



26<sup>th</sup> March - M& Greville (from the other side)

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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Туре	Grade
Mar 2	XXXX Brewery Tour & BBQ	Greg		Soc	
4 6	James Boag at The Courtyard Mermaid Mountain	Liz Peter		Soc DW	
9	Ash Wednesday Mass at the Cathedral	Greg		Rit	
13	West Canungra Creek	Phil		DW	
Mar 15	Dinner at Vespa's	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	
18	JTS – The Story Bridge Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18/20	Circumnavigation of Mt Barney	Justin	3366 3193	TW	L66
19/20	Club Hut Feast	Greg	3351 4092	ON	S34
20	Club Hut Walk	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S34
21	BCBC Meeting & AGM	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
26	Mt Greville	Paul	0412 339 311	DW	M44
26	Earth Hour 8.30pm – Turn Your Lights Off			GW	
26/27	FMR Abseiling Training	Barbara M		FMR	
27	Bike Riding – CityCycle	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	L13
30/3	Voie Verte Rail Trail	Michele E	3351 4092	DW	XL11
Apr 3	Boondall to Toomball	Peter	3205 5982	SW	M12
9	Kenilworth Bluff	Michael	3351 3810	DW	S44
10	Map Reading Training	Greg	3351 4092	Trn	
15	JTS – Mick O'Malley's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Riverside Walk (Bridges of Brisbane)	Phil	5522 9702	SW	M33
18	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
21/25	Abseiling Training Boonah Area	Barbara M		FMR	
22/26	Carnarvon Great Walk	Durbarum		TW/BC	XL35
23	Harding's Paddock to Plum Res			DW	S32
25	Minto Crags	Pat	3366 1956	DW	S54
28	Dinner at Bronco's	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	004
30/2	Kwiambal NP (Nth NSW between Texas & Inverell)	Antonia	3037 1307	BC	
30/2	Combined Clubs Camp	Lena	4979 0944	ЪС	Various
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May 1	Mt May	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M45
7	Buchanan's Fort	Maria	Dhana Hama	DW	
8	Mother's Day	Mum	Phone Home	SD	Love11
14	Stradbroke Island	Maxine	3490 4001	DW	
14/15	Radio Pcols, Search Techn & Navig	FMR		FMR	
114/16	Track Maintenance at Lamington	Desley	3369 5530	BWQ	
15	What Is Needed For a Walk	Greg	3351 4092	Trn	
21	Annual Mass and Dinner			Soc	
22	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Helen	3294 6976	DW	
29	Mt Clunie			DW	
Jun 5	Mt Mistake	John	5514 0285	DW	
11/13	Fraser Island	Justin	3366 3193	TW	
11	White Rock			DW	
12	Numinbah Gate to Wagawn	James	3844 5006	DW	
18	Mt Castle/Boar's Head	Justin	3366 3193	DW	
26	Campbell's Folly/Stonehenge	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
Jul 2	Neglected Mountain	Michele	3353 3822	DW	
2	Mt Tibrogargan Adventure Climb	Phil B	0418 716 774	FMR	
9	Mt Mitchell Traverse			DW	
9	Mt Mathieson			DW	
15/17	Mt Warning Traverse	Phil B	0418 716 774		
16	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
24	Keperra Ridge	Justin	3366 3193	SW	
30	Mt Moon to Mt Alford	James	3844 5006	DW	
31	Karawatha Forest Wildflowers	Phil	5522 9702	SW	

The Calendar is subject to change without notice WARNING: All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk.

#### KEY – Walk Types

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

#### **KEY – Walk Gradings**

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
<b>S</b> hort Under 10km per day	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	<b>1</b> - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Flat
	2 - Graded path/track with minor obstacles	<b>2</b> - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Minor Hills
Medium 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
Long 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
Extra Long Over 20 km per day	<ul><li>7 - Climb/descend steep rock using hands or footholds. May be some exposure. Good upper body strength</li></ul>	<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	8 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to 1000m gain/loss per day. High fitness. Endurance and agility required
	<b>9</b> - Sustained climbing or descending of vertical or near vertical rock with exposure. Advanced climbing skills required. Good upper body strength	<b>9</b> - Challenging - Up to 12 hours walking. Over 1000m gain/loss per day. Very high fitness. Endurance and agility required

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

### **PRAYER OF THE MONTH**

May God, who knows our deepest thirst, Reveal each day "the more" That there is to life.

May God, who comes to us as the thirsty stranger, Challenge our priorities Showing us the truth about ourselves

And the gift of life. (Source: All Hallows' Staff Prayer 2008)

### THANKS

Thanks Peggy for doing the job of Editor in December and January while I was overseas. You did a marvellous job.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

I'm not sure if we've found the true bushwalkers who will go out in any weather or the people who are just too scared of Greg not to turn up for the AGM. Thank you to the 8 people who turned up for the AGM and February Meeting and I hope you got there and home safely. And also thanks to Terry who went out in the storm to let anyone who turned up what was going on. I would have had trouble getting my usual taxi and didn't want to go out for a walk in the lightening and heavy rain with the power flickering on and off and a crackly phone line.

We will hold the AGM at the beginning of the March Meeting so hope to see you all there - nice and dry. Desley

# SOCIAL'S REPORT

There have been some social events in the past month which the leaders will probably report on later in this edition. We've yet to remember Caesar on the anniversary of his assassination (15 March) and we'll return to the Clubs in April. Antonia

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 17/01/11	\$2794.14
Plus Receipts	\$1609.00
	\$4403.14
Less Payments	\$ 414.50
Balance 20/02/11	\$3988.64
Term Deposit	\$2362.51

The club has made a one hundred dollar donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for their Queensland Flood Relief Appeal.

We are also still collecting money for The Little King's Movement for the Handicapped. An official receipt is issued for all money received and donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductable. The club has had a long association with the Little Kings having participated in many of their annual door-knock appeals. As their annual appeal is their only source of funds we encourage all to give as much as they can afford.

Once again, a reminder to those who have not renewed their membership to do so ASAP so as not to miss any magazines. Please remember to complete and sign the Membership Renewal Form which was in your January magazine. Terry.

### **ABOUT PEOPLE**

Peter Bambrick, Barbara Eastoe, Stephen Endicott, Denis Hoey, Jan Nelson, James Parra, Kerrianne Pearce, Julie Philippi, Justin Tobin, Alan Whittaker and Robin Thorn are celebrating their birthdays in March.

Lynette Schofield and Maree Hutchinson clocked up their second walk by joining Peggy on her Lower Bellbird Circuit walk, which also saw Carmel Massingham join us for her first walk. Congratulations to Rebecca Campbell who also clocked up her second walk when she joined Peter Constable on his Shorncliffe Pier to Woody Point Pier walk.



