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Date	Event	Leader	Phone	Type	Grade
May 17	JTS – Transcontinental Hotel	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
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	Paddington and Government House	Greg	3351 3810	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 – Coffee Club Stones Corner	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
Jul 6	Abbey Medieval Tournament	Antonia	3357 3187	Soc	
13	Beau Brummel to Grass Tree Knob	Ivan	0405 487312	DW	M44
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 & Mt Cooe	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	Byron Bay	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
13/14	Barney Mass	Russ	3374 3534	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	Stinson Wreck/Point Lookout	Peter	3205 5982	DW	
8	Kate Quinlan by the Beach	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
13/15	Pilgrimage	Michael	3351 3810	BC	
14	Picnic at Pemberley	Antonia	3357 1387	Soc	
15	Mass on Macleay	Justin	3366 3193	Soc	
16	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
20	JTS – Elephant & Wheelbarrow	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21/22	Burleigh Stay + Sunday Markets	Anne	3356 5431	Soc	
21	Currumbin to Burleigh	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
28	Norman Park to Stones Corner	Paddy	3378 4813	DW	
28	Riverfire	Terry	3355 9765	Soc	
28/29	Border Fence	Needed		TW	
Oct 5/8	Blue Mountains	Phil	5522 9702	BC	
5	Brisbane Open House	Needed		Soc	
6	Cabarita to Pottsville	Graham	3371 9623	DW	
12	Tibrogargan/Coochin Hills	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
18	JTS – MJ's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

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

KEY – Walk Types

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 OF THE MONTH

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can, -
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can;
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can.

(Source: John Wesley in Creeds to Love and Live By)

MBS: What does Rainforest on the top of Mt Guymer look like?
Open Sclerophyll Forest.



COMING EVENTS

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

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

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

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

LEADERS

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

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.

SUNDAY 16th JUNE
ACACIA PLATEAU
DAY WALK

Leader: Jonas Bernotas 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.

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 & 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 and 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 they started making noises for us to move about 7 ish. We will be going to the German Sausage hut afterwards.

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.

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.

SUNDAY 23rd JUNE IPSWICH HERITAGE WALK DAY WALK

Leader: Helen Mees 3294 6976 or 0419 786730
Meet at: St Mary's Church,
Corner Elizabeth Street &
Roseberry Parade, Ipswich
Time: 8am Mass or 9am start of walk.
Cost: \$3
Grading: M22
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092

This is an excellent year to do a heritage walk around Ipswich, as we are celebrating 150 years since the Sisters of Mercy first came to Ipswich. In celebration, we will be shown through the newly restored Convent at St Mary's College, now to be part of the school. As well, why not join the parish at 8am Mass, in the historic church, now over 100 years old, and view the historical records and photos on display. We will start at the church and explore Mary's precinct first.

We will also explore some of the old houses of Ipswich, old hotels, churches and commercial buildings. Once again we will cross into the grounds of the Ipswich campus of the University of Queensland. The heritage trails will take us back to the Bremer River – reading historical markers about the boats that worked up and down the Bremer, and the bridges that crossed it.

This is a wonderful time of year and a walk that has much interest and a mixture of footpaths and grassy parks as well as some road walking.

MBS: When is a coffee night a burger night?

**WEDNESDAY 26th JUNE
DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT
SOCIAL**

Leader: Michael Simpson 3351 3810 or 0409 620714.
Meet at: Coffee Club, 351 Logan Road, Stones Corner.
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.coffeeclub.com.au/stones-corner>
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 0418 122995.

This month we are heading over the river to Stones Corner. We have been to Coffee Clubs before and they are always good value. I hope to see you all over a meal or a coffee to solve the problems of the world. I will not be there myself as I will be somewhere along the Katherine Gorge.

Could I ask you to nominate to me by Sunday 23 June. Thanks.

**SATURDAY 6th JULY
ABBEY MEDIEVAL FESTIVAL
SOCIAL**

Leader: Antonia Simpson 3857 1387 or 0400 571 387
Meet at: Abbey Museum Information stall or FOTAM (Friends of the Abbey Museum Information stall just a few steps inside the entrance. Check the Festival map or ask at the gate when entering.
Meet Time: 9.15am (Grand Parade is at 9.45 am) Gates open at 8.45 am.
Cost: Adults \$27 (\$24 if bought online) Pensioners \$16 (\$14.50 online).
Location: Abbey Museum, off Bribie Island Road at Caboolture UBD Street Directory reference Map 49, N14.
Emerg Off: Antonia Simpson 0400 571 387

Come along and meet me on Saturday 6th July for a truly colourful and very authentic medieval day. I will be wearing the Abbey Museum medieval “uniform” of a long red and blue dress and I will be working some of the day at the Friends’ stall mentioned above.

I will probably be there on Sunday, too, but meet time then would be 11.00am.

Photographers among you can have an especially good time as the Festival grounds abound in medieval sights – encampments, knights, their ladies, squires, beggars, troubadours, falconry and horses in full jousting regalia. This year you are able to book for the jousting online. This is recommended as these tickets (\$4.00) sell out quickly.

Food for sale is plentiful and there is a licensed tavern. For those not enamoured of tourneys, jousting or oil wrestling, there will be music, dancing, lectures, displays and sales of crafts including jewellery.

Night Office (Compline) is sung in the Abbey Church on Saturday evening at 5:30pm, a very authentic setting for this final prayer of the day. It is sung (entirely in Latin) in candlelight in much the same way as it has been chanted for over 1,000 years.

If travelling from the south, take the Caboolture-Bribie Island exit off the Bruce Highway, then, move into the Bribie Island exit (152). At approximately four kilometres along Bribie Road, turn left into Old Toorbul Point Road and follow directions for Tournament parking. There are large fields for parking if you do drive and the parking is very well supervised by various community groups, e.g. SES.

To get there other than driving, take a train to Caboolture station (departing Central every 30 mins) and take the free shuttle bus. These buses meet trains on both days until 8pm (Sat and Sun).

Tickets are available (cheaper) online as noted above. Other prices are Children \$11 (5 -15 yrs) and Family \$68 (i.e. 2 adults and up to 4 children). Prices for both days are just \$8 extra except for Family which is \$10 extra. Waiting time is much shorter if you have paid online.

**SATURDAY 13th JULY
LITTLE LIVERPOOL RANGE
(MT BEAU BRUMMEL)
DAY WALK**

Leader: Ivan Mort 0405 476312
Meet at: St Brigid’s Car Park
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 7.00 am
Cost: \$15:00
Grading: M44
Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092

The Little Liverpool Range is an offshoot of the Great Dividing Range, being lightly forested it offers easy walking with unique often panoramic views of the Mistake Mountain range.

The walk itself will see us park our cars at the end of Kings Road – (on the Eastern slopes of Mount Beau Brummell), we will then follow a national park easement up onto Mount Beau Brummell. From there depending on permission from landholders (still being sought) we will either turn left and follow the range along over a few knolls before ascending Grass Tree Knob, from there we will pick up a ridgeline that will take us back to Alpers road and our cars. Or we will turn right and follow the range off Mount Beau Brummell down into Edwards Gap and out to the road.

Both options provided rewarding views, unique vegetation changes and open easy walking.

The walk is not overly difficult- (suitable for those with a moderate level of fitness) and I encourage you all to come along – especially those of you who tend to only walk on graded tracks or feel that off track walking is not for them. Look forward to seeing you all. Ivan

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FRIDAY 19th JULY LOCK'N'LOAD JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Leader: Phil 0416 650160

Address 142 Boundary St, West End.

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.

