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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
Feb 12	John Toohey Society – The Victory	Phil	5522 9702		
12	FMR – “Do you know Tasmania” Talk	Desley	3369 5530	FMR	
14	Illinbah Circuit	Greg	3351 4092	DW	L34
15	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
16	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
17	Ash Wed – Cathedral Mass 5pm & Coffee	Desley	3369 5530	Rit	
19/21	Border Ranges NP – Wiangaree	Michael	3351 3810	BC	M33
20	FMR – Condamine Gorge	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
27	Obi Obi Gorge Lilo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M77
28	Clem 7 Opening Tunnel Walk	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	S11/M12
Mar 6	Fairfield to City	Graham	3371 9623	DW	S11
7	Clean Up Australia Day				
13/21	Great Ocean Road (Vic)	Desley	3369 5530	TW	XL35
14	Macleay Island	Maxine		DW	S12
15	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
18	BWQ Meeting	Desley	3369 5530		
19	JTS	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
19/21	FMR – Basic/Intermediate Training W'end	Desley	3369 5530	Trn	
20	Tallebudgera Creek	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M54
27	Upper Portals to Lower Portals	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M55
27/28	Club Hut Feast	Greg	3351 4092	ON	S34
28	Club Hut Day Walk	Michele J	3353 2822	DW	S34
Apr 2/5	New England NP – Easter	Needed		BC	M33

3	Magical Mystery Meander	Desley	3369 5530	DW	M23
5	Paddy's Peak – Easter Monday	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
10	Rochedale to Burbank	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S22
10	FMR – Tibrogargan (Caves Route)	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
10	Pat's Birthday Bash	Justin	3366 3193	Soc	
16	James Boag Society	Liz	3356 4874		
17/18	Lincoln Wreck (National Camp Out W'end)	Needed		TW/BC	S55
24	Mt O'Reilly – Samford Valley	Michele J	3353 2822	DW	S45
26	Buderim Tramway (ANZAC Day Pub Hol)	Heike	5445 3448	DW	M
May 1/3	Sunshine Coast Great Walk	Needed		TW	L33
8	Bare Rock Evening Stroll	Needed		DW	S24
15/16	Savages Ridge	Justin	3366 3193	BC	M57
16	Yellowpinch Circuit	Needed		DW	
22/23	First Aid Course	Desley	3369 5530	Trn	
22	Annual Mass and Dinner	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
23	Albion to Ferny Grove	Paul	0412 339311	SW	
29	Boondall Wetlands	Cheryl	3263 8393	SW	
30	Minnages	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M55
Jun 5	Caloundra Beaches	Graham	3371 9623	DW	M23
12/14	Emu Creek Circuit	Needed		TW/BC	L56
13	Knapps Peak	Needed		DW	M54
19	FMR – Mezzanine Ridge	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
25/27	Girraween NP	Needed		BC	S55

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.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

Help us to see more deeply into things, to be conscious of the mystery and the beauty of life and the challenging questions that it brings. May its tensions result in growth and development.
Amen (Johnson 1986:39)

TREASURER'S REPORT

A reminder that if you have not yet renewed your membership, you should do so as soon as possible so that you do not miss any magazines. When paying, please ensure that you complete and sign the Membership Renewal form that was in your January magazine.

As we are no longer able to door-knock the Graceville area to collect money for the Little Kings Movement, we are now just collecting from our members. So, if you would like to make a donation to this worthy cause to help the handicapped, please see me and I will give you a receipt which you can claim on your tax if your donation is Two dollars or more.

I neglected to mention in my Treasurer's Report in the Annual Report that another reason for the increase in the cost of posting our magazine was the full year impact of the September 2008 postage increase.

Also, a further reminder that we have club t-shirts and badges on sale for twenty dollars and five dollars respectively. Please do not delay buying these items as any new supplies will cost more. Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

John B, Michele E, Candy, Kerry, Greg R, Michael S, Terry and Kay are each celebrating their birthday in February.

Congratulations to our first new members for the year:- Candy, Malcolm, Peter C, and Peter B. Also, welcome back to Peta. We look forward to catching up with you on a walk real soon.

Andre, Christine and Andrea were visitors on Desley's hot route march from Cannon Hill to Hawthorne, whilst Alise along with Elly and Bonnie from Korea joined Greg on his Coomera Circuit "sprint". Kerrie, Sarah and Peter were first-time visitors on Phil's Moran's Falls walk where Andrea clocked up her second walk as a visitor.

Recently, we have had enquiries from Therese, Sue, Ron, Catherine, Nampech, Sarah Munroe, Gayle, Audrey, Trish, Will, Marie, Mike, Jim, Sandy and Sasha. All visitors are most welcome to join us on any of our walks or socials.

Barbara E is a grandmother one more time – good work Barbara.

Thank you all for your sympathy and lovely cards which helped greatly after the passing of my dad. Marie

Joe F visited Canada and South America over Christmas.

Good luck to Ivan who will be studying in New Zealand for the next ten months. (How tough will that be?)

Greeting from Breda, back in Ireland at the moment: Hi Greg and all the members of the club. Greeting from Dungarvan. Happy New Year to everyone. I know you are all sweltering in the heat at present but spare a thought for all those who have been cut off by the snow for over two weeks. We are experiencing the coldest winter in forty years. Looking forward to catching up with people in the not too distant future. (PS: Greg E has her e-mail address if you want to contact Breda.)

Mary & James, visitors to us at the end of last year, are currently on the Great Ocean Road six day walking track. All the best – bring back some photos to show us.

From: Sérgio & Simone, Sent: Tue, 2 February, 2010

Subject: Hello BCBC

Hi Greg, our travel back to Brazil was very good. Very tiring and long - Australia is on another side of the World. hehe. Very good that members remember us.

The Christmas was very good, a lot of food, more kilos on my body. hehe. Now I'm on a diet. We are living in the same apartment as before - we left it closed, and now we are renovating. We have found jobs, not with the same companies, we changed - I worked for 10 years in the last company, I was tired of it.

About our English, is a shame - I haven't had any chance to show my English yet as It's very difficult to speak English here. I'll have to find an English course or something to practice. The important thing is that we are more confident now. We learned a lot.

Here is so hot too, it's good to go to the beach.

I remember the BCBC Australian Day 2009 social at Southbank - it was a nice day. We have good memories and we will always be grateful to you, Desley and everyone from the club.

I'm in contact with another Greg, his daughter is coming here.

One thing more, I have news, we got our permanent visa, so I think very soon we will see you all again.

Um grande abraço (Portuguese)

cya. Sergio & Simone

(PS: Greg E has their e-mail address if anyone wants to contact Sergio & Simone.)

ELECTIONS ARE ON THE WAY

Start to think about what you will do for the Club in 2010.

You have ideas and opinions.

Be a mover & shaker, not a backroom whinger.

Only by being on Committee can do you have an avenue to make changes – otherwise you have to go through someone else.

If no one nominated in advance for a position, you can nominate yourself from the floor at the AGM

Let us have a change in 2010.

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE

Position	Nominee	Nominator	Seconded By
President	Desley	Greg	Phil
Treasurer	Terry	Jan	Graham
Editor	Greg	Bernard	Pat
Outings Secretary	Phil	Jan	Greg

As there were no other Nominations for these 4 positions, the Nominee is automatically elected to the position.

The other Committee Positions: Secretary, Social Secretary, Vice-president, Training Officer and Membership Officer will be called from the floor to be filled on the night of the AGM on Monday 15th Feb. Jan has indicated that she can stay in the position of Secretary till June, and then resign the position

LEADERS NEEDED

This Means You

The Club is coming to the desperate situation where we will have to cancel walks as we cannot get leaders for them. Some are walks that the newer member can lead. Most the average member can easily lead.

We are in danger of losing our harder walkers to other Brisbane clubs as we are not providing the trips to meet their capabilities. Not everyone can lead a hard trip, but is still capable of going on one. With the present membership, we have many trips of an easier nature for our "average" walker. We cannot afford to lose our harder (and more established) walkers.

Yet again, if the harder walkers want to do their type of trip, they will have to come forward to lead them instead of leaving it to one or two members. You have to prove that the harder trip is worth programming.

The hope is that people join a bushwalking club to go with like minded people, and after finding the standard of walk that suits, attempt walks of a harder grading to be rewarded with an experience that pushed them. The walks with a tougher grading are the ones that are higher and steeper – thus providing better views from the top that easier walks do not.

Leaders are needed for:

Date	Event	Where	Experience	Type	Grade
Apr 2/5	New England NP – Easter	Armidale	Moderate	BC	M33
17/18	Lincoln Wreck – Lizard Point	Great Divide Warwick	High	TW	M56
17/18	Lincoln Wreck	Great Divide Warwick	Moderate	BC	S55
May 1/3	Sunshine Coast Great Walk	Mapleton to Montville	Low	TW	L33
8	Bare Rock Evening Stroll	Cunningham's Gap	Beginner	DW	S24
16	Yellowpinch Circuit	Club Hut Area	Beginner	DW	S53
June 12/14	Emu Creek Circuit	Great Divide Warwick	Moderate	TW	L56
12/14	Emu Creek	Great Divide Warwick	Moderate	BC	M55
13	Knapps Peak	Boonah	Low	DW	M54
20	Mt Fraser	Aratula	Low	DW	S44
25/27	Girraween NP	Wallangarra	Moderate	BC	S55
July 10/11	Boonah Gate Area	Boonah	Moderate	BC	L45
Aug 28	Mt Tibrogargan	Glasshouses	Moderate	DW	S65
28	Tibrogargan & Trachyte Circuits	Glasshouses	Beginner	DW	S22
Sept 24/26	Lost World	Below O'Reillys	High	BC	S45
25	Bicentennial Tracks and White Patch	Bribie Is	Low	SW	S22
Oct 16/17	Mt Glassy & Dome Mtn	Woodenbong	Moderate	ON	S65
23	Booloumba Gorge	Conondales	Moderate	DW	M55
Nov 27	Enoggera Creek Walk at the Gap	The Gap	Beginner	SW	S21
Dec 4	Christmas Party	Your House	Low	Soc	Soc

Phone Michael S Ph: 3351 3810 to volunteer to lead one of these outings.

