

# ***JILALAN***



The Cougals, from the NSW side  
The route is up from the right to the right hand peak  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Grade</b>
16	BCBC Meeting (AGM)	Greg		Meet	
20	John Toohey - Milano's on the Mall	Phil		Soc	
25	Coffee Night – Café Zanetti	Liz		Soc	
28	Purlingbrook Falls to Numinbah	Desley		DW	
28	Obi Obi Gorge Lilo Trip	Phil		Float	
<b>March 3</b>	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael		Soc	
7	Ferris Wheel & Dinner at Southbank			Soc	
8	Daisy Hill	Graham		DW	
<b>March 14</b>	<b>Club Hut Day Walk</b>	<b>Iain</b>	<b>3371 4672</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M55</b>
<b>14/15</b>	<b>Club Hut Feast</b>	<b>Greg</b>	<b>3351 4092</b>	<b>BC</b>	<b>S43</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Club Hut Feast</b>	<b>Maxine</b>	<b>0412 637 670</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>S43</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>BCBC Meeting</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>	<b>Meet</b>	
<b>20</b>	<b>John Toohey Society - Irish Club</b>	<b>Phil</b>	<b>5522 9702</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>21</b>	<b>The Cougals</b>	<b>Phil</b>	<b>5522 9702</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M55</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Boyd's Butte &amp; The Cougals</b>	<b>Justin</b>	<b>3366 3193</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>L56</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Coffee Night – Tomato Bros, Rosalie</b>	<b>Greg</b>	<b>3351 4092</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>26</b>	<b>BWQ Meeting</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>		
<b>29</b>	<b>Ewan Maddock Dam</b>	<b>Pat</b>	<b>3366 1956</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>L23</b>
<b>April 1</b>	<b>The Orange Walk</b>	<b>Denise</b>	<b>07 4651 1696</b>	<b>ON</b>	<b>XL12</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Rathdowney Historical Show</b>	<b>Greg</b>	<b>3351 4092</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Catholic Historical Soc talk on BCBC</b>	<b>Maxine</b>	<b>0412 637 670</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Movie Night – Stafford</b>	<b>Michael</b>	<b>3351 3810</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>10/19</b>	<b>Overland Track (Tassie)</b>	<b>Michael</b>	<b>3351 3810</b>	<b>TW</b>	<b>XL88</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Dave's Creek Circuit</b>	<b>Michele</b>	<b>3353 2822</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M34</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Mt Maroon</b>	<b>Pat</b>	<b>3366 1956</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>S44</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>John Toohey - Venice Café Bar</b>	<b>Phil</b>	<b>5522 9702</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>18</b>	<b>Somerset Trail (Mt Mee)</b>	<b>Peggy</b>	<b>5498 7112</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M23</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>BCBC Meeting</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>	<b>Meet</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>Anzac Day Dawn Service</b>	<b>Terry</b>	<b>3355 9765</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>25</b>	<b>Anzac Day Breakfast</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>Soc</b>	
<b>25/26</b>	<b>Maidenwell Observatory</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>26</b>	<b>Mt Greville</b>	<b>Paul</b>	<b>0412 339 311</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M55</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>Coffee Night</b>			<b>Soc</b>	
<b>May 2/4</b>	<b>Fraser Is</b>	<b>Iain</b>	<b>3371 4672</b>	<b>TW</b>	<b>L45</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Mt May</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>DW</b>	<b>M44</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Movie Night – Stafford</b>	<b>Michael</b>	<b>3351 3810</b>	<b>Soc</b>	
<b>9</b>	<b>Logan's or North Ridges</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>DW</b>	<b>L78</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>John Toohey - Mick O'Malley's</b>	<b>Phil</b>	<b>5522 9702</b>		
<b>17</b>	<b>Reynolds Gorge incl Mt Edwards</b>	<b>Pat</b>	<b>3366 1956</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M54</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>BCBC Meeting</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>	<b>Meet</b>	
<b>23</b>	<b>Annual Mass and Dinner</b>			<b>Soc</b>	
<b>27</b>	<b>Leaders Training Day</b>	<b>Greg</b>	<b>3351 1092</b>	<b>TRN</b>	
<b>27</b>	<b>Coffee Night</b>			<b>Soc</b>	
<b>30</b>	<b>Kangaroo Mountain</b>	<b>Paul</b>	<b>0412 339 311</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M45</b>
<b>June 6/8</b>	<b>Goomburra</b>	<b>Michele</b>	<b>3353 2822</b>	<b>BC</b>	<b>up to M44</b>
<b>7/8</b>	<b>Ramparts</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>TW</b>	<b>M45</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Mt Coot-tha Traverse</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>DW</b>	<b>M44</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>Mt Ernest Traverse</b>	<b>Matthew</b>	<b>3716 3222</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M56</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Mermaid Mountain</b>	<b>Desley</b>	<b>3369 5530</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>M34</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Lake Manchester Circuit</b>	<b>Graham</b>	<b>3371 9632</b>	<b>DW</b>	<b>L33</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Boggo Road Busway Tunnel</b>	<b>Greg</b>	<b>3351 4092</b>	<b>SW</b>	<b>S11</b>
<b>July 11</b>	<b>Mt Zahel</b>	<b>Needed</b>		<b>DW</b>	<b>M45</b>

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

**WARNING:** All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk. The club is not in a position to even state that all care will be taken.

**KEY – Walk Types**

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

**KEY – Walk Gradings**

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

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

## EDITOR'S REPORT

**ARTICLES:** Please have all Jilalan articles to Greg by the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the month. Articles should be e-mailed to me at [endhouse@bigpond.net.au](mailto:endhouse@bigpond.net.au). Please follow the "Jilalan Style Guide", which is on the Club web site <http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/JilalanStyleGuide.html> . If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092.

- # As Editor, I reserve the right to alter, amend, move, shorten or not print articles.
- # The views expressed in Jilalan are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club.
- # If you "borrow" any words or image from another source, please acknowledge that source – author, publication, issue, date, publisher.
- # I need your articles on time – it makes it hard to still get articles when I should be formatting.
- # Articles from this publication may be reproduced provided the source is acknowledged.
- # Look at last month's Jilalan and copy that format – especially the "headings" in Comings
- # Type your article as a Word document, then attach it to the e-mail
- # Type Face is "Arial", Font Size is "12", though Date, Name of Event & Type are "14"

## **PRAYER OF THE MONTH**

God, show us ourselves as we really are.  
Show us what we could become  
And set us upon the journey  
Of realizing our potential.  
Give us vision;  
Give us drive;  
Give us success.  
Amen  
(Johnson 1986:112)

## **REFLECTION**

Just a quick note about a former member and his love of bushwalking. In October last year a long time club member David Hill died on a bushwalk with another club. In April it will be 6 months since he died. There is a lovely quote about his love of bushwalking in the wonderful eulogy delivered by his lovely wife Jill

When David looked tired or stressed and I was worried he would say, "Don't worry about me, I will be alright, I will keep going 'till I drop." Little did he know his sense of humour would come true. On Sunday the 5/10/2008, David left home to go on one of his wonderful bush walks to Mount Mee. Little knowing that he would not return alive.

David loved sport, played tennis & squash, won many trophies and also spent many hours bike riding with his brother, Jim. He also played golf but his great love was bushwalking. He said it helped him unwind, once he was on the walk nothing else mattered. He was always happy when he returned home even though we would hear him moan all the way up the stairs. The louder the moan, the better the walk.

Phil

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

I never know what to say in articles like this, but thank you for voting me in as President this year. Someone asked me the other night what my vision/goal for BCBC for 2009 was – it's that everyone gets to walk as often (and as far) as possible over the next year.

A question that has been asked a few times recently is how much should walks/socials cost, and here is a rough guide -  
\$5 to \$ 10 – local walk  
\$18 - standard length walk  
\$20 – over 300km (will depend on actual distance travelled)

\$3 – private cars or when no carpooling involved  
\$2 – major social of the month.  
If you are not sure about pricing and also do not have an Emergency Officer lined up please contact Terry Silk (the Treasurer) or a committee member for advice.

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

When renewing your BCBC membership, Remember to complete in full the Renewal Form. There are several reasons for this – one being Insurance, another keeping our records up to date.

If you have already paid & not sent the form back, you may be getting another on to fully complete & return.

The Form is important to us.  
Thanks.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>Balance 19/1/09</b>	\$1697.29
Plus Receipts	<u>\$1490.00</u>
	\$3187.29
Less Payments	<u>\$ 357.20</u>
Balance 16/2/09	\$2830.09
Term Deposit	\$2161.67

**Warning!!** If you have not renewed your membership, this will be the last magazine that you receive until you pay your subs. (Please remember to complete and sign your Membership Renewal Form when paying your subs. It is the light blue form which was inserted in your January magazine.)

Now, the good news is that because I ran out of time after the AGM, I was unable to draw the Club raffle which I have been running for the last three months and so, if you have a ticket or tickets in it you are still in with a chance of winning a prize or two as I will definitely be drawing it at our March meeting. Even more good news is that if by some chance you do not already have a ticket or two, I am still selling tickets.

Several members have expressed their intention of buying their second Club t-shirt and so, if you don't already have one I would not delay buying one as you may not be able to purchase your size.  
Terry.

## **HOW EARLY TO NOMINATE FOR A TRIP**

A bad habit has crept into the Club where members nominate for trips just a day or two prior to the event.

This can play havoc to a trip, and certainly wears the nerves of our Leaders. The BCBC policy is to Nominate for any Club event by the Wednesday evening prior to the weekend's event. This gives the Leader 2 days to arrange transport – ring around the nominees to see who is willing to drive.

The Leader has every right to refuse your nomination if it is late and there is not enough room in the already arranged cars.

We have had 2 trips severely altered in the last 4 months because there was not enough transport at the time the Leader was arranging cars, though on the day the altered trip went out, there were more than enough car spaces – the late nominations were the drivers. If, by the day of the trip, there are not enough spaces in the cars for everyone, the late nominations can be phoned to be told they are not on the trip anymore because of the lack of transport. The early nomination catches the outing. We do not expect visitors to be driving on our trips.

However, late nominations are happily accepted when transport allows it.

Visitors tend to nominate early!

Greg E

## **ABOUT PEOPLE**

Apologies the everyone in the last Jilalan who had their names misspelled – a combination of quickly written or bad hand writing on little bits of paper that are given to Terry with your names on them. Plus “spell check” playing havoc with names.

Bret de Grussa, Barbara Eastoe, Denis Hoey, Malcolm Mulvihill, Jan Nelson, James Parra, Kerriane Pearce, Julie Philippi and Robin Thorn are having a birthday in March.

