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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
15	Retreat	Michele	3351 4092	Sp	
17	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
21	JTS – Lock & Load	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
22	Shipstern Circuit (Binna Burra)	Phil	5522 9702	DW	XL35
23	Kate Quinlan Society	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
26	Coffee Night – HUB Café Kitchen	Michael	0409 620 714	Soc	
28/1	Victorian Alps – Mt Clear	Phil	5522 9702	TW	XL33
Nov 2/10	Aussie Camino,	Russ	33743534	BC	XL24
3	Kingscliffe to Tweed River	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	M22
5	Sandgate to Scarborough	Phil	5522 9702	Bike	
12	Progressive Dinner	Justin	3366 3193	Soc	
16	Newmarket to City	Liz	3356 4874	Stroll	S11
18	JTS – German Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Three Bridges Circuit	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	L13
21	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
23	Coffee Night – Ouzeri	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
26	Wave Break Island	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M22
27	Verse For Vinnies	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
30	Ashgrove to City	Russ	3374 3534	Stroll	S12
Dec 1	Maroochy River to Mooloolah River	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	M22
4	West End	Michele	3351 4092	DW	M22
7	Dutton Park to City via Toowong	Paddy	3378 4813	Stroll	M11
10	Christmas Party	Louise J	3399 4472	Soc	
16	JTS – George’s Paragon	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Box Forest Circuit	Gerry	0404 947960	DW	M33
19	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
26	Boxing Day Walk	Needed		DW	
Jan 1	Mt Glorious and sunset BBQ	Liz	3356 4874	DW	S22
7	Piper Comanche	Michael	0409 620714	DW	S34
12	Burleigh Heads to Southport Spit	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	L23
14/15	Intentional spare weekend				
16	BCBC Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
19	Appletree to Purling Brook Falls	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	S34
20	JTS – Storey Bridge Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21	Baroon Pocket – Kondalilla	Needed		DW	M33
25	Coffee Night for Vinnies	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
26	Aussie Social	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
28	City Walk	Michele	3351 4092	DW	
29	Obi Obi Li-Lo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M54
Feb 4	Warrie Circuit	John	5514 0285	DW	L33
11	Mt Mitchell Full Moon Walk	Needed		DW	S33
16	Blue Pool	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	M33
17/19	Cronan’s Cascades Base Camp	Trevor	0411 286885	BC	M34
17	JTS – The Guilty Rogue	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
22	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
25	Annual Mass and Dinner	Michele	3351 4092	Sp	
28	Shrove Tuesday	Russ	3374 3534	Soc	
Mar 4/5	Rainbow Beach	Justin	3366 3193	BC	
10	James Boag @ the Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
12	Club Hut Working Bee	Iain	3870 8082	DW	S43
16	Shorncliffe to Redcliffe	Phil	5522 9702	DW ^t	
17	JTS – Mick O’Malleys	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18/19	Club Hut 50th Anniversary	Cath	3398 1465	ON	S43

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 / 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 / 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

Endowed with a renewed understanding and appreciation of the Earth, we now have a responsibility to act. Through our ecological conversion we now become ambassadors for our Earth. May the rivers of knowledge flow on from within us as we continue to work towards an integral ecology. Empower us, O Lord, that we may recognise social and ecological injustice in our community, and act decisively to create meaningful change.
(Excerpted from Prayer by Freya Zemek – Catholic Earthcare Australia)

COMING EVENTS

TRIPS leave from St Brigid's car park at 78 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, or cancel it – please tell Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092.

**FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER
THE GERMAN CLUB
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address: 416 Vulture Street, Gabba,
Opposite the Gabba Cricket
Ground, beyond the corner with
Main Street.
Time: From 4pm till 8ish.
What For: A chat, a beverage and a meal.
Web: <http://brisbanegermanclub.com/>
Transport: The Woolloongabba Busway
station is one block away.
Emerg Off: Phil Murray 0413 307580.



The Club has a regular gathering in town for a social drink and a chat on the third Friday of the month. This time we are meeting at the German Club. Our last visit here was on Friday 21st October 2011.

Oktoberfest is over. The crowds have gone. Prices have again become more reasonable. It is a lot quieter.

Come along and visit this traditional German club; partake of the cheapish home-style simple meals, sample the German & Australian wines, ales and waters. You don't have to get up to do those heel slapping German dances – just sit with us and talk & talk & talk.

There are 2 beers on offer that merit a special mention.

1. Köstritzer Schwarzbier is a dark beer - One of the most notable drinkers of Köstritzer Schwarzbier was the great German poet and writer Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, who sustained himself on black beer from Köstritz when he was unable to eat during a period of illness.

2. Budvar Budejovický this beer is also known as the Czech Budweisser beer. But due to trademark problems with the American firm that brews Budweisser in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the beer is marketed as Czechvar in the US and the American Budweiser is labelled as Bud in all European

Union markets, except for Ireland and the United Kingdom.

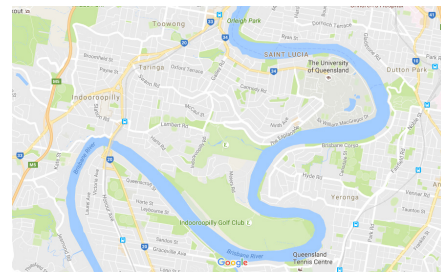
Being a German Club, they do have some good wines – still & sparkling.

It is not all beer and wine – it is essentially good company.

A few German Quotes for quotes of the month:
Give me a woman who loves beer and I will conquer the world. (Kaiser Wilhelm)
Drinking beer doesn't make you fat, It makes you lean. Against bars, tables, chairs, and poles. (Traditional German quote)
Live each day as if your life had just begun. (Johann Wolfgang von Goethe)

**SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER
THREE BRIDGES CIRCUIT
BACKYARD DAYWALK**

Leader: Paddy Taylor 3378 4813.
Meet at: Indooroopilly station (Ipswich & Springfield lines).
Depart: 9am.
Cost: \$2.
Grade: L13.
Location: Western suburbs of Brisbane.
Web: <http://www.brisbane-australia.com/brisbane-river-crossings.html>
Emerg Off: Barry 3378 4813.



Artists Impression of the route.

Leaving the station, we will walk along Lambert Rd past the soccer field and High School to Robertson Park. From the park, there is a shared path alongside the Golf Course and the river to the University and the Eleanor Schonell Bridge. We cross this bridge to Dutton Park.

From Dutton Park, we follow the river, sometimes through parks, sometimes on suburban streets, through Yeronga to Tennyson tennis centre. Crossing Pamphlett Bridge over Oxley Creek, we continue through Simpsons Playground, and along the river to Chelmer. We will detour through Faulkner Park and Caesar's Place, where re-vegetation has been undertaken by local groups. This is a very pretty walk. It is amazing how much green space and

parkland we have in our city. There are also some beautiful houses to see, some with magnificent grounds.

From Chelmer, we cross the Jack Petsch Bridge back to the Indooroopilly station. The walk is fairly long, about 19km, but we are never very far from public transport.

Don't forget to bring all the usual day walk gear, including a hat, sunscreen, raincoat, first aid kit and 2 litres of water.

MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after.
Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church. Drive down the ramp at the left.)
Web: <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

Guest Speaker

Our speaker is Paul Reuss of Injinji Performance Products.

Many people wonder why Injinji toe socks are better than the traditional sock design. The answer is, surprisingly simple. They have created a sock anatomically designed to your foot, and the five-toe sleeve design allows your toes to splay naturally and align properly, enabling greater stability and more comfort. They only use superior fibres that are durable, light, and flexible to offer superior breathability, which means cool, dry, and comfortable feet. Injinji intended to create a sock that fits naturally, protects from blisters and is so comfortable you forget you're wearing socks. That's the way it should be.



