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16	JTS – Transcontinental Hotel	Michael	5522 9702	Soc	
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17	Chermside to Boondall	Michael	3369 5530	DW	M11
19	BCBC Meeting	Michael	3374 3534	Meet	
23 25	Oklahoma Kate Quinlan Society	Russ Greg	3374 3534 3351 4092	Soc Soc	
28	Coffee Night – Vagelis	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
31	Neglected Mountain	Russ	3374 3534	DW	M45
Jun 1 6/10	Mt Zahel Fraser Island	Paul Michael	0412 339311 0409 620714	DW TW	M44 L33
9	Mt Greville	Russ	3374 3534	DW	M44
12	TAFE Restaurant @ South Bank	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	
14	Mt Ernest Traverse	John	5514 0285	DW	L77
16	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
20	JTS – Gilhooley's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21/26	Thorsborne Trail	Michael	0409 620714	TW	XL33
22	Bunyaville to Samford	Maxine	3409 4001	DW	M23
25	Coffee Night – Kettle & Tin	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
28	Breakfast at Regatta	Jan	3374 3534	Soc	
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Jul 4	James Boag @ the Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
5/6	Lizard Ridge	Michael	0409 620714	TW	M77
6	Ipswich Heritage	Peggy	3863 1464	DW	M23
12	Long Creek Falls	Justin	3366 3193	DW	L55
13	Noosa Heads	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M22
18	JTS – The Theodore Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	M34
21	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	NIJ4
30	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
	Noosa	Justin	3366 3193	BC	
Aug 2/3		Justin		DW	
2	Teewah Landing to Cooroibah		3366 3193	DW	
	Noosa North Shore	Justin	3366 3193		
3	Mt Coot-tha to Fig Tree Pocket	Russ	3374 3534	DW	
9	Mt Misery	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
12/13	Barney Mass	Greg	3351 4092	DW/BC	M77
15	JTS – German Sausage Hut	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Helidon Hills Wildflower Walk	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
18	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
23	Winery & Lavender Farm Lunch	Antonia	3857 1387	Soc	
27	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
30	Noosa Trails	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
Sep 5	Brisbane Writer's Festival			Soc	
5/7	Pilgrimage	Michael	0409 620714	BC	
13	Mt Maroon	Michele	3353 2822	DW	
15	BCBC Meeting	Russ	3374 3534	Meet	
19	JTS – Coffee Club Riverside	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
20	Currumbin Sculptures	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
21	Mermaid Mountain Traverse	Peter	3205 5982	DW	
24	Coffee Night	Michael	0409 620714	Soc	
27	Minnages	Peter	3205 5982	DW	
Oct 3/6	Moreton Island	Justin	3366 3193	BC	
4	Alderley to Aspley via Green Route			DW	
11	Mt Bally	Michael	0409 620714	DW	
12	Brisbane Open House	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
17	JTS – The Charming Squire	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
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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.

<u> </u>	Y – Walk Types		
DW	Day Walk	1⁄2 DW	Half Day Walk
ON	Over Nighter	BC	Base Camp
TW	Through Walk	CW	City Walk
TRN	Training	S&T	Safety & Training
FMR	Federation Mountain Rescue	SOC/SW	Social/Social Walk

KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km per day	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	 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	1 0	7 - High - Up to 8 hours walking. Up to750m 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

We celebrate spring's returning and the rejuvenation of the natural world. Let us be moved by this vast and gentle insistence that goodness shall return, that warmth and life shall succeed, and help us to understand our place within this miracle. Let us see that as a bird now builds its next, bravely, with bits and pieces, so we must build hum faith. It is our simple duty; it is the highest art; it is our natural and vital role within the miracle of spring; the creation of faith. (Michael Leunig)



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.bwg.org.au/LeadersGuideV <u>5-02-06.html</u>

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

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

LEADERS

If you make changes to your walk, such as date, where, cancel it – please tell the Outings Secretary Michael Simpson Ph: 0409 620714.

SATURDAY 14th JUNE MT ERNEST TRAVERSE DAY WALK

Leader:	John Carter 5514 0285.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	5.45am.
Cost:	\$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grading:	L77.
Location:	South of Rathdowney.
Emerg Off:	TBA.

This walk will traverse Mt Ernest east to west commencing at the Hargraves farm, following an early start. We will ascend the eastern ridge to the summit. Planned burns have occurred on the mountain in recent years so the walking should have fewer obstructions. We will continue westward across the organ pipes, until we strike the State border on the McPherson Range.

Taking a bearing we walk south east picking up the rabbit fence. This will be followed to the Mt Lindesay border gate, where we will have a car parked for the car shuffle. It is a long walk with a 700 metre climb to Mt Ernest. Please bring along at least two litres of water.

The pre-outing is yet to be held so an alternate route may eventuate on the mountain.

MONDAY 16th JUNE 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 20th JUNE GILHOOLEY'S JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Leader:	Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address:	124 Albert Street.
Time:	From 4pm till 9ish.
What For:	A chat and a beer and a meal.
Web:	http://www.transhotel.net.au/
Emerg Off:	Phil Murray 0413 307580.

It is the middle of the year and we are headed to the middle of the City.

Gilhooleys has been around since 1995. It looks like an Irish pub, what with all of the heavy polished wooden furniture and fittings.

Come along and enjoy our traditional gathering on the third Friday of the month. We plan to be inside out of the cold.

21st TO 26th JUNE SATURDAY TO THURSDAY THORSBORNE TRAIL THROUGH WALK

Leader:	Michael Simpson 0409 620714 or 3351 3810.
Meet at:	Townsville.
Time:	By sunset 21 June.
Cost:	Approx \$600.
Grading:	XL33.
Location:	Hinchenbrook Island,
	North Queensland.

