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Please have all Jilalan articles to Louise Leonardi by the 1st of the month. Articles, if on disk, need to be submitted in RTF (Rich Text Format) with a hard copy included, otherwise a handwritten or typed copy will do. Alternatively, you can e-mail your articles to: **samlouis@bigpond.net.au**

GENERAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7:30pm. The location is **St Brigid's Parish Hall**,

Musgrave Rd, RED HILL. (The huge red brick Church on the hill) 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, Musgrave Rd. Check "Jilalan" or phone the leader to determine the location.
- (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. Should you change your mind and decide not to come to a club event, please notify the leader as soon as possible.
- (f) 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

(g) All visitors must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance.

EMERGENCY OFFICER

If you have not returned from an outing by 9:00pm your family may ring the Emergency Officer for that outingbut please don't panic. If the EO is not mentioned, ring either the President or Vice President

EQUIPMENT HIRE

The Club has some tents and through-walk packs to hire to visitors and newer members. Borrowers are responsible for collecting and returning equipment, as well as making good any loss or damage over and above normal wear and tear. Hire rates – Packs \$10/ weekend, Tents \$5:00 – Deposit of \$20:00 required.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

The Association 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.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

All members are most welcome to attend a meeting of the Management Committee, but please contact the President beforehand. This means you can be advised of any change of date/venue. If you feel strongly about an issue, bring it along to the Committee Meeting and we'll put it on the agenda.

WARNING All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk. The club is not in a position to even state that all care will be taken.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are as follows.

Ordinary members \$35 Associate Members \$26 Spouse members \$9.00

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer. Please note, pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

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CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS FOR 2006

DATE	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT NUMBER	WALK TYPE
September				
18	Meeting			
24	Hamilton Heritage Walk	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
30 – Oct 1	Cooloola	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	T/W
Wed 27	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
October				
7	Mt Beerwah	Richard Johns	3353 2822	D/W
Sat 14	Progressive Dinner by Ferry	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
14	FMR – Rescue Leader Activities	TBA		FMR
16	Meeting			
22	Baroon and Gheerulla Falls	Liz Little	3356 4874	D/W
25	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
29	Muscat & Bailey Creeks	Matthew Palmer	3876 8125	Social
November				
5	Evans Heads Basecamp	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	B/C
11	Powerhouse Markets	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
12	Canungra Creek to Road Junction	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	D/W
18	Batty Cruise B.B.Q	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	Social
20	Meeting			
26	Coomera Circuit	Michelle Johns	3353 2822	D/W
Wed 29	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
December				
Sat 2- Sun 3	Christmas Party – (Week-end at Coolum)	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
10	Dianna's Bath	Graham Glasse	3371 9623	1⁄2 DW
17	Toolona Falls Circuit	Marie Ricketts	3265 1794 or 0402 241045	D/W
18	Meeting		0702 271045	
Sun 24	recting			
Mon 26	Boxing Day Walk	Liz Little	3356 4874	
	DUXING Day Walk		5550 4074	

KEY – Walk Types

D/W T/W O/N B/C	Day Walk Through Walk Overnighter Base Camp City Walk	¹ /2 DW TRN FMR SOC	Half-day Walk Training Federation Mountain Rescue Social
C/W	City Walk		

KEY – Walk Gradings

The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club uses the following Walk Grading system, which is referred to under each coming walk. If uncertain, please consult with the walk's leader.

1. Dist	ance	2. 1	Ferrain	3. I	Titness
Short	Under 10km per day	1-3	Graded or open terrain.	1-3	Easy. Suitable for
			No scrub		beginners
Medium	10-15km per day	4-7	Bush. Minor scrub	4-7	Medium. Reasonable
			rainforest, rock creek		fitness required.
			Rock hopping, scrambling		
Long	15-20 km per day		Bush. As Above+ thick		
EXtra	Over 20 km per day	8-10	scrub, major rock	8-10	Hard Strenuous, fit
Long			scrambling using hands, technical		walkers required.

Club Web Address: <u>www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/</u> email: <u>briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au</u>

The club's calendar can be seen at this site under the heading Event Calendar. (The web site can be located through the Yahoo search engine. Also, there are links from the Federation website.)

Monthly Meeting Monday 16th October St Brigid's Hall 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Contact: Phil Murray (3841 0254) **Club President** Location: St Brigid's Parish Hall, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill (In the building at the back of the carpark). St Brigid's is the big red brick church right on the top of the hill. Time: 7:30pm M 2 7 Grade: Cost: Nil Emerg Off: Phil Murray (3841 0254) but not after 7pm on the 16th.