Paul will bring a range of Injinji socks for you to see as well as several other products that work well for Bushwalkers.

And now for a word from our sponsor: Come along to hear about what has been really happening at recent club events, as well as our coming events and past walks. Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as to whether to come on the walk.

Nominate for a walk.
Nominate to lead an outing.

WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620714.
Meet At: Ouzeri Mediterranean & Greek Restaurant,
118 Boundary Street, West End.
Time: 6.00pm for Dinner,
OR 7.30pm for coffee.
Cost: Your choice – visit their website for their menu.
Web: <http://www.ouzeri.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Michael 0409 620714.



Established in 1999, Ouzeri is a Mediterranean-style restaurant offering a relaxed, casual and family friendly dining atmosphere. We are situated in the

heart of West End with ample on and off street parking.

If you have an appetite for generous meals at affordable prices with friendly staff, then come in, sit down and soak up the open air dining experience, while you watch the world pass by.

We make every effort to cater for everyone's tastes and dietary requirements by offering vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and Celiac options. Please speak to one of our friendly staff for Vegan & Gluten free options. We really do have that much variety!

(Image: TripAdvisor)

SATURDAY 26th NOVEMBER WAVE BREAK ISLAND DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.
Meeting Point A: St Brigid's carpark
Meeting Point B: Carpark opposite the Grand Hotel 360 Marine Parade, Labrador
Time: 6.30am at Red Hill,
7.30am at Labrador.
Cost: \$25.
Grade: M22.
Location: At the mouth of the Gold Coast Broadwater.

Web:https://www.griffith.edu.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0004/322807/Wavebreak-Island.pdf

Distance: 12 km.

Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

This trip is a circuit walk. It starts at Grand Hotel at Labrador and we walk south along the shoreline of The Broadwater past the new Gold Aquatic Centre. We cross the Southport Bridge and zig zag through a few streets to the surf beach. We traipse along the beach to the Gold Coast Seaway then a visit to Wave Break Island.



We will have late lunch on Wave Break Island and enjoy a leisurely swim before we explore the island a bit more. (There are no toilets on Wave Break Island or any tap water).

After about 2 hours we will be picked up on the western side by the water taxi again and be taken back to the Grand Hotel at Labrador.

This will be the second trip by the Club to this island. The previous trip was on Saturday 7th March 2015. There are still proposals for the redevelopment of the island so it may be wise to visit it before it is declared out of bounds.

So come along for an interesting walk on the Gold Coast.

Photo: <http://www.peterscholer.com/Other/Federation-Walk-Reserve/i-CLZ99F3/A>

SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER VERSE FOR VINNIES SOCIAL

Leader: Liz Little 3356 4874
or lizlittle@bigpond.com.

Meet At: 67 Dawson Parade, Grovely
(St Williams Church Complex –
Mary Mackillop Centre).

Time: 1.30pm.

Cost: \$15.

Nom by: Thursday 24th November.

Web:<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/news-events/events/list/verse-vinnies-concert-poetry-performance-2/>

This is one of a series of regular concerts organized by local bush poet, Noel Stallard. The November one is particularly exciting because the guest poet will be Rupert McCall.

Many of us are familiar with his work, described in the information brochure:

In many sectors, Rupert has become the poet of our generation. His popularity transcends all demographics and ages, from the schools he visits to the corporate and sporting functions he entertains. His writings and performances are in demand both overseas and in Australia. He is a passionate Australian and his ability to share his enthusiasm with any audience is warmly received. He will continue to captivate and inspire audiences for years to come. This is one concert you must see.

Bush poetry is characterized by its rhyme and rhythm. It provides easy listening, is usually light in tone and subject matter and very entertaining.

The poets donate their time and talents for the concerts. Local folk bake home made cakes and other goodies for afternoon tea. Past member, Mary Nolan, tells me that she pours the tea! The proceeds go to a worthy charity and one that our Club already likes to support, the St Vincent de Paul Society.

When Noel Stallard retired from teaching to write bush poetry, his wife used his redundant neckties to make a vest for him. The poem he wrote about it is included in the Jilalan to provide an example of the style of bush poetry.

The Ties that Bind

By Noel Stallard (in Aussie Verse, Heritage Poetry, Albany Creek, 2010)

*These ties you see now in this vest were worn each day by me,
And each one has a tale to tell of how I came to be.
These ties recall so many people who have touched my life,
Who walked with me when times were good, who stayed with me in strife.*

*As Deputy in High School I would wear a tie each day
And this became a joke with staff as each would have their say
About its colour, style and shape, "Did Vinnies have a sale?"
And once they all wore cardboard ones: that went beyond the pale.
But this one from the Principal deserves a special place.
His sudden death left such a gap that no one could replace.
A man who put his students first, affirmed, empowered all,*

To seek the truth of who they were and always to stand tall.

*This tie you see my students gave when I taught them at school,
And it recalls those characters; some worked, some played the fool.*

*Those conscientious students who made teachers' lives a dream,
Who hung on every word you said, their intellects supreme.*

*And there were battlers trying hard to cope with what they had,
The rebel who would not conform, until you rang his dad.*

*Or those delinquents who'd disrupt, deliberately destroy,
Those lessons you took months preparing thinking they'd enjoy.*

*Most ties have come from mum and dad who ran a menswear store,
And grew up in depression times and aftermaths of war.*

These ties remind me of my folk who gave more than they took.

*When country people were in drought or milk prices were crook,
my folk would overlook their bills with, "wait until the wet;"*

And when it rained these farmers were the first to pay their debt.

So ties from them I wear with pride, my heroes, mum and dad;

They taught me, being generous, was the richest gift I had.

Some ties are Ann's or Liz or Joe's, my greatest loves in life,

For nothing binds like family love of daughter, son or wife.

Those bright fun ties, like Mickey Mouse, reflect fun-loving Liz,

Whose ready wit, light hearted cheer is just the way she is.

And any ties with sporting themes would have to come from Joe,

For sport's what makes the world go 'round, according to our beau.

Pierre Cardin ties would be Ann's, she has that fashion flair,

And tried to make me elegant: some tasks lead to despair.

We all have memorabilia that binds us to our past:

For me these ties now in a vest will help those memories last;

For as the ties are varied in their colour, shape and size,

So too those lovely people whom I choose to idolize.

THURSDAY 1st DECEMBER MAROOCHY RIVER TO MOOLOOLAH RIVER & RETURN DAY WALK

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill OR
Hypermarket, Aspley.

Time: 8.00am – Red Hill,
8.30am - Hypermarket.

Cost: \$15 (car pool), \$2 (private).

Grade: M22.

Location: Sunshine Coast.

Emerg Off: Sue Murray 5522 9702.

This is an easy walk with lovely views and a sense of place in a beautiful locale.

The plan is to park our cars at Maroochy near the Cottontree campground then saunter along the beach to the end of the beach near the river mouth of the Maroochy River and then head south to the Mooloolah River about 6 km away and we will go all the way to the navigation light at the end of the breakwater at the mouth of the Mooloolah River.

We will have lunch in the sheltered bay near the breakwater. In the afternoon we will do a return trip along the beach back to the cars.

There should be glorious views and gentle sea breezes. Bring your lunch as we will have our lunch overlooking the sea. Plus there will be time for a swim or two. You can pack light for this trip – water, lunch, a rain jacket and sunscreen.

There is a high tide in the morning at 9.06 am and the low tide is in the afternoon at 3.30 pm. There should be time for a quick visit to a coffee shop at the end of the walk.

