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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
18	JTS – Bavarian Bier Café	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Mt Glorious Lookouts	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S33
21	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
Jan 3	Boondall Wetlands	Gerry	0404 947960	DW	M11
7	Diana's Bath	Phil	5522 9702	DW <sup>t</sup>	S23
8	Eat Street Markets & Drive In	Cath	3398 1465	Soc	
10	Gold Coast Tram Walk	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L23
15	JTS – The Surf Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
22/26	Kwiambal National Park	Michael	0409 620714	BC	Var
23	Toolona Circuit	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L35
24	Indooroopilly - Oxley - Indooroopilly	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	L24
27	Coffee Night – Gaythorne RSL	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
30	Mary River Lilo	Phil	5522 9702	DW	S55
Feb 2	Movie Night	Terry	3355 9765	Soc	
4	North Stradbroke Island	Phil	5522 9702	DW <sup>t</sup>	M22
7	Coomera Circuit	Michele	3353 2822	DW	L35
9	Pancake Tuesday	Russ	3374 3534	Soc	
13	Araucaria Track	Gerry	0404 947960	DW	L34
15	BCBC Meeting – AGM	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
19	JTS – The Crest	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Annual Mass	Liz	3356 4874	Rel	
20	Annual Dinner	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
26	Coffee Night – Tomato Brothers	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
28	Thorneside to Wynnum	Louise	3399 4472	DW	
Mar 5	Clean-up Australia Day	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
11	James Boag @ the Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
12/13	Border Track (Diabetes Qld)	Michael	0409 620714	BC	
14	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
17	Larapinta Falls	Phil	5522 9702	DW <sup>t</sup>	M44
18	JTS – The Empire Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19/20	Club Hut Feast	Greg	3351 4092	ON	S43
20	Club Hut Walk	Michele	3353 2822	DW	S43
20	BWQ Open Day	Desley	3369 5530	Party	
23	Coffee Night – Taverner Lounge	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
25/28	Warrumbungle National Park	Michael	0409 620714	BC	Var
26	Montserrat	John	5514 0285	DW	
28	Camp Mountain Circuit	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
Apr 2	Love Creek Falls			DW	
7	Noosa & Paradise Cave	Phil	5522 9702	DW <sup>t</sup>	
9/10	West Canungra Creek	Michael	3398 1465	TW	
9	White Rock	Michele	3353 2822	DW	
13	Banff Film Festival	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
15	JTS – Jimmy's on the Mall	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16	Glen Rock	Iain	3870 8082	DW	
17	Kate Quinlan Society	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
18	BCBC Meeting			Meet	
23/25	Blue Mountains	Michael	0409 620714	TW	
24	The Gap to Fig Tree Pocket	Russ	3374 3534	DW	
27	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
29/2	Combined Camp - Rockhampton	Michael	0409 620714	BC	
29/2	Celtic Festival Glen Innes	Cath	0428 755100	Soc	
May 5	Mt Campbell (Gatton)	Phil	5522 9702	DW <sup>t</sup>	
7	Alderley to Aspley			DW	

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>DW</b>	Day Walk	<b>½ DW</b>	Half Day Walk
<b>ON</b>	Over Nighter	<b>BC</b>	Base Camp
<b>TW</b>	Through Walk	<b>CW</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 OF THE MONTH**

We give thanks for the powers you have given us;  
The joy of movement and dance,  
Of sport and speed and thrill.  
We remember too our power of thought  
And creation ,  
And imagination  
And awareness of you.  
Amen.  
(Johnson 1986:33)

**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, cancel it – please tell Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620714.



**FRIDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
SOUTH BANK SURF CLUB  
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 0416 650160.  
**Address:** 30aa Plaza Parklands,  
Stanley Street, South Bank.  
**Time:** From 4pm till 9ish.  
**What For:** A chat, a meal and a beer.  
**Web:** <http://www.southbanksurfclub.com.au/>  
**Emerg Off:** Phil Murray 0413 307580.

The Club has a regular gathering for a social drink and a chat on a Friday once a month on the third Friday of the month. For the month of January we are heading to South Bank to experience the buzz and business of this special little place in Brisbane.

There are people out enjoying the night and for those interested there is a market stall.

One of the best parts of the JTS is not the beers but coming into town and finding a group of friends to share a time with amongst a veritable sea of strangers. So come along and share some time with friends. Phil

JTS Quote of the month on beer

*"Beer is proof  
that God loves us  
and wants us to be happy."*

*Benjamin Franklin.*

**MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**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.

Also at this meeting we have a speaker, Dom Courtney, Executive Officer, Queensland Outdoor Recreation Federation (QORF).

BCBC, as an affiliated Club of Bushwalking Queensland, is a member of QORF.

QORF was formed in 1996 as a not-for-profit association representing a coalition of outdoor recreation groups to advocate on behalf of the industry. QORF is the peak body representing the interests of outdoor recreation users in Queensland, and affirms the value of outdoor recreation and encourages all people to recreate outdoors.

A key reason for establishing QORF was to assist communication between different user groups and levels of government on outdoor recreation-related issues. QORF represents the diversity of opinions across the outdoor recreation sector on any issue, and does not, in most cases, seek to achieve consensus. QORF provides opportunities for outdoor recreation users at all levels to share ideas, discuss issues, network, influence policy and promote outdoor recreation.

QORF's primary purpose is to raise the profile, and develop capacity and opportunity for outdoor recreation in Queensland. This is done through representation of members and member groups, promotion of members and outdoor activities, consultancy with government and land/water managers, and education of members and the community.

Dom Courtney, the newly appointed Executive Officer of QORF, will be speaking at our January meeting. Prior to joining QORF in September 2015, Dom previously worked as recreation coordinator at Seqwater, as a property officer at Caboolture Shire Council and Moreton Bay Regional Council, and in the world of construction before that. Dom's experience with Seqwater gives him an understanding of the issues facing the outdoor recreation sector, particularly in regard to access to places and increasing opportunities.

Other than a stint working at a gold mine in Papua New Guinea in the 1990s, Dom has lived in Queensland his entire life – moving as a child from Brisbane to the Darling Downs, to Longreach and then to a small town near Mackay. Dom has worked in Townsville, Mt Isa, the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane. Dom enjoys bushwalking, camping, motorbike riding and, more recently is getting into the world of mountain biking.

Come and hear Dom speak and learn about the issues, especially access to wilderness.

**SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY  
TOOLONA CIRCUIT  
DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.  
**Time:** 7.00am.  
**Cost:** \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).  
**Grading:** L35.  
**Distance:** Approximately 19kms.  
**Location:** O'Reilly's section of Lamington.  
**Web:** [http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/lamington/about.html#Full-day walks Green Mountains](http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/lamington/about.html#Full-day%20walks%20Green%20Mountains)  
**Emerg Off:** Sue Murray 5522 9702.