Web:<u>http://nprsr.qld.gov.au/parks/hinchinbr</u> ook-thorsborne/index.html

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

The Thorsborne Trail is a 32km trail on Hinchenbrook Island, one of Australia's largest island national parks.

There are currently nine (9) people confirmed on this trip and it is now too late I suggest for any more.

SUNDAY 22nd JUNE BUNYAVILLE TO SAMFORD DAY WALK

Leader:	Maxine Brophy 3409 4001 and
	Michele Johns 0412 637670.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	8.00am Red Hill or 8.30am
	Bunyaville Conservation Park.
Cost:	\$10 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grading:	M23.
Emerg Off:	Michael Brophy 3409 4001.

This walk offers much diversity as we explore the edges of our northern suburbs. We will travel to the Bunyaville Conservation Park, where our walk begins. Following a number of tracks through to the Jinker Track, steeped in history from the early 1800's. This heritage track was used to transport the hoop pine logs, down to the Pine River for shipping down to Brisbane & Sydney for building the Colonies. A team of 20 bullocks pulled the "jinker" cart loaded with the huge logs.

We have a short walk along this heritage road, before turning west to walk around the Drysdale Sports ground, coming out into a new housing estate and our morning tea stop. Time to view the changes in housing development 2014 style, along with landscaping of the estate, overlooking the Bunya Park bushland. A half hour of street walking and we will be gradually climbing up to enter the Samford Conservation Park. Back into bushland and tracks taking us up onto the old "mailmans track" where there are views out to Moreton Island to the east and Mt Glorious, Mt Samford in the west. A perfect spot to stop for lunch looking down over Samford Village where our walk finishes.

Down all the way from here to pass the large Scout Headquarters and complete the walk in a local Cafe at the end of the track in Samford Village. Transport will be booked to return to the cars at Bunyaville Park.

Please include water, sun screen, repellant and hats in your day packs. Michele and Max are looking forward to taking you through this interesting heritage area of Brisbane.

WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE DINNER & COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Leader:	Michael Simpson 0409 620714
	or 3351 3810.
Meet at:	Kettle & Tin,
	215 Given Terrace,
	Paddington.
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.kettleandtin.com.au/
Emerg Off:	Michael 0409 620714.

We last visited this café last year as part of Justin's 'Progressive Dinner by Bus'. It was such a great venue that I believe we should return and try the rest of their menu. I hope to see you there for either a meal or coffee.

SATURDAY 28th JUNE BREAKFAST AT REGATTA SOCIAL

Leader:	Jan Nelson 0401 030137 or
	<u>nelhouse@bigpond.net.au</u> .
Meet at:	Front of the Transit Centre at
	Roma Street.
Time:	7.00am.
Cost:	See menu below.

Since the Regatta Hotel was first established as a modest, single-story affair in 1874, the Hotel has witnessed some of Australia's most memorable moments in time. Home to legendary sporting achievements and one of the first feminist insurgencies, our Grand Lady of the Brisbane River has withstood flood, fire and more than a century of change. The Brisbane 2011 floods caused a \$10 million restoration which has now been completed.

The plan is to meet at the front of the Transit Centre at Roma Street at 7.00am and then enjoy the best of Brisbane's winter mornings by walking along the northern bank of the Brisbane River to the Regatta Hotel at Toowong. There we will have a leisurely breakfast from about 8.00am. Below is the link for the breakfast menu.

http://www.regattahotel.com.au/pdf/STREET% 20CAFE%20MENU%20WINTER%202014.pdf

After breakfast you have the choice of a walk back to Roma Street, or City Cat, or Bus or Train – whichever suits your mood.

Come and join us in experiencing some of the delights of Brisbane.

SUNDAY 29th JUNE LOST WORLD DAY WALK

Leader:	Michael Simpson 0409 620714
	or 3351 3810.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	7.00 am.
Cost:	\$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grading:	M77.
Location:	Lamington National Park –
	Kerry Valley section.
Distance:	About 10kms.
Ht Diff:	800m.
Emerg Off:	Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

Lost World lies at the end of the Kerry Valley Road. It is that marvellous section of Lamington that you see from the Western Lookouts at O'Reilly's. Whilst it is not a difficult walk it is all off track, there is some exposure and you are climbing/scrambling up 800m over about 5kms. You will need to have a good head for heights and good scrambling abilities.

We park our cars on the Kerry Valley Road and climb immediately to the Lost World ridge. The views will start almost immediately and continue all day. Some of the highlights are Mt Widgee, Buchanan's Fort, the Jinbroken Range and of course the O'Reilly section of the Lamington NP. I hope to summit Mt Razorback before returning to the campsite for lunch. There are limited views at the top but the vegetation is different and well worth seeing. We will now retrace our steps to the car and back into Beaudesert for a well-deserved cold drink.

So ring me to discuss the walk. Don't forget to bring the usual equipment for a hard day walk, water, food etc.

FRIDAY 4th JULY JAMES BOAG @ THE COURTYARD SOCIAL

Leader:	Liz Little 3356 4874 or
	lizlittle@bigpond.com.
Meet at:	4/411 Newmarket Road,
	Newmarket.
Time:	4.00pm to 7.00pm.
Bring:	Beer, wine, champagne, soft
	drink, juice etc, photos,
	conversation, companionship, smiles.
Cost:	\$2 per pizza slice; (nibblies,
	coffee, etc. provided).

This meeting is entirely BYO for all cold liquids. Fortunately, there is a bottle shop across the road. Refrigeration will be provided, along with some snacks to eat. A variety of pizzas will be ordered at \$2 per slice or \$8 for half a pizza. Try to bring some coins for this. Tea and coffee will be provided.