SATURDAY 4th DECEMBER WEST END CITY WALK

Leader: Michele Endicott 3351 4092 or 0418 708638.

Meet at: Bus Station at Dutton Park Place.
That is the bus station on the
Dutton Park side of the Eleanor
Schonell Bridge – the bridge to
UQ.

<https://ip.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/stops/018056>

Depart: 8.00am.

Cost: \$2.
Grade: S22.
Location: The inner southern suburbs of your city.
Distance: 9.6km.
Hgt Gain: 98m. **Hgt Loss:** 115m.
Web: <https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-27.4893426,153.0172991,16z>.
Emerg Off: Greg E. 0418 122995.

This is a combination walk – a City Walk and a history lesson.

To get from the Dutton Place Bus Station to West End, we will follow the bi-ways and tracks between the streets – real off-track walking (for a few metres!). Otherwise, it is mainly street and footpath walking.

Once we get up to the main part of West End, the history lesson begins. There are four booklets on the history of the suburb, each focusing on a different aspect or era. The group will walk the paths, weaving through the narrow streets and stopping in front of historically significant sites to hear the relevant 'story' read out.

This is Summer, so bring your broad-brimmed hat, sunglasses, water, lunch, sun protection, raincoat, comfy shoes, camera - all the normal day walk stuff. Do not plan on shops being open – it is a Sunday after all and we'll be in residential and industrial areas. We'll finish at the Cultural Centre Bus Station / South Brisbane Station, probably mid-afternoon. Please join M.E. for this leisurely historical walk.

SATURDAY 10th DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY SOCIAL

Contact: Liz Little 3356 4874 or lizlittle@bigpond.com.
Address: 14 Bexley Ave, Balmoral.
Time: 5.30pm.
Cost: \$30.
Pay by: Sunday 4th December.



The festive season is fast approaching, so dig out your Santa hats and mark this date in your diaries! Rusty and Louise have generously offered to host our party this year. Dinner will be catered and include two roast meats and four salads. Dessert will be certain to satisfy the

sweetest of teeth and some fun Christmas activities are assured.

Because the caterers require numbers, we need to ask you to pay at the time of nomination. You can give cash to Terry or Liz or deposit the money into the Club account. Use your name and Xmas as the reference; eg BSB No: 514179 A/C No: 1567184 and Ref: YourNameXmas. Eg: LizLittleXMass

FRIDAY 16th DECEMBER GEORGE'S PARAGON JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Leader: Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address: 1/10 Eagle St.
Time: From 4pm till 8ish.
What For: A chat, a beverage and a meal.
Web: <http://www.georgesparagon.com/>
Emerg Off: Phil Murray 0413 307580.

For the half price dinner menu need to be seated between 5.30 to 6.30

The Club has a regular gathering in town for a social drink and a chat on a Friday once a month on the third Friday of the month.

For December we will be dining down by the river and enjoy seafood at Georges Paragon Restaurant. It is a lovely venue with great views over the river. There is a half price dinner menu if you are seated between 5.30 and 6.30.

Last year we went the Bavarian Beer House which was next door to Georges. The Bavarian Beer House was way too crowded and busy whereas Georges looked uncrowded and relaxed.

The Aussie beers are about \$6.90 and the Greek beer Mythos is \$8.50. Mythos Hellenic Lager Beer from Mythos Breweries S.A. It has received some average and unflattering reviews.

The average review was as follows- - Pale lager...yada yada yada. Nothing different here, but will admit it was better than I expected. Just the right amount of flavor to go with a plate of souvlaki.

The bad review was - One of the worst beers I tried so far. Tastes and smells like some faint apple cider. Colour is also similar to apple cider. The best thing in the beer is the head that stayed on for a solid amount of time. No hoppiness, no maltiness, just alcohol, some boozy/fermented fruit taste and sweetness. Not

much carbonation and heavy feel. I was curious to know how bad the beer was - well, luckily, curiosity did not kill the cat. When in Greece I'll stick to other options.

SATURDAY 17th DECEMBER BOX FOREST CIRCUIT DAY WALK

Leader: Gerry Burges 0404 947960.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.
Depart: 7.00am.
Cost: \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grade: S33.
Location: O'Reilly's.
Distance: 10.7kms.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

We follow the road to the top of the mountain, where the rainforest resorts are, and where hungry parrots flock to adorn shoulders for photographs.

The Box Forest Circuit is 11km long. It takes about 3.5 hours to complete. There are several long stretches of time going "oooooh" and "ahhhhh" over water falls, clambering over rocks to reach the optimal position for a photo., and stopping to search for rustling wildlife.

SATURDAY 7th JANUARY PIPER COMANCHE WRECK DAY WALK

Leader: Michael Simpson 0409 620714.
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill OR
45 Camoola Street, Keperra.
Depart: 7.00am – St Brigid's OR
7.30am – Keperra.
Cost: \$10 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grade: S34.
Location: Mt Glorious area.
Distance: About 6.5kms.
Hgt Gain: About 300m.
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

On 2 March 1977 at approximately 1822 a Piper Comanche departed Harrison's Pocket for the short flight to Archerfield. There was low cloud cover and the plane was observed to climb into cloud as it flew up the South Kobbie Creek valley. At approximately 1828 it crashed some 400ft below Mt D'Aguilar.

The site of crash has become popular as it is used as a navigational exercise although

recently the dreaded pink tape has appeared everywhere along the route.

After regrouping at my place around 7.30am we will drive the short distance to Tenison Woods where we will park the cars. This is a short walk through lovely rainforest in an area with lots of logging history. Unfortunately the old logging road is not part of the park's walking tracks and consequently has numerous tree falls across it. But they all add to the enjoyment of the day.

The walk to the wreck is around 3.3kms from the cars and involves some ups and downs but nothing serious. We will have morning tea at the wreck before returning to the cars along the same route. Depending on time we will either have lunch near the big log or at Maiala.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The main news since my last report is that Desley has resigned as Outings Secretary. I am sorry to see her relinquish the role, as she has done a good job. While still new to the role, Desley ran a successful Outings Sub-Committee Meeting and made an excellent start to the 2017 Walks Calendar. The hard work has already been done. Thank you, Desley.

It is not worth placing anyone in the position for just a little under 3 months when all the planning for the rest of this Club year is done and the 2017 Calendar is now settled.

Thus any alterations to the Outings Calendar, till we get a new Outings Secretary in 2017, will come to me. All we need is a few leaders. Have a look at the calendar in the cover of this Jilalan to see where you are needed.

Boxing Day, for example, is a good event for a new leader to take up the baton and go forth. It does not have to be a slack walk, but perhaps needs to be shady as it is in the height of summer. I am not looking for new walks, new dates or alterations to the Calendar; just members coming forward to lead what is already programmed.

Give me a call Ph: 3351 4092 or e-mail me at endhouse@bigpond.net.au Discuss your ideas with me.

Another thing we'd like some input on is Guest Speakers at Monthly Meetings. Russ has been doing a good job of arranging them for the last two years, but it is time to hand the job on. Michele E has volunteered to coordinate, but is looking for ideas from members to get things

rolling. We all have other interests and contacts in other organisations. Why not put them to work and see if they will oblige by coming to address us at one of our meetings?

All suggestions will be happily received and judged on their merits, keeping in mind the need for variety and balance. Any subject is potentially of interest. Some examples are: astronomy, geology, equipment, clothing, food, travel, geography, tracks & trails – whatever may interest bushwalkers. If you know of someone, ask them if they are willing to speak (without a fee) at one of our odd-month meetings in 2017. Let Michele know the idea and/or the contact details and she will do the rest.

