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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
26	Mt Greville	Paul		DW	
27	Bike Riding – CityCycle	Greg		Soc	
30/3	Voie Verte Rail Trail	Michele E		DW	
Apr 3	Boondall to Toomball	Peter		SW	
9	Kenilworth Bluff	Michael		DW	
10	Map Reading Training	Greg		Trn	
15	JTS – The Beach House	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16	QPW Track Clearing Induction & Training	Desley	3369 5530	BWQ	
17	Bridges of Brisbane	Phil	5522 9702	SW	M22
18	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
21/25	Abseiling and Walking The Head	Barbara M		FMR	
23	Harding's Paddock to Plum Res	Peter C	3205 5982	DW	L33
25	Minto Crags	Pat	3366 1956	DW	S43
28	Dinner at Bronco's	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	
29/2	Goomburra Valley	Iain	3870 8082	BC	Various
May 1	Mt May	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M44
7	Buchanan's Fort	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M44
14	Stradbroke Island	Maxine	3490 4001	DW	M13
14	Bushwalking First Aid	St Johns	3253 0500		
14	Boondall Wetlands Migratory Birds Open Day	BCC			
14/15	Radio, Searching Techn & Navigation	FMR		FMR	
14/15	Track Maintenance at Binna Burra	Desley	3369 5530	BWQ	
15	What is needed for a walk	Greg	3351 4092	Trn	
16	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
20	JTS – The Orient	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21	Annual Mass and Dinner	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
22	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Helen	3294 6976	DW	M23
29	Mt Clunie			DW	
Jun 5	Mt Mistake	John	5514 0285	DW	
11/13	Fraser Island	Justin	3366 3193	TW	
11	White Rock	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
12	Numinbah Gate to Wagawn	James	3844 5006	DW	
17	JTS – The Irish Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17/19	OXFAM Trail Walkers	Leisa	3637 4648	BC	
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	Tibrogargan Adventure Walk	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	FMR	
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	
30	Mt Alford			DW	
31	Karawatha Forest Wildflowers	Phil	5522 9702	SW	
Aug 6	Pat's 50 th Anniv Walk – Ivory Rock	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
13	Noosa Trails	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
14	Toohey Forest Wildflowers	Phil	5522 9702	SW	
15/17	Barney Spur	Matthew	3876 8125	TW	
16/17	Barney Mass			DW	
20	Fairview Mountain	Justin	3366 3193	DW	
26/28	Pilgrimage			BC	

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 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.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

We are sent
 In the name of God
 Who threads creative loving
 In the name of Jesus
 The thread of God's creative love.
 In the name of the Holy Spirit
 The weaver of God's creative love
 To live justly love tenderly
 And walk humbly on the earth.
 (Source; St Mary's Mass Sheet)

**OUTINGS SECRETARY
 RAMBLES**

Just a quick note from the Outings guy. Firstly it is an honour and a challenge to get the job. The second thing is to thank all those people who have agreed to lead trips for 2011 and to those who set up the Outings Program for the year. Already I am finding that the current year is basically set out so that makes my job much easier. Thanks go to Justin, Michael and Pat for putting the program together.
 The Outings program for 2011 is basically in very good shape with only a few trips that need leaders. Please contact me if you would like to

lead one of these trips or even if you want to lead a trip that is not already on the Program. I also am receiving a few requests for walks to go on the calendar and I hope to be able to slot them in.

You may notice that the May Day weekend trip got changed from Kwiambal to Glenn Rock and I heard a late whisper it may actually be going to Goomburra. The main reason for the change was that the driving distance (5 hours each way) was too far for a 3 day weekend and hence we are doing something closer to Brizzy. Iain is one of the Club's most experienced walkers and leaders and it should be a great trip.

As I write the Harding's Paddock trip on Easter Saturday had a slight doubt as to whether we would get a leader but hope springs eternal and we might be able to pull a rabbit out of a hat and get a leader. If not we will put the walk on next year's program. Also, the Carnarvon trip was postponed as we heard parts of the Park were closed due to the floods.

Changing tact for a moment I was on Greg's inner city bike trip in March and it was great fun and what I would like to do in the future is perhaps have a few dedicated bike trips each year like a trip from Sandgate to Redcliffe and back or from New Farm to West End and back. Many of us have bikes and we need to have a plan to do these types of outings. The long term aim is to get a group from the Club to do the annual Brisbane to the Gold Coast bike trip. For those who are wondering why I am mentioning bike riding is that the job title is Outings Secretary not Walks Secretary and I have noticed that many other bushwalking clubs have very active bike riding programs on their calendar.

Getting back to real bushwalking, I will just put in a plug for the 2 interstate bushwalking trips later in the year that I am co-ordinating; one to the Blue Mountains and one to the Victorian Alps. They are great trips and it is great way to meet our interstate colleagues.

Also I am hearing whispers from a few members about organising another multi day walk in Tasmania perhaps the South West Cape. Phil

THANKS

Much thanks to all my contributors this month who have followed the Jilalan Style that I included in the "Calling for Articles" e-mail I sent to those required to write articles for this Jilalan. Well done. Greg

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 20/2/11	\$3988.64
Plus Receipts	\$1541.00
	\$5529.64
Less Payments	\$ 452.82
Balance 21/3/11	\$5076.82

Term Deposit \$2362.51

Due to popular demand, I hope to start selling tickets in our first raffle for the year within the next month. Tickets will still be a dollar each. Don't forget to purchase your club badges and t-shirts before they are sold out.

Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Therese Abernethy, Michael Duggan and Bob Iron are celebrating their birthdays in April. Congratulations to our latest new members:- Michael Duggan, Maree Hutchinson, Daniel Keough and Lynette Schofield. Pat Lawton and Jonas Bernotas recently, safely returned from another walking trip in the "Shaky Isles". Graham Glasse also recently returned from a walking holiday on Norfolk Island. Michael and Catherine Simpson survived the cold weather on their China tour and have just returned from a holiday on Kangaroo Island. Anne Grant clocked up her first walk with us on Peter's Mermaid Mountain. Ken Evans was joined by his wife, Kathy and son, Markus on Peter's Boondall to Toombul walk.

Rick & Julie have been in Tanzania for work. Desley Carroll has moved to Woodgate and as a consequence can no longer walk with the Club. Graham Walters is back in Brisbane, living at Gaythorne.

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.bcbbc.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.

Friday 18th John Toohey Society Meeting
Mick O'Malley's - it is closed due to renovations
The Beach House in the Myer Centre

The Myer Centre
Level E
Elizabeth St (Cnr Albert St)
Brisbane

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
Web: <http://www.beachhousebargrill.com/index.php>

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott.

For the month of April we are meeting at Mick O'Malley's well actually we are meeting at the Beach House in the Myer Centre.

The best thing about this place is that it is close to everything as it is right in the heart of the Myer Centre and you can do a spot of retail therapy before, after or during 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.

