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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Туре	Grade
21	Meeting & Annual BCBC Photo Competition			Meet	
27 Dec 2	Boombana/Jolly's Lookout La Cena Restaurant			SW Soc	
4	Barney Falls			DW	
11	Coochie Mudlo			DW	
16	JTS – Cultural Centre Café	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Christmas Party	Jan	3374 3534	Soc	
19	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
26	Springbrook	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M33
31	Coomera Circuit	Brenda	3366 6420	DW	L35
Jan 2	Mt Hobwee	Desley	3369 5530	DW	L34
7	Piper Comanche	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M45
14	Cainbable Falls	Patricia	3366 6767	DW	S43
16	Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
17	Dinner at Gaythorne RSL	Antonia	0400 571 387	Soc	
20	JTS – Story Bridge	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21	Obi Obi Lilo	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M77
24	Coffee Night – St Vinnie's	Greg	0418 122 995	Soc	
26	West Canungra Creek	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M33
26/29	Boonoo Boonoo	Justin	3366 3193	ВС	M44
28	Bohgaban Falls			DW	M55
Feb 4	Tooloona Circuit	Liz	3356 4874	DW	M36
11	Summer Creek	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M55
12	Qld Art Gallery - Guerard Exhib	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	JTS – Little Larder Cafe	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	Roo Pt to Brett's Wharf	Phil	5522 9702	Bike	
18/19	Abseiling and ropes training			FMR	
19	Little Kings				
20	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
22	Ash Wednesday Mass & Dinner	Greg	3351 4092	Rit	
25/26	Byron Bay	Phil	5522 9702	ВС	S22
Mar 2	James Boag Night	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
3	Mt Greville	Justin	3366 3193	DW	S44
3-4	Apple & Grape Festival			Soc	XL27
10	Love Creek/Cedar Creek			DW	M56
24/25	Club Hut Feast & Day Walk			ON	S42
31	Stag's Head			DW	M56
Apr 1	Mt Bruce	Russ	3374 3534	DW	S42
6/9	Sydney Area Walks			ВС	M44
7	Mt Philp			DW	S23
9	Pat's Marvellous Easter Walk	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M35
14	Gateway Bridge	Barry	3630 0565	DW	S14
21/22	Noosa Area DWs & BC	Justin	3366 3193	DWs/BC	M43
25	Upper Portals	Peter	3205 5982	DW	M45
25	Red Brick Hotel Lunch	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
28	Horseshoe Falls	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M56
May 2/8	Green Gully Track	Justin	3366 3193	TW	XL46
3/7	Drumley Walk			ВС	
12	North Stradbroke Island	Maxine	3409 4001	DW	M23
19	Annual Mass and Dinner			Soc	
20	Ashgrove to Mt Coot-tha	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M34
26/27	Mt Barney Gorge			TW	L67
June 3	Tabletop Mountain			DW	M44
9	Mt Mitchell	Maria	3378 4280	DW	S24
9/11	Fraser Island	Justin	3366 3193	TW	XL33

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 to450m 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 to750m 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 OF THE MONTH

Here among our everyday places, Here, among our ordinary lives, Is the merging of grace. Watch, watch, for the signs of God's presence. (Source: All Hallows' Staff Prayer, December 2007)

OUTINGS SECRETARY REPORT

The Outings Program for next year has been advertised over recent months. Many of the walks for the next few months have Leaders assigned for the trips. There are a few walks where we have someone in mind to lead a particular walk but we still have to get around to asking. There are a few

walks that still need Leaders so I am still actively searching for Leaders. Also there are a few weekends where we don't have any trips scheduled e.g. 18th March.

There have been a few changes on the Outings Program. We now have a walk on New Year's Eve to the Coomera Circuit. It will be led by Brenda Keough and this will be her first walk as leader and I am sure she will do an excellent job. Desley has agreed to lead the first walk of the new year and that walk will be to Mt Hobwee. Justin's Australia Day weekend walk will be to Boonoo Boonoo area rather than Barrington Tops and there should be lots of daywalks.

When I was talking to Brenda about leading a walk her main concern about being a leader was about getting lost on the trip. She was surprised when I suggested that getting lost is the least of your concerns as leader. Usually most new leaders can easily cope with the navigation issues and there is always someone else to assist. Keeping the party together and making sure people are coping with the walk are the bigger issues as leader.

You may notice in the Outings Program there are a few bike rides. These trips are the start of a project I am working on to try and bring a few more related activities into our Outings Program to ensure we offer the broader range of bushwalking and related activities. The other activities I am keen to get on the Program are more lilo trips, some canoe trips, a rogaining trip and hopefully some abseiling and canyoning trips in the Blue Mountains. These are still a work in progress and may take several years to develop and achieve but we have to start slowly. Also, I am keen to do other trips like the outing to the Queensland Art Gallery to see the Eugene von Guerard Exhibition and the Floresence which is the Botanical Art exhibition.