The Courtyard is a pleasant garden setting in downtown Newmarket. It is quiet and not at all crowded. There are enough seats for all. Ample parking and convenient public transport (both train and bus) are available. Public transport can be checked at <u>www.translink.com.au</u>. For those travelling home alone, the bus stop is located in a busy, well lit place. The company is always convivial. The gathering is a delightful way to wind down with drinks after work. For those wishing to rock on after 7.00 pm, the Newmarket Hotel is located conveniently across the road. Unlike *The Courtyard*, it is sound proofed and the neighbours do not hear anything.

LIZARD RIDGE 5th TO 6th JULY SATURDAY TO SUNDAY THROUGH WALK

Leader:	Michael Simpson 0409 620714 or 3351 3810.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	6.00 am.
Cost:	\$25. M77.
Grading: Distance:	Day 1 – 6 km, Day 2 – 5 km.
Ht Gain/	Day 1 – 1246m/316m
Loss:	Day 2 – 147m/540m.
Emerg Off:	Greg Endicott 3351 4092.

This is a walk 10 years in the planning. Ever since I first stood on Lizard Point I have eyed off Lizard Ridge aka 'Heartbreak Ridge'. This year I am going to complete it.

After being dropped off beneath Mt Nielsen our first task will be to summit this 596m mountain. We will then descend to the base of Lizard Ridge and start our ascent. After working our way through the maze of cliffs and enjoying the endless views we will finally reach the base of Lizard Point. It is now a simple matter of working our way to the top and the Lizard Point campsite. There is water available there.

The next day we follow the established track via the Middle Ridge to our car. We will now head into town for a well-deserved cold drink and debriefing. Mission accomplished.

Please ring me for more information.



SUNDAY 6th JULY IPSWICH HERITAGE WALK DAY WALK

Leader:	Peggy Roe 3863 1464 or
	0419 489717.
Meet at:	Roma Street Station or
	Ipswich Station.
Time:	7.45am for the 8.00am train to
	Ipswich or 9.00am in Ipswich.
Cost:	GoCard fare + \$2.
Grading:	M23.
Location:	Ipswich City Centre.
Web:	http://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/

Ipswich celebrated 150 Years in 2010 and has an active heritage program to identify and conserve places of significance within Ipswich. This program is so successful that the Ipswich City Council has about twenty-four heritage trail guides on its website – each identifying many places of historical interest. On Sunday 6th July, we will undertake the "City Centre Then & Now" Heritage Trail.

This trail takes us out and about around Ipswich past historical churches, homes and public buildings. The walk is about 14km long and takes us up hill and down dale about Ipswich and has a couple of significant hills to give us some great views and make this a 'real' walk. Along the way will also explore Denmark Hill Conservation Park and Queens Park.

One of the historic landmarks we will visit is St Mary's Catholic Church; but if you want to experience it closely, Sunday morning Mass starts at 8:00am ... just in time to meet us following at 9:00am.

Come along and join me for an interesting walk that will give you a really good feel for Ipswich "Then & Now".

IPSWICH CITY CENTRE THEN & NOW



From the Ipswich City Then & Now Trail Guide http://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/documents/planning/city_centre.pdf

SATURDAY 12th JULY LONG CREEK FALLS DAY WALK

Leader:	Justin Tobin 3366 3193.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	7.00am.
Cost:	\$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).
Grading:	L55.
Emerg Off:	Susan Tobin 3366 3193.

The walking weather has arrived, join me on the border. We will be walking in Queensland most of the day.

From Brisbane we will go through Beaudesert and onto the Lions Road with a stop at the Border Loop Lookout over the spiral railway line just across the border in NSW. We may be lucky enough to see a train. When we decide, a train isn't coming we will head back to Richmond Gap and the start of the walk. A journey beside the border fence, a walk along Lever's Plateau, rain forest, open farm land, views and more. We will go up and down and up and down and up until we reach the section of the fence overlooking the falls. They were flowing on the pre-outing and should be still flowing on the walk. This is a beautiful section of the fence and well worth the effort to get to Come with me and walk another the falls. section of the fence.

SUNDAY 13th JULY NOOSA HEADS DAY WALK

Phil Murray 5522 9702
or 0416 650160.
St Brigid's Car Park,
78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
6.30am.
\$20 (car pool), \$2 (private).
M22.
Approximately 12kms.

Noosa National Park is one of the wonders of South East Queensland so come along and enjoy a touch of paradise.

The reason for doing the walk this time of year is to visit Paradise Cave which is on the headland at the end of Alexander Bay. The cave is only accessible at super low tides. There is a full moon on the night of Saturday 12th July and the next day there is a super low tide in the middle of the day. So it is a perfect time to visit the cave.

I plan to park the cars at Noosa Woods and detour around the glitz area of Hastings Street and out along the boardwalk to the National Park. Then it is out along Ti-Tree Bay and Granite Bay to Alexandria Beach. We go past all the bays and the plan is to get to the far end of the Park near Sunshine Beach. So it will be a fairly long, but easy, trip. It is mid-winter but might still be nice for a swim.

So put this one in your calendar and see you at Noosa. Come along for a sunny day at Noosa.

Tide times Description	Time	Ht
High tide	8.20 am	1.67 metres
Low tide	2.22 pm	0.17 metres
High Tide	6.58 pm	2.24 metres

FRIDAY 18th JULY THE THEODORE CLUB JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY

Leader:	Phil Murray 0416 650160.
Address:	Level One, 333 Adelaide Street.
Time:	From 4pm till 9ish.
What For:	A chat and a beer and a meal.
Web:	http://www.thetheodoreclub.com/
Emerg Off:	Phil Murray 0413 307580.

Come along and join us for a usual gathering on the third Friday of the month.

The Theodore Club is not one of the flashy bars that the youngsters like so we should have a nice quiet evening without loud bands.