The year is drawing to a close and the party season begins. The Club does not rest, since we plan trips through December and January. We also do some partying – the Christmas Party, a JTS or two and a few Coffee Nights. So, why not make November and December the months where you will try out some of these events for the first time, and so meet your walking friends for a meal and a drink. Nothing too expensive. Nothing too late. Nothing too far away. Unlike on a walk, you don't have to catch your breath to talk - and there are no aching joints the following day! I hope to see some new faces at these socials over the coming weeks.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 19/9/16	\$2887.08
Plus Receipts	\$562.02
	\$3449.10
Less Payments	\$963.82
Balance 17/10/16	\$2485.28
Term Deposit	\$2821.40

I hope to draw our current raffle at our November meeting. It has three prizes with the first being a large (50 cm x 100 cm) blue Denali Micro-fibre Towel, the second being a 1.1 L BPA free green Denali water bottle and the third a 485 ml dark blue enamel Spinifex Mug. Tickets are still good value at a dollar each. Remember, you have to be in it to have a chance to win a prize. Please see me if you don't already have a ticket. Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

John Blumke, Karen Frederiks, Anne Grant, Therese Nally and Thea Kearney are celebrating their birthdays in November.

Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin and Josh Cooke recently returned from some time overseas where Michael and Karen managed to do some walks including some more of the Camino. Elizabeth Richards recently returned from Western Australia where she did a walk as well as catching up with past member, James Parra. Pat Lawton and Jonas Bernotas recently returned from a holiday in India. John Hood has also just returned from a holiday in China where he did some bicycle riding. Donna Harris did her second walk as a visitor on Michele's Mount Tabletop walk. Visitors are always most welcome on any of our activities.

OUTINGS STATISTICS

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
August 10	Mt Barney - South	Greg	DW	11
August 10	Mt Barney - South East	Russ	DW	4
August 10	Mt Barney - Eagles	Mike	DW	5
August 10	Mt Barney - Maroon Falls	Justin	DW	4
August 21	Bells Creek to Tooway Creek	Liz	DW	17
August 27	Club Hut Working Bee	Iain	DW	4
September 15	Coolangatta to Currumbin	Phil	DW	5
September 17	Noosa Trails	Terry	DW	14
September 24	Barney Exploratory	Iain	DW	4
September 25	Karawatha Forest	Louise	DW	5
October 1/3	Blue Mountains	Phil	BC	9
October 1	Mt Edwards	Terry	DW	6
October 3	Redcliffe Rail Opening	Sue	DW	5
October 8	Mt Tabletop	Michele	DW	12
October 22	Shipstern	Phil	DW	9
October 28/1	Mt Clear Circuit	Phil	TW	4
November 3	Tweed River to Cabarita	Phil	DW	4

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our two most regular monthly social events were of their usual excellent standard. JTS at old faithful *Lock and Load* at West End was well attended and very relaxing. Coffee Night at *The Hub* at Ashgrove was a smaller gathering, but equally relaxing and the food was particularly delicious. Thanks to Greg for organizing a very successful Kate Quinlan Society outing at Wynnum.

Be sure to sign up for Justin's Progressive Dinner; it is always a lot of fun. If you are a cyclist you won't want to miss Phil's upcoming bike ride. The next Coffee Night is at *Ouzeri*, a delightful West End Greek restaurant. JTS is at the *German Club* so come along for some hearty food and authentic beer.

There is a bonus social for November – a bush poetry concert called *Verse for Vinnies*. It is a chance to experience some easy-listening poetry and donate to the St Vincent de Paul Society all at the same time. There is also a yummy afternoon tea included. Read all about it elsewhere in the Jilalan.

Have you marked the date of the Christmas Party as 10th December? Details are in this month's Jilalan. Don't forget to pay at the time of nomination so that we can get the caterers organized. Liz.

THE PROPOSED NEW FEE STRUCTURE

With the rise in Australia Posts fee structure it became obvious to a lot of people that the Club needed to examine our fee structure. So members were asked to submit ideas, submissions, comments etc. for the Committee to consider. These ideas were examined over several months by the Committee and a new fee structure has been formulated. This new structure will be outlined at the December General Meeting in time for the 2017 year.

The Committee has spent many hours examining all proposals and believe the following fee structure is the fairest system and is in line with our Catholic principles.

Seven principles were proposed which would assist in formulating the new structure:

1. Operating revenue must match expected expenditure,
2. All e-copies of the Jilalan, Annual Report, etc. to be free,
3. All printed copies of the Jilalan, Annual Report, etc. to reflect the full cost of production,
4. Spouse membership be priced at the same level as ordinary membership,
5. No membership reductions be provided on economic or geographic grounds,
6. Life members continue to receive free membership but must pay the full cost of receiving printed copies of the Jilalan, Annual Report etc.,
7. Non-Catholic members receive a 20% discounted membership fee.

The Committee agreed to all seven principles which then allowed for a discussion on the actual fee structure.

The production of the two regular publications of the Club are the Jilalan and the Annual Report. There are thirteen (13) issued each year. The cost of printing has been calculated to be \$12 per annum per publication and the postage has been calculated to be \$13 per annum per publication. The total cost to the Club is therefore \$25 per annum per member and this amount will be borne by all members who choose to receive a printed copy regardless of membership status.

After examination of the Clubs income and expenditure it has been determined that the annual fee to enable the Club to operate effectively in 2017 will be \$20.

How does this affect you as a member? Below are examples of these changes.

1. Ordinary Member who receives a printed copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will rise from \$40pa to \$45pa.
2. Ordinary Member who already receives an electronic copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will drop from \$30pa to \$20pa.
3. Spouse Member of an ordinary member. Your fees will rise from \$10pa to \$20pa.
4. Associate Member who receives a printed copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will rise from \$30pa to \$41pa.
5. Associate Member who already receives an electronic copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will drop from \$20pa to \$16pa.
6. Spouse Member of an associate member. Your fees will rise from \$10pa to \$16pa.
7. Life Member who receives a printed copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will rise from \$0pa to \$25pa.
8. Life Member who already receives an electronic copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will remain the same at \$0.
9. Country Member who receives a printed copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will rise from \$30pa to \$45pa.
10. Country Member who already receives an electronic copy of the Club's publications. Your fees will drop from \$30pa to \$20pa.
11. Honorary Members have the same structure as Life members.

This new structure recognises the changes in society since 1958. In particular it notes that

Spouse Members now generally have their own income and no longer require a subsidy. It also recognises the situation where a large proportion of members (currently 30%) who receive electronic copies of the Club's publications are still subsidising the printed copy even though they do receive a small reduction.

Your Committee recommends the Club adopt this new structure which will enable it to adapt to the challenges ahead of it.

2017 CLUB CALENDAR

The November meeting will be your last chance to comment before it is officially adopted. So come along and sign up as a leader or maybe fix an anomaly.

JTS CALENDAR 2017

Meeting

Month	Date	Venue	Suburb
Jan	20 th	Story Bridge Hotel	Kangaroo Pt
Feb	17 th	The Guilty Rogue	City
Mar	17 th	Mick O'Malleys	City
Apr	21 st	Tippler's Tap	South Bris
May	19 th	Mr Edward's Alehouse	City
Jun	16 th	Bavarian Beer House	City
Jul	21 st	German Sausage Hut	City
Aug	18 th	London Fields	West End Sept
Oct	20 th	La Dolce Vita	Milton
Nov	17 th	Bitter Suite Bar	Newstead
Dec	15 th	Coffee Club Riverside	City

AROUND THE RIDGES

Wanted to Buy

The following book is wanted for purchase:

Thomas W. Lackner

Discovering Green Mountains (O'Reilly's) on foot.