A good walk to start the Australia Day weekend. This is a lovely long walk up at O'Reilly's. The walk is 18.5km long but is entirely graded track. There are a few creek crossings but usually they are not too difficult (but the crossings were difficult last January when there was heavy rain).

The walk is designed to commemorate the Club's first ever official walk which was held on Saturday 25th January 1958 up at O'Reilly's.

We will be descending down to Picnic Rock and then visit Elabana Falls. Then up along Toolona Creek and up to the Border Track. We turn left here and walk a bit to Wanungra Lookout where we will have lunch. There should be views of Mt Warning from here. Then we return to O'Reilly's along the Border Track.

Bring your usual day walk gear, in particular your raingear namely a raincoat and a small collapsible umbrella. Make sure you bring a mug to have a cup of tea with your Lamington cake at lunch time. Plus all the usual stuff.

Grading – "L" as it is a longish walk at 18.5 km, "3" for terrain as although it is a graded track it is a bit rough in places with a couple of creek crossings where you could get your feet wet and "5" for endurance as it takes at least 6 hours to do the walk. I plan to get back to the coffee shop in time for a coffee or ice cream.

The trip has been done several times over the years but is always a great walk. Phil.



**SATURDAY TO TUESDAY  
23<sup>rd</sup> TO 26<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
KWIAMBAL NATIONAL PARK  
DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Michael Simpson 0409 620714.  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.  
**Time:** TBA.  
**Cost:** \$50 (car pool), \$2 (private)  
+ \$18 Camp Fees.  
**Grading:** Var.  
**Location:** Northern NSW near Tenterfield.  
**Web:** <http://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/vi-sit-a-park/parks/kwiambal-national-park>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Advance notice for a base camp to be held in Kwiambal National Park over the Australia Day weekend. It will involve those of you who are unfortunately still working to take the Monday off.

Kwiambal National Park is a secluded reserve past Inverell in New South Wales offering swimming, scenic picnic opportunities, cheap accommodation, mountain biking, birdwatching and fishing. It also has some Limestone Caves within its boundaries.

Ring me for more information.

**SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JANUARY  
INDOOROPILLY OXLEY CIRCUIT  
DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Paddy Taylor 3378 4813.  
**Meet at:** Indooroopilly Station (Ipswich & Springfield lines).  
**Time:** 8.00am.  
**Cost:** \$2.  
**Grading:** L23 or M23 (your choice).  
**Emerg Off:** Barry Taylor 3378 4813.

This is a variation on a walk I led a couple of years ago. From the Walter Taylor bridge, we will walk alongside the Brisbane River to Nudgee Junior College, then through parts of Chapel Hill and Fig Tree Pocket. After crossing the Jindalee Bridge, we will proceed to the Rocks Riverside Park for morning tea.

There is a bushland path over the hill from the park to the rural part of Oxley. Then we walk through the leafy back streets of Corinda and Sherwood to the Arboretum. We will explore the Arboretum, including the boardwalk beside the river, then continue through Graceville and Chelmer to the Walter Taylor Bridge, and back to our starting point. We pass close to several

railway stations, with a 15 minute train service if anyone wants to finish the walk early.

This is a very easy walk, which any club member could do. There are only a couple of small hills along the way. There is plenty of shade, and being close to the river there should be a breeze after the first couple of hours. Bring the usual day walk gear, including water, sunscreen and a hat. Please join me to explore some of the leafy Western Suburbs of Brisbane

### **WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JANUARY NEW YEAR GET TOGETHER SOCIAL FOR ST VINNIES**

**Leader:** Greg Endicott 3351 4092.  
**Meet at:** Our table inside Gaythorne RSL bistro.  
**Getting in:** Membership for life is \$1. If not a member, use your membership in another club to gain reciprocal rights, OR call me to sign you in.  
**Time:** 6.30pm (or later), OR come straight after work.  
**Cost:** Depends on your order - approx \$12 to \$30 for a main course.  
**Location:** 534 Samford Road, Mitchelton, near the corner of Heliopolis Parade.  
**Parking:** at the rear off Tel-El-Kebir St.  
**Transport:** Bus Stop outside. Mitchelton Train Station within walking distance. Free courtesy bus covers wide area – see their web. Last bus at 8pm.  
**Web:** <http://gaythornersl.com.au/club/>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg 0418 122995  
**RSVP:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – I need to book A table or two.

At the start of every year, we have a fund raiser for St Vinnies. 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 amount off to the local St Vinnies chapter.

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. Service is fast. Staff is friendly. There is no music till later. This is one event where we easily get 20 or more members, thus you can catch up with your friends and hear how the Christmas break went.

Come when you like, leave when you like. Stay as long as you want. Come along to have a meal with friends, talk, show photos of Christmas, and have a good time. Bring my mobile number with you. If you make a last-minute decision to come along, just come along – do not worry if you have not RSVP'd - I would like you there with us.

### **SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY MARY RIVER LILO DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.  
**Meet at:** TBA.  
**Time:** 6.00am.  
**Cost:** \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).  
**Grading:** S55.  
**Distance:** Approximately 40kms.  
**Location:** Sunshine Coast Hinterland.  
**Emerg Off:** Sue Murray 5522 9702.

This will be a new trip for the Club. The trip is a lilo trip. It starts at the Bridge on the Maleny Kenilworth Rd just before the Sunday Creek Road. The finish is at Kenilworth River Park, Charles Street Kenilworth.

My son David did this as the kayak leg of the Fairy Bells adventure race in August 2013. They took nearly 2 hours to do this section. We will be going a bit slower so I expect us to take about 6 hours.

It is an easy leisurely trip if you are experienced with water and water craft but can be a bit more onerous and dangerous for first timers. If you are interested ring me to ask for further details.

### **TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY MOVIE NIGHT SOCIAL**

**Leader:** Terry Silk 3355 9765.  
**Meet at:** Balmoral Cinema, Oxford Street, Bulimba.  
**Cost:** \$6-50 (Adult), \$5-50 (Concession) + Dinner.

**Web:** <https://www.cineplex.com.au/cineplex/1>

Our first movie for 2016 will be "Spotlight" starring Mark Ruffalo, Michael Keaton, Rachel McAdams, Liev Schreiber and Stanley Tucci. This thrilling movie is the riveting true story of a team of "Boston Globe" newspaper journalists who exposed one of the biggest cover-ups in modern times. The dedicated team do an in-depth investigation into abuse allegations

against the Catholic Church which leads them to uncover a shocking city wide scandal involving the highest levels of Boston's religious, legal and government establishments.

