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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
19	John Toohey Society – The Watt Bar at the Powerhouse	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21	Sandgate to Scarborough	Phil	5522 9702	Bike	
24	Coffee Night – Taverner Lounge & Dining	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
25	Binna Burra Tracks	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M33
27/28	Moreton Island	Michael	3351 3810	TW	XL33
27	Coominya to Cooragook Bridge	Graham	3371 9623	DW	M22
27	Bush Dance at Morningside	Matthew	3876 8125	Soc	Prep
28	Breakfast in the Country	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
May 5	Mt May to Maroon	John	5514 0285	DW	L67
11	South Stradbroke Island	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M33
May 17	JTS – Transcontinental Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
18	Annual Mass and Dinner	Russ	3374 3534	Soc	
19	Boondall Wetlands	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M33
20	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
25	Bridges of Brisbane	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	M11
25	Bush Dance at Morningside	Matthew	3876 8125	Soc	
25/26	Emu Creek	Michael	3351 3810	BC	L46
29	Coffee Night – Grill'd at Rosalie	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
31	A Night at the Footy With Trev	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
Jun 1	North Coast Mountains	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M44
7/10	Larkin's	Phil	5522 9702	BC	M66
8	Government House	Maxine	3409 4001	Soc	
10	Mt Gravatt to South Bank	Barbara	3355 3639	DW	M11
15	Lizard Point	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M45
17	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
21	JTS – Groove Train Bar	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
22	Mt Castle	Michael	3351 3810	DW	M55
23	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Helen	3294 6976	DW	M11
26	Coffee Night	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
Jul 6/7	Abbey Medieval Tournament	Antonia	3357 3187	Soc	
6/7	Savages Ridge	Needed		ON	
13	Beau Brummel to Grass Tree Knob	Ivan	0405 487312	DW	
15	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
19	JTS – Lock'n'Load Bistro	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
24	Coffee Night	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
27	Colonial Ball	Matthew	3876 8125	Soc	
27	Trachyte Circuit & Ngungun	Justin	3366 3193	DW	
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	S36
13/14	Barney Mass	Needed		DW/BC	M77
16	JTS – The Irish Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Toohey Forest Wildflowers	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
17	Play at QUT Theatre	Antonia	3357 3187	Soc	
19	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
24	Forest Hill/Marburg Heritage Walk	Needed		DW	
24	Swan Knoll	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
28	Coffee Night	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
31	Noosa Trails	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
Sep 1	Bridge to Brisbane	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
7/8	Pilgrimage	Needed		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

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

KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km per day	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	1 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Flat
	2 - Graded path/track with minor obstacles	2 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking. Minor Hills
Medium 10-15km per day	3 - Graded track with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	3 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to 5 hours walking. Undulating terrain
	4 - Rough unformed track or open terrain with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	4 - Easy - Suitable for beginners. Up to 5 hours walking. Up to 300m gain/loss per day
Long 15-20 km per day	5 - Rough or rocky terrain with small climbs using hands or rock hopping	5 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking. Up to 450m gain/loss per day. Agility required
	6 - Steep, rough or rocky terrain with large climbs using hands or rock hopping	6 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking. Up to 600m gain/loss per day. Agility required
Extra Long Over 20 km per day	7 - Climb/descend steep rock using hands or footholds. May be some exposure. Good upper body strength	7 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to 750m gain/loss per day. High fitness. Endurance and agility required
	8 - Climb/descend near vertical rock with exposure. Climbing skills may be required	8 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to 1000m gain/loss per day. High fitness. Endurance and agility required
	9 - Sustained climbing or descending of vertical or near vertical rock with exposure. Advanced climbing skills required. Good upper body strength	9 - Challenging - Up to 12 hours walking. Over 1000m gain/loss per day. Very high fitness. Endurance and agility required

Example: M48 is a medium walk 10 to 15kms long, over unformed rough ground with obstacles, in which the trip is hard or strenuous for fit walkers requiring agility and endurance.

PRAYER

God let us be serious.
Face to face.
Heart to heart.
Let us be fully present' - -
Strongly present -
Deeply serious - - - - The closest we may come to
innocence.
Amen. (Source: Leunig 1990)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We have recently held a successful Annual Mass and Dinner and I would like to express my thanks to Fr Nigel Sequeira of Mitchelton for being the principal celebrant and Peggy Roe for being our liturgist and choir master. Also I would like to acknowledge the contribution made by Carol

Kelly. Carol has decided to step down as Editor. Carol took on the role early in 2012 and I appreciate her efforts to keep the Club membership informed.

Below is a draft position paper on Hunting in National Parks. I would appreciate your feedback before the Committee signs off the final position by 30 June 2013.

Russ Nelson, President

BCBC – Draft Position Paper – Hunting in National Parks – Version 1

Allowable circumstance

The existence of feral animals in a National Park is the only circumstance when hunting could be justified.

Management of hunting

Irrespective of who does the hunting, it must be properly regulated and those government officials who are responsible for implementing hunting management

processes must be resourced to undertake the full range of their responsibilities over the long term.

Failure to provide proper resourcing of the management of hunting is a valid reason for withdrawing approval for hunting.

The full cost of managing amateur hunting should be subject to full cost recovery via the pricing of hunting licencing.

Protection of Non-Hunters in National Parks

Licence holders of a right to hunt must be adults and hold an accreditation which demonstrates the skills to hunt as well as an appreciation of the environmental issues involved in hunting.

Licence holders must hold insurance to compensate people for death and injury resulting from any action of a licence holder whether it be accidental, "act of God" or criminal action. The level of compensation must be at least double the level payable to workers in workplace incidents. The insurance needs to be regularly verified that the cover provided can actually be delivered when claims are made.

Preferred model of hunting

The use of professional hunters is the preferred model. These are both economical and efficient in killing animals humanely and better than any other model.

Issues concerning amateur hunters

History indicates that hunting accidents are more likely to occur with amateur hunters.

In addition, amateur hunters have less incentive to cull all animals as they have a desire for hunting opportunities to continue. As a result, young animals and females of breeding age are not culled in order to preserve further stock for hunting.

Reflection on recent experiences of hunting in National Parks in Australia and New Zealand

Professional hunting has achieved the best results.

Allowing amateur hunters has featured under-resourced supervision by government agencies, a higher level of accidents and environmental damage.

Overall

Professional hunting is the preferred model. If amateur hunting was to be explored, it should subject to a public enquiry and any introduction should be on a pilot basis.