If you have the above book and wish to sell it please contact Phil Murray.

Ph: 0416 650 160

Email: philmurray16@gmail.com.

PAST EVENTS

CARINDALE TO MARSDEN

SUNDAY 26th JUNE

DAY WALK

Our walk began at Carindale, where we met beside Bulimba Creek, in a peaceful parkland, on the edge of Carindale Shopping town. Eight walkers strode out following path ways and green space to the foot of Balmoral Hill. This

was a bonus included in our walk, thanks to Cath Wood who lives nearby. Views over Moreton Bay and glimpses of the city as we climbed up a steep, short track to the top.

We came down from the lookout on the southern side of the hill, with views out to Ipswich & surrounding peaks of Flinders and Ivory Rocks. Down through the streets to skirt the local golf course and rejoin parkland and a pleasant stop for morning tea.

We followed cross country tracks beside creeks and bushland to pick up the route back towards Carindale and our cars. All enjoyed lunch beside the creek with Happy Birthday to Louise J.

Thanks to all who came to explore another section of greenspace in the suburbs and to Cath for her navigation and drivers on the day. Walkers on the day: Sue W, Louise & Rusty, Rosie, Cath W, Gerry & Lizzy R. Cheers, Maxine.

BARNEY EXPLORER SATURDAY 24th SEPTEMBER DAY WALK

We left Red Hill at 6.30 on a glorious fine sunny morning. Parking the car at the Lower Portals car park we took the portals track briefly before veering off to follow the first ridge southwards. It is a much higher ridge than is apparent from the track and was quite a steep ascent. Gerry found it tough going. He was a bit mystified at not being his usual energetic self. We followed the ridge to its high point at its southern end (in its own little square of national park attached by a corner to the rest of the park). The southern end had views to the peaks of Ernest and Lindesay and walking along the ridge you had views of farmland to the east and Mt Barney to the west. Mt Barney was a long jagged panorama of peaks and crags running from SE Ridge to Toms Tum separated from us by an unbroken carpet of bushland. We were walking through rocky open eucalypt country with a lot of bushes in flower (white and yellow flowers).

Retracing some of our way back along the ridge we dropped down to a tributary of Rocky Creek and followed it to Rocky Creek. We then followed Rocky Creek upstream. At each junction we had to decide which stream to follow so we wouldn't end up in private property or at the base of Toms Tum or Isolated. It was slow going through long grass littered with

boulders and vines and the odd bit of lantana. The creek was flowing beautifully with cascades and rock pools. In the process of checking our route, a footpad tagged with a marker was discovered. This led to a track along a boundary fence. This had the advantage of being easier walking and simpler navigating. So we left the creek and followed the boundary fence till we reached the crest of a ridge that would take us to the vicinity of the base of North or Logan's Ridge. After following the ridge for a while Gerry said he needed to stop if he was going to have the energy to walk back out. So we left Gerry there as we would hopefully be coming back the same way. I was taking compass bearings as we went because the ridge was a gentle slope and not sharply defined. After a quarter of an hour I decided it was time to turn around if I was going to be sure of finding Gerry. Even so at one point we found ourselves on a more open ridge with a view across to Mt Maroon (which we didn't see on the way up). So we headed across to the adjacent ridge crossing some marshy ground (surprising for high foothills near Barney). Soon after we found Gerry. I was greatly relieved. We stopped here for lunch then retraced our steps till we reached Rocky Ck. On the other side of Rocky Creek we located the end of a 4WD track we'd noticed on the way up. I assumed this was the track marked "No Entry" that you see as you walk along the Lower Portals track. It was, which meant much easier walking than along Rocky Creek. We got back to the car at the very civilized hour of 2.20. At Beaudesert we stopped for coffee and a nibble and had the bonus of seeing the spectacular show of helicopters doing their stuff as part of Riverfire as we crossed the Captain Cook Bridge on arriving back in Brisbane.

Although the walk didn't achieve what had been planned (walking around Mt Barney as far as Yellow Pinch if we had a car shuffle), it was an enjoyable day. I always enjoy off-track walking for the different country you see and for the way that you become far more aware of vegetation and terrain than when you are following a track or footpad. You are immersed in your surroundings more, rather than just travelling through them. I was reminded of several things on the walk: 1. It is easier to navigate up ridges and down watercourses (so walking around the front of Barney is best done from Yellow Pinch to the Lower Portals car park). 2. It is easy to be overambitious planning a walk on a map (the

actual conditions you encounter as you cross country will determine how far you get). 3. Pre-outings help you to look good as a leader.

Thanks to Terry, Gerry and John H. for joining me on the walk. Cheers, Iain.

MT TABLETOP SUNDAY 9th OCTOBER DAY WALK

On a beautiful spring morning, 12 left Red Hill destined for Toowoomba. One car missed the Toowoomba turn-off and made a short detour via Rosewood. This was a rather scenic route and so there were no regrets and soon found themselves back on the Warrego Hwy. Travelling up the range we could see Mt Tabletop in the distance.

We regrouped at Picnic Point, and made our way down to the start of the walk at the end of Tobruk Memorial Drive. After a short car shuffle, we were soon on our way. The track took us downhill zig-zagging to a fire trail. We had a short morning tea break and then it was back on the track connecting with South Street leading to the bottom of Tabletop.

On the way up we spotted a bagpiper doing what he does best, serenading the surrounding country side with wafting sounds of bagpipes. The web had this as a 'moderately challenging' walk and I can see why. First was the camel's hump. This was made up of large uneven placed rocks. Up one side and down the other. After this was the scree slope. Being quite steep it was a little tricky at points as all the small stones were loose. We all had a break at various places before negotiating the rock wall. Even though it is only short, it still took a lot of concentration but gave a feeling of great achievement. It was now a short distance and we were on top of Mt Tabletop.

The views were quite amazing. Uninterrupted views south, west, east and north as we walked around the top. After this, some decided to make their way down the mountain with the remaining 6 sitting under the only shade we could see to have lunch. We were all on our way down by 1pm. The going down bit also took a bit of concentration but we all got down safely by about 1.45pm. Then it was a short car shuffle back to Picnic Point where we had a shared afternoon tea at the park. The day was quite warm as opposed to when we did the pre-walk.

We were on our way home by about 3.30pm. All will attest to having a great day and I would definitely lead this walk again. Thank you to car drivers, Richard Johns, Gerry Burges and Therese Abernethy. Also on the walk were Maxine Brophy, Paddy Taylor, Priya Pereira, Pat Lawton, Jonas Bernotas, Maria Kerruish, Mary Kelly and visitor Donna Harris. Michele.

RETREAT SATURDAY 15th OCTOBER DAY WALK

After gathering at the Brookfield Centre for Christian Spirituality, Kenmore, and having a cuppa, to get to know our Retreat Facilitator Dr Caroline Thompson, we settled into "The Lounge", where Caroline had set up a prayer table and a slideshow of personal photos showing many scenic aspects of our "abundant and life-giving natural world". We had an opening prayer which began with "God, source of all life, we thank you for the great gift of our Earth" and this was followed by some input on Laudato sí, Pope Francis' encyclical on Care of our Common Home.

We spent our four hours together alternating between inputs from Caroline on the Retreat topic "Ecospirituality: Re-thinking our relationship with Creation" and individual quiet time for reading and reflecting out in the lovely grounds of the Brookfield Centre. We also had time to interact with each other, of course, during the morning tea and lunch breaks, but also in the discussions we had – about (1) the major issues facing our environment today and (2) the call to personal action: what can we do? The answer to that seems to be summed up in the Laudato sí quote from one of the handouts we were given on the day: "All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents." (14). Another quote that was particularly meaningful for me was the one (from the same handout) about Saint Francis of Assisi and the "integral ecology" he lived out so joyfully: "He shows us just how inseparable the bond is between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace." (10) I personally found that the gardens of the Brookfield Centre – and especially the Labyrinth – were places where I could find "interior peace" – and I hope others found that for themselves in various ways, too.

