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Mt Greville, though from the other side than the one
being ascended on Sunday 26th April

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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
March 20	John Toohey Society – Irish Club	Phil		Soc	
21	The Cougals	Phil		DW	
21	Boyd's Butte and the Cougals	Justin		DW	
25	Coffee Night – Tomato Bros, Rosalie	Greg		Soc	
29	Ewan Maddock Dam	Pat		DW	
31-02 April	The Orange Walk	Denice		BC	
April 5	Rathdowney Historical Show	Greg		Soc	
7	Catholic Historical Soc talk on BCBC	Maxine		Soc	
7	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael		Soc	
10/19	Overland Track (Tassie)	Michael		TW	
11	Dave's Creek Circuit	Michele		DW	
13	Mt Maroon	Pat		DW	
April 17	John Toohey – Venice Café Bar	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	Somerset Trail (Mt Mee)	Peggy	5498 7112	DW	M23
20	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
25	Anzac Day Dawn Service	Terry	3355 6765	Soc	
25	Anzac Day Breakfast	Terry	3355 6765	Soc	
25/26	Maidenwell Observatory	Desley	3369 5530	Soc	
25	Card Night	Michele J	3353 2822	Soc	
26	Mt Greville	Paul	0412 339311	DW	M55
29	Coffee Night – Caffé de Vita, Wilston	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
May 2/4	Fraser Is	Iain	3371 4672	TW	M45
3	Mitchelton Street Markets	Michele	3351 4092	Soc	
5	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
15	John Toohey – Mick O'Malley's	Phil	5522 9702		
15/17	Logan's and North Ridges	Justin	3366 3193	DW/BC	L78
17	Reynolds Gorge incl Mt Edwards	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
18	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
23	Annual Mass and Dinner			Soc	
24	Leader's Training Morning	Greg	3351 4092	Trn	
27	Coffee Night –			Soc	
30	Kangaroo Mountain	Paul	0412 339311	DW	M45
June 2	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
6	Queensland Social			Soc	
6	Q150 Mt Barney Coordinated Walk	BWQ		DW	
6/8	Goomburra	Michele	3353 2822	BC	up to M44
7/8	Ramparts	Needed		TW	M45
8	Mt Coot-tha Traverse	Needed		DW	M44
13	Mt Ernest Traverse	Matthew	3716 3222	DW	M56
15	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
19	John Toohey – Theodore Club	Phil	5522 9702		
21	Mermaid Mountain	Desley	3369 5530	DW	M34
24	Coffee Night			Soc	
27/5	Larapinta Trail	Michael	3351 3810	TW	XL47
27	Lake Manchester Circuit	Graham	3371 9632	DW	L33
28	Boggo Road Busway Tunnel	Greg	3351 4092	SW	S11
11	Mt Zaheel	Needed		DW	M45

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

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

KEY – Walk Gradings

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

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

ABOUT PEOPLE

Therese Abernethy, Bob Iron and Nicola Pritchard are having a birthday in April.

Pat Lawton has just returned from another walking trip in New Zealand which is also where Jean Gowans has just had a holiday catching up with family.

Michele Foley was a welcome visitor on Graham's Daisy Hill Forest Park walk and Rebecca Campbell and Glenys Heaven-Jones were also welcome visitors at our March Meeting. Recently, we have had an enquiry from Annette Wilde & Helen Mead.

Well done the Team in Tassie – doing the Overland Track at the end of the Season – a guts effort. Tell us all about it at the JTS at The Venice Café.

Michele E is recovering after shoulder operation (not related to bushwalking) and all the best to Graham following his operation that has kept him out of circulation for a few weeks.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

Loving and holy spirit of God
Teach us to care for the resource of the world,
To keep the earth beautiful and unpolluted
And to see that all will have their share.
May the world learn your ways of peace and
freedom
So that all nations will learn to share
Equal rights and opportunities.
Amen (Atkins 1987:43)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

You would have noticed in last month's Jilalan that we are still looking for Leaders for some walks. The Mt May walk on 3rd May has been cancelled due to no one coming forward to lead it. This is a long weekend, and now we do not have a Day Walk on – what a waste of a good long weekend.

However, there is one cure for this disease – there is a planned Leaders Training morning on Sunday 24th May – straight after the Annual Mass and Dinner. Here is the opportunity for our members to overcome the fear of leading a trip. During the morning, Greg will run you past the Planning, the Organising, the writing up, and the carrying out of trips. There is nothing scary in it – you just need to know what to expect, and by attending this morning you will find out all about it.

We do have a Handbook on Leading and Greg will run you through that, as well as fill in the gaps with real-life examples. This is a non-strenuous morning which will not make you hot or sweaty.

It is open to all members and interested visitors – even if you have just joined the Club, you can still come along because it is not too early to lead a trip – we have some trips that are easy to lead in the 2009 line-up.

Desley.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance @ 16/2/09	\$2830.09
Plus Receipts	\$ 617.00
	\$3447.09
Less Payments	\$1061.21
Balance @ 16/3/09	\$2385.88
Term Deposit	\$2161.67

Congratulations to the winners of our first raffle for the year. They were Christopher Thiele, Marian Arthur, Pat Lawton and Rebecca

Campbell. Thank you to all those who supported the club by buying tickets. I am now selling tickets in our next raffle with the first prize being an Ultra Bright Wind Up LED Head Lamp and the second prize being a small Extra Bright Dynamo Flashlight. These are perfect items for your bushwalking pack as you do not have to worry about batteries going flat. Tickets are still only one dollar each. Remember, you have to be in it to win it.

A reminder to not delay buying your first or second club t-shirt as you may miss out on your size.

Also, a reminder to renew your membership now if you have not already done so, in order to avoid missing any magazines. When paying your subs, please complete and sign your renewal form which was in your January Magazine.

Terry.

COMPUTER SECURITY

In "Subject Line" of e-mails, Write what the e-mail is about in a few words. "Blank" is no good, as some people (like me) will delete them.

And, when people "Save" e-mails, they want the Saved "File Name" to show what the e-mail is about, so it stands out in a long list of titles in "Open".

Greg E

EDITOR'S REPORT

ARTICLES: Please have all Jilalan articles to Greg by the 3rd of the month. Articles should be e-mailed to me at 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.

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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"

COMING EVENTS

LEADERS NEEDED

We are still short of leaders for outings. If there are no leaders, the outings are cancelled, like Mt May on the 3rd. Do more than think about it, ring and say you will. You will get help with leading if you are new at it. Call Michael on Ph: 3351 3810

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

The "Leaders Guide" is on the web at:
<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>

17th APRIL, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY VENICE CAFÉ

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 or 0413 307 580
Address: On the Riverside walkway about, Pier in Petrie Bight – near the Customs House, actual address is 501 Queen St (Admiralty Twrs)
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

18th APRIL, SATURDAY SOMERSET TRAIL, M^t 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 25k 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!

**20th APRIL, MONDAY
MONTHLY MEETING**

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

**25th April, SATURDAY
ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE
SOCIAL**

Leader: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765
Meet at: Ann Street War Memorial, at the alcove on the western walkway beside and above Anzac Square.
Time: 4.00AM
Where: Anzac Square, Adelaide St.

The gathering of Club members at the Anzac Dawn Service has become another club tradition. (And what a worthy one it is.) It is a moving experience and is our way of honouring 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.

Therefore, it is important to get there as early as you can in order to secure the best vantage point. Because of the large crowd, it is an advantage if I know who is coming so I know who to look out for.

If enough people are interested in a BBQ/picnic breakfast we will make our way to the base of the Kangaroo Point Cliffs at the conclusion of the service. Here we should have enough room to relax by the river and watch the sun rise over the city as it comes alive.

We usually start breakfast about five and the last couple of years we have had no trouble finding a parking spot. After breakfast, anyone feeling energetic can go for a walk along the river.

