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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
Dec 21	JTS – Coffee Club Eagle St Pier	Phil		Soc	
26	Killarney Gorge	Russ		DW	
Jan 6	Warrie Circuit	Jan		DW	
13	Coomera Circuit	Phil		DW	
18	JTS – Story Bridge Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	Obi Obi Lilo Trip	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M77
20	Stairway Falls via Bullant Spur	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M44
20	BOSQ Sunset Bike Ride	Di	3397 6487	Bike	
21	Club Meeting	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
23	Gaythorne RSL – for St Vinnie's	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
26	Blue Pool	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M33
Feb 3	Illinbah Circuit	Greg	3351 4092	DW	L34
7	St Valentine's at Broncos'	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	
9	Booloumba Creek to Breadknife	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M55
15	JTS – Merthyr Bowls Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	Club Meeting – AGM	Greg	3351 4092	Meet	
23	Wellington Point/King Island	Maxine	3409 4001	DW	S11
23	Mt D'Aguilar	Michael	3351 3810	DW	S56
Mar 1	James Boag at the Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
3	Purling Brook Falls			DW	S33
9	Valley of the Diamonds	Michael	3351 3810	DW	S55
15	JTS – Sparrow & Finch	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16/17	Club Hut Feast			ON	S43
17	Club Hut Walk	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S43
18	Club Meeting			Meet	
23	City to UQ & Return	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	M11
Apr 1	Mt Goolman	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
6	Noosa to Coolum	Michael	3351 3810	DW	L23
13	Mt Joyce	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M33
20	Sandgate to Scarborough	Phil	5522 9702	Bike	
25/28	Moreton Island			BC	
27	Lowood to Cominya	Graham	3371 9623	DW	L33
May 5	North Stradbroke Island			DW	
11	Mt May to Maroon	John	5514 0285	DW	
18	The Annual Mass and Dinner			Soc	
25	Bridges of Brisbane	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	
25/26	Emu Creek			BC	
Jun 2	Bare Rock	Graham	3371 9623	DW	
7/9	Bigriggen			BC	
15	Lizard Point	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M45
22	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Helen	3294 6976	DW	
29	Mt Castle	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M55
29	Abbey Medieval Banquet			Soc	
Jul 6/7	Abbey Medieval Tournament			Soc	
7	Trachyte Circuit & Ngungun			DW	
13	Beau Brummel to Grass Tree Knob			DW	
20	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
20	Colonial Ball	Matthew	3876 8125	Soc	
27	Mt Gravatt to South Bank			DW	
27/28	Savages Ridge			ON	
Aug 3	Spicer's Gap to Lemon Tree	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
3/4	Lemon Tree to Teviot Gap	Matthew	3876 8125	TW	
4	Somerset Trail	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
10	Mt Warning	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
13/14	The M <sup>t</sup> Barney Mass			DW/BC	

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

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

## KEY – Walk Types

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

## KEY – Walk Gradings

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

May the gifts of the Holy Spirit  
 Knowledge, Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel,  
 Courage, Faith and Reverence of God  
 Bring a divine energy to the earth  
 So that the presence of God may be seen  
 In a new light, in new places, in new ways.  
 May we come to trust the Word of God in our  
 heart  
 To speak it with courage,  
 To follow it faithfully  
 And to fan it to flame in others.  
 And May the Spirit of God be with you today and  
 always.

Amen. (Source: A Pentecost Prayer by Joan Chittister in All Hallows' Staff Prayer June 2011)



## TASMANIAN BUSH FIRES

The St. Vincent de Paul Society Tasmania has received many calls for assistance due to the devastating bushfires that have left many people in desperate need of help. The St Vincent de Paul Society Tasmania has mounted its **VINNIE'S BUSHFIRE APPEAL** to help fund this long term activity.

Should you wish to support the Tasmania Bushfire Appeal this can be done by going to <http://www.vinnies.org.au/home-tas> or by phoning 131812 (24hrs) or on 03 6333 0822 (during business hours).

Make sure you have the Tasmanian web site. Scroll down to Bushfire Appeal "Donate".  
<https://www.vinnies.org.au/appeals-processor-national>



On Step 2, in the Drop Down Box, select Tasmanian Bushfire Appeal 2013  
And keep going, following the steps.

Donations by cheque should be sent directly to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Tasmania by mail at 191 Invermay, Road, Invermay TAS, 7248

All donations need to go directly to the Society in Tasmania.

## **EDITOR'S NOTE**

All articles for February Jilalan are due on or before Sunday 3rd Feb

## **FOR LEADERS**

The "Leaders Guide" is on the web at:

<http://www.bcbc.bwg.org.au/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.htm>

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

Could walk leaders please print the Leader's/Treasurer's Calculation page when they print their Trip Sheets

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, location, or cancel it – please tell the Outings Secretary Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702.

## **COMING EVENTS**

**TRIPS** leave from St Brigid's car park at 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.

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

### **Story Bridge Hotel**

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

**John Toohey Society Social**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

**Time:** From 4pm till 8ish.

**Meet at:** 200 Main St, Kangaroo Point  
Cnr Baildon St

**What For:** A chat, a meal and a drink

**Web:** <http://www.storybridgehotel.com.au/drinking/outback.php>

**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

Open to everyone. Not a meeting, but a dinner, good conversation, photos of past holidays/walks, and a few drinks. Great in our balmy summer evenings as it is outdoors under sun sails.

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering at the Story Bridge. Our location will be in the Outback Bar, right under the Story Bridge itself – literally out back of this historic old pub. The

kitchen is right beside us providing excellent modern pub meals. And there is a variety of drinks at the bar.

A highlight is catching the river ferries across the river to enjoy the beers etc. This pub is one of our favourites but it could be a few years before we come back as there are so many other venues to check out.

So come along for a great night for a drink of water or wine or a beer and a meal.

### **Stairway Falls**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January  
Daywalk**

**Leader:** Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

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

**Time:** 6am

**Cost:** \$20

**Grading:** M44

**Location:** O'Reilly's, Lamington Nat Park

**Web:** <http://www.oreillys.com.au/lamington-national-park/bushwalking/full-day-walks/>

**Emerg Off:** Catherine Ph: 3351 3810

**Dist:** 13kms **Ascent:** 450m **Descent:** 450m

The area around O'Reilly's is drained by two systems, the Coomera River and West/East Canungra Creeks (which eventually joins the Coomera River). This walk explores West Canungra Creek.

The walk starts from junction of Duck Creek and Lamington NP Roads. It is only a short walk (200m) to the start of Bull Ant Spur which was the original track residents at O'Reilly's used to visit the Blue Pool. This can be a difficult spur to follow but provides a great introduction to natural rainforest. It is relatively scunge free and is the perfect way to start a walk. It is not long before the West Canungra Creek track is reached just above the Blue Pool.

It is now just a matter of following the creek downstream. The creek is crossed several times and you will get wet feet so wear old boots. After several crossings we reach Stairway Falls, a very picturesque waterfall with a swimming hole. The walk from the falls to the junction of East/West Canungra Creek is an approximate 4km return trip and follows the remnants of the old track system. Those who do not wish to continue to the junction can remain at Stairway Falls and enjoy a long lunch. From the falls we retrace our steps to the cars. So ring me to discuss the walk. Don't forget to bring the usual equipment for a day walk, water, food etc. Michael.