Also, I love hearing about people doing trips overseas to places like Milford Sound and the Camino and the far flung corners of Australia including the Carnarvon Great Walk. People who have done these trips are encouraged to share their exploits by putting an article in the magazine.

The attendance on the recent trips was as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	N°
Nov 13	Dianna's Bath	James	DW	15
20	Dave's Creek	Greg	DW	15
27	Bne Forest Pk	Michele	DW	8
Dec 3	Barney Falls	Peter	DW	7
11	Coohie Mudlo	Graham	DW	?

Just a quick reminder for leaders, if they need to cancel a trip or change a trip just let me know as soon as possible. After a trip, can the leaders ring me to let me know how the trip went and how many were on the trip.

Another point of interest was that Brenda asked if I could send her the standard wording for the Coomera Falls trip as it had been done before. I thought what a great idea. The only trouble is the Club doesn't have a central record of standard words for each trip – the obvious next step is I will start collecting a listing of trip details so I can provide these in future.

Just a thank you to all the leaders and drivers over the last few months. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

I hope you can find time to do a trip in the next month and have a happy and safe Christmas. Phil

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 17/10/11	\$3120.17
Plus Receipts	\$ 390.00
	\$3510.17
Less Payments	\$ 766.95
Balance 21/11/2011	\$2743.22
Term Deposit	\$2472.13

Our final raffle for the year will be drawn at our December meeting. A reminder that the first prize is a set of Adventure Ridge Trekking Poles and the second prize is a stainless steel one litre drinking bottle and a micro fibre sports towel. If you do not have a ticket, please see me and I will gladly sell you one or more at a dollar each.

Yet another reminder that we still have a small supply of club t-shirts and metal badges for sale at twenty and five dollars each respectively.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry and Holy Christmas and a Safe and Prosperous New Year. Terry.

SOCIAL'S REPORT

A very Happy Christmas to all you social BCBC members!

Eleven true-believers and one visitor met to enjoy a pleasant meal at La Cena in Wilston on 2nd December. Those present were Bruce B, Graham G, Michele and Richard J, Jan and Russ N, Michele, Greg, Stephen and Lucy E, Monica and Antonia S. Come along and join me at the Gaythorne RSL in mid January to welcome in the New Year.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Jonas Bernotas, Roger Ford, Anne Iron, Lawrie Kearney, Ron Miller, Sofia Ramsay, Marcia Richardson, Antonia Simpson, Janell Sammon and Barry Taylor are celebrating their birthdays in December.

Congratulations to our latest new members:-Catherine Pitt and Janell Sammon.

Janell Sammon, Marina Grey and Bruce Brown were return visitors on James' Diana's Bath walk, whilst Bruce Brown and Theresa McShane were visitors on Greg's Dave's Creek Circuit walk.

Stan Madura was a welcome visitor at our November meeting which saw the judging of our high standard photo competition.

Recently, we have had enquiries from Peta Melczarek and Betty Lynch. Visitors are always most welcome at any of our activities.

Congratulation to Michele Endicott who has received her PhD recently in a graduation ceremony at Griffith Uni at the Gold Coast. Well When submitting articles to me with colour photos done.

Karen Frederiks has recently returned from a holiday in India whilst Sofia Ramsay has just returned from a holiday in Northern New South Wales and lain Renton has recently had a holiday in Tasmania. James Parra has just returned from walking on the Great Wall of China and climbing one of China's mountains. Also, Brenda and Dan have just returned from walking in the Blue Mountains which was a follow up to their Great Ocean Road walk a couple of months ago. Welcome home to Michael and Catherine Simpson.

Maxine and Mike would like to thank you all sincerely for the many messages, prayers and kind words of sympathy after the recent death of Maxine's Mother.

And a stat for your records Greg, I think my Mum may have been the oldest guest to attend a BCBC Progressive Dinner. She was 80yrs old and had recently moved to live in Brisbane from NZ, when she joined us at Robyn's at Banyo for the P/Dinner in 2006. Maxine.

The story of Desley's early childhood on Cork Station near Winton appeared on the ABC TV as a Documenter on 15th Nov - you might have seen the programme about Dinosaurs

COMING EVENTS

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

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

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

A reminder to visitors that you are required to do 2 walks before Committee officially 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.

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

ARTICLES

included, please be mindful what they will look like in black & white and a third of the size. They really do look a bit different - the quality drops and it is difficult to recognise some things in them - such as faces in shadow.

16th DECEMBER, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY THE CULTURAL CENTRE CAFÉ AT **QPAC**

Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 or Contact:

0413 307 580

From 4pm till 8ish Time:

The outdoor area that we known as Where:

the Café

Location: Cnr of Grey & Melbourne Sts,

South Bank

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

Web:http://www.qpac.com.au/restaurants_bars

/grey_st_cafe/

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

We went there about 2 years ago and it was wonderful. The only let down was we didn't go and see a show.