History Note

The Club is named after Red Ted Theodore who was was an Australian politician. He was Premier of Queensland for the period 1919-25, federal House member of the of а 1927-31, Federal Representatives and Treasurer 1929–30. Of note he was part of the Labour Party State Government that came to power in 1915 and shortly after coming to power they proclaimed Lamington National Park. So we can give thanks to Red Ted who had a small part to play in the proclaiming Lamington as a National Park.

In 1929 he became Deputy Leader of the Federal Labor Party under James Scullin. In October 1929 Scullin defeated the conservative government of Stanley Bruce and became Prime Minister. while Theodore became Treasurer. Two after the days Scullin government was sworn in, the U.S. stock market crashed. The effects of the Great Depression were soon felt in Australia, and the Scullin government, like others, was hard pressed to deal with mounting unemployment and the collapse of world trade, on which Australia's export-based economy depended. Theodore, an early advocate of Keynesian economics, favoured deficit spending in order to rejuvenate the economy. However, Works and Railways Minister Joseph Lyons and Trade Minister James Fenton supported a more traditional, deflationary approach.

Meanwhile, a conservative government had taken power in Queensland, and appointed a Royal Commission to investigate Theodore's financial dealings as Premier. The Commission found that Theodore and another former Queensland Premier William McCormack, had corruptly profited by authorising the purchase by the state of a copper mine at Mungana while concealing the fact that they had a financial interest in the mine, which furthermore was not economically viable. In June 1930 the "Mungana affair" forced Theodore's resignation. After politics Theodore went into business, becoming a business partner of Frank Packer in gold-mining ventures in Fiji and other enterprises, making him a rich man. He was chairman of directors of Packer's press company, Australian Consolidated Press, and director of several other companies.

Further reading - Red Ted: The Life of E. G. Theodore, *Ross Fitzgerald, University of Queensland Press, 1994.*

SATURDAY 19th JULY SHEPHERD'S WALK DAY WALK

Leader:	Terry Silk 3355 9765.
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time:	6.45am.
Cost:	\$ 10 + \$20 (car pool),
	\$2 + \$20 (private).
Grading:	M34.
Location:	In the Kerry Valley near
	Beaudesert.

Web:<u>http://beaudesertmuseum.org.au/main/im</u> ages/stories/pdfs/shepherds%20walk%20web %20flyer.pdf

Emerg Off: Carol Kelly 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 the 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 the rain of the past three years, the countryside is looking fantastic. (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 along with a steepish climb followed by a descent. At the end of the walk there is a water crossing where, unfortunately, you will get your feet wet. (The fact that I continue to do this walk even though I get wet feet, speaks volumes about how great I think this walk is.)

The Sausage Sizzle Lunch is supported 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 cakes and biscuits are sometimes hidden, but if you watch me, you should not miss out.)

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. No coffee stop is made as usually, everyone is too full.

I highly recommend this walk as The Historical Society is famous for their country hospitality, the views are 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 nonwalkers 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 over a quarter of a century.

You will have to bring your own morning tea and water. Also, most importantly, 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.

MONDAY 21st JULY 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.)

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ADVANCE NOTICE SYDNEY CATHOLIC TRIP 29th TO 30th AUGUST SATURDAY TO SUNDAY THE MARATHON THROUGH WALK

Leader:	Phil Murray 5522 9702,
	0416 650160 or
	bigrivers@optusnet.com.au.
Cost:	Estimate- airfares \$60 &
	petrol \$50.

The Marathon is the annual trek in to 'the Shack' which is the unofficial name of the Club Hut for the Sydney Catholic Bushwalking Club. The Shack is located about 25 kilometres due south of Katoomba and 20 kilometres east north east of Kanangra Walls.

This year the plan is to do the trip from Carlon's. (Carlon's is about 15 km south of Blackheath) Total Walking Distance approx. 24 km. The walk out on Sunday is much shorter as we should be able to get a lift for about 10 kms.

You need to carry a sleeping bag and tent with you.

The Marathon is an event to do at least once in your lifetime. This year is the 62nd Anniversary of the first trip. I have done this trip 5 times and I highly recommend doing this trip.

Book your flights asap to get the cheapest prices.

ADVANCE NOTICE 31th OCTOBER TO 4th NOVEMBER FRIDAY TO TUESDAY VICTORIAN ALPS THROUGH WALK

Last year I led the Bogong High Plains trip. This year the inimitable Tom Buykx of Ivanhoe Victoria has "bagsed" leading the Cup Weekend trip.

Tom indicated last year that he wanted to lead a trip around Mt Clear. Well, Tom has emailed the details of the proposed trip for 2014 and as promised he is intending on doing the Mt Clear and the Bluff Circuit. This trip appears to be one of Tom's favourite trips and he has been there many, many times and he was recently there on the Boxing Day trip last year. I presume he favours this part of the world as only real bushwalkers go into this isolated part of the Victorian Alps.

The Suggested Walk

- Fri 31 Oct fly to Melbourne early pick up a hire car – travel to Mansfield and stay in cabins or on-site vans in a local caravan park; alternatively go on to Sheepyard Flat and camp there;
- Sat 1 Nov do a car shuffle and then start walking from the Clear Creek camp ground (Clear Creek is 800 m) – then walk up to the Mt Clear camp site. (Clear Creek Headwater – 1400 m)), approx distance 9 km. Presumably set up camp then do a quick dash out to Mt Clear (1,695 m) for the wonderful views, a return trip of 6 km. Day's Distance about 15 km;
- Sun 2 Nov follow the Alpine Walking Track around to King Billy 2 (1,696 m) and King Billy 1 (1,710 m) and then to Lovick's Hut (1,500 m) – distance about 9 km (for the very enthusiastic they can do a side trips to Mt Magdala (1,725 m) – distance about 5.2 km return) – total distance about 15 km;

- Mon 3 Nov via Mt Lovick (1,684 m) to the Bluff Hut, then past Mt Eadley Stoney (1,634 m), The Bluff (1,725 m), descend a very steep ridge to Refrigerator Gap for camp; distance about 13 km;
- Tue 4 Nov follow the Refrigerator Gap Track down into the Jamieson River valley to the cars, return to Melbourne. Distance about ? (have to check with Tom).