**Brisbane Lights**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Bike Ride**

**Leader:** Di Thornthwaite Ph: 3397 6487 & 0427 117 170  
**Meet at:** Ferry Terminal West End  
**Time:** 5.30pm  
**Cost:** Free  
**Grade:** Easy

You will need: a bike in good condition, front and back lights, helmet, bell, Water: 2 litres - there will also be water along the way

Come for a leisurely ride along the river in the cool of the evening as we watch Brisbane light up for the night. We will travel from West End across the bridge and then through the Botanical Gardens and along the Riverside bike track to the Story Bridge – all fairly flat but sorry there is a steep hill here which we can walk up – across the bridge and back through Kangaroo Point to Southbank where we will stop for refreshments – perhaps fish and chips on the waterfront lawn as we watch the skyscrapers light up. If it is a very hot night we could even include a swim before returning to West End. Come prepared!

This is not a BCBC event  
Di Thornthwaite (BOSQ Outings Secretary)

**Club Meeting**  
**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

**Contact:** Greg Ph: 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>

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. Stay for supper. Bring those recent bushwalking snaps.

Hand in your Committee Nomination form. Nominate someone else. Get them to complete the form.



**New Year Get Together**  
**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**  
**Social for St Vinnie's**

**Leader:** Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092  
**Meet at:** Foyer of Gaythorne RSL  
**Meet Time:** 6.30 pm  
**Cost:** Depends on your order- approx \$12 to \$25 for a main course  
**Location:** 534 Samford Road, Mitchelton, near the corner of Heliopolis Pde  
**Parking:** at the rear off Tel-El-Kebir St.  
**Web:** <http://gaythornersl.com.au/club/>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

At the start of every year, we have a fund raiser for St Vinnie's. This is usually a dinner or coffee night. Each of us donates a gold coin or three and Terry will send a cheque for the total amount collected off to the St Vincent de Paul.

We have been to the Gaythorne RSL a few times now and enjoyed it immensely. It is a nice club with a family atmosphere - not all glitz and pokies. The meals aren't too bad, the drinks good and we can stay & talk.

Come along to have a meal with friends, talk, show photos of Christmas, and have a good time.

**Blue Pool**  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January**  
**Australia Day Daywalk**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 0413 307 580  
[bigrivers@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigrivers@optusnet.com.au)  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 7:30 am  
**Grade:** M33  
**Distance:** 13.9 kilometres  
**Cost:** \$20  
**Location:** O'Reilly's in Lamington Nat Park  
**Web:** <http://www.lamingtonnationalpark.net.au/Documents/Scene/Blue.htm>  
**Emerg Off:** Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

Join me on an easy graded track walk at O'Reilly's to celebrate Australia Day. The plan is to do the West Canungra Creek Circuit trip. It is an easy 14km trip through lush green rainforest. The first stop will be at Picnic Rock. We then head down to Elabana Falls, then follow the track beside Canungra Creek to Blue Pool for an optional swim. We have lunch here then return to the cars at O'Reilly's. There is 'a bit' of uphill walking at the end of the day.

I have attempted to do this trip 4 times in the last 3 years. The first 2 got called off due to flooding rain

(February 2010 and October 2010). The third time (March 2011) we started the walk but one of our group had a stumble and needed to take the short cut back to the car. So several of us headed back up the Box Forest Circuit and I missed out on Blue Pool. Last year I planned to do the trip on Australia Day but once again we got flooding rains and the trip was cancelled. Hopefully, I will get there for the first time in about 20 years. It is actually regarded as an easy trip. So I hope you can join me on the day. If this trip gets called off some might say I am officially jinxed.

There are 4 reasons for this trip.

- an easy summer trip in the shade.
- a reminder of the Club's history - the Club's first official trip was a trip to O'Reilly's on the Australia Day weekend in 1958. This year will be the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Club's first trip there.
- To have the inaugural Blue Pool Dash - a swim across Blue Pool. There will be men's and women's races and perhaps a race for over 50's and we will probably need a race for the over 60's as well. Gold Medals will be presented to the winners of each race. (There will be no medals for synchronized swimming).
- I am desperate to get to Blue Pool

Please feel free to wear the Flag on our National Day and you are invited to bring some Australian cuisine to share e.g. Lamingtons. Phil

### **Illinbah Circuit** **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** **Daywalk**

**Leader:** Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill  
**Meet Time:** 7.30am  
**Grading:** L34  
**Cost:** \$20  
**Location:** Down stream from Binna Burra  
**Web:** <http://www.binnaburrallodge.com.au/Binna-Burra/Exploring-Binna-Burra/Walking-at-Binna-Burra/Lamington-National-Park>  
**UTube:** [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fOh7j\\_kAs6Y](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fOh7j_kAs6Y)  
– video is from 2009 and ignore the music  
**Map:** [www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/.../pdf/lamington-binna-burra-map.pdf](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/.../pdf/lamington-binna-burra-map.pdf)  
**Google Earth:** 28 10 45 S, 153 10 21 E  
**Emerg Off:** Michele Ph: 3351 4092  
or Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

This is a lovely daywalk for that hot summer's day. You will be going through delightfully cool rainforest & along a mountain creek. What more would you want. (Answer – a rock pool at lunch time for a swim.) And there is a rock pool at lunchtime for a swimmmmm.

If you read the notes in the brochures, the circuit starts at Binna Burra. Not for me – I do things differently. You will start in the middle, walk anti-clockwise and finish in the middle. All for the same price. The walk is approaching 20km.

We start downstream, and follow the old brush trail beside the creek (actually the Coomera River) upstream, following either bank through the rainforest, and crossing it numerous times (approx 12). Some of the crossing points may be interesting as floods tend to move the crossing points! It is a bush track all the way up (and not a "graded track"). Depending on the rain the Border Ranges has been getting, you may cross dry shod, get your feet wet, or get your knees wet (Everyone will have wet shoes by the end of the day – there will be no stopping to take shoes off). We all have been praying for rain, haven't we? There are the occasional tree roots to get over, some minor uphill bits, places where the bank is a bit high at the creek, and lovely piccabeen groves.

The pool, Gwongoorool, is in a gorge deep in the valley. After lunch, you will climb THE steps to the track junction (to me it feels like 1000 of them), which takes you near to the Binna Burra Road & National Parks hut. This is not a steep climb, the steps just go on & on, but is daunting after all the walking, and is straight after lunch. Near the top, there is a turnoff that takes us back along Top Illinbah Track to our commencement point. It is generally wide and in good condition. This is a remade track - a few bridges across gullies. You will gradually wind downhill, along the side of the valley.

There is nothing too technical – after all, you will be on bush tracks all day. It is a long day – expect to get out near twilight. My daughter Lucy did this as a 12 year old primary school kid.