CAN YOU HELP?

Driver Needed
26/27th MARCH, FRI/SAT
BARNEY CREEK

This overnights need someone to shift a car from the Cleared Ridge (Burnett Ck Water Reserve) to the Lower Portals Car Park. Join us for tea on Friday night, camp and walk into the Upper Portals for a swim before returning to the cars and doing the car shuffle. Your chance to visit the Upper and Lower Portals in one week-end.

If no one is available on Friday night someone going into the Hut on Saturday maybe able to leave early and pick the car up on the way down.

Thanks Justin. Contact Ph: 3366 3193.

COMING EVENTS

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

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

7th FEBRUARY, SUNDAY
WEST CANUNGRA CREEK CIRCUIT
DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Ph: 5522 9702,
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill

Time: 7.30am (OR 9am at O'R for Gold Coast people)
Grade: M33
Distance: 13.9km
Cost: \$15.00
Location: O'Reilly's end of Lamington National Park
Map: See map with Moran's Falls article, 26th January above
Web: <http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/register/p02948aa.pdf>
Emerg Off: Susan Ph: 5522 9702

This track has been re-opened after the damage caused by the floods of January 2008.

The walk starts at O'Rielly's, and we follow the Box Forest Circuit, walk past Elabana Falls and then we follow the re-opened track along the Canungra Creek. We stop at Blue Pool (Yerralahla) for lunch and then it is back to O'Rielly's up the Blue Pool Track.

It is a lovely rainforest walk along graded tracks with a optional swim at the Blue Pool. There are numerous creek crossings – taken as read as this is a rainforest walk along a creek in Lamington. Come along for a lovely easy daywalk. There is an uphill walk at the end of the day. With all our walks at O'Reilly's recently, we have hardly covered the same territory twice. Again we follow a different path, this time down one of the major creeks to lovely pools and cascades. Search for the rare Lamington Blue Crayfish along the track, maybe even a Land Mullet – recognisable by its hair cut. Phil

12th FEBRUARY, FRIDAY
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY
THE VICTORY BEER GARDEN

The February meeting is on the second Friday as the third Friday is during Lent

Contact: Phil Ph: 5522 9702
Address: Cnr Charlotte and Edward Sts (The entrance to the Beer Garden is in Charlotte St)
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: For a wee chat , a drink and a meal
Web: <http://www.thevictory.com.au/bars.html>

Come along and enjoy a gathering at The Vic. Since our last meeting here in 2008 the Victory had a severe fire and was closed for over a year. The hotel re-opened last year. So come along and see if The Vic has been restored to its former glory.

The JTS meeting is a great chance to catch up with friends and watch the passing parade of people and discuss past & future trips. For the JT purists there is a fine selection of beers, wines & food available.

Come along to the "Do You Know Tasmania" Talk with a few of us afterwards. Phil

12th FEBRUARY, FRIDAY
DO YOU KNOW TASMANIA
PUBLIC LECTURE

Contact: Ted, of FMR Ph: 3286 2817,
Time: 7:30 PM
Where: Des O'Callaghan Auditorium, Mater Hospital Campus, Cnr Stanley St & Annerley Road, Mater Hill
Site Map: <http://www.library.uq.edu.au/hsl/mater/map.html>
Cost: \$15.00; \$10.00 for students, pensioners

An Evening Presentation by Ian Ross. Hear all about the bushwalking areas of The Apple Isle, see the photos, and start to plan your next walking experience. Talk with the others in the audience to find out what they have done down there; maybe even plan a joint trip with like minded people.

Program

- The THREE RIVER VALLEYS are areas under threat, and present images that will give you insight into the publicity surrounding this Tasmanian region.
- "PICK OF OUR PATRONS PICS" 2 is a new selection of favourite slides from Club Patron & long standing member, John Miller, taken over the past half century

- STROLLING THE SOUTHERN RANGES Join this relaxed party of bushwalkers who spent a great week enjoying leisurely breakfasts, magnificent scenery, fantastic dinner locations, and south coast beaches.
- "BUSHWALK-TASMANIA.COM" FORUM's "Photo of the Year" competition finalist images are presented.
- "THEY BUILT A HUT" is the story of the building of the Scott-Kilvert Hut at Lake Rodway in the Cradle Mountain region in 1966. Have you ever wondered how our wilderness huts came in to being? This movie documents the building of a remote hut using the methods, muscle power, and machinery available in the 1960's.
- DYKT QUIZ And now for our traditional QUIZ. How well DO you know Tasmania's rivers?
- HOUNSLOW HEATH HIGHLIGHTS Join our diverse group as they enjoy the autumn "turning of the Fagus" on a day walk to Hounslow Heath in the Cradle Valley.
- GIANT EUCALYPTS are a unique Tasmanian phenomenon that we may be the last generation to see, as our tall Eucalypts require specific conditions to survive and prosper.
- "THE TASMAN LIGHT" One of our recently digitised 16mm movies showing a trip to the historic light house on Tasman Island in 1971. It captures the experience of getting onto this remote and wild island. The lighthouse was automated years ago, and the scenes recorded of the landing, tramway haulage ride up the cliffs, and the lighthouse complex in operation, have now passed into history.
- WILDERNESS ON WHEELS A look at what happens when bushwalkers decide that two feet are just not fast enough to explore the Tasmanian wilderness.
- The SIX RIVERS TRIP Three intrepid adventurers decide to explore some of Tasmania's remotest rivers using mini inflatable's, and bring back some stunning images of pristine wilderness and centuries old Huon Pines.
- OUR FINALE From macro to magnificent, there is inspiration in all parts of our environment. Drift gently through the "Chasm of Peace" on the Franklin River with Matt Brain, as we conclude our show.

HOW to get there: Use the Allen or Water Street carparks. From the carpark, the easiest access is from the ground level in Stanley St, walk up Raymond Tce, and turn left at the main gate. Do NOT take the overhead bridge from the carpark.

Come along to the JTS first at The Victory, and catch a bus there with a few of us.

All welcome.

MBS: Ask Tracey H why Terry is writing receipts for packets of Tim Tams.

14th FEBRUARY, SUNDAY ILLINBAH CIRCUIT DAYWALK

Leader: Greg Ph: 3351 4092

Meet at: St Brigid's carpark, Red Hill

Time: 7am (8am Canungra for Gold Coast people)

Cost: \$20, \$15 for those who did Coomera Cct with me (\$6 for GC people if carpooling)

Grade: L34

Location: Below Binna Burra, on Coomera Ck, but going in from Canungra end.

Web: <http://lamington.nrsm.uq.edu.au/Documents/Scene/III.htm>

And <http://www.binnaburrallodge.com.au/exploring/index.php?action=viewWalk&id=7>

Emerg Off: Michele Ph: 3351 4092

Well, do I remember the last time I lead this trip. What an experience. This time we will do it better. Now better armed and forewarned, and with two years for the track to recover, the way should be easier. Pat L tells me that Parks & Wildlife have remade the track so the creek crossings are easier to get to and the track on the other side is well marked.

We park in a farmyard, then follow an old road to the National Park boundary. Climb through the fence and off into the rainforest. The track is undulating until we reach Illinbah Clearing. Now for the fun – the 12 creek crossings (+3 on the way in from the cars & again on the way out).

The ground along the creek is totally rainforest – There are lovely strands of palms, big buttresses rainforest trees, strangler figs, staghorns, deep green colour, a bubbling creek and more. You will be walking along the creek's flood plain among the river rocks, and a bit higher up on the side of the ridge going up and down inclines as the creek winds along the valley floor below. This is what remains of The Old Cedar Track, along which they brought out the timber cut in days past. Then at the end, climb up the ridge and go to the Swimming Pool, a deep pond in the creek as it falls from the Plateau near Binna Burra.

Up 100 (it seems like 500 to me) steps to where the Illinbah Track branches off. This is an old, but recently repaired, National Park's track that winds its way down along the side of the eucalypt covered ridge, in and out of rainforest gullies until it ends at the Illinbah Clearing. Then back to the farm and the cars.

This should be a full day – be prepared for 6 hours of walking, not including breaks.

There are probably 18 crossings of the creek – too many to be taking boots off each time. If there is rain, the crossings may be up. Some are not crossable by rock-hopping. However, I can promise a very rewarding day – you feel great when you see those cars again in the distance. Greg.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
15th FEBRUARY, MONDAY
S^t MICHAEL'S PARISH HALL
250 BANKS ST, DORRINGTON

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

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

Time: 7:30pm

We need a quorum for the AGM to be held. It would be embarrassing for the AGM to be postponed, thus no election and the old Committee forced to stay in office for another month. A quorum is 11 members.

The business conducted will include:

Receive the Committee's Report,

and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2009;

Receive the Auditor's Report;

Election of Committee for 2010;

The appointment of the 2010 Auditor;

Voting of Honorary Members; and other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

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

Members should attend to carry out their democratic right of questioning, in a civilised and polite manner, the outgoing committee about the running of the Club during 2009, and to vote in the new committee. It works better if we have more than the usual number of members present.

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

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

See you all there.

Jan, Club Secretary

17th FEBRUARY, WEDNESDAY
ASH WEDNESDAY
MASS AND COFFEE

Leader: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

Meet at: St Stephen's Cathedral, 249 Elizabeth St, City

Time: 5pm for 5.10 Mass

Location: Over the road from the back of the GPO

Web: <http://www.cathedralofstephen.org.au/mass.htm>

Gather at the bell in the yard at the back of the Cathedral beside the old building at the Charlotte St end of the property. At 5pm we will move into the Cathedral to sit together. The Mass should last about an hour – depending on how many parishioners attend.

Afterwards, move towards a cafe for coffee and perhaps a light meal.