The first person there is to claim a table for 10 overlooking the street and spread out. There is no booking on a Friday evening, so first in gets the best position. Phil

ps a note for beer explorer's of the world - The best beer in Istanbul was the Efes Pilsen, it was very similar to a XXXX Gold. They had also had a Efes Black that was very similar to a Toohey's Old. The Efes Beer Group was founded in Turkey in 1969 and currently has 82% of the beer market. The beer is named after the ancient Roman city of Ephesus (Turkish, "Efes") located on the east coast of the Aegean Sea. The city of Ephesus will be familiar to those who know the Bible with a chapter called Ephesians. From St Paul's letter to the Ephesians

16th APRIL, SATURDAY INDUCTION MORNING FOR VOLUNTEERS BUSHWALKING QUEENSLAND

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 33695530 or desley.pedrazzini@gmail.com

Meet at: Daisy Hill QPWS conference room - behind the Koala Centre

Time: 9AM

Cost: Free

Location: at the end of Daisy Hill Rd, Daisy Hill

This induction day enables the bushwalking clubs to assist with routine maintenance of the graded track system which will begin at Binna Burra on 14-15th May.

All participants are required to do an Induction Course and training before they can carry out any track maintenance. Soooo, come along for this morning's instruction. Queensland Parks and Wildlife want you to know what to do before they

let you loose with a brush cutter in their national parks.

Riverside Walks (Bridges of Brisbane)

Sunday 17th April 2011

Palm Sunday

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 mass at 8.00 am at the Cathedral.

Grade: M 22

Cost: \$2:00

Contact 5522 9702

0413 307580

philriver@optusnet.com.au

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

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)

I did a pre-outing on Saturday 2 April as I was concerned that there could be a few tricky parts with walkways closed while repairs were conducted to damage caused by the floods thankfully there was no real problems and it took only 3 hours to walk the trip. But I didn't have any breaks but on the day we will and some extras we will do on the day is have morning tea on the Goodwill Bridge and allow people a 15 minute

break for a spot of shopping at the South Bank markets or for a historical tour of the Plough Inn. And we wont go up the Rotunda stairs as it was more interesting along the bottom of the cliffs watching the rock climbers and we will come up the steep stairs near the Cliffs café. Phil

The details are

	Distance	Cumulative Total
St Stephen's to Riverside	.3 km	.3 km
Walkway along Gardens	1.7 km	2.0 km
Goodwill Bridge - 1	.5 km	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 stairs 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

**18th 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.)
Web: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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.

**21st – 25th APRIL, THU TO MON
MOONVIEW – EASTER
FMR BASECAMP**

Contact: Barbara M at fmrqld@gmail.com 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 Road
For Experienced Abseilers Only**

This will be 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/carabineers/abseil device/self rescue/belay equipment for up to 6 abseils per day.

**Harding's Paddock to Plum Reserve
Saturday 23rd April
Day Walk**

Leader: Peter Constable (3205 5982)
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Cost: \$10:00
Grading: L 3 3
Web: http://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/about_council/media/view_release/?id=2863&action=viewMediaRelease

This walk is a new walk and is part of the Ipswich to Boonah Trail. Harding's Paddock is also the start point for climbing Mt Goolman but we will be leaving that climb for another day. This is a pleasant walk in the Fassifern Valley and provides great views of a number of mountains in this area. Amongst them Flinder's Peak and Ivory Rock, a planned walk later in the year. The entire walk of 19kms is along fire trails and has a couple of steepish climbs but nothing too difficult.

Be amongst the first in the club to enjoy this walk. We will be walking at a gentle pace which will still leave plenty of time to enjoy a great mug of coffee on our way home. Peter.

**25th 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://www.macgregoss.eq.edu.au/Webchallenge/mbb/logan.htm>
Emerg Off: Susan Tobin 3366 3193.
Water: 2 litres

Minto Crag 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 Crag. For this privilege there will be a small charge.

The Crag is a great place to explore. Some Crag require a bit of climbing and scrambling; however on this walk we will only attempt the Crag 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 Crag.

Looking forward to seeing you on Easter Monday.

**Grand Canyon
Wednesday 27th April
Day Walk**

Leader: Michael Simpson (3351 3810 or 0409 620714)
Meet at: Maswik Lodge
Grand Canyon, Arizona, USA
Time: 5.00am
Cost: Own arrangements
Grading: XL 2 9
Web: <http://www.nps.gov/grca/index.htm>
Emergency Officer: Catherine Simpson (3351 3810)

The Grand Canyon is possibly the best known canyon in the world. It is huge at 446km long and 29km wide and attains a depth of over 1800m. It lies in Colorado which is a western state of the USA with most of the

canyon forming part of the Grand Canyon NP, one of the first national parks in the USA. The views both descending and ascending should be amazing. There are too many highlights to mention here so below is a brief description of the journey.

The day starts early by catching a shuttle from Maswik Lodge to the South Kaibab Trailhead where the walk begins. We will be descending 1457m over 11.5km to the Colorado River where we will stop at Phantom Ranch for a well deserved break. I expect the descent to take somewhere between 3-5 hours.

The ascent will be via the Bright Angel Trail and is shorter in height and longer in length thus theoretically making it somewhat easier than the South Kaibab Trail. I will be climbing only 1335m over 13km. Doesn't sound far if you say it quickly. I expect the ascent to take somewhere between 5-7 hours.

Come and join me for an unforgettable way to spend a day. I will be descending/climbing at a steady pace and I'm sure I'll be destroyed by the finish and ready for short convening of the JTS. Michael.

**28th 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)
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. 26th April)**. Come along and join me on the 28th April.

**29th April-2nd May, FRI-MON
GOOMBURRA MAY DAY LONG
WEEKEND
BASECAMP**

Contact: Iain Renton Ph: 3870 8082 or 0401 429 085
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill

Time: 6.30 pm
Grades: L55, M55, S33
Cost: \$45
Location: North of Cunninghams Gap
(turn off highway at Gladfield)

Web: <http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/main-range/about.html>

Emerg Off: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765

NB: GOOMBURRA BASECAMP REPLACES KWIAMBAL NP BASECAMP shown in the calendar.

The camping ground is in a beautiful steep sided valley with open eucalypt and rainforest at the headwaters of Dalrymple Creek. It is enclosed on two sides by the Great Dividing Range, as this is where the range does a left-hand turn and heads west after heading north (roughly) from the N.S.W border. The corner where the range turns (near Sylvester's Lookout) is an interesting spot where ranges and valleys converge from all directions. These include the Mistake Range (so called because it looks like the continuation of the Great Divide) and the Little Liverpool Range.

On Saturday we'll drive a short distance back down the road, leave the cars, and then climb just over 300 meters to the crest of the Dividing Range. We'll follow the top of the range west (with the Goomburra Valley to the south and the Blackfellow Creek Valley to the north). Where Blackfellow Ck turns to head north-west, we'll leave the Dividing Range and turn north-west as well, following the ridge that forms the western side of Blackfellow Ck Valley. After crossing several knolls we'll reach Mt. Hennessy, with spectacular views up and down the valley and across to Glen Rock, Point Pure and Mt. Mistake. We'll then retrace our steps back to the cars. The walk is all off-track but over fairly open country. There could be a small amount of rock-scrambling and exposure to heights along the ridge line or on Mt. Hennessy but generally it should be fairly straightforward (one of my old maps shows a 4WD track following the ridge all the way, but not up to Mt. Hennessy). It should be great open ridge walking with views all the way (but you'll need to be sure you have good sun protection).