A good trip for that "after Christmas" mood. We will be having a toilet-only stop on the way down – no coffee, but a goodie stop at Canungra on the way home.  
Greg E

### **St Valentine Is Having The Broncos** **Buffet This Year** **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February** **Social**

**Leader:** Antonia Simpson Ph: 3857 1387  
**Meet at:** Foyer, signing in area.  
**Time:** 6.30pm  
**Cost:** \$16.50 members and  
\$21.50 non-members  
**Location:** Broncos Leagues Club,  
Fulcher Rd, Red Hill



**Web:** [www.broncosleagues.com.au](http://www.broncosleagues.com.au)  
**Emerg Off:** Antonia Simpson Ph: 0400 571 387  
**RSVP:** Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January

Join St Valentine and me at the Broncos Club for the usual delicious buffet of more than 50 hot and cold dishes. We're celebrating a week early this year as the 14<sup>th</sup> is the day after Ash Wednesday when we may feel a little reluctant to celebrate with so much food and drink. Remember to let me know by the evening of Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> January so that we can be sure of a table.

**Booloumba Creek Falls**  
**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Daywalk**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702,  
0416 650 160  
[bigdrivers@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bigdrivers@optusnet.com.au)  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6.30am  
**Grade:** M55  
**Distance:** 12km and 5 hours  
**Cost:** \$20  
**Location:** Conondale Nat Park, behind Maleny  
**Web:** <http://www.aussieholiday.com.au/photos/kenilworthConondale/index.htm>  
**Emerg Off:** Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

The Great Walk in the Conondale National Park is calling.

A place I haven't been to was the Booloumba Creek Falls and the Breadknife. I made a few enquiries and this walk along the first part of the Conondale Great Walk as a daywalk was very "doable". We are doing the 'easy' option as we won't be doing the classic hard trip that Justin does where you rock hop up the creek, swim through the Gorge and climb up the other side. But I have still got that trip on my "to do" list.

I presume not many people in the Club have done this part of the Great Walk as usually we only do Justin's classic trip up here not the 'easy' option. According to the website this track was only opened in 2010 so it should be a new trip for most people. I should mention there are still a few creek crossings involved.

This is a lovely rainforest walk to do on a summer's day. The plan is that we will start at the Day Use area near the Gold Mine Creek walk and walk beside the creek up to the Artists Cascades. Then it is up the ridge to the upper carpark near the Booloumba Creek Falls. We will do a car shuffle and leave some cars at the end of the walk so we don't have to do a long day.

For those who don't know where it is – well come along and find out. It is up near Kenilworth and is a lovely part of the world to visit. Bring all the usual day walk stuff, lunch, raincoat, change of clothes for end of trip etc.

For our driving pleasure the plan is to go there through Maleny in the morning and possibly come back through Kenilworth and Eumundi in the afternoon. Phil

**The Merthyr Bowls Club**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Social**

**Leader:** Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160  
**Where:** 60 Oxlade Dr, New Farm  
**Time:** From 4pm till 9ish.  
**What For:** A chat, a meal and a drink  
**Location:** About 4 doors down from Brunswick St  
**Web:** <http://www.merthyrbowlsclub.com.au/content/common/pg-how-to-get-here.seo>  
**Emerg Off:** Phil Ph: 0413 307580.

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

It is a lovely venue to watch the passing crowd, the beautiful river in the background with boats and ferries gently sliding by.

A great place to catch up with friends. Come along for a great night for a drink of water or wine or a beer. And a chat about whatever you want. As it is restaurant we will definitely stay for a bite to eat. I hope you can make it. Phil

**Annual General Meeting & Club Meeting**  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

**Contact:** Greg Ph: 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.bcbbc.bwq.org.au/page4.html>

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The AGM will be first at 7.30 and the agenda is outlined at the back of this Jilalan. The monthly Club Meeting will follow.

Little Kings Annual Collection:

We are also collecting money for The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped which is one of the charities that we support. Receipts will be issued for all donations and those of two dollars or more are tax deductible. For over 15 years we carried out the door-knock in the Graceville area for the Society – collecting up to \$1000. No longer doing this, we still donate as Club members in February. The Society provides facilities at Buranda disabled children and adults to be looked after for a day so the carer can get some respite from the daily caring duties of their child. Thus the carer can do some personal business, or just have a well earned rest. Please be generous.

**Mt D'Aguilar**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**Daywalk**

**Leader:** Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6am  
**Cost:** \$10  
**Grading:** S56  
**Location:** North of Bne in the M<sup>t</sup> Glorious area  
**Web:** [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/D%27Aguilar\\_Range](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/D%27Aguilar_Range)  
**Emerg Off:** Catherine Ph: 3351 3810  
**Dist:** 8kms **Ascent:** 600m **Descent:** 600m

Mt D'Aguilar is the mountain the National Park is named after (or maybe the other way round). It lies in an isolated section of the D'Aguilar Range and is rarely visited. That could be because there are no views and there is little there. However the interest is in the journey not the destination.

The walk starts from the end of Cedar Creek Road which lies just north of Samford. We follow a road for a short distance before dropping to Cedar Creek. This is a lovely creek which is easily followed. After about 1.5kms we leave Cedar Creek and follow a tributary north. This creek is steep and full of boulders but it still has a beauty of its own.

About half way up the creek we reach a waterfall which can be climbed directly or can be bypassed easily by a ridge to the left. The views back to Mt Glorious from the top are wonderful and the race you now follow to 'Hidden Valley' just has to be seen. Before long you enter 'Hidden Valley' a beautiful glade in the middle of nowhere. It is now just a short climb to the D'Aguilar plateau where you wander along the top to the actual summit.

After a short stop we will retrace our steps to 'Hidden Valley' and then head cross country to Love Creek, a tributary of Cedar Creek, hopefully reaching it just above the falls. It should now be time for lunch and a swim at the falls before descending them and following the creek back to the junction of Cedar Creek and then back to the cars. So ring me to discuss the walk. Don't forget to bring the usual equipment for a day walk, water, food etc. Michael.

**Wellington Pt & King Island**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**  
**Daywalk**

**Leader:** Maxine Brophy Ph: 3409 4001 or 0412 637 670  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Carpark  
**Time:** 7.00am  
**Grade:** S11  
**Cost:** \$10  
**Location:** South Eastern Suburbs, Brisbane  
**Web:** <http://www.weekendnotes.com/wellington-point-king-island/>  
**Emerg Off:** Mike Brophy Ph: 3409 4001

This will be a good day for beach walking, exploring an off shore island, King Island, with time to visit local wetlands and Heritage Ormiston House.

We will be watching for water birds out on the island area and in the nearby wetlands. There will be a chance to swim before lunch, so you can enjoy your afternoon feeling cooler.

Ormiston House is the Carmelite Monastery nearby and holds many interesting displays of the history of the area in earlier times and the presence of the Carmelite Sisters who lived there.