If you need any more information, please give me a call.
Terry.

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

Leader: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530
Meet at: Desley's Unit – RING Desley
Time: 10am
Cost: \$25 Transport + \$25 entry to the Observatory (\$18 seniors & \$12.50 school age.)
Location: Maidenwell, at the northern end of the Bunya Mtns
Web: <http://www.sbstars.com/>
Emerg Off: Ph: 0433 086 722

There is no lower or upper limit of people on this social. With any number, we will be going, & entering the observatory to see the night sky. However, be prepared for a late night as our session could finish 11pm'ish.

Ring Desley to find out all about this event.



Maidenwell Astronomical Observatory is the largest self-funded observatory in Q'ld. The photo on left shows the main observation deck with its sliding roof rolling back (the low building at the front) and the telescope dome (the round building at the back). The observation deck can seat up to 35 people, and is where you go to look through 1 of 3 Meade LX200 GPS 14 inch telescopes to view the moon, planets & stars assisted by our staff

Bring your tent & camp, bring your caravan/motor home to camp, or book yourself into the pub. (Maidenwell Hotel, Formerly the Kings Hotel, Main Street at Bunya Turnoff, Phone: 07 41646133).

If camping, bring your normal weekend gear – clothes, sleeping gear, tent, food, etc. If in the hotel, clothes & lunches. Arrange the hotel yourself.

We will be going to the pub for dinner before the viewing.

**25th APRIL, SATURDAY
CARD NIGHT
SOCIAL**



www.sillyjokes.co.uk

Contact: Michele Johns: Ph 3353 2822
Where: 19 Elizabeth St, Everton Hills
Time: 6:30pm
Web: <http://www.pagat.com/alpha.html>

Yes, The card players are gathering again at Everton Hills.

A night of non-serious card playing, heaps of fun, and we're playing games every one -. No Spectators here .You can bring your own games if you want to.

Bring yourself, laughter and a plate to share for supper and join us for an enjoyable night in the north west.

**26th APRIL SUNDAY
MT GREVILLE
DAYWALK**

Leader: Paul Evans Ph: 0412 339 311
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
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.

**29th APRIL, WEDNESDAY
CAFFE di VITA
COFFEE NIGHT**

Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Where: Cnr. Kedron Brook Rd & Macgregor St, Wilston
Time: After 6.30pm for a meal, Before 7.30pm for coffee & cakes
Web: <http://www.caffedivita.com/menu/dinner-menu/>

Steve and Bis opened di Vita in October 2005 with the vision to present Brisbane with a relaxed and casual environment and exceptional food. Steve has had over 25 years of experience in the industry, ensuring an exceptional standard is always achieved. Caffe di Vita offers you somewhere to go for wonderful coffee, delicious home-made cakes & sweets or a wonderful meal. Vegetarian food available, vegan food available, gluten free food available

Steve visits the Brisbane markets several times a week to ensure that all di Vita produce is of an excellent standard and updates the menu regularly to ensure variety, although favourites remain. All food is cooked fresh to order. After two and a half great years we are making some changes to keep things interesting with a minor face lift

Wilton Village is always a popular place with us, and this café/restaurant is also. We like sitting in the outdoors on an autumn evening eating, sipping our chardonnay & cappuccino while talking about the important things in life.

Dinner Menu: Pizza bread - \$8; Share plates with Turkish bread, & dips - \$10; House-made pate - \$12; haloumi with Spanish chorizo, mushrooms olives \$18.

Mains: Beer battered barramundi salad, fried potatoes & lemon myrtle aioli - \$25 ; Char-grilled eye fillet - \$30 ; Pork porterhouse with potatoes, roast pumpkin - \$25 ; Veal scaloppini with potatoes, pancetta, mushrooms - \$25 ; Grilled chicken filled with fetta, thyme & served with crisp potatoes - \$25 ; Char-grilled squid with garlic butter, with corn & tomato salad - \$18 ; Fish of the day see specials board \$28

Pizza: Pumpkin with spinach, garlic, & fetta - \$17 ; Char-grilled chicken with bacon, potatoes & sour cream - \$18 ; Roast lamb with spinach, olives, & tzatziki - \$18 ; Tomato bocconcini & basil with parmesan - \$18

Pasta: Mushroom risotto with prosciutto, crisp pancetta, - \$18 ; Potato gnocchi with roasted lamb & tomato ragout, - \$18 ; Papperdelle with chicken, macadamia nut & basil pesto - \$18

**1st- 4th MAY, FRI - MON
FRASER ISLAND
THROUGH WALK**

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

Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill

Time: 5.30 pm (negotiable)

Cost: \$200

Grade: M45

Location: Off the coast of Maryborough & Bundaberg, forming the eastern side of Harvey Bay

Web: [http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/media/parks and forests/parks/maps/map_fraser_island.pdf](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/media/parks_and_forests/parks/maps/map_fraser_island.pdf)

Emerg Off: Susan Tobin Ph: 3366 3193

The group will be leaving on Friday night to drive up to Maryborough and stay in a caravan park. We will need one carload to leave earlier to get to the caravan park before the caretaker leaves for the evening.

On Saturday morning, we will be driving down to catch the barge to Fraser Island. The walkers will be met at the Island by the Fraser Island Taxi, who will take us to the turnoff to Coomboo Lake. From there we will walk to the Lake down a 4WD track, then head cross-country to Freshwater Lake where we will camp for the night. Freshwater Lake is a beautiful butterfly-shaped lake that is very rarely visited.

Next day, the throughwalkers continue heading cross-country to Deepwater Lake, which we will have a good look at. Then it's not very far to the road, which we will walk down for about 4km to Lake Alum, where we will camp for the night. The campers will be able to spend the next morning investigating the surrounds of the lake before the taxi picks us up to take us back to the 2.30pm barge.

Join me for a great wilderness walk where most of the walking will be completely off track with no traces left by other walkers. We will be walking on sand, which is particularly heavy-going on roads. There will be some patches of heavy

undergrowth, but last time we walked in the area it was reasonably open. The cost of \$200 is for a party of 8. If we have less people, it will cost more.

**3rd MAY, SUNDAY
MITCHELTON STREET MARKETS
BLACKWOOD St
SOCIAL**

Contact: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092, on the day: 0418 708 638

Meet at: Mitchelton Railway Station Carpark, Blackwood St end, then ring the mobile.

Time: 7am for the Markets,
8am for Breakfast at Des Alpes Restaurant
9am for the "after breakfast" crowd
Any other time you like

Cost: Well, err umm, could prove to be expensive as there are so many goodies on display.

Web: <http://www.desalpes.com.au/>

And: <http://www.janpowersfarmersmarkets.com.au/whenwhere.html>

In BCBC circles, these are known as the "Mitchdowney Markets".

Come along to these Farmers Markets in the blocked-off no-traffic Blackwood Street. Not only are there fresh fruit and vegie stalls, but there are all kinds of gourmet food, coffee, jewellery and handicrafts. (These have been preouted by the leader.)

Blackwood St is blocked off between Samford Rd and Grovely Tce, where the shopping strip is. Des Alpes is at the Grovely Tce end, opposite Café Zanetti. The railway carpark entrance is across the train line from the markets in Blackwood. Ring the Leader when you get there, regardless of when you arrive.

These are rather pretty good markets and should be experienced by everyone at least once in their life.

**5th MAY, 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.

15th MAY

**JOHN TOOHEY GATHERING
MICK O'MALLEY'S (An Irish Pub)**

Contact: Phil the Elder Ph: 5522 9702
Location: Mick O'Malley's Irish Pub, Wintergarden Basement, Queen St Mall
Time: From 4pm till 8ish, or
What For: For a chat, a drink and a meal
Grade: From S11 to EX99, depending on your ability
Cost: Anything from \$5 to your week's pay – the choice is yours.
Web: <http://www.mickomalleys.com.au/>

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

Come along to meet your friends in a congenial non-strenuous atmosphere. Have a wine, a beer, a coffee and maybe dinner. We talk about anything & everything – and not just bushwalking. . You will surely know something about one of these topics, so can put in your 2-cents worth. Or, just prop yourself in a corner and listen.