In the best tradition of bushwalking we are staying true to the spirit of exploration and we are headed to south of the river to check out the scene down at West End. It used to be covered in impenetrable rainforest now it is a busy shopping precinct that has a nice village feel to the place with lots of bookshops. It is only 5 minutes by bus from the centre of Brisbane. Or a 10 minute walk for bushwalkers. The venue has a nice coffee shop feel rather than a hotel. We will probably be out the back in the "tranquil courtyard". Take the chance to come along and check out the scene.

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.

I found this review on the web.

After seeing the queue outside Gunshop on Saturday morning, we wandered up the road & ended up at Lock n Load. Although I've been for drinks a few times, I've never eaten here. What a pleasant surprise! The staff are friendly, the outdoor area out back is lovely & the food...fabulous! I had the Veggie Loaded (with Chorizo on the side) & my partner had the Fully Loaded. Generous serving sizes, delicious & the coffee is good too. With so many over-hyped places around West End, we won't be wasting our time in a queue elsewhere next time. Highly recommend!

The Lock'n'Load bistro is not to be confused with the gun shop called "Lock N Load Firearm Supplies" of Wyong NSW 2259.

SATURDAY 20th JULY HISTORICAL SHEPHERD'S WALK DAY WALK

Co-ordinator : Terry Silk Ph. 3355 9765

Meet at : St. Brigid's, Red Hill

Time : 6.45 am

Cost : \$10.00 + \$20.00

Grading : M34

Location : In the Kerry Valley near Beaudesert

Web:

<http://beaudesertmuseum.org.au/main/images/stories/pdfs/shepherds%20walk%202012%20web%20flyer.pdf>

Emerg. Off. : Carol Kelly Ph. 3269 4795

This event is run by The Beaudesert Historical Society. They provide the Leader and Tail End

Charlie. There are usually over one hundred walkers on this event and the pace is determined by the slowest walker as there is a great range of fitness and ability. Numerous rest breaks are taken and we have morning tea, (which you need to bring), on the saddle of the Gin Broken Range before we commence our descent to the famous Sausage Sizzle Lunch which The Historical Society provides.

During the walk excellent views of the surrounding countryside can be had. A number of areas in which we walk can be seen. After our recent good rain the countryside has never looked better. (So don't forget your camera.)

I believe that all our members are capable of doing this short walk and it is my wish that all our members do it at least once. You should not delay doing this walk as I do not know how many more years it will be staged, particularly as many of the volunteers are quite elderly.

Even though this is a short walk (about three and a half hours) it is mainly off track with some long grass and uneven ground and a steepish climb followed by a descent. At the end of the walk there is a small water crossing where I got my feet wet for the first time last year in thirteen years of doing this walk.

The Sausage Sizzle Lunch is supported by the famous damper and syrup washed down with tea, coffee, cordial or water. There is usually plenty of food including some home baked cakes and biscuits.

The Historical Society provides the busses to take us to and from their complex in Beaudesert to a monument in the Christmas Creek valley where a short informative address is given on the significance of the Shepherd's Walk and the era of Chinese shepherds in the area. Then the busses take us a little way down the valley to where the walk starts. After lunch (all too soon) the busses return us to Beaudesert, thus allowing us to return to Brisbane before dark.

I highly recommend this walk as the Historical Society is famous for their country hospitality, the views are quite spectacular and the food is most enjoyable. What more could you want? The Historical Society does an excellent job of running this event. They charge \$20.00 for the bus trip and lunch and our club charges \$10.00 for car pooling. Children are half price and non walkers can wait at the lunch spot. I am sure that you will enjoy interacting with walkers from other clubs and areas. This walk has become an annual event for our club. The Historical

Society has been running this walk for a quarter of a century.

You will have to bring your own morning tea and water. Also, you need to nominate ASAP as numbers are needed for catering purposes. I look forward to your company on the day which I am sure you will enjoy.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The committee is considering a number of changes to the way the Club does things. Below are details and it would be appreciated if you could provide feedback by 30 June 2013 to any member of the Committee.

Fees

For a few months the Committee has been considering the \$3 fee for people who come on trips and do not use the Club's pooling transport arrangements. This discussion has stimulated the committee to have a wider look at the fee structures within the club. The current proposal now being considered is –

The membership fee will be at two levels, with a lower level being available to those who accept all our publications electronically. The lower rate would reflect the difference in the cost of printing and posting Jilalan.

Our trips, both Outings and Socials, will attract a new range of fees.

- Nomination fee – This fee seeks to recover the cost of moneys spent in arranging a trip, the most common being the cost of pre-outings. For many outings there will be no nomination fee as no money is spent on pre-outings as the leader already knows the route. Similarly for Socials it will be rare that this type of fee will be charged as it is rare that a pre-outing is required. The size of the nomination fee will be determined by the Outings / Social Secretary consulting with the leader. This fee will replace the \$3 fee for attending an outing "privately".
- Transport fee – This is the way we reimburse drivers for using their cars. It will be, in the main, exactly the same as is currently in place. It is the committee's intention to review and publish once a year how we calculate the size of the fee and the way we reimburse drivers.

- Visitor fee – This would be charged for each outing attended, in addition to any Nomination fee and Transport fee. Under the current membership rules, the fee would be payable from the third outing attended. The suggested fee would be say one twelfth of the Annual Membership fee (printed Jilalan rate). This would currently be \$3.33 which suggests some rounding might be appropriate.

Mass

Currently there are two Club Masses a year – the Annual Mass and Dinner and the Barney Mass. Our patron is Our Lady of the Way and sources suggest that this day in Australia is celebrated on 16 October 2013. Outside Australia it is celebrated on 24 May, the same day as Our Lady Help of Christians where that feast day attracts less attention. The Annual Mass and Dinner originally was designed to link in with the new Club year and the start of the walking season and cooler weather, the walking season.

The suggestion has now been put to adopt the following –

- Annual Mass and Dinner – To be on the Saturday, immediately after the Annual General Meeting on the third Monday in February. So this Mass would be late February, i.e. between 22 and 28 February. This Mass can easily be attended by all, irrespective of walking ability. This would be a convenient occasion to present awards etc.
- Barney Mass – No change in date or arrangements. Continue to be held on the public holiday in mid-August, often called “Exhibition Wednesday”. This walk can only be attended by those who are fit for a strenuous walk.
- Mass for Our Lady of the Way – This would be a new Mass in the Club’s calendar and would be held as close as possible to 16 October 2013. This Mass would be held in conjunction with a moderate walk which would appeal to those who do not attempt strenuous walks. For example the Mass could be held earlier in the day and the walk commence at the end of Mass.

This suite of Masses is spread across the year and seeks to provide a variety of experiences with each Mass.

Prayer on Walks

I suggest that at the highlight of each walk the opportunity be taken to pause for prayer. On many walks the convenient time to do this would be immediately before lunch. This practice, I hope, would become a tradition in the Club which we all seek to respect rather than a rule. A listing of suitable prayers could be published on the Club’s website for those leaders who would find this as a convenient source of information. This listing would not be prescriptive but would be offered as a source of support, especially for leaders who are not Catholic. I envisage this period of prayer taking a minute or two.

Attracting younger people to the Club

The Committee is beginning to explore this issue and your ideas on this topic are most welcome. Most of us belong to the Baby Boomer generation and those who belong to generations X and Y are in the small minority. I am sure most of you do not want the Club to fade away as we Baby Boomers head off to heaven.

Feedback

The above are all ideas currently and I look forward to your feedback, either directly to me (0427 74 3534 or nelhouse@bigpond.net.au) or via a member of Committee. It would be great if you could do this by Sunday, 30 June 2013.