There is an option to come by train to Wellington Pt, if you would find this easier and let me know when you nominate. Please bring the usual protection for a summertime walk, and your swimming gear. We will complete the day with a local Cafe visit, for a coffee 'fix' for the journey home. Maxine

**The Banff Mountain Film Festival**  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**  
**At the Powerhouse**

<http://www.banffcentre.ca/mountainfestival/>

The Banff Mountain Film Festival is an international film competition and an annual presentation of short films and documentaries about mountain culture, sports, and environment. It is held every autumn in Banff, Alberta, Canada. Immediately after the festival in November, a



selection of the best films entered in the festival goes on a world tour. The host organization in each tour location chooses a program that reflects the interests of their community. The World tour visits approximately 305 cities annually in 20 countries, reaching over 220,000 people. It is coming to Brisbane in April at the Powerhouse Brisbane at 119 Lamington St, New Farm. The date pencilled in is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April. Hope you can make it.

<http://banffaustralia.com.au/index.html> Phil

### **Obi Obi Lilo Trip** **Sometime this summer**

**Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702**

The Obi Obi lilo trip is a classic trip to do. Details in last month's magazine.

The date we go out is dependent on the rains as we need the water level over the dam spillway which requires the dam to be full. The water level in early January level was very, very low at only 76.4% of capacity. Once the rains come things can change quickly. So the trip is likely to be postponed to a later date.

The trip is great fun but has an element of risk and you need to be aware of the danger as we will be in moving water. Phil

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

It is time to review the past year and the Annual Report does just that.

So I will concentrate on one topic only – Membership.

Our numbers over the last few years have declined slowly. In 2010 we had 118, 2011 we had 114 and in 2012 we had 111. Not a dramatic drop, but still a trend.

Over the years, the best publicity has been word of mouth. The best way to get visitors, and thus new members, is to talk about your bushwalking experiences amongst your friends, work mates and relatives. A personal recommendation carries weight. Do not be afraid to mention the name of the Club.

If each one of us brings in one new member, we will double in size. Bring someone along to your next walk; invite a mate. They are not forced to join the Club. A true member has to "feel the spirit" of the bush. But they will have the opportunity.

And another topic.

Committee: we need new committee members as some have indicated retirement. Anyway, we have

three vacant positions that require filling this year. The shame is that they have been vacant for the last few years.

Committee discussions are based on a variety of ideas, views and opinions. True discussions are needed to obtain the best outcome in a debate. New people bring fresh ideas into the discussions. New people can be old hands who have never been on Committee before, or members newish to the Club who have a fresh view on topics under discussion. It is always good to have a change.

The annual subs are due now. Terry will talk about that in his Treasurer's Report. From a finance point of view, it is best if we get the money in as soon as possible to keep our bank account propped up and strong. We always have expenses and it is good to be able to budget.

Please pay early rather than later.

And we DO want the completed and signed Renewal Form back from everyone – insurance reasons. That should come to us with the money. Greg.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance 19/11/2012	\$3478.76
Plus Receipts	\$ 422.00
	\$3900.76
Less Payments	\$ 81.00
Balance 17/12/2012	\$3819.76
Term Deposit	\$2576.75

With the new year comes membership subscription renewal time. The good news is that the rates have not changed with Ordinary Membership being \$40.00, Associate \$30.00, Spouse \$10.00 and Country \$30.00. You will find a renewal form in this magazine which you must complete and sign when you renew your membership.

Congratulations to Brenda Keough and Mary Kelly who won first and second prizes respectively in our last raffle. Terry.

## **SOCIALS REPORT**

A lot of thought has been put into developing a calendar of possible social events though some will only be revealed month by month. These events give us an opportunity to chat about walks we've been on, holidays we've taken and family happenings to catch up on. Put the events you like the sound of into your smart phone, into your diary or on your calendar straightaway. If you have any other ideas for socials, send an email soon. Antonia

## ABOUT PEOPLE

Belated December birthday greetings to Andrea Barton.

Brigid Baker, Michael Brophy, Peter Constable, Michael Dowd, Maria Galvin, Geoffrey Lomas, Tracey Laing, Ray Rowe and Peggy Roe are celebrating their birthdays in January.

Carol & Trevor want to thank all those people who helped him following his fall on Warrie Cct – especially Jonas, Phil and Gerard & Janell Sammon. And all those who visited Trevor in hospital, sent cards and phoned him. (The Club sent flowers on behalf of all members.)

Matthew, Kerry and family have just returned from a holiday in the Blue Mountains and Pat and Jonas have just returned from Girrawean.

Congratulations to our latest new members, Rossy Minata and Karen Franklin.

Selina Yates, Janette de Loas and Michael Tottenham were welcome visitors on Maxine's Bay Islands walk.

Congratulations to Bernard Ivers and Clare who were engaged at Christmas time and will be married in October.

It is with sadness we hear of the death, due to lung cancer, of past member Bev Price at the start of December. Our thoughts are with Jim and family. Jim is still at the same address at Tarragindi if you wish to contact him.

From Roger Ford: Last year, my birthday had a few unusual happenings; on 28th November I gave my 200<sup>th</sup> full blood donation at the Red Cross Centre in Brisbane. And Juliet & I just returned from a cruise on a cargo and passenger vessel from Tahiti and crossed the International Date Line on my birthday allowing me to celebrate the birthday twice.

From Willie Hayes in Ireland (one of the Club founders): We are setting off for Glasgow, just for a long weekend. Our son Brendan, who lives and works there and announced his engagement just before Christmas to his fiancé Kristy, to share their joy. And our winter has been kind enough so far, apart from a lot of rains in December. These days are quite mild, and it is a pleasure to be tipping around the garden, doing light jobs.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February is the Anniversary of the National Apology Day for the Stolen Generation. <http://www.nsd.org.au/>

## OUTINGS REPORT

A new year has started and I trust you find a few interesting walks on the program to tempt you to come walking. The mini-drought is over as Brisbane has finally had a few days of rain but not too much to cause any problems with road access to walks or making the walks too muddy. Brisbane is going through a heat wave and the southern states are suffering numerous bushfires.

The first walk of the year on the Warrie Circuit at Springbrook was very well attended with 20 walkers. The walk had a spot of rain and made things a bit slippery. One of our walkers had a fall. He slipped off the track and over a small cliff and then tumbled down an embankment. If ever someone was going to come to grief this was the spot. He was badly shaken with a few lacerations but overall seemed remarkably unscathed. The walk was cancelled and he was able to walk back to the cars with the group. (A few people whispered that Mother Mary was watching over us to keep us safe). We quickly had him in a car and headed back to Brisbane. As a precaution he went to hospital for a checkup and they diagnosed a cracked bone in his neck that required surgery. It could have been so much worse. Hopefully he will make a speedy recovery. Say a pray for him.

### Past Walks

The number on walks has remained modest and finally we are starting to show an upward trend for numbers on walks.

### Attendance on past trips

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	
Dec 1	Love Creek Falls	Peter	DW	6
Dec 8	Lamb-Karragarra	Maxine	DW	16
Dec 16	Northbrook Gorge	Michael	DW	6
Dec 26	Killarney Falls	Russ	DW	8
Jan 6	Warrie Circuit	Jan	DW	20

A special thank you goes to the leaders for the above trips.

### Coming Walks

Looking ahead for the next month the trips are all rainforest trips so we are doing walks in the cool shade. There should be a time for a swim on many of these trips. Also, may I ask that you consider joining Michael on the off track walks as they are a real treat.