A visitor will recognise us as we are the quite ones.

O'Malley's has a selection of Irish beers.
Phil the Elder

**15th – 17th MAY, Fri-Sun
MT BARNEY
BASECAMP/
OVERNIGHTER/DAYWALK**

Leader: Justin Tobin Ph 3366 3193
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill.
Time: T/W & B/C: Fri 15 May 5:00pm.
Daywalk: Sat & Sun 5:00am
Grade: Logan's L78, North L68
Cost: \$50.00 Accommodation & \$20.00 Petrol.
Location: SW of Brissie, near the border beyond Rathdowney
Web:http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/publications/p02820aa.pdf/Mount_Barney_National_Park_Map.pdf
Emerg Off: Carol Kelly. Ph 3269 4795
Mobile 0411 286 885

When you're lying in bed at night, the city push getting to you, you can hear Barney calling, whispering in the wind, Come to me, Come to me, Come to me. Answer the call.

Larkin's is booked, Barney is waiting and we're to ready go. Friday night tea at the Dugandan then on to Barney for two days of great walking. The Barney week-end for everyone. The main purpose of the weekend is to climb two of Barneys Ridges, Logan's and North.

The Saturday walk is Logan's Ridge, first climbed by Captain Logan in 1828. A rocky exposed ridge on the right hand skyline, Logan's provides great views, nothing too difficult, although some scrambling is involved with some exposed sections on our way to the East Peak. The descent route will be South East.

The Sunday walk is North Ridge, a scrubby ridge with a couple of rocky knolls to traverse it takes us to North Peak, views across to Isolated on Eagles Ridge, Leanings and East and West Peak. If we have time we'll head up to East Peak before coming back to the North saddle and head down Rocky Creek.

The week-end is for everyone so if climbing Barney is not for you, sit on the veranda, read a book and watch Barney change throughout the day. You may even be able to spot the walkers on Logan's or start early with the Logan walkers and join them as far as the cliff line before

heading back for a relaxing breakfast. Grab the camera and head up to the Yellow Pinch Knoll for those great views of Barney. A great photo opportunity, little effort, great reward. Lunch and relax at base camp.

Sunday finish the book, spend the day on Gillies or pack up and after breakfast join Pat on her Reynolds Gorge Daywalk. A scenic drive through Mt Alford, mountains spread out before you in the early morning light.

Saturday night will be a BYOE BBQ, bring dessert to share and we'll tell our Barney stories around the fire.

Join us for a great week-end base camp.

**17th MAY, SUNDAY
MT. EDWARDS via REYNOLDS
GORGE
DAYWALK**

Leader: Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956
Meet at: St. Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.30 a.m.
Cost: \$15.00
Grade: M44
Location: Moogerah Dam
Web:<http://www.moogerah.com/lake-moogerah-caravan/gfx/natparks.pdf>
Emerg.Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

Reynolds Gorge is situated between Mt. Edwards and Little Mt. Edwards. The walk will start at "The Gorge" camping area (privately owned) and after crossing Reynolds Creek (expect wet feet) we will make our way along through vine covered vegetation until we reach some rock slabs. It is easy walking on the sloping slabs, however they are exposed (no vegetation) and care is required in a couple of sections. If the day is fine and sunny the slabs would radiate some heat so make sure you have your hat.

Usually, Mt. Edwards is climbed by crossing the dam wall at Lake Moogerah, However on this occasion we will negotiate Reynolds Gorge before picking up the usual track to the top.

The route up Mt. Edwards is well worn and straightforward, however it is up, up all the way. Enroute there is a rocky outcrop and from there you can book down to Reynolds Gorge and see the route you have just negotiated. There are wonderful views of the Fassifern Valley from the top.

I hope you can come along and enjoy the walk with me.

If you don't fancy doing the Gorge you could wait at the picnic area at Moogerah Dam and then join us for the climb up Mt. Edwards.

However, if the day is wet Reynolds Gorge section will not be done.

**18th MAY, MONDAY
MONTHLY MEETING**

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530
Time: 7.30pm
Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church.)

Come along to hear reports of recent outings & socials, as well as our coming events. Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as to whether to come on the walk.

**23rd MAY, SATURDAY
ANNUAL MASS & DINNER
SOCIAL**

Leader: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530
Meet at: The Convent Chapel of the Sisters of St Francis
Address Mass: 115 Turner Rd, Kedron – Over the road from The Little Flower parish church & Padua College. & opposite Jardine St
Address Dinner: The Stafford Tavern, 51 Webster Rd, Stafford (Cnr Billabong St)
<http://www.thestafford.com.au/>
Time: Mass: 5.00pm
Dinner: 6.30pm

The Mass this year is in the same chapel as last. The chapel is an intimate and prayerful environment for our Mass.

The Stafford Tavern is just 5 minutes down the road. We will again be outside in the balmy cool of the evening. The area is covered, but away from the crowds and noise. You go up to the counter to order & pay for your meal, and buy drinks from the bar. There is more than enough parking around the building – enter from either Stafford Rd or Billabong St.

**24th MAY, SUNDAY
LEADER'S TRAINING MORNING
TRAINING**

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Mt Coot-tha, in the park next to
Channel 7
Time: 9am
Web:<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

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.

**27th MAY, WEDNESDAY
COFFEE CLUB, ASCOT
COFFEE NIGHT**

Contact: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Where: 138 Racecourse Rd, Ascot – the racecourse end
Time: After 6.30pm for a meal, before 7.30 for coffee & cakes
Web:<http://www.wherewillmeetyou.com/>
Emerg Off: 0418 122 995

This is popular venue for us. Come along to discuss the latest happenings in the Club, your life, or someone else's.

**30th MAY, SATURDAY
KANGAROO MOUNTAIN
DAYWALK**

Leader: Paul Evans Ph: 0412 339 311
Meet at: St Brigid's
Grade: M45
Cost: \$18
Location: On the Little Liverpool Range, in the area of Townson & Rosevale

This is one of the peaks on the Little Liverpool Range, between Beau Brummel and Mt Castle – for those who have done either or both, this is a must.

More from Paul in the next Jilalan.

**6th - 8th JUNE, Sat to Mon
GOOMBURRA
BASE CAMP
Queen's Birthday Long Weekend**

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

Grading: Up to M44

Cost: To be advised

Location: 175km southwest of Brisbane, via Cunningham's Gap

Web:http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/main_range_national_park/main_range_national_park_nature_culture_and_history/

This is a World-Heritage listed park and covers a vast variety of rugged mountain ranges, spectacular lookouts and rare wildlife including the seldom seen Albert's lyrebird, the eastern bristlebird and the black-breasted button-quail.

The plan is to leave Brisbane early Saturday morning, set up camp and then do one of the shorter walks, the winder track which is 12km return. The track passes through rainforest along the crest of the Mistake Range ending at the “winder”, a piece of relic machinery from the early days of timber logging.

On Sunday, we will be walking the Cascades Ridge Walk one of the best day walks in the area. This walk starts off from the Manna Gum camping area and follows the Dalrymple Creek starting with the Dalrymple Circuit. Along this section of the track, there are self-guided signs which explore the rich history of the park. We then start climbing through rainforest with a series of cascades and rocky pools to cross. This is the Cascades Circuit. After about 5kms the Cascades Circuit joins the Ridge Walk. This passes through sections of open track and New England Blackbutt. The last section of this walk takes us back to the Manna Gum camping area with a rather steep ridge but well defined track.

The last day, Monday can be spent exploring the creek and areas around our campsite or just leisurely sitting around our campsite before returning home in the afternoon.

