hopefully you will learn how to see the world in a new and exciting way. Phil

24th NOVEMBER, SATURDAY NOOSA HEADS DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark
Time: 6.30am
Grade: M22
Cost: \$25
Location: On the Sunshine Coast
Web: www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/noosa/pdf/noosa-headland-map.pdf
Distance about 14 km.

I planned to do a walk a Broken Head but as Paul has changed his walk on the 10th November to cover this walk I thought it was perhaps a bit silly to go to the same location twice in the one month.

So the challenge was to find a similar walk with beaches and headlands and eventually the idea of Noosa National Park came up. It is a beautiful part of the world with lovely sandy beaches several rocky headlands and sensational views.

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Something I noticed when I was Editor, and am still noticing now a few other members have commented on it to me, is the quality of the articles in "Coming Outings" and "Past Outings".

The "Comings" is to let members, and especially visitors, know what to expect on the walk. It should be telling the general details of the walk: its geography, the terrain walking through, type of vegetation, type of ground, approx number of creek crossings, the approx height gain (adding up each of the ups and ignoring each down), any cliffs, anything technical, views, lookouts, and more.

The grading of your walk can be determined by actually reading the "Key – Walk Gradings". Just follow the rows and columns, recall what the walk is like and grade accordingly. The grading reflects what the terrain is like; not how easy/hard you think it is or how a walker will find it. Rate the walk and not the walker.

And the Grading reflects the whole walk, not just the hardest part. Rate the trip as a whole; then in your article mention any point that is "harder" than what it is graded for. So, mention the creek crossings, the cliff, the steep ridge. No need to rate the walk for the hardest point – rate it over the average of the whole trip.

And while I am at it, describe what your walk is about – not the last time you did it, not the troubles you had in the past, not what other walks are like. Just describe what your walkers will expect this time.

An example of what you should have is:
The party will leave the carpark and walk along the brush track, cross the creek and commence going up the hill. The trail follows the south ridge through open eucalypt forest to the first lookout where you will have great views of the track you just walked along.

The track now climbs to a knoll, passing through long grass amongst small rocks. You need your hat here as the vegetation is light on. Views from here are excellent – 260° overlooking all the foothills to the east and the mountains to the south. It puts into perspective all our favourite mountains.

From here there is a little cliffline to get through – not much trouble, and it is only 3m high. Etc, etc, etc.

The "Past Outings" firstly does need to be written – there are several recalcitrant leaders who do not write a thing on their past walks.

And there are those who write the minimal amount – just a few lines which really say nothing.

And there are those who add in things not related to the trip - thinking out loud.

Or over emphasise the disasters or the nasties. Balance the story. Do not dwell on what is not the walking.

Mention, in passing, who was on the trip, what fun you had, the good times, etc, as well as a description of the walk.

Just stick to the facts.

Remember to put "Location" in the heading list and trawl the web to find a suitable web site that hopefully tells a story or shows pictures of the area to be waked. Not hard to find – just time consuming.

And with these in mind, members and visitors will appreciate what is to come, and be enticed to come again when reading a well thought out and well written Past Article. Remember, the Past Article is the advertisement for the next trip.

Greg

OUTINGS SECRETARY REPORT

Early in the year we had we had problems with too much rain with several trips being postponed because of it. But things have changed. After a one of the wettest winters in years the weather has turned and now we are in the grip of a mini drought with the risk of bushfires. Michael's proposed walk to Swan Knoll had to be cancelled because they were burning off in the area.

Past Walks

Looking back over the last month of walks the number of people on walks has been modest. The

one standout exception was the continued success of the Barney Mass where we once again had a bumper crowd with over 40 people. My first interstate trip of the year to the Blue Mountains was a great trip. But once again I was the sole representative in the Marathon – it is a great event and one day the numbers may exceed one from Queensland. This year there were about 40 people there.

The attendance on the recent trips was as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Type		
Aug 2-4	Bald Rock to Wallangarra	Pat	TW	RTW	6
Aug 4	Indooroopilly to Oxley	Paddy	CW	CW	8
Aug 5	Toombul to Shorncliffe	Phil	BR	BR	3
Aug 11	Mt Warning	Brenda	DW	GTW	6
Aug 11	Mt Ballow	Michael	DW	RTW	3
Aug 12	Karawatha Wildflowers	Phil	DW	GTW	7
Aug 15	Barney Mass	Russ	DW	RTW	42
Aug 19	Noosa trails	Terry	DW	RTW	15*
Aug 25	Mystery Walk	Justin	NW	CW	6*
Aug 25-26	Blue Mountains	Phil	TW	RTW	1
Sept 1	Swan Knoll Flinders Peak?	Michael	DW	OTW	2
Sept 2	Bridge to Brissie	Greg	DW	CW	6
Sept 8-9	Canungra Pilgrimage	Phil	BC	Mix	?

