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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
20	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
25	Maroochy to Mooloolabah	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M22
29	Coffee Night – Hub Café Kitchen	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
31/4	The Bluff Circuit	Phil	5522 9702	TW	XL33
Nov 7	Godspell	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
8	James Squire Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
9	A Leisurely Breakfast at Wilston	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
13/16	Yuraygir Coastal Walk	Michael	0409 620714	BC	XL33
14/16	Mt Kosciuszko	Phil	5522 9702	BC	XL33
15	Gheerulla Circuit	Michele	3353 2822	DW	M25
17	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
17	Annual Photographic Competition	Phil	5522 9702	Comp	
21	JTS – The Orient Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
22	Enoggera Creek	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	L23
23	CityCycle Bike Ride	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
26	Coffee Night – Colle Rosso	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
29	Noosa Hill via Tanglewood Track	Michele	3353 2822	DW	M34
Dec 15	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
19	JTS – The Riverbar	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
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31	New Year's Eve Event			Soc	
Jan 3	Mt Mitchell Sunset Walk	Russ	3374 3534	DW	M22
10	Denman Falls to Killarney Glen			DW	
16	JTS – Story Bridge Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
24/26	Myall Lakes			BC	
25	Toolona Circuit	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L34
26	City Walk			DW	
28	Coffee Night – Gaythorne RSL	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
31	Bare Rock	Trevor	3269 4795	DW	
Feb 7	Illinbah Circuit from the Bottom	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
15	Orleigh Park to New Farm	Gerry	0404 947960	DW	
16	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
20	JTS – Port Office Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21	Annual Mass and Dinner	Greg	3351 4092	Rel	
25	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
28	Mt Mathieson & Mt Alphen			DW	
Mar 1	Clean-up Australia Day			DW	
8	Labrador to Wave Break Island	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
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15	Club Hut Walk	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S43
16	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
20	JTS – 300 Adelaide Street	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
22	Obi Obi Lilo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
25	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
28	Flinders Peak	Trevor	3269 4795	DW	
Apr 3/6	Bunya Mountains			BC	
4	Boggo Road to City	Gerry	0404 947960	DW	
6	Easter Monday Walk	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
9	Lincoln Wreck	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
10	Banff Film Festival	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	JTS – Emporium Hotel & Mecca Bah	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

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

KEY – Walk Types

DW	Day Walk	½ DW	Half Day Walk
ON	Over Nighter	BC	Base Camp
TW	Through Walk	CW	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

God of mindfulness, you said, "Be still and know that I am God". (Psalm 46:10).

Help us to find points of stillness in our day, to be aware that we touch life deeply in every moment of daily life.

We are aware; we give thanks; we take nothing for granted.

Amen

**COMING EVENTS**

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

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

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

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

LEADERS

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, where, cancel it – please tell the Outings Secretary Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620714.

**THURSDAY TO SUNDAY
13th TO 16th NOVEMBER
YURAYGIR COASTAL WALK
BASE CAMP**

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620714.
Meet at: TBA.
Time: TBA.
Cost: \$50 + Boat & Camp Fees.
Grading: XL33.
Distance: Approximately 40kms.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

The cabin and boats are booked. We can now look forward to a great weekend in one of the great summer walking areas in Northern NSW. A few of us will be leaving Thursday afternoon and heading to Minnie Waters some 336kms away.

The Yuraygir Coastal Walk is a 65km walk along the beach from Angourie in the north to Red Rock in the south. We will be only walking the bottom 40kms of the walk from Sandon to Red Rock.

We will be based at the Minnie Water Caravan Park and will do car shuffles each day to our start and end points. In addition there are three rivers to cross.

Ring me to discuss the finer points of the walk.

**FRIDAY TO SUNDAY
14th TO 16th NOVEMBER
G20 SUMMIT WALK
BASE CAMP**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702.

The G20 Summit Walk is locked in. Two days on the Kosciuszko Main Range and one day at Tidbinbilla in the A.C.T. Really looking forward to the trip. I have 10 nominations so I need to close the 'book'.

**SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER
GHEERULLA CIRCUIT
DAY WALK**

Leader: Michele Johns 0414 635542 or 3353 2822.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 7.00am.
Cost: \$20 (car pool, \$2 (private)).
Grading: M25.
Location: Sunshine Coast Hinterland.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Gheerulla Circuit is part of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk. Along the trail there are several vantage points taking in views over the Mary and Gheerulla Valleys, before descending down to the valley following the Gheerulla creek. The bush is mainly eucalypt forest with groves of grass trees on the downward section to the valley, with rainforest as we follow the creek clockwise.

A short car shuffle will be required so that we can start walking from Thilba Thalba Walker's Camp, which can be accessed via a short forestry road off Delicia Road. From here we will be walking west towards Gheerulla Bluff and then descending into the Gheerulla Valley. We then follow old logging tracks and the Gheerulla Creek and finally a detour to Gheerulla Falls, just before exiting onto Delicia Road and waiting vehicles.

This is a rarely visited area of South East Queensland. The walk is relatively easy with a 300m descent and should be attainable by most. The walk is about 14km in length.

A coffee stop will follow. Should time allow on our way home, we will stop at an excellent lookout providing panoramic views of the valley below as well as the coast.

Be sure to bring the usual day walk gear, including plenty of water.

**MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER
MONTHLY MEETING & ANNUAL
PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

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

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

Web: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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This is the eleventh time we have had the photo competition. One of the main reasons for the photo competition is to find a "cover photo" for the Annual Report. More information is in the separate article towards the back.

**FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER
THE ORIENT HOTEL
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address: Corner Ann & Queen Streets.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal.
Emerg Off: Phil Murray 0413 307580.
Web: <http://www.thecharmingsquire.com.au/>

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering on the third Friday of the month.

Michael Simpson was very keen (almost insistent) that we come here and I am very happy to cater for special requests. The 'Hotel Orient' is an interesting old pub and is apparently the 4th oldest pub in Brisbane. Last time we were here was ages ago and the US Navy was in town and it made for an interesting night. Come along for a lovely night for a drink of water or wine or a beer and a meal. They have a Mexican Restaurant upstairs. The concept of the Orient Hotel having a Mexican restaurant seems a very incongruous juxtaposition so we will have to check it out.