So come along and have a chat, a drink and a meal. Talk about your plans, about the house, about walking & trips, but do not talk about work! Why not start dreaming and discuss your next interstate trip or overseas trip. In particular we are interested in those who have beer tasting reports from overseas locales.

The website describes the Café as follows: An urban oasis, perfectly situated under the glass roof opposite the main entrance into QPAC, The Café offers fresh, al fresco dining every day. Enjoy coffee & muffin, a leisurely and relaxed yet stylish dinner. Dine under the stars on innovative & healthy, modern Australian food showcasing local ingredients. The Café is fully licensed and services Grinders Organic Blend coffee.

The Café remains open until "curtains up" of the shows in QPAC - ie 7.30pm. The food probably goes off about 7pm and doors close 7.30pm - so it is not a late night, unless, like us, you walk over the bridge and have dinner at North Quay. Phil

17th DECEMBER, SATURDAY CHRISTMAS BBQ

Contact: Jan Nelson Ph 0401 030 137 or

3374 3534

or nelhouse@bigpond.net.au

RSVP: Thursday, 15th December Where: 12 Bolton Close, Brookfield

UBD Map 177. H6

Time: 6.00pm

Bring: Meat, drink and food contribution

(see below) + swimming togs

Cost: Your contribution

Web: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas

We are gathering at Russ and Jan's home to celebrate the Christmas season. If you feel like going for a swim, bring your togs. As we are having a BBQ, please bring your own meat and what you prefer to drink. (Tea and coffee will be provided.)

For a food contribution, can you please follow this table -

Day of your birthday (irrespective of month)	Food Contribution
1 to 10	Nibbles
11 to 20	Salad
21 to 31	Dessert

Given the bias towards desserts, there will be trivia quiz with a focus on Christmas Desserts.

21st NOVEMBER, MONDAY MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

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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26th DECEMBER, MONDAY SPRINGBROOK SHORT WALKS BOXING DAY WALK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702, or

0413 307 580

Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill

Time: 7.30 am Grade: M33

Distance approx 10kms the full trip

Cost: \$18:00

Location: In the Gold Coast Hinterland

Web:http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/spring

brook/index.html

Emerg Off: Susan Murray 5522 9702

There will be a selection of easy graded track walks at Springbrook on Boxing Day. Come and join me in a rainforest wonderland. Great views, lush rainforest, cool refreshing babbling brooks and dazzling waterfalls and a chance for a swim at the pool at Twin Falls.

We will do 3 separate walks.

- The Purlingbrook Falls Circuit 4 km
- The Best of All Lookout 800 m
- Twin Falls from Canyon lookout 4 km

Purlingbrook Falls Circuit - These falls are just sensational. A clear drop of over 50 metres and magically the track goes behind the falls. A great little walk that meanders down along the ridge line. The Club did this trip in 2009 as the Boxing Day walk with Michele Endicott as leader. The weather that day was wet and cool but we still had a wonderful time and did the circuit walk and then we had the picnic shelter to ourselves to enjoy a lovely lunch with hot chocolate and coffee. This year we are due for a warm sunny day.

From Purlingbrook Falls we then drive about 10 minutes to the top of the range to the Transmitter Tower and do the very easy track walk out to Best of All lookout. It is only a 10 minute walk but the views of Mt Warning and the Tweed Valley are sensational (the views are great provided the clouds haven't come in).

We then drive back to Canyon Lookout and do the out and back trip to Twin Falls Pool. Great views and interesting rock formations. Phil



31st DECEMBER, SATURDAY COOMERA CIRCUIT DAYWALK

Leader: Brenda Keough Ph: 3366 6420

Meet at: St Brigid's Red Hill

Meet Time: 6.15am Grading: L35 Cost: \$20

Location: Binna Burra

Web: http://www.binnaburralodge.com.au/Binna-Burra/Exploring-Binna-Burra/Walking-at-Binna-Burra/Lamington-National-Park

Emerg Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

This is a beautiful waterfall circuit at the Binna Burra Section of Lamington NP. A perfect walk for the last day of 2011. Look down into the 160m deep Coomera Gorge with two waterfalls streaming into it. Continue on upstream past numerous pools and cascades before returning to the Border Track and a return to Binna Burra. Approx 17kms and takes about 6/7hrs.

Leader:

Meet at:

Time:

Cost:

Grading:

Location

Web: http

The evident creek crossing upgrades mean very little wet feet. Petite orchids and a cave have been spotted near a waterfall and swimming hole. Bring your togs if you would like a swim as there are several opportunities for water play. Many beautiful photo opportunities. Walking poles maybe useful. 2 litres of water recommended. Come and soak up the beauty of this wonderful walk.

2nd JANUARY, MONDAY Mt HOBWEE DAYWALK

Leader: Desley Pedrazzini Ph 3369 5530

Meet At: St. Brigid's Red Hill

Time: 7am Cost: \$20.00 Grading: L34

Location: Binna Burra, Lamington NP

Web:http://www.queenslandholidays.com.au/t

hings-to-see-and-do/mount-hobwee-

circuit/index.cfm Emerg Off: Tba

I am sure you have all included the decision to do more bushwalking among your 2012 New Year resolutions (and if not – why not!!!). So here is your chance to start keeping at least that one with an easy graded rainforest track walk at Binna Burra on the New Year's Day Public Holiday.