Most of the above trips were daywalks and to provide further information I just used a quick abbreviation to differentiate between the various daywalks. A special thank you goes to all the leaders for the above trips.

Advanced Notice – Interstate Trips

Usually I put in a plug for my interstate trips coming up later in the year. But for the Victoria Alps trip to Mt Howitt in November I basically have enough names with 6 on the trip and perhaps that is about the right number for the trip.

Nominate for walks Early

Can I ask that people nominate early for trips.

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 to like Flinders Island. (Actually I heard whispers someone is going there in the next month and it would be great to hear what it is like).

The Camino

Several members of the Club (Helen, Ora, Lynne and Malcolm) will be doing the Camino in Spain in the next few months and on behalf of the Club I would like to wish them a safe and interesting journey.

Leaders Needed

Looking ahead we still need a few leaders for trips

Dec	1-2	Barney Creek Circuit	TW	M66
Dec	9	Moreton Bay Islands	DW	M22
Dec	26	Boxing Day Walk – Killarney Glen	DW	M22

I am very open for people to lead alternative trips for the above dates.

TRIPS

Leave from St Brigid's car park at 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.

VISITORS

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

LEADERS

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

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.

And please print the Leader's/Treasurer's Calculation page when they print their Trip Sheets.
Terry



PAST EVENTS

**MT BELL
SATURDAY 30th JUNE
DAYWALK**

What a magnificent day to be walking on the Main Range. The sky was cloud free and the temperature was low. It was a perfect Queensland winters day. On the climb to Teviot Gap we were rewarded with a great view of Teviot Falls. This is the first time, that I can remember anyway, that I have seen water on Teviot Falls. Paul arrived just before eight and we were now seven and the Main Range beckoned. We set off along the old forestry road and we would follow this for some distance. It is amazing how these old logging roads are still relatively free of major levels of scunge.

After following the road for some distance as it crossed a creek or three we were soon just below the escarpment and therefore not far from Bell. We left the road and climbed to the escarpment and were immediately rewarded with great views back towards Wilson's Peak and our starting point. Before long we on the summit of Mt Bell. Unfortunately like most of the mountains in this area the summit provided no views. In fact we found it difficult to reach the actual summit due to the scunge. Peter found a hole in the scunge which provided some views towards Lizard Point and across to Greville and points beyond.

We left the summit and headed towards the saddle between Bell and Roberts. It was here we decided to turn around and head home. I had reports that an old forestry road started just below the saddle and it wasn't long before our scouts had found the road and we headed down. We soon reached the point where we had climbed to the escarpment earlier and we decided we might try and walk down the escarpment to find Teviot Falls. But we were soon forced inland by the scunge and after a difficult crossing of a creek we decided to cut our losses and head back to the road. We reached our cars around 2.30pm and after saying goodbye to Paul we headed back to Boonah and a welcome cold drink.

This was an interesting walk and I'm sure we'll be back to complete the section from the saddle to Mt Roberts. My thanks to the six walkers who joined and whilst the day was unexpectedly shorter than usual I hope they still enjoyed themselves. The walkers were Terry, Paul, Peter, Nampech, Russ and Jan.
Michael.

**AIRPORT LINK TUNNEL WALK
SUNDAY 15th JULY**

Weather Fine approx. 18°C

Attendance 3

Another Tunnel opening and of course BCBC had to go along. Plus it was free.

Usually Greg Endicott takes on the role of leading the club trips for these opening events but Greg was overseas sailing on the Baltic Sea.

In his absence I took on the role of leading the trip. Unfortunately we had little prior warning of the trip and had to send around a quick email news flash. But at least 3 people turned up. Actually the media made such a fuss about the need to book and the possibility of big crowds that I am sure that it scared a few people away.

Anyhow there were 3 nominations from the Club, Antonia Simpson, Helen Mees and Phil Murray. We met at the appointed time and place. We then had a lovely little stroll over the access roads and bridges, where we got great views of the City and the Showgrounds and then we went through the tunnel. But alas we couldn't walk all the way through – we were only allowed to walk in about a kilometre and then we had to head back. I was so looking forward to traversing the whole tunnel.

