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JILALAN ARTICLES

Please have all Jilalan articles to Greg by the 1st of the month.

Articles should be e-mailed to me at endhouse@bigpond.net.au

I prefer not to get a hard copy. Please follow the "Jilalan Style Guide".

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

GENERAL MEETINGS: Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7:30pm. The location is St Brigid's Parish Hall, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill. (The huge red brick church on the hill; the hall is at the back of the very large 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. Should you change your mind and decide not to come to a Club event, please notify the leader as soon as possible.
- (f) 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.
- (g) 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.

EQUIPMENT HIRE: The Club has some tents and through-walk packs to hire to visitors and newer members. Borrowers are responsible for collecting and returning equipment, as well as making good any loss or damage over and above normal wear and tear. Hire rates – Packs \$10/ weekend, Tents \$5:00 – Deposit of \$20:00 required. Phone Gabe on 3856 3842

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.

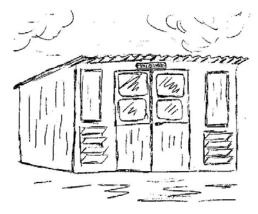
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: All members are most welcome to attend a meeting of the Management Committee, but please contact the President beforehand. This means you can be advised of any change of date/venue. If you feel strongly about an issue, bring it along to the Committee Meeting and we'll put it on the agenda.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$35; Associate Members: \$26; Spouse Members: \$9.00; Country: \$26.00.

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. The Club is not in a position to even state that all care will be taken.



CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS FOR THE NEXT MONTH

DATE	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT	TYPE	GRADE
25	Purlingbrook Falls & Twin Falls Circuits	Graham Glasse		DW	
28	Coffee Night – Café Zanetti	Terry Silk		Soc	
March				DW	
4	Gap Creek Falls	Richard Johns		DW	
11	Club Hut Cleanup	Iain Renton		DW	
13	Movie Night @ Southbank Cinemas	Michael Simpson		Soc	
15	The Vestibule	Marcus Junius Brutus	III III V I IV - IX II	CW	Deadly
16	John Toohey Society Meeting at the Zen Bar, Post Office Sq, Adelaide St	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Soc	S11 to EX99
17/18	Club Hut 40 th Anniversary BC	Iain Renton (& Maxine & Justin Tobin)	3371 4672 3203 4699 3366 3193	ВС	S43
17/18	Club Hut 40 th Anniversary ON Feast	Maxine Brophy & Justin Tobin	3203 4699 3366 3193	ON	S43
18	Club Hut 40 th Anniversary DW	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	DW	S43
19	Meeting	Philip Kearns	3870 3710		
25	Mt Langley	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	DW	S45
28	Coffee Night @ Merthyr Bowls Club, Oxlade Dr, New Farm	Greg Endicott	3351 4092	Soc	
April					
1	Mt Coot-tha to Gap Creek Picnic Ground	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Soc	
6/9 Easter	Warrumbungle National Park	Paul Evans	3357 5254	BC	Various
9	Mt Lindsay	Pat Lawton	3366 1956	DW	M66
10	Movie Night @ Southbank Cinemas	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Soc	
15	City to Toowong onto UQ and Return	Graham Glasse	3371 9623	CW	L22
16	Meeting	Philip Kearns	3870 3710		
20	John Toohey Society at Mick O'Malley's Irish Pub, Basement, Wintergarden, Queen St Mall	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Soc	
22	Pilgrimage Pre-Outing trips (could be 3 to 5 separate walks to places like Mt Moon, Mt Fraser or Mt Edwards)	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	DW	Various
25	Anzac Day Dawn Service @ Anzac Sq	Terry Silk	3355 9765	Soc	
25	Bike Ride	Terry Silk	3355 9765	Soc	
25	Coffee Night @ Vagelis, Racecourse Rd, Ascot	Greg Endicott	3351 4092	Soc	
29	Neglected Mountain	James Parra	3711 4490	DW	M45
May					
5/7	Wondabyne to Patonga (Gosford NSW)	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	TW	L57
6	Flinders Peak	James Parra	3711 4490	DW	M44
8	Movie Night @ Southbank Cinemas	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Soc	
12	Mt Barney - North Ridge	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	DW	L77
13	Woody Point to Scarborough	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Soc	
20	Wanungara Falls	Anthony Dolan	3342 0386	D/W	L44

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

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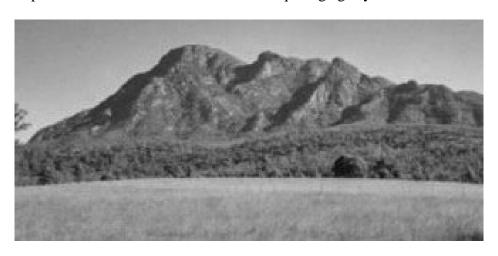
KEY – Walk Types

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	Social

KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	1 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to
per day		4 hours walking. Flat
	2 - Graded path/track with minor	2 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to
	obstacles	4 hours walking. Minor Hills
M edium 10-15km	3 - Graded track with obstacles such	3 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to
per day	as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	5 hours walking. Undulating terrain
	4 - Rough unformed track or open	4 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to
	terrain with obstacles such as rock,	5 hours walking. Up to 300m gain/loss
	roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	per day
Long 15-20 km per	5 - Rough or rocky terrain with small	5 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking.
day	climbs using hands or rock hopping	Up to 450m gain/loss per day. Agility required
	6 - Steep, rough or rocky terrain with	6 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking.
	large climbs using hands or rock hopping	Up to 600m gain/loss per day. Agility required
Extra Long Over	7 - Climb/descend steep rock using	7 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to
20 km per day	hands or footholds. May be some	750m gain/loss per day. High fitness.
	exposure. Good upper body strength	Endurance and agility required
	8 - Climb/descend near vertical rock	8 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to
	with exposure. Climbing skills may	1000m gain/loss per day. High fitness.
	be required	Endurance and agility required
	9 - Sustained climbing or descending	9 - Challenging - Up to 12 hours
	of vertical or near vertical rock with	walking. Over 1000m gain/loss per day.
	exposure. Advanced climbing skills	Very high fitness. Endurance and agility
F 1 1/40:	required. Good upper body strength	required

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



PRAYER OF THE MONTH

May the sun always shine on your window pane; May the rainbow be certain to follow each rain; May the hand of a friend always be near you; May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

This is my first opportunity as president of the BCBC to welcome every one to 2007. It is indeed an honour and a privilege to be asked to lead the Club through its 49th year and I hope that I will continue to lead the Club into a fantastic future.

The Club has a very active programme of walks for 2007 and some of the walks we have done this year have been absolute crackers. We have journeyed through both the Binna Burra and Green Mts sections of the Lamington National Park, found the wreckage of the Piper Comanche, canoed through dry creek beds up at Noosa, done some fund raising for both the Little Kings and St Vinnies, and been made safer by our previous Safety and Training Officer.

We have had some great social evenings thanks to the John Toohey Society, our new Movie Nights and the regular Coffee Nights. These social gatherings help us get to know each other a little bit better, but as I say, we really get to know each other during our walks. We see a different side of people when the working week is done and the various strengths of both ourselves and others shine through.

The real business of our Club is the fostering of a love of the outdoors and seeing the hand of God, not only in the places we walk, but those we walk with. So, check your diaries and Club Calendar, chalk in as many walks as you can and I will see you on the track during the next 12 months.