**19-21st FEBRUARY, FRI TO SAT
BORDER RANGES NATIONAL PARK
BASECAMP**

Leader: Michael S Ph: 3351 3810

Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill

Time: 7.30pm

OR 6am Sat Morning for an 8am start at the Forest Tops Camping Area

Cost: \$25 + \$14 for 2 night's camping

Grading: M33 to S63 in places

Location: Northern NSW on the other side of Lamington

Web: <http://www.colongwilderness.org.au/RedIndex/NSW/lost99.htm>

And [http://www.eoearth.org/article/Central Eastern Rainforest Reserves, Australia](http://www.eoearth.org/article/Central_Eastern_Rainforest_Reserves,_Australia)

And <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NationalParks/parkWalking.aspx?id=N0050>

Emerg Off: Catherine Ph: 3351 3810

There are four walks in this area – the Tweed Pinnacle walk to the lookout; the Brindle Creek trail following the creek from the bridge to the escarpment and Antarctic Beech (look for signs of the Viet Cong); the walk along the overgrown track to Grady's Creek Falls and the Tweed Trig on the Qld/NSW border; and lastly from the Forest Tops camping ground to the Sheep Station Creek camping ground in the valley below.

The Brindle Creek walk is a basic track walk through rainforest. The Army used this area as a pre Vietnam training ground for the battalions prior to deployment to Vietnam. On my last visit to Wiangarie there were still spent blanks, rusty tins and aluminium ration packs lying around. On my first visit, there were even a few Viet Cong with their pith helmets standing amongst the bushes

The Grady's Creek track does not appear on the web map, so now might be a little overgrown – but still worth a visit. The Falls are one of the best in the area, and everyone should get to the Border Trail at least once.

The Booyong Track down to Sheep Station is well maintained, though eucalypt and is undulating in a downward way.

A very good area to be walking in.

**20th FEBRUARY, SATURDAY
CONDAMINE GORGE AREA
FMR TRAINING
for EXPERIENCED WALKERS
DAY WALK**

Leader: Ted, Ph: 3286 2817

Meet at: Ted can tell you who is going & where to meet

Time: 8am at Condamine Gorge

Grade: M55

Cost: \$20

Location: South west of Boonah, on the road to Queen Mary's Falls

Web: <http://www.fmrqld.bwq.org.au/train.html#Condamine>

And <http://www.rockclimbing.com/routes/Australasia/Australia/Queensland/South%20East%20Queensland/Condamine%20Gorge/>

This is an exploratory walk, honing your rock skills.

Skills required: Experienced bushwalking skills, fitness, rock hopping, and scrambling.

Come along to learn new skills, improve those you already have, and meet like minded bushwalkers from other clubs.

27th FEBRUARY, SATURDAY
OBI OBI LILO TRIP
DAY FLOAT

Leader: Phil Ph: 5522 9702,
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time: 6.00am
Grade: M77
Cost: \$20.00
Location: Behind Maleny, Montville & Mapleton in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland
Web: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/47346014@N00/3477815024/in/photostream/>
Emerg Off: Susan Ph: 5522 9702

The Obi Obi lilo trip is a classic trip to do. It is just a buzz. The trip is about 11km long and we spend about 10km in the water. It takes about 7 hours to do it.

Bring a lilo, wear thermals for sun protection and bring some food for a great day out. Bring 3 garbage bags to use as water proof bags to go inside your day pack. I highly recommend wearing Dunlop volleys as footwear and garden gloves for your hands.

We need at least 150ml of rain at Maleny to ensure the trip goes out. The alternative plan is the Brisbane River from Fernvale.

Bring a sense of responsibility and water smarts as the trip has an element of risk and you need to be aware of the danger. Phil

Track Maintenance Volunteers Induction - 27th February 2010
at QPWS Daisy Hill
at 9am

Bushwalking Queensland Inc. is pleased to announce that QPWS has agreed to our suggestion to allow bushwalkers to assist with routine maintenance of the graded track network.

An induction morning for interested volunteers will be held on

Bushwalking Queensland induction agenda

Venue: Daisy Hill – Conference Room

No. of attendees: approx. 20

QPWS staff attending: Ranger- NRM, Volunteer Coordinator, The Gap- Chloe

9:00 Introduction and welcome (Chloe)

Purpose of accreditation

Organisational structure

9:15 DERM Code of Conduct (Chloe)

9:30 Health and Safety (local rangers)

Emergency response procedures, health & safety

10:00 Communicating with the public (Chloe & local rangers)

Answering questions in the park and dealing with conflict/ code of practice regarding giving advice

10:30 Question time

Complete registration forms, volunteer agreements

11:00 Morning tea (provided)

It is BWQ's desire to help restore the graded tracks to a high standard of presentation, working in close collaboration with the QPWS as they address the major repair tasks across the graded track network.

Queensland's national parks represent a wide diversity of landforms and ecosystems, and a well maintained visitor infrastructure is essential to create a public awareness and to facilitate an appreciation of our natural heritage to ensure their long term preservation.

Bushwalkers have long enjoyed the opportunities provided by the graded track network and to appreciate these values. This is an opportunity for us as a major stakeholder group to give something back to parks.

Bushwalkers interested in this volunteer field work should confirm their attendance at the induction day to assist with catering, by return email to secretary@bushwalkingqueensland.org.au or by post to Bushwalking Qld. Inc. , GPO Box 1573 , Brisbane, 4001 by Monday 22nd February 2010.
Gavin, Secretary, BWQ

28th FEBRUARY, SUNDAY CLEM7 TUNNEL WALK THROUGH SOCIAL

Leader: Greg Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Bowen Hills Entrance O'Connell Tce – Entry 3.
Time: 10am
Entry: By ticket only, arranged in advance
Cost: nil
Grade: S11 to M12
Location: Under The Valley & Kangaroo Point
Web: <http://www.clem7.com.au/openday/date-time.php>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 3351 4092
Bring: The entrance ticket, water and food

It has been announced – the Tunnel is opening Sunday 28th. I have booked 25 places since the walk through is by ticket only. The first 21 to contact me get a ticket. Our entrance slot is 10.30am only

The Open Day operates from 9.30am to 3pm at the Bowen Hills entrance only. There will be food and drink stalls at the entrance as well as entertainment and displays.

Meet up in O'Connell Tce, near the official Entrance 3; gather at the corner of Tufton St. This is the entrance at the Bowen Hills Railway Station end, not the RBH end. If you enter at either of the other 2 entrances, wait inside near Entrance 3 and give me a call on the mobile. You cannot enter the area without a ticket.

The other 2 entrances are at the RBH end of O'Connell Tce at Wren St, and at the RBH end of Campbell St.

There are 4 options for the walk:

1. Walk the 1.5km to the lowest part of the tunnel which is 60m directly under the river, and get a bus back to the beginning,
2. Walk the 1.5 to the lowest part of the tunnel and walk back to the entrance,
3. Walk the whole 6.5km of the tunnel to Woolloongabba and get a bus back through the tunnel to the Bowen Hills entrance, or
4. Walk to Woolloongabba and walk back.

Getting There:

Bus: free buses run from 8.30am from these Busway Stations – RBH, King George Sq, Cultural Centre and Buranda. Buses will be marked “Clem7”.

Train: get off at Bowen Hills and do the short walk to Entrance 3.

Cycle: park at the RBH Cycle Centre – Phone first on Ph: 3636 2453

Car: limited off street parking is available at Victoria Park (Gilchrist Ave) and Perry Park (Edmonstone Rd + Free Shuttle Bus) for \$10.

Rules:

All bags, containers and persons will be searched for prohibited items; such as alcohol, weapons, flares, drugs, lasers, fireworks, spray cans. No bikes, skates, blades, skateboards, scooters or other personal transport devices.

They reserve the right to refuse entry, or to evict people from the site.

Entry is at your own risk.

First Aid facilities are available.

When nominating, please give me: your name, land and mobile numbers, postal address – I need to send the ticket to you, and be able to contact you on the day when we get separated.

Treat this like a normal walk – slip, slop, slap and being hat, water, food, wear comfortable footwear, torch, and rain protection.

I intend walking the whole distance to Woolloongabba and catching the bus back – 6.5km should be 2 hours.

There is a Fun Run in the morning before the walk through, so if you are interested you need to book separately - <http://www.clem7.com.au/openday/tunnel-run.php> Only 5000 places.

The race is on – first in gets the tickets.

6th MARCH, SATURDAY
FAIRFIELD TO CITY
½ DAY SOCIAL WALK

Leader: Graham Ph: 3371 9623
Meet at: Roma St Railway Station
Time: Train departs 8.03am
OR 8.15am at Yeronga Railway Station
Grade: S11
Cost: \$3 for club + Train fare:
Off peak daily zones 1-2 adult: \$5.90
Location: Inner southern suburbs
Web: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yeronga, Queensland](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yeronga,_Queensland)
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/West End, Queensland](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/West_End,_Queensland)

We shall take the 8.03am Beenleigh train from Roma St Station, and leave the train at Yeronga Station. After walking through a couple of suburban streets, we shall enter a large expanse of parkland which will take us to the Brisbane Corso at Fairfield. A brief detour will allow us to see the marker for the 1974 Brisbane floods, located on the Corso.

Our next destination is the Eleanor Schonell Bridge. Views of the bridge are available from a viewing platform along the way. After crossing the bridge, we shall make our way to Guyatt Park, via the University of Queensland and leafy Macquarie St. We shall board a CityCat to transfer to Orleigh Park at West End. (Your off peak daily includes your CityCat trip). The final part of the walk is along the river from West End to Southbank, past several new unit developments, with a short detour around the southern approaches to the Go Between bridge.

This is a very easy walk; the terrain is flat, and the total length is about 10km. Only limited shade is available on the walk, so hat and sunscreen are recommended, along with other standard daywalk items. The walk should finish around midday; those who wish can have lunch/refreshments at one of the Cultural Centre cafes. Alternatively, it is only minutes back to Roma St Station via the Kurilpa Bridge. The day also presents an opportunity to view the latest exhibition at the Gallery of Modern Art. Graham

7th MARCH, SUNDAY
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY FUN RUN
MATER FOUNDATION BREAST CARE UNIT

Contact: IWDFR 2010 Ph: 1300 614 122
Time: 7.00am
Meet: Cultural Forecourt, South Bank Parklands
Distance: A 5km scenic looped course starting and finishing at South Bank
Web: www.womensdayfunrun.com.au
FunRun Hot Line: Phone between 9.30am-2.30pm weekdays only: 1300 614 122
Beneficiary: chicks in pink Mater Foundation Breast Care Unit

Register online. Full details are available on the event's website www.womensdayfunrun.com.au

If you're looking for something different for a Christmas Gift this year why not get together with some of your colleagues and enter a corporate team (a Corporate Team must be 4 people and must be a business or organisation to be eligible

Categories include 5km Individual Walkers, 5km Individual Runners (eight age categories) and 5km Corporate Teams as well as a School's Trophy and Best Dressed Team prizes.