Heike Krausse was a welcome visitor on Desley's S<sup>t</sup> Valentine's Day walk where the guys were outnumbered seven to three. (Anyway, everyone received a chocolate heart from our desperate (?) leader.)

Congratulations to our latest new members, Gillian Kelly, Anne & Bob Iron, Michael Dowd and Karen Powis.

Recently we have had enquiries from Michelle Foley, Allan Whittaker, Rhonda Graham, Margaret Collins, Glynis Taylor, Trish Kennedy (from Toowoomba) and Glenys Heaven-Jones who joined us for our February AGM and General Meeting.

Michele Endicott is now back from two weeks in Chile.

## **EMERGENCY OFFICERS How To Choose One? And Duties Of**

As Leader of an Outing, and some Socials, you are responsible for arranging the Emergency Officer (EO or Emerg Off).

It is a simple process – ring up an experienced member and ask if they will do it. Obviously, they will have to be home on the day/days of your trip. It is not begging, it is not forcing someone to be one. It is a simple request.

It is not the job of the Editor to put a name in when you e-mail me your “Comings” article.

What does an Emergency Officer do?

In the era of the mobile phone, a lot less than before.

In your “comings” article, it would be a good idea to include your Mobile Number – if someone has difficulties at the last moment getting to Red Hill for the start of the walk, they can ring you to ask you to hang about for a few minutes more. In the past, they would phone the EO.

The main job of the EO is to be a phone contact, a calm voice, a reasonable person if the trip went pear shape. The EO does not arrange a rescue or medical aid – others do that. The EO stays by the phone to relay messages both ways, to co-ordinate any rescue/medical effort, to be a reassuring voice to a distressed leader.

Any rescue is organised by a third person, who knows the terrain, the access roads, the capabilities of all people involved, rescue procedures and more. The EO is too busy to have the added burden of arranging help.

As you can see, the EO has to be a BCBC member, has to have a good idea of what bushwalking is all about, a good idea of navigation, terrain, a vague idea of the country where your trip is going, and be a calm person.

As Leader, prior to your outing, you need to ring/e-mail the EO with the list of names of those on the trip, including contact phone numbers, vehicle rego/type/colour/driver. Also provide an

idea of the road routes being used, and where the vehicles will be parked. Give a brief trip itinerary – route, camping spots, and other relevant details. This will arm the EO with sufficient information should a rescue be required, or in the event of a car breaking down/getting lost etc. Mishaps & time delays can happen – this is the bushwalkers insurance and it is free. We have Federation Mountain Rescue (FMR) for any major mishap.

Experienced BCBC Members include (without consulting them first): Maxine Brophy, John Carter, Anthony Dolan, Greg Endicott, Paul Evans, Joe Finn, Graham Glasse, Trevor Kelly, Pat Lawton, Liz Little, Phil Murray, Russ & Jan Nelson, Matthew Palmer, Desley Pedrazzini, Iain Renton, Terry Silk, Michael Simpson, Justin Tobin. Not all of these are currently “active” Club members, not all probably want to be EOs, not all think they are capable of being EOs, with family/sport commitments some cannot be EOs, but we do have several capable & willing – just try them when you are a leader. A rejection does not hurt, but a bad decision in picking an EO can be stressful if your outing turns bad. (Ed: we have had no bad experiences within living memory, but there is always a first time.)

Greg E

## COMING EVENTS LEADERS NEEDED

As you can see by the table below, we are short of leaders for a few outings.

If there are no leaders, the outings are cancelled. Soooo, come on, do more than think about it, ring and say you will.

We will help you out with whatever you want.

Call Desley on Ph: 3369 5530 or Greg Ph: 3351 4092

May 3	Mt May	DW	M44
9	Logan's or North Ridges	DW	L78
June 7/8	Ramparts	TW	M45
8	Mt Coot-tha Traverse	DW	M44
July 11	Mt Zahel	DW	M45
Aug 16	Tamborine to Nerang	DW	
Sept 26	North Coast Mtns	DW	M44

Oct 3/4	Mt Warning Night Climb	ON	M34
4	Mt Warning	DW	M34
24	Burleigh to Southport	DW	L33
Nov 1	Mt Doughboy/Mt Uki	DW	
8	White Rock	DW	
Dec 13	Southbank, Kangaroo Pt, Tank St Bridge, S'bank	SW	S11

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

### 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY CLUB HUT DAY WALK

**Leader:** Iain Renton Ph: 3371 4672 or 0401 429 085

**Meet at:** St Brigid's carpark, Red Hill

**Time:** 6.00am

**Grade:** M55

**Cost:** \$20.00

**Location:** Mt Barney, near the NSW border beyond Rathdowney

**Web:** <http://www.bushwalking.org.au/bushwalking/BWAutumn05.pdf>

**Emerg Off:** Mathew & Kerry Ph: 3876 8125

Each year we do a walk to take advantage of the club hut's proximity to Mt Barney and tie in with the Club Hut feast. Last year we investigated a different route up Toms Tum and then took a great ridge down to Barney Falls.

This year we'll continue exploring the foothills and approach ridges to Mt Barney. We'll be going up short Leanings Ridge (but not tackle the more daunting stuff on the peak itself). We will then explore the ridge running out above Barney Gorge and then return the way we came up.

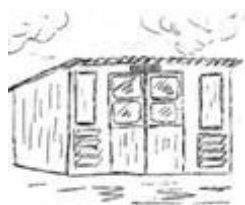
The route will be mostly off-track with quite a few steep slopes and a reasonable amount of rock scrambling, with the likelihood of undergrowth to push through and rough rocky ground covered by long grass. A head for heights will be useful in some spots. I can guarantee lots of spectacular up-close views of the rugged peaks of Barney and an interesting variety of walking conditions and environments.

Since we don't have the time pressures of scaling a major peak, we can enjoy exploring interesting corners and fill in the gaps on Barney. After some serious walking, we will cool off with

a swim in Barney Creek and then rock-hop back to the hut.

You then have the choice of either walking out back to the cars (and just doing it as a day walk) or staying overnight at the hut for the overnight feast, relaxing in the beautiful surrounds and joining with all those walking in on Sunday. Join me for an interesting walk.

Iain



**14/15<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SAT/SUN  
YALBURU BUSH TUCKER  
RESTAURANT**

**“The Camp-Over You Have When You Are Not  
Camping”  
BASECAMP**

**Leader:** Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092  
**Meet at:** St Brigid’s, Red Hill  
**Time:** 2pm. Non-stop to the Portals car park.  
**Cost:** To be determined – be prepared for \$50+  
**Grade:** S43  
**Location:** On beautiful Mt Barney Ck, below the Lower Portals  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

**For Members, Visitors, Friends & Family  
(Over 18).**

**Yalburu Bush Tucker Restaurant,  
Lower Portals,  
Mt Barney Creek**

Presented by Frostbite Hotels, in conjunction with Rent-a-Mule, You are invited to dinner at Yalburu.

6pm Cocktails and hors d’oeuvres, on the patio while watching the sunset over stunning Mt Barney.  
7pm Main Course – choice of beef, chicken or pork  
9pm Dessert – choose from a selection in the dessert trolley.  
10pm Port and coffee.  
9am The washing up.

**Drinks:** Choose from the premium wines, soft drinks & fresh clear mountain water on the wine list.

**Dress:** Smart casual top half.

Overnight accommodation is at a rustic mountain cabin beside a bubbling babbling creek.

**What to bring:** spare clothes, Sunday breakfast & lunch, sleeping bag/light blanket, water, toiletries, towel, togs, small pillow, not too bulky air mattress, platex2, bowlx2, mugx2, cutleryx3, wine glass well packaged, smart casual top, comfy shoes, camera, a share of the feast food, receipts, and cash.

Be prepared to carry in, not only your own personal gear, and sleeping equipment, personal food, but a share of the “feasting food”.

A shopping list will be distributed amongst participants once numbers are known.

Some will be asked to do some pre-cooking/preparation of food.

Costs depend on the numbers going, purchase price of the goodies, & petrol.

There will be a reduced price for non and low drinkers of alcohol.

The cost will be worked out at Yalburu, so bring your receipts and cash.

Sleep in the BCBC hut - borrow a sleeping bag or pack a light blanket.

Borrow a weekend pack. The Club has a few to hire out – ring Desley.

The drive from Red Hill to the Portals carpark is 90 minutes.

There is a 90 minute walk into Yalburu. It is open eucalypt and undulating country – there are 4 uphill sections with 2 small creek crossings. The track is a bush track – made over the years by all those feet walking in & by the inmates of the HM Farm Palen Creek.

Wear normal walking clothes for the walk in and out.

What about a “funny hat” for the Cocktails?

Next morning perhaps a swim at the Lower Portals.

Stay for lunch and walk out in the cool of the afternoon.

Iain’s Saturday’s day walkers are more than welcome, but will need to carry in some of the feast goodies.

Visitors and newer members more than welcome.

**“The experience is worth the effort.”**

**15<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SUNDAY  
CLUB HUT  
DAYWALK**

**Contact:** Maxine Brophy Pk: 0421 024 867  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7am  
**Grade:** S43  
**Cost:** \$ 15.00  
**Location:** On the beautiful shores of  
Mt Barney Creek, west of  
Rathdowney, near Mt Lindesay

**Web:**<http://www.flickr.com/photos/55449428@N00/193798542>

**Bring:** Feasting Goodies to Share  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

This is the time of year when we visit our much loved hut and relax in the cool waters of the Lower Portals. This is always a top day away from the city heat and the busy times.

We celebrate the BCBC Hut's birthday each year with a walk into it. Cars are left at the Lower Portals car park where our walk into the Hut begins.

There are two small creek crossings along the track, and views of Mtns Maroon and Barney as we walk in. Recent rains will have Barney Creek flowing beautifully past our hut, with swimming at the Lower Portals promising to be at its best.

Lunch and a cuppa beside Barney Creek as you hear stories of memorable times shared at the hut. Please bring your favourite feasting goodies and sweet to share around at lunch as we say happy birthday Yulburu.  
Maxine.

**16<sup>th</sup> MARCH, MONDAY  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**Contact:** Desley Ph: 3369 5530  
**Time:** Doors open 7.30pm  
**Venue:** St Michael's Hall, Banks St,  
Ashgrove

**Web:**<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/page4.html>

Come along to the Meeting to hear what the Club is going to do over the following month.