### **COMING EVENTS**

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

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

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

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

> 15<sup>th</sup> MARCH, TUESDAY Beware of The IDES OF MARCH VESPA PIZZA SOCIAL



Leader: Antonia S Ph: 3857 1387 or 0400 571 387 Meet at: Vespa Pizza Cafe Meet Time: 6.30pm at the restaurant Cost: Average pizza price is \$19 (half if you share a pizza) Desserts \$9 Location: 148 Merthyr Road, New Farm (Cnr James) Web:<u>http://www.vespapizza.com.au/</u> Emerg Off: Antonia Ph: 0400 571 387

OK, it's not a sporting club. But let's remember a famous Roman on the anniversary of his death in 44BC, (about 2055 years ago) in Italian style with a pizza. Julius Caesar will be there in spirit.

Parking is available in the surrounding streets and buses go past and even more down Brunswick Street with a short walk to the left down Merthyr Road.

#### 18<sup>th</sup> MARCH, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY (THE JTS) The Story Bridge Hotel

SOCIAL Leader: Phil the Elder Ph: 5522 9702 or 0413 307 580 Meet at: The Story Bridge Hotel, Main St, Kangaroo Point Time: 4.30pm to 9pm (or later) Cost: What ever you want Location: At Kangaroo Point, Under the Story Bridge

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How to get there: by ferry from Eagle St Pier to Thornton St Web: <u>http://www.storybridgehotel.com.au/drink</u> ing/outback.php	Web: <u>http://www.john.chapman.name/qld-barn.html</u> Emerg Off: Susan Tobin ph: 3366 3193 Thirty years in the waiting
<b>Emerg Off: Greg E Ph: 0418 122 995</b> The fairies are back at the end of the garden path, so we have put The Story Bridge Hotel back on before the weather gets too cold.	We've run up and down the ridges, explored the creeks, and sat on the peaks of Barney - now it is time to walk round the base. A walk we've been talking about for thirty years. It is now finally on the
There is nothing like a few ales and dinner at The	calendar, so let's go.
Bridge. In the Outback Bar, open air, sitting at the park picnic type tables, no music, no one bumping into you, just the sound of traffic overhead to disturb the peace. Absolutely heaven. Our favourite JTS spot, and a must every year.	Thursday night we will drive to Yellow Pinch and walk into Campsite Ten at the old Cronans Hut site; lulled to sleep by the bubbling waters of Cronans Creek.
The drinks are reasonably priced, the food good, kitchen service quick – what more could you ask for. Well, good friends to share it with. And you do get that with us. What more could you want. Nothing.	Friday we will continue up the road, pass the Peasants turn off, cross Egan's Creek passing Savages, and into the unknown over the saddle between Barney and Ernest and into the head waters of Barney Creek; don't get too excited. We will go where few walkers have gone before; true
Ferry Info: <u>http://www.brisbaneferries.com.au/pdf/timetabl</u> <u>es/11114_BF_partialtimetable_web.pdf</u> Translink: <u>http://www.translink.com.au/</u>	untamed wilderness following Barney Creek past the T-Junction with Ballow Creek. Montserrat and Gwyala Peak rising above us, camping in one of the NP campsites; this time being soothed to sleep by the gentle sounds of Barney Creek.
17-20 <sup>th</sup> MARCH, THU TO SUN CIRCUM-NAVIGATION OF M <sup>t</sup> BARNEY THROUGHWALK	Saturday it's in to the Upper Portals, following the creek to the Lower Portals. Waterfalls, cascades and pools inviting us in for a swim. Saturday night
Leader:Justin Tobin Ph: 3366 3193Meet at:St Bridgid's Carpark, Red HillTime:5.00pm ThursdayGrade:L66	in at the Club Hut before waking on Sunday to follow the track to the Rocky Creek turn off and on to Yellow Pinch to finish a wilderness walk 30 years in the waiting.
Cost: \$30 Location: SW of Brisbane, on the NSW border	Come journey with us in the wilderness and tranquillity that is Barney.



#### 19-20<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SAT/SUNDAY YALBURU BUSH TUCKER RESTAURANT "The Camp You Have When You Are Not Camping" OVERNIGHTER

	Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092 St Brigid's, Red Hill 12 Noon. Non-stop to the Portals carpark
Cost: Grade: Location: Emerg Off:	Approx \$50 S34 On beautiful Mt Barney Ck, below the Lower Portals Greg E Mob: 0418 122 995 IMMEDIATELY

If you have not yet heard from me about cooking and/or purchases, I do not have your name down on my list yet. Still not too late to nominate.

#### For Members, Visitors, Friends & Family Yalburu Bush Tucker Restaurant, Lower Portals. M<sup>t</sup> Barney Creek

Presented by Frostbite Hotels, in conjunction with Rent-a-Mule

#### You are invited to dinner at Yalburu

6pm Hors d'Oeuvres, on the patio while watching the sunset over stunning Mt Barney.

Main Course - choice of beef, chicken or pork 7pm

Dessert - choose from a selection in the dessert trolley. 9pm

10pm Coffee.

The Washing Up. 9am

Drinks: 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 brook or in one of the detached annexes.

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, sleeping equipment, personal food, AND 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 number attending, purchase price of the goodies, & petrol.

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

The cost will be calculated 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.

The walk with your heavy pack containing all your gear and shared food & drink is approx 2 hours

20 <sup>th</sup> MARCH, SUNDAY CLUB HUT DAYWALK	After regrouping at the Lower Portals Car Park, we will make our way along a short approximately 4km walk. There are a couple of easy creek crossings and slight uphill sections
Contact: Michele Johns Ph: 3353 2822 or 0414 635 542	but definitely within the capabilities of every member of the club.
Meet at:St Bridgid's Carpark, Red HillTime:7amGrade:S34Cost:\$20Location:Mt Barney Creek, West of	March is when the club celebrates the huts birthday. After a morning cuppa on arrival, we can swim in the huge pool under Barney waterfall, explore Barney Creek or just relax.
Rathdowney	Please bring a small contribution of your
Web: <u>http://www.queenslandholidays.com.au/t</u> hings-to-see-and-do/lower-portals/index.cfm	favourite feasting goodies for sharing as we say happy birthday to Yalburu.

Mark this date in your diary and join me in one of the most beautiful places in South East Queensland. Michele Johns

**MBS**: What "self-confessed goose" recently bent down to pick something up and only succeeded in hitting themselves in the face? Result - one fractured nose. Well that's the story they're telling. Her JTS friends can come up with much better ones!!!

#### NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH, MONDAY S<sup>t</sup> MICHAEL'S PARISH HALL 250 BANKS ST, DORRINGTON

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini, Ph: 3369 5530

Location: St Michael's Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington. The Hall is on the lower car park behind the Church. Time: 7:30pm

We need a quorum for the AGM to be held. A quorum is 11 members – so come along and help make up the quorum and ensure that the AGM can proceed.