TREASURER REPORT

Balance 18/3/13	\$5594.09
Plus Receipts	\$493.32
	\$6087.41
Less Payments	\$389.80
Balance 15/4/13	\$5697.61
Term Deposit	\$2576.75

I have started selling tickets in our first raffle of the year. The first prize is a second edition book by Diane McLay entitled "Brisbane's Best Bush, Bay

and City Walks" and the second prize is a Denali micro fibre towel 50cmx100cm which was donated by Michele Johns. Tickets are still one dollar each and, naturally, you need to be in it to win it. As Louise Jones knows Diane McLay, we can have the book autographed for the winner if they choose.

This year we managed to collect \$150.00 for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Once again thank you to all those who donated to the two charities which we support. We also managed to collect \$247.40 from the members for The Little King's Movement for the handicapped with the club donating an additional \$66.00.

Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Greg Endicott, Ken Evans, Joe Finn, Richard Johns, Phil Murray, Helen Mees, Rosemary O'Brien, Catherine Pitt and Joe Tottenham are celebrating their birthdays this month. Congratulations to our latest new members, Chrissie Turner and Veronica Lawson. Past members Dennis and Evangeline Carmody joined Michael on his Binna Burra walk. Ariadna Villamizar and Denise Cruickshank were visitors on Graham's Brisbane Valley Rail Trail walk. Visitors are always most welcome on any of our club events. The club extends its deepest sympathy to Michael Simpson and Desley Pedrazzini who each lost their father recently and to Michele Johns whose mother also passed away recently.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS SECRETARY

Well what a great walking Easter I had. It went some way to compensating the awful personal start I have had to the year. Paul and I headed to the Snowy Mountains for some pleasant forest walking and some tremendous high country walking. (Full report elsewhere in the Jilalan)

April was another packed month with six (6) day walks and 2 base camps going out. The number of walkers this year is up substantially and I hope the trend continues. The month started with Pat's annual combined walk with BOSQ to Mt Goolman. She had the usual large crowd to climb this small mountain in Ipswich's backyard. The Noosa base camp and two day walks were a great success with over 20 people attending over the two days.

Phil's venture to Mt Joyce was also a great day as this little mountain surprised with its outstanding views of the Main Range. Anzac Day saw seven (7) walkers head to Binna Burra to follow a part of the Lower Bellbird Track and the Cave Circuit. But the highlight of the month was undoubtedly the Moreton Bay trip. It was a huge success with ten (10) base campers experiencing excellent weather conditions as they visited several lakes and climbed Mt Tempest. Graham visited yet another section of the Ipswich Rail Trail and judging by the numbers it must have gone well.

The numbers on past walks are as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
Apr 1	Mt Goolman	Pat	DW	13
Apr 5/7	Noosa	Justin	BC	6
Apr 6	Noosa Heads to Coolum	Michael	DW	18
Apr 7	Noosa North Shore/Mt Tinbeerwah	Justin	DW	5
Apr 14	Mt Joyce	Phil	DW	13
Apr 25	Binna Burra	Michael	DW	7
Apr 27/28	Moreton Island	Michael	BC	10
Apr 27	Coominya to Cooragook	Graham	DW	14

The next month has some great walks:

First up this month is Paddy's Bridges of Brisbane walk. This will be a lovely walk around the City following the river.

Next is my Emu Creek base camp. This is always a great area to visit with the Saturday including the classic Steamers traverse and the Sunday I hope to climb Guymer.

Then comes Justin's visit to the North Coast where he intends to climb three of the lesser mountains in the area, Mts Cooroy, Cooran and Erewah.

The Victorian Catholics are visiting over the June long weekend and Phil and Justin are planning some wonderful walking in the shadows of Mt Barney. They will be camping at Larkin's and if you want to go I suggest you advise them early.

On the same weekend, the Monday in fact, Barbara is leading another interesting city walk from Mt Gravatt to South Bank. Graham led a similar walk some years ago and it was a great success.

The last walk for the month is my Lizard Point walk. This is a visit to one of nature's delights. I try to visit this area once a year and am never disappointed by the walk. Everyone should try and get there once in their lives. In addition there is a chance to stay overnight after the walk and join BOSQ for their walk along the Acacia Plateau. This walk also never disappoints and provides an opportunity to mingle with members from another club.

I am still looking for a co-ordinator for the Barney Mass as well as a leader for the Forest Hill/Marburg Heritage Walk in August.

I know it's only early in the year but if anyone would like to nominate a walk they want to do next year, let me know. I will put it in my future walks file.

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

Michael (3351 3810, 0409 620714 or michaeesimpson@optusnet.com.au)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The flow of members for the year shows the number of members has dipped a little since the start of the year. The irony is that the numbers on walks has been very encouraging.

We have had 4 new members for the year. Veronica Forsyth, Julie Anne Williamson, Chrissie Turner and Veronica Lawson. I trust you enjoy walking with the Club. Plus I am pleased to note that Barbara Eastoe has re-joined the Club.

Below is a quick snap shot of the numbers.

Table of flow of members

Members at end of 2012	111
less lapsed members	22
net	89
plus former members rejoining	1
plus new members	4
Members at 6 May 2013	94

At the AGM I mentioned that I was interested in putting forward a recommendation that we change the constitution. It will be introduced at the next Committee meeting for discussion by the Committee.

Phil

FOR LEADERS

The "**Leaders Guide**" is on the web at:

<http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, where, cancel it – please tell the Outings Secretary Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

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

COMING EVENTS

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

FRIDAY 17th MAY THE TRANSCONTINENTAL JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Leader: Phil 0416 650160
Address 482 George Street, Brisbane.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal
Emerg Off: Greg 0418 122995.

Come along and check at this new venue for the JTS. Yes another new venue. I haven't done a pre-outing to this venue. (So many places so little time.) This one was selected by Russ Nelson. I heard from Russ and Greg that it is a nice venue.

The address is listed as being in George Street but is actually virtually opposite the Roma Street station. But I am sure all competent bushwalkers will be able to work out how to find it. I will have to check if it is actually more in Roma Street than George Street.

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

SATURDAY 18th MAY ANNUAL CLUB MASS AND DINNER SOCIAL

Contact: Russ Nelson 3374 3534 or 0427 743534 or nelhouse@bigpond.net.au
Mass: Our Lady of Dolours, cnr Samford Rd and Suez St, Mitchelton
Dinner: Stafford Tavern, 51 Webster Road, Stafford
Time: Mass 4.00pm; Dinner 5:30pm
RSVP: Thursday, 16 May 2013

The Mass will be celebrated by Fr Nigel Sequeria who said our Barney Mass in 2011. This is an opportunity to come together to mark the start of the walking year with a sense of the sacred. It confirms that we live in this world for not what happens on planet earth but rather it acknowledges it has been the Club's tradition to hold the Annual Mass early in the walking year to highlight the importance of remembering and

acknowledging that we are part of God's family and while we enjoy our God given bush, we know that we have an invitation to heaven. It is up to us to find that track there with the help of Jesus and Mary, leading the Way.