ALL entries up to 5pm Fri 19th Feb 2010 \$32 Team: \$102

Late Entry (online only) after Fri 19th Feb and up to 5pm Fri 26th Feb \$37 Team \$120
Mail or Faxed Entry processing Fee Add \$5 per entry Team Add \$20 per Team

GREAT OCEAN ROAD THROUGH WALK SAT 13th TO SUN 21st MARCH

Leader: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

Cost: Airfares, camp fees and transport to and from walk

Grading: 91km track includes rugged coastal scenery and quiet beaches

I have wanted to do this walk for a few years so have finally decided it will be in March so hope some of you can join me. I have booked flights for myself at a cost of \$250 as shown below and will need to know numbers before I can book campsites and transport.

Day 1 - Sat 13/03/10 Virgin Flight 6am – arriving Melbourne 9.25am

Travel from Melbourne to Apollo Bay – there are buses and trains available then walk from Apollo Bay to Elliot Ridge Campsite 10.3km (3hr 30 min) Medium

Day 2 – Sun - Blanket Bay Campsite 13.3km (4hr 30min) Easy

Day 3 – Mon- Cape Otway Campsite 11.4km (3hr 45min) Easy/Medium

Day 4 – Tues - Aire River Campsite 9.8km (3hr 15min) Medium

Day 5 – Wed - Johanna Beach Campsite 15.3km (5hrs 15min) Medium

Day 6 – Thurs - Ryans Den Campsite 14.8km (5 hr) Medium/Hard

Day 7 – Fri - Devils Kitchen Campsite 15.3km (5hr 15min) Medium/Hard

Day 8 – Sat - Information Bay adjacent to Glenample Homestead 14.1km (4hr 45min)
Easy/Medium

(Based on walking pace of around 3km an hour)

Sunday 21/03/10 - Make our way back to Melbourne to catch QANTAS 3.05pm – arriving Brisbane 4.15pm

You will need to carry everything for the eight days of walking and seven nights camping. The purpose built campsites have toilets, showers and untreated water tanks so if you are interested please let me know as soon as possible. Desley

MBS: Who made 3 phone calls to nominate for a recent walk & still worried that there wouldn't be a seat available for her?

14th MARCH, SUNDAY PININPININ POINT TO POTTS POINT DAYWALK

Leader: Maxine Ph: 3409 4001

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

Time: 7am at Red Hill, OR 8.30am at Weinam Creek Ferry, Redland Bay

Grade: S12

Cost: \$20

Location: In Southern Moreton Bay

Web: <http://www.macleayisland.net/>

Emerg Off: Mike Ph: 3409 4001

Come and explore Macleay Island off Redland Bay. It is only a short journey by ferry across Moreton Bay to Pininpinin Pt.

These Bay Islands were a major source of timber for the early settlements and the mainland well into the 20th century. Oysters, cotton and sugar cultivation in the mid 1860's with fruit, vegetable and dairy followed on and setting the pattern for the next 100 years. The Island farmers had a major advantage in their crops ripening earlier than mainland farms due to the warming effect from the sea. Our group will pass one of the old orchards behind the Macleay Primary School.

We will follow the Heritage Trail to Thompsons Water Hole and Wetlands. Morning tea now, looking out to Nth Stradbroke Is, and then we will follow the coast road around the northern end of the Island to Pats Park. Time to relax with a swim before lunch and a walk around the rocks to Potts Pt. A sausage sizzle and billy tea to top up the hungry troops, before a walk

down the western side of the Island to Dalpura Beach. Then back to the ferry for your departure to Australia.

Don't forget your water, sunblock, insect repellent, swimming gear, hat and most important...your passport.

15th MARCH, MONDAY MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

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

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

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 come on the walk.

Come pay your 2010 subs.

Nominate to lead an outing.

Pay your subs.

Stay for supper. Bring those holiday snaps.

19th MARCH, FRIDAY JTS STORY BRIDGE HOTEL

Contact: Greg Ph: 3351 4092

Meet at: 200 Main St, Kangaroo Point, cnr Baildon St (really is directly under the Story Bridge. In the Outback Bar (or the Bar Outback)

Time: 5pm, earlier if you wish, later if you so please

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

Here we are again after work, meeting for a social drink, and perhaps a meal.

At that time of evening, there should be plenty of parking available. Otherwise, come by public transport – bus, train, ferry – all options are available. Look up Transinfo (the Story Bridge Hotel is a "Location" in it). <http://www.translink.com.au/>

Come talk about old times, about past outings, past liver, future adventures, about fond memories. There is certainly a lot to talk about.

Come for a goodbye drink, order some hot chips, even stay for dinner – there is a good dinner menu at The Grill. Sit at the tables in groups of eight and chat, drink and eat.

Come one, come all.

19-21st MARCH, FRI TO SUN FMR TRAINING WEEKEND Beginner/Intermediate BASECAMP

Leader: Peter of FMR

Contact: Ted Ph: 3286 2817,

Time: 8pm Fri OR 7am Sat

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

The subjects this month include: Presentations and exercises, Incident response, coordination with emergency services, search base planning and execution, operating a radio net, records, wilderness first aid etc.

There will be a chance to put all this into practice with a simulated rescue.

Supply your own bushwalking equipment, food etc. Organise your own transport unless otherwise advised. A cost-recovery fee may apply.

21st MARCH, SUNDAY TALLEBUDGERA FALLS

DAYWALK

Leader: Justin Ph: 3366 3193
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.00 am.
Cost: \$20.00
Grading: S54
Location: Gold Coast Hinterland
Web: Google earth 28° 13' 13.26"S 153° 19' 11.60"E
Emerg Off: Michele Ph: 3351 4092

Flowing down from the McPherson Range through the Tallebudgera Valley and into the Pacific Ocean is Tallebudgera Creek. Wild and untamed in the upper reaches, it's a fantastic place to be on a summer's day, cool flowing water, cascades, rock pools and two water falls.

We start off with that great drive up the Tallebudgera Valley to start the walk on the Old Cream Track. (The route used to bring the cream down from Springbrook) before entering the creek to rock hop to the falls for smoko and a swim, lunch will be at the second set of falls in the side creek. It's not a long walk to the falls but it is creek walking and rock hopping. Yes Terry if you try hard you should be able to keep your feet dry. I myself am going drip dry and just wearing sandals, togs and drip dry shirt to swim as much as I can.

Come and join me in one of nature's magic places, a walk that doesn't appear on the club calendar that often.

26/27th MARCH, FRI/SAT BARNEY CREEK OVERNIGHTER

Leader: Justin Ph 3366 3193
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 5.00pm
Cost: \$20.00
Grading: M55
Location: Between Boonah & Rathdowney
Web: <http://bigred4x4.blogspot.com/2008/10/mt-barney.html>
Emerg Off: Michele Ph: 3351 4092

Have a steak at the Dugandan and a swim in Barney Creek.

On Friday night we'll head down to Boonah for tea at the Dugandan before heading up to the Mt May Water Reserve to camp at the top of the road above Graces Hut.

Saturday morning waking up to that misty view down the valley and across the dam. After breakfast we head along the ridge for some great views of Mt May, Ballows, Monserrat and Barney before dropping into Back Creek and onto Barney Creek. A short walk brings us to the Upper Portals, the upper gateway and the start of our day in the creek.

On our journey we'll pass Barrabool Creek, The Gorge, Barney Beautiful, swim in some fantastic pools, gaze at the wonder and wilderness that is Barney before reaching the Lower Portals, the lower gateway and our last swim.

From here we follow the track to the cars and home or to pick up our pack and return to the Hut for the Feast. Barney Creek, soother of souls, mender of the broken spirit, with it's rock pools, boulders and whispering waters is an incredible, magic place, there are not enough adjectives in the dictionary to paint the picture.

Come and experience the wonder that is Barney Creek for yourself.

27/28th MARCH, SAT/SUNDAY YALBURU BUSH TUCKER RESTAURANT "The Camp You Have When You Are Not Camping" BASECAMP

Leader: Greg Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 2pm. Non-stop to the Portals car park.

Cost: Approx \$40

Grade: S34

Location: On beautiful Mt Barney Ck, below the Lower Portals

Emerg Off: Michele Ph: 3351 4092

*For Members, Visitors, Friends & Family (over 18).
Yalburu Bush Tucker Restaurant,
Lower Portals,
Mt Barney Creek*

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

You are invited to dinner at Yalburu

6pm Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, on the patio while watching the sunset over stunning Mt Barney.

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

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

10pm Port and coffee.

9am The washing up.

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

Dress: Smart casual top half.

Overnight accommodation is at a rustic mountain cabin beside a bubbling babbling creek or in one of the detached annexes.

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

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

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

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

Costs depend on the number attending, purchase price of the goodies, & petrol.

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

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

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

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

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

28th MARCH, SUNDAY CLUB HUT DAYWALK

Contact: Michele J Ph: 3353 2822

Meet at: St Bidgid's Carpark, Red Hill

Time: 7am

Grade: S34

Cost: \$15.00

Location: BCBC Hut, on Mt Barney Creek, West of Rathdowney

Web: <http://www.weekendoutdoors.net/mtbarney.htm>

Emerg Off: Richard Ph: 0409 871 641

This is a walk that can be done by every member of the club! March is when the club celebrates the Club Hut's Birthday. It is only a short walk, approx. 4km on an undulating track with two small creeks to cross. Views of Mt Barney and Mt Maroon can be seen along the way.

After a morning cuppa on arrival we can swim in the huge pool under Barney waterfall, explore Barney Creek and surrounds or just relax beside the creek. The day is yours.