On the other two days we'll be walking in the Goomburra Valley and possibly exploring Banshee Ck or up the ridges. Some of it would be on graded tracks and some off-track. The off-track walking could involve climbing steep slopes and making way through some heavy undergrowth. If the road is OK, we'll drive up to Sylvester's Lookout for a look.

There is possibly the chance of going to mass at Gladfield or Allora, but I've yet to find out what is available. A couple of people coming will be staying at basecamp all weekend, so it will be a flexible weekend, for those not wanting to do the more adventurous walks. Join me for a great weekend doing some interesting and unusual walks in a beautiful part of the world.

**30th APRIL-2nd 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/Fay
Ph: 4975 7484
calliopeccc2011@gmail.com

Meet at: DISCOVERY CENTRE, UBOBO, Cedarvale Rd Ubobo (off the Gladstone - Monto Rd)

Time: 9am
Grade: Various
Cost: \$35 for Camping; \$55 for Bunkhouse; both incl supper Sat & Sun night dinner. Transport extra.

Location: west of Miriam Vale, south of Calliope, Gladstone Region

Web: <http://www.boynevalley.org.au/>
Definition of Seventh Heaven: noun - a state of extreme happiness

- Futter Creek Camp is approx 19kms from Calliope on right after road bridge.
- Boynedale Camp T/Off is on left, approx 10kms past Futter Creek, and off the Boyne Valley Road.

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

Please bring own linen/ 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.
- Anyone opting to participate in the Mystery Creek Walk on Saturday & Monday, will require sandshoes/runners, as this walk may involve substantial walking in water along the creek bed.
- BYO Happy Hour 5pm daily. You will need your own chairs/table if possible. Gladstone Club to supply nibbles.
- 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, we will hand-over the Wolca Stick, & then invite 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.
- All participants must be financial members of a BWQ affiliated Club.

Mt May

Sunday 1st May 2011

Leader: Phil Murray

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

Time: 7:15 am

Grade: M 44

Cost: \$20:00 in car pool cars

Contact 5522 9702

0413 307580

philriver@optusnet.com.au

Web:<http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/mount-barney/pdf/mt-barney-np-map.pdf>

Emerg Off Susan Murray 5522 9702

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.

Mt May has two peaks and is not big a hill to climb. The vegetation is open eucalyptus woodland forest.

We will ascend from near the water reserve. We ascend the mountain via the north ridge, the ridge flattens out two thirds of the way up and in the past we have turned off here to go to Mt Maroon, but we will head south to ascend Mt May's north peak. We will have a morning tea break here on the way up. Then it only a short surge to the actual north peak.

The water reserve's height is about 250m. The north peak is 787 m high so in 2 km we gain about 500 metres in height so it is a good uphill walk that the bushwalking purists love but it is within the capability of most members.

We will have a small break at north peak then it is down into the gully between north and south peaks. There is a bit of rock scrambling and a small cliff to pass by but not too scary just enough to make it interesting and give us something to chat about afterwards.

The south peak is the main peak and we will have our lunch here enjoying the view of Mt Barney Massif and the Ballow Range. The height of south peak is 836 metres.

According to Ross Buchanan's classic book "Bushwalking in South-East Queensland" he commented "The main peak has excellent and unusual views of Mt Barney". Well time for true confessions - I haven't actually been to the south peak as I write this report as when I first did the walk to Mt May in 1988 with Tim Apelt as leader we only went as far as the North Peak. When I did the trip Mt May to Maroon with Anthony Dolan as leader in 1990 we only went as far as the plateau just before the north peak so I am keen to get to the south peak. But please note I will have done a pre-outing before the trip as I am doing the pre-outing on 10th April.

Then it is down the south west ridge to the old Grace's Hut Road. (According to the map it is called Waterfall Creek Road). Then it is an easy road walk back to the cars.

All up about 7 kms in distance and only about 4- 5 hours of walking. Bring the usual daywalk stuff:- for lunch, raincoat water etc and perhaps bring gaiters and gloves as well.

It is a Sunday walk and you have a public holiday on the Monday to recover. So how can you resist an offer like that. Phil

7 MAY, SATURDAY BUCHANAN'S FORT DAYWALK

Leader: Justin Tobin. 3366 3193

Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill

Time: 7.00 am

Cost: \$20.00

Grade: M44

Web:http://www.flickr.com/photos/kerr_at_large/87772914/

Emerg Off: Susan Tobin Ph 3366 3193.

Buchanan's Fort, the spectacular bluff standing sentinel over the Kerry and the Christmas Creek Valleys provides us with those great views of Lost World, Widgee the Western Cliffs of Green Mountains and more. The walk will start and finish on the Kerry side. We will be following the fence

and old road to Little Widgee for smoko and those great views across to the Main Range, then along to the cliff line and onto the Bluff for Lunch and those great views and maybe an Eagle soaring on the Thermals. Come walking with me and discover the magic that is Buchanan's Fort

**NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND
AMITY TO POINT LOOKOUT
14TH MAY, SATURDAY**

LEADER: MAXINE BROPHY PH: 3409 4001,
041 2637670

MEET AT: STRADBROKE FERRY TERMINAL, 3
EMMETT DR, CLEVELAND (END OF
MIDDLE RD)

TIME: 6-30am
COST: \$25 approx
GRADE: M13

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

EMERG: MIKE BROPHY PH 3409 4001

Autumn will be a perfect time to explore one of Brisbane's best kept secrets...Stradbroke Island.

We will depart Cleveland ferry terminal at 6-55am and travel by water taxi to Dunwich. A maxi-taxi will get us to Amity, at the northern end of Stradbroke Island. Clear weather, we hope, will give us views over to the sand dunes on Moreton Island. Time for a drink and snack before our walk along the sea shore begins.

While it may be too early in the season to spot migrating whales travelling north, we will see dolphins playing near the shore as we head towards Pt Lookout. Lunch will be at Cylinda Beach with time to relax and enjoy a swim to recharge in the cool surf. Pt Lookout will be the highlight of the day as we follow the boardwalk around this spectacular windswept headland.

Cafe's or a Gelato shop will be the place to unwind while we wait for the bus back to Dunwich and our water taxi to Cleveland. I hope you can come and experience an Island getaway all in a day. Maxine.

**14th MAY, SATURDAY
BUSHWALKING-SPECIFIC FIRST AID
COURSE
ST JOHN'S AMBULANCE**

Contact: St. John's Ambulance Ph: 3253 0500
Meet at: 225 St Pauls Terrace, Fortitude Valley
Time: 8am
Cost: Approx \$300
Web:<http://www.stjohnqld.com.au/index.php/en/contact-us-mainmenu-67>

This is a 1 day course specially aimed at bushwalking; it will cover the same material that the previous 2 day St John's courses did. St John's is fast tracking it. The course has been written in conjunction with BBW – so really is aimed at our sport.