The business conducted will include:

- Receive the Committee's Report,
- and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2010;
- Receive the Auditor's Report;
- Election of Committee for 2011;
- The appointment of the 2011 Auditor;
- Voting of Honorary Members;
- Other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

All persons are welcome to attend – Do NOT be put off – you are getting 2 meetings for the price of one.

Members should attend to carry out their democratic right of questioning, in a civilised and polite manner, the outgoing committee about the running of the Club during 2010, and to vote in the new committee. It works better if we have more than the usual number of members present.

As soon as the AGM is completed, the normal March Monthly Meeting will commence under the command of the new committee.

Visitors will find it a bit slow, but will see the Club in operation. The regular monthly meeting is on afterwards, so Visitors can ask leaders about their coming trips.

See you all there. Club Secretary

#### 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY MT GREVILLE DAYWALK

Leader:			s Ph: 0412 339	311
Meet at:	St Br	rigid's	s Red Hill	
Time:	7am			
Cost:	\$20			
Grading:	M44			
Location:		the Aratu	Cunningham Ila	Highway,

Web:<u>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount\_Greville</u> Emerg Off: Carolyn Ph: 0412 339 322

We will be aiming to climb one of the Moogerah Peaks near Aratula. It stands at 770m and from the road it has the appearance of a kangaroo grazing.

This mountain has numerous ways up to the summit and I am happy to go any of these ways. However being still hot this time of the year, I thought we would go up via palm gorge to the summit. From there we will head over to the spires for spectacular views of the Moogerah Dam, before dropping down by Waterfall Gorge. At the end there is a small pool to cool off before back to the cars and to Aratula for coffee.

This should be a pleasant walk near Cunningham's Gap.

Paul.

#### 26<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY EATRH HOUR GOOD WORK

Earth Hour 2011: For the Planet. By the People.

Contact: World Wildlife Fund – WWF Ph: 0404-929-243 <u>newsdesk@earthhour.org</u> Meet at: Your Home Time: 8.30pm to 9.30pm Cost: Not a cost, but a Saving Web:<u>http://www.earthhour.org/Homepage.asp</u> <u>x?intro=no</u> Location: All over the world

At 8.30pm (local time) on Saturday 26 March, Earth Hour will celebrate a worldwide commitment to ongoing change for the betterment of the one thing that unites us all – the planet. Your journey can start here by <u>signing up</u> and adding your voice to the hundreds of millions across the globe who have already spoken with their actions.

People across the world from all walks of life turned off their lights and came together in celebration and contemplation of the one thing we all have in common – our planet.

*Why get involved:* Put simply, because our future depends on it!

IT'S YOUR EARTH HOUR!



#### 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SATURDAY/SUN ABSEILING & ROPES COURSE FMR TRAINING WEEKEND Beginners and intermediate

Contact:	Barbara M at <u>fmrqld@gmail.com</u>
Meet at:	Murphy's Ck Escape Camp
	ground at the end of Thomas St,
	Murphy's Ck
Time:	8am
Cost:	\$90, includes training fee &
	camping
Location:	Between Helidon & Toowoomba
Web:	http://www.fmrqld.bwq.org.au/
Bring:	Plenty of water & lunches

The Itinerary: Introduction; Basic rope skills for bushwalkers; When to use a rope; Knots for rope and tape; Abseiling equipment and its use; Safety brief; Abseiling for beginners (practical & hands on); Ropes use and abseiling at Red Cliffs; Ledge walk adventure; Beginners and intermediate abseiling.



27<sup>th</sup> MARCH, SUNDAY CITYCYCLE BIKE RIDE SOCIAL

Leader: Meet at:	Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092 Cnr Commercial Rd & Vernon
	Tce, Teneriffe – near the Ferry
	Pontoon
Time:	9am
Grade:	L13
Cost:	\$11 + Coffee, Cakes, Lunch
Location:	Teneriffe to West End, via the riverbank. Finish at Montague Rd
Web:	http://www.citycycle.com.au/

How To: Catch the CityGlider to the start if you want – prepaid GoCard or paper tickets only.

Experience: None Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 Requirement: A Bike Helmet and minimum age is 17.

There will be NO bringing your own bike.

This is our unusual social – riding the Council's CityCycle Network. The aim is to hire the bikes at the start of the morning, and ride them from coffee stop to cold drink stop to coffee shop. Every half hour or so, we change bikes.

The hire for a 24 hour period is \$11. You need to pay this in advance as the consoles at the hire terminals do not accept money or cards. The easiest is to go on the web and pay, get a Subscriber Number & PIN, and come along with both on the day. You have to choose the date and time when booking – March 27at 9am. https://abo-

#### brisbane.cyclocity.fr/subscribe/details

Or, phone to pay and get your Subscriber No & PIN. Ph: 1300 229 253.

Once on the bike, you have 30 minutes riding before you have to put the bike back in a rack and take out a new one. As we all will be on the bikes, we just swap them over after putting them in the racks. Simple. There are bike racks every 300m to 500m apart – that is 10 to 20 minutes. Some stations along the River are closed due to the flooding, but this is not a big disadvantage to us. There are plenty more where they came from.

The pleasurable part of the day will be to stop along the way when tired for a cool drink – CityCycle even provides a chain to tie your bike to a tree – how thoughtful.

In Q'ld, you can ride a bike on the footpath. You can take them on the ferries.

When you nominate to me, tell me if you need a helmet – I have a few spare around the house.

When it is all over and the bikes are safely tucked up in bed, we will take the CityGlider bus back to our cars, or public transport. See <u>http://translink.com.au/resources/travel-information/services-and-</u>

#### timetables/timetables/100411\_cityglider.pdf

There are limited stops on the way but they do run very frequently.

Ring me and come along for a fun day.

**MBS**: Ask Andrea what her reason for not coming to the February AGM was. For future reference, Andrea, the meeting is at 7.30pm.

30<sup>th</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH-APRIL VOIE VERTE RAIL TRAIL SOCIAL WALK



Michele Endicott Ph: 33514092 Leader: Meet at: **Roma Street Railway Station** Time: 8.06am Platform 6 Grade: **XL11** \$3 + Transport costs Cost: Location: **Chalon to Macon** Web: http://www.uk.chalon-sursaone.net/chalon-sport-loisirs/voie-vertebourgogne/voie-verte.htm Emerg Off: Greg E Ph: +61418122995

This "Green" Rail Trail was a branch line on the old steam track that left the Saone Valley main line at Chalon. They started work on The Trail in 1997, about 10 years before the Blackbutt to Linville one we have already walked. Gather at Roma St Station - it is fitting we travel by rail to a Rail Trail. Once off the electric train AIRP-X, we board CX102 at 11.45am, then get TGV6755 from CDG and arrive at the start of the walk at 11.08am.