Please bring a small contribution of your favourite feasting goodies for sharing at lunch as we say happy birthday to Yulburu.

So come and join me in one of the most beautiful places in South East Queensland. You won't be disappointed.
Michele

MBS: Who, on a walk with the Catholic Bushwalkers, lost their soul?

**10th APRIL, SATURDAY
PAT'S PARTY
SOCIAL**

Contact: Justin Ph: 3366 3193

Where: Campo Dei Fiori, 287 Junction Road Eagle Junction. (Near the Railway Station Car Park.), U.B.D 140 H7, It is a short walk from the station so you can catch the train

Time: 6:00pm

Web: <http://www.campodeifiori.com.au/index.html>

R.S.V.P: Tues 6 April, but as soon as possible so Justin can increase the number he has booked. (The restaurant may need to kill another fattened cow.)

Party, Party, Party.

Pat, the leader of the pack, is having one of those naughty birthdays. Come and help her celebrate. Join us at the Italian Restaurant for tea, fun and lots of Pat's stories.

She has had a few birthdays before, but we feel this one needs recognition. Pat is a hard walker carrying heavy packs, so come along to see her reveal her lighter side. Pat is a story teller extraordinaire – she will keep you captivated for hours.

The menu has pastas, pizza, steak, scaloppini and more. Come armed with cash as it is one bill per table.

Since the restaurant ants to know numbers in advance – one reason so they can have enough waiters & cooks on for the night, Justin would like you to nominate to him as soon as possible. This does not stop you making a late decision though, just not everyone make one.

**16th APRIL, FRIDAY
JAMES BOAG SOCIETY
THE COURTYARD**

Contact: Liz Ph: 3356 4874

Where: Newmarket

When: 4pm onwards including after work

Bring: Beer, wine, champagne, soft drink, juice etc, photos, conversation, companionship, smiles.

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

Cost: \$5 for food. Don't bring any food. It will be provided.

This meeting is entirely BYO for all liquids. Fortunately, there is a bottle shop across the road. Refrigeration will be provided, along with some snacks to eat. Food will be provided and attendees will be asked to throw in a few dollars to cover the cost.

The Courtyard is a pleasant garden setting in downtown Newmarket. It is quiet and not at all crowded. There are enough seats for all. Ample parking and convenient public transport are available.

The company is always convivial. The gathering is a delightful way to wind down at the end of a working week. It won't be a late night. We usually wind up about 8pm.

If you are travelling to *The Courtyard* by train:

- Alight at *Newmarket Station* on the Ferny Grove line.
- Exit by the subway at the city end of the station.
- Turn left into Wilston Road.
- Walk about 100 metres to a t-junction.
- Turn right into Newmarket Road.
- Walk about 250 metres.

- The bottle shop will be on the left.
- **If you are travelling to *The Courtyard* by bus:**
- The 345 *Aspley* bus leaves every 10-15 minutes from the inbound platform at the Cultural Centre bus station and also from the outbound platforms at the King George Square and Roma Street bus stations.
- Other buses leave from other parts of the city and can be researched at www.translink.com.au or phone 13 12 30. They are the 325, 360, 361, 372, 373, 357, 359 and 390. Type in *411 Newmarket Road*. **Do not type the unit number in.**
- Alight at *Newmarket Stop*. (The driver will alert you if you ask in advance.)
- Continue walking in the same direction as the bus.
- Cross one intersection.
- Take the next right into Newmarket Road.
- Walk about 100 metres.
- The bottle shop will be on the right.

(For those travelling home alone, the bus stop is located in a busy, well lit place.)

Maps can be found at www.whereis.com or in *Google Maps*.

22nd MAY, SATURDAY ANNUAL MASS AND DINNER

Contact: Liz Ph: 3356 4874

Time: 5pm

Venue: Mass: Chapel of the Missionary Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, 4 Hennessey Lane, Kedron.

Dinner: Stafford Tavern, 51 Webster Rd, Stafford.

Cost: Mass is free. Pay individually for dinner and drinks.

This is advance notice for the annual Mass and Dinner, which is usually a pleasant evening. The sisters at Kedron are opening their beautiful chapel to us once again. Father David Pascoe will celebrate with us and will be assisted by our own Deacon Russ. Peggy is providing the music.

I am looking for people willing to read and children willing to be part of the offertory procession. Please let me know if you can help.

MBS: Liz L (with foot-in-mouth disease) criticized a local ABC radio morning compare.

PAST EVENTS

NADGEE NATURE RESERVE 11th DECEMBER TO 15th DECEMBER THROUGH WALK

Late Friday afternoon four intrepid explorers headed off into the unknown. A quick flight to Canberra was followed by a slow journey to Wonboyn. However before we reached the Ranger Station we reached what looked like a 4WD track so we stopped for the night and camped by the side of the road. However, when daylight arrived we found our eyes were mistaken and we were only some 200m from the Ranger Station and carpark and the road was fine.

After a quick breakfast we headed up a fire track (Table Ridge Track) which follows a ridge to just below Mt Nadgee. After 30mins or so we reached a turnoff to Tumbledown Mountain Lookout, just a short climb from the track. Unfortunately, trees spoiled our views but you could just see the coast through the gaps and in the distance Cape Howe. By lunchtime we had reached the end of Table Ridge Track. A lunch spot provided 360° views and we could almost see our entire walk before us. It was here we turned left onto Daylight Ridge and a descent to the Nadgee River.

It was early afternoon when we arrived at the river which was very low and easy to cross. Just above the river is Harry's Hut, yes another one, a reasonable well preserved one. It is thought that this was the original buggy hut, later rebuilt by fisherman Harry Redman as his home. We collected water from the river but later discovered that one of the tanks at the hut

was the preferred supply. We had started the day in light Eucalypt forest and finished the day in the same. Near the highest point, the Eucalypts gave way to Melaleucas which reminded me of the plains in southern Tasmania. Flies and mosquitoes were starting to become a real nuisance and they would remain with us for the whole trip. Thank goodness for the Aerogard.

A shorter day today, 19kms instead of 22kms, but most of the day would only require day packs. We continued across a small melaleuca swamp before emerging onto a sedge-covered plain. After a few kilometres we left the plain and reached tonight's campsite on the edge of Nadgee Lake. After setting up camp we donned backpacks and headed along the shore of the lake towards the ocean. The salt froth along the edge was amazing and showed just how salty this lake was. It is separated from the ocean by 50m or so of sand and we followed it before climbing onto Endeavour Moor. The moor is covered with heath which was waist high in places but the track was easy to follow. Luckily the wind was reasonably gusty today and drove the flies away most of the time but it was hot out on the moor.

About an hour from the beach we reached Bunyip Hole, a freshwater lagoon just behind the dunes, where we hoped to find water. The water spots we had come across since Harry's Hut were empty, briny or just mud holes - Bunyip Hole was no different. We were starting to worry. A short distance past Bunyip Hole we dropped to the beach again and followed it down to a campsite just before Cape Howe. There was no track to the border but that didn't stop us for we just headed overland until we saw a pole about 50m from the coast before espying the remains of a concrete obelisk. This marks the border between NSW and Victoria at Cape Howe. We had made it. Cape Howe marks the point where the coastline stops heading south and turns west. It also marks the start of Bass Strait. Michael. More Next Month.

BLINKY'S TRIP TO CHINA DEC 2009 – JAN 2010

I had to miss the annual Boxing Day walk last year to accompany Liz and her Canberra cousins to China. There was so much to see and do that the humans usually walked for up to 20 kilometres a day. (I was smart enough to get a ride in a backpack.) We visited the most important tourist spots – the Forbidden City, the Summer Palace and the Terracotta Warriors. I managed to push my way into at least one photo at each spot.

Liz and I got separated from the others when Tiananmen Square was closed and we were ordered out of the square on the other side. We felt like we were on the wrong side of the Berlin Wall. Luckily, after a forty minute walk to get around, we found them! Everything is so big in China!

We caught the chair lift up to the Great Wall and returned via a toboggan ride. (Whose idea was that?) Okay, I admit that it was rather a lot of fun. It was also very exciting to be wandering along the famous Great Wall!! At the bottom of the wall there was a collection of rabbits, proving that the ad is correct – the Great Wall was built to keep the rabbits out after all!

At the Beijing Zoo, I made some new friends with the Pandas. How do they survive on bamboo leaves? I just couldn't persuade them of the superiority of gum leaves. On the topic of food – I have never seen so much and such variety on any other trip! One of the Canberra cousins was a chef with a long list of foods and restaurant types to try. I've decided that a chef is an essential travel companion from now on.

We got out of Beijing just as the heavy snow set in – and just in time or we would probably still be there. Luckily, the runway was de-iced and a machine was used to clean the snow off the wings of the plane.

When the cousins returned to Oz, Liz and I travelled south to visit our Australian friend, Trish, and her Chinese partner, Dylan. (That can't really be his name, can it?) He took us to Zen meditation at the temple where he used to be a Buddhist monk. It was quite a good meditation for me, because the chief monk didn't realize I was there, so didn't make me sit cross legged for 45 minutes. He was very strict with poor Liz. She will have to practice because she was very poor at the cross legged sitting. She enjoyed the experience for the 25 minutes she could hang her legs down over the bench – before the monk caught her!! He turned out to be very nice when we took tea with him later.

The trip was great. I have my photo album organized already. Liz is being a bit slow with hers. Wonder where we will go next ... Blinky

STORY BRIDGE HOTEL JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY 15th JANUARY

Our first meeting for the year was at an old favourite, the Story Bridge Hotel. We assembled out the back in the Outback Bar, just beside the Shelter Bar, the remnant of an old bomb shelter. Although getting to the SBH involved a little more effort, it was worth it for the ambience of the venue. In addition the *little more effort* included a pleasant ferry trip across the river.

The meeting discussion covered a variety of topics from theology to Go Cards and many other issues in between. Blinky Little supplied photos of his trip to China. The food was very tasty. Two favourite choices were fish/chips and Guinness Pie.

Those who enjoyed the gathering were Michele, Greg, Jan, Russ, Peggy, Liz, Cathy, Mike and Gahame. Apologies were received from Michael, Kathy S, Elizabeth R, Phil the Elder and Marie.