If you ever have any doubts about your ability to do a walk, ring the leader and ask for an honest opinion from them. There are walks for all levels of ability on our Calendar, so there are no excuses. Don't forget that our Club's hut is having a birthday later this month. It should be a brilliant event, with a Mass at the Hut on the Sunday. Read about it in your Jilalan!

Remember to keep walking humbly with our God.

Philip Kearns (Phil the Younger)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance @ 15/1/07	\$2386.86
Plus Receipts	\$1257.40
	\$3644.26
Less Payments	NIL
Balance @ 19/2/07	\$3644.26
Term Deposit	\$1951.39

WARNING!! Unless you have renewed your membership, this will be the last magazine that you will receive until you are financial again. When paying your subs, it is important that you complete and sign the Membership Renewal form which was in your January magazine. This is mainly a requirement of our insurance company. Unfinancial members run the risk of missing out on a magazine as we do not carry surplus copies.

Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Dianne Barrett, Barbara Eastoe, Dennis Hoey, Robyn Jones, Don Keating, Jan Nelson, James Parra, Paul Siboni, and Robin Thorn are having a birthday in March.

Pat Lawton has just returned from another walking trip in NZ. Barbara Eastoe is finally home from her overseas marathon and trying to settle back into life in Aus.

Paul Evans shared a canoe with his son, Michael, on Justin's Noosa Canoe Trip.

Judith McEniery, Karen Rolff and Teresa Martin were interested visitors at our February meeting which had the added bonus of having two meetings on the one night, as it was also our AGM.

John Blumke brought his wife, Margaret, and children, Melissa and Claire on Graham's Springbrook walk, where Judith McEniery also joined us. Hopefully, all of you had a good time and it will not be too long before we see you again. We always strive to make visitors feel most welcome.

During February, the Club had enquiries from Sonja Pearone and Steven Porter. We look forward to seeing you on a walk in the near future.

We are now in the season of Lent. Through this period it is the time of forgiveness.

This year, Easter Sunday falls on the 8th of April. May I ask that all Club members keep in their prayers people such as Gabriel Romaguera, Liz Little, Marie Ricketts, Joe Tottenham and other Club members who will be spending Easter for the first time without certain family members. Also, in the following month of May, may you keep many of these people in your thoughts as most will be spending their first Mother's Day without their mothers present, but we know that their spirits will be with them and their families.

OUTING SECRETARY'S REPORT

There are a few things I need to remind Leaders about.

- Could Leaders ask all new people their mane, address, phone number and e-mail address. If people go to the trouble to phone us about attending one of our events, we are duty bound to send them the next three Jilalans. This way, we can keep them up to date with our coming events and give them the chance to nominate for more things. Even if the enquirer does not attend the event, still obtain these details.
- Pass these names onto the Membership Officer, but in the absence of one, phone Terry and pass on these details.
- Leaders, remember, we have a Leaders Guide on our web:

http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html

- As soon as possible after your event, type up a report for the next Jilalan, as a "fresh" report is far better than one published 6 weeks later.
- There are a few coning events that need leaders or contacts – outings and socials.
 Contact Michael S to see how you can help out your Club.

EDITOR'S REPORT

During the AGM I was elected the Editor of Jilalan. This means that you, the contributor of articles to this magazine, will have to send articles to me – at endhouse@bigpond.net.au. I prefer articles e-mailed, not posted by mail, and to already be in the "Jilalan Style". I'm not a typiste, so you need to give me all the help I can get.

In brief, the "Jilalan Style" is Times New Roman, 14 point for headings (and in bold and centred), and 12 point for the articles and fully justified. Please hold bold and italics to a minimum. The body of the article is left and right justified. If "borrowing" words, text, pictures or anything off anyone (including from books, newspapers, other magazines, the web or anywhere), please acknowledge the original author, publication, date, publisher and if it is a large publication, even the page number.

I am willing to receive any article that remotely will interest Club members. It can be about a recent holiday — especially overseas, a private walking trip, general items of interest to bushwalking, items about our regular stamping ground & etc.

However, I do reserve the right to leave out articles without explanation, or to alter, amend, shorten, punctuate, or whatever any article.

Thank you to all contributors who submitted articles on time.

Regards, Greg

REFLECTIONS

Foreword to the 1987 30th Annual Report

Every beautiful finite thing is a window by which the soul may catch a glimpse of the ETERNAL the breathtaking views, the majesty and grandeur of the mountains, the cool tranquillity of the rainforest - this is the magic of the bush, a magic woven intricately from sights and sounds and scents seldom heeded in our busy daily lives.

Only when we leave the noise and haste of the city far behind can we truly savour the smell of rain on the grass, or of a campfire at days' end.

Only when we slow our pace to that of a bushwalker do we stop to see the spider webs glistening with dew in the crispness of a new morning, or marvel at the multitude of stars flung across the night time sky...

Only when we renounce for a short the time the synthetic sounds of the suburbs can we hear the bush music - the dawn chorus, the incessant shrilling; of cicadas in the heat of the day or the soul easing rippling of creeks over mossy stones.

These finite things, plus those not quite so tangible - the wonderful memories, the camaraderie and the strong friendships forged between people of diverse natures brought together through a common love for the bush - can restore our serenity and renew our sense of perspective such that life's overwhelming worries seem less so.

The unspoiled places which provide these riches are a possession to be prized indeed and we must recognize that they are ours in trust. As we enter the third century of settlement in Australia, we have an ever increasing responsibility to do all in our power to preserve what we enjoy so that future generations too can experience the freedom and the magic the bush has to offer, so that they, also, may catch that kindling glimpse of the ETERNAL.

Cathy McDonnell

GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY 19th MARCH, 2007 ST BRIGID'S HALL 78 MUSGRAVE RD, RED HILL

Contact: Philip Kearns, Club President

Ph: 3870 7025

Location: St Brigid's Parish Hall, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill (In the building at the back of the car park).

Time: 7:30pm

Web:

http://www.geocities.com/brisbanecathbushclub

/page4.html

Come along to hear what we will be doing over the coming month, and what we have done over the past month. Jilalan can tell you the "nuts & bolts", but not all the facts. Seeing your leader and listening to the description of the Club event will tell you more. You can ask questions to fine tune your understanding of the event, you can listen to the answers of the questions others ask, and you might even see a map of the area you are going to.

There is more to a Meeting than nominating for an event. Come along and talk to your mates. Come and hear how the Club is being run and hear about Our plans.

Stay for supper. See you there.

The Full Moons for 2007

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Jan	3^{rd}	At 11.57 Pm
Feb	2^{nd}	At 3.45 Pm
Mar	4^{th}	At 9.17 Am
Apr	3^{rd}	At 3.15 Am
May	2^{nd}	At 8.10 Pm
Jun	1^{st}	At 11.04 Am
Jun	30^{th}	At 11.49 Pm
Jul	30^{th}	At 10-48 Pm
Aug	28^{th}	At 8.45 Pm
Sept	27^{th}	At 5.45 Am
Oct	26^{th}	At 2.52 Pm
Nov	25^{th}	At 12.30 Am
Dec	$24^{\rm th}$	At 1116 Am

COMING OUTINGS

THE VESTIBULE DIES IOVIS XVTH MARTIUS, XLIV BC CITY WALK

Leader: Marcus Junius Brutus Ph: III III V I IV – IX II Meet at: Senate Steps, the East Side of the Forum Time: Late Afternoon, But Don't Tell Julius

Grade: S II IV

Cost: Rule By The Plebeians **Emerg Off:** Gaius Cassius Longinus

Ph: III II VIII VII I III VII II

Location: At the End Of The Forum.