Annual Mass and Dinner 2013

The 18 May 2013 saw us gather at Our Lady of Dolores, Mitchelton at 4.00pm with Fr Nigel Sequeria being the principal celebrant. He preached a sermon that was relevant to the members of the Club. Peggy Roe was our liturgist and prepared our mass booklet and led the singing. There was a good sprinkling of active members and retired members at both the Mass and the dinner. Dinner was held at the Stafford Tavern which was able to meet our needs. Thirty-four people attended this tradition activity of the Club.

Making Monthly Meetings more attractive

The committee has not talked in detail about this but as one interim measure we have a speaker coming to our July meeting – Monday 15 July 2013. Our speaker is Pam Drummond from U-Tracks (See <http://www.utracks.com/utau/>) and she will be speaking about their walking program in the

northern hemisphere, especially Europe. Her talk will begin at 7.30pm to be followed by supper and then a brief meeting.

Russ

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 15/4/13	\$5697.61
Plus Receipts	\$832.66
	\$6530.27
Less Payments	\$2216.60
Balance 20/5/13	\$4313.57
Term Deposit	\$2621.08

We will draw our first raffle of the year at our June meeting. Tickets are good value at a dollar each. There are two prizes with the first being a second edition book by Diane McLay entitled "Brisbane's Best Bush, Bay and City Walks" and the second is a Denali micro fibre towel 50cmx100cm which was donated by Michele Johns.

Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Michele Foley, Mervyn Galvin, Louise Jones, Susan Lomas, Ivan Mort, Elizabeth Richards, Susan Tobin and Catherine Thomson are celebrating their birthdays this month. Maxine and Michael have just returned from a holiday in New Zealand where they caught up with family and friends. Elizabeth and Liz have just returned from holidaying in Europe and Pat and Jonas have just returned from a brief holiday in Western Australia. Karen Franklin's son, Joshua, joined her on Justin's Boondall Wetlands walk. Joanne Blake joined us for our successful Annual Mass and Dinner before

Date	Trip	Leader	Type	No
May 5	Mt May to Mt Maroon	John	DW	14
May 11	South Stradbroke Island	Justin	DW	7
May 19	Boondall Wetlands	Justin	DW	13
May 25	Bridges of Brisbane	Paddy	DW	7
May 25/26	Emu Creek	Michael	BC	6
June 1	North Coast Mountains	Justin	DW	10

joining Justin on his Boondall walk. Paddy had three visitors on her Bridges of Brisbane walk, namely, Loraine Whitehead, Beverley Marquez and Gaylene McCallum. Ariadna Villamizar completed her second walk with us when she did Justin's North Coast Mountains walk. The club extends its deepest sympathy and prayers to Michele Endicott and family on the recent death of her sister, Carmel.

Michele Endicott lost her sister, Carmel Gomm-Wright, on 22nd May, after a brave 6-year fight

against Colon Cancer and secondaries. She was 65 years and 2 weeks old.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS SECRETARY

The bushwalking season has arrived and those areas we all love can be visited again. The weather has not been a problem as we always seem to get to where we want to go regardless. The tenacity of bushwalkers has to be seen to be believed sometimes. I managed to join Phil and our Victorian counterparts for the climb up Mt Maroon and the dinner in Rathdowney recently. It is great to see these connections with our sister clubs in the southern states. I hope there are more to come.

May started with JC's Mt May to Mt Maroon. John took a different route to the last time we were here which provided yet another aspect of the area. The western and southern ridges are so much easier that the tourist route and I always wonder why the track is where it is. Justin was a busy boy in May leading three (3) walks. The South Stradbroke Island walk, whilst short, was a great day. What more could you ask for, a boat trip across the broadwater followed by beach walking and ice cream to boot. The Boondall Wetlands was certainly different as we followed the mudflats before transferring to Sandgate to visit the three (3) lagoons. I heard his third walk up Walli Mountain was an experience, never to be forgotten. Apparently one walker is removing all evidence of the mountain from his GPS. Sounds like another Pinbarren Mountain. My spies tell me Paddy's Bridges of Brisbane was an excellent day. My Emu Creek base camp was a beauty. I finally climbed the Steamers and Justin finally climbed Mt Guymer. I've already had requests to return next year and whilst I'm reluctant to revisit areas so quickly I'm inclined to agree.

The numbers on past walks are as follows:

The next month has some fantastic walking: The first 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. Next is

my walk up Mt Castle. This walk seems to be advertised as a difficult walk. I have not found it to be so. Yes there is off track walking and yes there is a minor cliff line to go through and yes there is a narrow razorback. But none of these are insurmountable. Most people know of my dislike of heights but nothing on this walk has worried me. Helen's Ipswich Heritage Walk sounds like a beauty. It's a shame I'm away and can't join her. Last in the month is Ivan's first lead for the club. So I hope everyone gets out and supports the youngest member of our club. He is leading a walk in the Beau Brummel area and believe me this area is well worth the event. I will certainly be there.

I am still looking for 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

We have had three members from last year re-join this month and one new member join, namely Steve Ricketts. Welcome to the Club Steve.

Below is a quick snap shot of the numbers.

Table of flow of members

Members as at 6 May 2013	94
New members this month	1
Renewals this month from last year's members	3
Members as at 3 June 2013	98

Hopefully we will pass the 100 member barrier in the next few months.

At the AGM I mentioned that I was interested in putting forward a recommendation that we change the constitution. The proposal was introduced at the last Committee meeting for discussion – as expected it will be a long process to work through the issues and it will take some time for members to become familiar with the ideas. It may take a year to sort out the details, but so be it. Hopefully it will be ready to be put to the members at next year's AGM if not then the following year. The Committee is still discussing the issue. I will put an article in after the Committee has discussed it more fully. To

quote the shampoo advertisement from a few years ago it won't happen overnight but it will happen.

The South Straddie Trip – Justin led this trip and it was conspicuous that basically only the hard walkers did the trip. But it was a very easy trip. I have heard that some people use the gauge of how hard a trip is by looking at the name of the leader. Well it is not a reliable gauge as this was a very easy trip. It would have been about 10 kms and easy as. We were back at the Grand Hotel at Labrador about 2ish enjoying milkshakes and coffees. Justin has indicated he wants to go back again, soon. Make sure you check it out the next time it is on. May I suggest you don't judge how hard a walk is by the name of the leader – I reckon Justin likes all walks, from hard to easy.

Birthdays – in another Club magazine they list out member's anniversary days. It is actually a handy reminder – but I am in two minds on the subject as I am trying to forget my birthday.

Last month Russ asked me what I hoped to achieve as Membership officer. Is it merely writing the report for the Annual Report? And a monthly update on membership issues. Perhaps I should send out a Club letter to new members when they are accepted as members. Without going into details I am interested in what people think the role should entail. Any ideas about other roles that need doing will be appreciated. I should mention that there are a few jobs that are already looked after. Justin is the telephone contact for the Club and has been doing that role for years. Greg is the contact person for web enquiries. Greg also does the final reminder to members who haven't renewed by April. And Greg is also doing some publicity by getting little articles in the parish newsletters. So I have been crowded out of those jobs (thankfully). But other ideas will be welcome.

Like several other members in the Club I also belong to other Bushwalking Clubs and actually lead trips for the other Clubs. I am leading the Mt May trip for the Gold Coast Bushwalking Club on Sunday 21st July. Members from BCBC are most welcome to come along.

See you on the track.



PAST EVENTS

COFFEE NIGHT WEDNESDAY 27th MARCH SOCIAL

Our first coffee night was a huge success with seventeen (17) members meeting at the Earth'n'Sea Restaurant in Windsor. Conversations were varied as people came and went depending on whether they were dining or just enjoying a coffee and company. The diners were Michael, Karen, Graham, Jan, Michele and Richard, Michele, Greg and Lucy, Barbara, Pat, Jonas, Liz, Elizabeth, Anne, Antonia and Terry. My apologies to any I have missed.