Then we will adjourn to the Stafford Tavern, the site of many Club dinners for some nourishment and fellowship.

SUNDAY 19th MAY BOONDALL WETLANDS, SANDGATE LAGOONS DAY WALK

Leader: Justin Tobin 3366 3193
Meet at: Roma Street Train Station Platform 7
Time: 7.10 am
Cost: \$10.00 Go Card
Grading: M33
Emerg Off: Susan Tobin 3366 3193

The Boondall wetlands on the edge of Moreton Bay are the largest stand of Mangroves left in Brisbane. Saved from being the Olympic village and Yacht Marina by not getting the Olympics in 1992. Save Boondall was a success and here we are today, over 1,000 hectares of tidal flats, mangroves, salt marshes, melaleuca wetlands, open forests and woodlands, and all on Brisbane's doorstep.

Catching the train to Boondall, a short walk brings us to the information centre and the Billai Dhagun CCT, a track that takes us through all the wetland communities. From here we will follow the bikeway across Nundah Creek and then walking between Nundah and Nudgee Creeks to Nudgee Beach, along the boardwalk and onto the tidal flats and morning tea at Nudgee Beach. The tidal flats will take us north to Cabbage tree Creek and across to Shorncliffe for lunch in the park, bring your own or buy it at the fish and chip shop across the road. An interesting morning it will be.

The afternoon walk will be around the back of Shorncliffe to Sandgate and the three lagoons, after all the rain they should be looking their best. The Sandgate foreshore takes us back to Shorncliffe for coffee and the train home.

Join me and discover something different in suburban Brisbane

If you want to join us for lunch and do the afternoon walk that's ok too.

**20th MAY MONDAY
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 come on the walk. Nominate for a walk. Nominate to lead an outing. Stay for supper. Bring those recent bushwalking snaps.

**25th to 26th MAY SAT TO SUN
EMU CREEK
BASE CAMP**

Leader: Michael Simpson 3351 3810 or 0409 620714
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 4.00 am (or go down Friday night and camp)
Cost: \$25
Grading: L46
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Day 1
Distance: 11km Ascent: 648m Descent: 608m
Day 2
Distance: 10.5km Ascent: 695m Descent: 695m

Emu Creek is a valley on the western side of the Main Range. It is a three (3) hour drive from Brisbane hence the early start. After arriving we will commence our day walk rather than set up camp. We will leave it to later. We will be climbing the Steamers, a classic walk, following the range beyond Mt Steamer to the descent ridge to the Steamers campsite. From there it is an easy walk back to Davies Ridge and down to the waiting car. It will be a long hard day but the views are well worth the effort.

The next day we will climb Mt Guymer. There are no views at the summit but there are great views of the Steamers from the ascent ridge. Whilst this is not an arduous climb it will take all morning to complete so we will break camp before starting the climb. It is now a three (3) drive home with stops at either Yangan (preferred) and/or Aratula.

There is the opportunity for members to organize day walks on either of these days. Please ring me for more information.

**SATURDAY 24th MAY
BRIDGES OF BRISBANE
DAY WALK**

Leader: Paddy Taylor 3378 4813
Meet at: Melbourne St overpass, outside the Qld Museum.
Time: 8:30 am
Cost: \$3.00
Grading: M11
Emerg Off: Barry Taylor 3378 4813

This has become a regular walk on the club calendar in recent years. We cross the Brisbane River on all six of the inner-city bridges which are open to pedestrians. It is an opportunity to see our city from a different perspective. Meeting above the cultural centre bus station, we will make our way to the Go-between Bridge, and then walk across each bridge in turn. We will visit Southbank, and the mangrove boardwalk at the Botanic Gardens, and I plan to stop for lunch in a park at the base of the Kangaroo Point cliffs. This is a very easy walk, mostly flat, with plenty of public transport for those who can't manage the distance. Every member of the club is capable of doing it. I hope you will join me on the day. Don't forget to bring lunch, a hat, sunscreen and water.

**29th MAY WEDNESDAY
DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT
SOCIAL**

Leader: Michael Simpson 3351 3810 or 0409 620714.
Meet at: Grill'd, 19-21 Nash St. Rosalie.
Time: 6.00 to 6.30pm for dinner or 7.30pm for coffee.
Cost: Your choice – visit their website for their menu.
Web: <http://www.grilld.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Michael Simpson 0409 620714.

This month we are moving closer to the river and a little west. Grill'd is a franchise and provides a range of choices in the burger range. There are, however, some salad choices and yes they are licenced. The café has a pleasant outdoor area where we can engage in many conversations and enjoy the company of fellow bush walkers.

Could I ask you to nominate to me by Sunday 26 May. Thanks.

**31st MAY FRIDAY
A NIGHT AT THE FOOTY WITH TREV
SOCIAL**

Leader : Phil Murray 5522 9702 or
0416 650160 or
philriver@optusnet.com.au.
Co-Leader: Justin Tobin.
Venue : The 'Gabba.
Meet at: The Pineapple Hotel,
706 Main Road,
Kangaroo Point
Time: From 5ish to 7ish at the pub.
From 7ish at the Gabba.

On Friday 31st May Collingwood are playing the mighty Brisbane Lions at the 'Gabba. You may not have been to a game for ages so this is the chance to come along with a few mates and girls (yes girls are allowed to come) and see what all the fuss is about. For those true Brisbane boys they are allowed (and expected) to support the Lions and we will let Trevor support the 'Pies. For those who follow the game the last meeting between the teams was in the NAB Cup semi-final and the Lions won 88-54. Since then the Lions have been struggling but they will come good.

The plan is for a small group to go to the 'Gabba and support your team, with dinner and drinks beforehand at the Pineapple Hotel from 5ish. The game starts at 7.50 pm.

Phil

**1st JUNE SATURDAY
NORTH COAST MOUNTAINS
DAY WALK**

Leader: Justin Tobin 3366 3193
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7:00am
Cost: \$20.00
Grading: M44
Emerg Off: Susan Tobin 3366 3193

The first day of winter exploring three of the North Coast Mountains, Walli Mountain, Mt Eerwah and Mt. Cooran.

Three interesting peaks with great views, interesting plants and something different on each peak. Come and explore three more of the North Coast Mountains with me.