On the plus side we had plenty of time for a leisurely lunch. But where?? Antonia said she knew just the place and we went to a new group of shops and eateries at Newstead at the Emporium Hotel. It was a great place. First we went to the Emporium Hotel to check it out for future JTS meetings then we headed for Antonia's favourite place Maccabees. it was sensational food. Have to go again. A great day. Phil

**MT MISTAKE
SUNDAY 29th JULY
DAYWALK**

What a great day! A little harder than some walks, but it was not a *mistake* coming on this club trip. A clear warm winter's day for climbing a ridge.

After meeting at Laidley, we drove up the scenic Laidley Valley with Mt Castle's imposing fortress like cliffs in the distance. Michael's car experienced some mechanical problems so we parked on the side of the road. Just passed the camp ground at Thornton, we headed up Shingle

Hut Creek valley and parking the cars near the farmer's shed at around 270 metres.

We were able to stretch our legs walking up this valley before we had to ascend one of the spurs of the prominent north east ridge of Mt Mistake. The ridge is typical if the Main Range with bloodwood, silver leaf iron bark, rough bark apple, grey gum and she oak with a kangaroo grass understorey. We had to climb over several knolls with the views becoming more spectacular as we rose above the surrounding ranges such as the Little Liverpool Range. We stopped for smoko near a cairn and we could see as far south as Mt Barney and south east to the Lamington Plateau. Close by to the west was the Mistake Plateau and the adjacent Mt Zahel and Beau Brummell to the north.

As our group continued on, there was a transition from open forest to rainforest. As it has been a number of years since a bushfire the raspberry, lantana, vines and crofton weed had grown thick on the rainforest margin. Once past this obstacle, we continued onto Mt Mistake's first knoll (975m). The rainforest contained some good size buttressed trees and was easy going. Following a compass bearing, we continued onto the second knoll about one kilometre away but we moved in and out of the rainforest with the accompanying scunge getting denser and higher. The area had also been dug over by wild pigs, adding to the challenge. At over 1,000 metres and near the second summit we called a halt as time was getting late.

After a short lunch we retraced our steps back down the ridge. On the adjacent cliffs we saw giant spear lilies and above an eagle and peregrine falcon. Descending there was a patchwork of colour in the farmland. Some care had to be taken when descending the steep grassy slopes. We continue on down to the valley and cars. Then followed the drive back to Brisbane and the Gold Coast after a short stop at Laidley.

Thanks to go all who came - Michael, Justin, Russell J, Terry, Peter C, Ivan, John Bigg and Mark Daly. Thanks also to the drivers Michael & Peter. I enjoyed your company on one of the great daywalks of the year.

There are plenty of walks for a base camp based at Thornton. John



WALLANGARRA TO SOUTH BALD ROCK 4th – 5th AUGUST THROUGH WALK

Have you ever been to the Granite Belt in the middle of winter? Well I can tell you it is cold!! However, the forecast of freezing conditions did not deter 6 hardy bushwalkers from doing the through walk from Wallangarra to South Bald Rock. We travelled from Brisbane on Friday afternoon and stayed the night in cosy accommodation in Stanthorpe. An enjoyable time was had watching the Olympics, and also celebrating Iain's birthday with a cake and candle.

We were told it was minus 3 degrees, so it was not surprising that there was ice on the cars next morning. We drove to Wallangarra and called on a friend of mine, at whose place I had arranged to leave a car. We enjoyed a cuppa and some lovely homemade biscuits, as well as having a friendly chat. We did a short car shuttle so that we had a car at the finish of the walk.

Last time I was in that area I tried to follow the border fence from my friend's place. In the process of following many fences we ended up behind the meat works, trapped in a paddock from which we could not get out. A fellow from the meatworks roared down towards in a truck asking "What the hell are you doing in there". He told me us in no uncertain terms that the border fence was a long way over to the right. We must have looked a sight – three bushwalkers and packs wandering through paddocks behind the meatworks. After we convinced him that we were not going to steal cattle, fill our packs with meat etc. he became rather polite and told us how to find the border fence. The route he gave us was quite simple – just go down the road, turn right at a new fence and we were home and hosed. And it was as he said.