### Coming trips

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	
Jan 13	Coomera Falls	Phil	DW	GTW
Jan 19	Obi Obi Lilo	Phil	Lilo	other
Jan 20	Stairway Falls	Michael	DW	RTW
Jan 26	Blue Pool	Phil	DW	GTW
Feb 3	Illinbah Cct	Greg	DW	GTW
Feb 9	Booloumba Ck	Phil	DW	OTW
Feb 16	vacant			
Feb 23	Mt D'Aguiar	Michael	DW	OTW
Feb 23	King Island	Maxine	HDW	BW

The above trips are virtually all daywalks and to provide further information I just used an extra abbreviation to differentiate between the various daywalks.

GTW - Graded Track Walk; RTW – Rough track walk; DW - Beach Walk

There are so many trips available hopefully you have the time available to come along and support the leaders who do so much work to make the trips happen.

### Obi Obi trip

The Obi Obi lilo trip is rain dependent and is in doubt as the dam is only 70% full and we need the water coming over the spillway to make it a doable trip. Hopefully we can get this trip out this summer.

### Nominate for walks early

Can I ask that people nominate early for trips.

### Changes to the Outings Program

I am reluctant to make changes to the Outings Program but if there is no leader for a designated trip then unfortunately alterations have to occur.

No one came forward to lead the Muscat & Bailey Creek walk. Rather than have nothing on that weekend we programmed a trip to Booloumba Creek.

Also no one came forward to lead the canoe trip so it got deleted.

There are many trips listed on the program that still don't have a leader and if you really want to go on a particular trip please let me know so we don't make any changes that disappoint people.

### June Long Weekend Walk

Our colleagues from Melbourne have asked for hints on a walk on the Queen's Birthday Weekend in the Main Range and possibly a combined walk by both Clubs. The present suggestion is for a base camp at Bigginden Park and the following walks have been suggested

Saturday – Mt Maroon

Sunday – Mt Barney East Peak via South East Ridge

Monday – trip to O'Reilly's - the Pat's Bluff walk.

The plan is for the walk to be open to members of BCBC. Hopefully a different person from our Club could lead a walk each day for this weekend. The exact details are still up for discussion.

### Leaders Confirmed

I have had some very, very encouraging response as several people came forward to lead trips. The following people have nominated to lead trips this year:-

Graham Glasse & Ray Rowe have asked to be listed as joint leaders for several trips next year. (This is something new for our Club but is a great idea).

1. April 27 Lowood to Cominya – Rail Trail
2. Jun 2 Bare Rock
3. Oct 6 Cabarita to Pottsville Beach walk
4. Dec 28 New Farm to South bank

Michael Simpson is taking on a legend's workload and is leading,

1. Jan 20 Stairway Falls via Bullant spur.
2. Feb 24 Mt D'Aguiar
3. March 9 Valley of the Diamonds
4. April 6 Noosa to Pt Arkwright
5. Jun 16 Lizard Point
6. Jun 29 Mt Castle
7. Aug 4 Spicer's Peak traverse
8. Sept 14 Stinson & Pt Lookout
9. Nov 9 Fountain Falls
10. Dec 14 Bohgaban Falls

Paddy Taylor is leading.

March 23 City to Uni and back

May 25 Bridges of Brisbane

Sept 28 Norman Park to Stones Corner

Matthew Palmer is leading,

Aug 4-5 Main Range throughwalk

Desley Pedrazzini is leading,

Aug 4 Somerset trail

Greg Endicott is leading

Feb 3 Illinbah Circuit

Oct 12 Tibrogargan

Terry Silk is leading

Jul 18 Shepherds Walk

Sept 1 Noosa Trails

John Carter is leading

May 11 Mt May to Mt Maroon

Plus there have been a few other people who expressed an interest in leading trips but we haven't locked in a trip for them to lead, yet.

### Leaders Needed

From the above list you will see there has been an excellent response from members coming forward



to lead trips. Fortunately there are still several trips that needs leaders, (but nominate quickly)

#### Leaders Needed for Daywalks

##### Rough Track Day Walks

Jul 13 Beau Brummel -Grass Tree Knob

Jul 27 Savages Ridge

Aug 14 Barney Mass

Aug 24 Swan Knoll

##### Graded Track Walks

March 3 Purlingbrook Falls

May 5 Straddle – Blue Lake area

Jul 7 Trachyte Circuit & Ngun Ngun

Nov 3 Tooloona Circuit

Dec 1 Lower Portals

##### City Walks

Jul 27 Mt Gravatt to Southbank

Aug 24 Forest Hill, Marburg Heritage Walk

Oct 26 Russell Island

Nov 23 Cleveland Point

#### Throughwalks.

The Outings Program for the year has only listed 5 throughwalks for the year. We already have leaders for 3 of the walks and we are looking for leaders for the other trips.

Month	TW	Trip	Leader
Apr	25-28	Moreton Island	?
Aug	4-5	Main Range	Matthew
Aug	31-1st	Marathon	Phil
Sept	28, 29	Border Fence Walk	?
Nov	1-5	Vic Alps	Phil

Month		Camp Trips	Leadr
Mar	16-17	Club Hut Feast	?
May	25-26	Emu Creek – Steamers	?
Jun	8,9,10	Queen's birthday	
		Biggriggen Basecamp	?
June	21-22	??	?
Jul	27, 28	Larkin's- Mt Barney	
		Savages Ridge	?
Sept	6,7	Pilgrimage	?
Oct	567	Labour Day W/E	
		Blue Mtns	Phil
Nov	26,27	Border Ranges	BC

Phil

## PAST EVENTS

### Southern Moreton Bay Island Walk

#### **Lamb & Karragarra Islands**

**8<sup>th</sup> December, Sunday**

Walkers from north and south met at Redland Bay at the Bay Island Ferry Terminal. Phil and Sue were there to gather the group for the ferry trip across the Bay to meet Max at Lamb Island.

We welcomed our visitors, Selina and her Mum Jan, before a liberal spray all around, to protect unsuspecting newcomers from very friendly 'Island Midgees'. Our first heritage stop at the start of our walk was to view the only pioneer grave on the Island, that of Thomas Lucas, who had been a prominent oyster farmer on Lamb Island, after being sent from the Colony on Stradbroke Island. The passage between Macleay Is and Lamb was named after Thomas Lucas.

Walking across the Island, we had clear views of the large sand hill on Nth Stradbroke, which seemed to become larger as we neared the northern end of the Island. Jan had found some interesting bird activity to look at while Phil tried to make friends with the local horse, who was very curious to see 16 bushwalkers passing by.

Morning tea in Pioneer Park, offered a shady spot to refresh and have a chat, beside the local Bowling Club (minus a bowling green). Pioneer Cottage was nearby, built in 1926 and owned over many years by pioneering families.

We continued down to the water for a look across to Russell Island, then headed west to stop off at a kind island resident who had looked after the paddles for the kayaks overnight. Peter boiled the kettle for us and shared stories of island life with a larger than normal group of drop-in visitors. He showed us true Island hospitality.