Because there are six cinemas at Balmoral, we do not all have to see the same movie. The session time will be available when the movie is released on the 28th January. We will choose a session commencing as close to 7.00 pm as possible. There are numerous eateries along Oxford Street if you wish to eat before the movie. The Coffee Club is popular as it has a two for one offer on Tuesday nights and is quick. After the movie we can have a coffee and debrief in the cinema cafe or nearby.

### **THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.  
**Meet at:** Emmet Street, Cleveland.  
**Time:** 7.40am for 7.55am ferry.  
**Cost:** \$2 (club), \$20 (ferry), \$10 (bus).  
**Grading:** M22.  
**Distance:** Approximately 12kms.  
**Emerg Off:** Sue Murray 5522 9702.

I always like a beach walk in summer and hence I was thinking of doing North Stradbroke Island from Point Lookout to Adder Rock.

We catch the ferry over to Dunwich then a bus out to Point Lookout.

We will start with a swim at the flagged area near Point Lookout then walk around the headlands to Cylinder Beach. We will have lunch here and a second swim. I am not planning on stopping at the hotel so you need to bring your own lunch. After lunch we will walk to Adder Rock.

It is expected to be warm and sunny so bring all your usual day walk stuff plus swimmers. (Plus raincoats as we could get a summer storm).

The Tides  
Low 11.36 am 0.47



### **SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY COOMERA CIRCUIT DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Michele Johns 3353 2822.  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.  
**Time:** 7.00am.  
**Cost:** \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).  
**Grading:** L35.  
**Emerg Off:** Richard Johns 0409 871641.

This is definitely a walk for a hot summer's day with lots of water crossings and waterfalls in the cool rainforest at Binna Burra. We will follow the Border Track before branching off onto the Coomera Circuit Track walking in a clockwise direction.

We will continue downstream passing numerous pools and cascades before returning to the Border Track and a 1.9km walk back to Binna Burra. The walk is approx 17kms and takes about 6 to 7 hours.

The spectacular Coomera Gorge with its Coomera and Yarrabilgong waterfalls are the last of a series of waterfalls before we make our way back to Binna Burra.

I have decided to walk in the opposite direction to what has been done in the past so we don't have the long walk along the border track at the end of the day. Although there are several creek crossings, the walk should be attainable for most bush walkers.

Don't forget to bring a walking pole (handy for creek crossings) as well as sufficient water, sunhat and sunscreen.

Put this on your New Year's 'to do list' and give me a call to nominate. I hope to see you on this walk.

### **TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY PANCAKE TUESDAY SOCIAL**

**Leader:** Russ Nelson 3374 3534 or 0427 743534.  
**Address:** Pancake Manor,  
18 Charlotte Street  
(near George St).  
**Time:** 6.00pm.  
**Web:** <http://www.pancakemanor.com.au/>

Originally beginning on Sunday, Shrove (Pancake) Tuesday was a three-day celebration that culminated in large feasts on Tuesday night the day before Ash Wednesday. Therefore



Shrove Tuesday was the final day before the commencement of Lent, a Christian festival leading up to Easter Sunday (Easter Day). Traditionally viewed as a day of repentance, Shrove Tuesday has become the last day for celebration and feasting before the period of fasting required during the Lenten season. The name "Shrove Tuesday" is derived from the word "shrive", which means to confess and receive absolution. The name denotes a period of cleansing, wherein a person brings their lusts and appetites under subjection through abstention and self-sacrifice. The concept behind this practice is found in 1 Corinthians 9:27, where the Apostle Paul states: "I buffet my body and make it my slave..."

By the beginning of the 20th century, however, the event was restricted to the Tuesday observance. Carnival became associated with Shrove Tuesday, in part from the Spring Equinox celebrations that were practised by the Romans and the ancient tribes of Europe. The word "carnival" comes from the Latin *carnem levare*, meaning "to take away the flesh". However, in the New Orleans and Rio de Janeiro celebrations, public revelry and carousing have become the tradition for Carnival around the world. It was mostly as a result of the Carnival celebrations that the Church restricted the observance to a single day.

Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday because they were a dish that could use up perishable foodstuffs such as eggs, fats and milk before the fasting season of the 40 days of Lent. Pancake races are thought to have begun in 1445. The liturgical fasting emphasized eating plainer food and refraining from food that would give pleasure: in many cultures, this means no meat, dairy products, or eggs.

So let's mark the eve of Lent and gather to eat some pancakes and enjoy fellowship.



## **SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY ARAUCARIA TRACK DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Gerry Burges 0404 947960.  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.  
**Time:** 7.00am.  
**Cost:** \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).  
**Grading:** L34.  
**Distance:** Approximately 18kms.  
**Web:** <http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/lamington/pdf/lamington-binna-burra-map.pdf>  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

This walk is rarely done by the club so don't miss out. There are four main easterly spurs which run off the main spur at Binna Burra, Shipstern, Dave's Creek, Wagawn and Araucaria. Araucaria is the second from the south.

After leaving the car park the walk follows the Border Track through rainforest. After about 1½ hrs walking we reach Joalah Lookout where we have our first view of Araucaria. There is a seat here and a nice place for morning tea. After a short break it is about a kilometre to the first turnoff where we join the Mt Hobwee track. Another kilometre along the track and we reach our last turnoff. We are now some 2.6km from the Araucaria Lookout.

Arguably the highlight of this walk is the Orchid Bower, a little over a kilometre from the junction. There are several species of orchids here, the large King Orchid and the smaller pink Rock Orchid. After the required break here we re-join the track and after another, yes another, kilometre we reach a fork in the track. But don't worry both lead to the lookout. In fact they come together again after about 250m. At this point we are only 200m from the lookout and lunch. For the best views stand on top of the rock. After lunch we retrace our steps and a deserved coffee at the car park.

Bring the usual gear for a great walk in the bush.

## **MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING & AGM**

**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>



We need a quorum for the AGM to be held. A quorum is 15 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,
- Receive the Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2015;
- Receive the Auditor's Report;
- Election of Committee for 2016;
- The appointment of the 2016 Auditor;
- Voting of Honorary Members;

All persons are welcome to attend – Do NOT be put off – you are getting two (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 2015, 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.

### **FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY THE CREST HOTEL JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

**Leader:** Graham Glasse 3371 9623.  
**Address:** Corner Ann and Roma Streets.  
**Time:** From 4pm till 9ish.  
**What For:** A chat, a meal and a beer.  
**Emerg Off:** Greg Endicott 0418 122995.

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

For the month of February we are back in the heart of Brisbane. We will be opposite the Town Hall in the Crest Hotel.

The Crest Hotel has had many name changes over the years. The suffix or prefix has been changed several times. It was the Crest International Hotel, Recently it was renamed the Mercure Crest Hotel although some still call it the Carlton Crest Hotel.