It is about 18km return to Mt Hobwee along the Border Track, but we have a few options in getting there and back – such as part of the Araucaria

Track, Wagawn and Dacelo Lookout – so on the day we can see how energetic we're all feeling and make it more a circuit walk.

The walk is totally on graded track with minimal creek crossings. Graded means of a certain minimal gradient (steepness). You will be under the shady rainforest canopy all say. There will be a few lookouts to view the magnificent Numinbah and Tweed Valleys. Desley

7th JANUARY, SATURDAY PIPER COMANCHE WRECK DAYWALK

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

or 0409 620 714

Meet at: St Brigid's Red Hill

Time: 7.00am Cost: \$10.00 Grading: M45

Location: In the Mt Glorious area

Web:http://users.tpg.com.au/benj2005/gps/pip

er_comanche.htm

Emerg Off: Catherine Ph: 3351 3810

The second walk of the year will leave from Tennison Woods in the Mt Glorious area and follow a fire track along a ridge separating the Love Creek/Cedar Creek divide and the Kobble Creek divide. We will then ascend a small knoll before dropping off the ridge for about 200m to the wreck.

Although it will be the middle of summer the walk will be almost entirely under tree cover which should provide some protection from the sun. Most of the walk is relatively flat with only a couple of sharp pinches and I believe most people in the club are more than capable of completing the walk. I haven't done a pre-outing yet but I imagine the area will be overgrown due to the amount of rain we have had over the last couple of years. So see me at the next meeting or ring me and sign up. Michael.

14th JANUARY, SATURDAY CAINBABLE FALLS DAYWALK

Leader: Patricia Funnell Ph: 3366 6767

Meet at: St Birgid's, Red Hill

Meet time: 7.30am Cost: \$20 Grading: \$43

Location: On the road to O'Reilly's

Web: http://www.oreillys.com.au/lamington-national-park/bushwalking/full-day-walks/

overgrown track - provided the weather does not play up and the wet season last year did not cause too much growth.

The walking begins at the Romeo Lahey Memorial on the road to O'Reilly's after a car shuffle. We find an old snigging track to follow down the side of the ridge to Cainbable Creek. This is followed till we reach the Falls. Morning tea here.

Then the party will continue onto the lookout. From here there is a cliff line to follow till we find the very old bridal trail (why brides would want to come here is a mystery). This goes through the Moss Garden and the Hoop Pine Forest and upwards to the Duck creek Road. Our cars will be here to greet us! A late afternoon tea on the deck at Patricia's mountain retreat nearby.

There is the option of going down Fri night and spending the night at Patricia & Jeff's house near the start of the walk and /or spending Sat night there also.

16th JANUARY, MONDAY **MONTHLY MEETING**

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17th JANUARY, TUESDAY **NEW YEAR GET TOGETHER** SOCIAL

Antonia Simpson Ph: 0400 571 387 Leader:

Meet at: Foyer of Gaythorne RSL

Meet Time: 6.30 pm

Depends on your order- approx \$12 Cost:

for a main course

Location: 534 Samford Road, Mitchelton Web: http://gaythornersl.com.au/club/

Emerg Off: Antonia Simpson Ph: 0400 571 387

This should be a nice simple trip along an We tried skewer night at Gaythorne in October 2010 and all who attended enjoyed the food and company! There was a free dessert, then. Let's hope that is still the case this coming January. Turn into the street before the club in order to find the parking which is situated at the rear of the

> In order to secure our booking, please contact me by Monday, 16th January by phone or email.

20th JANUARY, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY STORY BRIDGE HOTEL

Contact: Phil M Ph: 5522 9702, 0413 307 580

Time: From 4pm till 9ish.

Where 200 Main Street, Kangaroo Point. What For: For a chat, a drink and a meal Web:http://www.storybridgehotel.com.au/drink

ing.php

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering at the Storey Bridge. A highlight is catching the river ferries across the river to enjoy the beers etc.

Come along for a great night for a drink of water or wine or a beer and a meal.

20th JANUARY, SATURDAY **OBI OBI DAYFLOAT**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702,

0413 307 580,

bigrivers@optusnet.com.au

Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill

Time: 6.00am Grade: **M77** Cost: \$20:00

Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland

Web:http://www.australiannationalparks.com/g ueensland/maroochyshire/default.h

Emerg Off: Susan Ph: 5522 9702

The Obi Obi lilo trip is a classic trip to do. It is just a buzz. The trip is about 11km long and we spend about 10kms 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

footwear and garden gloves for your hands.

We need at least 150ml of rain at Maleny to ensure the trip goes out. The alternative plan is the Brisbane River from Fernvale.

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.