- Ask Leaders questions that will solve your queries about coming events – this Jilalan can not say everything about what we do, where we go and how we do it.
- Nominate for a Trip or Social
- Pay your subs
- Stay and talk with your friends – enjoy supper

**20<sup>th</sup> MARCH, FRIDAY  
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY  
IRISH CLUB**

**Contact:** Phil the Elder Ph: 5522 9702  
or 0413 307 580  
**Address** 175 Elizabeth St, City – opposite  
the Hilton  
**Time:** From 4.30pm till 9ish.  
**What For:** For a chat, a drink and a meal  
**Web:** <http://www.queenslandirish.com/>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering at the Queensland Irish Association which is usually known as simply the Irish Club.

Last year we met down in the ground street area. This year I would like to check out the Tara Room which is upstairs. I will confirm the details next month. The Tara Room is an architectural delight – it is a beautiful ornate Victorian design with many Celtic and motifs.

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

**21<sup>st</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY  
MT COUGAL  
DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702,  
Mob: 0413307580  
Or [bigrivers@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigrivers@optusnet.com.au)  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Musgrave  
Rd, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7:00 am  
**Grade:** M 55  
**Cost:** \$20:00  
**Location:** In the Gold Coast Hinterland  
**Web:**<http://www.totaltravel.com.au/travel/gld/goldcoast/brisbanesubs/attractions/gardens/mount-cougal/details/>  
**Emerg Off:** Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

**WARNING: State Election this day.....See the Voting Instructions below.**

Mt Cougal is a lovely mountain on the border between Coolangatta and Springbrook. For those who know the area it is a very distinctive shaped mountain with two knobbly peaks called East and West Cougal. East Peak is the lower peak and is the main objective for the day and if time and weather permit we will zip across to West peak. But the best views are from East Peak.

We will take the easier option of walking in along the border fence from near the Tomewin border



gate. So the walk is about 6km long each way. There are good views of the mountain as we walk in along this route. This route is gently undulating for most of the way with a steep slope near the mountain and then a fair bit of up at the end that can be a bit slippery in places so due care is needed.

There should be a variety of plant communities from rainforest to open woodland to montane heath and one the aims of the day being is to spot the rare plant known as the Giant Spear Lily. These plants are huge - with the leaves over 2 metres that all growing from a basal clump and they have a very long flower stalk of over 4 metres with several large flowers that are a deep red colour with bright yellow or orange anthers. Each individual flower is the size of a coffee mug. The only problem is the flowering season is from spring to late summer so we have to be lucky to see any in flower.

Bring the usual daywalk stuff and a sense of adventure for a classic easy off track walk.

Also if we finish early I was planning on having a sausage sizzle and cup of coffee back at my place near Mudgeeraba. I am very keen to go to Mt Cougal again to see the Spear lilies in flower so hopefully we can schedule the next trip Mt Cougal for October or November 2010.

Apparently the name Cougal is derived from the Aboriginal phrase 'Kaiou gal', meaning 'place of the plain turkey'.

Phil

## **21<sup>st</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY BOYD'S BUTTE – COUGALS DAYWALK**

**Contact:** Justin Tobin Ph 3366 3193  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6:00am  
**Grade:** L56  
**Cost:** \$20.00  
**Location:** On the border, in the Gold Coast Hinterland

**Web:** <http://au.geocities.com/qldpilgrimage/2008/WalksWriteups08.txt>

**Emerg Off:** Susan Tobin Ph 3366 3193

**Anna has called an election so you will need to arrange to vote before the week-end. See the Voting Instructions below.**

Cougal National Park – Currumbin Creek is the start of our journey up to Boyd's Butte. The ridge from the creek takes us up to these rocky outcrops for great views of the Tallabudgera

Valley, Springbrook and across to the Cougals. From the Butte we follow the ridge to the Cougals, climbing the East summit for more views and across to the West Peak before returning to East Peak and down to the cave and across to the fence. The afternoon walk is down the fence with the chance to look back to Boyd's Butte and the Cougals before we drop back into Currumbin Creek to finish an enjoyable day in the Gold Coast Hinterland.

Come and join me.

## **VOTING PRE-POLLING & POSTAL State Election March 21<sup>st</sup>**

<http://www.ecq.qld.gov.au/asp/index.asp?pgid=171>

If you can't vote at your nearest polling booth on polling day, special arrangements can be made for you to cast your vote.

You will be interstate – walking in NSW.

### **PRE-POLL VOTERS Pre-poll in-person voting**

In certain circumstances, you can apply to vote before polling day. For example, if you will be interstate or overseas on polling day, you can cast a pre-poll vote at:

the office of your Returning Officer, selected Queensland Government Agencies, selected local court houses, pre-poll centres at City Hall in Brisbane and at Runaway Bay, Burleigh and Southport (on the Gold Coast).

Details of your nearest pre-poll centre are available at election time by calling 1300 881 665 or by referring to the list of pre-poll centres on the election site.

Pre-poll in-person voters cast their votes within the period ending at 6pm on the day before polling day.

### **Postal voting**

You may qualify for postal voting if, for example: you will be interstate or overseas on polling day. You should apply for a postal vote before you leave, or travel prevents you from attending a polling booth on polling day.

You must send your postal vote application to reach the Returning Officer in your electoral district or the Commission by 6pm on the Thursday before polling day.

You will be sent a ballot paper and declaration envelope, which you must complete by 6pm on

polling day. You must then post your vote in the envelope provided so that the Returning Officer receives it no later than 6pm on the 10th day after polling day.

**Postal Vote application form**

**<http://www.ecq.qld.gov.au/asp/index.asp?pgid=171>**

**25<sup>th</sup> MARCH, WEDNESDAY  
TOMATO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT  
COFFEE NIGHT**

**Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092 &  
0418 122 995**

**Where: 19 Nash St, Rosalie**

**Time: From 6.30pm for Dinner &  
before 7.30pm for Coffee only**

**Web: <http://www.tomatos.net.au/>**

This was formally Tomato Brothers, but not any longer. It is open till 9.30pm. there is an outside dining area. There are gluten free and vegetarian options. It is fully licensed with reasonably priced beers and wines. There is ample parking on site.

Salads are from \$8 to \$16. Mains are: Pasta \$16 to \$19, Pizza \$18 to \$21.

Come along for dinner, or just drop in for coffee & cake. Bring along photos of recent trips, of holidays, of socials. Tell us about yourself, about your job, about your interests.

**29<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SUNDAY  
EWAN MADDOCK DAM  
DAYWALK**

**Leader: Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956**

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

**Time: 7.30 am**

**Cost: \$15.00**

**Grade: L23**

**Location: Landsborough area.**

**Web: [http://www.queenslandimages.com.au/unshine\\_coast\\_hinterland/gallery/index01.html](http://www.queenslandimages.com.au/unshine_coast_hinterland/gallery/index01.html)**

**Emerg. Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092.**

Ewan Maddock Dam is situated just north of Landsborough. The Dam was named after an early pioneer of Mooloolah, whose family built a cottage near where the base of the dam wall is today. Until 1989 the Dam was one of Caloundra's water supplies.

The walk will start just down the road from the Landsborough School. It is an easy walk following old roads and trails; however the total distance is approx 16kms.

There are some delightful spots along the way as we pass through four dominant vegetation areas – eucalypt forest, paperback wetlands, heath land and a small patch of rainforest. The Dam's shallow inlets and waterlogged areas contain sedges and water lilies, which provide an ideal habitat for many water birds, insects and frogs.

At the northern end of the Dam there is a picnic area and it is here that we will have lunch and if there is time we will view the old historic cottage.

This is a new walk for the Club and I'm looking forward to taking you to this new and exciting area. As I said it is not a hard walk but the distance is long. The walk is within everybody's capabilities.

Come along and enjoy the walk and the delightful and peaceful spots we pass on the way.

**29<sup>th</sup> MARCH – 6<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
BIKE WEEK**

Is upon us again!

So let's get pedalling.

For those who don't know, Bicycle Queensland (BQ) run Bike Week every year You will find more info at [www.bq.org.au](http://www.bq.org.au)

What you need to do: Stick a bit of oil on that chain, put some air in those tires and ride to work. If you are a first time rider and you're not sure of the route BQ are also organising a Ride To Work Day where you can meet up with local cyclists in your area. Happy Cycling!

Bikeway maps:

**[http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCC:BASE::pc=PC\\_934](http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCC:BASE::pc=PC_934)**

**31<sup>st</sup> MARCH – 2<sup>nd</sup> APRIL, TUES-THU  
THE ORANGE WALK  
BASECAMP**

**Leader: Denise C Ph: (07) 4651 1696**

**Meet at: TAA Departures, Domestic Air  
Terminal, Brisbane Airport**

**Time: 9.41am, Tues 31<sup>st</sup> at Central  
Station for the AirTrain,  
OR 10am Brisbane Domestic  
Airport TAA Departures for the  
11.10am flight TN2532,**

**Grade: EL12**

**Cost: Minimum – Air Train \$28 return,  
Flight \$137 Out, \$213 Home,  
Hotel x 2 \$40 (air con room \$15  
per person per night), Meals x 2**

**\$36, Tramway x2 \$10, Water Taxi Free, Sightseeing Extra: Total: \$474**

**Location: 23 18 30S 145 09 37 E**

**Web: [http://www.exploroz.com/Places/33872/QLD/Orange\\_Downs.aspx](http://www.exploroz.com/Places/33872/QLD/Orange_Downs.aspx)**

**Emerg Off: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530**

You all know what "Green" means – conservation preservation, protection. You have done the Green to Blue Bridge Trip. There is Black Canyon & Red Rock Cutting in Lamington.

We have White Mountain just beyond Ipswich. There are the Green Mountains at O'Reilly's. Now come on The Orange walk.

We meet at the TAA Terminal at Brisbane Domestic Airport at 10am Tuesday. (Watch out, do not carry your machete on as hand luggage – pack it in your checked luggage.) Catch Flight TN2532 on TAA Link - it is a DHC-8/300.



On arrival, get a taxi to The Artesian Hotel, so



named because of all the artwork by famous local artists hanging on its walls. Let me know when nominating if you want single, twin or double

rooms, with/without aircon? As arrival is at 1.30pm, look around the town till late – check out the train station, the blacksmiths cottage, the tree in the main street (right over the road from the Artesian) as well as the new monument occupying the whole width of the main street – there is a lot to see. Have a good dinner and a few beers (maybe a Kath Quinlan Society branch meeting?), catch the entertainment in the hotel. Have an early night.

In the morning, Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, please have a hearty breakfast, and make your way down to the railway station to catch the tram to



Clemashia. We are in luck, because the tram

operates only on Wednesday & Thursday. This is a delightful little journey, going through the countryside – you can see things from a carriage that you miss when travelling by car.