I will need to have early nominations as being over a long weekend I would expect the park to fill up fairly quickly.

Michele Johns

**LARAPINTA TRAIL
27th JUNE TO 5th JULY SATURDAY to
SUNDAY
THROUGH WALK**

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

**Cost: Around \$800:00 (airfares,
transport to/from walk, hotel)**

Grading: XL47

Location: McDonald Ranges in Central Aust

Web: <http://www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks/walks/larapinta/index.html>

Emerg Off: Catherine Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

The Larapinta Trail is a 231km long distance walk in the West MacDonnell Range. This range lies west of Alice Springs and includes such picturesque areas as Redbank Gorge, Ellery Creek, Standley Chasm and Simpson's Gap.

The walk can be divided into two 8 day walks and I have planned both walks and am yet to decide on which I will lead. These walks are not difficult but you have to have the endurance to carry a 20kg pack for 8 days. I already have one nomination and we are booked on Qantas Flights QF981 on the 27th to Alice Springs and QF982 on the 5th back to Brisbane. Please ring me if you are interested.

Michael.

POETRY CORNER

Valentine 2009

Who is that MAN? I hear you say.
Who planned a pre-outing on Valentines Day
What can I say in my defence
I should have had more sense.

When a pre-outing I do plan
I just go walking when I can.
There is no other rhyme or reason
Even if it's Cupid's season.

I realised my mortal sin
When the e-mails came flooding in
They said I should be sorry
For my pre-outing planning folly

The ladies thought this was their chance
For a little bit of romance
Oh dear what was I to do
I'd caused my mates a bit of a blue.

Well, we were saved from the pain
When God decided to send the rain
The weather forecast was rather crook
No need for a second look

Wind and rain and a bit of a gale
Even talk of possible hail
The phone calls started on Friday night
And continued on Saturday at first light

Are you oblivious, to the obvious
The rain is pouring from the sky
Summer Creek just won't be dry,
I heard them mutter get a life
Where staying in with the wife.

Yes stay at home and be romantic
Keep the ladies from getting frantic
Hold them close, hug them tight,
Tell 'em every things all right.

I hung up the phone with relief
Saved from terrible, terrible grief
Yes I've heard what you've had to say
And there'll be no more pre-outings on
Valentines Day.

J and M

PAST EVENTS

DAISY HILL FOREST PARK 8th MARCH DAYWALK

Thirteen members and one visitor took part in this walk in favourable weather conditions, fine and warm. As the Daisy Hill Forest Park is in Brisbane's southern suburbs, we were on the track by 9am. After viewing some wallabies in the picnic area, we began with a short section of the Tree Discovery Trail, and then joined the Buhot Creek Circuit, the main walk for the day. At this point we came across a mountain bike rider who had crashed, and suffered head injuries. The leader offered his first aid kit, but an ambulance had already been called. We saw many other mountain bike riders during the day.

A little further along we came to the junction of several tracks, and we diverted to complete the Spotted Gum Trail, which is a circuit. Near this track we saw a collection of beehives. In this area we saw many lines of caterpillars crossing the road. We then resumed the Buhot Creek Circuit, and passed through areas of melaleuca and eucalypt forest. The most interesting feature on this section was a lake located in a former quarry, and we had an excellent view from above a cliff. Various water birds and water plants were

observed. We had lunch towards the end of the walk, on the outskirts of the main picnic area.

As work is still continuing with the refurbishment of the Daisy Hill Koala Centre, we were unable to visit, and finished the day with coffee at the nearby Christopher's coffee shop, an excellent establishment. We were pleased to welcome Michele Foley on her first walk with the club. Thanks also to the following members who participated in this activity: Terry, Greg, Marie, Sofia, Karen, Jan, Maria, Therese, Paddy, Robin, Bill, and Rosie.

Graham

THE HUT FEAST An Experience To Remember 14-15 March

I had no idea what I was really in for on the night of the Hut Feast. I was not disappointed. I laughed, and laughed until I cried.

Phil and I left the lower portals car park around 3.30pm to walk into the hut. The terrain was undulating with a few creek crossings only one of which had water in it. Along the way we stopped a few times to catch our breath due to our extremely heavy packs full of food (enough to feed a scout troop). Our final stop was when we met up with Iain's day walk crew, where we stopped to have a chat.

True to his word, Phil picked the turn off to the hut. (I'm still not sure how, and a skill that I am still in awe of, of these experienced bushwalkers.) Clambering under a newly erected barbed wire fence and bashing our way through lantana over 2m tall we arrived at the hut. I immediately fell in love with this rustic hut full of charm, history, stories to tell, great memories, the gorgeous setting and the clear view of the magnificent leaning peak.

Phil and I set up the hut, me my tent, and began organising the food. As it grew darker there was still no sign of guests. Phil and I were wondering how we would ever consume the amount of food we had and all we really wanted was a cool chardonnay, dips and crackers. These items however were with our illustrious leader who had not yet arrived. After many "Hey Bob's" we were finally answered, now pitch black (as our full moon was hiding under thick cloud) Phil guided the weary, hungry crew in. Desley, Angela and Dennis, soon removed their packs and caught their breath.

Greg however demanded I collect water from the beautiful creek, begin dinner and set the table. He was in fine form. No sooner had I returned from the creek with Phil's helps due to the sheer volume of water I was expected to carry, Greg had the table set with a table cloth, crystal candle holders, menus, wine lists, placemats, fresh flowers in an exclusive vase and napkins. Phil no sooner placed the large bucket of water down when Greg used it to magically provide us with a fridge. (I would never have imagined bringing dry ice bushwalking!)

Greg then continued giving orders to Desley to prepare the prawn cocktails'. Well if this is dinner bushwalking, I am sold! Sensational! I did not need anything else. We filled our tummies with delicious fresh prawns in gorgeous 30year old cocktail dishes and were spoilt with using real cocktail forks.

The feast continued with a French beef casserole, creamy chicken casserole, fresh Mediterranean salad, and fresh steamed vegies. Followed by delicious trifle, fresh apple pie, ice cream and custard. The evening was spent amidst much laughter, stories, history and tips for new bushwalkers. We spent several hours sitting around our dining table sharing stories, laughing and enjoying a few quiet drinks.

We woke to a beautiful autumn morning after only a few hours sleep to leftover trifle, ice-cream and apple pie for breakfast. John and Thomas Carter joined us for the breakfast feast. The dishes were done, the hut restored to its original state and Greg, Desley, Angela and Dennis headed back through the lantana homeward bound. Meanwhile Phil, John, Thomas and I went swimming and rock hopping at the lower portals. John commented on the amount of, and reasonable quality, of the water. On returning to the hut we were met by Maxine's day trippers on their way up to the lower portals. Thomas led the way.

Phil and I packed up, enjoyed a bite to eat and set off home. The walk out was somewhat easier due to a considerably lighter pack and a slightly cooler day.

A truly wonderful weekend. The Food was fantastic, setting awesome and the company inspiring.

Kerriane

JTS IRISH CLUB 20th MARCH

Twenty one of us gathered at this venue to celebrate – well, er, nothing. It was just a chance to catch up at a nice place. We gathered, as before just inside the front door to be quickly seen by all. The pace started slowly as there was an early queue at the bar, but was quickly overcome. More and more of us started to arrive and we required more space. We spread out over into the table next door, where there were some friendly strangers.

About 6.30 we started to go up to the bistro to get dinner. Denice Campbell, our member from Barcaldine, came to join us with her daughter Megan. Rebecca had a friend Kirsty come along with her. Maree Ricketts came for a short while on her way to a Broncos game. Past members John Hood, Michael & Cathy Wood and Graham Walters came along as well. Michelle from Grafton put in an appearance as did John & Robin Tapp.