If anyone is interested, I have spare copies of the last two handouts of the day: (1) Chapter Six of Laudato sí; and (2) "Top Ten Takeaways from Laudato sí" by James Martin S.J. I also have a copy of the actual book Laudato sí, if anyone would like to borrow it any time. It's a gift to the club from Caroline, so I'd like to thank her publicly for that – and also for coming to lead our Retreat even while suffering both jetlag and a painful injured foot! It was a good day and I'm hopeful we can now follow-up by giving more thought to how we might live out the "integral ecology" of St Francis, both as individuals and as a club. To this end, we might have some more input/discussion on the topic at one of our Guest Speaker Monthly Meetings in 2017.

Thanks to the fifteen people who nominated for the 2016 Retreat, thereby making it viable. It was great to share the day with you. I hope that you'll all join me again next year for the 2017 Club Retreat, on the same weekend in October, but with a different theme and facilitator. Michele.

KATE QUINLAN SOCIETY THE WATERLOO BAY HOTEL SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER SOCIAL



Four souls and Greg waited at Roma St Station for the Cleveland Train; we boarded and off we went – collecting Graham as we went along. Nice moving in air-conditioned comfort along a route not normally taken and seeing different sights from a new perspective.

Now to the point: Fifteen members gathered at the Waterloo Bay Hotel – more accurately in the Fig Tree Restaurant. This was a pleasant gathering in comfortable surroundings. Our table was prepared so we placed ourselves and got some drinks. After reading the contemporary menu, we went up to the counter to order our courses. The restaurant was busy

with two other large groups. A race to get in first – we failed.

We talked, swapped places to talk more, and moved around to see even more of our friends. Everyone caught up with what each was up to. The conversation quietened as the meals came out. After a few more drinks, it was coffee and dessert for some.

After everyone was satisfied, we went for a walk down to the beach, along the foreshore and back up through town to the train station. We said our good byes to some, while the rest went back to their cars.

Many thanks to past and present members Paddy & Barry Taylor, Thea and Laurie Kearney, and members Terry Silk, Helen Mees, Jan & Russ Nelson, Graham Glasse, Michele Endicott, Mary Kelly John Hood and Michele & Richard Johns.

DINNER AND COFFEE NIGHT WEDNESDAY 26th OCTOBER SOCIAL

With seven regulars away there was a small attendance at this month's coffee night. But the night was still enjoyable and the food at the HUB always pleases.

Thanks to Graham for organizing the event and to Greg & Michele, Liz and Terry for joining him.

SHIPSTERN SATURDAY 22nd OCTOBER DAY WALK

Weather: A bright sunny day with some grey clouds late in the day.
Rain: Just a slight sprinkle at the end of the walk.
Temperature: 26°.
Distance: 22.5 km.
Time: 6 hrs 20 mins.
Attendance: 9 – Phil Murray, Maria Kerruish, Maria Stalker, Gerry Burges, Peggy Roe, Louise Jones, Rusty Jones, Priya Periera and Paddy Taylor.

A great trip. Started walking at 8.34 am and finished at 4.32 pm.

We zoomed along the track. We did all the side trips which actually slowed us down a bit especially the side trip to Charraboomba Rock but it was worth it to get a different perspective of the park.

At the morning tea spot at Upper Ballanjui Falls we spotted a carpet python and there was also a lovely mint bush. (*Prostanthera phyllicifolia*). We saw lots of wildflowers especially the yellow gompholobiums. (*Gompholobium virgatum*)



Group at the Overhang

There were 5 of the walk who were doing the Aussie Camino in a few weeks and they all zoomed along the track,

Thanks to all those who came and thanks to the drivers.

MT CLEAR & THE BLUFF SATURDAY TO TUESDAY 29th OCTOBER TO 1st NOVEMBER THROUGH WALK

Weather: A mixed bag but mainly very cool with snow and misty rain.
Temperature: A mixed bag from warm to cold and snow on Monday morning
Wind: From calm to howling wind that sounded like banshees about to rip the tents away.
Distance: 36 km (Phil),
42 km (Anthony),
60 km (Matthew and John).
Attendance: 4 – Phil Murray, Matthew Palmer, John Bevelander and Anthony Dolan.

It was great trip. Very memorable for the company and the snow, yep we had snow again on the Vic Alps trip, we had 30 mm of snow early on Monday morning. As a note on the last three trips to the Vic Alps we have had snow.

On the drive in we stopped at Mt Piper just south of Broadford to climb this small little mountain. It only took 25 minutes to ascend the mountain and it was nice to break up the trip from Melbourne with a spot of walking. A highlight was that we spotted an echidna on the way down.

We stopped at Mansfield to buy some supplies and John bought some bushwalking gear (a dry

bag for his clothes and a thermal inner for his sleeping bag as the forecast was for snow) from the local camping shop called "Outdoor Pleasure". It has a great range of gear and maps.

We talked ourselves out of camping the first night at Sheeppyard Flat as last time we stayed there we had to share it with 300 people and there was only one toilet. So we stayed at a caravan park at Mansfield in the 'Miners Cottage' which was a lovely and roomy cabin. On Friday night we went down town and sampled the Mansfield breweries particularly the Mansfield Pale Ale. It was nice but it still needs some fine tuning. The guy behind the bar advised us that we had to watch the parade which was a torch light parade with all the local fire brigades from the CFA. It was a lovely spectacle and was the key event for the High Country Festival.

DAY 1 – Clear Ck Road to Mt Clear Saddle

Distance 8 km (A&P) 17 km (M&J)

Ascent - 600 m (A&P) 800 (M&J)

The first day was a bit of an ordeal with a two hour drive in from Mansfield (it was only 66km but took 2 hours on the dirt road).

We found the drop off spot but then we had to do a car shuffle. Well Matthew and John did the car shuffle. So they drove the car back along Clear Creek Road to the Junction with the Brooks Road and then ran back the 2.5 km to put their packs on. (They said they ran all the way!).

No sooner were we walking with packs on then we had to cross a raging creek. It was only three metres wide but nearly knee high in depth and zooming along. So it was boots off and crocs on. At 11.55 am we were finally walking and walking uphill.

It was a *very long trudge* up the Mt Clear Spur fire track. Thankfully it had been 'cleared' recently and all the fallen saplings that we had to hurdle over two years ago were cleared. It was a warmish day with a cloudless blue sky. Temp about 18 degrees.

We got to the camp site at 3.55 pm. Anthony and I were stuffed as it was 22 years and two years respectively since our last through walk. Carrying a heavy through pack is so different to just walking up a steep hill with a daypack on. It was an ascent of just over 600 m but it felt like much more.

We quickly put up tents as M&J were keen to zip up to Mt Clear. Anthony and I decided to save ourselves for the trip tomorrow and the young ones zoomed up the mountain. Anthony and I recovered in the camp site for about an hour then we traipsed down the old road (about 600 metres) to collect the water for the group. It was the best water I have ever tasted. Then it was cooking time and Anthony and I had a three course meal, soup for entrée, salmon and Mexican rice for the main and fruit cake and custard for desert. M&J shared a concoction of white rice, salami and parmesan cheese. I hoped it tasted better than it looked.