This walk will begin after the Senate finished debates for the day, approx the mid afternoon. The II Consuls, Gaius Julius Cæsar and Cnæus Pompeius Magnus, will be the first to leave the Chamber, followed by the Executive, and then the rest of the Plebeians. The party will walk from the podium, across the chamber and down the hall. Here will be a rest stop so the members can regroup. You then will make your way slowly to the Vestibule at the front of the Senate Building, the exit facing the Forum where the waiting reporters ambush the Members.

Our policy is to keep all walkers together, so if anyone starts straggling, we regroup. Anyone continually holding back will be considered a plotter. At this point, on the steps of the Senate, we will take in the view of the surrounding buildings of the Forum. The views will be sharp as the sunlight is bright and piercing. This is the Rubicon point since, for those who cannot continue, it is the last point to pull out. Watch out, for the edge of The Vestibule is knife edge, so it is important to take care. Thus, watch out for people coming up behind you pushing and shoving. Hopefully, no one will be injured or killed. Wear your best city toga as I don't think it will get soiled.

Once we descend the steps, the mob will proceed down the steps and into the Forum. From here, we will head to The Lupanareto to celebrate. You can bring your enamel plates, tin mug and daggers as the metal detector is being installed in the Senate building the week following the walk. For those with a stabbing pain after such a gruelling event,

there is a 24 Hour Leaching Centre opposite the entrance

Hope to see as many like minded as possible in the crowd.

Marcus Antonius

CLUB HUT FEAST 40TH ANNIVERSARY SAT 17TH & SUN 18TH MARCH SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE HUT

Contact: Iain Renton Ph: 3371 4672 or

Mob: 0401 429 085

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time: Depending on your circumstances

Grade: S 4 3 Cost: \$25:00

Emerg Off: Sam Leonardi Ph: 3287 1372

or Mob: 0419794251

Location: On Beautiful Mt Barney Creek, several kms from the carpark, and just short of the Lower Portals.

The Hut is turning forty and those who have the week-end off can join Iain for tea at the Hut. Come in for a swim. Bring your own tea, dessert to share, photos and stories. We're hoping to start tea at about five and the stories should roll on from then. I'm sure we all have a story or two from the Hut. And it's sure to be sure a great night followed by a grand start to Sunday and the Mass.

"YALBURRU" 40TH ANNIVERSARY MASS AT THE HUT SUNDAY, 18TH MARCH

Contact: Maxine Brophy Ph: 3203 4699

after 7:00pm

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

Time: 7:00am Grade: S 4 3 Cost: \$25:00

Emerg Off: Sam Leonardi Ph: 3287 1372 or

Mob: 0419794251

To celebrate the Club Hut turning forty, and to thank the Drynan Family, the Club is organising Mass at the Hut. Father John Butler has kindly offered to say Mass for us. Leaving Brisbane at 7:00am we're hoping there's enough to take a bus and go down as a group. Bring your lunch; we'll boil the billy. Take the chance to catch up with friends, relive those early trips spent at the hut. Sit in the silence and peace that is Barney. Give thanks to the Drynan Family and the builders for Yalburru. Pray that our Lady Of The Way is with us on all our journeys.

Regards, Maxine

MT LANGLEY SUNDAY 25th MARCH 2007 DAYWALK

Leader: Philip Kearns Ph: 3870 3710

or 0411 01 68 64

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

Time: 6:30 am Grade: M 5 5 Cost: \$15.00

Location: Conondale Range, Beyond Maleny,

Sunshine Coast Hinterland.

Emerg Off:Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

Well, we are going to bag the tallest peak in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland. Its height is 868 m, but fortunately we will be well and truly above sea level at the start of our walk. We are going to travel from Red Hill to The Sunday Creek Road in the Conondale National Park and start the walk from there. Initially we will travel along an old fire trail through some beautiful rainforest. This segment of the walk on the old road will be about 7 km. After that we start going up hill along a rocky/mossy ridge through the rainforest through to the summit. The walk is rather isolated and some scrambling will be involved. There could be some wait-a-while so prepare yourself for that, and the trek up the hill is quite steep.

So, if you would like to join me on a walk through the rainforest to a mountain we haven't climbed very often, see spectacular fig trees and stag horns, give me a call as quickly as you can. You will need to be reasonably fit. I will not promise you a vision splendid from the top of the mountain but you will see the forest with the trees.

Phil.

WARRUMBUNGLE NATIONAL PARK EASTER WEEKEND FRI 6TH To MON 9TH APRIL BASECAMP

Leader: Paul Evans Ph: 3357 5254

Meet at: The be arranged, depending on where you live & when you leave.

Time: 5:30am, and other times as arranged.
Grade: There are several walks available, so
grading of the overall trip is
impossible. Some walks are long
(one is 30km), some are difficult.
The range is easy to hard.

Cost: \$90+, as the price of petrol is going up sharply.

Web:

http://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/parks.nsf/ParkContent/N0035?OpenDocument&Parkke y=N0035&Type=xo

Emerg Off: Carolyn Evans Ph: 0412 339 322

It is the aim to leave on early Friday morning and proceed to the Park via Goondiwindi and then down to Coonabaraban in NSW. Different car loads are leaving at different times, and for that matter, coming back home at differing times. You possibly still have your choice of leaving time, if a car is partially empty.

There is over 23,000 hectares to the park and the scenery is spectacular. There is no set plan for the walks but there is over 50km of tracks. The walks can be decided when down at the Park. We will be camping at the National Park so bring tent and provisions Easter Weekend. for an Warrumbungles will not disappoint, so bring the camera and you may have the winning prize for next years photo competition. There is no final cost as yet, but it will be finalized on the outing and will be to cover the driving. If people want to, they can meet us down there. Due to the popularity of the Park over Easter, I will need to give numbers to the National Park early. So please consider this for the Easter break.

Paul Evans



MT. LINDESAY EASTER MONDAY 9th APRIL, 2007 DAY WALK

Contact: Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956.

Meet at: St. Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 6.30 a.m. Grade: M 6 6 Cost: \$16-00

Location: Mt. Lindesay is situated south of Rathdowney and is the prominent peak seen on the left as one crosses through

the Qld/NSW Border Gate

Emerg.Off: Michael Brophy Ph: 3203 4699 Mob: 0421024867

If you are not going away for the Easter break, but would like to do a walk on Easter Monday, come along and join me on this interesting outing.

Mt. Lindesay is situated south of Rathdowney and is the prominent peak seen on the left as one crosses through the Qld/NSW Border Gate. It has 2 major cliff lines, one on top of the other, which give it its distinctive layered appearance. It is mainly open forest and rainforest.

It is not a track walk. The party will climb up the steep slopes on the eastern side of the mountain to the base of the cliffs. From there we will contour around on the southern side under the impressive cliffs to the west. The descent will be via a western ridge. You will not be going to the top of the mountain as the cliffs are difficult and exposed and rock climbing skills are required.

There are excellent views of Mt. Ernest and Mt. Barney.

Water will need to be carried. Also, don't forget torch, first aid etc.

The walk is medium/hard as the majority (apart from the descent) involves climbing steep slopes and rough terrain.