We will be getting out at Clemashia, and catch the waiting Ian's Water-Taxi to the start of the walk. It will be a full day's walk, so bring lunch, nibblies, water, wear good footwear, broad brimmed hat (corks optional) & remember "slip, slop, slap". Temperature should be about 30°, humidity about 25% and not much chance of rain (but you never know). You can get boiling water at the end to dip your t-bag in.

We will start at the homestead building, walk to the dog yard, then do a 180 and head north-west, going out to the water trough to inspect the wildlife. (From the bottom left corner to the top right in the photo.) This second bit is along a track. Bring a stick from home with you as you might have to scrap the mud from your boots! After a biscuit stop, the party will do a compass march due south till we hit the other track and go east over rather flat open country to the sheds. While sitting in the shade of the walls, the group will suck on a lolly or two, then move on down to the other shed, and back to the house for the long promised cuppa. Then a drive to Bowyer to get the return tram to town.

Another night in The Artesian – study the paintings. Thursday will see us at the airport to catch the 1.45pm flight TN2533 back home, arriving 4.50pm.

A really enjoyable, if hot, unusual outing.



**5<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SUNDAY  
RATHDOWNEY HERITAGE FESTIVAL  
SOCIAL**

**Contact:** Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Meet Time:** 9am  
**Cost:** \$10 + \$10 entry + Food  
**Location:** SE Queensland, beyond Browns Plains & Beaudesert, within the sight of the NSW Border  
**Web:** <http://www.rathdowney.org.au/>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995



We are travelling down the Lindesay H'way a lot, especially going to Barney & the Hut. We pass through Rathdowney, seeing it only as "the café at the end of the walk". Here is our chance to get to know this lovely little village.

The Festival is held in the Rathdowney Memorial Grounds & the Visitor Information Centre and Museum environs. This is the show grounds right in the centre of town. It runs from 8am to 4pm – the drive there is about 1hr 15min.

The Festival will be a celebration of Queensland's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday and the Rathdowney region's pioneering days. The day will feature a working bullock team, wood-chopping, tent-pegging, working sheep dogs and demonstrations of whip cracking, blacksmithing, wheelwrighting, steam engines, leather work (whip making and plaiting), washing and ironing the old way, working horse gear (cutting hay into chaff), shelling and cracking corn, butter churning, paper making, spinning, weaving, and tating.

Static displays will include period costumes, old tools, machinery, historical photographs (including local families, education and industries), dairy and kitchen.

The Heritage Festival Parade commences at 12.00 noon and will include Horse drawn vehicles, mounted horses, walking groups in pioneering costume, band, and other heritage segments, as well as vintage and veteran vehicles.

The highlight for 2009 will be the Official Opening of a model of the Rathdowney Tramway system as it existed 1911-1944 (the light steam rail from Beaudesert to Rathdowney), and a permanent display on pioneering women of the region including, Indigenous, European and Australian women from 1850 up to 1930.

The day will include entertainment - Celtic Band, Old Time & Country Music, Bush Poetry, Children's entertainment (pig racing, animal nursery and rides), Billy Tea and Damper, BBQ, licensed bars, Hungarian Langos, etc.

**7<sup>th</sup> APRIL, TUESDAY  
BRISBANE CATHOLIC HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
TALK**

**Contact:** Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 33695530  
**Meet at:** Irish Club, 175 Elizabeth St, City  
(Opposite the Hilton Hotel driveway.)  
**Time:** 5.15pm for 5.30

After our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations last year, we were asked by the Brisbane Catholic Historical Society if we would like to present a talk about the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club's 50 years. Maxine Brophy has agreed to give the talk which will be about 40 minutes long and we will also have a slide show. Please come along for the talk and maybe stay on for dinner and/or a drink.

Come along and hear Maxine. (She also needs the moral support of a few friendly faces in the audience.)

it is straight after work, so get a bus into town.

Follow the signs to the room.

**7<sup>th</sup> April, TUESDAY  
MOVIE NIGHT  
STAFFORD CINEMAS**

**Contact:** Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810  
**Where:** Stafford 10 Cinemas – Stafford City Shopping Centre,  
**Meet at:** Fasta Pasta – (first shop at rear entrance)  
**Time:** 6pm  
**Cost:** \$12.00 (movie only)  
**Web:** <http://www.a-m-c.com.au/>  
**Location:** Stafford Rd between Webster Rd & Windorah St

Don't forget we are now meeting on the first Tuesday of the month.

Visitors & New Members please ring first to find out how to recognise us when you arrive at the cinema.

This is a very informal event where nomination is not necessary. Simply turn up if you want, have dinner if you want, see whatever movie you want. Have coffee afterwards if you want.

We will be going to the Stafford 10 Cinemas at Stafford City. It is on Stafford Road about halfway between Webster Rd and Shand St. We will meet at or near Fasta Pasta, a café sited just inside the entrance near the cinema. The link below contains a map of the centre.

<http://www.thefirstgroup.com.au/images/centreProfiles/StaffordProfile.pdf>

The costs at Stafford City are similar if not cheaper as you can get a movie meal deal for around \$20. So come along.

**MBS:** "only a MAN would plan a pre-outing on Valentines Day"

### **11<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SATURDAY DAVE'S CREEK CIRCUIT DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Michele Johns Ph: 3353 2822  
Mob: 0414 635 542  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Red Hill  
**Time:** 6.30am  
**Cost:** \$20.00  
**Grading:** M34  
**Location:** Binna Burra, in north east  
Lamington National Park

**Web:**[https://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks\\_and\\_forests/find\\_a\\_park\\_or\\_forest/lamington\\_national\\_park/](https://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/lamington_national_park/)

**Emerg Off:** Terry Silk Ph: 33559765

Keep this date free (it is on the Easter long weekend) and join me on a short but varied walk in the Binna Burra region of Lamington National Park.

This walk in my opinion has some of the most varied vegetation types of any of the many walks in the Lamington National Park ranging from rainforest and heath canopies to open eucalypt and she oak and there are several points of interest along the way. After branching off the border track the track descends through rainforest down to the Nixon's Creek Valley before emerging out onto a fairly open track of eucalypt and she oak.

Along the way there are impressive views down to the Woggunba Valley on the southern side and the Numinbah Valley on the other side. Also the Springbrook Plateau to the east and there is the remains of a volcano. (Tweed Shield Volcano) The cliffs were formed from the harder rhyolite that erupted from the volcano.

Along this fairly exposed section of the track a small red, flat-leaf plant called Sundew may be seen. These are carnivorous, trapping prey with sticky droplets and slowly digesting them on their leaves. This enables the plant to grow on these poor soils.

The different points of interest range from an impressive cave to unusual rock formations and differing species of native plants.

The walk has a number of more exposed sections but shouldn't pose any problem as we are coming into the cooler months.

So join me for a pleasant day's walk (it should only take about 6 hours at a steady pace). The gradient is not very steep and should be attainable by walkers with average fitness. After the walk, we will again regroup for a coffee stop down the hill at Canungra and we should hopefully be home by 5 pm.

### **13<sup>th</sup> APRIL, EASTER MONDAY MT. MAROON DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956  
**Meet at:** St. Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7.30am  
**Cost:** \$17.00  
**Grade:** S44  
**Location:** Near the border, near Rathdowney & Boonah

**Web:**[http://www.exploroz.com/Places/16447/QLD/Mount\\_Maroon.aspx](http://www.exploroz.com/Places/16447/QLD/Mount_Maroon.aspx)

**Emerg Off.** Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

Mt. Maroon is an excellent day walk. During the spring the summit plateau has superb wildflower displays. We probably won't see too many flowers; however we will see the unparalleled close up views of the central Scenic Rim and Mt. Barney's craggy profile.

We will climb the mountain via the steep north-east ridge. It is then a steep rocky scramble up a gully to the saddle. Care will be required on this section so as not to dislodge rocks. The climb up the gully gives spectacular views of the several rock-climbing routes on the east face.

Once the saddle is reached we will then do the final climb to the summit for lunch. From the summit there are magnificent views of Mt. Barney etc.

If you are not going away for Easter come along on this great walk. Even though Mt. Maroon is a mountain and a certain level of fitness is required, it is within the capabilities of any fit person. Why not try something a little harder than a graded track. Phone me if you are unsure about any aspect of the walk.

Looking forward to seeing you on Mt. Maroon.

**17<sup>th</sup> APRIL, FRIDAY  
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY  
VENICE CAFÉ**

**Contact:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702  
or 0413 307 580

**Address:** On the Riverside walkway about, 150 metres north of Riverside Pier in Petrie Bight – near the Customs House, actual address is 501 Queen St (Admiralty Towers)

**Time:** From 4pm till 9ish.

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

**Web:**<http://brisbane.citysearch.com.au/restaurants/1137392094374/Venice+Cafe+Bar>

**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

Come along and enjoy a gathering in town with friends as we sit back and enjoy a lovely relaxing



drink and meal. The place has a lovely setting with a fantastic view of the river and the Story Bridge! We have not been in this part of the City in the past.

Come for a chat in pleasant surroundings, a few quite drinks, a meal, great conversation, truly amazing people and a great time.

Phil

**18<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SATURDAY  
SOMERSET TRAIL, M<sup>t</sup> MEE  
DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Peggy Roe Ph: 5498 7112  
or 0419 489 717

**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park at 8.00am  
OR Petrie, Railway Station, 8:30am  
OR Dayboro Tourist Information, Williams St, at 8.45am

**Grade:** M23

**Cost:** \$10

**Location:** Mt Mee, north of Brisbane beyond Petrie & Dayboro

**Web:**<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=6>

**Emerg Off:** Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

The Somerset Trail begins near the Gantry Day-Use area in Mt Mee Forest Reserve, which is about 25km from Dayboro. The picnic area is named after the huge gantry structure that still remains from sawmilling days.

The walk is 13km in length, and is on a wide, high quality track, but the terrain is undulating and there are a few sections where I would think "How much further?!". The EPA website suggests a moderate level of fitness is necessary.

A feature of the walk is the remarkable diversity of vegetation types that it offers; including rainforest, palm groves, beautiful Sydney blue gums, araucaria pine forest, banksias, wattle, and grass trees.

We shall have lunch at Mt Byron, approximately half way along the track, where there is a great view where Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams can be seen in the distance. The walk should be completed by 3pm, and we shall go for coffee at Dayboro.

This is the first walk Peggy has led since Justin met Sue so it is sure to be an historic event. Be sure not to miss it!

**20<sup>th</sup> APRIL, MONDAY  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**Contact:** Desley Ph: 3369 5530

**Time:** Doors open 7.30pm

**Venue:** St Michael's Hall, Banks St, Ashgrove

**Web:**<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/page4.html>

Come along to the Meeting to hear what the Club is going to do over the following month.