More details next month as to what bar we will meet in.

### **THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH LARAPINTA FALLS DAY WALK**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 5522 9702 or 0416 650160.  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.  
**Time:** 7.00am.  
**Cost:** \$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).  
**Grading:** M44.  
**Distance:** Approximately 10kms.  
**Emerg Off:** Sue Murray 5522 9702.

A lovely rainforest waterfall in Lamington National Park on St Patrick's Day. You can wear green if you like.

The falls are located in the southern section of Lamington National Park and access is gained along the road to Christmas Creek. The walk will also visit Westray's Grave.

The falls are according to one of our life members the best waterfall in Lamington National Park. According to the book by John & Lyn Daly 'Take a Walk in South East Queensland' at page 237 – "If there's been rain, these falls are an awesome sight".

It will be mainly off track walking with some rock hopping. Bring the usual day walk stuff plus gaiters and I will be wearing garden gloves. And also bring gear for a swim.

### **ADVANCED NOTICE FRIDAY TO MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER TO 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER BLUE MOUNTAINS BASE CAMP**

**Leader:** Phil Murray 5522 9702  
or 0416 650160.

The Blue Mountains has some of the best graded track walks in Australia.

This trip will be a 4 day trip, 3 days in the Blue Mountains, plus one day of sightseeing in Sydney to see Sydney harbor and ride the Manly Ferry.

The 3 days of walking will be as follows

- Sat – Wentworth Falls,
- Sun – Katoomba & The 3 Sisters
- Mon – the Grose Valley & Govett's Leap

We will be staying for 3 nights at the Blackheath Caravan Park. I have booked 2 cabins that hold 12 people in total. The upper ceiling on numbers for the walk will be 12 people. The approximate cost is \$120 per person for the weekend if we get 12 people. Costs of Flights – on special should be able to get them for \$50 plus \$20 for baggage each way.

This is a great chance to do these walks and it may a long time before we go there again.

The more detailed outline of the walks is as follows

Sat – Wentworth Falls, via the Charles Darwin walk to the Rocket Lookout, then the Undercliff and Overcliff walk to the Conservation Hut, then the National Pass walk back to the Falls then back to the top and back along the Charles Darwin Walk.

Sun – Katoomba, walk starts from Scenic World – the Prince Henry Walk to Echo Point & The 3 Sisters, down the Giant Stairway then along Federal Pass, catch the Scenic Railway to the top and back to Scenic World. If time permits a walk out to Ruined Castle.

Mon – Grose Valley, start at Caravan Park, walk down the Popes Glen track to the escarpment of the Grose Valley, up to Govetts Leap lookout, then the Clifftop walk to Evans Lookout, then the Grand Canyon walk and return.

Flights down on Friday

Qantas QF 507

07:45 am Brisbane – 09:20 am Sydney

Current cost \$155 – but should be on special for around \$50 to \$70.

Flight back on Monday night

Qantas QF 556

21:45 (9.45 pm) Sydney – 22:15 (10.15 pm) Brisbane

Current cost \$115

Why come on this trip? It is a big weekend but time is running out to do these types of trips and there are so many other trips to do.

Many members may not have heard of the National Pass walk but this walk was commemorated in a stamp by Australia Post. In July 2015 Australia Post issued 4 stamps to commemorate bushwalking in Australia. The 4 walks they chose were

- |                        |     |         |
|------------------------|-----|---------|
| 1. National Pass,      | NSW | 6 km    |
| 2. Cape to Cape Track, | WA  | 135 km  |
| 3. Larapinta Trail,    | NT  | 225 km; |
| 4. Overland Track,     | Tas | 65 km   |

Of all these trips the easiest walk to do is the National Pass track so we will definitely do it.

**ADVANCED NOTICE  
WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY  
2<sup>nd</sup> TO 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER  
AUSSIE CAMINO  
MOVING BASE WALK**

**Leader:** Russ Nelson 3374 3534  
or 0427 743534.

**Trip Advisor:** Peggy Roe 3863 1464 – Peggy completed the Aussie Camino in December 2014 and so can give a personal insight. Peggy will be providing a presentation on the Aussie Camino at the March 2016 meeting.

**Meet at:** Melbourne Airport (Tullamarine) on Wednesday, 2 November 2016 – exact location to be advised later.

**Time:** 10.30am AEDT (If you fly from Brisbane that morning you need to catch a flight around 7.00am which has a scheduled arrival time before 10.30am.)

**Time of year:** Timing is an attempt to avoid the heat of summer and the cold winds and rain of winter. Also the trip backs onto the Victorian Alps trip lead by Phil Murray.

**Cost:** Airfare (approx. \$400) + Accommodation in modest hotels (no en-suite rooms) for 9 nights (allow 9 x \$70 = \$630 – single room occupancy) + food + share in cost of hire vehicle (approx. \$300 each) = \$2,000.

The cost can be reduced by sharing a room. Secondly, the vehicle cost is based on 7 people hiring a Hyundai imax (These are 8 seaters and can cope with 7 walkers plus luggage). Other vehicles will be explored.

**Bookings:** Open on Monday, 16 May 2016 and a \$50 deposit will secure your place. Full payment of estimated vehicle hire costs will be expected by mid-October 2016. Other costs will be paid for as they are incurred.

**Travellers:**

There are 3 options available -

Walker only

Walker / Driver – These persons are comfortable driving a Hyundai imax and no walk on 1 or 2 days because of driving duties. (However non-walking days will be avoided if about 14 people take part in the Camino because this will allow a car shuffle.)

Driver only – This is for someone who wants to see the area but does not want to walk. Drivers with drivers licences for mini

buses / bus (LR, MR drivers licences or higher are especially invited). Non walkers, who are not drivers, and therefore passengers may be able to join us but bookings will not be accepted until August 2016.

**Grading:** EL24+ (Note – 7 or 8 hours of walking per day can be expected.)

**Luggage:** 15 kgs plus a modest daypack. The spirit of the Camino is simplicity and therefore a modest amount of luggage means less to worry about plus ensures there is room to carry it in the vehicle.

**Web:** [www.aussiecamino.org](http://www.aussiecamino.org)

**Timetable for trip:**

Wednesday, 2 November – Visit Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, East Melbourne for registration and then travel to Portland.

Thursday, 3 November – Portland - Cape Bridgewater.

Friday, 4 November – Cape Bridgewater to Bridgewater Lakes.

Saturday, 5 November – Lake Mombeong to Nelson.

Sunday, 6 November – Nelson to Port MacDonnell.

Monday, 7 November – Port MacDonnell to Mt Gambier.

Tuesday, 8 November – Mt Gambier to Bush Haven Cottages.