As usual for Easter Monday, this will be a combined walk with Bushwalkers of Southern Qld (BOSQ). Easter is always a lovely time for walking and the combined walks over the past years have been a great success.

Easter Monday Walks – A New Tradition In The Club

Over the last few years Pat Lawton has led the Easter Monday Walk. The walk is usually a combined walk with BOSQ - the Bushwalkers of Southern Queensland. Her Easter Monday walk is quickly becoming a tradition in the Club.

I highly recommend that members do one of her walks to get an appreciation of what a good solid daywalk is like.

From the Annual Reports she has led the following walks on Easter Monday:-

YEAL	R DATE	MOUNTAIN	BCBC	BOSQ	TOTAL
2003	April 21	Mt Sampson	11	11	22
2004	April 12	Mt Greville	9	18	27
2005	March 28	Lahey's Tableto	p 13	16	29
2006	April 17	Minnages Moun	itain 9	17	26
2007	April 9	Mt Lindsay			

If you are not going to the Warrumbungles with Paul Evans, can I strongly suggest you support this new tradition in the Club.

Phil.

WILLIAM JOLLY / ELEANOR SCHONELL RIVER WALK SUNDAY 15TH APRIL 2007 DAYWALK

Leader: Graham Glasse Ph: 3371 9623 Meet at #1: EITHER: St Brigid's Car Park

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time #1: 8.30 am

Meet at #2: OR, West End CityCat Terminal

Cnr Hoogley and Orleigh Sts,

West End

Time #2: 9 am Grade: L22

Cost: \$3 + City Cat Fare

Location: Inner northern suburbs of

Brisbane

Emerg Off.: Sam Leonardi Ph: 32871372

or 0419794251

This activity will begin with a walk along the River from West End to South Brisbane, a section of river frontage that is currently undergoing a gradual transformation from industrial to residential. We shall have morning tea in the vicinity of the Cultural Centre and shall take a walk around the exterior of the new Gallery of

Modern Art and the refurbished State Library of Queensland. We shall then cross the river via the William Jolly Bridge, and take the bikeway to the Regatta. A possible lunch spot would be the covered picnic area at the Regatta Finish Line, not far from the Regatta CityCat terminal

After lunch, the group shall make its way through St Lucia to the University, keeping as near to the River as possible, with close-up views of the high rise apartments that we saw from the distance in the morning. A detour to Wordsmith's Writers Café may be possible (closes at 3pm on Sundays); otherwise we could have coffee at West End after the walk. We can spend some time walking across the Eleanor Schonell Bridge, listening to the sounds of cables 4 and 8, and viewing information about construction of the bridge. The outing will finish with a trip on the CityCat from the University back to West End. The total length of the walk if we go to Wordsmith's will be about 13 km. This should be an interesting and relaxing day; don't miss it!

Graham

GENERAL MEETING MONDAY 16th APRIL, 2007 ST BRIGID'S HALL 78 MUSGRAVE RD, RED HILL

Contact: Philip Kearns, Club President

Location: St Brigid's Parish Hall,

78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7:30pm

Location: St Brigid's is the big red brick

church right on the top of the hill.

Come along to hear what we will be doing over the coming month, and what we have done over the past month. Jilalan can tell you the "nuts & bolts", but not all the facts. Seeing your leader and listening to the description of the Club event will tell you more. You can ask questions to fine tune your understanding of the event, you can listen to the answers of the questions others ask, and you might even see a map of the area you are going to.

There is more to a Meeting than nominating for an event. Come along and talk to your mates. Come and hear how the Club is being run and hear about Our plans. Stay for supper. See you there.

REALLY ADVANCED NOTICE

SOUTH COAST TRACK – TASMANIA A CLASSIC THROUGHWALK 15th DECEMBER TO 23rd DECEMBER '07

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810 Web: http://www.john.chapman.name/tas-sthc.html

The trip is planned and there are currently five (5) confirmed intrepid walkers. That means there is one (1) position left. I will be making the airline bookings and payment thereof by the end of March. Therefore, final numbers will be known when the first payment is required. This is expected to be \$300. You may have noticed that I have extended the trip by one day. This is to enable us to enjoy the area rather than rush through it, as I don't know when any of us will be able to visit the area again.

Remember Paddy Pallin's classic statement about bushwalking will apply if you do not nominate – "the only trips I regretted are the ones I didn't go on."

Michael S

AN INTERESTING TRIP

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO WALK OR - A SPRING STROLL THROUGH SPAIN

Volunteers Wanted

I am planning to walk some (150 - 250k) of the Camino de Santiago (The way of Saint James) Pilgrim route for about 2 to 3 weeks, starting around the 15 September, 2007. Planning is still in the early stages, but if anyone is interested, could you please contact me on Ph: 3369 5530 or DPedrazzin@aol.com.

Desley Pedrazzini

POETRY CORNER

A BUSHWALKER'S CATS

A bushwalker's cats stay right at home. Not left in the bush, to wander and roam.

They look sad and sorry, when you're late from a walk. When feed time comes round, they squabble and squawk.

They sleep on the porch, outside the door. I raised them from kittens, Rip, Rack and Roar.

Bells on their collars, the bird life scats. A feline delight are a bushwalker's cats.

By Jim Teys, The Waysider, The Magazine of Catholic Bushwalking Club in Sydney

COMING SOCIALS

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING FRIDAY 16TH MARCH **ZEN BAR**

Contact: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

From 4:00pm onwards until Time: 7:00pm (or much later).

Park Level, Post Office Square, Where:

215 Adelaide Street, Brisbane

For a chat, a beer, a whine, a What For:

coffee, dinner and discuss the problems of the world, plan an

overseas trip.

What ever you desire – heavy, **Drinks:**

lite, soft, hard, alcoholic or caffeine

http://www.zenbar.com.au/contactzen.htm Emerg Off: Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620714 The Club has a regular gathering in town for a social drink on a Friday once a month on the third Friday of the month. This month we are meeting at the Zenbar, above Adelaide St, at the park level of Post Office Square. This will be our first visit here. As it the day before St Patrick's Day, all the Irish pubs in town will be packed and too boisterous, and it is much easier to enjoy yourself in an uncrowded place. It is partly inside & the other part is - well er um - outside. This Bar is a nice open and quiet place, and is the haunt of yuppies, public servants and bushwalkers. So come along and find out all the latest happenings in the Club and the up to date details about the Club Hut festival.

They have a selection of beers in the bottle. The beer of the month is the Italian beer Perroni. Plus, they have most of the major local beers. It should be a nice evening.

Phil M

COFFEE NIGHT MERTHYR BOWLS CLUB WEDNESDAY 28th MARCH

Time: 7:30pm onwards for dinner and/or

dessert, and of course, Coffee

Place: Merthyr Bowls Club, Oxlade Drive, New Farm (almost opposite Turner Ave)

Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

Located in New Farm, Merthyr Bowls Club is easily accessible by car, train, tram, bus, ferry and CityCat, and is a short walk from New Farm Park. Public Transport timetables are available on the internet from Transinfo the site: http://www.transinfo.qld.gov.au/

The Merthyr Bowls Club is one of our favourite Coffee Night venues - it has position and charm (it's really just a WWII wooden navy hut but it's right on the Brisbane River) and position, and good food (I'm particularly partial to the octopus and calamari salad with roasted Mediterranean vegetables), and did I mention "position". Oddly, coffee is their one weakness, but there is beer on tap and wine by the bottle or glass. The dinners and sweets are very good and reasonably priced and the setting right on the Brisbane River is one

of the best in this town. It is one of Brisbane's best-kept secrets. For those of you who don't want the whole meal thing, there are plenty of snacks and several desserts to keep you happy.