The hall is on the lower carpark, down the driveway below the church.

- Ask Leaders questions that will solve your queries about coming events – this Jilalan can not say everything about what we do, where we go and how we do it.
- Nominate for an outing or social.
- Stay and talk with your friends – enjoy supper

**25<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SATURDAY  
ANZAC DAWN SERVICE IN THE CITY  
And BREAKFAST**

**Leader:** Terry Ph: 3355 9765

**Meet at:** Ann Street War Memorial, at the alcove on the western walkway beside and above Anzac Square (the side with the shops)

**Time:** 4.00 AM

**Web:** <http://www.anzacday.org.au/education/tf/dawn.html>

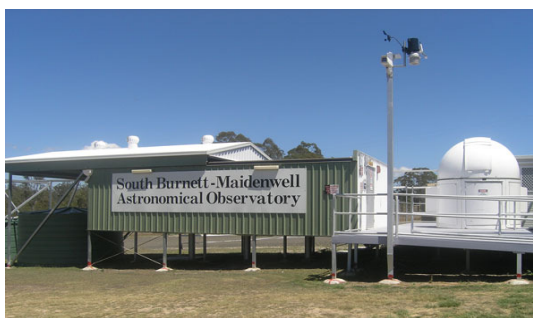
The gathering of Club members at the ANZAC Dawn Service has become another Club tradition. It is a moving experience and is our way of remembering those brave men and women who gave their lives in service of our country. Each year the crowd seems to be bigger than the previous year.

We will meet at the alcove on the western walkway beside and above Anzac Square (The side with the shops).

At the conclusion of the service we will make our way to the base of the Kangaroo Point Cliffs for a BBQ/picnic breakfast by the river where we will watch the sun rise whilst discussing life in general. Hopefully there will be enough room to park at the end of the road below the cliffs. Breakfast for those attending the Dawn Service will be from about 5am, but others can turn up later.

Anyone feeling energetic can walk to Southbank and back.

Terry.



**25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SAT/SUN  
MAIDENWELL OBSERVATORY  
Starry Skies For Curious Eyes  
SOCIAL**

**Leader:** Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530

**Location:** Maidenwell, at the northern end of the Bunya Mtns

**Web:** <http://www.sbstars.com/>

Maidenwell Astronomical Observatory is the largest self-funded observatory

Photo on left shows the main observation deck with its sliding roof rolling back. In this building that can seat up to 35 people, is where you go to look through 1 of 3 Meade LX200 GPS 14 inch telescopes to view the Moon, Planets and the stars assisted

Free camping around the Observatory for schools, community groups and amateur astronomy clubs. Hot showers and a modern kitchen with BBQ available on site for hire for above groups. MAO sits on 10 lovely acres with 360 deg. view. Plenty of parking for vehicles. Meals are available at the hotel by bookings only..

Special Offer: A group of 30 persons (nothing less) will get a 2 course meal at pub + a night show for \$30 PP.

**26<sup>th</sup> APRIL SUNDAY  
MT GREVILLE  
DAYWALK**

**Leader:** Paul Evans Ph: 0412 339 311

**Meet at:** St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill

**Meet Time:** 7am

**Grading:** M 55

**Cost:** \$15

**Location:** Aratula, down the Cunningham H'way and just before Cunningham's Gap

**Web:** <http://www.sgapqld.org.au/mtgrev.html>

**Emerg Off:** Carolyn Ph: 0412 339 322

Mt Greville is a mountain often noticed from the highway before ascending Cunningham's Gap. It is often referred to as "the kangaroo feeding". It has spectacular views of the surrounding Moogerah peaks and dam

We will be ascending by one of six ways to reach the top. I would opt for the waterfall gorge but am happy to go via palm, main ridge, south, north or from the farms. It is planned to have lunch up on top before doing an exploration of the peak. Then we will drop down by the main track before deciding on one of three ways off the mountain.

It is a beautiful mountain and will not disappoint. It promises a great day. It offers a close look at some hidden gorges and spectacular palms. Then it is off to Aratula for afternoon tea. Please note there will be some climbing around rocks especially in the gorges.  
Paul E.

## **MAPPING THE GREAT SOUTH LAND**

### **From Terra Incognita To New Holland And Australia**

### **20 December 2008 - 22 March 2009**

**Location: State Library of Queensland Cultural Centre , Stanley Place South Bank**

**Time: 10:00am to 5:00pm**

**Web:**<http://www.slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on/exhibit/online/tw>

In 1606 the Dutchman Willem Janszoon found the west coast of Cape York and camped in Wik Munkun land. His is the first uncontested European mapping and brief settlement in Australia. Australia was the last vast inhabited area to be explored and the first where scientific methodology and careful documentation were applied. In 1859 Queensland became the last Australian state.

To celebrate 150 years of Queensland and the 75th year of the John Oxley Library the Talbot Family Treasure Wall will display rare maps from the SLQ collection. Beginning in 1572 these chart Australia's and Queensland's coast and include maps by Tasman, Cook, and Flinders. There is also a small globe of 1774 and illustrated travel accounts by Dampier (1699), Cook's voyages including Parkinson's illustrations (1797), and Flinders (1814). The fame of such maps and books made Australia an "essential destination" for scientists and inspired books like Daniel Defoe's *Robinson Crusoe* and Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels*.

## **NEW LEADERS TRAINING**

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Here is your opportunity to go up to the next level – become a Leader of a BCBC Outing. Leading is not difficult. You do not have to be up front "leading" the way. You do not have to be a strong walker.

You do not need to be knowledgeable about the bush, terrain, BCBC history, nature, flora/fauna, storytelling, lighting fires, and everything else you think a leader needs.

What you do need is to know how BCBC leads outings.

And this is where I come in – I will tell you how. We have a "Leaders Guide" which goes through the process step by step.

I will explain the steps & give examples.

You do not really enjoy outings till you have led a trip – you have a different perspective on bushwalking afterwards.

More in the next Jilalan  
Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

## **PILGRIMAGE UPDATE**

The Club has volunteered to lead Mt Alford, Mt Moon, & Mt Greville.

Friday night supper is ours as well.

We need to supply every thing for this - Stoves etc

Once we get the team together, we need to have our own look at the site.

Justin

## **JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

### **PROPOSED 2009 ITINERARY**

May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Mick O'Malley's
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Theodore Club
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	The Tank
Aug 21 <sup>st</sup>	Hilton
Sept 18 <sup>th</sup>	Treasury Casino
Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>	German Club
Nov 20 <sup>th</sup>	Boardwalk Bar at Riverside
Dec 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sofitel

## **POETRY CORNER**

### **Fifty Years On**

Dedicated to Raoul Mellish and Willie Hayes

We thank you for starting our Bushwalking days  
We sit here today there's stories to be told  
We listen in wonder as they start to unfold

The Club has taken us to places we have never seen

To the Tops of mountains and wilderness streams

To Tassie, New Zealand and far away places  
Walking with stranger soon became familiar faces



We danced in the moonlight and sang in the rain  
We waltzed through lantana ignoring the pain.

Wed' go into work all cut and torn  
Looking rather weary and worn

Our workmates thought we were a bit strange  
Spending our weekends out on the range

Walking with Pat meant getting home late  
Parents at home decided our Bushwalking fate

Our Lady of the Way our shining star  
Guiding us home from near and afar

We remember our mates who are here no more  
They've put on their boots and walked through  
God's door

Fifty years on everyone here should be proud of  
it all

The Club is still here for the next generation to  
answer the call.

Written by Justin Tobin and read (proudly) by Philip  
Kearns at the 50th Anniversary Luncheon. 30-Mar-08.

## **PAST EVENTS**

### **TAMBORINE MOUNTAIN DAYWALK 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY**

Sixteen people participated in this delightful day of walking in the Gold Coast hinterland. We welcomed visitors Rita, Kathleen, Steph, Glynis and Mike. It was exciting to have Sue as a visitor on her first official walk with the Club after many years of supporting Phil and his walking.

In the morning, we zigzagged down the steep western mountain side through open forest with Banksia trees and into rainforest with huge strangler figs. We followed the Witches Falls track as far as the lookout and then joined the Witches Chase track back up the valley. A pretty grassy clearing provided a lovely morning tea spot before we headed along Beacon Road and Great Western Road past beautiful Tamborine estates, rural properties and craft and antique centres to the Witches Falls picnic area.

After a relaxed lunch we began our second walk along the magical Palm Grove Circuit where we admired piccabeen palms and rainforest with emergent strangler figs and distinctively buttressed yellow Carabeens. With the leader's blessing, a breakaway group also did Jenyns Circuit which provided some magnificent waterfalls. Fortuitously, the main group changed is route and walked counterclockwise to meet the breakaway group on the second half of the circuit, so no one missed this pretty section of track.

Afternoon tea was taken at the Curtis Falls Cafe where the drinks nourished us after our walk and the local wildlife entertained us.

Many thanks to Greg, Graham and Maria for driving and to Graham for also acting as the tail ender on both walks. Thanks also to Michele for taking on the role of navigator for the inter-walk drives.

Other walkers were Sofie, Patty, Jan and Rose. It was great to have them along.  
Liz

### **SHORNCLIFFE SOCIAL WALK 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

It would be hard to imagine a better way to spend a Saturday afternoon than by strolling companionably around the suburb and foreshore of Shorncliffe. Interesting heritage structures such as the post office and some old pubs were admired. In the true spirit of a social outing, a couple of local members were visited at home. Of course, the famous Shorncliffe Pier was not to be missed. And for a perfect ending to a day, a stroll beside Moreton Bay was enjoyed.

Before leaving the area, the happy walkers savoured fresh fish and chips from Doug's Cafe, another well known landmark in the area. A good time was had by all on this very social walk. A special thank you must go to Michael for generously agreeing to lead at the eleventh hour.

Other walkers included Julie, Julie, Julie Rick, Graham, Merv, Maria, Sophie, Rebecca, Amy, Greg, Michele and Terry.  
Liz

### **BLACK FRIDAY JAMES BOAG MEETING FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

The Black Friday celebrations were far from black. A large group of happy people gathered to celebrate with much laughter and interesting conversation. Rain had fallen all day so a venue change was required from the *courtyard* to the *car yard*. Luckily, the rain didn't seem to dampen spirits.

It was wonderful to catch up with former member, Mary, and to welcome member Antonia to her first James Boag gathering. A couple of other visitors, Rebecca, John and Jenny, also joined us. In addition, a good number of regular walkers and socialisers were able to come along for a relaxing end-of-week gathering.  
Liz

## **KONDALILLA TO BAROON POCKET DAM**

**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009**

At one stage I had 21 people nominated for this walk but with all the rain in the previous week a very brave eight were waiting for me in the rain at the Church on the day.