Wednesday, 9 November – Bush Haven Cottages to Kalangadoo.

Thursday, 10 November – Kalangadoo to Penola.

Friday, 11 November – Return to Melbourne, terminating at Tullamarine airport in time to catch an early evening flight to Brisbane.

The Aussie Camino is a pilgrimage route running from Portland in Victoria to Penola in South Australia, inspired by the life and journeys of Australia's Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop and her mentor Fr Julian Tenison Woods. Based on the traditions of the Camino de Santiago de Compostela, pilgrims receive passports, scallop shells and stay in the local towns along the way.

Each day the pilgrims stay in the local hotel of each town and begin the day with a lively 'Buen camino!' in the high street of each town. Every day includes six to eight hours of walking—an average of 30 kilometres — each day can be

long but spectacular, as it is both a spiritual and human experience. Although it traces places Mary MacKillop, visited it also appeals to people who have a sense of awe in creation. The Camino includes walks along cliff tops, beaches, sand dunes, goat trails and farm tracks. Only about 7 kilometres of the whole Camino is on major highways.

The peace and solitude combined with the steady rhythm of the feet and walking poles, provides many moments of reflection. In this busy life one does not often get a chance to really talk with one another, but on the road there is plenty of time to reveal very personal experiences.

The Aussie Camino can also bring surprising spiritual gifts for the unsuspecting pilgrim – for example to 'lighten up' or to connect with the story of Mary MacKillop.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Nominations are now due for all Committee positions. I would encourage those who have not served on the committee to put their names forward to serve. The start of the new Club year will be celebrate at a Mass on Saturday, 20 February 2016 at St Carthages, Gordon Park and then we will gather for a meal at the Everton Park Tavern.

Significant work is now being undertaken to produce the 2015 Annual Report which provides a snapshot of the life of the Club in 2015. The Report is a compilation of many people making contributions so the style may vary within the Report plus occasional errors may go undetected by the author and the editor. If you detect any errors before the meeting, can you please contact the Editor – Michael Simpson, before the AGM so that the master copy can be corrected in a timely manner?

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance 19/10/15	\$2990.18
Plus Receipts	\$642.00
	\$3632.18
Less Payments	\$1196.77
Balance 21/12/15	\$2435.41
Term Deposit	\$2776.22

With the start of a new club year, it is time to renew your membership. The good news is that the membership fees have not increased with Ordinary members being \$40.00, Associate \$30.00, Spouse \$10.00 and Country \$30.00.



The \$10.00 discount for an electronic only copy of the monthly magazine still applies. Please renew your membership as soon as possible to avoid missing any magazines ensuring that you complete, sign and return the enclosed renewal form.

Please remember to save some money for our St. Vinnies' Coffee Night at the Gaythorne R.S.L. on the 27th January and also for the Little Kings' collection in February. Terry.

## ABOUT PEOPLE

Michael Brophy, Peter Constable, Michael Dowd, Maria Galvin, Tracey Laing and Peggy Roe are celebrating their birthdays in January. Fiona and Noel Fitzsimmons were interested visitors at our December meeting which incorporated our very successful annual photo competition. Jarrod Sefton was a first time visitor and Fiona Fitzsimmons clocked up her second walk on Phil's Purling Brook walk. Zitta O'Carroll was a visitor on Maxine's Coochie Mudlo walk, while it was good to see past member, Mary McInnes (nee Blyth) on Gerry's Boondall Wetlands walk. Visitors are always most welcome on any of our activities. Robin Thorn recently returned from a holiday in the U.S.A. and a trip to New Zealand to visit family. Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin, Peter Constable, Paul Evans and Cath Wood along with Russ and Jan Nelson recently returned from a walk on a Bass Straight Island. Elizabeth Richards has just spent some time in Tasmania visiting friends and Desley Pedrazzini has just had a holiday in Tasmania. John Blumke and family recently had a cruise up the East Coast of Queensland.

Congratulations to our latest new member, Fiona Fitzsimmons.

## RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS SECRETARY

### Leaders Needed:

**2 April** – Love Creek Falls

**7 May** – Alderley to Aspley

**24 May** – Long Creek Falls

We still need leaders. There are only 9 day walks and 8 easy walks left so get in now before you miss out.

Don't forget the Club's AGM is almost upon us and associated with it is the Annual Report. To enable me to give an accurate record of the year's walks I need all the reports. Please provide these as quickly as you can.

The numbers on past walks are as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
December 12	Coochiemudlo	Maxine	DW	10
December 19	Mt Glorious Lookouts	Michele	DW	13
January 3	Boondall Wetlands	Gerry	DW	8

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

Michael Ph: 0409 620714 or  
[michaelesimpson@optusnet.com.au](mailto:michaelesimpson@optusnet.com.au)

## 2015 PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

One of the best rollups we have ever had. The quality of the photos was superb. We even had several photos that weren't from Club trips. Picking a winner was very difficult but our head Judge made the tough calls.

	Category	Description	Photographer
1	Best overall	White's Beach (a)	Paddy Taylor
2	People's Choice	Clinton River – Milford Sound Track	Michele Johns
<b>Other Categories</b>			
1	Landscape	Admiring the View (b)	Pat Lawton
2	Moods of nature	After the Storm(c)	Paddy Taylor
3	Nature Close up	Snail Pace	Michele Johns
4	People and Faces	Pyjama Walk – Grampians trip	Paddy Taylor
5	Miscellaneous	German Tourists (d)	Phil Murray

### Convenor's notes

- Whites Beach is just south of Broken Head
- Photo of Jonas Bernotas with a beautiful tropical lagoon with Lord Howe Island's highest Mt Gower towering in the background.
- A view of Buchanan's Fort with a sunset shining through storm clouds
- Two young German tourists the wrong side of the safety fence taking a photo on the cliff edge with the nice scenery at the Pinnacle in the Grampians. There was a 300 metre cliff about a metre behind them as they took their photo

Thanks to all the members who put in entries.  
 Thanks to Joe Tottenham for being the judge.

Next year we may have a few different categories and try to encourage more action photos of members simply walking on the track.

Also next year we will re-instate the International category but the international photos won't be eligible for the 2 major prizes as the underlying purpose of the competition is to have photos of Club activities for the Annual Report. Some of the previous covers of Annual Reports were very perhaps and best described as "unusual". Phil.

## PAST EVENTS

### THE GRAMPIANS

#### FRIDAY TO TUESDAY

**30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER TO 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER**

#### BASE CAMP

**Distance:** 50 km.

**Attendance:** 13

We did 4 days of walking at one of Victoria's prime bushwalking destinations.