**8th JUNE SATURDAY
RED HILL TO PADDINGTON & RETURN
AND TOUR OF GOVERNMENT HOUSE
SOCIAL**

Leader: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Meet at: St Brigid's Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Cost: \$3
Location: In the Red Hill, Petrie Terrace, and Paddington areas
Web: <http://www.whereis.com/QLD/Paddington#session=MTE=>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995
Distance: 12km; Ascent: 188m; Descent: 186m

This social, which is walking, starts out at St Brigid's. We will walk down the hill at the back, cross Hale St and have a look at some of the oldest houses in Brisbane as we stroll along the streets. Check out the old barracks. Peer through the windows of shops. Visit a church you never knew existed. Sit in the cool shade of one of the oldest cemeteries in Brisbane. Pay homage to the work place of a good Irish lass.

Walk up and down the back streets of Paddington. See the owls on the roof. Check out a red brick church. Have morning tea with the Gov. Walk through a historic house. Look at an old water tank. Sit on a couch. Have a coffee. Look in an old fire station. Sit in an old park. Take in good views of the city centre. Look at a tart in skirt. Meow. Try to find the hiding elephant. Associate in front of the oldest crèche and kindergarten. Why is Cairns uppity? Cambridgeor Oxford?

Q. What *more* would you want from Red Hill, Petrie Terrace, Milton, Paddington and Bardon?

A. Fine weather.

That is simple – the Queen is always sunny on her birthday.

And all this for a Social !!!!!!!!!!!

Come with me to help spot the answers.

**7th TO 10th JUNE FRIDAY TO MONDAY
MT BARNEY AT LARKIN'S
BASE CAMP**

Leader: Phil Murray 5522 9702 or
0416 650160 or
philriver@optusnet.com.au
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7:00pm
Cost: \$20.00 + \$7pn for camping

Grading: M66
Emerg Off: Susan Murray 5522 9702

It is winter time and what better way to start the winter walking season than a smorgasbord of walks in the Barney area.

Our Victorian colleagues from the Catholic Walking Club of Victoria are coming too. We have done the Cup Weekend Walks in the Victorian Alps for the last 2 years and 7 of them are coming north to sample the best bushwalking in Queensland the Mt Barney area.

We will be camping at Larkin's at Yellowpinch.

There could be many people along so we may need to offer more than one walk each day. But at the moment the plan is as follows

Friday evening – drive down from Brisbane

Saturday – Mt Maroon – Up the north east ridge and down the same way so we get back in time for Mass at Boonah. There are Great views from the top. The Scarlett Pea should be coming into bloom in its deep rich red hues and the Match Heads should be out as well.

Distance: about 10 kilometres - about 5 hours walking – height gain about 650 m.

For any day walkers who want to join us we will leave from Larkins at 8.00 am. We will have to do a short drive to the start of the walk.

For the fast walkers there is talk of a 'rebel' group of doing the mountain from the southern ridge to the summit and then going down the Golden Staircase.

Saturday night – Mass & Dinner

Mass - At All Saints Church - John St, Boonah

Saturday Evening June 8 at 6.00pm

dinner at Boonah – probably the Dugandan Hotel and possibly supper and wine back at camp

Sunday – Mt Barney – Plan A – up North Ridge and across to East Peak and down via Peasants ridge A big day – Plan B - maybe South east Ridge

Distance: about 12 kilometres - about 8 hours walking – height gain about 950 m.

For any day walkers who want to join us we will leave from Larkins at 7.00 am

Sunday night – still in planning – possibly a camp fire? Open to other ideas!

Monday – Mt Gillies (or the Club Hut to show our interstate visitors)

Distance: about 6 kilometres - about 4.5 hours walking – height gain about 300 m.

For any day walkers who want to join us we will leave from Larkins at 8.30 am

The trip is a traditional bushwalk in the medium to hard range.

A magic place to visit – the walking is on the harder end of the walking spectrum but so rewarding.

The walks each day are open to day trippers so come for a day or come for the weekend.

Phil

Ps - Easier options. If someone else wants to come along and organise a few easier walks you are most welcome. The other possible walks are – Saturday – Cronans Creek, Sunday – Campbell's Folly, Monday – the Club Hut.

SATURDAY 15th JUNE LIZARD POINT DAY WALK

Leader: Michael Simpson (3351 3810)

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

Time: 6.00am

Cost: \$20:00

Grading: M45

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott (3351 4092)

Distance: 12km Ascent: 684m Descent: 684m

This is a classic walk and everyone in the club should try to visit Lizard Point at least once in their life. I try to get there every year but have failed over the last few years so it will great to get there again.

We park the cars in the usual place at Teviot's Gap and briefly follow an old road. We will twice cross Teviot Brook before following the middle ridge to the Superbus – Roberts saddle. The walk starts in rain forest but nearing the top of Roberts we should break out into open forest and before long we will be enjoying those great views of the Steamers from the lookout on the flanks of Roberts. Lizard Point is now only short climb over Roberts before dropping through the simple cliff break and we should be there in time to enjoy the endless views over lunch. We will return the usual way until we descend Roberts where we will drop to the Roberts – Bell saddle before finding an old forestry road. The walking is now easy and we return to the cars via Teviot Falls and maybe even a swim. So ring me to discuss the walk. Don't

forget to bring the usual equipment for a day walk, water, food etc.

Michael.

**SUNDAY 16th JUNE
ACACIA PLATEAU
DAY WALK**

Leader: Jonas Bernotas (BOSQ) 3288 3820
Co Leader: Michael Simpson 3351 3810
Meet at: 77 Church Street
Goodna
Time: 5.45am
Cost: \$30:00 (Bus Hire) + \$1.50 petrol allowance
Grading: L47
Bus Limit: 20
Noms Due: June 11
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Distance: 21km

This is a great walk in the Killarney area being offered to us by BOSQ. It is a relatively flat walk which follows the border fence along lush green pastures with great views north and south. The final descent is a little steep but it is short and offers little problems.

There are two options available here for BCBC members. Nominate to BOSQ and join them on the bus or join me on my Lizard Point walk and then stay overnight in the area before joining BOSQ at the start of the walk. Either way please let me know what your plans are.

This walk using bus transport can only go ahead providing BOSQ finds a person with a vehicle not doing the walk but willing to assist with transport arrangements. The bus driver is joining BOSQ on the walk and will need to be driven to the start of the walk. Don't forget to bring the usual equipment for a day walk, water, food etc.

Michael.

**17th JUNE MONDAY
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 come on the walk. Nominate for a walk. Nominate to lead an outing. Stay for supper. Bring those recent bushwalking snaps.