Well this time I decided to walk out to the meatworks and follow the road until we turned right at the fence. Little did I know that two roads led from the meatworks and unfortunately I took the wrong road. It was not long before I realized my mistake but though that could be corrected by heading to the right. This took quite a while to do. There was much discussion about where we were. Russell and I headed off to find the border fence – and we found it. Returned to the others with the good news.

We stopped for lunch at a spot from which we obtained great views of Wallangarra and the area

to the west. We continued on our way. It was fairly easy walking as our route had been recently mowed. We passed West Bald Rock, turned to the right and there was Mid Bald Rock on the left hand side. Just before we arrived at our camp we had to cross a creek. As we did not like the idea of wet feet at the end of the day, Russell provided a porter service transporting packs over via a log. We arrived at our camp site at South Bald Rock at about 4.15pm.

Despite the freezing conditions we had an enjoyable night. It was a clear night with the stars shining brightly. It made you feel good to be out camping in such conditions.

We arose on Sunday morning to find the tents covered in ice and frost all around. Russell went to get some water and said the water supply was also covered in ice. My thermometer showed minus 4. It was interesting unzipping the tents and seeing the ice fall off.

By the time we finished breakfast the sun was just starting to filter through. We decided to climb South Bald Rock first and leave the tents to defrost. All were impressed with the rock. No matter how many times I go there I am never disappointed with the climb and the views from the top. On the way up we explored the balancing rocks. As we climbed further up the views of Girraween National Park were great. We could see all the main attractions in the park – Mt. Norman, the Pyramids Bald Rock etc. They looked so small in comparison to South Bald Rock. Of our group four had not been to South Bald Rock before. Iain had been to the rock but had not climbed it, so all were suitably impressed.

Back at camp we pulled our tents down and pack up to start our return trip. We returned via Middle Bald Rock and West Bald Rock and then headed off to the direction of the Mt. Norman road. We explored the old stone cottage en route and then it was not long before we arrived at the Stone Gate and the finish of our walk. Russell's car was there waiting for us.

I enjoyed the walk and the company of my fellow walkers, who were – Jonas Bernotas, Russell and Jan Nelson, Trevor Kelly and Iain Renton. Thanks to the two drivers – Russell and Trevor. Pat Lawton



**BALLOW CIRCUIT
SATURDAY 11th AUGUST
DAYWALK**

We arrived at Cleared Ridge just before 7am to a very windy and cold start to the day. Rugged up we started along the well-worn track to the Upper Portals. Thanks to Justin we had permission to cross private land near Grace's Hut and by 7.30am we were wandering up the ridge that the new hut stands on. As we were now walking with some protection the wind was no longer worrying us. Those who know this area will have realised we were wandering up the wrong ridge and are maybe wondering why. For reasons I won't go into here we decided to do the circuit in the reverse direction and if I do this walk again I would go the same way.

After following the road for some distance it suddenly started to descend so there was no alternative now but to head into the scrub and climb. The terrain whilst steep and heavily grassed was not too difficult and we made reasonable time. We were soon climbing into rainforest which was free of the dreaded wait-a-while and was in fact quite easy to walk through. We left the rainforest just before the top of an unnamed knoll. It was now an easy stroll back into the rainforest to the top of Mowburra. In fact we found a track that seems to still be in use. So somebody must still be walking up here. About 30m from the top of Mowburra there is evidence of a campsite but it is very rocky and not ideal. We arrived at the summit of Mowburra, a rocky outcrop, at 10.30am and were rewarded with limited views towards Barney on one side and the Main Range on the other.

Durramlee is only a short distance away so we were soon at its summit (11am). Unfortunately there were no views and we didn't linger. We headed back to the saddle and hoped to find a track down to Cedar Pass. As we descended we did run across a track but it was so intermittent it proved of little use so we just made our way down. We dropped into a creek just west of the pass around 12.30pm and decided to stop for a short lunch stop. We spent the time discussing whether to climb Focal Peak and decided that we would as we were here now and undoubtedly would not be back. We wandered up to Cedar Pass which is very overgrown and looked around for a bit before heading straight up Focal Peak. At 1.45pm we reached the top and sometime around 3pm we had reached the bottom again. There is no reason to climb this Peak except to tick it off.