History of the Hotel Orient

Originally called the Excelsior Hotel, it was constructed in 1875 in a wonderful position - right on the main thoroughfare from Fortitude Valley to the city, and brilliantly designed by Richard Gailey, to take advantage of a triangular block of land. The original building had elaborate verandahs in its original guise. Presumably like the Regatta Hotel.

The Orient is one of the oldest surviving, still operating, hotels in the city. Only four other hotels pre-date it, and they include the Port Office Hotel in Edward St and the Treasury Hotel in George St. (paradoxically the website didn't name the other Hotel). I should also make a quick note about the architect of the hotel. Richard Gailey was one of Brisbane's most prolific and enduring architects. Gailey was an Irishman from Londonderry and he emigrated to Brisbane in 1864, establishing his own practice in the following year. His work in Brisbane extended over the next sixty years until his death in 1924. He designed many buildings in Brisbane around the turn of the twentieth century. Many of them are still standing today and are considered colonial treasures.

His work includes
Brisbane Girl's Grammar School at Spring Hill,
Moorlands at Auchenflower (home of the Mayne family),

Regatta Hotel (1886) at Toowong,
Prince Consort Hotel (1888) in Fortitude Valley, now known as the "Elephant and Wheelbarrow",
Empire Hotel in Fortitude Valley,
Orient Hotel in Queen Street (formerly the Excelsior),
Oddfellows Hall at Fortitude Valley,
Baroona Labor Hall in Caxton Street,
Musgrave House at Shorncliffe,
Masonic Hall at Toowong,
Sandgate Town Hall,
Old Myer Store (formerly Allan & Stark), Queen St,
Irish Club, Elizabeth St,
Metro Arts Building, Edward St,
The Baptist Tabernacle, Wickham Terrace.

He was reportedly a staunch Baptist, so he has a curious mixture of numerous suburban Baptist churches and over thirty suburban hotels. Gailey also designed the refurbishment of and extensions to Fernberg (now Government House) at Paddington in 1888.

Gailey's son, Richard junior, also became an architect. He designed the still marvellous Brisbane Arcade for Dr James Mayne, which was built on the site of the original Mayne family home in Queen St.

**SATURDAY 22nd NOVEMBER
ENOGERA CREEK
DAY WALK**

Leader: Paddy Taylor 3378 4813.
Meet at: Butterfield St, Herston, under the busway. (Bus to RBH station, or train to Bowen Hills)
Time: 8.30am.
Cost: \$2 + GoCard Fee.
Grading: L23.
Distance: Approximately 16km.
Reference: Translink Local Travel Map 1.
Emerg Off: Barry Taylor 3378 4813.

We will commence our walk outside the Royal Brisbane Hospital, and then follow Enoggera Creek as it winds its way through Herston, Newmarket, Ashgrove and St John's Wood, finishing near Enoggera Reservoir at The Gap.

The walk is mainly on the Enoggera Creek bikeway through parkland, with short detours along suburban streets. We will return to the city on the 385 bus. This is a very easy walk, and can be done by all members of the club.

Come and join me as we explore a bit more of Brisbane's backyard. It is surprising how much

wildlife and greenery exists so close to the city. On the pre-outing, a carpet python, fish, a turtle, and numerous birds were seen.

Don't forget your go-card, hat, sunscreen, lunch and plenty of water.

SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER CITYCYCLE BIKE RIDE SOCIAL

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: At the CityCycle bike stand at 53 Vernon Terrace Teneriffe. Near Corner Commercial Rd.
Time: 9am
Location: Following the River from Teneriffe to the West End Ferry at Orleigh Park.
Cost: Hopefully \$2 + buy lunch + bring your GoCard
Web: <http://www.citycycle.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 0418 122 995.
Bring: Your Username & Password.



I organised one of these events about 2 years ago – it was well attended and fun.

How is it organised: You book a CityCycle cycle in advance on the web – min cost \$2 for a Day Pass. This \$2 allows you to ride for 30mins, and you pay \$2 per half hour if you ride for longer than the 30 mins on the one bike.

The loop-hole: if you swap bikes less than every 30 minutes, you pay no more. So what do we do – we change bikes every 25 minutes. As this is under the 30 minute maximum, we do not pay a further \$2. Since there are bike stations every 500m, there must be a bike rack somewhere near the 25 minute mark. However, if we fail, any extra \$2 comes out of your credit/debit card.

When you log onto the CityCycle web site, you buy a pass. Choose a “Day Pass” and put in “23 Nov” as your date. Pay with a credit or debit card; get a user name & password, and bring it

along on the morning. If you do not have a card, ring them Phone: 1300 229 253 - operating hours: 8.30am to 5.30pm, Monday to Friday.

Casual Subscriptions:

<https://abobrisbane.cityclocity.fr/subscribe/details>

You cannot bring your own bike (My Rules) – it would not then be a “CityCycle Social” but a “I Rode My Own Bike” Social and that does not rhyme. So, throughout the ride, we play “leap bikes” by handing back one bike and taking out another.

Map: <https://abobrisbane.cityclocity.fr/AllStations/Station-Map>

The Bikes: are smaller than normal bikes, and have:

- three gears,
- a basket on the front,
- adjustable seat,
- a covered chain and brake wires to protect clothing,
- a step-through frame for easy mount and dismount,
- front and rear automatic lights,
- front and rear brakes,
- reinforced puncture-proof tyres,
- wide handlebars for greater stability,
- reflective strips on wheels and pedals,
- a bell.

Taking bikes out and putting them back is easy. You will get used to it.

We will follow the River from Teneriffe to the Power House, ride beside New Farm Park, along the River behind the Merthyr Bowls Club, up to Sydney St, then along the new/repared walkway in the River at New Farm (the River Walk), under the Story Bridge, along the River at Petrie Bight, through the City; we will have lunch in the vicinity of Eagle St Pier. Then off again along the River through the Botanical Gardens, up the City Reach, over the Kurilpa Bridge and along the River again around Orleigh Park to the West End Ferry terminal.