The book by Glenn van der Knijff *Bushwalks in the Victorian Alps* has a great write-up on this trip. See Walk No 19 that he called the Bluff Southern Circuit.

Can I ask that people nominate to me by the end of June please so I can give Tom a list of people who wish to go on this trip. I already have 4 starters for the trip. Michael S, Peter C, Joe F and myself. It could be years before we re-visit this part of the world.

Those on the trip to the Bogong High Plains in 2013 were as follows

The Queenslanders: – Phil Murray, Chris Rahmann, Russ Nelson, Jan Nelson, John Hood, Peter Constable, Michael Simpson, Joe Finn and Kerrianne Pearce.

The Victorians: – Jan Wilkinson, Joan Donnan, Corrie van den Bosch, Bernie O'Shea, Tom Buykx, Marianne Trigg and Peter Matheson

The history of this joint walk is as follows		
Year Venue	Qlders	
2007 Wilsons Prom	1	
2008 The Cobberas	1	
2009 Bogong High Plains	1	
2010 Mt Bogong	1	
2011 Bogong & Mt Feathertop	7	
2012 The Crosscut Saw	5	
2013 Bogong High Plains	10	

Do yourself a favour and come and join us. Phil.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Exploring the opportunity to introduce a new Constitution

A recent letter in Jilalan advocated that changes to the Constitution be developed to allow non-Catholics to be elected to committee positions. The committee is currently actively exploring how such a change can be proposed so that it can be supported by a large majority of members. It is likely that the process will take some time before a firm motion can be formally moved.

Role of a Leader on our walks

Our Club places a lot of responsibility on our Leaders. In Jilalan the Leader is expected to describe the walk accurately. The rating of the walk gives a firm basis for understanding the nature of the walk. In addition, any part of the walk which is more difficult than the rating will be highlighted so that potential walkers are reasonably informed.

The Leader has a responsibility to make a judgement as to the capability of prospective walkers as to their ability to complete the walk. Therefore, there will be occasions when a Leader will decline to accept a walker's nomination to join a walk. If there is any disagreement, the matter should be referred to the Outings Secretary and the Committee.

On the walk itself the Leader has the task of keeping walkers together even though each person's natural walking pace is different. On a typical walk some walkers will be faster than others, so the Leader needs to ensure the group does not become disconnected. At the same time walkers need to follow the route defined by the Leader and be as supportive of the Leader as possible. If you want to do something different, you need to gain a clearance from the Leader.

Co-operation of both walkers and Leaders to allow each to enjoy walks will assist all.

Mountain Designs – Preferred customer arrangements

In this edition there is a copy of a letter from Mountain Designs which members can use to become preferred customers and therefore enjoy discounts on purchases. Whether you choose to exercise this option is entirely up to you.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 28/4/14	\$4875.97
Plus Receipts	\$608.01
	\$5483.98
Less Payments	\$404.00
Balance 19/5/14	\$5079.98
Term Deposit	\$2689.48

I will be drawing our first raffle for the year at our June meeting. Good luck to all ticket buyers. Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Michele Foley, Mervyn Galvin, Louise Jones, Ivan Mort, Elizabeth Richards, Susan Tobin and Catherine Thomson are celebrating their birthdays in June. Ilka Salisbury, Mark Smith, Carol Loveridge and Mignon Hardie were interested visitors at our successful May meeting. John and Kerry Necker from BOSQ along with Karen Franklin's son, Josh were welcome visitors on Justin's South Stradbroke Island walk. Renuka Reid was a first time visitor on Russ's Neglected Mountain walk. Visitors are always most welcome on any of our activities.

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS SECRETARY

Leaders Needed:

4 October – Alderley to Aspley (City)
15 November – Ugly Gully (City)
20 December – Enoggera Reservoir (City)
26 December – Boxing Day Walk (Easy)

Outings Sub-Committee Meeting

It's that time of the year again when the Club needs to start planning next year's programme. The Outings Sub-Committee will be meeting on August 19 and to assist them it would be useful if members let me know of any walks or areas they would like to visit. The proposed programme will then be submitted to committee for approval before being published by email for comment. It will be then be submitted to the General Meeting for discussion and approval and finally published in the October Jilalan.

Just to whet your appetite here are some of the already planned walks for next year. South Stradbroke Island Part Three, Lincoln Wreck, Sunset on Mt Warning, Fraser Island again naturally, Eastern Arthurs, New Zealand, Royal National Park and of course a Mt Barney through walk as well.

National Parks

As most of you will be aware by now, next year is the 100th anniversary of the Lamington National Park. I thought then that a brief history of National Parks might be of interest to some.

Did you know that Australia has the largest number (685) of National Parks but only the 23rd largest as a percentage of a country's area (4.36%). Whilst Yellowstone National Park is the oldest (1872) and Royal National Park the second oldest (1879) or third depending on the official status of Mackinac National Park in Michigan (1875) the idea of public reserves had been around since the early 1800's, eg. Drakenfels (1822) in Germany.

The Witches Falls section of Tamborine National Park is the oldest (1908) in Queensland with Lamington National Park being the fourth. 1994 was the best year for National Parks in Queensland with thirty being created; most out of other protected areas.

As we walk almost exclusively in protected areas it is with dismay that I keep reading about Governments in most states moving to negatively alter their status and putting them all in danger.