We were now on the home stretch. The rainforest and thick shrub was gone and there was a well track beneath our feet albeit we lost it between Montserrat and the knoll just SW of it. We arrived at Montserrat at 4pm and as it was my first time here I was astounded with the views. The summit of Montserrat is a giant slab with uninterrupted views of Mt Barney. The mountain glistened in the late afternoon sun and we could even imagine seeing next Wednesday's walkers climbing Logan's. And away in the distance was the knob of Mt Warning rising above the Lamington Plateau. But by now I imagine the other group of BCBC walkers were well on their way home. With reluctance we forced ourselves away and strolled down the gentle ridge back to Grace's Hut and then onto the cars arriving around 5.30pm. What a great day of walking and such a shame that only the three of us were here to enjoy it. I can't imagine this walk being done again for a very long time but I hope so.

This was a great walk which provided the three of us with some great walking, great views and great company. My thanks to Paul and Peter for making this a memorable day. Michael.

**WOLLUMBIN-Mt WARNING SUMMIT
SATURDAY 11th AUGUST
DAYWALK**

Oh what a beautiful morning, oh what a beautiful day! We set out from Red Hill on time, had a good run down the highway and through Murwillumbah to Mt Warning, where we met up with a punctual Phil and began our ascent at 8.45am.

From conversations we learnt that some walkers had not done this walk for years, for others it was decades. Despite the chilly wind, most of the party warmed up in no time and layers of clothing were removed. As we progressed and had stops to catch our breath and a drink, there were comments about the numbers of steps to climb.....there seemed to be more this time round...

We all bounded up the mountain, working up an appetite and enjoying a welcome break for morning tea on one of the helicopter landings which provided us with a spectacular panorama, though a little smoky from the fires.

Along the way we enjoyed the rainforest of palms and forest giants. We saw a pair of whipbirds and listened to their distinct duet. We sighted some brush turkeys, quails, grey thrush shrikes and other bird species.

Everyone competently completed the 300m steep rock scramble to the top. The people traffic travelling up and down the chain was continuous. Our efforts were rewarded with wonderful 360* views from the various outlooks. Finding a warm, free spot for lunch was a little difficult as there were so many walkers. We managed to spread ourselves out on a patch of grass and spent an hour on the summit before starting our chilly descent.

On our return journey down the mountain, we exchanged greetings with many Taiwanese visitors and a curious group of girls dressed in pink and purple tulle skirts. Apparently they were carrying champagne and were celebrating one of the girl's hen's party. Similarities between the joy and hardship of the walk and marriage were alluded to.

It wasn't long before we arrived back at the cars. After a change into fresh clothes we were soon on the road to the delightful Rainforest Café. We enjoyed our refreshments in the inviting outdoor setting which borders the babbling creek.

Thanks goes to all those who supported the walk and made it another wonderful day in the great outdoors. Brenda

**BARNEY MASS
WEDNESDAY 15th AUGUST**

Weather Fine approx. 22° C
Attendance 42

The weather on the Barney Mass trip this year was fantastic. Last year we got a bit wet on the way down.

I led the party up South East Ridge. On Monday I only had 3 other people on the trip but as usual the numbers miraculously multiply with several late nominations on Tuesday and I had 11 people on the trip. A big thank you to all those who made the effort.

We started walking at 6.45am and made very good time despite our frequent little breaks were on the summit by 11.05. Where we joined up with the 5 people who came up Logan's Ridge. They had zoomed up the ridge and had been waiting for us for about 30 minutes. The views from the top are just amazing. It is such a special place I could have stayed there all day. I noticed the group had started to move off. It was time to go. Anyhow down to the Mass site and met the rest of the

people. It took my group about 45 minutes to get down to the Mass Site. Nearly all the seating room had gone. Father Augustine Obi said a wonderful Mass and made a wonderful homily. It was another special day.

Down to the cars in daylight for a change where we caught up with Pat Lawton. I heard that some people were down at the cars by 3.30pm that is only 2 hours to get down. That is moving. We got down by 5.30 and met up again at Maccas at Beaudesert for a mini feast. Phil

**Mt BARNEY LOGAN'S RIDGE
15th AUGUST**

Every year we head up to Mt Barney for the Mass on Exhibition Wednesday. This year five of us elected to go via Logan's Ridge. This was the original ridge that was taken by Captain Logan in 1828. It starts opposite the creek at the bottom of Larkin's and is the most direct route up. There was some scrambling half way up as we climbed up over a tree in the rock. From there it was up to the chimney just before the summit. We scaled up this with the use of a rope. At 11am we were on top after starting at 7am. We waited for the walkers from South East Ridge and then headed down together to near the saddle for Mass. After Mass it was down Peasants to the cars .I would like to thank Matt, John, Reg and Peter for joining me on a great day on Logan's for the Barney Mass. Paul.