For the last 2 years the trip hasn't gone out. In 2010 there wasn't enough water and in 2011 there was too much water.

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

24th JANUARY, TUESDAY ST VINNIE'S COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Contact: **Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995**

Meet at: Taverner Lounge & Dining

(previously Zanetti's)

40 Blackwood Street, Mitchelton Location:

(near the cnr of Grovely Tce)

Web:http://www.couriermail.com.au/questnew s/north/restaurateur-opens-new-look-loungein-blackwood-st/story-fn8m0rl4-1226194873380

Time: 7pm

Why, you may ask. Each year, as the first social we have a fund raiser for the local St Vincent de Paul. It used to be the Coffee Night when they were popular. Now it is a restaurant. Come along for dinner, or just coffee and cake. Come at 7pm or later.

The aim is to donate \$5 to St Vinnie's above what you pay for your meals and drinks. Make it successful by attending in droves.

26th JANUARY, THURSDAY **WEST CANUNGRA CREEK AUSTRALIA DAY DAYWALK**

Phil M Ph: 5522 9702, 0413 307 580, Leader:

bigrivers@optusnet.com.au

St Brigid's, Red Hill Meet at:

7.30am Time: Grade: **M33** Distance: 13.9km Cost: \$18:00

Location Lamington NP - O'Reilly's

Web:http://www.lamingtonnationalpark.net.au/

Documents/Scene/Blue.htm

Emerg Off: Susan Murray 5522 9702

highly recommend wearing Dunlop volleys as Join me on an easy graded track walk at O'Reilly's to celebrate Australia Day - the West Canungra Creek Circuit trip. It is an easy 14km 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 Canugra Creek to Blue Pool for an optional swim. We have lunch here then return to the cars at O'Reilly's, this is an uphill walk at the end of the day

> I have attempted to do this trip 3 times in the last 2 years. The first 2 got called off due to flooding rain (February 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. So hopefully this time I will get there for the first time in about 20 years.

There are 3 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.
- It is an Olympic Year and to get into the swim, so to speak, we are having 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).

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. Phil

26-29th JANUARY, THURS-SUN **BOONOO-BOONOO BASECAMP**

Leader: Justin Tobin Ph 3366 3193

Meet at: St Brigid's Red Hill

5.00am Time: Cost: \$155 **Grading:** M44

Location: On the Qld/NSW Border, near

Stanthorpe

Web:http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/Natio nalParks/parkHome.aspx?id=N0056

Emerg Off: Susan Tobin: Ph 3366 3193

Take Friday off and join us in the Granite wilderness area of Northern NSW. The base camp is in bunkhouse accommodation near Bald Rock. from here well spend the next four days exploring the falls.

Thursday we will drive down to Undercliffe Falls via Stanthorpe & Amosfield and hopefully, after checking out the Falls, walk part of Bookookoorara Creek before heading over to camp for our Australia Day BBQ.

Friday we'll visit Boonoo-Boonoo Falls and walk, swim to the crossing if we have someone to pick us up or return the same way.

Saturday we'll drive to the crossing and head downstream through the Gorge and lower reaches of Boonoo Boonoo.

Sunday a visit to Basket Swamp Falls before heading home via Tenterfield.

There should be plenty of water in the Falls so come and join me in the Granite Creeks of Northern New South Wales. If you can't get Friday off come down Friday Night after work and still have two days of great walking.

12th FEBRUARY, SUNDAY QUEENSLAND ART GALLERY THE EUGENE VON GUERARD **EXHIBITION**

Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702, Leader:

0413 307 580, 0416 650 160, bigrivers@optusnet.com.au

Meet at:

Time: 8.50 am (doors open at 9.00 am

Grade: mainly flat

Cost: free

Southbank Cultural Precinct Location

Web:http://qag.qld.gov.au/exhibitions/coming_

soon/eugene von guerard nature

revealed

Emerg Off: Susan Murray 5522 9702

I have always been a fan of Eugene von Guerard. He was one of the earliest colonial painters from 1850 to 1880. This is a priceless opportunity to see his works.

He painted numerous paintings of the Australian landscape and his works were very detailed. They have become a major source of historical value to identify features of the environment as it was back in that time period.

He painted many landscapes that are now bushwalking venues, including Mt Kosciuszko, the Blue Mountains and the Victorian Alps and Milford places in the 1850's and 1860's before the highways and railways were built? presumption is he must have been a very capable bushwalker and explorer. His paintings of the mountains and landscapes are exceptional.

the ABC says: To art historians Von Guérard wasn't a traditional painter as such, he was more of a hybrid - as much a product of science as he was of art, and when he landed in Victoria, he gravitated towards compatriots like the botanist Ferdinand von Mueller and the geophysicist Georg von Neumayer. These men were all passionate about the ideas of Alexander von Humboldt. Humboldt believed that scientists and artists, alike. should become accurate observers and in all their work should strive for truth-to-nature.