It was lovely and calm when we went to bed at 8.15 pm. During the night the wind picked up and it howled all night. It sounded like banshees whirling through the trees and were getting ready to trash the camp site. It was scary stuff as the winds were about 80 kph and we heard several trees crash down during the night.

DAY 2 – Mt Clear Saddle to Lovicks Hut via King Billy 2 and King Billy 1.

Distance 12 km (A, P, M&J)

Ascent - approx 600 m (A, P, M&J)



Phil Walking Amongst the Snow Gums in King Billy Saddle

By Sunday morning the winds had abated to a gentle breeze. Our sunny skies from Saturday were gone and Sunday didn't live up to its name as the sunny skies were replaced by grey overcast skies with a cold breeze.

We were away early and we collected water along the track as there were just so many water spots. We had morning tea before KB2 (Mount King Billy 2). The clouds got lower and denser and just as we were finishing morning tea we got a shower of rain for 20 minutes. It seemed like we would have to put up with rain all day but it stopped after about two minutes and that was the last of the rain while we walking.



The Boys on the Summit of King Billy 1

When we got to the base of KB2 we had a decision to make. Do we take the forestry road around the mountains or go up and over them. It was Anthony who made the call that we should go up and over and it was a great decision. We were quickly on a bushwalkers foot pad and it was a joy to follow after a day of walking up an old forestry road. We soon came across several snow drifts that were great to walk through.

Soon we were on the summit plateau and the clouds were zooming through with one moment a near whiteout and the next views for about 15 kms. Just amazing stuff. It was very cool so we kept pushing on. Down into the saddle then up to KB1.

It was a surreal environment with huge snow gum trees interspersed in grassy alpine meadows. We marked the occasion with a group photo at the trig point.

It was then down to the road and it was a long road bash to Lovick's Hut which we reached about 3 pm.

Lovick's is a nice hut but we had to share the hut and camp grounds with several 4 wheel drive groups (about 6 groups). After our initial reticence we engaged in conversation with them and they were nice people but they have a different perspective. We were surprised to find out that we were held in high esteem as they couldn't believe how far we had walked.

M&J and I set up our tents under the verandah of the Hut. So we nice and snug and away from the expected rain and snow.

We quickly had a meal. Then we got a shower of rain or two. In bed early again at 8.30 pm. The 4WD guys had a ghetto blaster going but I was so tired I was asleep within two minutes. During the night I got up and was delighted to see that we had a dusting of snow.

DAY 3 – Lovicks Hut to Refrigerator Gap via Bluff Hut and The Bluff

Distance 4 km (P) 12 km (A) , 16 km (M&J)

Ascent - approx 400 m (A), 600 m (M&J)



Lovicks Hut with our Tents Under the Verandah

I woke up on Monday morning to a winter wonderland with a carpet of snow that was at least 30 mm deep. It was just wonderful.

Anthony gently mentioned that he was the only one who camped out every night which should be a fact that was noted in the write-up.

I had some bad news namely that my sore hip from the previous day had got much much worse overnight and I couldn't bend at the hip as I had hurt the hip flexor muscle. Plus I could barely walk. Further, I couldn't bend over to pack my bag let alone pick the pack up.



Matthew on the Snowy Plains

There was a delay to getting going in the morning as the road was too dangerous as the 4WD guys couldn't see the road as it was covered by snow and ice and they couldn't judge the depth of the puddles as they were

frozen over. Eventually someone left camp at 9.20 am.

Matthew took charge and decided to put me in a 4WD car to take me down to Bluff Hut which was about 6 km away. Perry, who was one of the 4WD guys was very obliging and offered to take me down to the Bluff Hut in his 4WD. So I quickly threw my stuff into a garbage bag and gently took a seat in the 4WD. The road was very dangerous and it took 50 minutes to drive the 6 km. I don't think he got above 2nd gear on the way down. I got to Bluff Hut at 10.35 am and the guys arrived at 11.30 am looking very chuffed with themselves as it was just ideal conditions for walking with a complete carpet of snow and only a light breeze.



View From Near the Bluff

Bluff Hut has to be one of the best huts in the high country with nice "wood panelling" and a lovely roaring fire. There were benches beside the wall that you could sleep on plus a lovely big wooden table in the middle. I didn't get a photo as my phone camera stopped working as it was too cold for the battery.

Outside there was a beautiful Flame Robin zipping around in the minus 2 degree weather. It looked gorgeous with bright fire engine red and white on its front and a black back with a white stripe on its shoulders.

M&J decided to make a dash up towards the Bluff and then meet up with Anthony and me at Refrigerator Gap. M&J left at 12.30 pm to do the Bluff. Anthony and I left at 1.15 pm to follow the Bluff Link Road around to "fridge Gap". I got another lift after an hour and Anthony arrived an hour later.

M&J arrived about 4.30 and were pleased as punch that they had gone up to the high country as the clouds had lifted so they got some good views. They didn't get all the way to the Bluff but had great views.

There was no water at the Gap so we made do with what we had. John displayed his excellent

fire making skills. Once again we were in bed just after dark.

DAY 4 – Refrigerator Gap to Brooks Tracks Via The Refrigerator Gap Track

Distance 8.5 km (A&P) 12 km (M&J)

Descent - approx 400 m (A, P, M&J)

My hip problem was nearly sorted. I could walk easily but still couldn't bend very well but I was up early and managed to pack my stuff quickly and was actually the first packed and ready, which was a first for the trip.

It was the last day and we needed to be early and walking by 7.30 am. We weren't sure how long it would take to get down the Refrigerator Gap Track as we needed to be at the cars by 11 am. Well it was easy peasey. It was all downhill and it was a lovely well graded dirt road that you could drive a 2 wheel car up. We quickly zoomed down in just over 2 hours. We even had time to enjoy looking at the trees and spotted several flocks of gang gang cockatoos (these are the cockatoos that have black feathers and the male has a red fluffy crest on his head). There was plenty of water in the creeks on the walk down.

M&J had gone ahead to do the car shuffle (an additional 2.5 km) and were back with the car at the road junction at 9.50 am so we were about an hour early.

It was still a two hour drive back to Mansfield where we had a shower at the caravan park. Then a quick bite to eat and return to Melbourne via Bonnie Doon where we had a beer at the pub and then crossed the old railway bridge on foot. Then on to the town Yea (yes it is called Yea) where we watched the Melbourne Cup and finally a stop at Tallarook for another beer. I am pleased to report that things weren't crook at Tallarook. We then zipped down the highway to Tullamarine.

Another point to note is that there was an excellent bike trail from Mansfield to Tallarook which followed the disused railway right of way. The track was beautifully maintained with numerous toilet facilities along the way.

It was a fantastic trip and I hope to do another trip next year. Phil.

TWEED RIVER TO CABARITA THURSDAY 3rd NOVEMBER DAY WALK

Weather: A brilliant sunny day with a

cloudless sky.
Wind: A very light breeze that barely increased during the day.
Temperature: 26° but felt like 24°.
Distance: 22 km.
Time: 4 hrs 15 mins.
Attendance: 4 – Phil Murray, Michael Simpson, Joe Tottenham and Gerry Burges.

There were only two nominees for the walk with two days before the walk namely Michael and myself. The weather forecast was ideal and there was some doubt about finding the correct turnoff at Casuarina we decided to change the finishing point for the walk from Casuarina Beach to Cabarita Headland. Hence we added about 6 km to the trip. The late nominees were happy to do the extended trip.

It was a great trip. But we got off to a very slow start. Firstly, Michael got caught in a traffic jam on the M1 and was delayed by 25 minutes. Secondly there was a kerfuffle with the bridge at Kingscliffe as it was in the process of being rebuilt. We were doing the initial car shuffle when we noticed that the road bridge was still under construction but the walkway for pedestrians was already completed. So it was back to plan A and we duly completed the original car shuffle.