Those on the trip were.

Logan's

1. Paul Evans
2. Peter Constable
3. Matthew Palmer
4. John Bevelander (former member)
5. Reg Nobbs (visitor)

South East

6. Phil Murray
7. Lynne Lucas
8. Malcolm Hill
9. Andrew McLeod (visitor)
10. Justin Tobin
11. Mary Tobin
12. John Hood
13. Sam Baxter (visitor)
14. Sean Baxter (visitor)
15. Michael Wood (former member)
16. Nicholas Wood (former member)
17. Greg Bennie (visitor)
18. Stephanie Campbell (visitor)

Peasants

- 19. Fr Augustine Obi (visitor)
- 20. Russ Nelson
- 21. Jan Nelson
- 22. Anne Hayes (former member)
- 23. Roger Holmes (visitor)
- 24. Laurie Kearney
- 25. Terry Silk
- 26. Maxine Brophy
- 27. James Baxter (visitor)
- 28. Vanessa Vrbancic (visitor)
- 29. Greg Endicott
- 30. John Blumke
- 31. Claire Blumke
- 32. Trevor Kelly #
- 33. Pat Lawton #

Peasants & East Peak

- 34. Stephen Endicott #
- 35. Lucy Endicott #
- 36. Liz Stanley # (visitor)
- 37. Janne de Villiers # (visitor)
- 38. Daniel Kearney # (family member)

Peasants & West Peak

- 39. James Mead # (visitor)
- 40. Josh Baines # (visitor)
- 41. Kristy Butler # (visitor)
- 42. Joe Christianson # (visitor)

Several walkers didn't get to Mass site on time – actually one party was still coming down West Peak and provided a slight distraction during Mass as we tried to keep an eye on where they were.
Phil

**ELEPHANT & WHEELBARROW
JTS
17th AUGUST**

This was a great night. We started at the Elephant & Wheelbarrow and had a drink or two and then the music cranked up. It was very good music but very, very loud. After a quick discussion we were out of there and fled across the street to the Chinatown Mall.

We quickly selected the Dragon Inn for a Chinese meal. But it was a BYO so Russ and Elizabeth went back to the pub (yes the Elephant) to buy the beverages (a Toohey's Old six pack of course and two whites. Russ did show his caring and sensitive side as he also bought a Toohey's New for Graham). Then we ordered the Banquet. It was a lovely night watching the world pass by while we gorged ourselves.

As we were leaving the Ekka fireworks could be seen in the distance to finish the night with a bang.

Those there - Russ and Jan, Greg and Michele, Elizabeth, Liz, Graham and Phil. The night was a great success with several people demanding we go back next year. It was the first time I had ever been to the Chinatown Mall for a meal so I am keen to go back again.
Phil

**THE MARATHON
SATURDAY 26th AUGUST**

Leader: Phil Murray

Weather: Fine approx. 2°C at the start

By mid day the temp got up to about 20°C

Attendance 1 from BCBC

I walked in a party of 6.

For those new to the Club the Marathon is the annual race to the Club Hut (the Shack) of the Catholic Bushwalking Club – the one in Sydney. The Shack is located about 25 kilometres due south of Katoomba and 20 kilometres east north east of Kanangra Walls. This year was the 60th Anniversary of the first event.

This year it was the same old trip but it was still very enjoyable. One of the best parts is the drive in. I met up with my co-walkers at Faulconbridge on Friday afternoon. We then drove to Mt Victoria where we had a lovely meal at the Imperial Hotel which was probably opened when Queen Victoria was on the throne and the place felt as though it hadn't changed since. I particularly like the fact that these old pubs still have open fireplaces with wood fires. We had a great meal (chicken parmagianna) and then we headed for Jenolan Caves where we were staying for the night. It is such a buzz driving through the huge chasm at night that was lit up by floodlights. We stayed at Caves House and we had time to do a quick tour of the plush facilities and found the dining room and decided to enjoy a bottle of red before bed time. Time was getting away so we found our rooms – we went economy. It was very basic, a bed, linen and blankets but only \$30 for the night. But it was also dry and warm. The campers got a spot of rain during the night.