There will be some riding on the roads, though on the marked bike paths on the road. We will try to stay together as a group. From West End, we get a Blue CityGlider back to our cars at the start – a PrePaid service so GoCard is required. OR the N^o 199 Bus where you can pay as you get on.

However, if you get a numb bum, you can bail out anywhere along the way by docking your

bike and getting a bus back to your car at Tenerife.

Remember: you need a bike helmet. Some are available with the bikes, but not on all bikes. Put your cap on first, then their helmet. If you have one, bring your own. I will try to bring our spare helmets.

Log onto the Web Site in advance at home to get your Day Pass,
Bring your username and password on the day of the ride,
GoCard for the bus back,
We will buy lunch,
Bring water,
Be Sun Smart – Slip, Slop, Slap – long sleeves, sun cream, hat,
Snacks.
Camera,
Mobile phone charged up,
Humour,
Closed in shoes,
Sunglasses.

WEDNESDAY 26th NOVEMBER DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620714.
Meet at: Colle Rosso,
191 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.
Time: 6.00 to 6.30pm for dinner or
7.30pm for coffee.
Cost: Your choice – visit their website
for their menu.

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

The last coffee night for the year is near the centre of the city. The venue is Colle Rosso in Red Hill. This is a lovely Italian restaurant near St Brigid's and I hope we have a good attendance. Come along with your ideas for coffee nights next year or socials for that matter.

SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER NOOSA HILL via TANGLEWOOD TK DAY WALK

Leader: Michele Johns 0414 635542
or 3353 2822.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 7.00am.
Cost: \$20 (car pool, \$2 (private).
Grading: M34.
Location: Noosa National Park.
Emerg Off: Richard Johns 0409 871641.

Noosa hill is situated in the Noosa National Park and is one of the many trails throughout the park. This walk offers a diverse range of flora ranging from open eucalypt woodland and shrub land to coastal heathland.

We will start by walking the 1.2km stretch along Sunshine Beach and onto Alexandria Bay. The challenge for the day will be 212 steps up to the Headland with spectacular ocean views. A morning tea stop is planned at the northern end of Alexandria Bay and an optional swim.

From Alexandria Bay a short track connects with the Tanglewood Track and onto Noosa Hill. The views from Noosa Hill are limited but still worth it for the diversity of flora passed along the way.

From here it is a short stroll back to the Coastal Track and onto Tea Tree Bay for a lunch stop and optional swim. We will now follow the Coastal Track.

There are several photo opportunities along the way, and we might even spot a koala.

The walk is relatively easy with gentle slopes and should be attainable by most. There are a couple of seats along the way to take in the spectacular views. All up it is expected that we will walk about 12 – 14 kms.

Be sure to pack the usual day gear as well as your swimmers.

MONDAY 15th DECEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after.
Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower car park behind the church. Drive down the ramp at the left.)

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**FRIDAY 19th DECEMBER
THE RIVERBAR
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address: Riparian Plaza,
Promenade Level,
71 Eagle Street.
Downstairs near the City Cat
Terminal.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal.
Emerg Off: Phil Murray 0413 307580.
Web: <http://riverbarandkitchen.com.au/>

Somewhere new to visit. A great spot near the river and out in the open so not so noisy.

So come along and enjoy our traditional gathering on the third Friday of the month. The JTS is a great way to get out and see different parts of the City and when you have interstate or overseas visitors you will know a few places to visit around town.

Unfortunately I may not be able to get there as I may be interstate. Phil.

**FRIDAY 26th DECEMBER
NORTHBROOK GORGE
BOXING DAY WALK**

Leader: Russ Nelson 3374 3534.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 9.00am.
Cost: \$10 (car pool, \$2 (private)).
Grading: S44.
Location: Mt Glorious area.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Northbrook Gorge is on the western slopes of Mt Glorious in the D'Aguiar Range. The first part of the walk is a descent through thick bush into the creek bed which is the main reason for the rating on this walk. This is the most difficult part of the trip and long sleeves are recommended. Once we reach the creek bed, this trip is a relaxed wander from rock pool to rock pool. Depending on the water level, there may be a requirement for a compulsory swim and therefore your packs need to be waterproof or only bring items which you don't mind getting wet. While the walking is relaxed, it is not on a formed track and some rock hopping is needed.

This walk is a refreshing change from the Christmas Day hot weather and feasting. The mountains are definitely cooler and the Gorge is cooler still.

**ADVANCED NOTICE
SATURDAY 3rd JANUARY
MT MITCHELL SUNSET WALK
DAY WALK**

Leader: Russ Nelson 3374 3534.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 2.00pm.
Cost: \$20 (car pool, \$2 (private)).
Grading: M22 (Second half of walk is at night, by torch light and moon light).
Location: Cunningham's Gap.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Given that there is a full moon on 5 January, the opportunity is being taken to enjoy a sunset on top of Mt Mitchell on a warm summer evening. The walk will begin at Cunningham's Gap before 4.00pm, which will mean we will be on top of Mt Mitchell prior to sunset. There we will be able to watch the sunset over the Fassifern Valley (with lights of Brisbane in the distance) in the east and the Condamine District in the west. Mt Mitchell is on the watershed with rainfall going east to Moreton Bay and the Pacific Ocean and rainfall going west via the Condamine and Darling Rivers to the Southern Ocean. While enjoying the sunset, there will be an opportunity to eat – consider what fine food you might bring to such an august venue.

The descent retraces our earlier route and follows a graded track all the way. Early in the descent there are some stone steps which need care. Provided you bring a reliable torch with batteries that have plenty of life, this is an easy walk back to the cars. I expect to be back at the cars by 9.00pm and back at Red Hill by 10.30pm.

**ADVANCED NOTICE
SUNDAY 25th JANUARY
TOOLONA CREEK CIRCUIT
DAY WALK**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 7.00am.
Cost: \$20 (car pool, \$2 (private)).
Grading: L34.
Location: O'Reilly's Section of Lamington.
Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

A lovely rainforest walk on the Australia Day weekend. An 18.5km walk but is entirely graded

track. There are a few creek crossings but usually they are not too difficult.

The walk is to commemorate the club's commemorate the Club's first ever official walk which was held on Saturday 25th January 1958 up at O'Reilly's – see the History Note. So make sure you bring a mug to have a cup of tea with your Lamington cakes at lunch time.