You are required to liaise direct with St John's for enrolment and payment.

A workbook is available for participants to review prior to the course. This course is also suitable as a recertification course for those First Aiders whose certificate is nearing the 3 year limit.

**14th MAY, SATURDAY
MIGRATORY BIRDS OPENDAY
BOONDALL WETLANDS**

Contact: The Wetlands Info Centre
Ph: 3403 8888

Meet at: The Environment Centre
Time: From 6.30am onwards

Cost: Free

Grading: S11

Location: 31 Paperbark Drive, Boondall

Web:<http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/environment-waste/bushland-waterways/environment-centres/boondall-wetlands-environment-centre/index.htm>

And:<http://www.northgateward.org/textfile/boondmap.gif>

The Boondall Wetlands are world renowned for their migratory birds, some coming in for a feed and rest all the way from Siberia. There is a bird hide out near the water for you to observe them without scarring the birds.

Come along any time after 6.30am to take part in the day. There will be rangers explaining the birds' habits, their psychic and all that.

Stay for a picnic lunch at 10am. The event finishes at 1pm.

**14th -15th MAY, SAT-SUN
TRACK MAINTENANCE
BWQ**

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530 or
desley.pedrazzini@gmail.com

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. It commences with a short site induction at the Rangers' Office/Information Centre, lower car park at Binna Burra.

Those bushwalkers who have already expressed interest and have attended the QPWS Induction Day at Daisy Hill may register your intentions.

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

Accommodation options are being negotiated for those overnighting on site.

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

The following is part of the email from Steve Browne of QPWS, 2ic at Binna Burra Section of Lamington N.P. advising of the first work weekend.

“As we get closer to the date I will need to know how many will be coming, ages and fitness level. 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.

A Ranger will run through a quick Binna Burra site induction, and instruction on how we wish the work to be done. Once the ‘team leaders’ have been chosen, and they have an understanding of what is involved, they can then instruct their teams on how the works are to proceed.

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.

Between now and May I will put together a basic work program, what work is required, where etc, along with all emergency details for the team leaders.

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.

14th -15th MAY, SAT-SUN RADIO PROTOCOLS, SEARCHING TECHNIQUES & NAVIGATION FEDERATION MOUNTAIN RESCUE

Contact: Barbara M fmrqld@gmail.com

Web: <http://www.fmrqld.bwq.org.au/>

For information on Location, Time, and Directions, watch the web site and obtain all details when you nominate.

15th MAY, SUNDAY WHAT IS NEEDED FOR A WALK TRAINING

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

Meet at: Mountain Design Shop, The Valley

Time: 10.15am

Cost: Free

Location: 120 Wickham St, Fortitude Valley

Web: <http://www.mountaindesigns.com/>

Ever wondered what you need to carry or use on bushwalks?

Seen what others use and wondered why?

Want to know why that item is designed that way?

Thinking of upgrading to weekend walking and need to know what is required?

Well, here is your chance. Come along to this info morning. Learn all about what you could be using.

16th May, 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.

21st MAY, SATURDAY ANNUAL MASS AND DINNER

Contact: Liz Little Ph: 3356 4874

Venue: MASS: Chapel of the Franciscan Sisters, “Delamore”,
115 Turner Rd, Kedron (almost opposite Jardine St.)

**DINNER: Stafford Tavern, 51
Webster Rd, Stafford.**

**Cost: Mass is free
Dinner: Pay individually for dinner
and drinks as you go**

**Web: <http://mficaust.org.au/index.html>
<http://www.thestafford.com.au/dinner-menu.php>**

The annual Mass and Dinner is always a pleasant evening. The sisters at Kedron are opening their beautiful chapel to us once again. It is small and intimate – makes for a good atmosphere; and the singing is not ‘lost’.

The Stafford Tavern is reasonably priced: breads \$6 to \$12; salads \$13; mains \$16 to \$26; and steaks \$22 to \$30; and sides \$5 to \$8. They have the standard desserts.

22nd MAY, SUNDAY IPSWICH HERITAGE WALK DAYWALK

**Leader: Helen Mees Ph: 3294 6976
Grade: M23
Location Suburban & inner city Ipswich
Web: http://www.ipswichcentral.com.au/ipswich_central_map/**

Helen is planning a 12km walk around the parks, gardens and history of Ipswich, starting in the central area and walking around the river, Denmark and Limestone Hills and through Queens Park. Why not catch the train to the start and give historic Ipswich a go. There will be opportunities to fill your water bottle along the way, and to buy lunch if you want to travel light. A light walk for after the Mass & Dinner.

More in the next Jilalan.

PREVIEW

17th 19th JUNE, FRI TO SUN OXFAM TRAILWALKER

Oxfam is organising a very large team challenge event in the D’Aguilar National Forest in June and need volunteers from organizations such as bushwalking clubs who love the outdoors to get involved.

About Oxfam Trailwalker Brisbane – June 17-19, 2011: Oxfam Trailwalker is a team endurance event, where teams of four people walk/run 100km in under 48 hours. It’s a major fundraising event for Oxfam’s poverty alleviation work in 29 countries around the world. For the inaugural event, we have 300 teams (1200 participants)

registered to take up the challenge and raise vital funds to support people living in poverty.

Volunteering: Oxfam Trailwalker is only made possible by the very committed, talented and energetic volunteers we recruit to help before, during and after the event. We will have over 600+ volunteers at the event. Whether it’s working out on the trail, at the checkpoints or as part of our Logistics Crew, volunteers will make a huge difference by supporting the teams and helping Oxfam to put on safe and memorable event.

Oxfam & Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club: We are looking for support in recruiting and organising volunteers who are specifically skilled in dealing with bushwalking and outdoor events such as ours. We have lots of different roles available such as the following:

Trail Marker: With your fantastic navigational skills, you’ll walk the trail before everyone else and place trail markings according to the maps. Your help will ensure that the walkers know where they’re going.

Trail Marshal: The motivators! Not only will you help the participants pass safely along the trail, but you’ll also be their motivation and support when they really need it.

Sweep Team: The all-important back-up crew – you’ll follow the last team on the trail and ensure they safely reach the next checkpoint. You’ll also clear the trail of all trail markings and debris as you go.

Or other roles based at one of the checkpoints along the path- we have a role for everyone! If you could please promote this opportunity to your members that would be appreciated. I have also attached a flyer for your information. If you would like to talk further about how Brisbane Catholic Bushwalkers Club may get specifically involved, then I would be really keen to talk to you about that.

To find out more or to register to be a volunteer please visit:

<http://trailwalker.oxfam.org.au/brisbane/>

Regards, **Leisa Ashton | Volunteer Coordinator | Oxfam Trailwalker Brisbane, Tel 07 3637 4648**
(I only work on Thursdays and Fridays.)