Come along to see the show and especially to enjoy a chat over coffee afterwards.

http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/artworks/index /subjects Arts and Culture 2011.htm

The exhibition runs from 17/12/2011 to 4/03/2012. There is a special presentation and lecture on Sunday 17/12/2011 at 11am by the exhibition curator Dr Ruth Pullin. The lecture presents an overview of his life and the significance of his work. She will then give a guided tour of the exhibition at 1pm. Phil

18th FEBRUARY, SATURDAY KANGAROO PT TO BRETT'S WHARF **BIKE RIDE**

Leader: Phil M Ph: 5522 9702, 0413 307 580,

bigrivers@optusnet.com.au

Meet at: Captain Burke Park, Main St,

Kangaroo Point,

Time: tba

Grade: Mainly flat

Location From under the Story Bridge, along

the River to Hamilton

Web: Map 5

http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/facil ities-recreation/sports-and-

leisure/cvcling/bikeway-andshared-pathway-maps/index.htm

Emerg Off: Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

Many other bushwalking clubs have regular bike rides as part of their Outings Program. This will be first bike ride for many years for our Club. There was a bike ride planned for Sunday 21 Aug last year but we called it off due to wind and rain. So this will be the inaugural bike ride and it will be a ioint bike ride with the BOSQ Club (Bushwalkers of Southern Queensland). Di Thornthwaite is the joint leader for the trip. Di is the Outings Secretary Sound. How did he get to these out of the way for the BOSQ Club and she suggested having a joint trip with our Club and this is a great opportunity to get into bike riding with another Club.

This is a very easy and scenic trip. The hardest part will be avoiding all those pesky pedestrians who have right of way. So get out your bike and bike helmets (and lycra outfits if you have them) and see me and Di at Burke Park.

I strongly recommend you use a road bike rather than mountain bike for the trip as the mountain bikes are so slow and are hard work to pedal.

I haven't done the pre-outing yet but I presume it is about 20km of riding which is a good distance to start with. Di suggested that we ride to Brett's Wharf and have lunch nearby and for those who are bit tired they can get the CityCat ferry back to Roo Point and the keen and eager riders can ride back.

EASY v. HARD TRIPS

I often hear comments that there aren't enough easy trips. I am sure we do provide for the easier trips and many of our experienced members lead these trips. So on review there are plenty of easy trips on the program. In comparison there are less than half the number of throughwalks. As Outings Secretary I have more trouble finding leaders for the programmed throughwalks than for the easier trips.

The list of the easier trips for next year.

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	Date	Event	Leader	Туре
Dec	26	Springbrook	Phil	DW
Jan	2	Mt Hobwee	Desley	DW
	26	Blue Pool	Phil	DW
Feb	4	Tooloona Circuit	Liz	DW
	25/26	Byron Bay	Phil	ВС
Mar	25	Club Hut Walk	Michele	DW
Apr	14	Gateway Bridge	Barry	DW
	22	Noosa North Shore	Justin	DW
May	12	North Stradbroke Is	Maxine	DW
	20	Ashgrove- Mt Coot-tha	Justin	DW
Jun	9	Mt Mitchell	Maria	DW
Jul	8	Luke's Bluff	Liz	DW
	21	Shepherds Walk	Terry	DW
Aug	12	Karawatha Forest	Phil	DW
	18	Noosa Trails	Terry	DW
	26 ?	Bridge to Brisbane	Greg	DW
Sep	15	Greenmount-	Phil	DW
t	13	Currumbin		
Oct	20?	vacant	?	?
Nov	10	Kondalilla Circuit	Michele	DW
	17	Killarney Glen	needed	DW
Dec	9	Moreton Bay Is'	tbc	DW
	26	Boxing Day Walk		DW

The throughwalks programmed for next year.

	Date	Event	Leader	Type
May	26/27	Mt Barney Gorge	needed	TW
Jun	9/11	Fraser Island	Justin	TW
Jul	14/15	Emu Creek	Needed	BC/TW
Aug	24/26	The Marathon	Phil	TW
Sept	8/9	Southport to North Stradie	Michael	TW
Nov	2/6	NSW Alps	Phil	TW
Nov	10/11	Woolli to Red Rock	Paul	BC?
Dec	1/2	Mt Barney Creek	Justin	TW

WANTED

I am doing the Harry Redford Cattle Drive next year in May and need to take a SWAG with me. I wondered if there was anyone in the Club who had one that I could borrow for a couple of weeks.

Elizabeth Richards Ph: 3393 5545

PAST EVENTS

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY RIVERSIDE COFFEE CLUB 18th NOVEMBER

Beside the river is the ideal place to be at the end of a warm day. Attendees were rewarded by a cool breeze, a relaxing view, cold drinks, tasty food and companionable conversation.

Riverside is one of our most popular gathering spots, so it was unsurprising that many members attended. An added bonus was the happy hour we stumbled across, allowing us to purchase \$5 drinks.