COOMERA CIRCUIT 17th JANUARY

Nee ne, Nee ne, Nee ne, Nee ne

Walking, hot & sweaty. Perspiration dripping off all the bits that hang out. Then a pool, broad and long – cool, shimmering and inviting. We stop. We sit. We open our packs and take out lunch. Boots off. Some start by placing feet in the water – refreshing, nice. The adventurous paddle ankle deep. Inviting, refreshing, calling – the water is calling to us. One even changes into togs and goes in deeper. It all seemed to be going in slow motion.

Suddenly, a splash. Trashing sounds. Screams. We look up. Look at the pool. A horrible sight. Our swimmer was in trouble. She was being turned over & over in the water, now blood red. All rushed to the water's edge. We pushed the children to the back, out of the way where they couldn't see anything. A giant Lamington Blue Cray was stuck to our swimmer's toe. Oh No, Not Again – Claws.....

The party started out from Binna Burra in fine and hot weather. We took the long way down to the Coomera Falls Lookout. Here we absorbed the view. Then we headed off up the track along the creek, crossing it numerous times. The water was low so the crossings were easy – dry feet all round except for Keelan who paddled. At almost every turn, we saw white water bubbling along, even if through the palms and tree ferns.

We stopped for lunch at a nice pool below a cascade. The longer we stayed here, the more Lamington Blue Crays we saw. They came out of every nook and cranny. I saw more in this one spot than I have ever seen in total before. We had to eventually move off.

We were soon on the Border Track and went express back to Binna Burra, catching views over Numinbah Gap on occasions. All went at their own pace – all got to the shop before it closed at 4pm.

Thanks to: Lucy, Geoff & Sue, Gillian & the 2 Korean students Elly & Bonnie, Michele J, Peggy & Keelan, visitor Alise, Robyn from the Gold Coast. Greg

ST VINCENT DE PAUL COFFEE NIGHT Wednesday 27th January

The heat of another long summer day in Brisbane made way for a superb lightening show behind Mt Coot-tha, as we enjoyed the 5star setting in BCBC's restaurant venue.- the Rotunda at Kangaroo Pt. Mary T had the menu board displayed while Dad had the billies boiling for many cups of the best coffee and tea for miles. The table was groaning with delicious food from hot Chinese savouries, bacon & egg pie, cup cakes, pecan pie, muffins, chocolates, fruit cake, chocolate mud cake and cream sponge.

To walk off the excess we checked out the new Park where the old TAFE College used to be on the very highest point of the kangaroo Pt cliffs. We saw many families and students having

BBQ tea on the lawns enjoying the view from up high.

Funds for the night will be sent to St Vincent's. Thanks to Mary for looking after us, and all who attended bringing such fine food. Maxine

THE BLUE MOON SOCIAL SATURDAY 30th JANUARY SOCIAL

If there's something exciting happening in the night sky there is sure to be clouds.

With the sky covered in cloud, the rain coming and going and coming again we were quite surprised twenty people decided to join us at Shorncliffe for fish and chips and a bit of Moon gazing and Mars spotting.

We gathered at Cabbage Tree Creek to buy our tea and headed to the jetty, The advance party managed to get under cover before the rain squall came across, most impressive, black clouds, rain, wild winds whipping it across the jetty scattering those trying to fish, they decided the fish could wait for another day. We stayed and it soon passed over allowing the rest of the group to escape the fish and chip shop and join us on the jetty for tea by the sea looking across to Woody Point and the Port of Brisbane, planes coming into the airport, dark clouds hovering above the horizon. It was clearing in some parts and getting blacker in others.

The Blue Moon Café On The Pier was open for dessert, tea and coffee, Red Planet Slice, Blue Moon Cheesecake and Moon Slice, were enjoyed by all as stories were being told waiting for the Moon to appear from out of the clouds.

Eventually, the large yellow globe appeared from behind the blackest of clouds, we saw it come and we saw it go but not before we had a good look and took some photos. Mars was nowhere in sight it was somewhere behind those big black clouds between Moreton and Redcliffe. Too soon it was time to leave the sea and head for home. Although we didn't see the Moon rise above the water and Mars in all its glory we hope you enjoyed the night.

Thanks to Merv, Maria, Peter, Tracey, Greg, Russ, Jan, Maria, Terry, Andrea, Rosemary, Ava, Helena, Tracey, Gordana, June, Trevor, Liz, Ric, Julie and Brigid, for braving the weather and joining us on the Jetty. No, Justin didn't have any Moon dreams. Justin, Susan and Mary

MBS: Who, so far this year, is ahead of Terry and Sophie in the rankings?

MOVIE NIGHT FEBRUARY 2nd FEBRUARY

The institution of The Movie Night continued for one more month, due to Terry doing a lot of work championing its cause.

We had 9 confirmed sightings at The Stafford Cinemas. The movies were split between 4 for Avatar and 5 for It's Complicated and one for Invictus. (The maths does not add up because one person went into 2 movies for the expensive price of one.) Attending were: Michele & Greg, Jean, and a visitor Allison; Terry, Andrea another visitor, Liz, and Stephen; and Tracey L. Some went to coffee afterwards.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING On 18th JANUARY 2010

Meeting commenced at 7.40pm with a prayer.

PRESENT: 11 members and 2 visitors as per attendance book.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

- Christmas Cards from Pat M & Bill
- Magazines from Gold Coast Bushwalkers; BOSQ
- Ltr from Office of Fair Trading with Annual Association form
- Email from BWQ - President's Report
- Email from BWQ re "Do you know Tasmania" presentation 12/2/10

Outwards:

- Jilalans
- Sympathy Card to Marie

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Terry reported on the collection for the Little Kings appeal. Proceeds from the Murrarie to Bulimba walk will go to the appeal collection.
- Greg E stated that the 6 people who did the most walks in 2009 did more walks than the top 6 walkers in 2008. Michael added that the total number of walkers for 2009 was less than 2008.
- A leader is needed for the Easter trip and for the Lincoln Wreck. The Lincoln Wreck is on the National Campout Weekend.
- Greg advised that leaders need to be aware that walks may be publicized in the media and asked that leaders collect contact details from anyone making enquiries so we can send them a magazine.
- Greg encouraged people to attend the FMR training days.
- Terry reported that he has a supply of metal badges and T-shirts for sale. He also has membership renewal forms.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm with a prayer.

FMR

First Aid Training

Beginners

22/23 May

Contact: Phil, Training Officer Ph: 4638 5938

Time: 8am

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

Who For: Beginners

This is a special Wilderness First Aid training weekend, concentrating less on nuclear radiation & childbirth and more on our type of potential injuries. It will be presented by a qualified first aid training organisation. However, there will be input prior to the weekend by bushwalkers to ensure the curriculum is what we want. You will have to do the normal stuff in order to get the Certificate.

BUSHWALKING QUEENSLAND

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

PARK CLOSURES & ALTERATIONS

Main Range National Park, Goomburra Section Fire closures/restrictions

From: 18/1/10 to: 28/2/10. Lookout road - Araucaria Falls, Sylvester's Lookout, Mt Castle Lookout and North Branch walking tracks.

Main Range National Park - Ramparts Section planned burns: The following off-track bushwalking areas may be closed for planned burning during January and February: -Mt Castle, -Hole in the Wall, Kangaroo Mountain. Burning operations will be weather dependant.

Glasshouse Mountains N P, Mt Beerwah: Summit walking track closed

from: 08/01/2010 to: 31/03/2010. The walking track is closed from picnic area to Mt Beerwah summit due to major rock fall.

Beerwah Forest Reserve, Jowarra Section: Track/facility closure

From: 15/01/2010 to: 15/03/2010. Jowarra access closed due to road works: Due to road works associated with the upgrade of the Steve Irwin Way south of the Caloundra Turnoff, there is no access to the Department of Transport managed Jowarra Rest Area and associated walking track network

Great Sandy National Park, Fraser Island section

from: 22/12/2009 One Tree Rocks and Cornwells beach camping closures

Due to aggressive dingo incidents, these will be closed temporarily from 22 December 2009 until further notice:

An increase in dingo activity may be expected in the following nearby camping zones: Gabala beach camping zone (directly north of the closed area) and Wongai beach camping zone (south of the closed area)

Campers wishing to camp on the eastern beach are encouraged to use campgrounds to the north or south of the areas mentioned above, such as Poyungan, Winnam and Guluri camping zones to the north and Govi camping zone to the south.

Great Sandy National Park, Fraser Island section; Great Walks

Fraser Island Great Walk re-opened Due to recent rainfall the Fraser Island Great Walk has been re-opened.

Fraser Island camp closures: The Woralie Creek Camping Area will be temporarily closed from 16 February to 24 February inclusive. This closure will allow for site upgrade.

Deep holes containing sea water have formed in the beach track between the Waddy Point campgrounds and the beach. To avoid vehicle damage use the inland track from Waddy Point to Orchid Beach.

Mt Barney National Park, Mt Barney East and West Peaks and associated ridges from 18/01/2010 to 31/03/2010 QPWS will be undertaking large scale planned burns across Mount Barney NP over the months of January, February and March. Burns are likely to commence at short notice. Onsite signage will be erected at all major entry points at least 24hrs prior to planned burns being undertaken.

Mt Barney closed: Walking track access to Mount Barney is closed due to the helicopter crash which is currently under investigation. The area will be closed until further notice.

Carnarvon National Park: Due to heavy rain in the past 4 days, Carnarvon Gorge National Park is closed due to extensive flooding. The park will remain closed until further notice.

The Carnarvon Great Walk will be closed from the 1st March 2010 until the 27th March 2010. This is to allow for the ongoing coordinated feral animal control program to continue throughout the Carnarvon National Park.

Cooloola reopened: After recent rainfall all walking tracks within Cooloola have been reopened. There may be some inundated sections in low-lying areas along the Cooloola Wilderness trail which remain wet and boggy. Please observe detours and signage.

Recent rainfall has alleviated high fire danger conditions and the fire prohibition has been lifted as from Tuesday, 2 February 2010. Campfires are permitted at Teewah Beach, Poverty Point and Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area camping areas only.