Current status of Walking Tracks in our Area Lamington National Park now has only two tracks still closed:

- West Canungra Creek,
- Python Rock Track.

The Warrie Circuit and parts of Purling Brook Circuit are still closed. Mts Beerwah and Tibrogargan tracks are still closed. The Mt Cordeaux and Bare Rock track is expected to be open by the end of July. The Head Road is now also open as is the Glen Rock access to 4WDs only but I have not heard if the road to the lookouts at Goomburra is now open.

This is a pretty good result considering the enormous rain damage we've had in the last few years.

Upcoming Walks

There are some terrific walks this month beginning with John's Ernest traverse. This will be a first for me so I'm really looking forward to it. The Thorsborne Trail will also be a highlight of the year. On the same weekend Maxine is leading a lovely walk through the Bunyaville and Samford Conservation Parks. Do yourself a favour and join her for a great day. Then I'm leading two hardish walks, one up onto Lost World which always electrifies and the other a long awaited climb up Lizard Ridge to Lizard Point. Peggy will show off the heritage of Ipswich and finally Justin is heading along the border to Long Creek Falls whilst Phil is visiting a hard to reach cave at Noosa Heads. Another impressive month of walking.

The numbers on past walks are as follows:

Date	Trip	Leader	Туре	No
May 17/18	Emu Creek	Michael	BC	5
May 17	Chermside to Boondall	Desley	DW	9
May 31	Neglected Mountain	Russ	DW	13
June 1	Mt Zahel	Paul	DW	11

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

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

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Below is a quick snap shot of the number of members at the end of April

Table of members	Month ending 31-May
Members at start of May 2014	93
Less "2013 members" who have not yet rejoined	
Sub total	93
plus former 2013 members rejoining May	4
plus new members in May	1
Members at end of period	98

The number of Members is slowly inching up. At the June Committee meeting we officially granted membership to a new member, Mignon Hardie.

Membership drive - We hope to do more in 2014 to attract and keep new members. Over the last few years we have had lots of people join up but they disappear just as quickly and it is a trend we would like to reverse. Usually the Club has about 15 new members each year but so far this year we have only had 2 new members. There are a few things we are attempting to do to increase new memberships.

Advertising program – we have prepared a little poster or flyer to be pinned on the parish notice boards. We plan to send then out in early June. A copy of the mini-poster or flyer is at the back of this magazine.

We are also in the process of revamping a visitor's booklet and revamping the membership form to make it a bit more user friendly.

Another issue to address is perhaps we should highlight a list of "the top 25 walks' that new members should aspire to do in South East Queensland. There would be some earnest discussion about what the top 25 walks are but we need to set a goal or light on the hill for new members to raise their awareness of what trips to do.

See you on the track. Phil.



SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mr Clayton the club's 'phantom' social secretary has prepared the following list of magical socials for the benefit of members.

June 28 th	Breakfast at the Regatta	Jan
July 4 th	James Boag @ The Courtyard	Liz
Aug 23 rd	Winery & Lavender Farm Lunch	Antonia
Sept 6 th	Brisbane Writer's Festival	TBA
Oct 12 th	Brisbane Open House	Greg
Oct 19 th	Mass for Our Lady of the Way	Greg
Oct 19 th	Kate Quinlan Society	Greg
Nov 7 th	Godspell the Musical	Russ
Nov 8 th	James Squire Society Meeting	Michael
Dec 6 th	Christmas Party	TBA
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PHIL'S VIEWS

Barrani Journal Voume 13 – yes another one is due out in July. Please contact me if you want a copy. Just \$2 including postage.

The recent trip to Mt Zahel was spectacular with great views and lots of wildflowers out. It is an area the Club doesn't visit very often and I would highly recommend that people take the opportunity to do trips out around the Little Liverpool Range.

AROUND THE RIDGES

BWQ – Volunteers wanted for Fraser Island **Projects**

FIDO is now calling for volunteers to help with three different projects for the remaining half of 2014:

- Sunday 24th to Saturday 30th August: Bush Regeneration and monitoring based at "Talinga" in Eurong Village.
- 2. Sunday 6th to 13th September: Weeding in Happy Valley.
- Sunday, 19th to Saturday 25th October: Developing the George Haddock Track based at Lake Allom Barracks.

All programs start and finish in Brisbane and can provide transport, accommodation and all food for the week as well as looking around the island. We look after both the volunteers and the logistics. It is a very cheap and enjoyable working holiday. We don't expect the volunteers to work all the time and ask only for a minimum contribution of 20 hours' work for the week. Broad details of each of these working bees are in the attachment. However numbers need to be limited for each of these programs. Our volunteer programs are becoming increasingly popular because of the comfort and cuisine we provide, the tours that enable people to see aspects of Fraser Island they would never see otherwise as well as the good company of people with similar interests.

Our working bees provide a chance for people to see Fraser Island and do something to help it at the same time.

If you require more details and a formal application form please contact me and I will send them out. Also even if you are unable to participate you may wish to forward these details on to anyone you think may be interested.

Redlands City Council Track Park map released

Redland City Council has recently released a <u>map</u> of mountain bike and walking trails in the Redlands Track Park. The <u>cycling</u> page also contains links to their Redland City cycling and walking guide, as well as tips for cyclists, and a useful page for those wanting to cycle the islands in Moreton Bay.

VALE

In May two people who played an important part of our Club passed away.

GREG HUDDY was a very keen member in the 1960's and played an active role in the building of our Club Hut. I still have visions of Greg carrying an esky, strapped to his through walking pack, up Mt. Barney. Greg's brother Col was also an active member and married another Club Member, Ros Andrews. Greg passed away in May aged 68.