We set off in search of diverse traditional landscapes - an ideal place to walk, cycle or rollerblade; the "Voie Verte" pathway is safe; away from road traffic, has a smooth bitumen surface and rarely is the slope more than  $7^{0}$ . Available along the



way: toilets, water, picnic areas, shelters, benches, bicycle parks, electric cycle and rollerblade hire, recharging stations and shops off in nearby villages offering the chance to appreciate local life, crafts and the culture of the countryside you pass through.

On Friday you will find this starts at the picturesque little wine town of Givry with a curious church with domes, elegant town hall (more than 200 years old) & a beautiful fountain, and skirts the foot of the vineyards as far as the evocative former railway station of Gengoux.

Gengoux at 23km: little "first settlement" town with remarkable houses, towers, stairways and ramparts - a nice place to have morning tea. Now we



leave the wine slopes and travel alongside Grosne Creek, skipping from one bank to the other as we walk through a green valley.

Malay at the 28km mark: Delightful Romanesque church, then Cormatin at 31km - superb old worldly mansion (French interior, grand staircase in an open well, English



garden), with a Cycle Museum (5000 exhibits), remarkable works of religious art in the church, and more. Buy your ham & cheese roll from the deli in the main street. After Cormatin, we continue to the foot of the hill of Taize, (at 35km and is a pretty traditional village atop a hill) home of the ecumenical community, which attracts thousands of young people from all corners of the globe.

And so we come to Cluny at 44km: the celebrated church was the largest on the continent for many a year. See a very old town, the Benedictine abbey, the Museum of Art and Archaeology, the National Stud (of horses, I hope), and enjoy the sweeping views from the tower.

The forest at Clare is at 49km: Climb towards the old railway tunnel, now converted into a bike way, the longest bike tunnel around (1.6km or 6-8 minutes by bike – and we are walking!!). The saddle above the tunnel is favoured by the Wednesday Walkers. The light at the end of the tunnel might be the "Ghost Train", rumoured to still be travelling down the dismantled track.

At Roche, have afternoon tea while waiting for the climbers to return – a café au lait & a french pastry. Back on The Trail, the party wastes no time in reaching Prisse at the 62km mark: A flower-bedecked village with traditional buildings (houses with galleries, dovecotes, etc.).

There is a chance there could be an unplanned overnight stay – like the Camino, stay in a monastery (at Cluny).

Nominate to me for this fascinating never to be

repeated walk – one opportunity only for this one. Great views, good walking, flat paved surface, amenities along the way, shops to duck into for food and drink,



amazing scenery and the great variety. Break open your piggy bank and come with me – do not let me walk alone. Michele E.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL, SUNDAY BOONDALL TO TOOMBALL SOCIAL WALK

- Leader: Peter Constable Ph: 3205 5982 Meet at: Boondall Railway Station Time: The train arrives from city at 8.47 OR: Roma St Railway Station at 8.15am for the 8.18 Shorncliffe train Grade: M12 Cost: \$3 Location: The Kedron Brook & Boondall
  - Ocation: The Kedron Brook & Boondail

     Wetlands Bike Ways

     http://maps.google.com.au/maps/ms?i

     e=UTF8&hl=en&t=h&msa=0&msid=101

     858443267863458213.00049482817ad87

     68dc0a&ll= 

     27.394764,153.084719&spn=0.026672,0.

036478&z=14&source=embed

#### Web:<u>http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/bccwr/fa</u> <u>cilities/documents/brisbane\_bike\_map\_03.pdf</u> Emerg Off: Peter Ph: 0418 778 972

Here we go again folks; bring your parasol and join the gang on another Sunday stroll. This is a walk that links up 2 of Brisbane's bikeways. We have done the Boondall Wetlands recently, so come along with me to link it up with the Kedron Brook Bikeway. This trip starts at Boondall Railway Station when the Roma Street train pulls in. Gather in the carpark on the Entertainment Centre side. If driving, park in Aberdeen Pde, on the other side of the tracks to The Centre.

From the train station we head in to the Boondall Wetlands which should be a spectacular display of nature after good summer rains. At Nudgee Rd we cross over to follow along Kedron Brook floodway. Behind Virginia Golf Course, we cross under the motorway and Nudgee Rd again where the waterway changes to Schulz Canal and on to Toombul Shopping Centre for coffee and cake and we can catch the train home from Toombul Station.

This walk is about 15km long on concrete bike paths mostly through park and wet land areas and would be suitable for most walkers. If you are on the Voie Verte, you will just miss the start of this walk – by 16 hours. A good reasonably flat walk all the way, though exposed to the sun as there is not much tall tree cover in the wetlands. It should be a shortish fastish walk considering the country being walked through. This one is within the capabilities of everyone. Nominate to me now, before you forget. Peter

#### 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL SATURDAY KENNILWORTH BLUFF DAYWALK

Leader:	Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810 or 0409 620714
Meet at:	St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time:	7am
Cost:	\$20
Grading:	S44
Location:	Near Kenilworth in the Mary Valley
Web: <u>http:/</u>	/maps.bonzle.com/c/a?a=p&p=3151
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&y=-26.53	62&mpsec=0

Emerg Off: Catherine Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

Kenilworth Bluff is a 529m mountain in the Kenilworth area. The mountain lies on private property and we will start the walk from the Wilcox Family Park which lies near the main Kenilworth/Brooloo road along a fairly good dirt road.

We will leave the cars at the park and walk toward a grassy ridge with a track leading up. The track climbs a very steep ridge which avoids the obvious cliffs on the mountain. After an hour or so we should reach the rim where we can detour to the cliffs to the east for great views. The summit is still some 30 mins to the north so we will need to push on. Overall the climb should not take us longer than 2 hours. We then retrace our steps to the car and home.

Come and join me for a pleasant way to spend a day. We will be climbing at a gentle pace which will still leave plenty of time to enjoy a great mug of coffee on our way home. Michael.

#### 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL, SUNDAY MAP & COMPASS MORNING TRAINING

Leader:	Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at:	Mt Coot-tha, next to Chanel 7
Time:	9am
Cost:	Free
Location:	Picnic Shelter down off the road

To lead a trip you do not necessarily have to know how to read a map, but it does help. There are a few walks where it essential. Sometimes, when things go awry, it is very handy to be able to pull out the map and be able to decide where you are.

Here is your chance to learn the basics without too much effort. Right in the middle of Brisbane. And only for the morning – the rest of the day is yours. Not only potential leaders can come along – anyone who is interested can.

If you have a compass, bring It along as I do not have all that many. Do not let the lack of compass stop you though. You will get your turn at being hands on.

There is no mystery or anything scary in reading a map. It is not something of the Gods – mortals invented it and do it. You can do it.

See you there.