The list of walks we did was as follows

Day	Walk	Distance
Fri	Hanging Rock	2.1 km
Sat	<i>Northern Grampians</i>	
	Mt Staplyton	4.9 km
	McKenzie Falls	6.4 km
Sun	<i>Central Grampians</i>	
	The Wonderland Walk	8.3 km
	Mt Rosea	10.9 km
Mon	<i>Southern Grampians</i>	
	The Balconies	1.0 km
	Mt William	4.0 km
	Mt Abrupt	6.3 km
Tues	<i>Southern Grampians</i>	
	Mt Sturgeon ( 7.30 to 11.30)	7.0 km
<b>Total</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>50.9 km</b>



The Cabin at Zumsteins

#### Day 1:

##### Walk 1 – Hanging Rock

This was a delightful little mountain to wander over and across. It had a bitumen path most of the way. It had numerous little nooks and

crannies to explore. A highlight was that Trevor Kelly was able to join us for this trip as he had family responsibilities in Victoria and couldn't do the whole trip but went out of his way to join us on part of the trip.



#### Day 2 am:

##### Walk 2 – McKenzie Falls.

This was a downhill walk as we parked the cars at the top and followed the tracks down to the bottom.

There were four separate falls. Drummer Falls, McKenzie Falls, Boulder Falls and finally Fish Falls. When we got to the bottom waterfall called Fish Falls it was clear we could walk all the way downstream to an old camp site called Zumsteins.

Russ Nelson kindly walked back to the cars from the top so we could do the car shuffle. With the benefit of hindsight Russ had a more enjoyable walk as he got to see all the waterfalls again.

I should mention that the quality of the track construction was excellent with several stairways made out of hewn rocks and there were several steel walkways placed to make the walk easier.



Paddy at McKenzie Falls



**Day 2 pm:**

**Walk 3 – Mt Stapylton**

This was the hot walk. About 34 degrees at Horsham but hotter here because we were out if the wind and on hot rock. But no one baulked at doing the trip as we were there to do the walk and we duly did.

It was initially up and over Flat Rock. This was like walking across the flat expanse of rock at Girraween. It was easy walking but the track was not obvious and you had to keep your eye out for the yellow painted arrows.



**Flat Rock**

Then down into the gully and along a track that was below a huge cliff line. The cliff line was reminiscent of walking in central Australia near Kings Canyon with the cliff line towering a 100 metres above you.

Up a bit further was a huge boulder shaped like a bird and called bird rock



**Bird Rock on Mt Stapylton**

We finally reached the ridgeline to the summit. But it was not straightforward as it was twisted and gnarly rock outcrops that had been eroded mainly by wind. There was a bit of exposure that made it interesting.

Only a few of us bothered with the final summit rock climb as most of us were happy to sit in

the shady overhang to enjoy the shady cave with the lovely cooling breeze. The views from here were excellent as we looked out across the very flat western plains of Victoria.

Four of us actually made the last 10 metres or so to the top. They were Paul, Justin, Peter and Michael.

We then went back to camp and had showers before we went out to dinner.

We went to Mass in Horsham and then went to dinner at the Horsham RSL. The Mass was nice but the dinner was a bit of a chore in took ages to pace our order.

**Day 3 am:**

**Walk 4 – Wonderland Walk**

This walk is the 'signature walk' of the Grampians. This walk has the lookout at the Pinnacle which has grandstand views over Halls Gap and down the valley to Mt William.

We started from the Wonderland carpark and head up to the Pinnacle has this large lookout point that is located on a finger of rock sticking out over a huge drop. Well we duly did this.

The other highlight of this walk was coming through a lovely slot canyon about one metre wide and about three metres deep and about 200 metres long. It was just divine. It had a strange name of Silent Street.



**The Pinnacle**

**Day 3 pm:**

**Walk 5 – Mt Rosea**

This walk was one of my favorites. Lots of wildflowers but more importantly it had lots of boulders and tunnels, yes, tunnels around and through the boulders. It was great fun.

**DAY 4 am:**

**Walk 6 – The Balconies**

A very short little walk to a lookout platform. The view was nice but the weather was closing in. On the way there we noticed a rocky creek bed where the tourists have built lots of cairns (about 300 of them) out of the little boulders.

**DAY 4 am:**

**Visit to Boroka Lookout**





**Climbing Mt Rosea**

We also had a quick sidetrip to a lookout with great views over the countryside.



**Boroka Lookout**



**View over Hall's Gap**

#### **DAY4 pm:**

#### **Walk 7 – Mt William**

The highest mountain in the Grampians. It was road bash up a very steep road. I actually enjoyed doing the road bash as we had been playing tourist all morning.

Got to the top and didn't see a thing as it was covered in misty cloud. It was still great fun walking in the freezing conditions. Well ok, it was not freezing. But it was still cool at six degrees.

#### **Day 4 pm:**

#### **Walk 8 – Mt Abrupt**



**Signal Peak from Mt Abrupt**

A bit of a slog getting up to the top. It was a top little walk. There was low cloud that was slowly lifting. When we got to the top there was a good view then the cloud rolled in again. Then it cleared for a long while. The views from the top were sensational.. I still have the view burnt into my memory. It reminded me a bit of parts of western Tasmania as we could see so many ranges in the distance.

There were lots and lots of wildflowers as well.

It was one of my favourite trips and will come back to do this one when we tackle the walk to the Fortress in some years in the near future.



**Mt Abrupt from the Summit of Mt Sturgeon**



**Day 5 am:**

**Walk 9 – Mt Sturgeon**

This walk became a 'dawn' raid. We had to be out of the motel by 10 am but breakfast was from 8 to 10. So we changed our plans and did a 'dawn' raid at 6 am. So we zoomed up Mt Sturgeon and back by 9 am. Drove back to the motel, had a quick shower and then back to the restaurant for a superb cooked breakfast. Checked out by 10 ish and hit the road.

I should add the walk up Mt Sturgeon was very nice but once was enough. It was pleasantly cool especially considering how hot the walk was on Saturday. I did notice that everyone had got much fitter after three days of walking and we positively zoomed along the track. The other thing of interest was that there were barely any wildflowers whereas on the other walks there was a plethora of wildflowers.

**Day 5 – The trip back to Melbourne**

We hit the road and it was a beautiful day and the Grampians just looked awesome as we were driving along the highway.

On the way back to Melbourne we stopped for some sightseeing at Ballarat at Lake Wendouree. It was excellent. We looked at the 4 main features

- The 1956 Olympic Rowing course at Lake Wendouree – we also saw some black swans here with a mother carefully guarding its brood of cygnets.
- The walk of fame that included a statue of all the Australian Prime Ministers. But Tony Abbot wasn't there yet.
- The Ballarat Tramway Museum. And we had a ride on a vintage tram of course
- The Botanical Gardens which included huge Californian Redwood trees

We were so busy sightseeing we missed the Melbourne Cup but Justin had excused himself so he could catch the display about a poet. The poet was Adam Lindsay Gordon who lived in Ballarat in the 1860s. Anyhow Justin was lucky and heard the race at the poet's house and he saw the race on the TV and came back and told us we missed the first win by a female jockey in the great race.