You are supposed to sign in. You can do this if you belong to any other club or you can join and become a social member for 5 years for \$5 (bargain!). Or just sign in as a visitor. Once signed in, go to the plastic chairs outside on the raised bank between the bowling greens and the River. It is beautiful this time of the year, and there should be room for all of us. Lovely river breezes. So come along and enjoy a great experience with some top people.

Look out for people wearing the light blue Club T-shirt - Please try and wear your Club T-shirt so any visitors can recognise us.

MT COOT-THA TO GAP CREEK PICNIC GROUND SUNDAY 1ST APRIL SOCIAL WALK & BBQ

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

Or 0409 620714

Meet at: Mt Coot-tha (to be advised)

Time: 1.00 pm Cost: \$2:00 Grading: S 3 3

Mood: Don't be fooled by the date – It IS

serious.

Come and join me for a bushwalk in the city followed by a BBQ. The plan is to follow a ridge from Mt Coot-tha down to the Gap Creek Picnic Ground, which is a small area on the western side of Mt Coot-tha. We will then have a BYO BBQ in this pleasant area and be home before dark. There will need to be a car shuffle but this should not take long. I haven't done a pre-outing yet but I intend to in the near future. Ring me for more details closer to the event.

Michael.

JOHN TOOHEY GATHERING FRIDAY 20TH APRIL MICK O'MALLEY'S (An Irish Pub)

Contact: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810 Location: Mick O'Malley's Irish Pub.

Wintergarden Basement, Queen St

Mall

Time: From 4pm till 8ish, or

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

Grade: From S 1 1 to EX 9 9, depending on

your ability

Cost: Anything from \$5 to your week's

pay – the choice is yours.

Web:

http://www.omalleysirishpub.com

.au/brisbane/index.htm

Emerg Off: Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620714.

For April, we are meeting at Mick O'Malley's. It is directly below Cibo Espresso and is a downstairs bar near Hoffstays the jewellers. The place has a nice Irish feel to it. In fact it reminds me of a little pub in the Irish town of Westport which is the nearest town to Croagh Patrick in Ireland.

O'Malley's has a selection of Irish beers. And it also has a wall map of Ireland and we can check out the town of Fethard which was the home town of Fr Willie Hayes who was one of the founders of your Club. The map also has the Irish mountains like Galtemore and the Comeraghs marked on it. So come along and have a chat, a drink, a meal and start dreaming and planning your next overseas trip.

I have made a booking for 12 people in the little room called 'The Parlour.'

Phil the Elder

FMR

You may have already heard from other sources that FMR has suspended its training activities for 2007. In simple terms, it appears that the stalwarts of FMR need a break and, if FMR is to continue, they need new blood to assist in its activities. Ask Michael Simpson for further details.

See: http://www.geocities.com/fmrqld/index.htm

WATER... A TIME FOR PRAYER

We Pray Together

Loving God, whose son Jesus Christ called all who were thirsty to come to him, believe and drink.

Look in mercy on your Australian people living in a dry land.

Forgive our selfishness in life and our misuse of our natural resources. We commit ourselves to value and care for your gifts to us.

We ask you for the rain we need to replenish our reservoirs and artesian reserves.

May rivers of living water and practical compassion for all who suffer flow out of our hearts.

Refreshed by your Spirit, and following in the way of Jesus Christ, we will continue to serve you in the people and creation entrusted to our care.

Amen.

Prayer contributed by Louise Leonardi

PAST EVENTS

BAROON AND GHEERULLA FALLS 22nd OCTOBER, 2006

The Baroon and Gheerulla Falls walk provided a very pleasant day for 11 walkers. It felt like a car rally at times because of the number of places we visited. However, all the moving around went smoothly, thanks to everyone and especially to our drivers, Michael, Michele, Paul and Graham.

Our first, very short walk was to pretty Gardner Falls on Obi Obi Creek near Maleny. The walk took us beside the Creek to a rocky outcrop on top of the Falls and then a little further along to a clear view of them. A bonus was a sighting of a large carpet snake, curled up beside the creek.

Morning tea was at Gerrard Lookout, from where we were able to gaze out to the Sunshine Coast. It was a magnificent view, despite overcast conditions.

The main walk of the day took us from Baron Pocket Dam to Baroon Lookout. The first deviation track to Obi Obi Creek gave us a lovely sighting of it. A second deviation to Narrows Lookout afforded a spectacular view of the Gorge. The final destination allowed us to appreciate a clear spectacle of the Baroon Pocket Dam itself. The walk was though attractive woodland, vine and palm forest and over delightful wooden boardwalks and bridges over refreshing little steams.

Lunch was a private affair at comfortable picnic tables beside the Dam, separate from the crowded major picnic area.

Our third walk made history. It was the first time our Club has walked to Gheerulla Falls, from Delicta Road near Mapleton. The walk was beside a lush, cool-looking palm forest to a relaxing stop on the rocks. From there we were able to contemplate the sad trickle of the waterfall itself.

After a coffee stop at the Mapleton fish & chips shop, we enjoyed one last opportunity for views at Duhong Lookout on the Mapleton-Nambour Road. The rich green sight that spread out before us was further enhanced by the striking purple Jacarandas scattered through the vista.

We were delighted to welcome two visitors, Theresa and Kate on this walk. It was also a pleasure to walk with Terry, Louise, David and Maree. Thanks to everyone for the support and for sharing the enjoyment of a delightful day.

Liz Little

MOVIE NIGHT 13TH FEBRUARY

Eight people enjoyed a brief meal at the nearby café before adjourning to the theatre next door. There were 4 new people this month and I have no doubt the night is proving successful. Rick & Julie went to an early session of Deja Vu whilst the rest watched The Queen. After the meal, we returned to the café for a welcome cup of coffee, discussed the relative merits of the movies we had seen, and Liz's exploits in Europe.

Michael

KING ISLAND SATURDAY 17TH FEBRUARY SOCIAL

King Island is a small nature reserve just off the coast from Wellington Point and is easily reached at low tide. Catherine and I arrived at the appointed meeting point at 2pm to find no crowds waiting for us. However, thanks to the BCBC shirts, we were soon joined by Ray who spotted us from afar. By 2.20pm we assumed we were to be the sole contingent we set off across the sand towards King Island.

The island is about a kilometre away and were we soon there. However, Ray informed us that we could go around the island and continue on into Moreton Bay for about another kilometre. So we did. When we had reached the open water near the Main Channel buoy I turned to find Brigid closing in us, and then I noticed behind her the rain closing in even quicker. There was no way to avoid it so we wandered back the way we came, except we completed a circumnavigation of the Island before reaching the car park as the rain ceased. A quick walk down the jetty enjoying the breeze drying us, as well as providing exhilaration for a group of para-sailers and windsurfers, before saying goodbye and adjoining to the nearby café for coffee.

My thanks to the 3 walkers who joined me – Catherine S, Ray and Brigid.

Michael.

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY GATHERING FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

Last month we went to Fihellys; it was a lovely night with 2 new members, Marie Ricketts and Gordana, joining our group. Marie officially nominated for the Tassie Trip and was duly accepted to make the number of walkers 5. It was a lovely evening in town, enjoying a few drinks and looking at the photo albums of Desley and Liz Little. People started leaving about 8ish and a few stalwarts were still there until after 9. As a point of interest, the ladies outnumbered the guys at the last meeting 8 to 4.