# Riverside Walks (Bridges of Brisbane)

Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> April 2011
Leader:	Phil Murray
Meet at:	St Stephen's Cathedral Park,
	Near the stairs next to the little chapel
	Elizabeth Street Brisbane
Time:	9:15 am (yes a late start)
There is m	nass at 8.00 am at the Cathedral.
Grade:	М 33
Cost:	\$2:00 in car pool cars
Contact	5522 9702
	0413 307580
	nhilriver@ontusnet.com.au

#### philriver@optusnet.com.au Emerg Off Susan Murray 5522 9702

In the program as set out in the January magazine this walk was going to be from New Farm to Southbank via the riverside walk but the Queensland floods washed away a huge chunk of the walkway so I need to restructure the walk. It is an ideal time to do the Riverside Walk that does a Circuit around the 6 Bridges of Brisbane.

We will start at St Stephen's and do a circuit of the walkways from the Botanical Gardens to the Kurilpa Bridge and have lunch with a sandwich or two at Kurilpa Park (bring your own lunch). Then we zip across the new Go Between Bridge then back along the William Jolly Bridge and back along Southbank to Kangaroo Point. With a leisurely afternoon tea break at the new restaurant called the Cliffs Café on the cliffs at Kangaroo Point Cliffs. Then we will finish the day with a stroll over the Story Bridge. They should be lovely views all day under the soft sun of an autumn day. The outing is a long enough to be counted as a walk and it is all on footpaths and bikeways with a few steps up the hill to make it qualify as a walk. (But you have to complete the whole walk for it to count as a walk in the stats for the annual report)

The details are	Distance
St Stephen's to Riverside	.3 km
Walkway along Gardens	1.7 km
Goodwill Bridge - 1	.5 km
Thru Southbank	1.1 km
Over Victoria Bridge - 2	.5 km

Thru Southbank	1.1 km	3.6 km
Over Victoria Bridge - 2	.5 km	4.1 km
Along North Quay	.3 km	4.4 km
Over Kurilpa Bridge -3	.4 km	4.8 km
Lunch at Kurilpa Park		
Across to Kurilpa park	.3 km	5.1 km
Go Between Bridge - 4	.4 km	5.5 km
Along North Quay	.4 km	5.9 km
William Jolly Bridge – 5	.5 km	6.4 km
Along Southbank	3.0 km	9.4 km
Up Rotunda to Cliff Café	.3 km	9.7 km
Afternoon tea - Cliff Cafe		
Along Mains road	.4 km	10.1 km
Over Story Bridge - 6	.6 km	10.7 km
Back to Riverside	.6 km	11.3 km

Cumulative

.3 km

2.0 km

2.5 km

Total

#### 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL, MONDAY MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after

#### Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church. Drive down the ramp at the left.)

Come along to hear about what has been really happening at recent club events, as well as our coming events and past walks. Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as to whether come on the walk. Nominate for a walk. Nominate to lead an outing. Stay for supper. Bring those recent bushwalking snaps.

#### 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL, THU TO MON MOONVIEW – EASTER FMR BASECAMP

Contact:	Barbara M at <u>fmrqld@gmail.com</u> by 15 April 2011
Meet at:	Moonview (private property campground), Wickman Road, Carney's Creek.
Time:	Either Thursday night or Friday morning by 8am
Cost:	?
Location:	On the Boonah/White Swamp Rd
	Basecamp with daywalks involving

abseils in the Boonah area. Monday will be a walk/swim through Moonview Gorge starting at 8am and finishing around lunchtime.

Accommodation at Moonview is camping only; toilet block on site.

Directions: On the Boonah – White Swamp Rd, turn right onto the Teviot Gap Rd then after 1km turn right into Wickman Rd (the gate may be closed). Wickman Rd is a dirt road with 2 creek crossings before a gate at 538815. Just through the gate turn left into Moonview (name on gate). As you approach the house turn right into the campground. There is a circular vehicular track around the toilet block.

Equipment: Basecamp tent and camping gear, including table/chair. Facilities are very basic so bring everything you need. Normal daywalk pack plus abseil harness/carabiners/abseil device/self rescue/belay equipment for up to 6 abseils per day.

#### 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL, MONDAY MINTO CRAGS EASTER MONDAY & ANZAC DAY DAYWALK

Leader:	Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956
Meet at:	St. Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time:	7am
Grade:	S43
Cost:	\$16-00 (+ private property charge
	approx. \$4-00)
Location:	Boonah area
Web:http://v	www.macgregoss.eq.edu.au/Webc
hallenge/mb	bb/logan.htm

Emerg Off:Susan Tobin 3366 3193.Water:2 litres

Minto Crags is a volcanic ring dyke. It consists of a string of rocky knolls lying in a semicircular mass just east of Mt. Moon. The crags are on private property and I have obtained permission to access the Crags. For this privilege there will be a small charge.

The Crags are a great place to explore. Some Crags require a bit of climbing and scrambling; however on this walk we will only attempt the Crags that are within the capabilities of most people. If you would prefer not to do the scrambling walking around the bases also makes for an interesting trip.

This walk has not been done for many years due mainly to permission not being available. Now that I have permission, come along with me and we will explore this interesting area. The walk is within the capabilities of the average bushwalker. We will not be attempting the more difficult crags; however care will be required on all of the Crags.

Looking forward to seeing you on Easter Monday.

#### 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL, THURSDAY BRONCOS CLUB SOCIAL

Leader:	Antonia Simpson Ph: 3857 1387
	or 0400 571 387
Meet at:	Broncos Club, foyer
Meet Time:	6.30-6.45pm
Cost:	\$15 (Members) \$22 (Non- members)
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Location:	Fulcher Rd, Red Hill
Emerg Off:	Antonia Ph: 0400 571 387

The Broncos Club offers a delicious buffet every Thursday in its restaurant on the lower ground floor. There is a selection of soups, salads, entrée-style items, Asian, Italian and sometimes Indian dishes in addition to the usual roasts and roast vegetables. Everyone will find a dessert to their liking amongst the large variety of desserts and ice-cream.

However, we must have a **booking done by at least the Tuesday before (i.e. 26<sup>th</sup> April).** Come along and join me on the 28<sup>th</sup> April.

**MBS**: Who was the walker who declared she was going to be anti-social in a bid to get the walk status changed from a social walk on the Shorncliffe to Woody Point outing.

#### 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL-2<sup>nd</sup> MAY SAT TO MON COMBINED CLUBS CAMP BOYNE VALLEY COMMUNITY MAY DAY LONG WEEKEND You'll Be In Seventh Heaven In 2011

Leader:	Lena Ph: 4979 0944 calliopeccc2011@gmail.com
Meet at:	DISCOVERY CENTRE, UBOBO,
	Cedarvale Rd Ubobo (off the Gladstone - Monto Rd)
<b>-</b>	
Time:	9am
Grade:	Various
Cost:	\$35 for Camping; \$55 for
	Bunkhouse; both incl supper Sat
	& Sun night dinner. Transport
	extra.
Location:	
Location.	west of Miriam Vale, south of
	Calliope, Gladstone Region
Web:	http://www.boynevalley.org.au/
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#### Definition of Seventh Heaven: noun - a state of extreme happiness

As Hosts of this year's Combined Clubs Camp, the Gladstone Bushwalkers invite you for a few days of great walking & fellowship. The camp will be held at the Boyne Valley Community Discovery Centre, Ubobo. Unfortunately,

camping is not available at this venue on Friday 29th April.