We got to the Tweed River mouth and walked out to the end of the southern break wall. The ocean just looked picture postcard perfect. We were finally walking on the beach at 10.05 and finished walking at 3.48 pm.

Our first stop was at Fingal Head. There were lovely views from here. There were a few rests breaks including a stop at the Kingscliffe Bowls Club to check out the start of First Test and Australia got off to a dream start but the game ended up a nightmare. We had a celebratory drink and a plate of chips for lunch. We had a second lunch break near the new bridge so Joe could eat his turkey sandwiches which he had especially made for the trip and then it was back to the beach. Well it must be nearly nine kilometres from Kingscliffe to Cabarita Headland and it looked miles away. There were a few audible groans when we first looked at the distance we had to walk. But we walked the distance in about 1 hour and 40 mins including a quick swim along the way. Phil.

SHORNCLIFFE TO REDCLIFFE & RTN SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER BIKE RIDE

Weather: A brilliant sunny day with a cloudless sky.
Wind: A very light breeze at first but it switched to the nor-east and was about 32 kph at 10.45.
Temperature: 27° but felt like 24°.
Distance: 32 km.
Time: 2 hrs 05 mins.
Attendance: 5 – Phil Murray, Richard & Michele Johns, Maria Kerruish and Kerry Parry.

A great trip. Started riding at 7.45 am and back to Frank Doyle park at 10.48 am. We had about five stops to regroup along the way plus two long stops at the Woody Point Jetty and the Redcliffe Jetty. We didn't go all the way to Shorncliffe as I still had a sore hip from my walk in the Vic Alps and the wind was expected to get up and it duly did.

It was Maria Kerruish's first bike ride with the group and she brought along her brand new sky blue bike. She was concerned she would have trouble keeping up but she just zoomed along.

Kerry Parry had just recently being accepted as a member and was keen to come along and this was her first trip for five years. She had done a walk to Northbrook mountain on Sunday 19 December 2010. When I checked the annual reports I noticed she had also done a trip to Coochie Mudlo on 11 December 2011.

Richard Johns had a great story about his "new" bike. He went to buy a bike from an ad from Gumtree but when he turned up the bike was already sold and the guy selling the bike was so embarrassed and guilty so he 'sold' Richard another bike for free, yes free. It was a good bike but just a bit heavy. But the price was right.

It was a marvelous morning for a ride and there were at least another 500 riders zooming around. As we crossed the Ted Smout Bridge there were about four 'trains' of riders zipping past us and one group had a 16 riders whirring past.

Another great day in the great outdoors. We had a nice morning tea at Shelley's Inn at Shorncliffe and we left for home about 11.30 am. Phil.

ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPH COMPETITION

MONDAY 19th DECEMBER 2016

At St Michaels at Ashgrove from 7.30 pm

This is the thirteenth 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 photograph 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. Best overall - awarded to the print deemed to be best overall by the invited judge,
7. People's choice - the best photo selected by the members.

The Competition Rules

- entry is open to club members only,
- the photographs must be submitted in two formats,
- printed on paper and displayed at the December meeting and
- delivered electronically to nelhouse@bigpond.net.au by sunrise on 19 December,
- size - photograph must be able to fit on the front cover of the Annual Report (paper size A5). It may be submitted in a size up to A4 so long as the photograph can be reduced to a size suitable for publication,
- each person may enter 4 photographs per category,
- each photograph must be titled and have the owner's name and date,
- the photographs must be from a BCBC trip (Name of trip and date to be supplied),
- photographs can be entered on the night but no later than 7.40pm,
- there is no entry fee,
- there will be an overall winning photograph,
- the winning photograph will go on the front cover of the next annual report,
- the ownership of each photograph will remain that of the photographer but BCBC has permission to publish the photograph in any of its publications, print or electronic.

The winners of the photo competition last year were as follows

CATEGORY PHOTOGRAPHER PHOTO

1. Landscape – Admiring the view (Mt Gower) – Pat Lawton.
2. Moods of Nature – After the Storm (Buchanan's Fort) – Paddy Taylor.
3. Nature Close-up – Snail Pace – Michele Johns.
4. People and Faces – Pyjama Walk (Grampians) - Paddy Taylor.
5. Miscellaneous – German Tourists (Grampians) – Phil Murray.
6. Best Overall - White's Beach - Paddy Taylor.
7. People's Choice - Clinton River – Milford Sound Track – Michele Johns.

The previous major winners are as follows

	Year	Best Overall	Photographer	People's Choice	Photographer
1	2004	The Creek Crossing	Ian Renton	Pat's Bluff	Phil Murray
2	2005	Mt Barney	Patricia Mackie	Karawatha Pool	Robyn Jones
3	2006	Mt Lindsay	Marie Ricketts	Mt Kaputar	Michele Johns
4	2007	Archbishop at Barney Mass	Patricia Lawton	Mt Lindsay with morning cloud	Phil Murray
5	2008	Bushwalker on the Razorback (Pages Pinnacle)	Richard Johns	The Club Founders – 50 th Anniversary Mass- Willie Hayes and Raoul Mellish	Phil Murray
6	2009	Bushwalker on the Glasshouse Mountains	Paddy Taylor	Early Morning	Patricia Lawton
7	2010	Barney Mass at Larkins for 50 th Anniversary of the Barney Mass	Phil Murray	The Main Range Escarpment	Paul Evans
8	2011	Pandanus tree on Stradbroke Island	Andrea Turner	Tranquil Morning at Tooloom Falls	Maree Hutchinson
9	2012	Group on summit of Mt Barney for Barney Mass with Mt Lindsay in background	Phil Murray	Forest Path (in Cradle Mountain) blessed by rare moment of sunlight	Maree Hutchinson
10	2013	Roper's Hut (near Falls Creek, Vic)	Jan Nelson	The Rainbow	Patricia Lawton
11	2014	Mts Lindsay & Ernest from Mt Maroon	Paddy Taylor	Mt Lindsay	Liz Little
12	2015	White's Beach (Broken Bay, northern NSW)	Paddy Taylor	Clinton River – Milford Sound Track	Michele Johns

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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.

All visitors must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance purposes.

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.

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

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

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

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$40; Associate Members: \$30; Spouse Members: \$10; Country: \$30.

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. There is a \$10 discount for Ordinary and Associate Members who elect to receive an electronic Jilalan only. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer.

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

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

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Triple Zero Awareness Work Group (TZAAG)

As a result of problems experienced by emergency call-takers and emergency services, in late 2013 TZAAG launched a free smartphone app: Emergency*. TZAAG identified that more than 66% of incoming emergency calls were now made from mobile phones; however, mobile callers often do not

know exactly where they are, meaning call-processing times are longer and call-takers are then unavailable to take the next incoming emergency call.

Determining caller location is the most critical piece of information emergency call-takers need when a call comes in. If callers don't know where they are, emergency services can't send help.

Emergency+ uses the existing GPS functionality of smartphones to enable callers to provide emergency call-takers with their location information as determined by their smartphone. When activated, the built in accessibility features of a smartphone will describe aloud what appears on-screen, so a caller can use the app without seeing it.

The Emergency+ app is available for free download in Apple iOS, Android and Windows phone versions, and has already saved lives by ensuring emergency services arrive on-scene as quickly as possible to assist someone in need. One group for which Emergency+ has obvious benefits is bushwalkers, and TZAAG has numerous examples where lost or injured bushwalkers have used the app to pinpoint their location for emergency services.

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