Heike was waiting for us at Montville and after leaving a car at the walk's end, I forced everyone to eat Neapolitan block cake and then told them they had to walk to Baroon Pocket Dam to lose the weight they'd just put on. After just a little bit of groaning, off they trooped. It drizzled on and off during the day but as we were under cover, it was the leeches we had to look out for. All the recent rain had produced a fresh crop of baby ones waiting for their first meal – and we were it!!! According to the encyclopaedia I consulted that night, the babies cling to a larger one until they are able to fend for themselves – hence us finding one big one surrounded by lots of little leeches on various body spots. Terry won the day's leech bite competition with 37.

The waterfalls were spectacular and we stopped to look at where the Obi Obi Creek Li Lo trip was planned for the next weekend.. The track was well marked and graded and there were not very many puddles at all. Lunch was at the shelter shed at the Dam and I handed out chocolate hearts to everyone – well, it was Valentine's Day!!!!.

Thanks to Graham, Terry, Jan, Maria, Greg, Sofia, Paddy, Heike and Barbara for their company. Also thanks to Maria, Heike and Graham for driving and Heike for her view of the walk which appears elsewhere in this magazine. Desley

## **MILANO'S ON THE MALL PAST JOHN TOOHEY 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

It was a great night with the usual crowd. The evening got off to a very damp start with a huge downpour at 3.30 pm. But it cleared quickly and there were plenty of dry seats at Milanos. There was a good rollup: Graham Glasse, Michael & Catherine Simpson, Julia Cowan, Russ & Jan Nelson, Elizabeth Richards, Liz Little, Greg Endicott, Phil Murray and Desley.

Desley surprised us as she dropped in for a few minutes, than did a walk with a reconciliation group from work - the first anniversary of the Sorry Day last year. The walk was from

Boundary Street Fortitude Valley to Boundary Street West End. Apparently the 2 streets were the boundaries of the exclusion area for aborigines in Brisbane's colonial days.

## **OBI OBI LILO TRIP DAYWALK 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February the good news the water was flowing but the bad news was it was only 25mm deep. With only a small flow the lilo get caught in the rocks. The ideal depth is about 150mm to 300mm of water over the spillway. We postponed the trip to the following Sunday and hoped for more rain. And the rains came . Maleny got 75mm of rain on Sunday night the 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Monday the flow was excellent at 175mm, but it was a work day so we couldn't go. The following Saturday the water over the spillway was down to only 50mm, so we postponed the trip again until the water is flowing freely. Next time it is flowing it is we are going on our lilo trip work day or not.

Phil

## **COFFEE NIGHT AT ZANETTI'S 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

A relaxed group gathered on a cool, summer evening at Zanetti's Bar and Restaurant at Mitchelton. The outdoor setting in leafy Blackwood Street made for a pleasant evening at an old favourite location. Conversation flowed easily between members and visitors. Some had a quiet drink before dinner; some were tempted by the enticing menu; and some joined in later for coffee and cake.

Holiday adventures, current events and family news were some of the conversation topics. Memories of recent walks were revisited and anticipation of walks to come was shared.

Thanks to all who came along and provided such delightful company: Rebecca, Marion, Graham, Greg, Lucy, Barbara, Rosemary and Jeffrey. Liz

## **DESLEY'S MAGICAL MYSTERY WALK aka THE ENOGGERA CREEK WALK SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009**

This was supposed to be a walk from Purlingbrook Falls to Numinbah, but due to lack of drivers, I had to come up with an alternative on Friday night that didn't involve cars. I rang everyone to say there would be a walk but wasn't sure where and everyone agreed to turn

up, maybe just to see what I came up with. Robin obviously didn't trust me as much as the others – she arrived with a throughpack and six litres of water!!! Her excuse was that she was in training for the Milford Track in April.

The plan Michael and I came up with was to use the bikeways to follow Enoggera Creek to The Gap. After consulting the Refidex, I planned on walking to Roma Street and catching the train to Windsor and then start walking. Greg decided he wanted to use the bike tunnel under the Normanby, but only told me halfway to the RBWH that he meant just under the roadway and back across the street to Roma St. Too late now, we stopped for a family photo at the statue donated by Alaska (bet you didn't know about this!!!) while I tried to work out how we were going to get through the new busway construction site. The simple solution – walk straight through the Hospital Atrium (pointing out the section where I work) and down Butterfield St to the footbridge across Enoggera Ck.

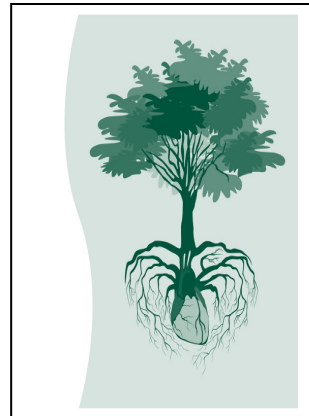
When we stopped for morning tea, it was to discover via Jan's mobile that the three tailenders had mutinied at the bridge and gone off in a completely different direction. They appeared shortly after coming from the direction in which we were headed!!!! We then walked to Newmarket and through Bancroft Park to Balun Park where multiple types of ducks in many colours, five tortoises and an eel were all under the mistaken belief we had come just to feed them. The lorikeets also loudly objected to us walking through Quandong Park and two water dragons were spotted under the Wardell Street Bridge.

We then encountered a bogged Council truck which Greg volunteered our services to push, but the driver wisely decided to wait for the 4 wheel drive and winch she had requested. We wandered on around the Ashgrove Golf Club to Waterworks Rd and on to lunch at The Gap Coffee Club - where we were joined by Catherine & Michael Simpson, then caught the bus back to Red Hill. We couldn't agree on the distance walked – somewhere between 15 and 18 kilometres – depending on who you asked but it was an excellent walk planned at the last moment and I would like to thank Jan, Julie, Greg, Therese, Paddy, Robin, Karen, Terry and Sophia for a great day. Desley.

## ♥♥♥Valentines Day ~ Bushwalkers

### Style♥♥♥

A visitor's account: Kondililla Falls-Baroon Pocket Dam Great North Walks



There we stood 10 stalwart bushwalkers plastic clad as the rain dripped steadily...

Impressive start to walk was to be fed morning tea by the leader who excelled in an appropriately coloured Neapolitan cake dripping pink icing, a sweetly

tempting way to hook in new members.

It was the perfect day to see the Kondililla Falls in full flowing majesty, so off we sludged...

T'was not long before first cry of "LEECH" and this set the tone for the next 10.1/8.2 or 13+ km depending on which sign you read (or who you listened to....) Blood drought was over for these little suckers.....

A gentle generally flat-ish walk through very rainy forest and along the swollen Obi Obi creek but had 2 decent heart starter climbs (most suitable for celebrating Valentines!) however this bush romancing lot maintained a brisk pace as any momentary halt had congregations of new leech generations hording toward the ankles. Luscious view over the gorge and rushing waters to see how high we actually were before descent into Baroon Pocket for lunch and choccie hearts (what a leader!!!).

Thanks to all for a great days walking.

## HARMONY DAY

The Cougals is being held on Harmony Day, an event held across Australia on 21 March, coinciding with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. The event is symbolised by the Orange Awareness Ribbon, worn or displayed by those associating with the day's ideals and morals.

The key message of Harmony Day is Everyone Belongs. It's about community participation, inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

# **GIRRAWEEEN MANAGEMENT PLAN**

## **Call for Submissions**

A draft management plan has recently been prepared for the Girraween National Park by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). You are invited to make a submission on this draft plan yourself, or to forward your comments to [info@gorf.org.au](mailto:info@gorf.org.au) for inclusion in QORF's submission on your behalf. Comments will need to be received by Monday March 16. You can view the plan on the EPA website at: [www.epa.qld.gov.au/parkplan](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parkplan)

...or access a hard copy by telephoning the EPA Customer Service Centre on 1300 130 372.

If the park is of interest to you, please forward your comments, suggestions, concerns and/or solutions through to me so that we can have an impact on how the Girraween National Park will be managed into the future.

## **“NATIONAL PARKS” DAY: 27 – 29 MARCH O’Reilly’s Guest House**

Be in the heart of the action for National Parks Day and stay at O’Reilly’s Rainforest Retreat, Mountain Villas and Lost World Spa. We invite you to experience the natural beauty and legendary hospitality of O’Reilly’s with these special National Parks Day offers:

**O’REILLY’S RAINFOREST RETREAT,**  
Bithongabel Single Room:  
Friday - \$80.00 per room, per night, Saturday - \$100.00 per room, per night

Mountain View Room:  
Friday - \$220.00 per room, per night (single occupancy or twin share)  
Saturday - \$250.00 per room, per night (single occupancy or twin share)

Subject to availability. Two night minimum stay on Saturday night.

Room rate includes accommodation, morning and afternoon teas.

Meal packages available at additional cost.

For further information or to make a booking, contact our Reservations team on 1800 688 722 or e-mail [reservations@oreillys.com.au](mailto:reservations@oreillys.com.au).

Please quote ‘National Parks Day’ when making your booking to receive these rates.

Thank you again and all the best,

Amanda Tidmarsh / Marketing and Communications Executive  
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## **KINLOCH LODGE QUEENSTOWN NZ**

### **In The Heart of the Best Walking Area**

Greetings from across the Tasman.

Kinloch Lodge is just over one hour from Queenstown and is used as a base by many bushwalkers, as well as walking clubs seeking to access the



Routeburn Track and other famous walks in our area. It is stunning lakefront destination at the head of Lake Wakatipu between the Routeburn and Greenstone Tracks where our guests enjoy a unique and amazing location with recognised historic significance.

The majority of our rooms share communal bathrooms and lounges. Packed lunches are available when ordered the previous evening. You will find a good description of our site, facilities and services together with a range of suggested activities on our website: [www.kinlochlodge.co.nz](http://www.kinlochlodge.co.nz)

If you would like more information about suggested itineraries or options at Kinloch Lodge please don't hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks,  
John Glover, Owner, Kinloch Lodge  
862 Kinloch Rd, Kinloch, Glenorchy, Central Otago  
Ph: 03 4424900, Fax: 03 4429928

The lakefront wilderness lodge. Nestled in nature, very close to Paradise .

## GIANT SPEAR LILY

The Giant Spear Lily is a spectacular plant. Both foliage and flowers are eye-catching features. It isn't called the Giant Spear Lily for nothing and it will grow to 3 m x 3 m. There should be several groves of them on the Mt Cougal walk.

The leaves may reach a length of three metres. They are bright green in colour and each plant can be a clump up to a metre wide with huge leaves bursting out.