We talked till latish, then people started to depart at intervals. It was a good night and the noise was not too great. Attendees included: Greg & Michele E, Catherine & Michael S, Liz L, Desley, Graham G, Kristy, Phil the Elder, Rebecca, Maree R, Tracey H, John H, Cathy & Mike W, Robin & John Tapp, Denice & Megan C, Graham W & Michelle from Grafton.

THE COUGALS/BOYD'S BUTTE 21st MARCH DAYWALK

Saturday 21st was World Harmony Day and we did our best to get close to one another and nature did its best to get close to us, sometimes too close.

The journey began under overcast skies at five o'clock at Red Hill. Down the M1 and up the Currumbin Creek Valley to the Cougals National Park. Where Alan, our new walker from Murwillumbah was waiting, being on NSW time, it was 7:30 for him and he was able to sleep in, for us Queenslanders, it was 6:30am and we were still waking up.

From the car park it was along the graded track, passing the rock pools, falls and cascades, Currumbin Creek looking beautiful but no time for a swim, continuing along the creek to the bend then up to the road and ridge which took us up to Boyd's Butte. The weather had cleared and we could see across to Springbrook, parts of the

Gold Coast and the Cougals waiting for us. A great place to boil the billy, pity there was no tea.

From here it was across to the East Cougal, a gentle stroll through the rainforest. Mike definitely wasn't disappointed with the lawyer vine, getting very close and personal. Onwards and upwards to the cliff line and around to the cliff break and onto East Cougal, views back across to Boyd's Butte, out to Coolangatta and The Tweed, no time to linger.

We left Trevor behind and continued across to the West Cougal, about forty-five minutes and a bit of rock scrambling we were on top. No views but a peaceful and beautiful place. My favourite Cougal. Back to East Cougal for lunch. Phil and Lisa joined us for ten minutes - Phil had left the rest of his harem at the cliff line. A bit slippery, great to see the Club out and about. Time to leave and check out the cave before heading down the fence, disappointing to see the fence in such disrepair and overgrown - they mustn't be looking after it any more.

Out of the rainforest and into the open to look back at the Cougals and the Butte. Our day's journey laid out before us. From here we picked up the old road and ridge and headed back into Currumbin Creek for a late but well earned swim in the rock pool, cool, cool water, fantastic, then it was back down the creek onto the track and back to cars. Where we said good-bye to Alan and headed for coffee and home at 8:00 pm.

Thanks to Paul, Trevor, Michael and Alan on his first club walk, looking forward to seeing you on another one. Thanks to Mike for driving and Joseph for another Friday pre-outing. I enjoyed leading it and was glad we left Brisbane at five o'clock, gone are the days and of leaving at seven and getting out at three. Is it time the club organised a recovery session after walks? Saturday walks would be okay, early Sunday Mass then head to the pool to recover and a BBQ breakfast. Sunday walks a little more difficult but maybe something before Work on Monday.

TOMATO BROTHERS COFFEE NIGHT 25th MARCH

It was the first time in a long while that we tried a place at Rosalie. We have been at this café before, but then it was under a different incarnation.

Our group came at different times, some to have dinner, some to have coffee & cake, others just to talk. We were out on the balcony, in the cool of the evening and away from the noise and crowd. It is a fine venue and we should go there in the future again.

Next month join us at Caffe di Vita at Wilston.

EWAN MADDOCK DAM DAY WALK 29 MARCH

This was a new walking area for our club and I was pleased that 20 people came along to enjoy this lovely part of the world. The majority of us met at Red Hill while the rest of the group met at Landsborough. We then drove a short distance down Gympie Street North to our starting point. Sue Tobin (who came along to spend the day preparing school work) offered to do the car shuffle for us and this saved us some time at the start.

It was obvious that the area had received quite a lot of rain and so underfoot was met and muddy in parts. The area is a maze of old tracks, however Caboolture City Council has closed off the majority of tracks and has used a numbering system on those remaining open. All in all we did 8 (of a total of 12) of these tracks. We missed No.12, 9 and 10 we did not bother with and No. 6 was submerged – needless to say we decided against that one.

There were some delightful spots along the way, especially in the paperbark wetlands on the waterlogged areas around the dam. The dam shoreline contains a variety of vegetation – eucalypt forest, woodland, and heathland – each had its own beauty, but I think everybody's favourite was the lovely paperbarks reflected in the swamp area. The shallow inlets were a mass of sedges, water lilies and native grasses.

It was about 10.30pm when we stopped at one of the reserve entrances (Kowald Road) for morning tea. The weather forecast was for showers and just as we headed off after morning tea our first shower descended upon us. Raincoats and ponchos came out but quickly disappeared again as the shower was very brief.

We continued along with great views of the dam. Another heavy shower saw the raincoats come out again – once again they were put away when the rain stopped as quickly as it came. Up until now feet were kept dry, however a flooded causeway presented an obstacle for some. Most

took off shoes and socks to wade through; however the hardier went through boots and all. I did not see if but I believe Mary and Georgia were carried across by Justin.

Tibrogargan came into view (and we could see the cars on the Steve Irwin Way) and we knew our lunch spot was too far away. It was 12.30p.m. When we arrived at the picnic area, which for a change was not crowded as it usually is. Justin went in for a swim, Mary and Georgia enjoyed the playground equipment, while the rest of us were content to stay put and enjoy lunch.

Before heading off we visited the old cottage built by an early pioneer of the area. On our homeward march we retraced some of our steps back along the lovely waterlogged parts of the dam. When we arrived at the flooded causeway Terry was in for a welcome surprise – ask him how he managed to get across with dry feet!!

The time came for us to turn away from the dam and head uphill past some horse yards and before we knew it we had arrived at the finish and there was Sue's waiting for us. It was 3.30 p.m. and we had walked over 18kms (some said it felt like it). It was then back to Landsborough to finish off a lovely day with coffee etc.

It was great to have five new people on the walk – Gaye Higgs, Geoff and Sue Lomas, Michele Foley (from Grafton) and Annette Wilde. I enjoyed the day and I was pleased to be able to introduce members to a new and lovely area. Those on the walk:- Terry Silk, Desley Pedrazzini, Heika, Sofie Ramsay, Therese Abernethy, Karen Powis, Julie Phillippi, Justin Tobin and Mary and Georgia, Gaye Higgs, Michele and Richard Johns, Jill Kelly, Geoff and Sue Lomas, Michele Foley, Annette Wilde, Roger Ford and myself.
Pat Lawton.

THE ORANGE WALK (BASECAMP) 31st March – 2nd April

In search of the next hiking nirvana, 6 intrepid BCBC members, desperate to find and experience tomorrow's bushwalking hotspot before everyone else descends and makes a mess of the place, made their way via air train, via TAA flight TN2532 and via Roma aerodrome, to the recently increased length of the Barcaldine domestic landing field. Machetes, stowed carefully in checked luggage arrived safely as well.

After being safely ensconced into the famous Artesian hotel, Greg, Maxine, Michael, Phil, Terry and Mrs Robyn proceeded to spend the rest of their afternoon pursuing both spiritual serenity, blatant high living and hedonism by immersing themselves in the local artwork hanging on the walls of the Artesian (fondly known by locals as "the Arty") and then on to a ranty six pub crawl down the main street of town. Reminders by Terry that circumspection of behaviour should be observed did nothing to curb the quest by the others for culturally rich experiences (boozing with the residents) and finding secret shopping spots known only by the locals. "I have been intrigued, entertained and enlightened in as authentic a way as possible," they sighed as they fell into bed around 2am. "At last - the real deal."

April 1 dawned bright and extra warm as dynamic leader Denice, accompanied by associate member/co leader/husband Ian, and the plucky 6 set out on what would become a wonderful day of personal fulfilment and self-discovery, stepping through the wilderness and natural wonder of "The Orange Walk". This walk can be taken under two different sets of circumstances; cold, wet and boggy (with a tight time frame to make it to Brisbane international for a flight to Frankfurt) or hot, hard and dry (with no other reason but to enjoy the peace, serenity and personal challenge that only a bushwalk in the middle of summer on the open downlands of central western Queensland can bring. (This condition also applies when Ian runs out of petrol 15kms from home and hasn't taken the mobile.)