Several people had exciting holidays and walks to report on – The Camino (Desley), The Australian Alps (Phil, Jan and Russ) and the Mediterranean (Liz). Photos of the events were passed around.

Those who attended were Russ, Jan, Liz, Mike, Grahame, Elizabeth, Desley, Phil, Sharon, Theresa, Michele, Greg and Bruce (Brown). Liz

DAVE'S CREEK CIRCUIT SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER DAYWALK

Fourteen walkers left Red Hill to spend a day on Binna Burra walking the tracks. The day was fine and comfortable. We commenced walking about 9.30am, heading off along the Main Border Track. After approx an hour, we branched off onto the Shipstern Track. This we followed a short while till the Dave's Creek Circuit tracks joined. I decided to

first. Here we shared morning tea.

Pat took us along the old overgrown track to Numinbah Lookout - an adventure for some. We looked down the valley towards Egg Rock. Then it was on the move again to Surprise Rock for lunch. Only half of the party went up and over while the rest took the track around the base, to watch the others shimmy down the tree at the end back to land.

Here a few other walkers came along - the most we had seen all day. I must say that lunch was leisurely. We moved on along the graded track back in the direction of Binna Burra, but I had a surprise in store - the party was to deviate to Upper Ballanjui Falls to taken in the views.

Then it became a dash to Binna Burra to arrive at the shop before it closed at 4pm - we made it with time to spare.

Thanks to my walkers: Desley, Jan & Russ N, Ray Rowe, Pat L, Jonas B, Bruce Brown, Graham G, Mary Hood, Marie Hutchinson, Barry C, Justin and Teresa McShane. Greg E

BRISBANE FOREST PARK 4 TRACKS SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER DAYWALK

After a week of intermittent rain, Sunday dawned bright and clear. Ten walkers gathered at Jolly's Lookout to start our first walk for the day, the Thylogale Track. A quick car shuffle to Boombana, at the end of the Thylogale Track where we would leave one car and then back to Jolly's Lookout. The rest of the group meantime were relaxing and observing the views.

The Thylogale Track is a 4km well maintained track through subtropical rainforest. It took us about an hour and whilst we retrieved a car from Jolly's Lookout the rest of the group walked the 1.1km Pitta Circuit which features a monstrous strangler fig surrounded by a boardwalk. We then had an early morning tea break before heading up to Manorina and the 6km Morelia Walking Track taking us to the Mount Nebo Lookout. The view was fairly limited due to tree growth. Although a little hazy, we could see the outline of the Gateway Bridge and there was a debate about what we thought may be Albany Creek Shopping Centre.

Lunch was had at Miala Picnic Area Shelter before we made our way down to Greene's Falls. It was very dry with no waterfall but the highlight of the day was seeing a brown snake slither through one

head anti-clockwise going to Molongolee Cave of the few water pools and then further up the rock to near the board walk.

> The last walk for the day was the Westside Track which gave us rather hazy views over the Scenic Rim towards Cunningham's Gap. A further 100m or so down the track were fairly steep steps which intersected with Joyners Ridge Road Track. This was flat walking along a well maintained track before we arrived back at the main Mt Glorious Road and a short walk up the hill to the cars.

> About 3.30pm we headed further up the road to Ollies Coffee Shop – we decided to head down to the Coffee Club at The Gap when we found they had all but run out of supplies.

> Thank you to Graham Glasse, Sophie Ramsay, Terry Silk, Peter Constable, Russell & Louise Jones, Paddy Taylor, Nampech Wuthapanich and Andrea Turner for a great day. Michele Johns

BARNEY WATERFALLS 3rd DECEMBER, SATURDAY **DAYWALK**

Seven of us left the Lower Portals carpark around 8.30am to head for Rocky Creek Portals, and after an a hour we dropped down in to the creek to a great view of the portals. We left Justin and Mary to swim through while we climb over the ridge to meet them lower down the creek.

From here we followed a track for about an hour to meet up with Barney Creek where we had morning tea and a swim in a magnificent swimming hole. Cross country we followed the original route taken by our past members in to the Club Hut and on to the Lower Portals. Climbing over the ridge and dropping back in to Barney Creek we rock hopped our way up to the falls, stopping to having lunch by 1pm and a swim at Barney Beautiful.

We made our way back down the creek and, on top of the ridge to the Portals, we climbed a knoll which gave us unbelievable views on both sides of Barney, Mt Maroon and Patty's Peak. After swim in the Lower Portals we decided to visit the Club Hut on the way out. After signing the visitor's book and a quick look around, we headed back to the cars arriving back at around 5pm.

A quick stop at Beaudesert Macca's for coffee had us back in Brisbane by 7pm. Thanks to Justin, Mary, Dan, Brenda, Paul and Terry for making this one of those walks that you remember for a long time. Peter C



Lower Portal 3/12/11 Photo by P Constable.

SEVENTH ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION MONDAY 21st DECEMBER,

Our goal as a club is to encourage the love of the bush and bushwalking.