Daywalk 24th June Campbell’s Folly

A most unusual name for a mountain. It has been decades since the Club has had a walk here. A fairly easy off track walk up a small little mountain. But the mountain has been chopped in half and it

has two distinct peaks and the plan is to climb both peaks.

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

26th to 28th AUGUST, FRI TO SUN FEDERATION PILGRIMAGE BASECAMP

Each year, all SCQ bushwalking clubs meet up for combined camps (the Annual Pilgrimage) - a chance to expand your horizons and your network of fellow bush enthusiasts, and is a walking and social experience. In South East Queensland, the clubs meet each August. This year Pilgrimage 2011 is being organised by both the Sunshine Coast and Glasshouse Bushwalkers Clubs at the Kenilworth Showgrounds from Friday 26th to Sunday 28th August 2011. A Bush Dance and other social activities are organised throughout the weekend and it is an ideal time to meet and renew friendships with fellow bushwalkers. The activity is run on a non-profit basis.

This year it is being run along with the Sunshine Coast Festival of Walks.

<http://www.festivalofthewalks.com.au/>

**Friday 18th Sept
John Toohy Society Meeting
The Orient Hotel
Queen Street Brisbane**

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

Web: <http://hotelorient.com.au/>

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott.

For the month of May we are meeting at the Hotel Orient.

Nestled on the corner of Queen St. and Ann St. in Brisbane's inner city lies a hotel steeped in tradition. Dating back to 1875, the Hotel Orient offers a truly unique experience. I did notice it is very close to All Hallows School.

By May we are getting into the cooler nights and we will be nestled in the pub on the corner.

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. In particular we are interested in those who have been tasting reports from overseas locales. Phil

THE GREAT AUSSIE CAMP OUT

(GACO)

15th October

<http://www.greataussiecampout.org.au/index.php>

The GACO will bring together thousands of Australians for one big night where they will share the experience of camping out under the stars ... in their back yards, on a river bank, in a camp, a National park, a caravan park - in fact, anywhere they might feel like!

With the long term goal of promoting healthy active lifestyles by encouraging individuals, families, friends and clubs to enjoy the great outdoors, GACO will coordinate a one night 'camp-out' across the country with the aim of introducing people to the fun and adventure of camping out.

People will be encouraged to stay at a residential camp or caravan park, pitch a tent, sleep under the stars, grab a Barbie, organise some games and get away from their normal weekend routine.

It is anticipated that a range of come'n'try activities will also be offered on the day of the GACO by community groups such as scouts/guides, bushwalking clubs, canoeing clubs. Residential camps will also be able to offer activities such as high ropes, flying fox, atlatl and archery. National Parks could arrange to have Park Rangers on duty to conduct interpretation activities for the night.

In this way participants will be able to sample adventure activities and experiences in the outdoors in a controlled and supported environment.

There will be plenty more information coming soon about the Great Aussie Camp Out so stay tuned.

LEADERS NEEDED

Suitable for a Beginner Leader

Mt Mathieson 9th July DW (Really a ½ day walk):
Just south of Cunningham's Gap

Mt Alford 30th July DW (Really a ½ day walk):
Near Kalbar and Moogerah Dam

Medium Ability Required

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

Ring Phil M on Ph: 5522 9702.

PAST EVENTS

West Canungra Creek
Daywalk 13th March 2005
Attendance 14
Leader Phil
Weather – 26° with misty rain

This was a rainforest trip up at O'Reilly's and was a reasonable nice day. On the plus side it never actually rained but we seemed to have a constant light misty drizzle. It was never heavy enough to put a raincoat on. Anyhow it was a lovely little walk in the rainforest that due to the misty conditions was a bit slippery in places and we had one slight mishap as one of our group was putting her raincoat back in her pack while walking and next thing she was 5 metres down the steep slope. Amazingly she didn't break anything. She had one little graze - she was a little shaken and stirred but not bad considering what could have happened. It was such an innocuous looking spot but just a moments break in concentration and things can happen. Well after waiting 20 or 30 minutes to see if she had recovered from the original fall and making sure she wasn't suffering from shock we gingerly started walking again that started with a creek crossing across wet boulders. She did it easily. We then slowly started the ascent back to O'Reilly's. With frequent stops we finally got back in a very good time. We split the group up at the Box Forest Junction to allow most of the group to finish the full walk and 5 of us went back in the smaller group. Thanks to Peter Constable for taking on leadership of this group. He had never done this walk before but did it easily. The small group got back to the coffee shop and had just finished our coffees when the second group turned up and we all compared notes. The second group were very muddy and apparently they set a very fast pace on the return journey.

It was a lovely day and we had 2 new walkers on the trip namely Ken Evans and Mike Duggan who have now qualified as members.

The view from the coffee shop was superb as there were lovely swirling clouds making wonderful vistas in the valley down towards Castle Crag.

Thanks to the drivers on the day.

Those on the trip: Kerriane Pearce, Ken Evans, Mike Duggan, Sophia Ramsay. Mary Hood. Terry Silk, Mary Van Velthuisen, Peter Constable, Paddy Taylor, Barry Crawford, Michele Johns, Brenda Keough, Anne Iron and myself.

As to the name of our injured walker – the old rule applies “what happens on tour stays on tour” and her name wont be given out. Phil

Ps - this trip seems to be jinxed for me as the whole point of the trip is to get to Blue Pool. Twice last year the trip got cancelled due to flooding rains and this year I missed out again as I helped our injured walker back. For those who have long memories I had a similar problem getting to Mt Castle in 2002 as 3 times I missed out on getting there as the pre-outings we ran out of time and the day of the actual trip the first one was aborted because we had a problem with road and access and the next trip someone had a fall and we had to turn back. I finally got there in May 2005 when we did it as an overnigher. Those who watch the program will notice we are going to Mt Castle again this year. Phil Murray

JAMES BOAG IN THE COURTYARD 4TH MARCH

The incessant rain meant this this year's James Boag gathering had to move from the courtyard to the garage. What the garage lacked in ambience, it made up for in shelter.

The change of venue did not dampen the spirits of those who assembled and sampled a range of beers, wines, mineral waters and coffees. When the hunger pangs set in, pizzas a range of pizza varieties were brought in. Coffee and cake followed.

The conversation revolved around tanks, YET AGAIN. We're talking the armoured ones, here, not the rain water types. A lap top had to be produced so that photos of said tanks could also be viewed.

Other topics that managed to sneak into the discussions included International women's Day, large Catholic families and goddaughters.

Desley offerred an apology, as did Phil the Elder who had just returned from his adventures overseas. Phil the Younger was in town, disecting sponges at the Queensland Museum. He also sent an apology.

Present were Liz, Terry, Greg, Michele, Jan, Russ, Trevor, Peter, Peggy, Briget, Rosemary and Grahame. Liz

JTS AT THE STORY BRIDGE 18TH MARCH

The Story Bridge Hotel is an old favourite, but wasn't an old faithful earlier in the year. Following the Brisbane River flood, the ferries stopped operated for a while, preventing us from visiting the *Story Bridge* in January. By March, the river transport was almost back to normal, allowing us to have our annual visit.