Kayaks were ready for a trip across to Karragarra; Michael T and Rossi set off across mangroves to paddle down Lucas Passage, and out to cross between the Islands. Remaining walkers waved farewell to Peter before walking back down to meet the 12-30 ferry over to Karragarra. From the jetty we should have been waving to our kayakers but, they were struggling to drag kayaks over heavy mangrove mud. We had struck an abnormally low tide, with a case of water, water everywhere but not enough to paddle out to the main channel. The group travelled on to Karra on the 12.30, for lunch beside the beach and a walk around the island while Max scrambled back to meet two very muddy kayakers. Michael had guided Rossi through to a safe landing where we were able to leave the kayaks for a later high tide, and yet another kind island resident, hosed off the mud, with Rossi's I-phone working overtime with photos of her muddy adventure.

We had lunch and drinks to revive the spirits of two tired paddlers as we waited for a returning ferry to meet the group on Karra. They had explored the small Island, enjoyed lunch and after hearing the adventures of our brave pair Michael

and Rossi, we all departed to return to Redland Bay and a welcome coffee at the Cafe on Weinam Creek. Thank you so much to Graham for looking after walkers at Red Hill, Joe T and Rusty J for driving and Phil M for taking care of the troops at Karra. Michael and Rossi well deserved "Bushwalkers of the Day" award. Thanks to a great group. Graham G, Rossi, Aileen, Cathy, Paddy, Selina, Jan, Louise & Rusty, Barry C, Andrea, Phil & Sue, Joe & Michael T. Maxine

### **Northbrook Creek** **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December** **Daywalk**

What a great day. We wandered down a scenic ridge. Not too steep except for the final drop into the creek. We then wandered down a beautiful creek and a gorge where we had to wade through sections.

After meeting Maria and Jan at Maiala we completed the required car shuffle a little after 8am, and set off down 'Matthew's Ridge'. Well almost. We were about to go when we noticed Michele wasn't quite ready yet. "What's the problem" asked someone. "I can't decide which boots to wear" was Michele's reply. It appears fashion has become part of bushwalking. Why this ridge is called 'Matthew's Ridge' is anyone's guess but it is a delightful ridge nonetheless. We followed an old open forestry road most of the way down through open Sclerophyll Forest before descending through the only scunge just above the creek. We entered the creek just on 9.30am in the middle of a scenic palm glade and just had to stop and smell the roses.

The water levels were down from February, my last time in this area, which made following the creek fairly easy walking. Luckily the waterfall just after the start was still flowing and the pool below it was perfectly clear and inviting but we just took photos and moved on. I had forgotten a second waterfall a little further on which was probably even prettier with water rushing down a narrow gorge into the pool below. We were now entering a part of the creek that was affected by the collapse of Lawton Road several years ago and the water flow here was reduced with very few pools.

Then we rounded a bend in the creek and suddenly before us was Eagles Nest and the start of the gorge. Some of us changed boots and walked through the small pools whilst some of us climbed along the sides to keep their feet dry. There is now only one gorge that is unpassable and we stopped just before it under an overhang

for lunch. I remembered the first time I passed this way and where we stopped would have been impossible then as it was a deep pool. It is unbelievable how much of Lawton Road must have collapsed into the creek. I estimated we were now sitting about 2 metres above the previous water level and heavens knows how deep that pool used to be. It is now barely a trickle.

After lunch we scrambled down the mini waterfall and slid into the cool water. We swam for a while but eventually we reluctantly got out and strolled that last kilometre to the exit point. It was now a short climb to our car where we arrived just before 1.30pm.

We now headed into Mt Glorious for a cold drink before heading home. My thanks to the 5 walkers who joined me – Ray, Maria, Jan, James, and Michele. Michael.

### **Killarney Glen** **26<sup>th</sup> December** **Daywalk**

It was raining heavily when we all woke in the morning but this did not stop the trip proceeding. By the time we reached Canungra the rain was intermittent at worst. So we began our investigation of the Illinbah tramway. This is a former narrow gauge railway used to ferry logs from the slopes of Lamington Plateau to the sawmill at Canungra. Initially, we had a look at the flood plain where the old sawmill stood and investigated the buildings that occupy the site now. Most of these were built last century. Then we drove up the hill to have a look at where the tramway travels through a low ridge through a tunnel that bores a hole into the sandstone. A new gate has been installed at the entrance to the tunnel in the last month. This walk to the tunnel was the shortest of the whole day – 180m return.

After another short trip in the cars we gained a little height and then turned into Marian Valley. There we had a thoughtful visit to the outdoor Stations of the Cross and then we visited the statute of Our Lady of the Southern Cross at the end of the valley. As we turned and headed for the cars we met Brother Luke.

Next port of call was Killarney Glen itself which is literally across the road from Marian Valley. This being the fourth walk of the day required us to put our boots on. We took the contoured route down to the creek where we had lunch on the creek edge. We decided not to go swimming as the temperature was moderate. After lunch we investigated a number of other swimming holes

and then followed the steep 4WD track out of the Glen and back to the cars.

Turning north we headed to almost Canungra and turned east to Mt Tamborine along the western edge of the mountain. We found ourselves at Witches Falls which is part of Queensland's oldest National Park which was established in 1908. We zigzagged down the western face into rainforest and piccabeen palm groves. Then we came to a lookout at Witches Falls which gave us spectacular views looking to the west and north-west. We found ourselves back at the cars by 3.30pm and went for a well earned coffee.

This was an unusual trip in that there were five separate walks –

- Lower Illinbah Tramway
- Illinbah Tramway Tunnel
- Marian Valley
- Killarney Glen
- Witches Falls

Those who enjoyed this tour of the environs of Canungra were Terry Silk, Graham Glasse, Maria Kerruish, Louise Jones, Jan and Russ Nelson.

### **Warrie Circuit** **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January** **Daywalk**

A lot of people must have made a New Year resolution to do more bushwalking because twenty people nominated for Warrie Circuit. Unfortunately, things didn't go as planned.

We left Brisbane under overcast skies and headed for Canyon Lookout at Springbrook National Park. After surveying the view from Canyon Lookout we set off on the graded track. The name "Warrie" means "rushing water" and after 20 minutes of walking we reached the first of the falls on the circuit, namely Blackfellow Falls. The track here goes behind the falls.

At least three large blue crayfish were seen during the day, two of them being on or near the track. We continued on to Poondahra Falls. A few minutes later Trevor slipped and took a terrible fall from the track. After Trevor was provided with first aid, it was decided that the whole group would return to the cars as light rain was falling. We retraced our steps and then Gerard and Janell Sammon kindly offered to take Trevor to the hospital and delivered Trevor's car from Red Hill to his home. (Sincere thanks for your assistance Gerard and Janell.)

By this time the intermittent rain had stopped for the day and the remaining walkers adjourned to

Tallanbana picnic area for lunch. We then did a short walk from the picnic area down to Twin Falls where the track goes through chasms and interesting rock formations. Upon returning to the cars we headed off to Phil and Sue Murray's home for a cuppa before returning to Brisbane.

Thank you to the drivers, to Phil and Sue for your hospitality and to Gerard and Jannell for the assistance you provided for Trevor.