If required, a 36 bed bunkhouse is available at the Discovery Centre If preferred, in lieu of camping

Bring own pillow, blanket or sleeping bag etc.

Cooking facilities are available, but bring own esky or camp fridge (power points available in Bunkhouse).

• A full weekend of bushwalks, catering for all levels of fitness, starting with half-day walks from 11:30am on Saturday, full day walks on Sunday & more half-day walks on Monday morning.

• BYO Happy Hour 5pm daily. You will need your own chairs/table if possible. Gladstone Club to supply nibblies.

• Bottomless Tea & Coffee at the Shelter Shed, which provides a large undercover area.

• Grassed, un-powered campsites around the Sports Ground.

• Hot showers, flush toilets & tank water for drinking.

• Gas BBQ's at the Shelter Shed.

•Supper provided by Gladstone Club on Saturday evening.

• Sit-down Dinner will be provided at 6.30pm on Sunday evening.

• After Dinner on Sunday, clubs to participate in some combined entertainment, organised by the Gladstone Committee.

• Ubobo General Store will open all weekend 8am - 5pm for supplies & fuel if required.

• Public Phone Box available at Ubobo Store, as no Mobile Phone coverage available.

• Please register & pay full amount 11th April 2011.

• All participants must be financial members of a BWQ affiliated Club.

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Daywalk 1<sup>st</sup> May - Mt May

We just had to go to Mt May on May Day. It has good views of Mt Barney

It is an easy off track walk so put it on your to do list.

Phil

#### 14<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> MAY, SAT-SUN TRACK MAINTENANCE LAMINGTON NP

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530 or <u>desley.pedrazzini@gmail.com</u> Location: Binna Burra After all the extreme weather of recent months, the first work days for the Bushwalkers Volunteer Track Maintenance Program at Lamington National Park will commence at the Binna Burra Section. Accommodation options are being negotiated for those overnighting on site.

Any interested club member may also attend only after participating in another induction to be advised before this working bee.

Full details of the weekend will be forwarded to those who RSVP.

"The first weekend will be work close to the track heads so volunteers will not have long arduous walks to start with.

The basic plan is to have a number of volunteers as team leaders who will have a better understand of the work and what needs to be done; they will then have 2-4 in the team and can guide the team as to what is to be done. The team leaders will also take a supervisory role and assist with any emergency issues that may occur within the team.

This is all dependent on numbers; however we will be able to work around any problems as we go. All volunteers are required to have completed the Induction at Daisy Hill.

If this proves to be popular I will also like to arrange for the volunteers to do some work on the Green Mountains side, which will give all involved a chance to work over the entire park.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. Steve."

John Marshall, President, Bushwalking Queensland Inc.

#### JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept John Toohey Society Meeting Mick O'Malley's Basement Level Wintergarden Centre 170 Queen Street Brisbane In the Queen Street Mall Address –.

Contact: Phil Murray on 5522 9702 or 0413 307580 Time: From 4pm till 10ish. What For: For a chat and a beer and a meal Emerg Off: Greg Endicott.

For the month of April we are meeting at Mick O'Malley's the downstairs Bar on the Mall. The best thing about this pub is that it is close to everything as it is right in the heart of the Mall

and you can do a spot of retail therapy before or after the gathering.

So come along and have a chat and a drink and a meal and start dreaming and discuss your next interstate trip or overseas trip.

Phil

Ps a note for beer explorer's of the world - The best beer in Egypt was the Saqara Lager – it was good value 500mm in a stubbie - it was good way to make you forget all about the riots going on outside in Cairo.

### URGENT Leaders Needed

It has already happened – walks cancelled because of a lack of a Leader. There is a dearth of walks this month.

#### Suitable for a Beginner Leader

Harding's Paddock to Plum Res 23rd April DW S32– Holy Saturday: Just south of Ipswich White Rock 11<sup>th</sup> June DW: Just west of Ipswich Mt Mathieson 9<sup>th</sup> July DW (Really a ½ day walk): Just south of Cunningham's Gap Mt Alford 30<sup>th</sup> July DW (Really a ½ day walk): Near Kalbar and Moogerah Dam

#### Easy Lead

Mt Clunie to Lindesay Border Gate 29<sup>th</sup> May: Boonah/Queen Mary's Falls area to Mt Lindesay.

#### **Medium Ability Required**

Buchanan's Fort from Christmas Creek 7<sup>th</sup> May DW: from Stinson Park near the end of the Christmas Ck road.

Mt Mitchell Traverse 9<sup>th</sup> July DW: The southern portal of Cunningham's Gap.

#### Weekend Trips

Carnarvon Great Walk 22/26<sup>th</sup> April Easter TW Carnarvon Gorge/Mt Moffatt 22/26<sup>th</sup> April Easter BC

Kwiambal NP 30<sup>th</sup> Apr/2<sup>nd</sup> May BC: Nth NSW between Texas & Inverell

Ring Michael Simpson on Ph: 3351 3810.

# **PAST EVENTS**

#### CONONDALES GREAT WALK SUNDAY DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>

"One More River To Cross" soon became the cry of the day. Creeks had become fast flowing rivers, totally impassable. Campers in the Booloumba Creek site were cut off, but lucky to have an extended holiday. Our intended walk was now a dream, so heads together and Plan B, we drove down to Mapleton to do the tourist trip visiting the local waterfalls at their best. The rain had really set in by now as we enjoyed Brenda's, best Anzac biscuits you could ever taste, under a very small shelter for 14 people. Mapleton Falls were cascading down the hundred or so metres to the rocks below. Such force that the spray was coming back up the falls.

We moved onto Baxter Falls and set off to walk in perfect rainforest conditions.wet! The track was pretty slippery but worth every step for what awaited us 2klms below. The noise met us long before the sight. A crashing creek breaking it's banks, down through the forest floor. A swing bridge to cross giving us an even better view over the raging creek, and back to mini Niagara Falls alias Baxter Falls. Too noisy to talk as we all gazed at the spectacular sight before us. Cameras working overtime as we took in the wonder of Mother Nature. It may be years before we saw water flowing like today. But at this time of writing, history has now re-written the records. We were really just seeing the start of rainfalls to come!

After drying off and changing we sat up at the local village eating lunch before coffee and cake in the cafe on top of the mountain. Views through the misty afternoon out to the Sunshine Coast and Nambour. Many thanks to our patient drivers in very wet conditions delivering us safely back. Mike S, Maria K, Ken E and Susan T. And to a great group who made the most of the day, despite the elements. Terry, Mike S, Brenda K, Justin, Sue & Mary, Louise J, Maria K, Maree, Peter, Ken. Maxine

#### JTS AT THE VICTORY FEBRUARY18<sup>TH</sup>

It might have been the heat of the day or the excitement about celebrating Michele's birthday that led folk to gather early for this month's JTS meeting. The first to arrive claimed a large table in the shade in the garden of the Victory Hotel in the city. Others trickled in, including the birthday girl.