COOMERA GORGE SUNDAY 18TH FEBRUARY DAYWALK

Unsettled weather greeted five of us at St Brigid's at 5.15am. After collecting James, we set off for Binna Burra where we met up with Paul S and headed down the Border Track at 7am.

After an hour of fairly miserable weather, we reached the turnoff for the Mystery Track and down we went. On reaching the cliff break, general consensus was that we err on the side of safety and forego the descent to another day. We had morning tea at a beautiful waterfall just above the cliffs, which suddenly became Central Station, as first a party of BBW walkers arrived closely followed by a party of QBW walkers.

Leaving them to the solitude of the gorge, we headed back up and continued along the Coomera Circuit. This is a lovely section of Binna Burra, but the intermittent rain and leeches did not allow us much time to enjoy the scenery. We arrived back at the carpark around 2.30pm. Now it was time for a change of clothes and de-leeching some needed this more than others. I will certainly reschedule the Gorge walk in the future.

It was now time for coffee and, as the temporary coffee shop was closed, we made for Canungra in time for coffee, cake and other delights. My thanks to the 6 walkers who joined me – Philip, James, Paul E, Rick, Paul S and Ivan.

Michael.

COFFEE NIGHT 28TH **FEBRUARY**

Once again dodgy weather conspired to put a dampener on yet another Club event, but never the less, seventeen people,(is this a record?), made it along to Cafe Zanetti at Mitchelton to compete for service with a slightly larger group of poker players. The service, which was initially quite slow, eventually improved so that everyone received their meals, which from all accounts they enjoyed. With such a large group there were many conversations going at once.

It was good to see a number of people using public transport to attend this night. A small number of people whom we expected to see were not present for one reason or another. It was their loss, as yet again we had another successful event.

Thank you to Graham, Liz L., Jean, Michael and Catherine, Maree, Rosemary S., Cheryl, Barbara E., Philip, Rick and Julie, Greg E., Paul E., along with two visitors, Karen Rolff and her friend, Christine Gilmore, for joining me. Karen and Christine also joined six of our members at Michael's second monthly movie night.

Terry.

GAP CREEK FALLS SUNDAY 4TH MARCH

Early Sunday morning, 4 members made their way to Cunningham's Gap where 2 visitors met us at the crest car park.

From the Fassifern Valley Lookout we descended down a mainly neglected track through rainforest for about 500m, and then the track continued through open eucalypt forest. It was a cooler than normal morning which made the walk that much easier as we made our descent to the falls. It was obvious that recent rain had made everything look green and new growth was evident. On our preouting everything was very parched and dry. Several pademelons and a bush turkey were spotted at the beginning of the track and half way along the track we were greeted by a lovely chorus of bell birds. Someone commented that we were being serenaded as we walked.

After about an hour and a half we spotted a waterfall on the opposite side to the track which, unfortunately, was not reachable unless we decided to be mountain goats. There was quite a bit of water coming over the falls and forming what seemed to be a lovely pool down the bottom. On our return we were debating whether it was at all possible to make the descent to the falls but decided it would have been a bit dicey. Just a few metres along was Gap Creek Falls which unfortunately were bone dry. It was here we rested our weary bones and had some morning tea.

After about ½ an hour we were on the track homeward bound. By this time it was mid morning and the temperature had certainly warmed up to be quite humid and, being a steady climb, we were finding the going quite exhausting. We had several water stops and any shade was most welcome as most of the track was out in the open. We eventually reached the lookout where we were going to have our lunch. The general consensus was it was too hot. Earlier we had discussed going back to the Main Range picnic area to eat lunch.

At the Main Range picnic area we were once again serenaded by the Bell Birds and were also surrounded by some very friendly birds - Graham identifying them as female Satin Bower Birds. It was obvious they had been befriended by park visitors and we were quite fascinated by their bright purple eyes.

After lunch we made our way home with a delightful coffee stop at Aratula.

Thanks to Graham, Marie and Sophie and our 2 visitors, Raylene and Sarah Smith for making it an enjoyable day.

Michele Johns

AN E-MAIL FROM THE AUDITOR!!

Not musical, nor is it about Auditing!

----Original Message-----From: Joseph Tottenham

Sent: Tuesday, 20 February 2007 12:10

To: Murray, Phil

Subject: Missed AGM for BCBW Club

Hi Phil,

Please accept my late apology for my non attendance at last nights AGM. I had all the intentions of attending but I received a late invitation to go crabbing in the Bay. The night was successful with 8 mud crabs. We stated at 9pm and came home at 12.30am and in bed by 2.30am.

Joe

THE FRANCIS ERIC ROBERTS SOCIETY

For those who do Private Trips between Point Danger & the Dumaresq River.

Francis Eric Roberts was the surveyor appointed to mark out the border between Qld and NSW, from Point Danger to the Dumaresq River (in the general direction of Texas). His survey commenced in 1863, and



finished in 1866. He had the hardest part of the border survey since he had the rainforest covered mountainous McPherson Ranges as his challenge. The surveyors who did the rest of the border to the NT only had to contend with boring flat desert.

The going was tuff, but they kept going; they had to measure all distanced by a chain of known standard length, and measure the angles by theodolite – a little telescope that measures angles and elevation. They had to hack their way through to obtain a sight line. The party just could not follow the escarpment as they had to go home occasionally, so they had to follow the creeks back out to civilisation. They were often the first white men to go in and out of these areas. There were new diseases to encounter from the various undiscovered insects.

See:

http://www.nrw.qld.gov.au/museum/articles_complete/surveying/border.html

These were real men doing real work in real hard country.

And we have Real Men in BCBC.

So, may I suggest that we commence The Francis Eric Roberts Society, For Those Who Do Private Trips Between Point Danger And The Dumaresq River. The area involved not only includes the actual border but the areas adjoining it, on the Qld side only obviously. It would include the plateau of Lamington, the heights of the McPherson's, our side of the Acacia Plateau, and the granite areas of Wyberba and Sundown. It should not include Glenlyon Dam.

To be a member, the man can do a full day walk or one requiring an overnight camp within the area. The trip can be an attempt, even though the ultimate goal was not reached. Any man who attains membership of the Society by qualifying according to the rules, may I suggest they use the honour "MFERS" after their name.

As only Real Men will attempt entering these areas, girls can be allowed associateship Membership. They will attain "aFERS".

So Men, put on your boots and get going.

AND, there is the

el Camino de Santiago Society!!!!!

For those who do the pilgrimage walks between France, Spain and Portugal.

See: http://www.santiago-compostela.net/

Greg E

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Following the Club Committee elections in the February AGM, the following were elected unopposed from the floor of the meeting:

President: Philip Kearns, Secretary: Desley Pedrazzini,

Treasurer: Terry Silk, Editor: Greg Endicott.

Thus, we still have vacancies for: Vice President, Outings Secretary, Membership Officer, Social Secretary and Training Officer.

However, we do have Expressions on Interest for the positions of Outings Secretary and Membership Officer.

Have a think about what you can do for your Club. You will need a Nominator and a Seconder, and to be at the meeting in order to accept the nomination. Only nominate if you are willing to do the functions of the position for the full 12 months. Positions can have a lot of work over short periods of time, or the work can be continual throughout the year.