I wish Trevor a speedy recovery to full health. Jan

## **BCBC WEB SITE**

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

Contains a wealth of information for Members and Visitors. Have a look.

## **ABOUT JILALAN**

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## **AROUND THE RIDGES**

### **Notes from the Waysider**

The Catholic Bushwalking Club of Sydney (the CBC) has a regular bi-monthly journal called the Waysider and a few articles caught my attention.

#### **The Grey Robins-**

The Sydney Club has many members who have been with the Club for 40 years or more, some for 60 years. But as they are becoming less active they have formed a sub-group called the Grey Robins which has the aim of having a monthly activity that is mainly a social outing but also has



the option of doing a small walk as well. Some of the proposed venues are idyllic with trips to Katoomba, Bundeena and Kiama. The point of interest for me was the choice of the name of the Grey Robins and it took me a few moments to understand the symbolism involved.

Why the 'Grey Robins'. The answer is rather simple - the Club emblem for the CBC is the Flame Robin which is a beautiful Australian bird that you see in the mountainous areas of south east Australia and particularly in Tasmania. For those on the Cup Weekend walk in 2011 there were a few of these beautiful birds at our campsite at Federation Hut at Mt Feathertop. The idea for the use of the Flame Robin was the marked beauty of the bird as seen on a Club trip to Tasmanian in the late 1940s. The club has frequently tried to change the Club Badge but it has always stirred strong emotions and views. The use of the Flame Robin is now entrenched as the badge for the Club and hence the use of the term "Grey Robins" is merely a play on words as the members of the group are presumably distinguished by their grey plumage.



#### England's Coast to Coast walk.

The other thing that caught my eye in the latest Waysider was a "dummy spit" about walking in England. After an amazing walk through the Swiss Alps a member of CBC went on the classic walk in England called the Coast to Coast walk and he was somewhat unimpressed – in fact he was a bit miffed and his scathing comment was as follows.

"Two days later I was in England for the Coast to Coast walk, from St Bees on the Irish Sea to Robin Hood Bay on the North Sea, with a different team. I had several friends who had done the walk and recommended it, and as I had never walked in the UK I decided to go. Well, now that I've done it I would say that if you like:

- walking for the sake of walking, whether there's anything worth seeing or not;
- crossing endless sheep paddocks, dodging sheep poo then across stiles to more sheep paddocks, etc;
- going down country lanes trying to avoid the rows of blackberries and nettles;
- crossing endless featureless moors with not a tree in sight;
- wading through muddy bogs up to your knees;
- walking with guide book in hand trying to figure out which lane to follow (signposting almost non-existent);
- trudging for miles along country roads, dodging traffic;

- Then this walk is for you!

The first five days in the Lakes District, the day crossing the Pennines and the last day into Robin Hood Bay were good walking, though even there the trip doesn't live up to the hype and purple prose in the Guide Books. However the rest of the trip, especially the Yorkshire Downs and Moors, was pretty ordinary. Seven good days out of sixteen is pretty bad odds. ...at one stage after two days of walking through sheep paddocks I decided enough was enough and I took two days off to be a tourist in Leeds and Harewood House, then rejoined the party at Ingleby Cross. I asked about the two days walking. They said "Well, we walked across one sheep paddock dodging sheep poo, through a stile at the end, then across another sheep paddock, through a stile, then....." And so on.

I must admit I had this walk on my to-do list but I will certainly reconsider my options now. Phil

## **BWQ**

At the recent BWQ AGM in December, the following committee was elected:

President - Gavin Dale (Glasshouse BW)

Vice-President - Vacant (any volunteers?)

Secretary - Desley Pedrazzini (BCBC)

Treasurer - Andrew Ryan (Glasshouse BW)

Asst. Secretary - Volunteers - John Marshall (BOSQ)

Due to a recommendation from BAI the position of Asst Secretary - Insurance Officer is not required as all insurance matters will now be handled directly by the BAI Insurance David Gordon.

Have the hosts for the Pilgrimage 2013 been sorted out yet?

Regards, Gavin Dale, President, Bushwalking Queensland Inc.

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

## **INSURANCE**

If any club has an insurance inquiry or claim, the club is to email the BWQ Secretary who will forward the inquiry/claim on to the BAI Insurance Officer. The BAI Insurance Officer will then communicate directly with the club. The Club, not the individual, sends the claim through the system. A policy will be released in due course as to the procedures.

Gavin Dale, President, Bushwalking Queensland Inc.

## FMR

FMR is a non-profit association operating in Queensland and affiliated with Bushwalking Queensland Inc.

Their role is to help keep Queensland bushwalkers safe by teaching them to navigate, belay, and look after their parties. When that fails, they help the police find and rescue them. They do research to support those goals. FMR offers a series of training days below is a list of upcoming events.

5 Jan	Kinnanes Falls Abseils
2-3 Feb	Kinnanes Falls Basecamp Abseils
9 Feb	Watson's Ck Falls Abseils
2 Mar	Back Ck Falls Abseils
20-21 Apr.	Watson's Ck Falls Base camp Abseils

For the abseil trips, you must have your own gear, (eg harness and helmet etc) ropes provided. Contact [fmrqld@gmail.com](mailto:fmrqld@gmail.com) attention Chrissy

## LOOKING AHEAD

### and New Year's Resolutions

#### Blue Mountains trip on Labour Day Weekend.

Last month I listed several trips as possible trips to aspire to do over the next few years. Well it is time to convert these dreams and wish lists into more detailed plans. You may have heard that Queensland has now officially changed the public holidays so we now have the Labour Day weekend on the first weekend in October. It makes for a good time to head south and in particular Sydney. I have always harboured ambitions of doing a walk in the Blue Mountains around Katoomba and Blackheath. On my last trip to Sydney to do the Marathon in August 2012 I discussed with their Chaplain of doing some combined walks with the CBC and we mapped out a preliminary lists of walks to do.

The suggestions for a walk are -

Day 1 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct - fly to Sydney leave Bris at 5pm ish – drive to Katoomba area stay at St Elmo's Hotel or YHA or something similar.

Day 2 Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Oct – Katoomba Cliff Walk – 12km

Day 3 Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct - Blackheath - the Grand Canyon 18km

Day 4 Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct - The Spit to Manly – 10km

Please contact me if you are interested in joining me.

As a point of clarification the 'Marathon' to the Shack is actually held in the Kanangra Boyd National Park not the Blue Mountains National Park.

#### Vic Alps Trip – the Cup Weekend Walk

You may have heard how successful the last Vic Alps trip was and we are definitely going back in 2013. The number 1 choice is the Bogong High Plains trip. This area is about 60% alpine meadows with ankle high vegetation and some areas of snow gum forests. It is very high and very scenic. More importantly it is on top of the mountain range so it is gently undulating countryside with only a few ups. I did this trip in 2009 and it was amazing. The rough details are as follows

Day 1 – Falls creek to Roper's hut (via the Heathy Track and Mt Nelse) – about 14km.

Day 2 – Roper's Hut to Cope Hut. (Via several huts) – about 16km

Day 3 – Cope Hut to Tawonga Huts (via Pretty Valley) and the Niggerheads – about 16kms

Day 4 – Tawonga Huts to Falls Creek via Mt Mackay. About 14kms

Hope you can make it.