JIM PRICE passed away in May aged 80. In the 1980's Bev Price was an active and keen member. Bev was married to Jim, and although not a member of the Club, everybody who knew Bev knew Jim. That was the atmosphere of the Club – one big happy family. Bev passed away 2 years ago.

The Club extends our sympathy to the members of the Huddy and Price families. May they rest in peace.

PAST EVENTS

SOUTH STRADBROKE ISLAND SATURDAY 10th MAY DAY WALK

Cloudy Skies and a forecast of rain didn't deter twenty one eager walkers heading to South Stradbroke for our South Straddie Part Two walk, South Currigee to Couran Cove; the middle section. We met at Runaway Bay Marina and took two water taxis across the Broadwater to South Currigee, before heading north, some on the road and some on the beach. That view of the Darlington Range could be seen across the water behind a built out north end of the coast, a big change from our youth when there was nothing down this end. We were soon at North Currigee for a lolly break, no Sand Wallaby here today, across the island to the surf beach for morning tea and a swim. Heading north along the beach with the Pacific on our right and sand dunes on our left, then the rain came, enough to head into Couran Cove Surfside with raincoats on. Lunch on the deck out of the rain. We shared stories, ate lunch and had a swim. Pat showed a new group of walkers her Rhythm Game played on many a basecamp. Plenty of laughter before they realized it wasn't that easy and required a bit of concentration. It kept them warm before we headed into Couran Cove, along the track and boardwalk, with a stop at the tower and two platforms to put us up with the trees. Coffee and milkshakes at the pool, how long does it take to make a coffee and milkshake? Some had a look around the resort: too soon it was three o'clock and time to head back across the water. A great trip across the Broadwater with wind in your face and dolphins surfing the Wilderness one side waves. on and development on the other. Too soon we were back at Runaway Bay. Fish and chips at Labrador to finish off a great day on the coast.

Thanks to Karen Franklin, Pat Lawton, Jonas Bernatos, Michael Simpson, Gerry Burges, Paddy Taylor Julie Williamson, Josh Cooke, Peter Constable, Liz Little, Maria Kerruish Peggy Roe, Trevor Kelly, Mary Kelly, Maxine Brophy, Phil Murray, John Carter, John Necker, Kerry Necker and Mary Tobin. I enjoyed the rain, bare feet in the surf and walking somewhere different, thanks for sharing it with me. See you next year for South Straddie Part Three where we finish it off. Justin.

A NIGHT AT THE FOOTY FRIDAY 16th MAY SOCIAL

On Friday 16th May the Gold Coast Titans played the Broncos and 5 of us were there. We met next to Wally Lewis. Found our seats. It was a tight and tough game. The good guys won and all was well with the world. Thanks to Justin T, Trevor K and Mike and Cathy Wood for a great night out. Phil

EMU CREEK SATURDAY TO SUNDAY 17th TO 18th MAY BASE CAMP



The weather was very kind to us with a few showers overnight and when we were leaving. The walking was brilliant and the views amazing, particularly that incredible vista down the Steamers from the Stern Lookout.

Leaving Brisbane early we regrouped at Yangan for breakfast before heading down the familiar track to Emu Creek. It was with great relief to find the road had been recently graded making the trip to the old sawmill site guite rapid. Leaving Russ's car there we continued with trepidation down the northern side of the Prow. But why did I worry as this track had also been repaired and we set up camp some 21/2 kms further down than last year. It was just after 8am when we headed up the old road towards the Funnel. In just under an hour we were sitting at the base of the Funnel with Peter wondering how he could scale the unscaleable cliffs. It was now just a matter of wandering along the base of the Funnel, the Mast (both 15mins) and the Stern (30mins) before turning and wandering back along the top of the Stern. Before long we were at the Steamers Lookout in brilliant sunshine. The iconic view looking back down the Steamers is incredible. You

could look at it all day. We also had great views north and south. The Main Range from Asplenium to Lower Panorama Point, views west to Guymer and Sentinel Point and south to Cons Plains and the mountains of Superbus and Roberts. We dragged ourselves away and headed back to end of the Stern for morning tea. It was along this section Karen stepped over a 2m Python which was our sunning itself. It was the first of three we would see over the weekend. Quite unexpected given the weather.

After morning tea we climbed to the top of Mt Steamer where we again had great views both north and south. We had fun picking out the view point on the side of Mt Roberts as well as the short cliff line on the Lizard Point side of Roberts. Continuing along the ridge we reached the drop off point with its great view of Lizard Point. The descent track is becoming a little indistinct as there are obviously fewer and fewer walkers coming this way. We reached the Steamers camp site in time for a leisurely lunch. The views into the Fassifern Valley always thrill me as well the great sight that is Lizard Point. The entire Lizard Ridge can be viewed from here as well and I can hardly wait for July when I finally climb it. It was now just a matter of following the track to Knoll 865 and Davies Ridge where we said goodbye to the Main Range and headed back to our camp site. But there was still one more great view to be had. Not far from the top of the ridge there is a great lookout over the Mast, Funnel and Prow and in the late afternoon they are usually highlighted by the setting sun, a magnificent sight.

Back at camp before 4pm allowed us plenty of time to relax, set up camp and cook before relaxing beside the fire with a warm drink and great conversation before fatigue sent us to bed.

The next day dawned with blue sky which surprised given the rain overnight. We left the tents up to dry as we headed back up the familiar route to the base of the Funnel which was reached quicker than the day before. This time we turned west and headed towards the Prow. After wandering along the base of the Lifeboats we realised we could have traversed them instead as both ends were easily scalable. We quickly reached the Prow and were on the summit in no time. Unfortunately there were no views as we settled in for morning tea. This was short lived; six (6) minutes in fact, as it was starting to rain and as we did not want to drive over greasy roads we decided to head back. We arrived back at camp right on midday and by 12:30pm we were backed and on our way. It was pouring by the time we reached the Nelsons car and after quickly transferring their gear over we were on our way again. We made a brief stop in Yangan for drinks before stopping again in Aratula for a light meal and then home.