It was good to see Catherine and Michael after their travels. It was also the first time Phil was back with us after his adventures in Egypt.

The hotel is built under the bridge and around the pylons. Our usual bar is the Outback, which is open air, not particularly noisy and has plenty of seats.

We had a pleasant evening. It was good to see that some areas around the river are now back to normal.

In attendance were Phil, Jan, Michael, Catherine, Gret, Liz, Maria, Grahame, Suzanne, Elizabeth and Michele. Liz

CLUB HUT FEAST 19/20TH MARCH

The food was purchased, the wines selected, the invitations printed, the place mats prepared, the semi-formal clothes ironed – all was ready.

The group of nine walked into the Club Hut on Saturday afternoon in cool overcast weather – just perfect for carrying heavy loads. We arrived at 5pm.

All swung into action – the table prepared, the candles lit, the flowers arranged, the food placed on the stoves, the finery put on, the first wine cracked, the 6 course coming out like clockwork on time.

First we had the hors d'oeuvres – a fine selection of the best cheeses, broken olives, eggplant and crackers. Following this Peggy brought out the entrée – an alternate choice of 2 delicacies (well received by all for her imagination and careful selection of foods). And what a surprise were the soups – Peter can cook up a mean broth. Now came the 2 main courses – the beef casserole and the chicken lovingly cooked by Susan and Liz. The desserts by Jan and Kerriane left everyone asking for more. There was not much room left for mints, coffee and tea.

Thanks for: Michele Endicott, Susan & Phil Murray, Kerriane Pearce, Peter Constable, Jan Nelson, Liz Little and Peggy Roe for entering into the spirit of the night and for all the delicious food prepared, carried and cooked, and the drinks brought in. It was Susan's first time into the Hut! Thank you all for making it such a successful night. One of the "feast groupies" said it was the best Feast of the long line of Feasts. Greg E.

CLUB HUT WALK SUNDAY MARCH 20th

After driving through rain most of the way, we arrived at the Lower Portals carpark, and began our walk. It soon became apparent that work had been done on the track. There were two new sections, with elaborate stone steps, and parts had been graded and drained. The remainder, however, was extremely wet and slippery. There was more water in the creek crossings than usual, and the vegetation was noticeably greener. We were fortunate that the rain held off during our walk, so raincoats were unnecessary.

We had met the overnights on the way in, who said they had left us some red wine. When we arrived, there was a small amount left in the bottle – obviously they were just too lazy to carry it out!

When the rain stopped, we walked down to the creek. It was deeper than I had ever seen it, and very fast-flowing – much too dangerous to cross. As a visit to the swimming hole was out of the question, we retreated to the hut, and partook of our 'goodies' in honour of the huts 44th birthday. It was very pleasant to relax around the table afterwards and chat.

Then it was time for Pat and Jonas to do some gardening – wielding pick and shovel to remove lantana and dead bracken from around the hut.

After lunch, we followed the portals track down to the creek crossing. If possible, it was even deeper than near the hut.

We then returned to the cars, and on to Maccas in Beaudesert for coffee. Those on the trip - Paddy Taylor, Terry Silk, Pat Lawton, Jonas Bernotas, visitor Maree Henderson, Suzanne Stevenson, Graham Glasse, Marion Arthur, Barry Crawford and Michele Johns. Paddy Taylor

THE AGM MONDAY 21ST MARCH

Your Club had its postponed AGM last month. The Annual Report was presented, discussed and voted on.

The election was held for the 2011 Committee and the successful candidates were:

President – Desley Pedrazzini, Secretary – Trevor Kelly, Treasurer – Terry Silk, Editor – Greg Endicott, Outings Secretary – Phil Murray, Social Secretary – Antonia Simpson, Vice-President - vacant, Training Officer - vacant, and Membership Officer - vacant. The Honorary Auditor is again Joe Tottenham.

Mt Greville 26th March

We were treated to a beautiful autumn's day after all the rain over the last few months. It was a party of five which headed off from Red Hill to the mountain. The country was green and the dams were all full. It was decided to head up via waterfall gorge. There was still plenty of water flowing. Our first animal was a brushtail rock wallaby which sat and posed as we walked past. Ken forged ahead and pointed out our second animal. A beautiful green tree snake was draped over an old palm frond and a picture was definitely taken of its yellow and green markings. The rest of the gorge was peaceful and the temperature much lower than out in the sun. We exited the gorge and headed over to the spires for more pictures. The moogerah dam and all the surrounding mountains were displayed in their glory. From here it was up to cliff edge for lunch. After lunch we headed off to the top of the mountain for more views. Then we dropped down by the south east ridge to the start of palm gorge. This was an easy stroll down. Here we encountered our third animal, a lace monitor. It showed off its ability to quickly scale a tree. In no time we were back at the car park. On the way home we stopped into Boonah for a cold drink. I would like to thank Ken, Peter, Marie and Terry for joining me for great day out at Mt Greville. Paul.

CITYCYCLE BIKE RIDE SUNDAY 27th MARCH

There were 10 of us experimenting with the Council's new CityCycle bike hire scheme. The aim was to pay the \$11 and use none of it – there were no refunds if you did, but it was the excitement of beating the clock.

The weather was deliciously cool and overcast to make it a good day for bike riding. No chance of overheating – even on the hills.

We started out at Commercial Rd at Newstead and rode along the River to West End. It was a mixture of bike paths, board walks, footpaths and the road. Being a Sunday, there were other cyclists on our tracks – more professional than us I must say, but not one other CityCycle user! We changed bikes every 20 to 30 minutes so as not to eat into our \$11. Just like on walks, there were the fast ones, the ones with no fear, and those who

wanted to race. All I wanted to do was not crash into pedestrians, mothers pushing prams, other cyclists, fences, gutters, bollards, the River and the like – I did not succeed but I did survive.

We met up at the bike transfer stations and while there planned the next part of the journey and the next transfer (and more impotently, where lunch was.).

We lost a few at Southbank and four of us continued onto Orleigh Park at the West End ferry terminal. It was a Glider trip back to the start to find our cars.

Thanks to Phil Murray, Louise and Emma Jones, Adrian & Alex Genovese and their 2 teenage sons, Lee and Sophia Ramsay for coming on this adventurous day. Greg E.

VOIE VERTE FRIDAY 1st APRIL

Not much more can be said about this walk that I did not say in the "Comings" article in the last Jilalan. It gave the full itinerary, a description of the countryside as you go through it, outlined the historical sites along the way, told the stories of the locals.

This is a beautiful part of France – in south Burgundy. In-between the low hills runs a river along which the grapes grow. The old steam train line followed the lowlands beside the river. The area had the historic monastery of Cluny, where the 10th century reformation of the western church began. It's now a ruin. Lovely old villages dot the countryside. Old manor houses of the gentry sit at the edge of towns. Great B&Bs are all around. Michele.