ABOUT MEMBERS

Inquiries, Visitors and New Members

Members

Karen Bright, Maxine Brophy, Julie Hoey, Mary Kelly, Trevor Kelly, Viv Layzelle, Patricia Mackie, Russell Nelson, Matthew Palmer and Desley Pedrazzini are having a birthday in October. Robin Thorn has just returned from a holiday in Europe where she did some walking whilst Jean Gowans has just returned from a holiday in Cuba and Canada. Fortunately, she was on the other side of Cuba when their recent Hurricane hit. Desley Pedrazzini has just returned from a holiday in South America.

David Hill recently had a brief holiday in South Australia where he found out how cold it can get on Kangaroo Island and Patricia Mackie has just returned from a holiday in North Western Australia. Michael Simpson has just returned from a four wheel trip to Cape York.

Visitors

Inquiries & visitors for September were Sandra Stewart, Brendan Walsh, Bernie Pattison, & Teresa Martin who joined us for our September meeting. Brendan has since joined us at our last coffee night at Merthyr Bowls Club as well as joining Phillip on his Cooloola through walk. Also Bernie Pattison joined Phil Kearns out on track.

Visitors Amanda Lee, Kathy Burton along with Charmaine Darby who attended our August meeting came & walked with me to Ravensbourne. Amanda, Dianne Barrett and Linda Pankhurst then joined Maxine for the historic jaunt around Hamilton along with some of our newer members like Brigid Baker, Mary Kelly and Karen Bright. Good to see these people joining us. Teresa Martin is a friend of Lynne Lucas. Talk to your friends about our interesting walks & outing & maybe they would like to join us sometime. Make all visitors welcome.

Robyn Jones (Membership Officer)

LETTERS FROM THE EDITOR

APOLOGIES

For anyone who sent me an article for last months' magazine I apoligise if it did not get published. Hopefully I have picked up on the mistake and included it in this issue.

A BIG THANKYOU

I would like to thank **Robyn Jones** and **Graham Glasse** for their honesty and being trustworthy otherwise I would not have been able to make it home after Robyn's walk of Ravensbourne.

Also, many thanks to **Maxine Brophy**, **Robyn Jones and Richard Johns** for accepting me on their walks over the last 2 month's. Unfortunately the club atmosphere to me is not as it was in the 80's & early to mid 90's.

Thanks also to **Pat Mackie** for accepting my suggestion of the coming coffee night due to it being wheelchair accessible.

God Bless, Louise Leonardi



TREASURERS REPORT



Balance 21/08/06	\$3131.51
<u>Plus Receipts</u>	<u>\$ 593.50</u>
	\$3725.01
Less Payments	\$ 396.55
Balance 18/09/06	<u>\$2728.46</u>
Term Deposit	\$1900.22

Terry.

Congratulations to Roger Ford and Patricia Mackie who won our last raffle. Once again tickets in our current raffle are selling very well. The prize is a Binoculars and Torch Set. Tickets are still only a dollar each. Terry.

COMING WALKS

LEADERS (and Future Leaders)

There are some pages on the Club web site that you need to know about:

- 1. The "Leaders Notes" these have been put together by tried & tested leaders to help new and newish leaders organise their tips. It contains all the good oil. BUT, it is not only for "The New Leaders" – we all need a refresher sometimes.
- 2. You can find it at <u>http://www.geocities.com/briscath</u> <u>bushclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-</u> <u>06.html</u>
- 3. Have a look at it.

AND:

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 - 4. The "Visitor's Form" is required to be completed by all Visitors on trips
 - This is the Legal Liability form which MUST be signed by all visitors on ALL Club events – Outings, Socials, Training & etc.
 - 6. It is at <u>http://www.geocities.com/briscath</u> <u>bushclub/VisitorWaiverForm.htm</u> l
 - 7. If the Outings Organiser does not give you the forms (or sufficient forms) go to the web and print some out.
 - 8. Hand them in with the Outings Nomination form to the Treasurer.

AND

- 9. **"Trip Nomination Form"** where the Leader writes the details of all those who nominate for their trip.
- 10. It is at <u>http://www.geocities.com/briscath</u> <u>bushclub/EventNominationForm0</u> <u>2-05.html</u>
- 11. This sheet is 4 pages print them back to back (duplex).
- 12. This form is for all Club events Training, Socials & etc.

AND

- 13. Club Outings are on the web and occasionally in the Courier Mail.
- 14. Any Leader might get phone calls from "strangers" who have come across the Club event from those sources.
- 15. ALWAYS take their full details Name, Address, Phone Number and E-Mail Address.
- 16. If they went to the trouble of contacting us in the first place, we will send them the next few Jilalans' even if they do not go on the Outing or Social.
- 17. Pass the Name & Address details along with the Nomination Form to Terry, who posts out the Jilalans'.
- 18. When you get a call out of the blue from a total stranger about a trip,

ask focused questions to determine if they are suitable for that particular outing. Don't automatically say "No" or "Yes".