Up at 4.30am a quick brekkie and then the 35 minute drive to Kanangra Falls. The walk on Saturday is about 27km and it is done at a cracking pace plus we had a river crossing which can be a bit of a challenge. The start of the walk was freezing and most people had a balaclava on to protect their ears and necks from the cold. It didn't take long to warm up and we down to tee shirts by about 8.30am. Then it was the long slog along the Gingra Range which is a bit like a roller

coaster that goes down and then goes back up again. Each of the knolls along the ridge has an official name of First Top, Second Top etc etc to Sixth Top. Finally at about 12ish we were down to the mighty Kowmung River. It is a lovely broad river, but we had to cross it. There is no bridge. It was about 40 metres wide and about 800mm deep - nearly waist height. The water was just so cold on your feet but it felt great when you got out. A quick lunch and then up a ridge to the road and finally got to the Shack. We started walking at 6.20am and finished at 4.34pm. We had at least 80 minutes of rest breaks so we were walking most of the day.

There was time for a beer or two or three before it was time to go to the Chapel – yes they have built a lovely little chapel. The Club Chaplain, Fr Peter Blayney celebrated Mass. There was the usual big feast on the Saturday night and a great opportunity to meet the many members of the Sydney Club. This year was the 60th Anniversary of the first trip and the winner of the first trip, Jim Barret, was there and gave a great speech about the first trip. The team he beat were in front most of the way but got a bit lost at the top of a ridge and missed the turn off to the Shack. (Ted Plowman told a little group later it wasn't fair really as he hadn't been there before whereas Jim had been. They still had a perfect recall of the events that happened 60 years ago – just stunning). In particular, Jim mentioned that were able to walk along the sandy river bed of the Cox's River that is now covered by the waters of Warragamba Dam. I got to sleep in the Shack as there was a spare bed. The Shack is at an elevation of about 370m high so it doesn't get as cold as Katoomba which is on the top of the range.

The walk out on Sunday was also a bit of a challenge. As we had to walk from a place called Mt Feld. The trip was about 16kms. The hard part about this is we start at a height of 650m drop down to 200m at the Kowmung River, then we have to climb back to Kanangra Tops at 1070m. So it is a long climb up on the Sunday. We started walking at 8.50am and got back to the cars by 4.20pm. It was just gorgeous cool weather for walking. It would have been about 8 degrees Celsius on the way out. So just beautiful for walking, with views for miles. My group reconvened on the way back to Sydney at a roadside restaurant at Mt Hartley for pizzas at the Talisman Restaurant. Just wonderful. But I suspect anything would have tasted nice after a 2 hard days of walking. Back to the big smoke where I am fortunate to have relatives to stay with at Penrith and then flew home on Monday.

I walked in a group of 6 people they were Chris Watson, Sue Russell, Jan Suttee, Paul Millgate and Jane Millgate. They were wonderful company. The stories I heard were sensational. I particularly liked Chris Watson's story about his trip to Lake Pedder and walking along the white sandy beach before it got flooded in the early seventies.

I hope I can go back again next year. Please feel free to come along if you are interested in a challenging walk.
Phil

BRIDGE TO BRISBANE SUNDAY 2nd SEPT SOCIAL

Ten members past & present and family walked the B2B in 2012. Some ran, some walked and a few strolled. It was perfect weather to be out and about so early. The early morning cold was not as predicted, and the temperature after sunrise was mild to warm. Oh, what a lovely day.

As we registered in different categories, we had different starting location and times. The up of the new Gateway Bridge was not too difficult – I was talking so much I did not even look at the view. And the other walkers were also chatting intently.

Once down and off the Bridge, it was flat and smooth all the way to the Exhibition Grounds – only a minor up from the tunnel at Breakfast Creek to the Inner City Bypass. The walk beside the River at Newstead was a sight to behold.

The Results are already up on the web at: <http://tiktok.biz/bridgetobrisbane/2012> Just put in the surname. And the photos at: <http://www.marathon-photos.com/scripts/regist.py?uevent=Sports/JRAU/2012/Bridge%20to%20Brisbane> Also here for your video finish.

Thanks to: Antonia Simpson, Michele & Sherry Johns, Stephen, Lucy & Greg Endicott, Joe Tottenham, Ann Iron, Mary Kelly, and Cathy Wood for being in the Race. Our Team Number is 64993 "The Also Rans" when you look up Team Results.

The event is a race against your personal best and not against other competitors. So we stroll and chat. Greg

BCBC WEB SITE

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

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

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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 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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