Today would be the latter. The walk began at the Ascot Downs turnoff where a well graded 2km track led into the Ascot Downs homestead. The walking was easy with not much need for machetes, (though Michael insisted that they were coming in handy), and just a little side stepping of some cranky Brahman cows and wary avoidance by Robyn of catching the eye of the bull. After a languorous morning tea break at the homestead (sadly, occupants not at home) we continued on, overland and down the power line towards the tiny shimmering rooftop of our goal – the Orange Downs house.

Highlights of this 8km ramble included the Ascot waste disposal site, acres of freshly sprouted Flinders and Mitchell grasses, some newly inserted power poles, various birdlife, a bit of barbed wire fence climbing, (Maxine just flew over these), a snatched glimpse of the endangered and extremely rare gidgee bear

(Greg actually saw two) and finally a welcome lunch break at what was considered by Terry to be the halfway point along the power line. Upon arrival at our glistening destination, everyone headed straight for the pool and sank into its depths as 9 separate sizzling steam sprays erupted from the surface.

"People are seeking out new bushwalking experiences that are not over-commercialised and that incorporate adventure and more environmentally and culturally rich experiences," cooed Phil as he emerged from the cool, sparkling water. "Today has been one of those!"

And so next day, with thrilled but heavy hearts, the 6 bold but savvy BCBC members boarded the 1.45pm flight TN2533 for home, warm in the knowledge that they are tomorrow's bushwalking pioneers, driving the agenda of the world of bushwalking with more and more sophisticated demands. "We will be infinitely more discerning and creative in our bushwalking choices in the future," called Greg across the tarmac.

"What a great bunch!" exclaimed Ian. "They were happy to deal with limited and less sophisticated accommodations and infrastructure for the benefit of the experience. God bless them all."

Denice (with apologies to Matthew Brace "In search of the next travel nirvana: Heaven On Earth")

RATHDOWNEY SOCIAL 5th APRIL

A friendly group set out from Red Hill at a very civilized hour to travel to a new type of social outing for the Club. It was great to have Tracey along again on one of her early outings with the Club.

The Rathdowney Heritage Festival was held in the Rathdowney Memorial Grounds as a celebration of Queensland's 150th birthday.

We enjoyed the very interesting stalls and each of us found one or two nice things to buy. There was also much to see and quite a carnival atmosphere to soak up. Michele was enthused when she heard a band playing Chilean music. There was considerable choice of food to satisfy our hunger and we found people to be friendly and helpful.

Unfortunately we missed the Heritage Festival parade.

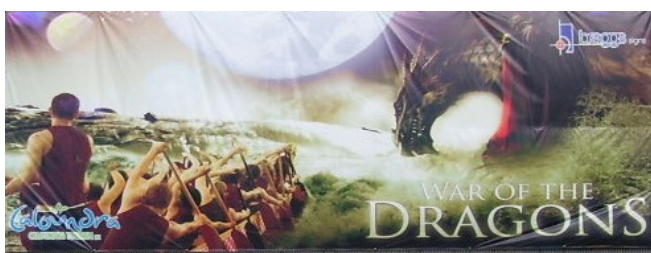
Thanks to Greg for driving.

Liz

WAR OF THE DRAGONS

The Battle Begins!

23 – 26 APRIL



The best in the state fight it out to win the Queensland championships

The AUSdbf Dragon Boat Federation National Championships are the culmination of what national dragon boat paddlers have been training towards since the start of the season.

At the championships the National Team is announced (Thursday 23 April) to represent

Australia at the World Championships held in Prague, Czech Republic in late August.



Crews from Qld, NSW, ACT, Vic, SA, WA, the NT, and for the first time, Tas will battle it out to wear the 'Green and Gold'.

Elizabeth Richards, a member of the Manly Dragon Boat Club, is one of two Manly members selected to wear the maroon & gold and represent Queensland in the Grand Masters division.

This year the 2009 National Dragon Boat Championships is being held in Queensland at Kawana from 23 – 26 April 2009.

BUSHWALKING QLD

Web:

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

The Home Page of the BWQ web site is now "The Newsletter"

BWQ Q150 WALK

Would BCBC be interested in being the coordinator for the Bushwalking Qld. 150th Anniversary of Q'ld (Q150) ascent of Mt Barney? We are aiming to make this a special event, going up Barney by many routes, meeting at the top.

Qld's 150th birthday is Saturday 6th June. This is also the Long Weekend, which could be an issue with some clubs. Cairns club is coordinating the ascent of Mt Bartle Frere for the FNQ clubs on the day.

We hope to get some pictures of everyone on the summits and maybe get some press coverage out of it.

Let us know if BCBC would be interested - we just need to organise a meeting point, and sort out the leaders/clubs for the various routes.

John Marshall, Sec. BWQ

Do We Have Any Takers As The Co-Ordinator?
Let Michael S know Ph: 3351 3810.

BWQ OFFER TO VICTORIAN CLUBS.

BWQ has made an offer to Bushwalking Victoria for Queensland clubs to open up their walks programs to members of Victorian clubs, which have been greatly affected by the closure of many walking areas close to Melbourne following the bushfires. The Victorian federation president has welcomed this initiative, and will discuss options for promoting the idea at their next board meeting.

Two of the options being considered are:

1. A list of participating clubs be compiled for posting on the BWV website, including club website addresses and email/phone contact details. Victorian club members could then choose from the full walks programs of these clubs by referring to the club website, or contacting them for more information.

2. BWQ compiles a short list of representative walks from participating clubs for placing on the BWV website. These walks would be selected for their "name value" and to provide a cross section of walk opportunities, and would generally be graded easy to moderate. Club contact details to be included.

The arrangement would be for interested Victorian members to contact the relevant club directly, to discuss the finer details such as accommodation (whether by billeting or local commercial accommodation), local transport, shared costs, sharing camping equipment, etc. The Victorian members would make their own flight bookings as required, and would be subject to the host club's rules while on the walks.

Victorian club members are covered by the same insurance policy as clubs affiliated with BWQ, and could be simply signed on as visitors.

It is envisaged that this could be commenced after Easter, and continue during winter which, of course, is the prime walking season in Qld.

John Marshall, Sec. BWQ

BCBC has said it is willing to participate in this programme, and for our full yearly calendar be advertised.

BUSHWALKING QUEENSLAND PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Entries are now invited for the first Bushwalking Queensland Photographic Competition.

There are 3 categories

□ **Pictorial:** Photographs of any broad natural scene. Pictorial photographs can include for example creeks, seascapes, waterfalls, mountains, rocky outcrops, and clouds

□ **Nature:** Photographs depicting flora or fauna, excluding domestic animals. This category should also exclude evidence of man. Examples of nature photographs are birds, animals, native flowers, forest, fungi, reptiles, insects etc

□ **Club Character:** Photographs showing one or more people participating in a bushwalking type of activity and can be humorous as well as serious.

Conditions - Please Read Carefully!

A financial member of a Bushwalking Queensland Inc. affiliated club must have taken the photographs during the past 12 months on a bushwalking related activity.

There is a limit of 5 photos per member.

These can be spread across the three categories or all in one category.

The image size must be a maximum of 1024 pixels wide and a maximum of 768 pixels high. This means that vertical images will be 768 high but less than 1024 wide.

Photos must then be burnt on a CD-ROM as a JPG image file with no compression. These may be produced from a digital camera or a scanned image of a print or slide. If you are unable to burn files to CD or DVD ask for assistance from club members who can.

The CD or DVD is to be marked with your name, club and contact email address.