AROUND THE RIDGES

By Phil

Members need the information about the Club and other bushwalking happenings to be recorded and to be shared with eachother to help build the knowledge and strength of the Club. Many members don't get to meetings and only find out what is happening through articles in the Jilalan. I know I am no longer President, but I had a swag of information to pass on to members, so here goes.

The New Committee: A big thank you to the new Committee for taking on the committee positions. It is great to see Desley Pedrazzini and Greg Endicott back on Committee this year. Terry has again taken on the Treasurer's role. It is great to see Philip Kearns, after only a few years in the Club, take on the role of President, and already he is showing a flair and talent for the role. The Club is very fortunate to have new members like Michael Simpson and Philip Kearns getting so involved in the Club after only a few years on the scene. I trust all members will get behind and support the new committee this year, particularly with the Pilgrimage and 50th Anniversary activities this year.

Pre-Outings: I am leading the Edinburgh Castle and South Obelisk trip (which are just south of Mt Barney and are in northern NSW) and Mt Cooroora and Mt Eerwah trip (which are on the northern end of the Sunshine Coast) in June and July this year. I would like to have some assistance for the pre-outings. I plan to do the Edinburgh Castle and South Obelisk pre-outing on Saturday 14th April and the Cooroora/Eerwah pre-outing on Saturday 28th April. As a rough guide each mountain will take roughly take 2 to 3 hours to get up and down. The pre-outing will give me exact times. All mountains are medium difficulty.

Club Badges: At the last Committee meeting a decision was made to order 50 metal Club badges. Robyn Jones is looking after the order. The price will be around \$5 each.

Sadness hits the Sydney Catholic Bushwalkers again: I have some further bad news from the Sydney Catholic Bushwalking Club. Stephanie Cook, a committee member, died after a short battle with melanoma. Stephanie was the walks recorder for the Club. There is a lot of sun out there while bushwalking, so please use the usual protections.

Awards at the AGM

Several awards for 2006 were presented at the AGM.

- "The Burke & Wills" Award Michael Simpson "The Rookie of the Year" Award Mary Kelly "The Most Improved Walker" Award Graham
- "The Bushwalker of the Year" Award Michael Simpson
- Paul Evans was properly awarded his "Bushwalker of the Year 2005" Award
- I still have the award for Mary Kelly who was "Rookie of the Year". Please contact me so I can pass the award on to you.
- A special award was made to Louise Leonardi. She has had a few knocks to her confidence this year. She battles on and whenever she is on trips she provides cakes or biscuits to share with her fellow walkers. Maxine suggested we should give her an award and the award was the "Jam Drop Queen". Robyn Jones provided a short poem to be the centre piece of her certificate that was presented to her at the AGM.

Louise, she is our cooking queen Making quiche and jam drops supreme,

When on walks we do to depart For morning tea there's a pecan tart.

To have Louise out on the track There's always something in her pack

Her kindness always over flows Making treats for friends she knows.

Louise, she is our cook supreme Our one and only "Jam Drop Queen". By Robyn Jones

Annual Mass & Dinner: The Annual Mass will be held at 5pm on Saturday 26th May at Padua College at Kedron. Fr Finian Perkins has once again agreed to be celebrant for the Club. This will be his fifth year in succession he has celebrated the Annual Mass for our Club. The Mass is in honour of Our Lady of the Way and the readings and order of the Mass will be focused on Our Lady and will not be a vigil mass for Pentecost Sunday.

The Dinner will be held at Stafford Tavern again. Last year Stafford Tavern was undergoing repairs. "Why back to Stafford" you might ask? Because it is very close to Padua College, and every year it has been nice there.

Constitutional Review:

At the last sub-committee meeting, the wording for the proposed changes were nearly finalised. I will distribute the wording to the other members of the sub-committee during March. I suggest the sub-committee have a phone conference to work any final minor changes to the wording.

As a sub-committee, I believe we need to meet in person and formally endorse the wording. Can we meet immediately after the April general meeting and hopefully confirm the wording? The wording can then be presented to the Management Committee of the Club. The next committee meeting of the Club will be in early May.

Hopefully a copy of the draft wording can go in the May Jilalan. The draft wording can then be "tabled" at the May monthly meeting.

Rather then go straight to a formal vote it may be advantageous to seek feedback and comment over the following 2 months. If changes need to be made they can be incorporated and hopefully the formal motion can be finalised by August.

The formal motion can than be tabled at the September meeting and published in the September Jilalan. The formal notice can also be made in the September magazine.

With luck the formal discussion and vote can be held at the October monthly meeting

Warrumbungle National Park

Taken From Web: http://www.warrumbung-e.schools.nsw.edu.au/WNP/NatPark.html#Walks

Whitegum Lookout: Self-guided or accompanied; K-12; 30 min approx; 1 km. A very gently sloping track, suitable for wheelchairs leading to spectacular views of the Warrumbungle Range, suitable to introduce the National Park or bring observations together. Seats and information signs along the way

Gurianawa Track: Self-guided or accompanied; K-12; 15-20 min; less than 1 km. A short walk looping from behind the Visitors Centre, along Spirey Creek and back to the carpark. Good views of the eroded volcano, Siding Spring Observatory and overlooking the flats where large numbers of kangaroos are visible. Seats and information signs along the way.

Wambelong Nature Trail: Self-guided or accompanied; K-12; 30 min; 1 km. This loop is the one most commonly used for activities with the Field Studies Centre. It starts at Canyon Picnic Area and follows Wambelong Creek for a short distance through a small, cool river gorge of permanent water bordered by river oaks. After climbing gently it then crosses vegetation typical of the drier parts of the park. An excellent place for bird-watching and an introduction to the park vegetation.

Burbie Canyon: Self-guided or accompanied; Yrs 3-12; 1 hour; 2 km. Not a place for spectacular views but especially good for early morning bird-watching. The track follows Burbie Creek for about 1 km before returning via the fire trail to the base of Split Rock.

Spirey View: Self-guided or accompanied; Yrs 3-12; 2 hours; 5 km return. The first part of the Pincham Trail to Grand High Tops and the closest to the spectacular central part of the volcano with the least effort. Start at Pincham carpark and follow the main track towards the Breadknife. A short uphill walk to the Spirey View lookout is signposted.

Split Rock Circuit: Self-guided or accompanied; UP/S; 3 hours return; 5 km. Introduction to the habitats and geology of the Warrumbungles. A separate track ascends to the top of the southern peak. Very steep at the top. Great care needed from the base of the steel ladder. Map included. Please specify whether you are doing the circuit clockwise or anticlockwise.

Fan's Horizon: Self-guided or accompanied; UP/S; 2 hours; 3.6 km return. Short steep walk to excellent views of the Grand High Tops area. About 1000 steps. Care needed near top.

Gould's Circuit (Macha Tor, Febar Tor): Self-guided or accompanied; P/LS; 3 hours return; 6 km approx. Introduction to the geology and habitats of the Warrumbungles. Good views of the Grand High Tops and Breadknife area from Febar Tor and Macha Tor. Moderately steep. Care needed near the top. Map included.

Grand High Tops (The Breadknife): Self-guided; UP/S; Up to 6 hours with variations; 12 - 17 km. A close look at an eroded volcanic landscape with its associated flora and fauna. Splendid views. Some very steep walking. Care needed near the top. The worksheet for this suggests a schedule of regular stopping points for observations to help keep the group together and to allow recovery from the steepest climbs. Map included. Return via Dagda Shortcut (12.5 km) or West Spirey Creek (14.5 km), depending on degree of fitness and enthusiasm.