Please take care with campfires, keep them small, never leave a fire unattended and extinguish with water, not sand. Use a pre-existing campfire site. Do not collect or burn bush timber (including leaves and twigs for kindling). Preferably use a fuel stove

D'Aguilar National Park – deviation: The entrance to the Greenes Falls Track will be closed while rangers conduct work to divert storm water runoff that is eroding the track. An alternate entrance via the Cypress Grove Track will still allow access to Greenes Falls while the repair work is being conducted between 4/2/2010 and 11/2/2010.

MBS: On the Moran's Falls walk, Desley invited a certain "boy" to look at her handful (after she had taken more than her fair share of the good food on offer).

FROM BARBARA IN ETHIOPIA

Hi all,

Maps: <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/ethiopia.html>

And: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/et.html>

Things went fine until I got to Addis Ababa when my luggage didn't turn up. When a couple of tour groups turned up for the 4pm flight I found out that no flights would be going to Bahir Dar that afternoon or night. I attached myself to one of the groups with a lovely guide who was a lot of help and ended up going to a hotel for the night.

Anyway, everything worked well and I arrived at Bahir Dar about 8.15am. The hotel room is very basic and run down but clean. It has the most beautiful view across the garden to a huge fig tree which is surrounded by a large round, thatched open sided building. You can sit here or in the garden and have a drink or food. Beyond this is the lake which is huge.

I walked to the market which was very interesting. Kids ask you for money and young fellows try to sell you trips to the monasteries but they are really not too aggressive. I went for a walk

on the path around the lake. This was Saturday and there were locals everywhere just sitting at the side of the lake or walking or cycling along it.

There's not much to do in town. The coffee is great and cheap and the meals I have had so far have been fairly basic but tasty. I really can go for scrambled eggs with mild chillies for breakfast.

This morning I went on a boat trip to see the source of the Blue Nile and to visit three monasteries. We started off spending some time watching for hippos. Saw one which came to the surface regularly. A bit hard to follow as they swim under water for a while and you need to keep an eye out for the bubbles.

Then on to the monasteries which were really interesting, painted inside in garish colours with scenes from the new and old testaments and some that I've never heard of (such as the Virgin Mary saving a cannibal from hell). We also saw a number of really old religious books with wooden covers and printed on goatskin.

I met a couple of English girls who were looking for someone to share a car to Gonder stopping off at a castle and a weaving community so I decided to go with them.

It is the start of Timkat on Tuesday, a religious festival which culminates in the Arc of The Covenant (in Axum) or its copy (every other church has a copy which only the priests can see) being paraded through the streets.

Food is great here. Just had an avocado juice which was a big mug of blended avocado which looked like soft ice cream. Tasted lovely. Had a fish stew last night with the local fish from the lake. It was eaten with the local injera which is a sour pancake made from a local grain called tref. Had a special omelette for breakfast and am really getting to like the idea of eggs and peppers together.

When I walked outside there were masses of people walking towards town. Almost all of them wore white shawls over their heads and around their shoulders. Turns out that they were heading for church (it was Sunday). When they got to the church they did not seem to be going in but they were standing against the wall enclosing the church with their forehead touching the wall.

Have had a great time and done so much since I was at Axum. We headed off from there for three days of driving and two nights of bush camping. This would be very peaceful if it wasn't for the kids who run from all directions when the truck stops! Have now relearned how to pitch a tent and take it down in ultra quick time. Am sleeping quite well in spite of sleeping on the ground (or at least a very thin air mattress).

It took almost three days of driving to get from Axum (the first capital of Ethiopia) to Lalibela (the second capital). Driving in Northern Ethiopia is very slow: 1. The roads are no better than our secondary roads (that's when the roads are good). They go downward from there. A reasonable amount are still gravel and some of these are not in the best condition. 2. The terrain: Northern Ethiopia is very mountainous. The roads can be incredible with switchbacks, hairpin bends and steep ascents or descents. 3. People and animals: these are always walking along the roads. The animals can be unpredictable. The roads are also so narrow that when you meet an oncoming truck you often have to stop to a crawl and edge past each other, often with inches to spare.

Lalibela is a small town in the middle of nowhere and is the premiere tourist destination of Ethiopia. This is because of the 11 rock hewn churches in the town. Most of these are monoliths with a deep trench carved into the rock then the church carved out of the lump of rock left in the middle. They range from very big to much smaller, and exist in two clusters. All churches in a cluster are connected by trenches and tunnels. The Church of Miriam (Mary) is about 37m square, 23m high and the trench is about 8 - 10m across). These were mind blowing.

Tomorrow we go to the Blue Nile Falls (a bit of a disappointment I believe as they have diverted 90% of the water to make hydroelectricity). Lake Tana, on which Bahir Dar, is situated on the largest source of water for the Nile River although technically the Nile's source is in Uganda with the White Nile. They join at Khartoum (Sudan).

This is my last day in Bahir Dar. Tomorrow we take off for Addis (over two days). Last night we had a lovely dinner, fish goulash. This is small pieces of fried fish from the lake in a spicy

tomato sauce. Delicious! After this we went to a cultural club to watch local dancing and singing.

Today we went to Tis Abay (Blue Nile Falls). Tis Abay means smoking water but nothing could be further from the truth now. The falls used to be the second largest in Africa but now, since it is the dry season and they have diverted 90% of the water into a hydro electric plant, the whole falls look very puny. But it was a nice walk and I can say I have seen the source of most of the water in the Nile River.

Thanks to all who have sent best wishes. I am very safe and not doing anything stupid. Barbara. (PS: Greg E has her e-mail address if you want to contact Barbara.)

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TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

From: <http://local.my247.com.au/?p247=codes>

These funny codes you see around the place are known as QR Codes and are the next generation of barcodes. The great thing about QR codes is that they:

Hold much more information - great for things like mobile website addresses.

Can be read faster and even upside down

Can be scanned from a screen, in a newspaper or magazine, flyer or even a billboard.

Why bother?

Whenever you see a venue or event on my247 you'll see a code which you can scan that will take you to the venue or event's my247 mobile site. Very handy if you want to bookmark your favourite venue or save details of the event on your mobile.

Also as you start seeing these codes in papers, magazines, bill-boards you'll be able to get more information on the venue or event to read whilst you're on the go!

So how do I get a reader?

The good news is that you probably have one already!

Today's Mobile Phones will either have a reader as standard (For Nokia phones - try going to Office / Applications and look for Barcode Reader) - or they can be downloaded from the web - try a search for QR Code Reader.

In Australia, Simply sms '247' to '0429 883 688' and our friends at QM codes will send you a free text message with a link for an optimised reader for your phone.

How much does it cost?

There is no cost for scanning codes. Most codes will take you to a mobile website so it recommended that you have a data-plan, check with your provider if you are unsure.

What next?

Once you've got a reader try scanning this code below:

If successful it should take you to your local my247 mobile page.

It may take a few attempts to get code-reading down to a fine-art. Try holding the phone about 10cms away from the screen that should do it.

Remember: Practice makes perfect!

WORD TALK

The Word of the Year

"Shovel-ready" has dug its way into the Australian vernacular and been crowned the Macquarie Dictionary's word of the year for 2009. The adjective was chosen from a list of new words selected for inclusion in the annual update of the Macquarie Dictionary Online.

The word refers to a building or infrastructure project capable of being initiated immediately, as soon as funding is assured.

Macquarie Dictionary editor Susan Butler said the word was chosen by the Word of the Year Committee because of its topicality and its visually graphic nature. "The committee felt that this word was associated with one of the major preoccupations of 2009 - how to avoid a recession," Ms Butler said in a statement on Wednesday. "Shovel-ready projects were worthy to receive money from the economic stimulus package because they could provide jobs immediately."

In the people's choice category the most popular word was "tweet", meaning to post a message on the social network site Twitter.

The committee gave an honourable mention to several other words, including "head-nodder", meaning a supporter of a politician or other media figure who stands beside them in the frame of a television shot and nods his or her head in agreement with what the speaker is saying.

Other words receiving an honourable mentions were "cyberbully", defined as a person who bullies another using email, chat rooms, social network sites, and "roar factor", referring to the influence that a home crowd has on a referee or umpire in making adjudications.

From Yahoo News: <http://au.news.yahoo.com/queensland/a/-/odd/6758292/word-of-the-year>

CLARENCE VALLEY COASTLINE NEW GUIDED WALK Special Offer

Solitary Bay recently launched a 60km guided walk on the Clarence Valley coastline. The walk takes you from Angourie in the north with river crossings in Yuraygir National Park and heading towards Coffs Harbour. It includes a guide on the trail. You walk for six days and five nights in total; accommodation is in local coastal villages, you eat gourmet meals made from local produce, and activities such as swimming, sea kayaking and surfing are available along the way.

For the month of February, Solitary Bay is offering a special, half price introductory deal for keen bushwalkers. Further information is available at www.solitarybay.com or by contacting me.

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EDITOR'S REPORT

ARTICLES: Please have all Jilalan articles to Greg by Thursday the 3rd of Sept. Articles should be e-mailed to me. Please follow the "Jilalan Style Guide", which is on the Club web site <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/JilalanStyleGuide.html> . If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092.

- # As Editor, I reserve the right to alter, amend, move, shorten or not print articles.
- # The views expressed in Jilalan are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club.
- # If you "borrow" any words or image from another source, please acknowledge that source – author, publication, issue, date, publisher.
- # I need your articles on time – it makes it hard to still get articles when I should be formatting.
- # Articles from this publication may be reproduced provided the source is acknowledged.
- # Look at last month's Jilalan and copy that format – especially the "headings" in Comings
- # Type your article as a Word document, then attach it to the e-mail. A4 please, not in Columns.

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: \$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 Outings or Socials, contact the leader shown in the calendar or article.

Cover: The View From Python Rock – Moran's Falls, Photo By Ray Rowe

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING **Monday 15th February 2010**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Mon. 15th February at 7.30pm, at the St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St, Dorrington. The hall is in the lower carpark, behind the church.