History Note

(This article was reprinted in the 1992 Annual Report at page 21. But the reprint did not state where the original report was first published. The Club's first walk was the Toolona Creek Circuit walk).

"The first week-end excursion of the BCBC took place on "Foundation Day" weekend [now called Australia Day]. The happy circumstances which abounded on this, our first outing as a Club, augur well for the successful functioning of our organization.

Twenty nine of us left Brisbane on the 24th January at 1800 hours in two Redline buses. The buses arrived in Canungra at 19.45 hours. A mechanical fault in one of the buses caused some delay. O'Reilly's Guest house was reached at 2145 hours. There awaited the usual refresher of soup and a cup of tea.

With the girls settled into the guest house, the boys set off to make camp – not at Moran's Falls – nor yet at Lone Pine – but yes on the far distant Pacific slopes.

If any of us wondered how a tent is erected by seven people in complete darkness, we soon found out. It was not long before we had managed to erect something which, as one of our worthy members said, looked 'remarkably like the proposed Sydney opera House' So we began once more, and when the tent finally stood in all its magnificence we noted what must have been a phenomenon of nature, for a thick pall of blue mist hung all around our camp site.

Because the girls had unselfishly stayed up late preparing packs, we were able to leave for Mount Wallangra, via Tooloona Creek at 0830 hours on Saturday. Along the track in various places, and in some instances well away from water seven cray fish were seen. Closer inspection showed that there were several young crayfish clinging to the bodies of some of the adults.

When we left earlier in the morning, rain was threatening. Half way up Tooloona Creek we

were drenched by heavy storm. The heavy rain seemed to encourage the leeches, which had been making perfect nuisances of themselves morning, to even greater things. We could almost hear them chuckling about our sorry plight as we tramped along. On reaching Wanungra we found that heavy fog enveloped the valleys below. The beautiful scene usually obtained from Wanungra was therefore 'mist'.

At Wanungra also, another storm broke, and lunch was to say the least a rather hurried affair. The rain sent us scurrying homewards. Further along the track, the mist lifted and there, allowing us a glimpse of the valleys below. Some of us to Echo point before returning home. The day we felt was a pleasant one, despite the rain, and one that we shall certainly remember.

A dance took place that night, at the guest house, together with an impromptu concert....

Because none of us felt like hiking in the rain again, we decided that on Sunday we would stay at home until the weather improved. A table tennis tournament was held in the morning and this provided us with considerable enjoyment. At 1100 hours all but a few of us went down to Moran's Falls. With the billy boiled, we had lunch overlooking the beautiful Western Panorama. Some of us went out to Castle Crag.

Returning from Moran's Falls we found that our President Chaplain, Father Hayes, had arrived from Brisbane together with three other members of our club. Father Hayes celebrated Holy Mass at 1630 hours. Another group of members led by Col McLellan also arrived on Sunday afternoon, after hiking up to the Park from Kerry [a small village south of Beaudesert], via the Commando track and old riding tracks.

Monday began with the celebration of holy Mass by Father Hayes at 0645 hours. Later in the morning and with the sun shining brightly we hiked to West Cliff. The view from Raining Falls at West Cliff, although a little hazy was a rewarding one. The recent rain had freshened the landscape, and looking out past the naked profile of Pat's Bluff, the sentinel like Mt Lindsay could be seen standing ruggedly in the distance. Phil.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Now that we have entered November and the Melbourne Cup has been decided, we naturally start to think about Christmas and the end of

the year. And so it is for our Club that our Club year ends with the end of the calendar year. This means that we produce an Annual Report and then have an Annual General Meeting where we decide who occupies which position on our Committee. Our constitution indicates that all positions are declared vacant, nominations are called and elections held, if required. Taking on a role in our Committee is a matter all should consider and each member should, over the life of their membership, nominate for at least one position on their committee. A periodic rotation of those who serve on the Committee is healthy and helps to ensure the Club remains relevant to the membership.

If you are considering nominating for a position, have a talk to the person currently doing that role or give me a call. I am sure you will be given a genuine description of what is involved in the role, and you can make an assessment of your suitability. Please think about this seriously. Russ.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 15/9/14	\$3721.53
Plus Receipts	\$673.10
	\$4394.63
Less Payments	\$988.01
Balance 20/10/14	\$3406.62
Term Deposit	\$2722.34

Time permitting, I plan on drawing our raffle at the November meeting. Please see me if I haven't sold you a ticket yet. Don't forget that the club still has a limited supply of small metal badges and t-shirts for sale at very reasonable prices. Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

John Blumke, Karen Frederiks, Anne Grant, Thea Kearney and Margaret Morgan are celebrating their birthdays in November. Congratulations to our latest new member, Kylie Moore.

Sue Walsh, Thomas Dobson, Jack and Bernadette Desmond were first time visitors on Trevor's Brighton to Scarborough walk along with Madonna O'Connor who was on her second walk. Margaret Tunnell and Jack and Bernadette Desmond were welcome visitors at our October meeting. Visitors are always most welcome at any of our activities.

Barry Crawford recently returned from an overseas holiday. Ray Rowe recently did a cruise to North Queensland and Pat Lawton and Jonas Bernotas have just done another trip to New Zealand.

It is with great sadness we advise the death of Jon William Ricketts on 21 August. Jon is the father and father-in-law of former members Stephen & Marie Ricketts.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS SECRETARY

Leaders Needed:

10 January – Denman Falls to Killarney Glen

24/26 January – Myall Lakes

26 January – City Walk

28 February – Mt Mathieson & Mt Alphen

Outings Programme

Leaders for next year are required. The situation is fairly urgent for January & February with nine (9) walks and only five (5) leaders. If nobody nominates to lead these walks they will have to be cancelled. So please consider leading a walk this year. There are 12 City/Easy Walks, 33 Day Walks, 9 Base Camps, 4 Through Walks and one Overnighter. This is a total of 69 walks and as there are roughly 100 members in the club that's less than one walk each. So you will need to be quick to get the walk you want to lead.

The Camino

Russ & Jan Nelson and John Hood have just recently returned from completing the full Camino. I believe it was an uplifting walk for them and Russ is even talking of returning to do it again. Maybe we'll join him for a small section.