The idea of the having a photographic competition is to encourage members to bring their photos out and to share them with other members the beauty of the bush that we all love.

The other reason for the photo comp is that we can use the winning photo on the front cover of the Annual Report.

The standard of photos this year was excellent and several people made a special effort in properly mounting their photos on backing board.

Joe Tottenham was our head judge and once again did an excellent job of adjudicator. He did let a few secrets out, in that, he a special fondness for beach scenes and for sunset scenes.

The winners

Category	Photographer	Information
Landscape	Maree Hutchinson	Tranquil Morning Tooloom Falls
Moods of nature	Pat Lawton	Sunset F
Nature Close up	Brenda Keough	Dancing f Snakes r
People and Faces	Peter Constable	Kerrianne with the Last Snowman on Mt Bogong
Miscellaneous	Brenda Keough	Stop (walkers) climbing through the gate with a not entry sign)

International Walking	Michele Johns	Heaphy Track - beach
		scene in
		morning mist
Best overall	Andrea Turner	Beautiful One Day Perfect the Next – Pandanus palm overhanging sandy beach on Straddie
People's	Maree	Tranquil
Choice	Hutchinson	Morning –
		Tooloom Falls

A TRAGEDY

The historic Mansfield Hotel burns down.

It was our preferred eating place on our last Vic Alps trip in November. There was a great view of Mt Bogong from the verandah. The fire started in the kitchen at 5am.

http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/victoria/his toric-mansfield-pub-burns/story-e6frf7kx-1225911173721

WALKING COMPANION WANTED

An ex-member of our club, Robin Thorn, wants to know if there is anyone interested in joining her in walking the French part of the Camino Trail in about June/July of 2012. This walk follows in the footsteps of medieval pilgrims, with a network of ancient pilgrimage routes. If you are interested, please contact Michele Johns on Ph: 3353 2822 for details.

AN INTERESTING READ

History does repeat itself (basically we are all prisoners to history)

Railroad tracks: The United States standard railroad gauge (distance between the rails) is 4 feet 8.5 inches. That's an exceedingly odd number.

Why was that gauge used? Because that's the way they built them in Scotland, and Scottish expatriates designed the US railroads.

Why did the Scottish build them like that ? Because the first rail lines were built by the same people who built the pre-railroad tramways, and that's the gauge they used.

Why did 'they' use that gauge then? Because the people who built the tramways used the same jigs and tools that they had used for building wagons, which used that wheel spacing.

Why did the wagons have that particular odd wheel spacing? Well, if they tried to use any other spacing, the wagon wheels would break on some of the old, long distance roads in Scotland because that's the spacing of the wheel ruts.

So who built those old rutted roads? Imperial Rome built the first long distance roads in Europe (including Scotland) for their legions. Those roads have been used ever since.

And what formed the ruts in the roads? Roman war chariots formed the initial ruts, which everyone else had to match for fear of destroying their wagon wheels. Since the chariots were made for Imperial Rome, they were all alike in the matter of wheel spacing. Therefore the United States standard railroad gauge of 4 feet, 8.5 inches is derived from the original specifications for an Imperial Roman War chariot. Bureaucracies live forever. So the next time you are handed specification/procedure/process and wonder 'What horse's ass came up with this?', you may be

exactly right. Imperial Roman army chariots were made just wide enough to accommodate the rear ends of two war horses. (Two horses' asses.)

Now, the twist to the story: When you see a Space Shuttle sitting on its launch pad, there are two big booster rockets attached to the sides of the main fuel tank. These are solid rocket boosters, or SRBs. The SRBs are made by Thiokol at their Factory in Utah.

The engineers who designed the SRBs would have preferred to make them a bit fatter, but the SRBs had to be shipped by train from the factory to the launch site. The railroad line from the factory happens to run through a tunnel in the mountains, and the SRBs had to fit through that tunnel. The tunnel is slightly wider than the railroad track, and the railroad track, as you now know, is about as wide as two horses' behinds.

So, a major Space Shuttle design feature of what is arguably the world's most advanced transportation system was determined over two thousand years ago by the width of two horses' asses.

(From numerous web sites) Phil

EDITOR'S REPORT

ARTICLES: Please have all articles for the Dec Jilalan to me by Friday 6th January. Please check and adjust your article to comply with the Style Guide: www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/JilalanStyleGuide.html If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092. E-mail articles to endhouse@bigpond.net.au

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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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DATE **VENUE** Location January 20th Storey Bridge Hotel Kangaroo Point Feb 17th Little Larder Café Petrie Bight March 16th Plough Inn South Brisbane April 20th Mick O'Malleys Queen St Mall May 18th Irish Club Elizabeth St June 15th Granada Tapas Bar South Brisbane July 20th Grove Train * King George Sq Aug 17th Elephant & W'barrow Valley Sept 21st Charlotte St Victory Hotel Oct 19th MJs **Transit Centre** Nov 16th Lennon's Queen St Mall Dec 21st Coffee Club Eagle St Pier

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