**FRIDAY 21st JUNE
THE GROOVE TRAIN BAR
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY**

Leader: Phil 0416 650160
Address King George Square, Brisbane.
Between Turbot and Ann Streets.
Time: From 4pm till 9ish.
What For: A chat and a beer and a meal
Emerg Off: Phil 0413 307580.

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering on the third Friday of the month. We are headed to the Groove Train Bar for the second time for the JTS.

Please note we choose this venue so we can catch the 'Winter Wonderland'. It is usually only here for a short time and we don't want to miss the ice skating. For those really keen we might go ice skating as well. It might be last chance to go ice skating in Brisbane. Last year some of us talked about going skating but bailed. This year I am keen to go.

I checked on the internet about the skating but I couldn't find any advertisements for it this year. I did find the proposed dates for the Brisbane Winter Festival but they were unconfirmed - Sat Jun 08, 2013 - Mon Jul 01, 2013.

Also last year as soon as we had finished our meal at the Groove Train Bar they started making noises for us to move about 7ish. So we need a back-up plan and we have one.

Antonia Simpson gave me a tip about a little bar in the lane behind Lennon's that specialized in German beers. I checked it out before the March JTS meeting and it is called the German Sausage Hut in Burnett Lane. It is tiny but it will cater for the true believers of the JTS who want one for the road. But it closes around 9 ish. But enough time to check it out and sample a beverage or two – possibly an Erdinger. It is a bit tricky to find as it is sandwiched in the middle of Burnett Lane on the corner of an arcade from Adelaide Street near the Town Hall. The name is a bit of a misnomer as it is not really a hut because it looks much more like a cafe or small beer hall with lots of wooden

detailing and German music (rejects from the last Eurovision contest) playing on the big screen.

Come along for a great night for a drink of water or wine or a beer and a meal. And a chat about whatever you want.

Also the 21st is officially the shortest day of the year – so another reason to celebrate. Actually The difference between Friday and the Saturday is only 1 seconds.

Date	Sunrise	Sun set	Hours daylight
20 Jun	6:37 am	5:02 pm	10h 24m 17s
21 Jun	6:37 am	5:02 pm	10h 24m 15s
22 Jun	6:38 am	5:02 pm	10h 24m 16s

Phil

SATURDAY 22nd JUNE MT CASTLE DAY WALK

Leader: Michael Simpson 3351 3810
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 6.00 am
Cost: \$20:00
Grading: M55
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092
Distance: 10km **Ascent:** 725m **Descent:** 725m

Mt Castle lies at the end of the Little Liverpool Range and is clearly visible as you wind your way up to Cunningham's Gap. In fact from that angle it looks unclimbable. But it is easily climbed with just a few difficult sections.

We park the cars at Sylvester's Lookout which lies at the end of the Goomburra Valley, approximately 2½ hrs from Brisbane. The graded track lasts about 10 minutes before we head along a bush track through the rainforest towards Laidley Falls. There are at least two lookouts along these tracks which provide great views of the Fassifern Valley. There is limited scunge so the walking is quite easy to the campsite above Laidley Falls. We won't hang around the campsite as it was full of ticks the last time I was here and besides there is nothing to see anyway. It is now just a matter of dropping through the cliff line to the base of the falls and then wander along to the Hole-In-The-Wall. The Hole-In-The-Wall is a natural rock formation with a huge hole through it so you get great views of the Laidley & Fassifern Valleys at the same time. This will be a great spot for

morning tea with our objective of Mt Castle laid out before us.

It is now just a matter of following the ridge passing below Boars Head and over a simple razorback to the base of the Mt Castle cliffs. After contouring around on an obvious route we climb rapidly to the summit. We should arrive around midday and will have plenty of time to explore the top and soak in the views. Eventually we need to leave and reverse our steps to our cars. So ring me to discuss the walk. Don't forget to bring the usual equipment for a day walk, water, food etc.

Michael.

PAST EVENTS

BOOLOUMBA CREEK 9th FEBRUARY SATURDAY DAY WALK

Attendance: 5
Weather: Warm, Muggy with frequent showers
Distance: 10.3 km

Those on the trip - Phil Murray, Paddy Taylor, Peter Constable, Justin Tobin and Karen Franklin.

This was an exceptional walk. We were lucky to get to do this trip as the rain the week before caused concern that we might not be able to get access. Fortunately Peter Constable volunteered to come on the trip as Peter has a four wheel drive car to make the trip doable. The first problem was the car logistics as Peter and Karen lived on the far north side of town. After much to and froing we decided to meet at Karen's place at Murrumba Downs (at 7.10 am) and travel from there. We had a few stops on the way up there as it is a longish drive. We even had a morning tea at the Maleny Bakery.

The walk is up in the Conondale National Park and I had never been there before. The initial plan was to park the car near the camp ground and walk up along the graded track as far as we could. Fortunately Justin came along and was able to take on the role of "head navigation officer". The water level was up and the first 2 creek crossings were an adventure. The water was about 300 mm deep and about 15 metres wide. We thought about doing a quick walk through but the water was so clear you could see that it was doable. So Peter gently crossed the creek. The only excitement was when all this steam started coming up from the back of the car and Peter

calmly mentioned that it was only the water on the muffler.

After a quick look at the camping grounds we kept going up the forestry road. It was a bit slow in places and we stopped at the lookout point. We eventually got to a clearing that I will call special spot X where we would start the walk from. We got our packs out and Justin and Peter drove another 500m down the road to park the car at the Booloumba Creek Falls car park. Ten minutes later Justin and Peter rejoined us after they walked up the steep road.

Then it was time to walk (10.25 am). It was a bush bash down a forested ridge that had an open grassy understory. There were several red tapes along the ridge to confirm this was the right ridge. Ten minutes later we found the graded track. Decision time. Justin explained we could follow the graded track down to the Artists Cascade or keep bush bashing down the steep ridge to Frog Falls which would be absolutely marvelous with all the recent rain. As the weather was a bit iffy we decided it would be safer to stay on the track. So we headed along the graded track and 15 minutes later the rain started.

Nearly an hour later the rain stopped just as got to the Artists Cascade (12.00). This was one of the most beautiful spots I have been to on a bushwalk. The water in the creek was exceptional. The water was about a metre deep and crystal clear. The falls at the Artists Cascade weren't a sheer drop but were a steep incline over a huge rock slab and the water had made a groove where the main flow concentrated. The rock slab was about twenty metres wide and the water that day was about 2 metres wide where it went over the top. We then rock hopped down to the bottom of the falls and enjoyed the view from the bottom of the falls. There was a huge pool about 15 metres by 10 metres. With a natural spa where the waterfall entered the pool. Justin and I were the only ones who went for a swim. It was bliss.