3rd APRIL, SUNDAY BOONDALL TO TOOMBUL

Quite a few of us parked our cars at Toombul and caught the train to Boondall, to our surprise end up on a bus after arriving ten minutes late, we quickly introduced our selves set off to our first stop the information kiosk at the wet lands where we were greeted by friendly and helpful staff. Moving on we soon found the wet lands living up to its name with the water over the track in several places, morning tea was at the boat ramp on Nudgee road. The next section behind Nudgee golf course along the Kedron Brook was 8.8km and we powered through it at a very fast pace with the first walkers reaching the bike shelter at Hedley Ave. Around 1.20pm. After a well earned lunch and a snooze for one of us we

walked the last 1.5km to Toombul where most of us went for coffee and cake at Zaraffers. My thanks to our visiting walkers Kathy and young Markus and Michele. E who joined us for coffee and the regular club members for making it a great day.

Peter C

Ps. Keep your eye out for the next fun Parasol walk coming soon.



Back row: Markus, Ken Bridget, Andrea, Russell, Paddy, Greg, Mary, Graham, Julie
Front row: Kathy, Peter, Louise, Jan, Terry.
Photo taken by Desley Pedrazzini 3/04/2011

**Kenilworth Bluff
Saturday 9th April
Day Walk**

After collecting Terry and Justin I set out for Kenilworth with the weather rather unsettled but hopeful. After collecting Peter, Heike and Chris en route we arrived at the Wilcox Family Park around 8.45am. We were climbing a small mountain called Mt Bonoum on the Kenilworth Bluff. There are conflicting figures given for the height but 529m appears to be the right value. Mt Bonoum is considered the summit of Kenilworth Bluff, a large plateau some 4km long and 1km wide. The entire walk lies on private property and is able to be done due to the generosity of the Wilcox family who have provided an easement through their property to the top.

The first kilometre or so is across farmland and provides great views of the bluff. The proliferation of lantana is very evident here and I'm sure will only get worse with all the rain we are receiving. We started to climb onto the main ridge via steps that have been provided to a picnic table where we stopped for a break. The track now became very narrow as we followed the ridge up. It wasn't long before we had reached the rim of the bluff. After another short break we headed for the summit. Unfortunately the track had now disappeared but it was only a short bush bash to the top. We were surprised to find the top completely

cleared and used for grazing. We wandered down to the south western end where there were some views.

After morning tea we walked the remaining short distance to the summit of Mt Bonoum and were rewarded with great views north. We could even see the other small peak on the bluff, interestingly called Kenilworth Bluff. After a short exploration we decided to descend. Luckily I found the road that drops down from here which made our descent to the rim much easier. It wasn't long before we were back at the picnic table and lunch time. It was then only a short distance back to the cars and onto Kenilworth for coffee. We were lucky the rain held off until we were driving back to Brisbane.

This was an interesting walk which provided another perspective of this region. My thanks to the five walkers who joined me – Terry, Justin, Peter, Heike and Chris – who I hope enjoyed the day as much as I did. Michael.

**MAP READING MORNING
10th APRIL**

We gathered at Mt Coot-tha to break out the map and compass and to de-misterify the use thereof. I went through grids, contours, picking your best route. Then I showed the intricacies of the Silva compass – finding a bearing, magnetic variation, back bearings. Now there are a few more experts in the Club.

Thanks to all for attending. Greg.

**JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY
PROPOSED 2009
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Apr	15	Beach House
May	20	Hotel 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
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**KEEP THE SCENIC RIM
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ARE THEY OUT OF THEIR MINE'D

<http://www.keepthescenicrimscenic.com/>

Carabella Resources Limited's
www.carabellaresources.com.au/Projects/Barney

[ViewAndMaroon](#)) website and shareholders portfolio clearly reveals plans to commence coal exploration in the scenic Mt Barney valley at Barney View in 2011. Local residents and council were caught completely unaware of the impending plans of this profit-driven shareholder company, who's ultimate aim is to exploit the finite natural resources of The Scenic Rim.

The planned coal exploration and coal mine is adjacent to World Heritage-listed Mt Barney National Park, and is a designated "National Landscape" and is called "Australia's Green Cauldron" (this is a Parks Australia and Tourism Australia project)
<http://www.australia.com/campaigns/nationallands/capes/AustraliasGreenCauldron.htm>

Innes Larkin, owner/operator of Mt Barney Lodge said "Carabella Resources Ltd is planning to explore and potentially mine coal in a region of national significance; it has been listed as the third most biodiverse region in Australia. We intend on sending a clear message to the State Government to protect our shared environmental assets and halt coal exploration immediately".

This impending project brings Queensland's two most significant industries head to head – coal mining and tourism. The Mt Barney precinct is a thriving tourism destination recognised by Tourism Queensland and the Queensland Tourism Industry Council. It is a region that is only 90 minutes drive from Brisbane and the Gold Coast, yet retains a sense of wilderness and escape from the urban centres that surround it. This region is also important to Brisbane and Gold Coast residents who have visited it over the years for bushwalking and camping, and have a wealth of collective memories and experiences from the area.

The plan for coal mining is in direct conflict with the voiced dreams of The Scenic Rim community, who clearly expressed their vision to council during the recent community consultation process during council amalgamations in 2008. The shared dream is to value and protect the environmental assets, scenic amenity and rural character and lifestyle of The Scenic Rim.

The community's wishes are actioned by John Brent, the current Mayor of The Scenic Rim. Mr Brent, has to date (04/03/2011), avoided going on the public record in the last 4 weeks regarding the council position on coal mining in the Mt Barney Valley. This is of great concern, and seems to send the message that no news is bad news.

Carabella Resources is just one of the many companies with mining interests in the Scenic Rim.

How is The Scenic Rim Regional Council and Mayor going to respond to this and other coal threats in The Scenic Rim?

Will an informed community act now together to have their united voice heard AGAINST coal exploration and mining in The Scenic Rim.

Take the first step and email "Keep The Scenic Rim Scenic": keepthescenicrimscenic@gmail.com

Look at the next tab of our website | "What can I do to help".

Thanks for caring enough to take action,

The "Keep The Scenic Rim Scenic" Committee,
Phone: 07 5544 3233; Fax: 07 5544 3233;
Email: keepthescenicrimscenic@gmail.com

(Copied from their web site – not the views of BCBC.
The views expressed are those of the keep The Scenic Rim Scenic Committee.

Included to inform members and friends.)

JIMNA FOREST ACTION GROUP INC (JFAGI)

**email: info@jimnafiretower.com
web: www.jimnafiretower.com**

"Sustainable use and Forest Care"

Jimna Access Slowly Recovers From Severe Weather

Jimna Road Report: - Extensive earthworks are underway on the Jimna Range, which is expected to maintain a one lane situation for some considerable time.

Sunday Creek road is still closed due to a land slip,

Enquiries re the use of the Funnel Hut loop via Booloumba Creek Camping Area should be directed to www.derm.qld.gov.au or phone 1300 130 372.

Mount Buggery road from Imbil is now open.

Bellthorpe Road from Maleny is open, but Bellthorpe from Woodford is closed.

Monsildale Road has been repaired.

Peach Trees Camping Area, although suffering severe damage to walking tracks, is back in business.