MT KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK FRIDAY TO TUESDAY 29th MARCH TO 2nd APRIL THROUGH WALK

A very early start as we caught the 5.10am flight to Canberra where we picked up our car and headed off to Thredbo arriving just before midday. After collecting water from the Thredbo River near Dead Horse Gap we headed down the Cascade Track. To put people in the picture, Thredbo lies about 210kms (by road) almost due south of Canberra and is just inside NSW and Dead Horse Gap lies 4kms south of Thredbo. The view north from the car park is that of the Rams Head Range with South Rams Head clearly visible. The Cascade Track runs south and is a well maintained fire trail which connects with other fire trails to eventually cross the Murray River into Victoria. It wasn't long before we were passed by the ranger in his 4WD and he warned us about several other vehicles that would be on the road during Easter. More of that to come. However I would add that this track is very popular with mountain bike riders and we saw quite a few of those during the day. We crossed the Thredbo River again and headed up onto the Great Dividing Range at a place called Bob's Ridge where we were rewarded with great all round views. We could see the Bogong High Plains from here and another walking destination called The Chimneys but we couldn't make out Mt Kosciuszko. Our destination for the day was Cascade Hut and we were surprised to find a camper trailer and two people camped there. Whilst sharing a cup of tea with them we discovered they were members of the Illawarra Alpine Club and had accepted responsibility for the maintenance of two huts in this area, the

Cascade Hut and Tin Mine Huts. This weekend they were expecting some 25 people down from Wollongong to help with the building of a new chimney for the main Tin Mine Hut. As it was early we continued on down the track and eventually found a flat spot beside the road near water to camp. This area is covered almost entirely by dead Ash trees. They seem to go on forever and were killed by the 2003 bush fires and will fall at any time without warning. There have already been two rangers killed in this manner since 2003.

The night was very cold, below zero, and our tents were covered with ice when we awoke and of course with daylight saving it is almost impossible to get up before 8am. This makes for a late start but of course we can walk for an extra hour at night. After walking through this surreal forest for about 3kms we met the 25 people in their 4WDs where one of them invited us to drop our packs in the back of his ute which reluctantly we did. The last 9 kms was a very pleasant stroll without our packs. The only mountain bikers we saw today were a South African couple who had passed us yesterday and were now on their way back. The Tin Mine Huts lie on a delightful flat area not far from the Ingeegoodbee River at the intersection of three fire trails, Cascade, Ingeegoodbee and Cowombat Flat. It was near here we ran into a tractor slashing the grass on the sides of the fire trail. Immediately on arriving we were given a stone and half a sausage. We knew what to do with the sausage but what to do with the stone. After a while all was revealed, we had to vote for the best sausage using the stone. The three sausages were made from camel, emu and venison but the camel and emu flavours were well disguised with curries and spices so obviously the venison won hands down. After setting up camp we set out to find the site of the Tin Mine established here in 1933 hence the reason for the huts in this area. The mine only lasted 2 years before going bankrupt due to difficulties in transporting the ore. The Cascade Trail was only pushed through in the 50s by the Snowy River Hydro people and hence they had to use the Cowombat Flat Trail and others to get the ore to Benambra. We found some tailings but nothing else of substance which was a disappointment but we were rewarded with sightings of a wild dog (twice) and two herds of brumbies. Whilst they are beautiful they are not welcome here and the ranger told us there are some 14,000 of them now on the high country in Victoria and NSW. What a shame as they are destroying the environment.

After having dinner with the Alpine Club (including some yummy apple pie and custard) we discovered that there were originally 12 huts on the site but only two now remain, Carter's Hut and the original kitchen hut hence the chimney. The club has been repairing the main hut for 40 years and Paul and I reckon they should burn it down and build a stone one.

The weather was warmer overnight and we arose earlier. After some bacon and cereal we set out back to our car but first we wanted to see if we could find Tin Mine Falls. We had some idea where they were but after wandering around for an hour or so in the scrub all we had to show for our troubles was a great view across several valleys to the mighty Murray. Not long after we had returned to the track the ranger offered us a ride back to our car which we readily accepted. Back in Thredbo it was time for some real food before heading down to a camp ground called the Diggings for the night. We picked the Diggings as there are often sightings of wombats in the area but we didn't have any luck.



After breakfast in Thredbo we used the chair lift to transport us 400m up to the start of the Kosciuszko Track which wanders for some 6.5kms and 328m in altitude. The wind was howling as we rugged up and headed across the steel walkway which

meanders across the landscape for 5.5kms to Rawson's Pass. The walkway was built to protect the fragile landscape due to the large volume of walkers the park receives each year. We crossed the source of the Snowy River as we climbed waiting to get a view of our highest mountain but the clouds hung low and it wasn't until we reached the pass that the top of the mountain came into view. Rawson's Pass is the site of the old bus stop and the original track is still visible. The new track spirals around the mountain as we made our way to the top. We were rewarded with 360° views as the clouds lifted momentarily and we could see the rest of our day before us. We left the summit and headed along the Main Range Track with our destination being Lake Albina and the hut there. Unfortunately the hut has long gone, removed to protect the environment but we still found a good camp site beside the track. But first we needed to bag a couple of peaks. We climbed

Mt Northcote which provided great views across to Charlotte's Pass and the Summit Track where we saw a vehicle making its way slowly down the track to Seaman's Hut. After Mt Northcote we climbed Muellers Peak from where we could see Mt Townsend (Australia's No 2) and had a great view of Lake Albina. The wind was blowing so strongly we both went to bed early to get out of it and of course we were both awake early to discover the wind and clouds had gone. What a magnificent sight, the sun rising over Kosciuszko. I'm so pleased we spent a night on the range. It was now just a matter of retracing our steps to the chairlift, the car and Canberra Airport and home.

What a magnificent five days. I have already planned a thousand trips for my return. There is something special about walking in the high country. My thanks to Paul for joining me and we will return.

MT GOOLMAN SATURDAY 1st APRIL DAY WALK

Heavy rain was predicted for Easter Sunday with rain clearing on Monday. Well, by Monday morning the rain had well and truly cleared and we had fine sunny conditions for the walk.

B.C.B.C. met at Red Hill while B.O.S.Q. met at Goodna. We all met up at Hardings Paddock Picnic area, where we were joined by 4 Gold Coast Bushwalkers. The total number on the walk was 27.

After introducing ourselves we began the steady walk uphill towards Goolman Lookout. The humidity was quite high and it was not long before everybody was wiping away perspiration. We passed a string of processional caterpillars and we tread carefully so as not to disturb their train.

Morning tea was had at Goolman Lookout. Up to that point we had been following old roads but after the Lookout we headed off track to Mt. Goolman. This section of the walk was delightful – the hillsides were covered in lantana and its yellow and orange flowers were just at their peak. Being such a curse to see the beauty in this pest seemed unreal. The ground was also covered in the creeping purple lantana and this also made a spectacular sight.

We joined another road which brought us to the point where we started the short and steep climb to the top. All went at their own pace and

everybody got to the top about 11.30 a.m. Heather did a great job of bringing up the rear.

Lunch was leisurely and there was much chatting and sharing of news between the two clubs. With stomachs satisfied, we being the descent. Greg Endicott took on the job as "tail".

Our return was via a different route and we all arrived back at Hardings Paddock about 3 p.m. Gold Coast Bushwalkers stayed to enjoy tea/coffee, some people went straight home while the rest of us finished off the day with refreshments at McDonalds at Yamanto.