Upcoming Walks

This month there are only two walks going out due to a lack of leaders. First up is Paddy's wander along Enoggera Creek. Paddy always leads great walks so don't miss this one. The second walk is Michele's Noosa Hill, a small hill in the middle of the Noosa National Park. Again not one to miss.

The numbers on past walks are as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
October 18	Brighton to Scarborough	Trevor	DW	18
October 25	Maroochy to Mooloolabah	Phil	DW	24
October 31/4	The Bluff Circuit	Phil	TW	4

Good walking and I hope to see you in the bush.

Michael (0409 620714 or michaelesimpson@optusnet.com.au)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership numbers are unchanged as at the end of October at 102. But good news, on my recent Maroochydore to Mooloolabah walk, two (2) visitors submitted their application forms and money whilst a third paid her money and will submit her form later. Their names will be put forward for acceptance at the next committee meeting. And two (2) others indicated they will be applying for membership.

Food for Thought

Recently we have had many members doing overseas treks and walk. We have members doing trips to places like the Camino in Spain, Mt Wilhelm in New Guinea and Desley did the Burke & Wills commemorative walk in Queensland and South Australia (I hasten to add that the trek was only part of the Burke & Wills trip and actually I haven't heard if she came back safe and well).

I also had chats with another member earlier in the year and they had done three (3) of the great walks in New Zealand back to back.

At present we don't actually give any type of recognition or even record these special feats by members in the club's magazine.

As a means to record and recognise these events may I suggest we start a new section of the magazine called "**Out and About**" to record these events with a brief note.

The brief note would just include the main details - name of walk, name of member, length of trip and what the weather was like. I am happy to take responsibility for collating this information to include in the magazine as part of the Membership Officer's role.

See you on the track. Phil.

JTS PROPOSED ITINERARY 2015

(completely revised to take on feedback that we should go to new places.)

Date	Revised Venue
Jan 16	Story Bridge Hotel (for the last time)
Feb 20	Port Office Hotel
Mar 20	300 Adelaide Street
Apr 17	Emporium Hotel & Mecca Bah (Moroccan Restaurant)

May 15	Irish Club
Jun 19	Archive Bar (West End)
Jul 17	Theodore Club
Aug 14	Woolly Mammoth Alehouse (Valley)
Sep 18	Caxton Hotel & The Barracks
Oct 16	Tomahawk Bar
Nov 20	The Scratch Bar & Thai Restaurant, Park Road
Dec 18	Bavarian Bier Café – Riverside

AROUND THE RIDGES

BWQ AGM

The 2014 Bushwalking Queensland AGM will be held on Thursday 20th November, 2014 at 7.30pm. The venue is the Little King's Hall, 33 O'Keefe Street, Buranda.

Florescence

The Botanical Artist Society of Queensland is having their Annual Exhibition on Sunday 16th November 2014 at the Auditorium Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens.

The exhibition illustrates the incredible beauty of plants while retaining scientific accuracy in scale, form and colour.

Tim Macartney Snape

Tim is Australia's leading Everest climber and is giving a speaking tour around Australia as part of the 30th Anniversary of the first Australian summit of Everest in 1984. He gave a presentation at the Queensland State Library on Tuesday 21st October. Several people from the Club went.

Andrew Lock

Andrew is Australia's most accomplished mountain climber and gave a talk in Brisbane on 1st October about his 20 year quest to climb all 14 mountains that are higher than 8000 metres. He is just an amazing speaker and so low key for a person who has achieved so much. His book called Summit 8000 is now available and would make a nice Xmas present. Of note is that he mentioned that the most dangerous mountain of the fourteen 8,000 metre peaks to climb is Annapurna as the only way up is through an avalanche gully. Ironically this mountain was the first 8,000 metre peak to be climbed and he noted that it has the fewest subsequent ascents.

The Australian Camino

This event is on once again in December 2014. The Australia Camino is in recognition of Mary McKillop's 217 km journey from Portland, Victoria, to Penola, South Australia, a

pilgrimage they have called 'The Aussie Camino'.

St Mary MacKillop traveled widely and her last teaching post as a lay teacher was in Portland. From here, she was called by her mentor and co-founder priest Fr Julian Tenison-Woods back to Penola, where they had met a few years before. Penola is widely accepted as the birthplace of St Mary MacKillop's order, the Sisters of St Joseph. A town with a population of only 1300, it is 383 kilometres from Adelaide and 412 kilometres from Melbourne.

The first Aussie Camino was held in April this year and next event will be in December this year and I have heard a member will be on the trip.

For more details contact Luke Mills
email: lukej.mills@bigpond.com
Mobile: 0433 301196.

Wildlife Queensland Big Bird Event

Wildlife Queensland is calling all bird lovers to celebrate our feathered friends at this end of year event.

Guest speakers, Tim Low (Where Song Began), Darryl Jones (Feeding birds matters) and Steve Parish (Feathered photography), will share their passion and expertise for Australia's avian realm. Brisbane bird enthusiasts will meet and mingle, enjoy afternoon tea and perhaps win a prize.

Venue: George Williams Hotel,
317-325 George Street,
Brisbane, Qld., 4000.

Date: Sunday, 7 December 2014 from 2-5 pm

Cost: \$30 per head.

The venue is close to all public transport.

Bookings can be made on line through www.trybooking.com/FZGI or for those who don't use online booking you can telephone the WPSQ office on 3221 0194.

An RSVP date has not been provided but as the venue only holds 90 people, anyone interested should get in early. The booking website calculates numbers and will advise when all places have been filled.

BOOK REVIEW

Mangroves To Mountains - Revised Edition



By Glenn Leiper, Denis Cox, Jan Glazebrook and Kerry Rathie.
Published by Logan River Branch of the Society for Growing Australian Plants.

On the recent Wildflower walk several people asked me about what book to get for wildflowers.

The best book is "Mangroves To Mountains". It is a 540 page full colour field guide, which is ideal for identifying the native plants of south-east Queensland and northern NSW.

Nearly 2,000 species of plants are displayed, most with colour photos, and each has a description that includes plant size and form, leaf details, flower and fruit details, time of flowering, and some relevant information such as edibility, or whether it's rare or threatened.