The free sausage sizzle kept us going until we adjourned to the Eagle St Pier Coffee Club for a real meal. There we found a comfortable table and enjoyed the cool evening breeze and the beauty of the river at sunset.

Those in attendance were Liz, Peter, Greg, Russ, Jan, Graham, Desley, Tracey, Michele, Lucy, Elizabeth, Suzanne, John and Antonia. Apologies were received from Phil, Sue, Michael, Catherine and Helen. Liz

#### SHORNCLIFFE PIER TO WOODY POINT PIER 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY

With expectation of a hot summers day and a short organisation time I was pleasantly surprised when ten of my fellow Club members turned up to join me in my Sunday stroll around Bramble Bay. We arrived a Shorncliffe 8.15am and Graham and I did a quick car shuffle giving the others time to walk the pier, and catch up.

It wasn't long in to the walk when we started to notice all the debris that had been washed up on to the foreshore from the floods, ranging from water tanks to parts of the River Walk. Around 10 o'clock we found a lovely pavilion at the end of a short breakwater where we all enjoyed the views and cake supplied by Brenda.

From there we continued on to the fishing platform on the new bridge for a morning tea break. As we left the bridge and rounded the bay towards Woody Point, the day became noticeable hotter and we were all looking forward to a cold refreshment on the veranda of the Belvedere Hotel which we reached around 1.45pm after walking the Pier to complete our stroll.

Thanks to Brenda, Anne, Andrea, Desley, Marion, Graham, Michele, Richard, Rebecca, and Trevor (for an escort part of the way) for making it a day to remember. Peter



Shorncliffe to Woody Point - Taken by Anne Iron

XXXX TOUR MARCH 2<sup>nd</sup> Kate Quinlan Society



A nice evening for a stroll

through Kate's business. A nice Irish Lady starting a nice Irish business. The Fitzgerald brothers formed a partnership with Kate Quinlan, George Gray and Robert Prendergast to establish Fitzgerald Quinlan & Company with the intent to build a brewery in Brisbane. They purchased the failing Milton Distillery and much of the surrounding land from Robert Forsyth in September 1877. The next year, Castlemaine XXX Sparkling Ale was sold to public acclaim.

Eight of us gathered outside the Ale House with great expectation. We were ushered in – to the bar and/or shop. At 6pm sharp, the barrel opened and in we went. A video presentation first of the history of beer and beer making (in those days, couldn't trust the water!). Then a walk through the various buildings where it is all brewed, bottled and dispatched. There were samples along the way – of hops, malt, yeast, sugar and water –all the ingredients of a great beer. And like all beers, the source of the water is vital and they only use water from, from (of all places) Wivenhoe Dam – wouldn't have believed it myself if not told by the guide!

We saw the big brass pots where the ingredients are mixed, mashed, fermented, stirred and brewed. We walked through the keg store and filling machinery – not done at night, and into the bottling plant – closed because the machinery is being ripped out and being replaced with or modern stuff. They lost new machinery still in their crates during the flood in January! They bottle 240 bottles a minute, so I was told. Can't verify it because I did not see it with my own eyes.

Then went in and had our sample 4 beers. Nice stuff. Oh, and the bbq as well.

Thanks to Michele E, Roger & Julie Ford, Phil M, Helen Mees, Marian Arthur and Graham Glasse. Greg

#### MERMAID MOUNTAIN 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH

After a scenic drive up a narrow road with great views back to the city, seventeen adults plus two young people excitedly started off in mild weather to conquer the track to Mermaid Mountain, our morning tea stop was at a great lookout with views over Lake Manchester and lpswich.

Then it was on to a climb up a steep rise and a short cross country short cut where we finally found the elusive National Park gate and stopped

for lunch and a photo opportunity. It was around noon when we started back to the cars arriving about 2pm.

Thanks to Russ and Jan this good walk was topped off a great afternoon tea at the Nelson residence where Liz joined us with a much enjoyed coffee cake.



Mermaid Mountain walk 6/03/2011 - Taken by Desley Pedrazzini

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 9<sup>th</sup>

We gathered on the steps at Elizabeth St before going in and claiming seats. The Cathedral was fullish though we could get seats together. Refreshing to see the next generation of walkers there – Lucy E. Getting the Ashes was organised and quick. Communion was a lot slower. Towards the end we gathered one more to our number – Phil Kerns down from Townsville for a few weeks to cut up sponges and to break a finger.

Afterwards we moved n down to the Irish Club to have a light meal before going home.

### **CAPE TO CAPE WALK** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January Assisted Through Walk



After completing the first and last sections it was now time to fill in the middle. An early drop off at Wyadup saw us on the beach and headed for Cape Clairault. Here I made an error and missed the climb off the beach which meant a bush bash for a while

until we had rounded Cape Clairault and were back on the beach (real bushwalkers don't retrace their steps, they forge on). However it wasn't long before we found a 4wd track which led us back to the track above the cliffs. The area is very rugged and quite isolated in parts and arguably provided us with the finest scenery of the walk. After getting a little excited yesterday when sighting firstly a 30cm or so tree snake and then a 1m or so tiger snake it was nice to be greeted by a mob of 30 or more Western Grey Kangaroos as well a couple of Western Brush Wallaby's (I think). We dropped to the beach on a couple of occasions but were no sooner down when we were required to climb up again. Inexplicable. Most of the shrubs today were about head height as this area seems to be better protected from the winds for some reason. Also the National Park shrinks to about 100m in width along sections as private land almost reaches the sea. In fact in days gone by this area used to be grazed to the cliff edges. It wasn't long after the cliffs when we reached and rounded North Point near Gracetown, named after Grace Bussell. It was now just a drop to the small Gracetown beach and up to the car. The Bussell family were the original settlers here and is obvious where towns, streets and locations commonly have a Bussell connection in them.

An early start today as we set off from Gracetown, our finish yesterday. The track continues through heathland with areas severely denuded although



there are signs of recovery. We encountered the second type of snake, a dugite, we are likely to see here on the concrete path just down the road from Ellensbrook House. This house was the original homestead of the Bussell's. And what a beautiful spot it is although isolated. It is nestled amongst trees in a corner of Ellenbrook stream which was flowing. A little further upstream is Meekadarabee Cave where the stream goes underground before reappearing near a waterfall. The spring supplying the waterfall is a good source of drinking water. We were now following the old Ellenbrook Road but we were to leave it after a short time to climb a ridge using fire breaks. A flock of white tailed Black Cockatoos kept us company for a while. They are not as large as those at home and they are certainly not as noisy. After reaching the top Cape Mentelle came into view and we knew we weren't far from the day's end. We were walking through forest and I'm sure there must have been Karri, Jarrah and Marri trees here but unfortunately I couldn't tell one from the other. It didn't last long as we



were back on the beach and ready for a swim in no time. It was along this stretch that Paul spotted the third and last main snake of the area, a carpet snake, but

unfortunately I was too far behind to see it. After a brief climb to cross Cape Mentelle we were at the mouth of the Margaret River. Interestingly at this time of the year the Margaret River does not make it to the ocean and the resultant bay makes for a perfect surfing and swimming beach and it was crowded. After leaving the beach we were soon in Prevelly Park, a supposed equivalent of Bryon Bay, ready to be collected.