I enjoyed the day and I would like to thank all those who came along. It was great, as usual, to see the two Clubs mixing and getting on so well together.

Gold Coast bushwalkers – Bernie Malone, Nev McManimm, Michele Jackson and Kimberly Layton.

B.C.B.C. – Russ and Jan Nelson, Terry Silk, Christine Turner, Karen Franklin, Carol Riley, Greg Endicott.

B.O.S.Q. – Graeme and Anita Staley, Chris Trehearn, Bromwyn Menkens, Ellen Pezet, Kay McIntosh, Euey Mangan, Heather Buchanan John and Kerry Necker.

New comers - Sven Brodmerka and Karen Zsivanouits. Jonas Bernotas and Brenda Keough who are members of both clubs and myself. Pat Lawton

NOOSA HEADS TO COOLUM SATURDAY 6th APRIL DAY WALK

I was on Justin's base camp so Terry stepped in to organise the walkers from Red Hill. Five of us from the base camp arrived at the appointed spot under unsettled skies and waited for the three car loads from Brissie. The plan was to catch a bus to Noosa Heads and walk back to Yaroomba Beach. We caught the 8.10 bus and sixteen of us headed off but only fourteen arrived. Where had the other two gone? Trevor decided he wanted a coffee with his sister and so he and Julie alighted at Sunrise Beach and planned to meet us as we walked through. Little did I know that Trevor decided to have breakfast as well. After collecting another two walkers at Noosa Heads we headed off across to the NP and then over the top to Sunshine Beach. What a beautiful area of rainforest there is left here, all thanks to agitation many years ago by the Noosa Park Association.

We had a fairly lengthy morning tea stop at Sunshine Beach before heading off down the beach. The erosion is very extensive here and although I promised Terry dry crossings this was not possible due to the large amount of sand that has been lost. It was very lucky we were walking along the beach at low tide. We passed Sunrise with no sign of our two escapees and after a couple of phone calls (ah the luxury of modern technology) we discovered they had already set off and would meet us at Peregrine. The group by this time had split into three distinct groups with the hares out front and we oldies down the back enjoying the day. We reached Peregrine around one, found Trevor and Julie, and settled down for a long lunch. The rain decided to fall now but who cared as we were under cover and it had lifted by the time we started off again.

With most of the walk completed by now, we set out again just after two for the final stretch into Coolool. The tide was coming in and with such large amounts of sand gone the underlying coffee rock was exposed and made progress slow as we were forced onto the rocks themselves. As we were passing a section of the NP here, the birdlife increased and several majestic sea eagles floated by. We soon reached Stumer's Creek and to my surprise it was flowing strongly to the sea. I cannot remember the last time I'd seen that and I thought Terry's going to kill me so I didn't hang around. The local sky diving club was here and we were fortunate to see two tandem sky divers land almost perfectly on the target. I was surprised to see them as the cloud cover was low and the wind was up at about 13 km/hr. Apparently the limit is 25km/hr so they were well inside it.

It was now just a wander through the caravan park to the Coffee Club and reunification. However, Peter, Jan and Maria decided to finish the walk and walked back to the cars and arrived at the same time as the drivers arrived to collect the remaining cars. After a quick coffee stop four cars and fourteen walkers headed back to Brissie whilst the remaining car and four walkers headed back to Tewantin for mass and dinner before returning to their resort.

This was a great day with great walking, great views and great company. My thanks to Peter, Justin, Maxine, Trevor, Maria, Jan, Helen, Barbara, Rusty, Louise, Terry, Julie, Rossy, Paddy, Catherine, Aileen and Desley for joining me and I hope to see them again.

COFFEE NIGHT
WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL
SOCIAL

This month's Coffee Night was at the Taverner Lounge in Mitchelton, a very pleasant café in the busy main street. Eleven diners, Michael, Karen, Graham, Terry, Greg, Michele, Christine, Pat, Jonas, Justin and Mary, enjoyed the evening with talk centering around the weekend base camp as well as coming overseas trips.

BINNA BURRA TRACKS
THURSDAY 25th APRIL
DAY WALK

A lovely day to follow some of the few tracks left open at Binna Burra due to cyclone Oswald. Two previous members, the Carmodys, met us at the Ranger station and after a brief car shuffle we set off down the Lower Bellbird Track. This track passes below the Mt Roberts cliff line after crossing open fields where the Great Walk descends to the Numinbah Valley. One of the creeks, probably Bell Bird Creek, crosses the track where there is a usually dry waterfall. However today, it was flowing strongly, a first for me. The track follows varying vegetation from open grassland to rainforest. We arrived at the bottom of Ballunjui Falls in time for a late morning tea. The falls were quite spectacular with all tiers full of water. Memories of past walks where walkers abseiled from the top came flooding back to some of our walkers. Unfortunately due to the upper part of the track being closed we had to retrace our steps, arriving just in time for an early lunch.

The next track on the list was the Caves Circuit which wanders along the western flanks of Mt Roberts before ascending to meet the road just below the lodge hence the need for a car shuffle. The views of the Darlington Range were great and we tried to find the ridge from the Coomera River to Noowongbill Lookout. Others enjoyed the views down the Coomera Valley. This little walk always surprises with the spectacular views and wanderings through tunnels and overhangs. The walk finishes with a long contour through great rainforest to emerge as I said before just below the lodge where we relaxed while the cars were brought back from the bottom. It was now getting late and it was decided to leave the Tullawallal Track to another day.

My thanks to Peter, Paddy, Anne, Andrea, Dennis and Evangeline for joining me.

Michael.

MORETON ISLAND
SATURDAY TO SUNDAY
27th TO 28th APRIL
BASE CAMP

This was the best trip of the year so far. A magnificent island, fantastic weather, great company and a full moon, what more could you ask for? I know, a week on the island.

We arrived at the ferry terminal in plenty of time to discover that they now charge \$24 to leave your car. No competition and look what happens but going to Moreton is worth it. The trip over and the taxi ride was fairly uneventful if you can call the scenery uneventful. We left our gear at the old camp site at Eggers Creek and headed up to Blue Lake arriving around 11.30am. A short walk from the beach brought us to the shores of Blue Lake. The panorama is difficult to describe with words alone. The first highlight of the weekend was awaiting us, a wade around the shores of Blue Lake. But first the obligatory swim for Justin before heading off. Before long we found the road heading inland and followed it to Honeyeater Lake, another delightful lake. This time I joined Justin for the obligatory swim before joining the others for lunch. It was now just a short walk along a 4WD track to the old Telegraph track which is now solely for walkers. It was now a fairly flat walk as we wandered through a varying landscape ranging from grass tree forests to fairly dense sclerophyll forest. We finally reached the turnoff to Mt Tempest, the highest coastal sand dune in the world, and began the short climb to the summit. The views from the top were amazing, north to Bribie, south to North Straddie and west to the city and the Glasshouses. The whole of Moreton Island was before us from the lighthouse on the northern point to the sand hills to the south. It was hard to drag ourselves away but the light was failing as we headed back down and out the beach. Next time we must watch the sun set and the moon rise from the top of Tempest. Back at camp we pitched tents in failing light, prepared dinner, told stories around the imaginary campfire before wandering down to the beach under a full moon. Wouldn't be dead for quids.