This was a great weekend and my thanks to Karen Franklin, Peter Constable & Russ and Jan Nelson for joining me. Michael.

OKLAHOMA! FRIDAY 23rd MAY SOCIAL

The Queensland Conservatorium of Music second year Musical Theatre students staged the Rogers Hammerstein musical – *Oklahoma*. It was staged at the Burke Street Studio at Woolloongabba which seats about 130 people. As a result the performance was intimate and the artists did not need microphones. For the ten of us who went it brought back many memories of wonderful songs and, for Greg, he ticked off one of the items on his bucket list. His father had been an Oklahoma fan and had taught Greg about this musical.

As an entrée to the performance a number of people enjoyed dinner at the Norman Hotel and after the performance we went for coffee at the Woolloongabba five ways which has a number of cafes. The feature of the café was their inability to make a conventional chocolate milk shake. The surprise was that it contained ice -40% of the contents was made up of ice.

Given the success of this night, it is hoped to offer another musical theatre night on Friday, 7 November 2014 to see *Godspell*.

WALLOON SALOON SUNDAY 25th MAY SOCIAL

Nine souls braved Qld Rail to take the train to Walloon, between Ipswich and Rosewood on the Western Line. Here we met a further eight to make the full complement of feasters.

Walloon is a nice not-so-old looking town on the plain, in the shadow of the planes (in the shadow of the Amberley air base.) Walloon is essentially just one main street, with a pub at the crossroads opposite the level crossing and the school. The Saloon is a lovely renovated old pub with country atmosphere – veranda our front, central door, public bar at the front and

restaurant out back. And an outdoor area where there was a party – so we sat inside.

Our group decided to beat the other diners to the kitchen to order – but the party crown had beaten us to it. However, delivery of the meals was still quick enough. I think over the group we ordered at least one of everything on the menu. And for a hot day the drinks were cold and refreshing. With our number at 17, we sat at 2 tables, kept swapping places to catch up with everyone.

After a leisurely lunch, most of the party went for a walk around the town to take in the sights. Those who caught the train up, caught one to Rosewood, 2 stations further on, and stayed on it when it turned around 10 minutes later to return to Ipswich and then changed trains to home.

A good day, different, nice company, good scenery, a nice watering hole, great weather, and good simple cheap food.

Thanks to those who came along with me: Micheles E and J, Karen F, Graham G, Nelsons J&R, Simpsons A & M, Paddy T, Elizabeths L & R, Sophia R, Richard J & John H, Terry S, and blast from the past Carolyn I. Greg E.

COFFEE NIGHT AND DINNER WEDNESDAY 28th MAY SOCIAL

Six diehards attended the Coffee Night in Hamilton despite there apparently being an important football match on. The venue was Vagelis and the meal, company and ambience was delightful. We will return.

My thanks to Karen Franklin, Liz Little, Gerry Burges and Michele & Lucy Endicott for joining me. Michael.

NEGLECTED MOUNTAIN SATURDAY 31st MAY DAY WALK

After a week of sunny weather Saturday dawned overcast and as we drove towards Christmas Creek valley, there was intermittent rain. We gathered outside the old Recreation Camp (see <u>http://www.christmascreek.net.au</u>) and then drove up the side road. In doing so we met the farmer's wife and helped to move her broken down quad bike. We commenced the walk and quickly started gaining height. By the time we reached the ridge line we had split into two parties - one group of ten who would reach the top of the mountain and a smaller group who would not. At lunch time it rained and so lunch was five minutes for both groups. The smaller group took the gentle route back to the cars via the Stretcher Track, whilst those on the top of the mountain enjoyed being surrounded in cloud, and then retraced their route back to the cars. We were all off the mountain by just after 3.00pm and enjoyed a café stop at Beaudesert. Thanks to all those who came along, who were Michael Simpson, Karen Franklin, Michelle Johns, John Bigg, Justin Tobin, Russell and Louise Jones, Russ (Leader) and Jan Nelson, Renuka Reid, Gerry Burges, Kerrianne Pearce and Maria Kerruish.

MT ZAHEL SUNDAY 1st JUNE DAY WALK

Mt Zahel is an 867m mountain at the end of the Mistake Range in the Laidley Valley. It is a twin peak with the unnamed western peak actually higher by a few metres. We were fortunate to have a beautiful clear blue sky which provided us with tremendous views all day of the Little Liverpool, Mistake and Main Ranges.

We were also lucky to have a recently graded road to enable a rapid climb to Laidley Gap where the great views began immediately. There is a house on the range to our south and their access used to be via the road to the west but that has been closed for some time due to the inclement weather of the last few years. Apparently they had the old road to the east regraded to allow them access. Lucky for us.

We steadily climbed the narrow ridge north and after several stops and morning tea we were soon on the western summit. It was now just a matter of following the ridge to the eastern peak for a welcome lunch break. Terry was in his element with his camera snapping incessantly with the views constantly improving as we climbed higher. Phil and Paddy too were also very excited with the many wildflowers in bloom. Just down from our lunch spot Peter had discovered probably the best lookout of the day with views all the way to Mt Barney. Incredible.

After lunch it was just a matter of retracing our steps to the cars and onto Plainlands for a well-deserved cold drink.

My thanks to Paul Evans for leading the walk and to Peter Constable, Jonas Bernatos, Terry Silk, Justin Tobin, Liz Little, Paddy Taylor, John Hood, Phil Murray and Trevor Kelly for joining him. Michael.

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 car park.

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:

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