The main attraction for bushwalkers with this book is the very easy classification system.

- The book is divided into 'sections' – for 7 different habitat types: tidal wetlands, dunes and headlands, freshwater wetlands, eucalypt forests, rainforests, coastal heath, and montane areas. There is also a chapter detailing all known mistletoe species for the region.
- Then within each section, the flowers and fruit colours are grouped together, and
- then within these colour sections, the tallest trees are detailed first, then shrubs, herbs, ground covers and vines progressively.

The authors, led by Glenn Leiper, are native plant enthusiasts, with many years spent bushwalking and exploring the region. They are all members of the Logan River Branch of the Society for Growing Australian Plants. It is a very small group of people so it is very commendable that they were able to publish such a professional book.

Glenn Leiper photographed most of the plants in the book over the past 25 years, but there are also many contributing photographers, including noted rainforest experts Hugh and Nan Nicholson.

Price: \$40.00 + postage \$12.00

Available from:

Glenn Leiper

30 Tweedvale Street, Beenleigh, Qld. 4207.

Email: leiper30@bigpond.com

Cheques or money orders are accepted. Please make cheques out to "G. & J. Leiper".

If the purchaser prefers to pay by direct deposit, please contact Glenn Leiper for bank details.

PAST EVENTS

PILGRIMAGE FRIDAY TO SUNDAY 5th TO 7th SEPTEMBER BASE CAMP

We arrived at the camp site around 5:30 and were greeted at the entrance where we marked our name off a list. We decided to pick a camp site near the water and after setting up camp we visited to the hall for a welcome minestrone soup. While we were there we registered for the Bare Rock walk. We decided on this because there was a new section opened. Leader Liz was visiting for the day and led people on the walk. This walk was 17km but very easy walking on a path. Along the first section we headed towards Cordeaux and then travelled left and morning tea was just before Cordeaux. After the rain there was a major land slide. On the way we saw spear lilies. Once we reached the peak we were overlooking Mt. Maroon, Mt. Alford and Mt. Edward. The trip down was the same. That night there was a bush dance with the band, Stone the Crows. The onsite facilities were of high standard for camping which included showers, toilets, microwave and cold room. On Sunday morning there were activities available such as abseiling and kayaking I choose abseiling and I was a little nervous at first. So I decided to do the short abseil then advanced to the longer abseil. After a relaxing weekend we packed up and went home. Louise.

BRISBANE OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 12th OCTOBER SOCIAL



The day dawned fine and warm. Fifteen of us gathered under the Story Bridge to commence our wander around the inner City. Everyone came with a sense of adventure, a happy attitude, an inquisitive mind and a questioning spirit. The group was a good mixture of long term members and newer ones. There was a

sprinkling of past offenders who had been with me on these adventures before.

Our first port of call was the Howard Smith Wharves below the Story Bridge, which have been repaired and soon to become a fashionable tourist attraction. Lots of old photos and a walk under the wharves at water level.

Next was the Mercy Heritage Centre at All Hallows'. More old photos. And a lovely chapel. And some old furniture. Good views down the River.

One sleeper on the day was Arkhdfield (the old Castlemaine Perking HQ) in Adelaide St. A good tour through all the nooks & crannies by an architect who is the current occupant. Told about the history, the various stages of construction, the materials used, the purpose of the various rooms and more – what else can an architect talk about? A very good job well done.

Now onto everyone's favourite: The Polo Club (the old AUSN Steamship Building). Our guide was a wise cracking story telling humorous member. Part of the condition of Waterfront place being built was that the developers restore the AUSN Building, and what a marvellous job they did. We slowly were taken from room to room, giving its history, the current use, and some stories from the past. We were even told about "The Ghost". We spent more time here than anywhere else. No one wanted to leave. And the cellar, if we can get in, all agreed a nice place for a JTS.

Now for a quick lunch at Eagle Street Pier.

Onward up to Wickham Tce to go into the old City Water Tanks. But a surprise awaited before we got there – an unplanned stop at the Baptist Tabernacle on the Terrace. The minister himself showed us around - explaining the features of the space and freely answering any questions. We saw the church, the choir area, the attic, the upper seating, the basement kitchens, the storerooms and more. And the organist was an old work mate of mine I had not seen in 28 years.

Now for the old underground water tank on top of Spring Hill next to the Observatory. These have been newly renovated and only now in 150 years open to the public. Very interesting structures and design. All brickwork, made up of several rooms with lovely vaulting of the ceiling.

Now it was arvo tea time, so off to Roma St Parklands for a cuppa and cake – at Melange.

At that late hour in the afternoon, we were almost the only customers. Nice food, nice surroundings.

As it was now too late to attack Southbank, we made our separate ways home. Thanks to my fellow travellers: Michele, Madonna O'C, Liz L, Renuka R, Jack & Bernadette D, Cathy & Mike W, Paddy T, Robin T, Antonia S, Andrea T and to our first time visitor Patricia C. Many thanks to all. Greg.

THE CHARMING SQUIRE FRIDAY 17th OCTOBER JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Attendance 13 - Liz Little, Greg Endicott, Michele Endicott, Lucy Endicott Graham Glasse, Phil Murray, Russ Nelson, Jan Nelson, Peggy Roe, Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin, Cathy Wood, Mike Wood.

It was a great night. The beers were good. Graham clearly preferred the Sundowner. By 5.30 the crowd built up and we noted the prices on the menu were sky high, \$41 for a steak.

The place had become too noisy, crowded and dark. Mutterings were made about moving yes, mutterings, and they weren't stifled mutterings mainly about the cost of the food. Before there was a mass desertion and insurrection Liz and I scouted a few other places nearby and found a great place next door called Olio's. So at 5-30 we 'moved house' and went next door to a nice little café called Olio's. The service was great the food was nice especially the pizzas. But I wasn't fussed on the décor it was lime green colour with yellow chairs but it still had a lovely ambience as some had a view of the 'world' we could look along Grey St, there were lots of people whizzing past to get to the Lion King show on time plus people on the right side of the table were able to get a view of the sky wheel going around.