The next day dawned warmer than the previous as we broke camp and set off to find the elusive upside down j lake, an unnamed lake just to our

north. After a brief wander along the beach we headed inland and followed a fairly scungy ridge which finally opened up as we passed the first lake on our map. We were on course but such was the drawing power of the upside down j lake Justin forgoed a swim in this lake. The upside down j lake must be something for Justin to miss out on a swim. We finally reached the general location and after sending out the scouts the elusive lake was no longer elusive. We were there and Justin was not wrong, the lake was amazing and we had plenty of time to enjoy it so enjoy it we did. After what only seemed like moments we had to leave and followed an easier ridge back to the beach where we collected our gear and caught our taxi back to the ferry. Our weekend in paradise was nearly over.

It was now just a matter of catching the ferry and farewelling the island. We will return. This was a great weekend with great walking, great views and great company. The highlight was probably the upside down j lake and as the scunge grows I feel it may become elusive again until the next fire. My thanks to Peter, Justin, Karen, Joe, Pat, Jonas, John, Russ and Jan for joining me.

MT MAY TO MT MAROON SUNDAY 5th MAY DAYWALK

What a beautiful day! A little harder and longer than some walks, but it was an enjoyable off-track trip. A clear warm autumn's day for climbing mountains.

The fourteen of us met at the Maroon Hall by 7.30 am, with the peaks within Mt Barney National Park covered in low cloud. A short car shuffle ensued before we headed to the Mt May water reserve camp ground, where several families were camping. We started climbing Mt May's western ridge in mild conditions. The open forest had an open shrubby understorey, which allowed for easy walking a rough track. After an hour or so we had reached the main ridge line, where most of us walk to the west peak for reasonable views over to Barney, Ballow and Main Range.

Regrouping we continued in a northerly direction through low open eucalypt forest, passing other walkers heading in the opposite direction. As the ridge turned east towards Paddy's Peak we took a bearing and continued to the north with Maroon several kilometres away. There was a gradual descent to the low

saddle. We crossed an east-west firebreak, where we stopped for smoko. Refreshed we began climbing steadily on Maroon's western flanks which was last burnt about four years ago.

Climbing, the terrain became rockier which assisted us as the understorey became denser. We passed a BBW group heading down to Drynan's Hut area. We soon saw Maroon's east peak and headed towards it, which was difficult as we were on the other side of the main south gorge. Climbing we eventually crossed over at the head of the gorge. It was well after 2pm so one group went to the summit while the rest walked to the campsite for lunch. One hour later we were all descending down the Cotswold Track. The descent was steady as we kept our balance with weary legs. Views of Knapp's Peak were seen. Reaching the car park, drivers headed off to collect the other cars. We then said our goodbyes as we dispersed to different cities.

Thanks to go all who came – Jan, Chrissie T, Veronica F, Karen F, Kerriane, Russ, Michael, Justin, Russell J, Terry, Peter C, Thomas & his friend Shon. Thanks also to the drivers Peter, Russ & Kerriane. I enjoyed your company on one of the great day walks of the year.

P.S. The next circuit walk here can include Paddy's Peak and the golden staircase from the club hut. John

SOUTH STRADBROKE ISLAND SATURDAY 11th MAY DAYWALK

Leaving Brisbane under cloudy skies we headed down to the Grand at Labrador for breakfast. What else was there to do when you are waiting for your transport?

Eight fifteen the water taxi arrived and with Phil joining us there were seven walkers heading across the Broadwater to South Stradbroke. The taxi dropped us at The Hole in The Wall, just enough sand to keep the feet dry, from here we turned right to the sea wall, looking across the Sea Way to the Spit where the proposed cruise terminal is going. Michael yelled his displeasure at the dredge for all of us, a bit far away to be heard but he told them anyway.

We followed the beach north, looking more wild and untamed under the overcast sky; a huge wall of black cloud was behind us, quite impressive .it finally caught up with us as we

turned to North Currigee. A wet walk to lunch but a dry shed was welcome as we had lunch out of the rain. A cup of tea and a swim for some of us before following the Broadwater to South Currigee.

The Darlington Range was covered in cloud but you could see all the development that has taken place over the years down this end of the Coast.

We all had an ice-cream and some had another swim as we waited for the taxi pick-up. A bit more crowded as we were all inside because of the swell.

Michael was able to give "I'm King of The World" impression as he was moved outside to the front to stabilise the boat. He would have looked good on those Viking Ships.

Coffee back at the Grand to finish a new club walk on South Straddie.

Thanks to Michael Simpson, Paul Evans, Trevor Kelly, Paddy Taylor, John Hood and Phil Murray, for sharing the walk with me, next year we'll do Couran Cove.

THE TRANSCONTINENTAL FRIDAY 17th MAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

The May JTS meeting at the Trans was very popular with about 15 people (which is more than many of the recent general meetings). Those there were – Graham Glasse, John Hood, Jan Nelson, Russ Nelson, Greg Endicott, Michelle Endicott, Marie Ricketts, Steve Ricketts, Mike Wood, Cathy Wood, Peter Bambrick, Peter Constable, Carolyn Ivanac and Phil Murray.

We found a relatively quiet place out the back and made ourselves at home. Initially there was only a few of there but after 5 pm the numbers rolled in. It is a really nice buzz when you walk through the busy City streets and are able to catch up with a bunch of friends for a friendly drink or two. It was another great night and some of our group went to the footy afterwards to watch Brisbane play the Gold Coast. It is a great venue and definitely worth coming back to. Overall it was a great night.

BOONDALL WETLANDS SUNDAY 19th MAY DAY WALK

The troops were waiting as the four train travellers arrived at Nudgee Station, waiting for

the maxi taxi. "The Boat". The driver quite pleased to be picking up bushwalkers and not last night's rabble from town.

In we got, one after the other, the driver telling us he can only take ten, it's alright mate "I only have nine" A head count counted twelve, where did they come from? Another taxi, "The Dinghy" was needed. Fellow leaders make sure you have everyone on the walk sheet.

Onto Nudgee Beach and the mangroves, the track to the boardwalk impressed them so much they asked to do it again so we did. The boardwalk put us right in the mangroves as we followed it to the bird hide before dropping onto the tidal flats, to wade, walk to the mouth of Cabbage tree Creek. Views of the port and incoming planes could be seen. Planes and cranes. Standing at the creek looking across to Shorncliffe I pointed out the crossing on past trips has always been done by li-lo and swim, next time.

Morning tea at the canoe portage at Nundah Creek with raptors soaring overhead, to get here we followed the road through the mangroves, muddy in some places and along the creek, a quiet spot beside the creek, sharing lollies, biscuits and seeing who had the most mud, apparently you can pay a fortune for a mud bath.

We continued along the road where Desley decided to sit down on the job, Michael managed to get her on her feet. We reached the bike path, where you take your life in your hands, bikes everywhere. A short stop at the Information Centre, through the Entertainment Centre and onto Boondall Station. Julie had caught the train from town and was joining us for the afternoon.

Lunch was at the First Lagoon in the middle of Sandgate, no fish and chips but if you had swum the creek it was there waiting for you. The afternoon walk was having a look at the three lagoons, Deagon wetlands and walking beside the foreshore to Shorncliffe, Coffee on the hill to finish an interesting walk in the middle of suburbia. Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin, Joshua Franklin, Desley Pedrazzini, Russell Jones, Louise Jones, Trevor Kelly, Julie-Ann Williamson, Paddy Taylor, Andrea Turner, Julie Philippi and Joanne Blake who was joining us on her first walk. Thanks for exploring the Mangroves and Sandgate lagoons with me.

STAR TREK "INTO DARKNESS"
TUESDAY 21st MAY
SOCIAL

From darkness comes light.