The flower stalk (the botanical term is 'scape') is from two to five metres in length. The scape is crowned by a flower spike up to one metre long. The flower spike is made up of 30 or more large reddish-brown flowers that appear in spring. Each flower is as big as coffee cup. They are just amazing. The weight of the flowers often makes the flower head bend over as though it is slightly wilting.

It grows in a narrow band of vegetation along the cliff-tops and on steep cliff-faces or rocky ledges in montane heath next to subtropical rainforest, warm temperate rainforest or wet eucalypt forest.

The plant is basically a very rare species with less than 6,000# plants in NSW and a similar number in Qld. In the few locations it grows it is relatively common but because it is so localized it is an endangered plant due to dangers from bushfires, weeds and human disturbance. The plant is very common in the Cunningham's Gap area and in particular around Sylvester's Lookout. Its botanical name is *Doryanthes palmeri*

# Perry, D. A. (2001). The distribution, relative abundance and conservation status of *Doryanthes palmeri* (Doryanthaceae) in New South Wales. *Cunninghamia* 7(2): 183-193.

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(Editor: Known by me as the "Triffid Lily")

## BUSHWALKING QLD

At the last BWQ meeting some of the points raised were:

- What are bushwalking clubs going to do to celebrate Queensland Day on 06/06/09, suggestions include Mt. Barney or other mountains (need a Club to nominate to coordinate).
- They are looking for bushwalking photos for the BWQ website.

- There are plans to make loop/circuit walks in Brisbane Forest Park and the Gold Coast Great Walk and generally improve the walking tracks – any suggestions?

Desley

## BUSHWALKER INPUT TO GOLD COAST HINTERLAND GW & BRISBANE FOREST PARK

The BWQ delegate to the CMG, Ron Farmer, is calling for suggestions from the bushwalking fraternity for possible extensions or enhancements to the Gold Coast Hinterland Great Walk, and also suggestions for a long-distance multi-use trail system in Brisbane Forest Park.

Ideas for walk options on the Gold Coast HGW in the form of loops, circuits, and maybe some new construction are being sought.

The Brisbane Forest Park proposal is for a trail system extending from Mt. Coot-tha to Mt. Mee, to cater for walkers, mountain bikers and horse riders. Options for interconnecting short circuits within the system are being sought, to enable a variety of trail experiences. It is envisaged that interaction with local communities at Mt. Nebo and Mt. Glorious will support local economies through the provision of cafe and accommodation facilities.

This project is a joint QPW and BWQ initiative, and allows for either individual bushwalkers, or bushwalking clubs to make submissions.

**The deadline is 25-March-09 by email to Ron Farmer.** The 'request for suggestions' document, submission form, and Ron's email details are downloadable from the Bushwalking Queensland website homepage:

<http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/>

Could bushwalkers please distribute this information widely among your bushwalking contacts. It represents a unique opportunity for bushwalkers to play an important role in planning for better walking facilities.

John Marshall, Sec. BWQ



## **QPW / EPA RESPONSE ON WAGAWN TRACK**

Recently, many individual club bushwalkers have corresponded directly with the Minister raising their concerns on the status of the Wagawn Track in Lamington National Park, the downgrading of other tracks and the deletion of certain place names from maps and guides.

To avoid creating unnecessary inconvenience within the EPA / Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Bushwalking club members are advised that any concerns regarding access to parks, or any other parks management issue, should be directed in the first instance to the Regional Managers.

Any escalation of such issues can be made via the Collaborative Management Group (CMG) meetings, which have been instituted for this purpose under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This is an agreement between the federation and the QPW / EPA, signed off in December 2006.

Many of these issues can be resolved at these levels of consultation in a cordial, businesslike manner without the need to generate Ministerial correspondence.

The MOU can be downloaded from our website: [http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/docs/BWQ\\_MOU.pdf](http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/docs/BWQ_MOU.pdf)

You can contact the BWQ delegates to the CMG meetings through:

Ron Farmer: [ron.farmer@ugconnect.net](mailto:ron.farmer@ugconnect.net)

Alternatively, you can raise matters for the CMG agenda with:

The Secretary

Bushwalking Queensland Inc.

GPO Box 1573

Brisbane Q 4001

email

[secretary@bushwalkingqueensland.org.au](mailto:secretary@bushwalkingqueensland.org.au)

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation,

John Marshall, Secretary, Bushwalking Queensland Inc, 04-Feb-09

## **NATIONAL OUTDOOR LEADER REGISTRATION SCHEME UPDATE**

February 2009 Information Update – National Outdoor Leader Registration Scheme  
The Outdoor Council of Australia (OCA) seeks to continue the development and implementation of

the National Outdoor Leader Registration Scheme (NOLRS), thus continuing its commitment to a registration based recognition scheme for outdoor leaders.

The commencement of 2009 will see the following major initiatives:

1. The re-establishment of a new national NOLRS sub-committee to oversee the development and implementation agenda

2. Expansion of the activity specializations available for registration to include Snorkelling, Abseiling Natural Surfaces – Multi Pitch, Horse Trail Riding, Canoeing / Kayaking, Trail Bike Riding, Rock Climbing, Four Wheel Driving, Mountain Biking, Surfing, Rafting, Caving, Canyoning, Climbing Artificial Surfaces

3. Development of training and assessment functions for each of the new activity specializations (refer “Unlocking the Implementation of the Industry Qualification Framework”); including the development of Partnered Assessment Provider courses The Outdoor Council of Australia has engaged Outdoors WA to complete most of the developmental work. In turn, Outdoors WA will report to the National NOLRS sub-committee, which will report to the OCA Board. Continued development of NOLRS will emulate underlying principles of NOLRS version II; that the required competencies of outdoor leaders will be based on those of the Outdoor Recreation Training Package. Outdoor leaders seeking NOLRS registration can thus be assessed against NOLRS competencies and achieve registration. Outdoor leaders seeking certification against the Australian Quality Training Framework can seek training and assessment via a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) before applying for NOLRS registration to be able to demonstrate currency of their skills qualification and experiences. Outdoor leaders seeking registration of prior learning (RPL) will have the same options.

Once finalized, ALL states will then have the option of incorporating the “registration pathway” into their Adventure Activity Standards.

Ralph Gurr, Chair NOLRS Sub Committee

If you have any queries about NOLRS please do not hesitate to contact Outdoors WA. Outdoors WA email address is

[executiveofficer@outdoorswa.org](mailto:executiveofficer@outdoorswa.org)  
[OCA NOLRS Update Feb 2009.pdf](http://OCA.NOLRS.Update.Feb.2009.pdf)

## HISTORY CORNER

Often on our bushwalks we travel to places that are special to the traditional owners of the land. Mt Cougal has a traditional story that demonstrates the Yugambah's understanding and connection with their country. The landscapes held many stories that were passed down through the generations.

The formation of the twin peaks of Mount Cougal — Ningeroongun and Barrajanda — is one such story.

Gwyalá, a great Yugambah hunter of long ago, had two wonderful hunting dogs — Ningeroongun and Barrajanda. They were trained to chase kangaroos close in to the camp for capture. One day, Gwyalá and his nephew Burrajum entered the neighbouring Logan territory and the dogs caught a kangaroo rat. The dogs then saw and chased a kangaroo and were trying to run him towards Gwyalá and Burrajum. The kangaroo jumped into a lagoon.

Two girls, getting water from the lagoon, saw the hunting dogs' shadows and told their people who were camped not far away. All the men came over and succeeded in running the two dogs into a net. The dogs fought so fiercely that they were killed as the men endeavoured to secure them.

Gwyalá and Burrajum heard the commotion and ran towards the lagoon. When Gwyalá saw that Ningeroongun and Barrajanda were dead, he was terribly distressed and wept. "Don't cry, Uncle," said Burrajum; "I will cut a vine." This is the rain-making ceremony. The people who had killed the dogs were much afraid. After Burrajum had cut the vine, the clouds gathered and the rain commenced. Rain continued to fall heavily day after day; the creeks and rivers rose to torrents, great landslides scarred the mountains and buried all the people of the tribe.

When the skies cleared, the mountains had been reduced to little more than hills and ridges. In the meantime Gwyalá and Burrajum had taken the remains of Ningeroongun and Barrajanda over the big range to Wollumbin (Mount Warning). There they buried the two dogs, one under each of the two little peaks east of Wollumbin. Ever afterwards the two peaks were known as Ningeroongun and Barrajanda.

This story warns those who seek to take away possessions of others.

## "TOP 150 DOCUMENTING QUEENSLAND" EXHIBITION

This historical collection of Queensland's most significant records is touring Queensland right now as part of Q150 - celebrating 150 years of Queensland's independence from New South Wales. It's on display at Parliament House. Check to see times & dates and make plans now to see this unique collection - link to itinerary below.

Eminent historian Dr Murray Johnson has selected and ranked the top 150 documents from Queensland's historical collection. These are Queensland's most significant records – the documents which took Queensland from colony to State, gave women the vote, extended the border and ended official corruption.

The exhibition will be free of charge at *most* venues.

Queensland's top ten historical documents are:  
Governor, Sir George Ferguson Bowen's Letters Patent (1859)  
Order-in-Council for the Separation of Queensland (1859)  
*Constitution Act of 1867*  
Draft Letter from Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, Secretary of State for the Colonies to Governor Bowen  
Appointment of Sir Robert George Wyndham Herbert as first Colonial Secretary of Queensland (1859)  
Convict Book of Trials (1835-1842)  
*Unoccupied Crown Lands Occupation Act of 1860*  
Map of Ludwig Leichhardt's expedition from Moreton Bay to Port Essington (1844-1845)  
*Education Act of 1860*  
James Nash's announcement of gold at Gympie (1867)

More information (if the links give you problems, cut and paste them into the browser instead of clicking on them) Event homepage, Queensland State Archives -

[http://www.q150.qld.gov.au/event\\_details.aspx?event\\_id=151](http://www.q150.qld.gov.au/event_details.aspx?event_id=151) Touring itinerary -

[http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/downloads/2009\\_exhibition\\_touring\\_itinerary.pdf](http://www.archives.qld.gov.au/downloads/2009_exhibition_touring_itinerary.pdf)

Q150 homepage -

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## BOOK REVIEW

### Take a Walk in South east Queensland

This is an updated version of their earlier book *Take a Walk in Queensland's National Parks : Southern Zone*

This latest version is a huge improvement to the earlier version. The highlights are the excellent colour maps, the photos, the little boxed stories about history, aboriginal myths, or notes on natural history. It also has an excellent index.