I should mention that the move wasn't exactly a unanimous vote as there were some members that were happy to stay and further explore the James Squire offerings. So we may have to organise a special repeat visit.

Also a special mention has to made - Jan and Russ were just back from the Camino in Spain. They got off the plane that morning about 11 ish. Home for a few hours and then they came out to meet the crew and to catch up with Michael Simpson and Karen Franklin who did the first part of the Camino with them.

Actually I should mention that I quiet liked the idea of having pre-dinner drinks at one venue and then have a meal at another nearby venue. Perhaps it is an arrangement that we could utilize on other occasions. Phil.

BRIGHTON TO SCARBOROUGH SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER DAY WALK

Fourteen walkers met at 25th Avenue in Brighton and we left at around ten past eight. The weather was fine and a bit windy and there were already a lot people out and about.

We made our way across the Ted Smout Bridge with view of Hays Inlet, Pine River, Bramble Bay, Clontarf, Woody Point. We met Greg and Michelle at Clontarf and were lucky enough see an amazing array of skydivers who had just jumped out of a plane, and were parachuting onto the foreshore. We passed the Humpy bong sailing Club with members there preparing for a regatta, then we met Pat and Jonas waiting patiently for the main party to arrive.

The walk way finished on the corner of Woody Point so detoured to the nearest street dodging the construction site traffic and back onto the main pathway towards Margate beach. Washed up on the rocks was an old ship which had come to grief at some stage. We stopped for a morning tea at Margate Beach and admired the view out to Moreton Island, and continued on to Suttons Beach and the Lagoon at Redcliffe.

It was getting onto 1PM when we arrived at Morgans for lunch, where we had a lengthy wait to get our Fish and Chips. Following lunch we caught the 690 bus back to the cars at Brighton having an early finish for the day.

Thanks to all people who came a long and enjoyed the walk. Trevor.

SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER MASS FOR OUR LADY OF THE WAY RELIGIOUS CELEBRATION

Six members made their way to Petrie for this year's Club celebration of a Mass on the feast of our Club's patron. It was the regular Sunday Mass. However, the Mass was meaningful since Fr David always gives a good sermon.

Thanks to Karen F, Susan & Justin T, Michael S, Terry S and Rosemary S for attending. Greg.

LUNCH AT PALMWOODS SUNDAY 19th OCTOBER SOCIAL

Four souls caught the train from Bris Vegas to the lovely old hinterland village of Palmwoods, just south of Nambour. The trip was lovely as we went through unknown territory by silent fast rail – without any track works. We even chased Terry in his car with the train. We won but he passed us as we were walking from the station. The other four drove. Three came straight from the Mass at Our Lady of The Way Petrie.

The CBD of Palmwoods is quaint – still in a forgotten time zone. The rail station has not changed in 100 years. The pub was the renovated old original, except they had at least two newer extension on the back – the most recent being the beer garden where we had lunch.

It was a nice semi-open area with a bar at one end, kiddies area to one side, open area on the other side, car park through the door at the back and tables in the middle. Nice green plants all around. The menu was varied, blackboard menu extra, and reasonably priced.

We enjoyed two hours there chatting, eating, drinking and looking. Fewer took the train home. One interesting thing about the pub is the infinity urinal in the gents – it is a window. I know, because when I was in there, I could see the others at our table pointing & laughing.

Thanks to the train travellers: Sophie & Leigh R and Liz L, and the car dwellers Michele E, Karen F, Terry S and Michael S. I could easily go up there again. Greg.

MAROOCHYDORE TO MOOLOOLABAH SATURDAY 25th OCTOBER DAY WALK

Weather: just beautiful – temperature about 25°

Winds: a medium NNE wind of about 35 kph.
with gusts to 50kph.

Distance: 11.3 km

Height gain: 25 metres

This is the second time we have done this trip. The first time was only 2½ years ago in March 2012. It was such a great trip we came back. Once again the weather was kind with not a cloud in the sky.

We met at the designated spot at Maroochydore Surf Club. The views were

magic. The Nippers were out and lots and lots of people were around - and most were just lazying about. Several of us were early, the ACU bus was early, yes even Greg was early. The foreign students thought they were going on a bushwalk but this was better - a beach walk.

Some of the foreign students were keen to check out the water – Madeline was from Chicago and Paige was from Toronto and they just had to dip their toes in the water as it was so appealing. They just zoomed straight down and started getting in the water. I thought I better let them know about beach protocol on Aussie beaches that they were supposed to swim between the flags unless they wanted to be rescued by the life savers. They made their own decision and stayed in the same spot. I watched the life savers watching the girls but fortunately the girls didn't need to be rescued.

We were actually early and many people hadn't had morning tea, so I relented and let people zip into the Club house for morning tea. The special was coffee and cake for only \$5 and there were plenty who took advantage of the special offer.

We finally got together and formed our circle and introduced ourselves to each other. We were mainly from Brisbane - Madeline was from Chicago, Alena was from San Jose California, Eva was from Colorado and Paige was from Canada. They were warmly welcomed with polite applause.

Then we hit the beach (at 10.24) and it was just great to be striding out. We passed a few lazy sunbakers who looked up at us and they just stared and stared at us as we walking along a beach while they choose to get enough solar radiation to cause skin cancer. Obviously they were never told it was not polite to stare. Anyhow it was nice walking along the beach as we could easily walk beside each other and have a chat.

We regrouped at Alex Headlands. Most of us went over the top of the headland and a small group went along the rock platform. We had another regroup near Mooloolaba and then before we knew it we were at the Breakwater. (at 12.07) We had a leisurely lunch under the shade of the Casuarina trees. It was a nice spot as we could look out over the river and the beach at the same time. We watched many boats come and go. In the far distance we could see Mt Cooroora, Mt Ninderry, Mt Coolum, Mt Cooroy and Noosa Hill. I have climbed all of

these except Mt Cooroy. It's Time (with apologies to Gough) we went back there but I have heard access can be difficult to obtain. Cooroy would be a great walk to do in July or August.