Five club trekkies ventured to the Palace Cinemas at the Barracks to see Captain James T Kirk and the Starship Enterprise save Earth again. The messages were still there, look after your mates, the needs of the many outweigh the needs of the one, good will triumph over evil. The old enemy Khan was back and the Enterprise was chasing him through space. The journey to the war zone planet Kronos and chase through space takes its toll. This time it is Kirk behind the glass and Spock outside watching his friend become overtaken from radiation. Once again Bones is able to save the dying, the Enterprise return to Earth battered, broken but victors again. The Captain and crew are triumphant once more.

The Enterprise has been refitted, the crew will return from shore leave rested and ready to fly again. Captain James T Kirk is ready to take his ship and crew into space again. We will be there with him.

Pizza, pasta and coffee at the Colle Rosso at Red Hill finished an enjoyable evening with friends. Thanks to Desley, David, Trevor and John for sharing a late Tuesday night out.

Live long and prosper.

EMU CREEK
SATURDAY TO SUNDAY
25th TO 26th MAY
BASE CAMP

A weekend on the Main Range with a full moon and almost perfect weather. The bushwalking season must have started. We left Brisbane in the wee hours of Saturday morning and headed for the western side of the Main Range. Emu Creek is one of three creek systems that rise on the Main Range and flow westward via the Condamine River. It had been raining there on Friday and the roads were a little slippery but we made it nearly all the way before being stopped by significant damage to Old Mill Road. We found a reasonable camp spot before setting off walking up the road around 8am. After 30 mins or so we found the old road indicated in Iain's notes and thus began the ascent of the Funnel. We had relatively easy walking through open sclerophyll forest for a while but then it became steep and underfoot

was a loose scree slope. But we soon reached the cliffs of the Funnel from where we could see the Prow quite clearly. All we had to do now was follow the cliff line to the edge of the Funnel which was quite straight forward. As soon as we walked out of the protection of the rock wall though, we were hit with a strong cool southerly wind making some of the party quite uncomfortable. The Mast lay before us and before long we were again sheltered from the wind by the Mast's cliff line, but not for long. It was now only a short walk to the Stern before the long, about 50 mins, stroll around the Stern's cliffs. The highlight of the day was now only 30 mins away as we climbed onto the Stern and followed it back to a point directly above where we had started. However, there was only one problem, a steep razorback lay between us and the Stern Lookout and in the strong southerly winds it did look a problem. Justin convinced me to go over and have a look and to my surprise it wasn't as bad as it first looked. In no time we were up and standing on the edge taking in that iconic view of the Steamers that appears on several books and web sites. We reluctantly tore ourselves away and made our way back to collect Joe and climb Mt Steamer. The top of Mt Steamer is a rocky outcrop which Karen and I climbed whilst the others contoured around. There were good views of the Mt Superbus massif from the summit and it was amazing to see the large number of landslips that have occurred on its flanks, some were quite large. We were now very close to the steamer campsite and lunch. It was now about 2.30pm and we were getting quite famished and the steamer campsite provides great views of the Fassifern Valley and in particular, Lizard Point a destination in June. As we climbed onto Davies Ridge and that great lookout of the Steamers, we realised the daylight was fading fast and it was highly likely we would return to camp after dark, so on we pushed. With the light finally gone we reached camp about 6pm. Where we met up with Pete. It was now time to set up camp, cook dinner and tell more stories around the imaginary campfire and watch the full moon rise. What a great day.

The next day dawned warmer than the previous as we broke camp and set off to climb Mt Guymer. We retraced our steps to the end of the road where we were amazed to see just how badly destroyed the road and wondered if it will ever be fixed. Joe left us here as we set off up an old road to the Asplenium – Guymer ridge. The road has overgrown a lot since the last time I was there but it is still easily followed.

We turned west and followed the ridgeline to the base of Guymer with the occasional brilliant view of the Steamers, Huntley, Sentinel Point and beyond. We could even see Beau Brummel, the destination of the club in July. My recollection of Guymer was that the summit was shrouded in rainforest so it came somewhat as a surprise when we arrived in open sclerophyll forest. "Must have dried out" I exclaimed more in desperation than reality. We stopped for an early lunch before deciding to take a more direct route to the cars. It was generally an easy descent until we hit cliff lines but that proved to be only a minor disruption as we found a simple way through them. We were back at the cars in no time arriving a little after 3pm with Justin now able to cross Mt Guymer of his tick list.

It was now just a matter of breaking camp and heading home. This was a great weekend with great walking, great views and great company but not the equal to Moreton, for me anyway. The highlight was definitely the Stern Lookout and its incredible view of the Steamers. My thanks to Peter, Justin, Karen, Joe, and Jan for joining me.

BRIDGES OF BRISBANE SATURDAY 25th MAY DAYWALK



After being delayed by QR track closures, four members and three visitors set off along the river bank from the Qld Museum. We crossed the Go-Between Bridge, then another five bridges in turn, finishing with the Story Bridge. We visited Southbank, where we stopped for morning tea, and then passed the Maritime Museum. It was a beautiful sunny day, but cool, and no-one was braving the water at the Southbank pool, although there were large crowds in the area. On the river we saw city cats, ferries, a paddle steamer and canoes. We walked beside the Botanic Gardens, a green

oasis in the city, with numerous yachts moored nearby. Unfortunately, the mangrove boardwalk there remains closed because of flood damage.

After crossing the Story Bridge, we descended to the riverside path once again. We noticed that there were no water dragons visible, although they usually frequent that area. At the old naval stores, we marvelled at the height marker for the 1893 flood, so much higher than the 1974 marker. There was also a photo of the building during the 1974 flood. We stopped for lunch at a grassy area below the Kangaroo Point cliffs. Abseilers and an amateur tightrope walker were in action nearby. The best entertainment was provided by Gaylene, one of our visitors, who spotted an injured ibis beside the bike track. She wrapped her jacket around it, picked it up, and carried it behind a tree, so it could "die in peace". Unfortunately, none of us was quick enough with a camera to capture the moment.

After lunch, we continued walking to Southbank, this time choosing the bougainvillea arbour, rather than the riverside path. The walk finished at a cafe near the performing arts centre.

Thanks to Andrea, Graham, Terry and our visitors, Loraine, Bev and Gaylene for joining me on the walk.

Paddy

COFFEE NIGHT WEDNESDAY 29th MAY SOCIAL

Another venue on the north side, Grill'd at Rosalie, was chosen for this month's coffee night. Michael, Trevor, Elizabeth, Liz, Graham, Greg, Michele, Lucy, Joe, Barbara, Justin and Mary were in attendance and interestingly the restaurant did not serve coffee which proved to be an interesting place to have a coffee night. I did do a pre-outing but no I didn't check that fact as you naturally assume everyone does coffee.

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

This was a great night with 6 people coming for drinks and the footy and 2 for the catch up before the game. Those there were Trevor, John Carter, Justin Tobin, Greg Endicott, (3 life members of BCBC) Joe Finn, Phil Murray for

the footy and Maxine Brophy and Elizabeth Richards for dinner and drinks.

The Pineapple Hotel was abuzz with people. But it wasn't all plain sailing as we got off to a rocky start. We made a booking for the dining area at 5 pm. But they lost the booking! (Fate was making things hard for us). They said they could fit us in after 6.30 pm which was unworkable. So the only option was to go to the bistro area. We did. It was wall to wall people. It was looking as though we might end up without a meal. But fate was kind to us and we found a cosy little lounge in the corner and made ourselves comfortable. We ordered some pizzas and burgers and a few beverages. Not cheap but ok. In fact theselection of beers was excellent. Perhaps it was all the stuffing around before hand that lowered our expectations but when we finally got the beers they were great and the food was sensational. Trevor was smiling. A highlight for the night was the Collingwood supporters. They outnumbered the Brisbane fans about 3 to 1 in the Pub. It was a bit disconcerting when the home team was outnumbered so badly. But the Magpie supporters were very polite and friendly. Not at all like their reputation. A highlight for the night at the pub was when all the Magpie supporters sang their team song. Basically the whole pub started singing. It was a magic moment. One day I hope to hear the pub sing the Brisbane song.