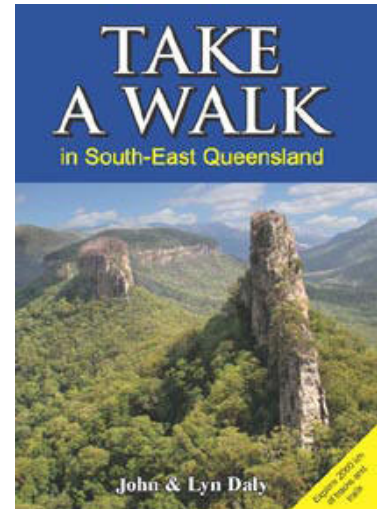
The book includes numerous walks from easy Sunday Strolls to more challenging walks. It is an ideal book for those new to the world of bushwalking in South east Queensland to get an excellent overview of the major bushwalking activities that are available.

For the bushwalking purists the book has descriptions of several classic throughwalks and several harder walks. There are 2 minor drawbacks: firstly, is that it has a few notable omissions - as places like Flinders Peak, Mt Ernest and Running Creek Falls weren't included and secondly some of the walks listed are a bit unorthodox eg a walk on Mt Barney, they suggest a walk up Logan's Ridge to about two thirds the way up then cut across to North Ridge then comes down Eagles Ridge, it is not a walk our Club has ever done or is likely to do.

Overall it is an excellent book for bushwalking enthusiasts to have and further I would suggest that our Club should buy one as a Club copy.

The front cover of the book is very similar to the classic bushwalking book by Hammond and Young – *The Bushwalker's Guide to South East Queensland – Third Edition 1973*. – that book had a black and white photo of the Steamers. The new book by the Daly's also has a photo of the Steamers.

Phil Murray



## HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

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

**VISITORS** are always welcome.

### OUTINGS

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



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

<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/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: \$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.

## **DVD OF EARLY CLUB TRIPS**

A home movie, taken by Jim Farrell, has turned up with the Club, and I have burnt a few DVDs of it – anybody want one? Give me a call – Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

## **A TRIP TO THE SNOW FIELDS**

### **Gold Coast Bushwalkers**

Open invitation to BWQ affiliated clubs: One week Coach Trip to the snow fields departing Brisbane 25<sup>th</sup> July with Gold Coast Bushwalkers

Details are on BWQ website: <http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/>

Base price: \$1299

Contact: Bill Carr Ph: 5534 5252, Mob 0402 839 884. [billcarr6@hotmail.com](mailto:billcarr6@hotmail.com)

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

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

Cover Photo: [www.murbah.com.au](http://www.murbah.com.au)

Rathdowney Festival: <http://www.rathdowney.org.au/>

Maps by Parks & Wildlife Queensland - EPA

## **ODE TO I'M ON A COMMITTEE**

Oh, give me your pity,  
I'm on a committee,  
Which means that from morning to night,  
We attend, and amend, and contend and defend,  
Without a conclusion in sight.  
We confer and concur,  
We defer and demur,  
And reiterate all of our thoughts,  
We revise the agenda with frequent addenda,  
And consider a load of reports.  
We compose and propose, we suppose and oppose,  
And the points of procedure are fun,  
But though various notions are brought up as motions,  
There's terribly little gets done.

Brian Powell, Toowoomba

## **THE NEW COMMITTEE**

Congratulations to the newly elected members of Committee  
They are listed in the "Contacts" box above.  
If you have any queries about the running of the Club, ask any one of them.  
We are always open to new ideas.

However,  
You will notice a missing Socials Secretary & Training Officer. And a Vice President.  
It would be nice to have a fuller Committee in 2009 than in the past years.  
Come to the next monthly meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March and nominate yourself for these "missing" positions.

## **WHAT TO DO NOW**

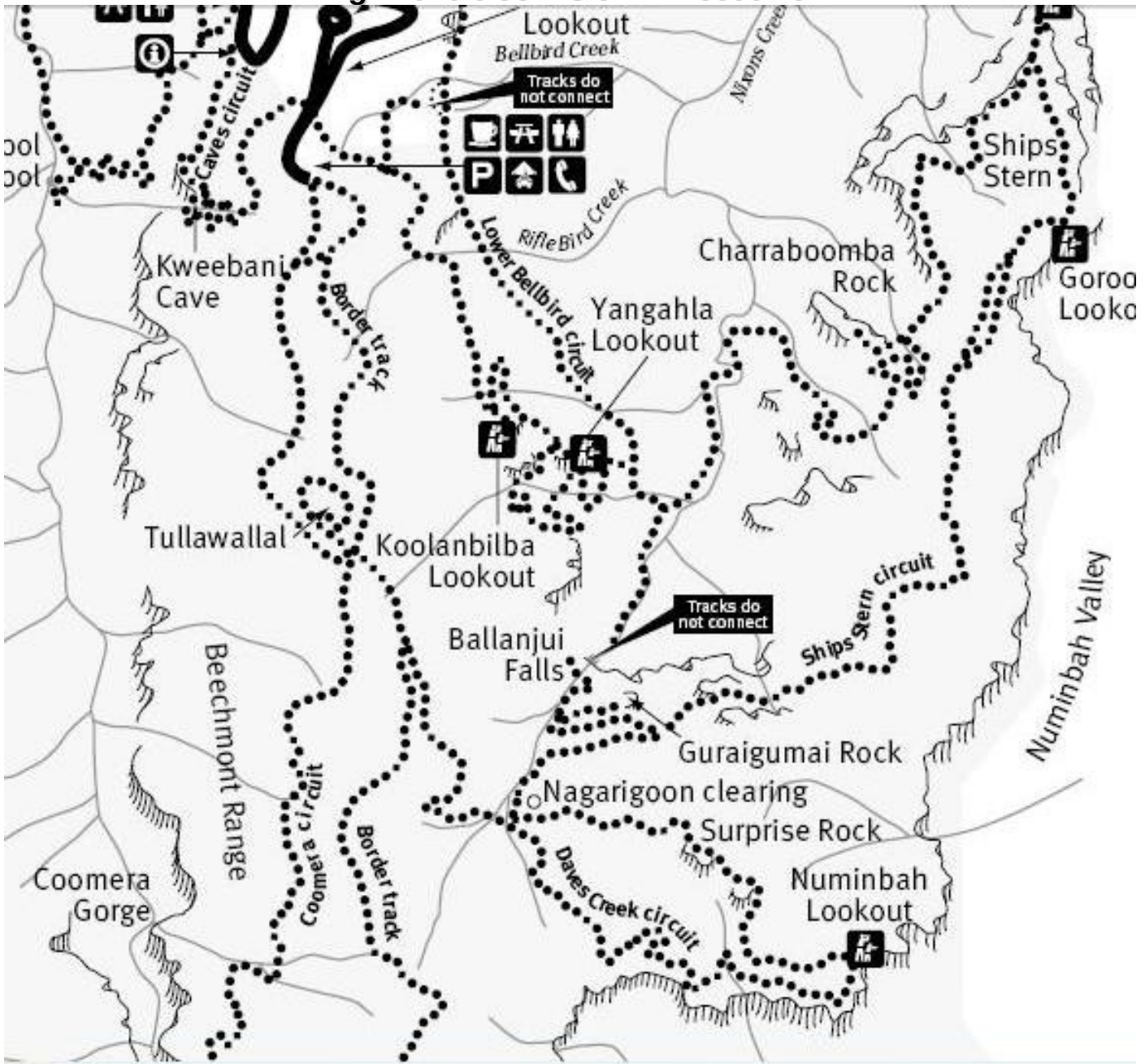
1. Read this Jilalan
2. Find the trips & socials that excite you.
3. Ring the Leader or Contact to find out more about the event
4. Nominate early to the Leader.
5. Jot the events down in the diary or on the calendar.
6. Think about leading the trips which do not have Leaders yet.
7. Come on a Social
8. The JTS nights are friendly.



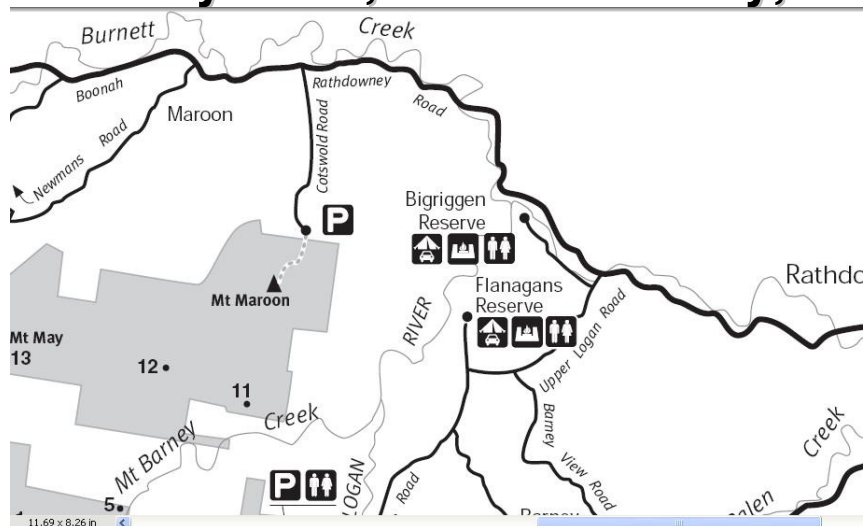
**By Iain Renton, BCBC Artist-in-Residence**

# DAVES CREEK, SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> APRIL

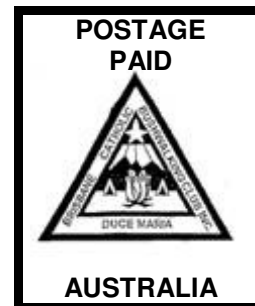
Ring Michele Johns on Ph: 3353 2822



## Mt Maroon Day Walk, Easter Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> April



If undeliverable return to  
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## **THEOLOGY CORNER**

Today's Gospel reading comes from Luke 4:24-30 where we are told that no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Jesus tells the people about the 'good news', which they find disturbing at best and even frightening as it will destroy their social order. The people failed to understand his message and only wanted him for his miracles. They fail to see that Jesus' miracles are what love makes possible where there is faith.

Source: Fr Michael Fallon, MSC

## **BRISBANE VALLEY RAIL TRAIL**

22 May 2009 – Opening of the Coominya to Esk Section of the Rail Trail.  
Completion of the Coominya to Esk section of the trail will be officially celebrated as part of the Esk Show with the trail head unveiled at the Esk Station grounds.

28 November 2009. – Opening of the Esk to Toogoolawah Section.  
On the 40th anniversary of the last steam train travelling to Yarraman through the Brisbane Valley, the official opening of the Esk to Toogoolawah section will take place with a community event and endurance ride.