The Wednesday was Australia Day and our rest day and an early start allowed us to complete an 8km stretch from Conto's Campground to Redgate Beach. This was an interesting section with incredible views both north and south for miles. There was also a fascinating section where water had eaten into limestone creating a series of hollows and caves. Redgate was another popular spot for surfers and swimmers but the breaks were pretty short and we didn't linger. It was then off to do the tourist bit. We visited a couple of wineries, a brewery as well as a chocolate factory before calling it a day.

The last serious day of walking began again at Conto's Campground but this time we headed south. Today we would be walking through Boranup Forest which is full of the Eucalypts we have heard so much of at home. The known Karri, Yarrah, and Marri trees as well as the unknown Bullich, Yate and Hamelin Bay Mallee. With Pauls help I managed to work out the Karri and the Yarrah but I had no hope with the rest. We ran into a French couple here travelling the other way and this brought the number of walkers we had seen to five. It was a shame to leave the forest but we eventually made our way down to the beach again. We had about 6kms of beach to walk and as it was very soft and the tide was coming in it was quite an ordeal. But once we were back in Hamelin Bay we jumped into the water and were soon refreshed.

The final day had arrived. We had about 6kms of beach walking from Redgate Beach to Prevelly Park left and even dawdling along the beach we arrived at our destination with plenty of time to kill. All that was left to do now was visit a cheese factory before packing and preparing to leave for



the East. It was great walk in an area I'm not likely to visit again and I thank Paul and Caroline for the opportunity of doing it. Michael

#### JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY PROPOSED 2009 ITINERARY

Mar	18	Story Bridge
Apr	15	Mick O'Malley's
May	20	The Orient
Jun	17	The Irish Club
Jul	15	The Tank
Aug	19	The Theodore Club
Sep	16	Treasury Casino
Oct	21	The German Club
Nov	18	The Coffee Club at Riverside
Dec	16	The Cultural Centre Cafe

Phil

### TRACK MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS

The weekend of 14 and 15 May is when it starts at Binna Burra. You need to have done the DERM half day Induction - for those of you who work in Government positions, you will be familiar with this Code of Conduct talk. We hope to have another one before the May weekend as well as a free half day First Aid Course. If you are interested, please contact me on 33695530 or desley.pedrazzini@gmail as soon as possible. Desley

### O'REILLY'S

BUSHWALK: O'Reilly's at Green Mountain in Lamington National Park is increasing the number of very tough all-day bushwalks to the remote site of the famed Stinson air wreck. Next walk weekend will be held on April 1-3. Info 1800 688 722 or e-mail

reservations@oreillys.com.au

http://www.oreillys.com.au/experiences/disco very-program

## **AROUND THE RIDGES**

- The Sydney Catholic Bushwalking Club is having a meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> March to change the constitution to allow non-Catholics to become full members. They require a 75% majority for the motion to pass.
- 2. The Victorian catholic Walking Club is having their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year with a special Mass and dinner of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> May. The reason for the Friday as this was the only day they could get a church and hall and priest available.

### FMR TRAINING Federation Mountain Rescue

**26-27<sup>th</sup> March:** Training weekend: abseiling, cliff environments, vertical environments. **Register** with Barbara M at fmrgld@gmail.com

**21-25<sup>th</sup> April:** Easter Basecamp and abseil daywalks in the Boonah area. RSVP to Barbara at <u>fmrqld@gmail.com</u> by 15 April 2011

**14-15<sup>th</sup> May:** Radio protocols, searching techniques, navigation.

**2<sup>nd</sup> July:** Tibrogargan adventure climb and abseil. Contact Phil B Ph: 0418 716 774

**15-17<sup>th</sup> July:** Mt Warning traverse. Contact Phil B Ph: 0418 716 774

**10-11<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Various training exercises yet to be decided.

January 2012: Penguin Cradle Trail, Tasmania. 8 day throughwalk from Penguin to Cradle Mtn. Contact Barbara M: <u>fmrqld@gmail.com</u>

### **EDITOR'S REPORT**

**ARTICLES:** Please have all articles for the April Jilalan to me by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Please check and adjust your article to comply with the Style Guide:

#### www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/JilalanStyleGuide.html

If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092. E-mail articles to endhouse@bigpond.net.au

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**#** The views expressed in Jilalan are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club.

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**#** I need your articles on time – it makes it hard to still get articles when I should be formatting.

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

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

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

### HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

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

**VISITORS** are always welcome.

#### OUTINGS

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

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

http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/EmergOffSyst.html

**PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:** The Club requires that all walkers on all trips should carry certain minimal basic equipment. This should comprise the following – a first aid kit, a torch, a parka/raincoat, hat, shirt, 30+ sunscreen and at least 2 litres of water. Leaders may require that walkers carry other equipment. Advice of this will be given in Jilalan and/or by the leader.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES** - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$40; Associate Members: \$30; Spouse Members: \$10.00; Country: \$30.00. Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer. Pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

All persons adult or child members in you join during the year.

**WARNING:** All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk

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

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### NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE

These are the Nominations for Committee received by the Secretary in the approved form on time.

Position	Candidate	Nominator	Seconder
President	Desley Pedrazzini	Greg Endicott	Terry Silk
Secretary	Trevor Kelly	Desley Pedrazzini	Greg Endicott
Treasurer	Terry Silk	Desley Pedrazzini	Greg Endicott
Editor	Greg Endicott	Desley Pedrazzini	Terry Silk

As each is unopposed, they are automatically elected to the position. Congratulations.

Vacancies are: Vice President, Outings Secretary, Membership Officer, Social Secretary, and Training Officer. The Vacancy can be filled from the floor at the AGM.

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BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.
(incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981.)
I
(Full Name)
Of
(Residential Address) being a Financial Member of the above named Association,
hereby appoint
Of (Residential Address)
whose signature appears below, and who also is a member of the Association, as my
proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the meeting of the
Association (Type of Meeting)
to be held on theday of(Month)(Year) and at any adjournment thereof.
(Signature of Appointer)
I being a financial member of the
(Full Name)
Association, hereby agree to act as a proxy for the above named member.
/ /
(Signature of Appointee) (Date)