The business conducted will include:

Receive the Committee's Report for 2009,

and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2009;

Receive the Auditor's Report;

Election of Committee for 2010;

The appointment of the 2010 Auditor;

Voting of Honorary Members; and other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

Jan, Secretary

NOTICE **ELECTION 2010**

Call for Nominations for All Committee Positions.

1. Elections will be held on Monday 15th Feb at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM is held prior to the Feb Monthly Meeting – from 7:30pm, and
2. The normal February Monthly Meeting will start straight after.
3. All existing Committee Positions are deemed vacant and all are up for election.
4. All existing Committee Members are eligible to stand for election.
5. The positions are voted on in the following order: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Outings Secretary, Social Secretary, Vice-President, Training Officer, and Membership Officer.
6. If you cannot make it to the AGM, you can vote by Proxy – the form is available from the website, in the next Jilalan or from the Secretary – fully complete the form and have it in the hands of the Secretary by the start of the AGM.
7. Associate Members are not eligible to be on Committee.
8. Associate Members are not entitled to vote on any matter before any meeting of the Club, i.e. vote at the election of members to Committee.
9. Nominations must be in writing, signed by the Nominator, the Secunder & the Candidate.
10. Any 2 members of the Club may nominate any Ordinary Member for a Committee Position.
11. The Candidate cannot be his/her own Nominator or Secunder, or nominate anyone else for the same position as she/he is standing for.
12. The Nomination Form must be in the hands of the Club Secretary at least 21 days prior to the AGM – This is Sunday 24th January. The January Monthly Meeting is on Mon. 18th Jan, so this is the best practicable time. You can post them to the Club (at PO Box 31, Red Hill Qld 4059), provided they are stamped by the Post Office prior to 24th Jan.
13. The list of all the Nominated Candidates, their Nominators & Seconders will be published in the February Jilalan.
14. A person can be nominated for more than one Committee Position. They are elected to the first position they win. If they do not win the first position nominated for, they are still in the ballot for the next nominated position until elected, or remain unelected at the end of the night.
15. If only one person stands for a position, that person is automatically elected to that position.

16. In the event of more than one person being nominated for a Position, there shall be an election by secret ballot.
17. Should there be no candidate for a position at the start of the AGM, nominations will be called from the floor for nominations to that position.
18. Nomination Forms are enclosed in this Jilalan.
19. In recent years, if a position has been left vacant due to no one nominating for it, the Club has allowed any member, regardless of category, to act in the position unofficially without being formally elected. Being in the position unofficially means the person is not actually in the position, thus cannot vote at committee when a vote is necessary.

Jan, Secretary

**BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC - RULES AND BY-LAWS
APPENDIX 1**

FORM OF PROXY

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.

(incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981.)

I _____
(Full Name)

Of _____
(Residential Address)

being a Financial Member of the above named Association,

hereby appoint _____
(Full Name)

Of _____
(Residential Address)

whose signature appears below, and who also is a member of the Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the _____ meeting of the Association
(Type of Meeting)

to be held on the ___ day of _____ (Month) _____ (Year) and at any adjournment thereof.

/ /

(Signature of Appointer)

I _____ being a financial member of the
(Full Name)
Association, hereby agree to act as a proxy for the above named member.

(Signature of Appointee)

(Date)

/ /

THEOLOGY CORNER

The first reading for our monthly meeting comes from James 1.1-11. There is a wonderfully refreshing, blunt straight-forwardness to James' writing. At the beginning of the letter he offers a string of short principles for believers:

- They are to accept trials as an opportunity to develop patience that will bring its own reward;
- Wisdom is God's gift to be sought in prayer;
- Prayer must be made with single-mindedness in faith – any hesitation betrays that faith;
- Worldly status is irrelevant for those who believe;
- Faith gives its own rank, and riches are no guarantee of God's favour – they fade like a wildflower.

Bushwalkers, often known for their straight-forwardness, should be at ease with the style of James' message. So the challenge is to accept the load and walk on, to seek a life that thrives on faith.

CALENDAR 2010

Subject to Alteration Without Notice

Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
Feb 7	West Canungra Creek Circuit	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S55
12	John Toohey Society – The Victory	Phil	5522 9702		
12	FMR – “Do you know Tasmania” Talk	Desley	3369 5530	FMR	
14	Illinbah Circuit	Greg	3351 4092	DW	M33
15	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
16	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
17	Ash Wed – Cathedral Mass 5.10pm & Coffee	Desley	3369 5530	Rit	
19/21	Border Ranges NP – Wiangaree	Michael	3351 3810	BC	S44
20	FMR – Condamine Gorge	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
27	Obi Obi Gorge Lilo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
28	Clem 7 Opening Tunnel Walk	Greg	3351 4092	SW	M22
Mar 6	Fairfield to City	Graham	3371 9623	DW	M23
13/21	Great Ocean Road (Vic)	Desley	3369 5530	TW	XL35
14	Macleay Island	Maxine		DW	S11
15	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
16	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
19	JTS	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
19/21	FMR – Basic/Intermediate Training Weekend	Desley	3369 5530	Trn	
20	Tallebudgera Creek	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M56
27	Lower Portals to Upper Portals	Justin	3366 3193	DW	
27/28	Club Hut Feast	Greg	3351 4092	ON	S32
28	Club Hut Day Walk	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S32
Apr 2/5	New England NP – Easter	Needed		BC	M33
3	Magical Mystery Meander	Desley	3369 5530	DW	M23
5	Paddy’s Peak – Easter Monday	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
10	Rochedale to Burbank	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S22
10	FMR – Tibrogargan (Caves Route)	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
10	Pat’s Birthday Bash	Justin	3366 3193	Soc	
16	John Toohey Society – The Fox	Phil	5522 9702		
17	FMR – Equipment/Research Day	Desley	3369 5530	Trn	
17/18	National Camp Out Weekend	Needed		BC/TW	
17/18	Lincoln Wreck – Lizard Point	Needed		TW	M56
17/18	Lincoln Wreck	Needed		BC	S55
19	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
20	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
24	Mt O’Reilly – Samford Valley	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S45
25	Anzac Dawn Service + B’fast	Terry	3355 9765	Soc	
26	Buderim Tramway (ANZAC Day Pub Hol)	Heike	5445 3448	DW	M
May 1/3	Sunshine Coast Great Walk	Needed		TW	L33
8	Bare Rock Evening Stroll	Needed		DW	S24
16	Yellowpinch Circuit	Needed		DW	
17	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
18	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
21	John Toohey Society – Lennons	Phil	5522 9702		
22/23	FMR – Wilderness First Aid Course	Desley	3369 5530	Trn	
22	Annual Mass and Dinner	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
23	Albion to Ferny Grove	Paul	0412 339311	SW	
29	Boondall Wetlands	Cheryl	3263 8393	SW	
30	Minnages	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M55
Jun 5	Caloundra Beaches	Graham	3371 9623	DW	M23
12/14	Emu Creek Circuit	Needed		TW	L56
12/14	Emu Creek	Needed		BC	M55
13	Knapps Peak	Needed		DW	M54
15	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
18	John Toohey Society – The Tank	Phil	5522 9702		
19	FMR – Mezzanine Ridge	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
20	Mt Fraser	Needed		DW	S44

21	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
25/27	Girraween NP	Needed		BC	S55
Jul 3	Mt Alexander	Paul	0412 339311	DW	
9/11	Savages Ridge	Justin	3366 3193	BC	M57
10	Bullocky Rest	Cheryl	3263 8393	SW	
10/11	Boonah Gate – Sawmill	Michael	3351 3810	TW	
10/11	Boonah Gate Area	Needed		BC	
16	John Toohey Society – The Theodore Club	Phil	5522 9702		
17	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
19	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
20	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
25	Collins Gap to Nothofagas	Matthew	3716 3222	DW	
31/1	Junction View to Laidley Gap	Michael	3351 3810	TW	
Aug 1	Quinzeh Rocks Wildflower Walk	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
6	FMR – Grand Traverse of Mt Warning	Desley	3369 5530	Trg	
7	Noosa Trails	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
11	Barney Mass	Phil	5522 9702	DW/BC	
12/15	The Drumley Walk	Desley	3369 5530	TW	
14	Mt Tamborine	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
16	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
17	FMR Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Trg	
20	John Toohey Society – The Hilton	Phil	5522 9702		
20/22	Pilgrimage			BC	
27/29	The Marathon	Phil	5522 9702	TW	
28	Mt Tibrogargan	Needed		DW	
28	Tibrogargan & Trachyte Circuits	Needed		DW	
29	Bridge to Brisbane	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
Sep 4	Mt Philip & Red Rock			DW	
5	Great Aussie Bushwalk – Mt Mathieson	Greg	3351 4092	DW	S33
11	Shipstern	Peggy		DW	
11	Riverfire	Terry	3355 9765	Soc	
17	John Toohey Society – Café on Grey St	Phil	5522 9702		
18/19	Border Fence near Stanthorpe	Pat	3366 1956	TW	
19	Coolangatta to Burleigh (DW)	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
20	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
24/26	Lost World	Needed		BC	
25	Bicentennial Tracks and White Patch	Needed		SW	
Oct 9	Running Creek Falls	John	5514 0285	ON	
15	John Toohey Society – Gilhooley's	Phil	5522 9702		
16/17	Mt Glassy & Dome Mtn	Needed		ON	
18	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
23	Booloumba Gorge	Needed		DW	
30	Woody Point to Scarborough	Wendy		DW	
31/2	Victorian Alps	Phil	5522 9702	TW	
Nov 5/7	Northern NSW	Paul	0412 339311	BC	
14	Purlingbrook Falls to Appletree Park	Kerriane	5597 6160	DW	
15	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
19	John Toohey Society – The Boardwalk	Phil	5522 9702		
20	Stairway Falls via Bull Ant Spur	Paul	0412 339311	DW	
27	Enoggera Creek Walk at the Gap	Needed		SW	
28	Burleigh to Fleays Sanctuary	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
Dec 4	Christmas Party	Needed		Soc	
12	Mt Mathieson	Rosemary	3343 1332	DW	
13	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
17	John Toohey Society – The Waterfront	Phil	5522 9702		
27	Gold Coast Hinterland	Liz	3356 4874	DW	