It was great weekend. Hope you can make the next away trip. The next interstate trip similar to this one will be the Blue Mountains trip in October 2016. Phil.

**THE SCRATCH BAR  
FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER  
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Our first visit to Park Road for the JTS. It was a great area to visit. The Scratch was a very interesting place with a huge range of beers. The beers were so good that I can't remember the names, yeah they were that good. So we have to go back soon.

They served lots of peanuts that we had to shell. It was good fun. We had the lounge chairs in the back corner. It was a nice time. The beers were nice the conversation gripping, but then we moved on to the Thai Restaurant called the Temple. The food was divine.

For desserts we went up the road to the La Dolce Vita. The desserts were the best I have ever had. But there was a sort of sombre moment as the JTS gathering was a week after the bombing in Paris and the restaurant had their Eiffel Tower lit up in the red white and blue in solidarity with the French people who had been traumatised by the recent bombings.

Those who came along were - Russ Nelson, Jan Nelson, Greg Endicott, Michele Endicott, Phil Murray, Graham Glasse, John Hood, Liz Little, Cathy Wood and Mike Wood. Phil.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY  
SATURDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER**

The Club Christmas party began with drinks at the Power House by the river at New Farm. From here it was on the City Cat to Portside for entrée at the Bamboo Basket and then back to New Farm and the cross river ferry to Norman Park Bowls Club for Main Course. The Bowls Club was not what we expected but we made the best of it and managed to catch up with everyone's coming Christmas adventures, share the lolly bags, bon bons and receive a present from Santa. Thanks to Cathy and Mike Wood, Michele and Greg Endicott, Russ and Jan Nelson, Michele, Richard and Sherryn Johns, Kylie Moore, Peggy Roe. John Hood, Graham Glasse, Maxine Brophy, Susan and Mary Tobin, Paddy Taylor and Andrea Turner. May 2016 be what you want it to be. Justin.



**COOCHIE MUDLO & POINT  
HALLORAN WETLANDS  
SATURDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
DAY WALK**

Ten members met up at the Victoria Pt Jetty to cross the choppy waters of Moreton Bay to land at Coochiemudloe Island. Spirits were high among the troops, despite grey skies and light rain. Our walk around this small Island at began at Norfolk Beach, named after Matthew Flinders ship "Norfolk" in which he entered Moreton Bay in 1799.

Golden sands and a full tide lapping at our feet was a pleasant start to our day. We entered the Melaleuca Wetlands after leaving the beach and crossed through this protected area, on a boardwalk, admiring the melaleuca and paper bark trees. At the end of the walk a small plaque commemorates an early Island resident. We enjoyed a morning tea break under a welcome shelter in the park at Morwong beach, where a number of sites of indigenous significance have been found. At the western end scar trees and a midden, indicating this beach has been a favourite gathering place for thousands of years.

We followed the road alongside the water for a half hour, passing another heritage site: Mortons steps and Jetty, built by Doug Morton to transport produce from his Island farm to the mainland. He lived on the Island from 1918 until he left in 1968, reportedly because it was becoming too crowded, (pop then 18!) The golf course was our next stop, with a chat to the local members, who kindly invited us to walk out across the course to narrow sandy point where migratory birds had been sighted. We were at the western end of the Island looking over to the mainland and our next destination: Pt Halloran Wetlands.

Following the road back to the Jetty we passed the Community Hall and Flinders Lookout, where it is believed Flinders stood to inspect what lay ahead further down Moreton Bay. Our ferry was due back in 15 mins so a quick lunch. Before boarding to travel back to Victoria Pt. Our next stop the Wetlands at Pt Halloran, a short drive from the Jetty. The rain made the walk through the wetlands very pleasant with the fresh smell of the trees and vegetation. We were in a quiet oasis of nature, all hoping to catch site of a Koala sitting up high, but not our day with not a peep of a Koala. We walked out to the tidal edge and returned to follow a track out beside a small lake covered in flowering

water lilies and home to a number of ducks and their ducklings scattering for shelter as they heard us coming.

A coffee stop nearby (with the leader waiting in the wrong Café!), before we said farewell and all agreed it had been a good days walk and first visit to a Bay Island for some. Many thanks to our driver Graham and those who came and made the walk so enjoyable: Louise and Rusty, Paddy, Graham, Julie Ph, Peggy, Maria K, Zita and Mary K. Maxine.

**THE BAVARIAN BIER CAFÉ  
FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

A lovely night. The Bavarian Beer Cafe was very very busy, actually too busy. The free pretzels were absolutely delicious; my main meal was edible, just. I have had better elsewhere.

The good news was that the beers were excellent. The top beer was the Franziskaner Hefe-Weisse Dunkel. It was actually better than the Toohey's Old, now that is saying something.

It was a beautiful evening and the view was very nice looking out over the river. But there were too many drinkers along the balcony obscuring the view.

We left the Bier Café at 7 pm and went to the Coffee Club. It was nearly empty. A few in our group had their main meals here – the meals actually looked nicer then the Bier place. The others had coffee and dessert.

It was a lovely night. Those who came were Russ Nelson, Jan Nelson, Greg Endicott, Michele Endicott, Phil Murray, Graham Glasse, John Hood, Gerry Burges, John Hood and Peggy Roe. Phil.

**MT GLORIOUS LOOKOUTS  
SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER  
DAY WALK**

With a beautiful summers day and not a shower in sight, thirteen headed up to Mt Glorious via the Gap and Mt Nebo. We met first at Jolly's Lookout where clear views of the Samford Valley and Brisbane City could be seen in the distance. We could also see Moreton Island.

We then left Richard who was meeting us at Boombana and headed down the Thylogale Track. This was a short walk of 4km through rain forest and palms. Once at Boombana, we had an early morning tea, while some walked



the 1.1km Pita track which featured a large fig tree and boardwalk.

As we were about to leave Boombana, we could hear a siren in the distance, and as we neared our next walk, Manorina, we came across an accident. A motorcyclist had gone over the edge. Not far past the accident site, we pulled into Manorina carpark. This also was an easy walk, walking through rain forest and open eucalypt as we neared Mt Nebo lookout. The view was clear and some time was spent identifying landmarks in the Samford Valley below.

With time on our side, we had a short stop at Westridge Outlook. Here we could look out to Wivenhoe Dam and beyond to the main range.