We had a quick bite to eat and decided to have a real lunch at the Breadknife. It was up packs (at 12.25 pm) and start walking up the graded track. The rain soon came back but it was so muggy most of us couldn't be bothered with our raincoats and just kept going.

An hour or so later we were at the old turnoff to the lookout. So we zipped down to "the Breadknife". What a sight to behold. The creeks were just bursting with white water circling around

the many boulders and rocky outcrops and a huge gorge just below us. It was a joy to behold (even in the rain). Booloumba Falls were in full flow and looked amazing as the falls are a maze of falls and grottos and channels through the granite rocks.

It was time to go and after a few side trips to check views of the numerous rockpools and cascades it was back at the cars (2.25 pm) where we got changed with leeches trying to climb up our legs.

A very short walk but just so good. If you ever get the chance to do this walk make sure you do it. It was great in the wet and it would be heaven on a dry day.

Thanks to those who came on the day. A truly memorable day.

Phil

ps we stopped at the cafe at Bellbird Creek (just south of Kenilworth) where we talked to the owner and he advised us of where to find the sculpture called the Egg (or the Strangler Cairn) that was designed by Andrew Goldsworthy and that it cost a motza that was paid for by the Queensland Government. Justin is already planning a special trip there later this year to include it as a sidetrip on the way to Mt Allan. There was an article about the sculpture in the Courier Mail last year. Apparently it has cost about \$300,000 for the sculpture and \$50,000 for the helicopter for the installation.



The Strangler Cairn is made from granite and slate sourced from a local quarry. It is also planted with a small strangler fig – *Ficus watkinsiana* – which, over time will grow and 'strangle' the cairn. It will become a not-to-be-missed attraction for

hikers, tourists and art lovers. We hope to see it before the strangler fig totally covers it.

NOOSA NORTH SHORE 5th TO 7th APRIL FRIDAY TO SUNDAY BASE CAMP

Waking up Friday morning to an overcast cloudy sky and with a south easterly blowing did not look good for the walk from campsite Three to the Teewah landing. Our fears were confirmed on arrival at Elanda Pt to discover the huge swell on the Lake and told there would be no crossing today.

A more gentle meander along the Noosa River where we could look across to Sundays walk before heading around to Noosa North Shore to check it out a bit more and set up Base Camp at the Resort on Lake Cooribah,

We had a look at the beach, walked back to camp along the track, cooked tea, boiled the billy and waited for Maxine, Trevor and Michael to arrive. We told stories, ate chocolate and headed to bed. Saturday we were off to do Michaels walk so it was off to Coolum to meet the day walkers, a great day along the beach before Mass and fish and chips at Tewantin. More stories and chocolate with Desley joining us for the night.

Sunday dawned fine and clear and we headed down to the ferry to pick Andrea up, waiting patiently after an early start from Brisbane, Peter did the car shuffle for us and we were soon down the road and onto the beach and a wilderness beach it was. There wasn't much room with the tide still high but on the way out, we played dodge the waves on the way down to the mouth of the Noosa River. We could see across to Noosa and that long sweeping ridge which is the Noosa National Park. The wetlands and shoreline at the mouth is a bird sanctuary and home to hundreds of migratory birds in season. I was quite interested to read about the Red Capped Plover which also nests and breeds here. A Beautiful spot and a lifetime of looking across to it from Noosa it was much more than I expected. Our return journey was back along the beach looking towards Teewah Beach and Double Island Point in the Distance. We had smoko where we dropped onto the beach to discover we were only a kilometre from the first cutting and our cars. That amused Michael.

The afternoon walk was to Tinbeerwah for those Great views of the Northern Coast line and

Hinterland. You could see most of the North Coast Mountains, the Noosa flood plain ,Cooloola Wilderness and the beach. A great place to enjoy lunch. A cup of coffee at Cooroy and home.

Thanks to Peter and Cathy Dore, Peter Constable, Maxine Brophy, Trevor Kelly, Michael Simpson, Desley Pedrazzini and Andrea Turner .for sharing the week-end with me. I hope you enjoyed the North Shore as much as I did.

DINNER ON THE GLIDER 13th APRIL SATURDAY SOCIAL

The Glider social began at the Grove at Ashgrove for drinks. A drink, catch up and hello for the seventeen of us before heading around the corner to catch the Maroon Glider to Paddington for entrée at the Kathmandu Newa Chhe'n.

Nice and relaxed in the courtyard where coming holidays, past holidays and overseas trips were discussed. Some more excited than others especially Liz. I think between us we tried every entrée on the menu.

Using Mary's neatly typed timetable instead of my usual scribbled notes I was able to keep an eye on the time. From here the Glider took us through town, South Bank and the Eastern Busway to Langland's Park and Easts League for Main Course, The Western Verandah was a quiet corner to tell more stories, and enjoy Dinner with friends. Maxine left us here to head home and the guessing games began where Coffee would be. South Bank was the odds on favourite, but for those who backed it were not even close. The Glider took us back through town and the Roma Street Bus Station where Graham and Liz said good night, enjoy your overseas trip Liz.

Coffee was at the Kettle and Tin at Paddington. Coffee, tea, sweets and Birthday cake for Julie-Anne before one more trip on the Glider back to Ashgrove and home.

Thanks to Barbara Eastoe, Greg and Michele Endicott, Trevor and Carol Kelly, Michael Simpson, Tracey Laing, Susan Tobin, Maxine Brophy, Karen Franklin, June Greenaway, Graeme Glasse, Desley Pedrazzini, Julie Williamson, Liz Little, Antonia Simpson for joining me on the Maroon Glider. I hope you all enjoyed the night out.

MT JOYCE
14th APRIL SATURDAY
DAY WALK

Attendance: 13
Weather: Warmish, with brilliant sunshine
Temp: about 25^o
Distance: 16.75 km
Height gain: about 400 metres

Those on the trip -

Members – 11- Louise Jones, Desley Pedrazzini, Pat Lawton, Paddy Taylor, Kerriane Pearce and the boys Peter Constable, Michael Simpson, Justin Tobin, Rusty Jones, and Phil Murray.

Visitors – 2 - Chrissie Turner and Veronica Lawson

This was a good walk. We were lucky to get to do this trip as the day before there was a lot of rain in Brisbane.

We met at the turnoff to the dam wall at the appointed time of 8.45 am. We quickly introduced ourselves and they drove into the car park next to the dam wall. (there was some sort of BMX bike activity going on). There is a great view of the destination with Mt Joyce raising gently on the far side of the lake.