Each image filename should consist of your name, club, category and photograph number

e.g. Joe_Walker_Cairns_pictorial_1.jpg The Photographic Officer needs to know these details or your entry cannot be identified and so cannot be judged.

Post CD or DVD to: Photographic Officer, Bushwalking Queensland, GPO Box 1573, Brisbane 4001.

Emailed entries cannot be accepted because the combined size of all photo emails would swamp our poor Photographic Officer's monthly data download allocation.

CLOSING DATE: All entries must be in the GPO box by 31 July 2009.

Judging, Results and Prizes

Judging will be by an experienced independent judge from the Photographic Society of Queensland. Winners will be announced at the Pilgrimage, 21-23 August 2009 and awards will be given for each of the three categories, and a Grand Champion will be selected from one of the winning entries. Results and the winning entries will be displayed on www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au after the Pilgrimage.

GO BUSH AUTUMN 2009

At a glance

Activity numbers appear in brackets following the activity name.

BRISBANE

April

- 17 Night discovery walk (13)
- 17 Wildlife protectors (6)
- 17 Wildlife detectives (7)
- 19 Rainforest ramble (8 A & B)
- 25 Dusk bird walk (9)
- 26 Enoggera Reservoir guided walk (2 B)

MAY

- 3 International Dawn Chorus Day breakfast (10)
- 4 Creature feature – rapt in reptiles (11)
- 9 Dusk bird walk (12)
- 16 Family fun day at Daisy Hill (14)
- 31 Enoggera Reservoir guided walk (2 C)

SUNSHINE COAST & HINTERLAND

April

- 16 Night discovery walk – Noosa (19 B)
- 16 Snakes and dragons – Kondalilla (18)
- 17 Mount Ngungun walk - Glass House Mountains (16)

GOLD COAST & HINTERLAND

April

- 18 Family rainforest walk – Tamborine Mountain (22)

Call 1300 130 372 and follow the prompts to Go Bush.

BANFF MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL

Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour comes to Australia in May and June 2009

Hot on the heels of the largest, and one of the most prestigious, mountain festivals in the world, the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour has hit the road, with stops planned in more than 275 communities and 30 countries across the globe.

This year's tour features a collection of the most inspiring and thought-provoking active, environmental, and adventure mountain films. Travelling from remote landscapes and cultures, to up close and personal with adrenaline-packed action sports, the 2009 World Tour is an exhilarating and provocative exploration of the mountain world.

The Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour is produced by Mountain Culture at The Banff Centre, and features award-winning films and audience favourites from approximately 300 films entered in the annual festival in Banff .

This year's selection of films include a great mix of paddling, mountain biking, hardcore skiing and rock climbing. The feature film, 99 Days on the Ice, documents a the journey of a French couple who endeavour to cross the artic from St Petersburg to northern Canada, on foot dragging 90kg sleds. Shot by a professional cinematographer, 99 Days on the Ice, is an emotional journey through the harsh arctic environment.

Join Paddy Pallin when the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour brings the spirit of outdoor adventure to Brisbane in June.

To view the trailer go to <http://www.paddybanff.com.au/>

For More Information Contact: Jemima Robinson on 0404 846 399 or jrobinson@paddypallin.com.au

THE BEAUDESERT TO BETHANIA RAIL TRAIL

The Beaudesert to Bethania Rail Trail Support Group held a meeting in Beaudesert on 1st February, 2009 to gauge community interest in the proposed rail trail. Those who initiated the meeting have been overwhelmed by the strong level of community support and enthusiasm for the rail trail.

The Support Group is seeking to encourage Council to develop the disused Beaudesert to Bethania rail corridor into a rail trail to be used by cyclists, walkers and horse riders. Scenic Rim Regional Council has acquired a lease on the rail corridor from Beaudesert to the Shire's northern boundary. The support group would encourage Logan City Council and/or Brisbane City Council to secure a lease to develop the rail trail as part of the Cycle Network Program for South East Queensland.

A rail trail would be a great asset for our communities providing a valuable link between city and country. It would provide a means of commuting for cyclists, and recreational riding and walking for families in a safe, pleasant environment away from the hazards of traffic. The health, fitness and social benefits from these activities are well recognized. A good source of information on rail trails is at www.railtrails.org.au

With the rail trail serving the Scenic Rim, Logan City and Brisbane areas, the support group would propose to work with Council to bring the rail trail to fruition and to assist with ongoing promotion and maintenance once the rail trail is established.

Janette Tomkins, Beaudesert to Bethania Rail Trail Support Group

KOOKABURRA ADVENTURES

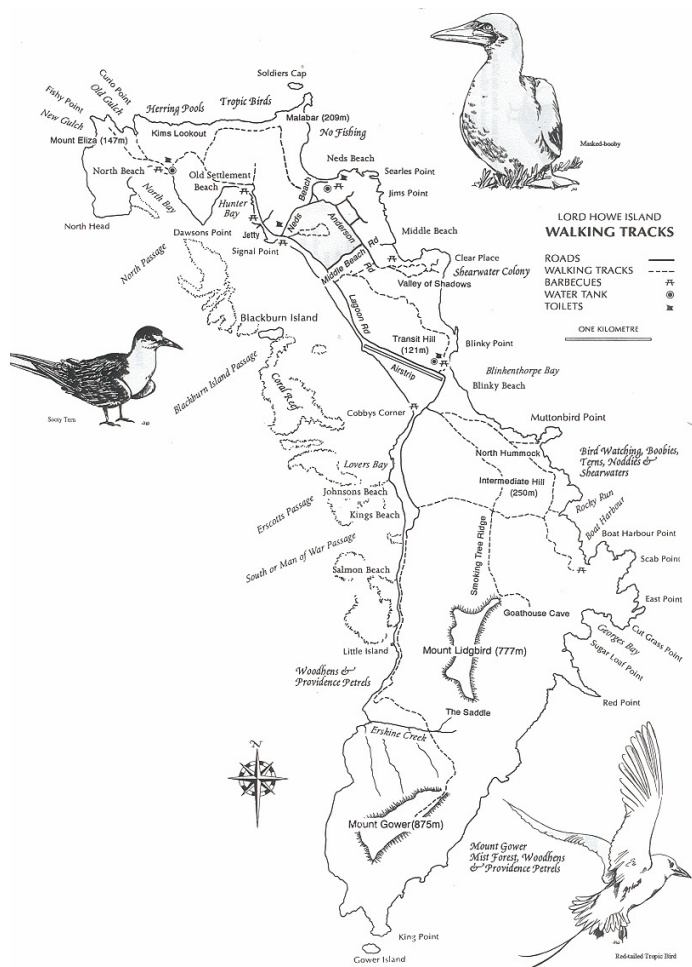
Invites You To Take Part In A Top End Experience.

We are inviting experienced walkers to the Northern Territory to walk the Jatbula Trail and Dreaming Place Trail in Nitmiluk National Park and the Twin Falls Trail in Kakadu National Park. Hiking across the Arnhemland Escarpment allows you to experience walking on country that very few people ever access.

See our website at www.geckocanoeing.com.au for more details or email us at gecko@nttours.com

Departures are available from April to October— Get your group organised now and come for a walk in the Top End.

LORD HOWE ISLAND PERMANENT PARK PRESERVE and WALKING TRACKS



The Permanent Park Preserve occupies nearly two-thirds of Lord Howe Is. The establishment of the Preserve is the end result of over one hundred years of scientific interest in geology, plants and animals of the Island and concern for their conservation. These walking tracks enable visitors to experience the spectacular scenery and unique environments of the Island.

Each walk is given a rating of 1 to 10 in degree of difficulty. The tracks are well marked and have signs at the beginning pointing the way and giving distances, which may not seem great but most are steep and are interspersed with tree roots and rocks so may take longer than you think.