TRACK MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS

The weekend of 14 and 15 May looks like when this will start 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](mailto:desley.pedrazzini@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Desley

AROUND THE RIDGES

The Sydney Catholic Bushwalking Club on the 23rd March had their AGM and decided to change the constitution to allow non-Catholics to become full members. The vote received the 75% majority for the motion to pass. The actual vote was 40 to 11.

For those who were interested in the new wording they used it is basically membership is open to Catholics and non-Catholics who ascribe to the Catholic values of the Club.

For those who are interested our Victorians colleagues have always had a somewhat more inclusive wording as follows "membership shall be open to Catholics and their friends who are the full age of sixteen years"

By way of contrast both these Clubs require you to do 4 walks before you can become a member.

The Victorian Catholic Walking Club is having their 60th Anniversary this year with a special Mass and dinner of Friday the 13th May. The reason for the Friday as this was the only day they could get a church and hall and priest available. I will be zipping down for the event but mainly as I missed out on King Tut in Cairo due to riots I will be able to catch up on him as he is on display in Melbourne for a few months. Phil

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Classic Larapinta Trek - 7 days from \$2,095*pp

The Classic Larapinta Trek takes in the beauty of the Larapinta Trail in all its glory. Known as one of the best walks in Australia, over the years the word has spread, making it World Expeditions' most popular trek. With small groups and a support vehicle which meets you every night with your camping gear, you are able to concentrate purely on your hike and the magnificence of the Larapinta Trail. Check it out!

Kakadu, Katherine & Beyond - 8 days from \$2,052*pp

Waterfalls tumble from the red cliffs into shady pools, tranquil wetlands teem with animal and birdlife, while Aboriginal cultural heritage is on display in hidden rock art galleries. Combining wilderness walks along with relaxing rambles and a few secret spots, this itinerary is truly physically engaging and includes a wilderness canoe journey.

Jatbula Trail - a serious trek for serious trekkers! - 6 days from \$1,895*pp

If you enjoy hiking, then the Jatbula Trail is for you! Favourably compared with the Overland Track in Tasmania and the Milford Track in New Zealand, the Jatbula is a 6 day guided trek which winds along the edge of the escarpment from Nitmiluk (Katherine Gorge) to Leliyn (Edith Falls) and features magnificent waterfalls tumbling from high quartzite cliffs, shady monsoon forests lining the creeks and stunning Jawoyn Aboriginal rock art.

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BIBBULMUN TRACK

The world-famous Bibbulmun Track in Western Australia stretches almost 1000kms from Kalamunda in the Perth Hills to Albany on the south coast and passes through some of the most diverse and beautiful coastal, forest and rural areas of Australia's south west. The tour allows participants to experience glimpses of the very best sections as this award-winning track explodes in a burst of colour.

Registrations are once again open for our very popular '8-day Highlights of the Bibbulmun Track' tour of WA's famous long distance walk trail. This all-inclusive itinerary is limited to 16 places and show case s the very 'Best of the Bibbulmun'. Led by experienced guides from the Bibbulmun Track Foundation the 8-day tour departs Perth on 5th

September 2011 in the midst of WA's famous wildflower season.

This tour has been carefully compiled to combine a variety of full and ½ day-walks with comfortable off-track accommodation. Varied landscapes from the rolling hills and jarrah forests in the northern section, through the magnificent karri and tingle forest to the spectacular ocean views and coastal heathlands in the far south provide a unique and interesting insight into this biodiversity hotspot. Lead Guide, Steve Sertis, who has walked the length of the Track three times and knows it 'inside-out' said *"The pace of this tour is ideal to appreciate the spectacular wildflowers and diverse landscapes of the south-west"*

Participants need carry only a small daypack, and the flexible itinerary caters for all levels of experience.

Those interested are encouraged to book early as limited places fill quickly. All inclusive cost: \$2,450 (twin share).

For more information call Jean Byrne, (08) 9481 0551, send an email to events@bibbulmuntrack.org.au or go to www.bibbulmuntrack.org.au

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We look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

EDITOR'S REPORT

ARTICLES: Please have all articles for the May Jilalan to me by Wednesday 4th May. 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

As Editor, I reserve the right to alter, amend, move, shorten or not print articles.

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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



The Table Setting, 2011 Blub Hut Feast (Liz L)

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

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

VISITORS are always welcome.

OUTINGS

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

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

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

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

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$40; Associate Members: \$30; Spouse Members: \$10.00; Country: \$30.00.

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer.

Pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

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

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THEOLOGY CORNER

Lazarus: Coming back to life is a team effort

Of all the miracles Jesus performed, the raising of Lazarus ranks as the most astonishing to the people of his time.

The Jews thought bringing back to life a person, who was already four days dead and decaying, was as unthinkable. Jews, at this time, believed the soul of a dead person remains with the body for three days.

This miracle is a challenge, for early Christians and for us, to never give up hope even in the hopeless situations in which we find ourselves as individuals, as a church or as a nation. G.K. Chesterton once said, "Hope means hoping when things are hopeless, or it is no virtue at all."

But that is not the point of the story that John makes in his gospel. In fact there is no one in the story, not even Mary or Martha, who believed that Jesus could bring Lazarus back to life after being dead for four days.

No one expected him to do it, so expectant faith is not the emphasis here.

Rather the emphasis in the story on how we cooperate with a miracle-working God is placed on practical obedience and doing God's will. Listening to him and acting upon what he asks of us.

To effect the miracle, Jesus issues three commands and all of them are obeyed to the letter. That is how the miracle happens.

First, "*Jesus said, 'Roll away the stone.' ... So they rolled away the stone*" (Jn 11:39-41). Did the people understand why they should do this heavy work of rolling away the tombstone to expose a stinking corpse?

Why didn't Jesus command the stone to roll away all by itself, without bothering the people? We don't quite know. All we know is that divine power seems always to be activated by human cooperation and stifled by non-cooperation. As C.S. Lewis said, "God seems to do nothing of Himself which He can possibly delegate to His creatures." God will not do by a miracle what we can do by obedience.

The second command Jesus gives is directed to the dead man: "*Lazarus, come out!*" and the dead man came out" (Jn 11:43-44). All we know is that Jesus' word of command is followed by immediate obedience. Lazarus gropes his way out of the dark tomb even with his hands and feet tied up in bandages, and his face covered up.

The third command is again addressed to the people, "*Unbind him, and let him go*" (Jn 11:44). Even though Lazarus could stumble out of the tomb, there was no way he could unbind himself. He needs the community to do that for him.

Jesus is demonstrating to us that miracles are a team activity. Jesus wants to do as much as possible through us, through our actions, our good intentions put into practice.

Are we ready to cooperate with him for the miracle? Are we ready to roll away the stone that stands between us and the light of Jesus' face? Are we ready to take the first step to come out of the place of death? Are we ready to unbind ... to forgive one another and let them go free?

These are the various ways we cooperate with God, to show our faith, in the miracle of bringing us back to life and reviving us as individuals, as a church, and a nation.