After a quick discussion we were on the track by 9.06 am. The navigation was easy-peasy as there were lots of signs marking the trails. We followed the shoreline track around the lake. We finally reached the turnoff that was almost due south of the summit where we had morning tea at 11ish. There was sign that said 'ridgeline track' and we duly followed the track up the ridge. For some it was a nice slow pace as we ascended the ridge. The ridge was a lightly forested with plenty of views of the country and the lake which was at bursting point. We were on top around 12.20 ish.

The views from the top were excellent. To the west and south were the main range and Mt Barney area. (The views from the top of Mt Maroon are better). To the north we could see Flinders Peak and the skyscrapers of Brisbane in the distance. There were several flowers in bloom including the native bluebell (*Wahlenbergia gracilis* #) and several daisies including the white daisy called the Chamomile Sunray (*Rhodanthe anthemoides*). Plus there were several specimens of the unusual tree the Bat Wing Coral tree (*Erythrina vespertilio*) that had many sharp thorns on the trunk and braches like a rose bush. The

leaf was literally in the shape of a bat like the Batman symbol.

After a short lunch break we were walking again by 1.10 pm. We came down a different ridge (the eastern ridge). The ridge was easy to pick as 'they' had installed red reflectors on the trees about every 50 metres on the way down the ridge to the forestry road. It was very steep at the start but with due care we got down unscathed. Then we joined an old forestry road and we traipsed along this old road and gathered again at the junction with the shoreline track. Then we headed for home. We were back at the cars by 3.20 pm. The trip was overall a very easy 'little' walk but it was a bit longer than the advertised 9 kms. I didn't have time to do the pre-outing and the information I had indicated we could get closer to the start of the walk. In retrospect it didn't matter as it was such an easy walk. It is definitely a trip the club should do again.

When we were back at the cars we met the local rangers and had a good little chat.

Several of us stopped at Beaudesert at the 'café' for a coffee or milkshake. One of the many highlights was meeting the 2 visitors who were very capable and are keen on joining the Club. Thanks to the drivers and thanks to those whom joined me on the Club's first visit to Mt Joyce.

Phil

the floral emblem of the Australian Capital Territory is the very similar native Bluebell (*Wahlenbergia gloriosa*),



Justin, Paddy, Phil, Terry, Rusty, Louise, Michael, Kerriane, Peter, Pat, Chrissie, Veronica.
Photo by Desley

BANFF FILM FESTIVAL REVIEW

18th APRIL THURSDAY

SOCIAL

As noted earlier the Club's proposed night at the films was thwarted as the cinema got booked out about 2 weeks before the event. I spoke to a few JTS regulars and were surprised that they couldn't go to the JTS and then just roll up to the movie afterwards. Next year we will have to book.

I was keen to see the Banff Film night and I managed to get the last ticket for the Thursday night. It was just an excellent night. I highly recommend we go to next year's event.

The sound and colour qualities of the cinema were excellent.

A few things to clarify – firstly there was nothing in the presentation about Banff. The name of the film presentation is somewhat ironic as there is no film about Banff. The name is derived from the film festival where these amazing films are first displayed to the world and then the best are selected to tour the world under the banner of the Banff Film Festival. The Films are about the amazing exploits by enthusiasts in outdoor adventure - from hiking, climbing, rockclimbing, canoeing and crossing the frozen snowfields of Antarctica to get to the South Pole. By way of analogy the Banff film Festival is similar to the Cannes Film Festival where all the recent movies are displayed and then the best are shown to the world.

Secondly, the presentation is not one film but is a series of short films. Some are a documentary style, some short and some long. Some were truly remarkable. The highlight for me was the young rock climber called Alex Honnold. He did some truly amazing stuff. Climbing the Yosemite Valley's El Capitan at night by himself with hardly any ropes and was just crazy.

Each film was stunning and on the completion of each segment the audience couldn't help themselves and broke out into applause for each film except one about snow skiing in Japan.

The films (segments) were.

1. Stunt Rider – amazing tricks on a bmx bike in an old railway yard and factory by a 35 year old guy – no tattoos and no baseball cap – quiet music just a guy riding his bike – wherever he wanted to - very understated

but just some truly unbelievable riding – 5 mins

2. The Gimp Monkeys – 3 disabled guys climbing El Capitan the hardest rock climb in Yosemite. Two of them had only had one leg and one only had one arm - they took 4 days to climb it – but they climbed it. – 8 mins
3. Ernest – an old frontier man - 85 years old, nearly blind, deaf and partially crippled by arthritis but still got out and went snow camping in the Colorado Rockies in winter – 5 mins.
4. On thin ice. – a crazy Norwegian guy who went skating in winter on frozen sea ice – in speedos - jumped in for a swim (several times) but only after he smashed a hole in the ice so he could jump in – then had to slide back on to the ice on his belly to get out – he was a human seal - it still gives me shivers – 2 mins
5. Flow Hunters – extreme white water kayaking in New Zealand – made Obi Obi rafting look very, very tame - 9 mins.
6. Crossing the Ice – the story of 2 Aussies skiing to the South Pole – just an amazing story of doggedness against foul weather- the best film of the night – 44 minutes.
7. Endless Roads - extreme skateboarding in Spain – it was only so so compared to the others – 4 mins
8. Last of the Great Unknowns – exploring the side canyons in the Grand Canyon. Just amazing – a real eye opener - 23 minutes
9. Lily shreds trailside – a Jack Russell dog who zooms along behind his owner while he goes down a bmx track – good, but one for the dog lovers. – 4 minutes – it got the loudest applause. (yes, there had to be a film about a dog)
10. Snow skiing in Japan – nice but ... 6 mins
11. Reel Rock 7 – Alex Honnold – the most amazing climbing film I have ever seen. Just unbelievable. In 24 hours he did 3 of the hardest rock climbs in the world. I had to close my eyes several times at it was so scary. Take note of his name he will be famous soon. I just hope he lives to be thirty - 33 minutes.

Unfortunately you can't buy a video of the presentation due to licensing issues. I think you can buy each of the films individually.

Come along next year. I think you will like it and may be inspired to do something more adventurous.

Phil

THE WATT BAR @ THE POWERHOUSE 19th APRIL FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

The April JTS meeting at the Powerhouse was reasonably popular with about 10 people. Those there were - Graham Glasse, John Hood, Anne and Bob Iron, Jan Nelson, Russ Nelson, Greg Endicott, Michelle Endicott, Elizabeth Richards, Barbara Eastoe and Phil Murray. The weather was just perfect sitting beside the river. It was a great vantage point to watch the coming and goings along the river. The plan to watch the Banff film was thwarted as the event was so popular that it was booked out 2 weeks before the event. I was desperate to see the film and managed to buy the last ticket for the Thursday night. The film was truly outstanding. It was worth the effort to get there to see it. Next year we will book in early. We left at about 8ish. On the way out we did a tour of the establishment as there are a few many displays to catch a glimpse of. Plus it is a busy place to bump into people. Russ and Jan kept bumping into friends. It is a great venue and definitely worth coming back to. Overall it was a great night.