It was time for the footy and we joined the herd of people walking towards the stadium. The Lion supporters were again outnumbered. Got to the entrance at gate 9. Through the security check. But Greg had to surrender his empty glass coffee jar. (I didn't ask why he had a coffee jar in his backpack at the footy – I didn't want to know). Trevor found the merchandise shop. He wanted to buy a scarf as a memento. It was black and white. Fate mocked us again. His credit card didn't work. Finally he worked something out. We found our seats. Watched all the preliminaries with the special highlight of Bruce McAvaney chatting to Bucks (the Collingwood coash). Then fate mocked us again and said we were in the wrong seats. We had to move. We had a choice, go the end where the Magpie supporters were or the end where the Lion supporters were. Initially we were going to go to the Brisbane end but Joe insisted it was Trevor's night, so we went to the Magpie end. At last Fate smiled on us and we actually got good seats that were nearly behind the goal (no pun intended). This was the end

that Collingwood attacked in the first quarter. Finally the footy started. Well the football could have been better. It wasn't a game for the "purist". It was great provided you were a Magpie supporter. Trevor was smiling. The game was basically over after 10 minutes as Collingwood had kicked 3 goals to nil. They hammered Brisbane. I now know why there were more Collingwood supporters. They were very happy. At least we were close to the action. It was a sad night for Brisbane supporters. The main point of interest was watching the scores and whether Brisbane would lose by 50 points or more. You will be relieved to hear they didn't. It was 49 points. (I wonder if there was any spot betting with Indian bookmakers on that). It was Collingwood 100 to 51. Greg advised the Brisbane fan he was a cubist (I can't figure that one out) She was perplexed. Justin provided some insightful commentary, poetry and advice to the players. Joe was watching everything taking it all in. John was just chillin'. Trevor was smiling. He wants to make it a yearly event. Sounds good to me. It was a great night. Official Crowd: 26,626; BCBC crowd: 6.

Justin reckons we should also go to the Broncos v Gold Coast Titans game next year.

RED HILL TO PADDINGTON & RETURN SATURDAY 8th JUNE DAYWALK

Eleven brave souls met at St Brigid's for this walk around these historic (and hilly) inner northern suburbs. As an extra treat for the walkers, I made up Spotto sheets – 4 pages of photos, 96 in fact – of (mainly) buildings along the route which had to be spotted by the walkers competing against each other to be the first. "Spotto" was yelled all over the place, disturbing the peace and quiet of sleepy old suburbs.

I had also downloaded the history of the suburbs from the web, so the party was enlightened as they walked along the streets and byways. A far more well-informed group arrived back at St Brigid's than left it eight hours earlier.

First we had a visit from Fr James who came over to greet us in the church car park. Then the history of Red Hill and St Brigid's was read out. The group started out by walking in cool overcast weather down the hill from St Brigid's towards Lang Park. The charm of the old

workers' cottages became apparent almost immediately. And at the bottom of the hill "Spotto" was a shrill call for the first, and not the last, time. Then off across Hale St to the terrace houses of Petrie Terrace. We saw the old, the new and the strange. And the memorial. Dropped in on Victoria Barracks & old Police Barracks. Saw the Fire-ies arrive to a false alarm at The Barracks centre. Then down past the quaint shingle cottage to the old Baroona Special School.

Here we did the off-track bushwalk when we climbed up the cliff and through the rough open terrain. Up the hill again. Now for the history reading of Caxton St. Down again. Past Lang Park to Christ Church Anglican Church in Milton. Beside it is the old Paddington Cemetery – one of Brisbane's oldest – just outside the old city boundary. Now up to Kate Quinlan's temple – the XXXX factory. On the opposite side of Heussler Tce, the group made its way down dale and up hill.

Apart from the rooftop owls, the next major stop was the Sacred Heart Church at Rosalie – the big red brick church on the hill opposite St Brigid's. Seems a few of our parents were married there. We learnt the history of it, the school, the Mercy Convent and Marist College. Now we made our way to have lunch with The Gov. (And another Spotto clue.) Did the tour of Government House, listened to the choirs and ate lunch.

An hour and half later, we were off to the Paddington Water Tower for another history lesson, to look at some classy houses and to check out the view. Now to walk down Latrobe Tce to search for the couch, Trammies Corner and Java. Coffee at the Paddington Antique Centre.

Now for the home stretch – St Brigid's in sight, but who takes the direct route. We detoured into the old Ithaca Fire Station and War Memorial to hear the story of their being built. Then further off down Latrobe to Cochrane St, the Highland House, the fence elephant, and down, back to the Ithaca Pool. Now the final stretch – up the hill, into Upper Cairns, down Cambridge and into the back gate of St Brigid's.

Thanks to: Michele E, Michele F, Andrea T, Robin T, Paddy T, Russell & Louise J, Liz L, Terry S and Sofia R. for joining me on this walk – especially for being good sports playing Spotto and being interested in the history lectures. Greg.

AROUND THE RIDGES

Wooglemai - I went to the 50th Anniversary of the Chapel for the CBC of Sydney. It is about 60 km south west of Sydney. It is on the edge of the escarpment overlooking the huge valleys of the 'Blue Mountains'. It was a great day. They have a great little complex there. The site is now owned by a company called the Guntawang Catholic Youth Centres Inc and is leased by the NSW DET. The complex has been turned into an educational facility with several buildings to allow for school excursions. The complex is called the Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre (EEC). It is one of 25 Department of Education and Training (DET) Environmental Education Centres in NSW. The centre operates to support the implementation of the NSW DET Environmental Education Policy for Schools. The interesting bit of history was the Club's original Chaplain was involved in the running of a very successful radio station (2SM) in Sydney and he used his funds to develop the centre and when he died his estate was used to set up the complex. For roughly twenty years, from the mid sixties to the mid eighties, Radio 2SM was an essential part of growing up in Sydney, a partner in the coming-of-age of both pop/rock music and its listeners. Radio 2SM was the clear ratings leader for the period but its glory days are long gone. The money from 2SM was invested in a great little complex called Wooglemai.

Mt Warning - Many of you have probably heard that Mt Warning was closed in Januray due to the damage from ex tropical cyclone Oswald. Our Club planned to do a trip there in August but it looks very unlikely it will be re-opened in time. The disturbing thing is that we have read media reports that people climbing Mt Warning have copped almost \$10,000 in fines because they have entered the closed tracks. Perhaps it is a user pays system taken to the extreme.

The Kokoda Challenge is on again on 13th & 14th of July 2013. The Kokoda Challenge on the Gold Coast is hailed as Australia's toughest endurance event. Participants trek a 96km course that leads along fire trails, crosses 12 creeks and summits 5,000m of vertical elevation. The goal is to finish as a complete team of four in honour of the spirit forged on the Kokoda Track in 1942: mateship, endurance, courage and sacrifice. Regardless of fitness level, age or background, people from all walks of life, find participating in the Kokoda Challenge

not only a great personal achievement, but a way to honour the Kokoda legacy and support local teenagers to gain a brighter future for themselves and their families through The Kokoda Challenge Youth Program. The course starts at Firth Park in Mudgeeraba, and follows

selected fire trails and paths through the Gold Coast Hinterland including areas of Austinville, Springbrook, Numinbah Valley, Beechmont and Clagiraba to the finish line at the Nerang Velodrome.

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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.

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