## RAINFOREST CONSERVATION SOCIETY

We are looking for volunteers to assist with restoration work on a number of national park parcels at Springbrook. This is a unique opportunity for volunteers to work amidst a World Heritage area and contribute towards the ongoing protection of the Springbrook National Park and World Heritage Area.

The properties being restored were purchased by the Queensland Government to connect previously fragmented sections of the national park. The Australian Rainforest Conservation Society (ARCS) has a contract with the Queensland Government to restore these areas based on facilitated natural regeneration. ARCS is a national, non-government, not-for-profit organisation with headquarters in Brisbane.

The restoration project is an international case study for ecological restoration with the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Until our new web site goes online, to learn more about this project please visit:

<http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/springbrook/restoration/index.html>

We offer accommodation for groups of up to 14 volunteers at \$20/night/person (to cover costs of electricity, insurance and maintenance). The Lodge has kitchen, dining and living room facilities and has beautiful night time views of the Gold Coast.

Ideally we are looking for self organising groups of up to 14 volunteers to come to Springbrook for a day or a weekend. Preferably one BCBC member should be the coordinator of the Club's effort and arrange the dates, timing, names, transport, accommodation and liaison with ARCS etc of the groups attending the maintenance days.

Bushwalkers could arrive on Friday night and go bushwalking Saturday and then dig out *Aristea ecklonii* on one of the recovery areas for 4 hours on the Sunday or vice versa. Volunteers will be

able to enjoy some of the loveliest scenery in Australia, and explore any of the wonderful rainforest walks through the National Parks in this iconic natural heritage.

If you would like to know more about the project please do not hesitate to call me on 0447 442 837 or email me on [rhea.phelan@rainforest.org.au](mailto:rhea.phelan@rainforest.org.au).

Kind regards, Rhea, Volunteer Co-ordinator  
Australian Rainforest Conservation Society Inc

## **HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES**

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

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

**VISITORS** are always welcome.

### **OUTINGS**

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

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

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

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

**MEMBERSHIP FEES** - Membership Subscription fees are:

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

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

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

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



## **CONTACTS**

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For specific enquiries, contact the committee member (from above) concerned.

For Outings or Socials, contact the leader shown in the calendar or article.

Cover: Mt Lindeasy from South Ridge on Mt Barney drawn by Rael Mellish.

## **PARK ALERTS & WEATHER**

[http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks\\_and\\_forests/park\\_alerts/index.php](http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/park_alerts/index.php)

Find a Park: <http://www.derm.qld.gov.au/parks/index.php>

See: Weather

<http://www.bom.gov.au/weather/radar/>

<http://www.bom.gov.au/qld/>

<http://info.energex.com.au/tracker/asp/lightningtracker.asp>

Search & Rescue

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

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

Emergency Mobile Number While Out In The Wild Ph: 112

## **NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

**Contact:** Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

**Location:** St Michael's Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington.

**Time:** 7:30pm

We need a quorum for the AGM to be held. A quorum is 19 members – so come along and help make up the quorum and ensure that the AGM can proceed.

The business conducted will include:

- Receive the Committee's Report,
- and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2012;
- Receive the Auditor's Report;
- Election of Committee for 2013;
- The appointment of the 2013 Auditor;
- Voting of Honorary Members;
- Other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

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

Members should attend to carry out their democratic right of questioning, in a civilised and polite manner, the outgoing committee about the running of the Club during 2012, and to vote in the new committee. It works better if we have more than the usual number of members present.

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

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

See you all there, Trevor Kelly, Club Secretary

## **NOTICE - ELECTION 2013**

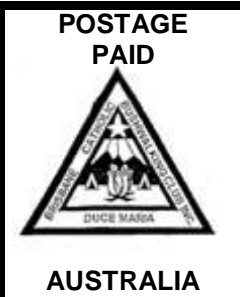
### **Call for Nominations for All Committee Positions.**

1. Elections will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM is held prior to the Feb Monthly Meeting – from 7:30pm, and
2. The normal February Monthly Meeting will start straight after.
3. All existing Committee Positions are deemed vacant and all are up for election.
4. All existing Committee Members are eligible to stand for election.
5. The positions are voted on in the following order: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Outings Secretary, Social Secretary, Vice-President, Training Officer, and Membership Officer.
6. If you cannot make it to the AGM, you can vote by Proxy – the form is available from the website, in the Feb Jilalan or from the Secretary – fully complete the form and have it in the hands of the Secretary by the start of the AGM.
7. Associate Members are not eligible to be on Committee.
8. Associate Members are not entitled to vote on any matter before any meeting of the Club, i.e. vote at the election of members to Committee.
9. Nominations must be in writing, signed by the Nominator, the Secunder & the Candidate.
10. Any 2 members of the Club may nominate any Ordinary Member for a Committee Position.
11. The Candidate cannot be his/her own Nominator or Secunder, or nominate anyone else for the same position that she/he is standing for.
12. The Nomination Form must be in the hands of the Club Secretary at least 21 days prior to the AGM – This is Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. The January Monthly Meeting is on Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> Jan, so this is the best practicable time. You can post them to the Club (at PO Box 31, Red Hill Qld 4059), provided they are stamped by the Post Office prior to 28<sup>th</sup> Jan.
13. The list of all the Nominated Candidates, their Nominators & Seconders will be published in the February Jilalan.
14. A person can be nominated for more than one Committee Position. They are elected to the first position they win. If they do not win the first position nominated for, they are still in the ballot for the next nominated position until elected, or remain unelected at the end of the night.
15. If only one person stands for a position by having the fully completed form in the hands of The Secretary by the required date, that person is automatically elected to that position.
16. In the event of more than one person being nominated for a Position, there shall be an election by secret ballot.
17. Should there be no candidate for a position at the start of the AGM, nominations will be called from the floor for nominations to that position.
18. Nomination Forms are enclosed in this Jilalan.
19. In recent years, if a position has been left vacant due to no one nominating for it, the Club has allowed any member, regardless of category, to act in the position unofficially without being formally elected. Being in the position unofficially means the person is not actually in the position, thus cannot vote at committee when a vote is necessary.

Trevor Kelly, Secretary

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## Nomination Form for Management Committee 2013

Brisbane Catholic Bushwalkers Club Inc  
 PO Box 31, Red Hill. Qld. 4059.



Position	Nominee Name	Nominee Signature & Date	Nominator Name	Nominator Signature & Date	Seconder Name	Seconder Signature & Date

Committee positions are available to Ordinary Members only.

This form must be in the hands of the Club Secretary – Trevor Kelly, by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January.

Post it to the Club PO Box, or hand it to Trevor at the Monthly Meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> Jan.

You (the Candidate) can ask a member to nominate you and another member to second the nomination.

You can nominate for more than one position. Note that all three must sign the form.

Nominations in any other form cannot be accepted; ie, e-mail, by word, on paper without Nominee's signature or "Seconder", - using just 3 examples.

This form is also available on the Web at

<http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/NominationFormForManagementCommittee.pdf>