We had a longish lunch and by 1.15 it was time to go. But the foreign students were still in the water. One of them had lost a ring and she was frantically looking for it. After another 10 minutes she realised it was a forlorn task. It was a silver friendship ring that had sentimental value as she had it since grade 8. She will now have another reason to always remember Mooloolaba beach – but not the way she expected. Just as we were leaving a large flock of yellow tailed black cockatoos flew over. There were only about 15 to 20 birds in the flock but it was the largest flock I have ever seen. They quickly passed over and then were gone. Just like the silver ring.

We were soon zooming along the beach past the Mooloolaba surf club. Then we were went along the rock platform below Alexandra Headland. We spotted a very sad sight. A very large and very dead sea turtle. I don't know my turtles. If someone can put a note in the next Jilalan to advise what species it was it would be appreciated.

A quick stop at Alex Heads Surf Club for a re-group. Then we zoomed down to Maroochydore surf club. There were 3 options – plan A to finish the walk by walking up to the mouth of the Maroochy River; Plan B – have a long swim; Plan C go to the Club for a long afternoon tea break. Most of us went with plan A; Rusty and Louise and the girls went for plan B and Sue and a few ladies went for Plan C.

Plan A was a simple 500 metre walk along the beach to the river mouth. But a dilemma arises. What is the turnaround point - there is no 'line in the sand' so to speak, between the ocean beach and the river beach. The answer was simple. There were 4 groynes that were installed to protect the river mouth from further erosion. The groynes were made by huge sand bags that were 3 metres long, 2 metres wide and 1 metre high.

So we walked to the 4th groyne which was also the last groyne and determined that this was the turnaround point or the 'line in the sand'. There was a nice view up the river from here but the better view was the huge number of kite surfers. There were about 20 kite surfers zipping along all over the place, they were very

colourful and the guys were doing amazing tricks and manoeuvres.

I don't know this part of the coast very well and was advised that the river mouth was previously on the north side of the rocky outcrop called Pincushion Island but no one knew when. I digress but if rocky outcrop it is actually attached to the mainland by a substantial sand isthmus is it an island? I may be pedantic but it's not an island.

I later checked on the web and there is a reference to the change of position of the river mouth. During the year 2000 large tides and swells shifted the mouth of Maroochydore River to the southern side of Pincushion Island, heavily eroding the riverbank and claiming many meters of parkland and the adjacent caravan park. Since 2001 the Island connected to the north shore side of Maroochydore River.

We quickly got back to the Club house (about 3.45) and enjoyed the \$5 special. Most of us hit the road by about 4.20 pm.

Thanks to all those who came.

Attendance 24

12 – members :- Phil Murray, Graham Glasse, Paddy Taylor, Rusty Jones, Louise Jones, Ray Rowe, Sofia Ramsay, Gerry Burges, Janelle Sammon, Andrea Turner, Greg Endicott, Michele Endicott.

1 member's spouse - Sue Murray,

3 provisional members who 'joined' the Club on the day as it was their second walk Sue Walsh, Jack & Bernadette Desmond.

2 visitors;- Margaret Tunnell & Thomas Dobson
5 students from ACU:- Trudy Sue, Paige Pringle, Madeline Carney, Alena Murphy & Eva Tucker

1 student's dad:- Cavan Sue who really wants to do a real bushwalk next time.

Thanks to the drivers Graham, Rusty and Gerry. Thanks to Thomas Dobson who provided me with the GPS reading for the distance for the walk.

At the last meeting someone mentioned that the beach walks would be a good walk for a new leader to lead. I have to disagree. Although this beach walk was a very very very easy walk it is actually very hard to lead as there are so many different people who want to do things in different ways and walk at a different pace and wanting to do different things at different times. Plus it is so hard to see where the walkers are as there are so many tourists in the way so it is hard to see where people are. Plus there are so

many newcomers on these trips and invariably they want to ask so many questions you hardly get time to think. Plus people want to give you their money. For new leaders leading an easy walk actually becomes a very hard exercise in logistics. As an example of new leaders getting burned out, I still clearly remember a young guy in the Club back in the early nineties who led his first walk to Dave's Creek – a very very easy walk. He had over 20 people on the walk. We never saw him again. Phil.

COFFEE NIGHT AND DINNER WEDNESDAY 29th OCTOBER SOCIAL

A new venue in Ashgrove proved to be popular with a delightful ambience and good food. The thirteen members who attended sampled the menu and discussed the finer points of bushwalking and future travel arrangements.

Thanks to Karen, Gerry, Graham, Anne & Bob, Jonas, Pat, Sue, Mary, Terry, Russ and Jan for supporting the night.

ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2014

At St Michaels at Ashgrove from 7.30 pm

This is the eleventh time we have had this photo competition. One of the main reasons for the photographic competition is to find a "cover photograph" for the Annual Report. The other reason for having a photographic competition is to encourage members to bring their photographs out and to share them with other members.

Our goal as a club is to encourage the love of the bush and bushwalking. I trust the photographs will display the spirit of the Club and the beauty of nature and why we go bushwalking. The best overall photograph will go on the front cover of the Annual Report.

The categories of the competition are -

1. **Landscape** - this includes all the landscapes, waterscapes, mountains,
2. **Moods of nature** - sunrises, sunsets, storm and rain or misty days,
3. **Nature Close up** - plants, animals, birds, rocks, leaf litter etc.,
4. **People and faces** - portraiture & club character,
5. **Miscellaneous** - any photos that do not fit into any other category,
6. **International Walking** - photos from overseas walks,
7. **Best overall** - awarded to the print deemed to be best overall by the invited judge,
8. **People's choice** - the best photo selected by the members.

The Competition Rules

- entry is open to club members only,
- the photographs have to be prints and displayed at the November meeting,
- size - photograph approximately A5 size - 210 mm x 149 mm or smaller so it can fit on the front cover of the Annual Report (this will be strictly enforced),
- each person may enter 2 photographs per category,
- each photograph must be titled and have the owner's name and date,
- the photographs must be from a BCBC trip or in the area in which we usually walk,
- photographs can be entered on the night but no later than 8.00pm. There is no entry fee,
- there will be an overall winning photograph which will receive a modest prize,
- the winning photograph will go on the front cover of the next annual report,
- the ownership of the photograph will remain that of the photographer,
- the owner agrees to allow the Club to scan their photographs to use the photographs in the club magazine annual report and website.

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 car park.

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.

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