Phil

COOMINYA TO COORAGOOK 27th APRIL SATURDAY DAY WALK

Ten members and four visitors took part in this activity in excellent weather conditions, fine and warm. Most of the group met at Red Hill, and we drove to Coominya Village, where two people joined us. After the car shuffle, we headed north on the rail trail. The grass on the track was a little longer than at the time of the pre-outing. We stopped for morning tea at a junction with some roads, not far past the unusual feature of a bamboo farm.

We arrived at Cooragook in time for lunch, and some members of the group inspected the bridge. The water level of Captain Logan Creek had receded since the pre-outing, but the landscape remained picturesque, with small sandy beaches and bright green banks. After lunch, we retraced our steps on the rail trail for a short distance, and

then left the rail trail to link up with Larsens Road, which took us back to the cars.

Before leaving the Coominya district, we took a short drive five kilometres to the south, to take a look at Lockyer Creek. We were amazed to see the height of the debris in the old railway bridge, indicating that an immense amount of water had travelled down the creek during the floods.

We finished the day with coffee at Fernvale, and some members of the group took the opportunity to purchase pies from the famous Fernvale Bakery.

Thanks to members Terry, Barbara, Paddy, Barry C, Maree H, Janell, Louise and Rusty for participating in this walk, and also especially to our visitors Chrissie, Veronica, Denise, and Ariadna. Graham and Ray

A COUNTRY BREAKFAST 28th APRIL SUNDAY SOCIAL

Weather: fine, sunny & hot with a clear blue sky

Numbers: 4 - 1 member and 3 visitors

Company: Great

Conversation: Exhilarating

By all measures this was a very successful social. There were the competing walks of Binna Burra, the Rail Trail and Moreton Is which took people away. Members are pulled in different directions – and it is good to see people getting involved. It all helps to keeps the stats up.

Not everyone likes a cooked gourmet breakfast – some go for simple Cornies or Wheatbix, some just toast while others only have OJ – there is nothing wrong with any of these foods. And there those with special dietary considerations to consider.

And there are those who just do not do "socials". That is their rite and privilege. Most have breakfast at home, some just drive to the local shops, while just a few go to a cafe far far away where no wo/man has gone before. Some people are not even up at 7.30am. It is easy to learn about others when there are 3 to talk to – you really cut to the chase when you do not have to juggle various conversations.

The breakfasters drove to Cooran – in the Sunshine Coast Hinterland 6km beyond Pomona. It is a picturesque village being revived and beautified by the Council. We had morning tea

there on the Noosa Trails walk 2 years ago. It was a surprise then to find a gourmet cafe/restaurant in such a small place.

Cloony's has been open in its current manifestation for only a month. When we arrived after an effortless drive from Brisbane, we found the sun too hot at the outside tables on the front deck. So we moved inside to the old old long table. We ordered drinks then got down to studying the menu. A quick choice was made since it was nearly 9.30am and we all were hungry. And, as luck would have it, just as we placed our order the place started filling.

While waiting, we solved the problems of the world; and good solutions too. We swapped travel stories, walk experiences in different groups, recalled mutual friends. Then the food arrived; but this did not stop the talk. More coffees and teas ordered. And 2 Pacific National container trains passed going north.

It was 11.30am before we knew it. After paying the bill, we went up the road to a "garage" sale – herbs, health books, as well as knick knacks from a herbal shop that was closing down. The only downer for the day was the sloooooow traffic home on the highway. And no one got dirty socks.

AROUND THE RIDGES

Shrine Day at the Chapel for the CBC of Sydney

Just a note to keep you in the loop about a marvellous tradition from our southern colleagues. The Catholic Bushwalking Club of Sydney (CBC) have a built a Chapel to the Club's Patron (which is the same patron as our Club) namely Our lady of the Way.

This year is the 50 year Anniversary celebrations for the Chapel.

The celebration is on Sunday 26 May

11 am Mass 12.30 Lunch,

followed by the Rosary and afternoon tea.

At Wooglemai, (pronounced Wooo-gell-my)

Sheehys Creek Road, Oakdale

(which is half way to Goulburn from Sydney)

The history of the place is very interesting. In particular it has a connection with some of the early explorer's who were trying to cross the Blue Mountains.

The Chapel is now part of a complex of buildings that is owned by a Trust that is run as a "weekend retreat" come "outdoor education centre" for school kids.

Below is a photo of the chapel.



A Bushwalk in the A.C.T.

I was in Canberra a few months ago for the Tax Office Olympics where I was mainly playing golf for a week. The rest day was on a Wednesday and is traditional used as an opportunity for a get together and for the ample appreciation of various beverages. Rather than imbibe yet more beverages I took the opportunity to join up with the Canberra Bushwalking club for a trip with the Wednesday Walkers. This is combined event held by the 3 clubs in the Canberra area. The leader was Henry Hatch from the National Parks Association. The other Club is the Brindabella Bushwalkers.

The Wednesday walks were free from organisation. No nominations, just turn up at 8.00 am at the carpark at the shopping centre (at Kambah). Fourteen people turned up and we were quickly on our way. We crossed the Murrumbidgee and headed for the Corin Dam where the walk started.

The walk was very nice with cloudy misty forests. The glorious views were obscured by dense cloud. And then it drizzled and continued drizzling all day. We got to our destination and got back again safely. We went to 'an out of the way place' called Snowy Flats Creek Cascades. It was on the range. Very nice country but no views. Very nice people.

One of the highlights for the day was the drive in. I have never seen so much wildlife in a National Park in Australia. Mainly, kangaroos and wallabies but numerous birds especially black cockatoos.

Also we went past the entrance to the Tidbinbilla National Park (went there the following Saturday) Just an amazing place to visit. So a must see place if you are ever in Canberra.

For those interested in maps and directions we started the walk at the Corin Dam and then went up the Stockyard Spur (very steep) . Then followed range along to near Snowy Creek Flats then zipped down the slope and found the Cascades. About 14 km in distance and the ascent was about 700 metres. Thankfully the rain

stopped when we got back to the cars. A wet but memorable day.

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HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

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

VISITORS are always welcome.

OUTINGS

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

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

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

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

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$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.

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

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See: Weather

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

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

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

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