Lunch was the next stop at Maiala and we were surprised to have 4 tables and a shelter to ourselves. As we only had one more walk to do and we had made such good time, we had a long lunch and left Miala about 1.30pm. The last walk, Westside Track, took us through to Lawton Road, via the Western Window. Here we were walking through quite dense rainforest, the western window about 600m from Miala. We had uninhibited views to the main ranges and Somerset Dam. We next came across some quite steep steps which took us down to the main track intersecting with Joyner's Ridge Road Track, and then another 2.2km to the end on Lawton Road. A quick walk up a fire trail and we were on Lawton Road. We were confused because three people were missing and were in front of everybody else. We quickly worked out what had happened when Richard returned to pick the tail up.

However, we were soon all back at Miala where, instead of calling in to a coffee shop, we stayed at Miala for a Christmas afternoon tea. Richard boiled the billy and we were soon sipping on coffee and tea and a variety of treats bought by everyone.

A nice way to finish a top spot in Brisbane. Thanks to everyone that came, Richard and

Sherryn Johns, Gerry Burges, Rusty and Louise Jones, Sue Walsh, John Hood, Alan Hodgson, Peggy Roe, Paddy Taylor, Terry Silk and Renuka Reid. Michele.

## **BOONDALL WETLANDS SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY DAY WALK**

Eight people committed to the walk including a visitor who had been in the club 30 years ago. We arrived at the Boondall Wetlands Centre (which was closed due to the holidays) around 7:30am and commenced the walk at 8:00am after locating a car at Nudgee Beach. We set off along the 2km Billai dhagun Circuit after having a brief toilet stop. The tide was out so we had the opportunity to see a dry dehydrated flora in different places and we saw a number of sea birds at the bird lookout. After we returned to the centre we had a short break before setting out along the 4.2km Boondall Wetlands Bikeway to Nudgee road. Near the end of the bikeway we had morning tea at the top of the lookout. From here we could see the Port of Brisbane. Once we got to Nudgee road it was a 1.5km walk to Nudgee Beach. We arrived at Nudgee Beach around 10:40am. As it was too early for lunch we completed the walk by wandering along the Tabbil-ban dhagun Board Walk. At the start we ran into horses being unloaded for walks on the beach, one horse took a liking to Paddy. About half way into the walk we visited the Bird hideout and spent time watching birds and crabs do their thing. This was not available when I did the pre-outing a week earlier due to the tide being out on the day. We got back to the picnic ground at about 11:30am. While the cars were retrieved from the wetland centre the remainder of the crew setup for lunch. The day concluded about 12:30pm.

Those on the walk were Paddy, Graham, Rusty & Louise, Andrea, Sue and Mary (a visitor). Gerry.

## **AROUND THE RIDGES**

### **The Banff Film Festival**

It is on again at the Powerhouse – may I suggest we make a booking for Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April?

### **Bushwalking in the Rainbow Region**

The book is now available free as an e-book. Yes it is free. The book is by Michael Smith and is a great book about walking in the Tweed Valley and northern NSW. It was ideal for the Broken Head walk last year. The book describes 59 day walks in the area between Tweed Heads, Yamba and Woodenbong. You can download the book free from <http://budjiri.biz.kt/> or just type in the name of the book it is easy to find.

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

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

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### JTS MEETINGS – 2016 ITINERARY

Mar	18	The Empire Hotel & Mecabah	Newstead
Apr	15	Jimmy's on the Mall	City
May	20	The Plough Inn	South Bank
Jun	17	Pig'n'Whistle King George Sq	City
Jul	15	The Theodore Club	City
Aug	19	Bitter Suite	Valley
Sep	16	Woolly Mammoth	Valley
Oct	21	The German Club	Gabba
Nov	18	Lock'n'Load	South Bris
Dec	16	Lennon's Bar	City

### THURSDAY DAYWALKS – 2016 ITINERARY

Month	Date	Trip
Mar.	17 <sup>th</sup>	Larapinta Falls
April	7th	Noosa & Paradise Cave#
May	5th	Mt Campbell (Gatton)
Jun	2nd	Mt Maroon
Jul	7th	Turtle Rock & Natural Arch#
Aug	4th	Mt Michael
Sept	1st	Bridges of Brisbane
Oct	6th	Twin Falls & Wildflowers #
Nov	3rd	Kingscliff to Pottsville
Dec	1st	Maroochy to Mooloolah
# during school holidays		



# **NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

## **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

**Contact:** Greg Endicott 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 15 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 2015;
- Receive the Auditor's Report;
- Election of Committee for 2016;
- The appointment of the 2016 Auditor;
- Voting of Honorary Members;

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 2015, 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, Graham Glasse, Club Secretary

## **NOTICE ELECTION 2016**

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

1. Elections will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM is held prior to the February 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 this Jilalan or from the Secretary – fully complete the form and have it in the hands of the Secretary by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January..
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 two (2) members of the Club may nominate any Ordinary Member for a Committee Position.
11. The Candidate cannot be his/her own Nominator or Secunder, or nominate anyone else for the same position as she/he is standing for.
12. The Nomination Form must be in the hands of the Club Secretary at least 21 days prior to the AGM – This is Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January. The January Monthly Meeting is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 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 25<sup>th</sup> January.
13. The list of all the Nominated Candidates, their Nominators & Secunders will be emailed to all members by 31<sup>st</sup> January.
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.

Graham Glasse, Secretary

**And for those who cannot attend the Annual General Meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February, here is the way to vote – complete the Proxy Form.**

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

**FORM OF PROXY**

**APPOINTMENT OF PROXY**

**BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.**

**(incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981.)**

I \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full Name)

Of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Residential Address)

being a Financial Member of the above named Association,

hereby appoint \_\_\_\_\_  
(Full Name)

Of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Residential Address)

whose signature appears below, and who also is a member of the Association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the *Annual General Meeting* of the Association

to be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of *February 2016* and at any adjournment thereof.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Appointer) / /

I \_\_\_\_\_ being a financial member of the  
(Full Name)

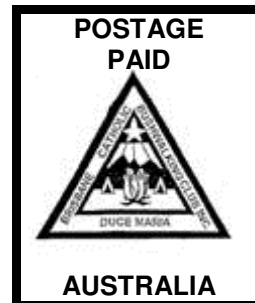
Association, hereby agree to act as a proxy for the above named member.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Appointee) / /  
(Date)

**THIS FORM is also available on the Web at <http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/ProxyFormBCBC.pdf>**



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## Nomination Form for Management Committee 2016

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



Position	Nominee Name	Nominee Signature	Nominator Name	Nominator Signature	Seconder Name	Seconder Signature

Committee positions are available to Ordinary Members only.

This form must be in the hands of the Club Secretary – Graham Glasse, by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

Post it to the Club PO Box, or hand it to Graham at the Monthly Meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> January.

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>