NORTHERN SECTION

Transit Hill: Class 3, 2 hours return, 2km. This easy walk starts at the Administration Centre and goes up Bowker Avenue through dry rainforest. After following the fence line above Pinetrees Paddock, it passes into forest again to the top where a viewing platform allows 360 degree views around. From here you can return the same way or go south down the hill to emerge at

Blinky Beach and follow the road back along the airstrip.

Clear Place: Class 2, 1-2 hours return. An easy, fairly level walk, starts at the top of Middle Beach Road, and follows Anderson Road south, and through a paddock to the edge of the forest. Here a disused road leads through dense palm forest to a lookout known as the Clear Place. A short diversion near Clear Place leads in and out to the Valley of the Shadows. If the tide is low you can walk along the beach to steps leading up the northern end to the start.

Stevens Reserve: Class 1. A short flat walk starting at Lagoon Road near the Power house. The track follows a path that winds through tall rainforest of palms, Blackbutt, Maulwood, Banyan, Greybark and Sallywood trees. This walk has a number of interpretive signs to give information about the flora and fauna of the Island.

Max Nicholls Track to North Bay: Class 3, 4 hours return, 4km. Commencing near Old Settlement Beach. The track goes through a paddock and winds up to Dawson's Ridge, through Blackbutt/Greybark rainforest that dominates the Northern Hills. The track descends the western slope through the rainforest, under tall Banyan trees and sheltered gullies of Thatch Palms.

SOUTHERN SECTION

Coastal Track to Rocky Run and Boat Harbour: Class 3. Commence at the base of Intermediate Hill, the track follows the east coast, passing through lowland forest of Curly Palms, Blackbutts, Greybarks and Hopwoods. Halfway along, a side track goes to Muttonbird Point where a large breeding colony of Masked Boobies can be viewed from a special viewing platform. Sooty Terns, Common Noddies and Wedgetailed Shearwaters also nest on the Point in summer. The track continues on to Rocky Run Creek on to Boat Harbour. This consists of a beach of rounded volcanic boulders and worn coral and is well protected from southerly winds and swells. The round trip goes back through beautiful wet rainforest, over Smoking Tree Ridge to come out at lagoon Road at the foot of Mt Lidgbird.

Goat House: Class 4, 4 hours return, 4km. From Lagoon Road at the base of Mt Lidgbird, climbing through wet rainforest to Smoking Tree Ridge and following the signs south up the slope of Mt Lidgbird. As you go higher the track becomes steeper. Moist conditions here allow for

a rich understorey of ferns. The climb gets to the cliffs at 400 metres in altitude. Follow the track to find the Goat House cave - a large overhang in the volcanic cliffs. There are spectacular views of the settlement, and Bail's Pyramid can be seen.

Intermediate Hill: Class 2, 45 minutes return, 1km. Another route to both Goat House and Boat Harbour, this track begins on Lagoon Road and climbs to the summit through dry rainforest dominated by Blackbutts, Greybarks and Sallywoods. It continues down the south side to link up with other tracks on the Smoking Tree Ridge.

Little Island: Class 1, 40 minutes return, 3km. The track passes in and out of the palm forest, and at the end, the vegetation forms a tunnel to walk under; keep an eye out here for Woodhens and Emerald Ground Doves. At Little Island you have spectacular views up at the cliffs of Mt Lidgbird and out to sea. From March to September large numbers of Providence Petrels

wheel around the cliffs and over the water. At low tide there is a large rock platform to explore, with corals, clams, urchins and other sea creatures to observe.

Mount Gower: Class 5, 8 hours return, 14 km (only with a licensed guide). This is the hardest walk on Lord Howe Island, going to 875 metres above sea level. Along the track the scenery is constantly changing and the vegetation also changes as you go higher, with most of the plants in the mountains being endemic. On top there is a unique moss forest with ferns and mosses covering every available rock and tree. From the top there is a spectacular view of Mt Lidgbird and the Island below. From March to September, nesting Providence Petrels are an added attraction

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HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

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

VISITORS are always welcome.

OUTINGS

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

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

<http://www.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.

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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.

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

THEOLOGY CORNER

In the readings that occur for our monthly meeting, an extract from Psalm 2 is used. So the opportunity has been used to have a closer look at this Psalm.

The Psalms have been inspirational for many throughout the centuries. They are poems to which we can relate. The experiences and feelings portrayed have a tendency to envelop us into the poetic drama. As a result, most individuals never take the time to really analyse and dissect the psalms to understand the authors' full intention of meaning, poetic beauty, and flow of thought. In order to do this, a psalm's structure, *as intended by the psalmist*, must be sought after.

The structure of the psalm is divided up into four stanzas of three verses each (verses 1-3, then 4-6, then 7-9, and finally 10-12). We start with the ideas and perspective of the heathen in general, and the kings and rulers of the earth specifically (1-3). Next, the perspective of YHWH is given in response to the heathen. This is heaven's perspective (4-6). Then, David declared the decree of YHWH to the heathen nations as though they were present to hear (the use of *apostrophe*). This pictures the realm being from heaven to earth (7-9). Finally, in the last stanza, David gives instruction, wisdom, admonition and warning to the kings and judges of the heathen nations from his perspective (earthly) through the knowledge of YHWH's decree (10-12).

The psalm starts and ends with the perspective of the earthly realms, and is joined by heaven's perspective along with the communication of that perspective from heaven to earth. The line of

communication throughout the psalm is thus: heathen to heathen, YHWH Himself, YHWH to the anointed one to the heathen, and the anointed one to the heathen. It can also be said that the psalm follows this pattern: what the heathen think and say (1-3), YHWH's response (4-6), what YHWH thinks and says (as given through the anointed one-7-9), and what David thinks and says (10-12).

The psalmist, David, began by contemplating a perplexing and confusing question, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?". He went on to develop their ideas and philosophies in the two following verses. The imagery used is that of bondage. The heathen desired to break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords...". These were poetic images to show the reality of the servitude that the heathen were in under the rule of YHWH and His anointed one.

David's message is made clearer after one has discovered the intrinsic structure and poetic elements of the psalm. His central message was that YHWH will overcome all who oppose Him and His anointed one. So instead of fighting against them, one should pay homage to the anointed one and trust in YHWH.

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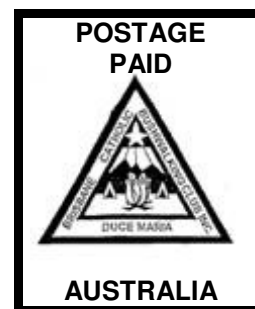
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**The Mitchdowney Markets Preouting
Liz, Tracey, Michele & Greg**

**Leader's Training Day – May 24th
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BIRD WEEK, BINNA BURRA

19th to 21st October

Barry Davies, birding legend extraordinaire, tells us that bird lovers will be in their element with the plethora of wild life on hand in 'Lamington National Pak. "Late Spring is the prefect time of the year for bird watching. By then the first storms of the season will have dumped enough rain to revitalise the forest after the 'dry' and the birds will be in a frenzy of breeding activity. The migrating birds will be back on the mountain and with everyone home the morning chorus is tumultuous and the prospects of seeing birds is excellent".

Don't miss your chance to see more of what Lamington National Park has on offer.
<http://www.binnaburrallodge.com.au/>

COLONIAL GEORGE STREET HERITAGE WALK

15 May 2009 - 31 December 2009

Location: Brisbane CBD, George Street
Time: Start: 12:01am, Finish: 11:59pm
Contact: Peter Bramwell Ph: 3227 8863
Email: peter.bramwell@epa.qld.gov.au

The Colonial George Street Heritage Walk audio program, downloaded from a range of websites to personal MP3 players, will guide visitors and city residents through Brisbane's historic George and William Streets, highlighting heritage buildings in the area and myriad events and colourful stories that have occurred there.

The Department of will develop the guide for the heritage walk, in consultation with Brisbane's history experts, to build a lively and entertaining aural 'picture' of the city's built past and colonial beginnings.