Bress Peak: Self-guided only; Sec; 3-4 hours; 5.5 km. Very steep, ungraded track. Suitable for fit walkers only. Great care needed but the views are spectacular.

Bluff Mountain: Self-guided only; Sec; additional 2 hours; additional 2.4 km. This walk is an addition to the Grand High Tops, return West Spirey Creek. Very steep but a great place to go. Care needed at top.

Mt Exmouth, Cathedral and Arch: Self-guided only; Sec; 4-7 hours; 12-16 km. Avoid the first hill by starting along the Burbie Canyon Walk. Steep walk to the highest point in the Warrumbungle Range. Spectacular views and wonderful grass trees. Return the way you came via Camp Burbie to the base of Split Rock or via West Spirey Creek to Pincham car park. Care needed on higher parts of the track.



BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.
PO Box 31, Red Hill. Q 4059.
(Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981)

MEMBER	SHIP KENEWA	L 2007			
SURNAME	CHRISTIAN NAMES		Date of Birth		
Residential Address	Skills I Have That Could Aid The Club				
Postal Address:	CAR: Type, Number of P	assengers & Rego	Occupation (Option	onal)	
e-mail Address – We need to update our list.	Home Phone	Mobile	Work (Optiona	k (Optional)	
Next of Kin & Relationship	Address		Contact Numb	ntact Number	
Medical Conditions (including allergies & disabilities)		Membership C	ategory	Fee \$	
"Ordinary" Membership category is open only to persons of the Catl "Associate" Membership is only open to persons not of the Catholic "Country Membership" is available to members over 150km from Br Renewal of Membership is automatic upon the Treasurer receiv	hip List. If you "tick" the ub event, your name & les in Jilalan, the Club's ionally photos of people e-mailed to me. ay the full year's amount of this page for the full randolic Faith. Faith. Frisbane.	box, your address & ph phone number will be at monthly newsletter. Stor , are put on the Club's W nt. Unfinancial members	t the head of th ries of all activit /eb Site.) s cannot vote of	e Jilalan ties, with or be on	
amount for your membership category. Please Read Th	e Important Notice I	Below			
RELEASE, WAIVER & INDEMNIFICATION					
All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertake all activities of the Club at their own risk. The Club is not even in the position to state that all care will be taken. "The Club" on this form is the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.					
I, the undersigned, hereby take action for myself, my exert follows:	ecutors, administrators,	heirs, next of kin, succ	essors and as	signs as	
The Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking. The leader of any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking. Any visitor on any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking. The owner, resident or occupier of any place where the Brisbane owner of any vehicle used in relation of any activity of the Brisbane. The land holder, owner, lessee and/or occupier of any land the	erty theft or actions of lking Club Inc. members of the Brisbane of alking Club Inc. g Club Inc. g Club Inc. ne Catholic Bushwalking Club Catholic Bushwalking Club	any kind which may he Catholic Bushwalking Club I Club Inc. holds an activity.	ereafter result for the drive	from my	
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acknowledge that activities of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc carry with them the potential for death, serious injurgand property loss. hereby assume any and all risks associated with participating in any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.					
This form shall be construed basically to provide a release applicable laws.			_		
I hereby apply for renewal of membership in the designated	category.				
I agree to be bound by the Rules and By Laws of the Club for I know I can receive a copy of the Rules and By Laws from I agree to behave in a socially acceptable way and am away behaviour not to be acceptable.	the Secretary of the Clu	b at any time.	I Meeting cons	iders my	
I acknowledge that I have read this form and fully under	stand its contents, inc	cluding the Release, Wa	aiver & Indemr	ity.	
Signature: Date:					

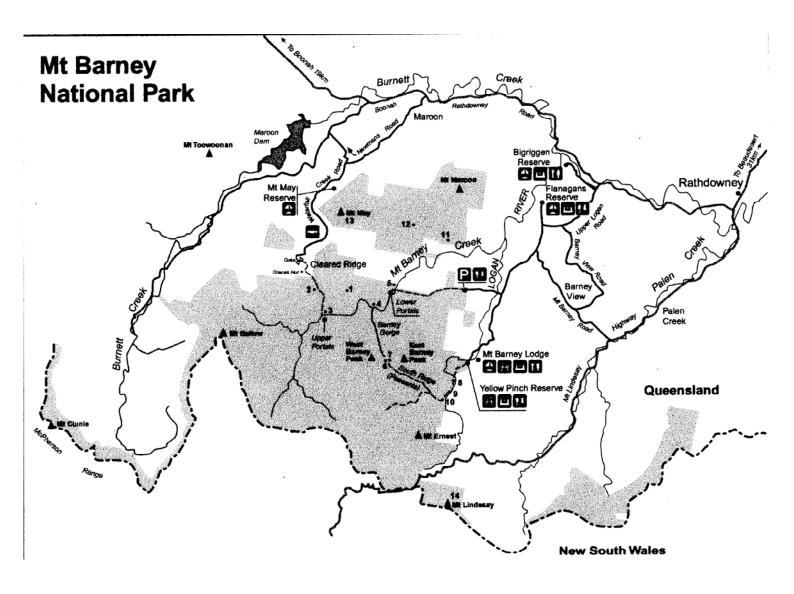
How To Stay A Member.

- 1. Complete the "Membership Renewal 2007" form, noting the membership classifications.
- 2. Read carefully the Release, Waiver & Indemnification.
- 3. Fill in all the sections.
- 4. Don't forget to sign & date the form.
- 5. Bring this form to the meeting with the cash and hand the lot to the Treasurer.
- 6. Or, Post the form & cheque to the Club's PO Box.
- 7. The Club Secretary has a copy of the Club's Constitution for you to read. You can ask for your own copy.

Persons With Disabilities, Health & Fitness Concerns.

The event leader will discuss with the person concerned their eligibility to attend certain types of Club events or specific events. The leader will then inform the Management Committee and discuss the situation before coming to a decision. After these discussions, the person will have to abide by what is decided.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES & FEES @ 2007				
CATEGORY	REQUIREMENTS Minimum Age Is 18 Years	RESTRICTIONS ON MEMBERSHIP	ANNUAL FEES	
Ordinary Member	Applicant is of the Catholic Faith	None.	\$35.00	
Associate Member	Applicant is not of the Catholic Faith	Cannot vote at meetings, and cannot officially be on the Management Committee	\$26.00	
Ordinary Member Country	Ordinary Member residing over 150kms radius from the Brisbane GPO	As for Ordinary Member	\$26.00	
Associate Member Country	Associate Member residing over 150kms radius from the Brisbane GPO	As for Associate Member	\$26.00	
Spouse Member	Spouse of an existing Member	Same as for the Membership Category of their spouse	\$9.00	
Life Member	Put forward by the Management Committee and voted on at a monthly meeting – usually someone with long service to the Club who has also done many and varied walks over a number of years	Same as for the Membership Category held prior to being elected a Life Member	\$0	
Honorary Member	Put forward by the Committee and voted on at a monthly meeting – a non-member who has assisted the Club greatly.	Honorary Membership lasts the current Club Year only. May be re-voted the following year, usually at the AGM	\$0	



Map by Parks & Wildlife, Queensland

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