AND

- 19. Something of interest to all leaders (and participants) –
- 20. The "Emergency Officer System".
- 21. It is at: http://www.geocities.com/briscath bushclub/EmergOffSyst.html
- 22. All Club Members need a good read of this.

Enjoy. Greg E.

Baroon and Gheerulla Falls Sunday 22nd October Daywalk

Leader:	Liz Little (3356 4874)
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	7:20am
Grade:	S 2 2
Cost:	\$20:00
Emerg Off:	Phil Murray (0413 307 580)
Location:	Blackall Range, Sunshine
	Coast Hinterland

This outing aims to visit some walks not usually undertaken by the club and also to enjoy some spectacular scenery. There will be about 8 kilometres of walking in total, some of it gently uphill. Three different walks will be done. All participants are expected to undertake all three walks. Morning tea will be at a magnificent lookout and lunch at a beautiful picnic spot. Participants will need to bring all their own food and water. The only town stop will be at Mapleton for coffee after the last walk.

The first walk will take us to pretty Gardner Falls on Obi Obi Creek near Maleny. It is a

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very short 300 metre walk each way. Morning tea will follow at Gerrard Falls overlooking the Sunshine Coast.

The second walk is in the Montville area and goes from the Baroon Pocket Dam to the Baroon Lookout for magnificent views of Obi Obi Gorge. Along the way we will take two deviations to enjoy other great vantage points. The walk is about 5 kilometres in all. After this walk we will continue around to the picturesque Baroon Dam picnic area for lunch.

The third walk is in the Mapleton area down Delicia Road and along part of the local *Great Walk* to Gheerulla Falls. Delicia Road is largely unsealed, but a good road. The walk is about 2.5 kilometres return and is mostly beside a lush forest gully.

After coffee at Mapleton, there will be one last lookout on the way down to Nambour.

The day will include much variety including open woodland, bridges and boardwalks over palm and vine forested streams, picturesque waterfalls and spectacular views of catchment and coast.

Liz Little.

MUSCAT & BAILEY'S CREEKS Sunday, 29th October 2006 Daywalk

Leader:	Matthew Palmer (3876 8125)
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	6:00m
Grade:	L 7 8
Cost:	\$10:00
Emerg Off:	Kerry Mulligan (3876 8125)

Muscat and Bailey Creeks are one of the tributaries of Kobble Creek on the North Eastern side of the D'Aguilar range. The walk is in one of the more rugged parts of Brisbane forest park and passes through multiple types of vegetation communities. The walk is very steep in places and is all off track. Much of the walk is in creek gorges so ensure you have footwear with very good grip. Bring your togs as there are parts where we may need to swim.

Twice before, this walk has needed to be cancelled because of the park being closed for bushfire risk. Hopefully this time we will be able to get the walk to go out.

Matt



EVANS HEAD Sat 4th – Sun 5th November Basecamp

Leader:	Michael Simpson
	(3351 3810)
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	6:00am on Sat 4 th
Grade:	M 2 2
Cost:	\$40:00 – transport plus
	camping fees. Expected
	between \$5 & \$10 per person
Emerg Off:	Greg Endicott (3351 4092)

A lovely beach walk in early Spring. This is an exploratory trip for the Club

Michael has kindly agreed to lead this trip at the last moment.

The plan is as follows – drive down on Saturday morning. Expected top the just over 3 hours. Have morning tea on the way down. Set up camp and start the walk between 11:00am and 12:00pm and have a late lunch on the walk.

The walking plan is as follows -

Saturday - do an out and back walk. The walk will be up and over the headland south of Evans Head. Then continue past Joggly Point to New Zealand Beach (also known as Chinaman's Beach to surfers). Then head south to Goanna Headland which is also known as Snapper Rock. If time permits, then push on to the next beach that is within Bundjalung National Park. It is about 6 kilometres each way.

Sunday - do the beach walk along Airport Beach to the north towards Broadwater – it's about 10km - and do a car shuffle. The walk may involve a walk through the dunes to look at the wildflowers and birds. Bring your hat, sunscreen, swimmers, and clothes that provide protection from the sun as we will be out in the sun for 4 to 5 hours. I suggest you have shoes that can get wet. Also include a raincoat and jumper in case the weather is a bit rainy. The plan at this stage is to stay in the commercial caravan park. "Silver Sands Caravan Park", Park Street, Evans Head, There is camping and cabin accommodation available.

Please nominate to Michael early so he can make the bookings.

Phil Murray

CANUNGRA CREEK BULLANT SPUR TO THE ROAD Sunday, 12th November 2006 Daywalk

Leader:	Phil Kearns (3870 3710 or
	0411 016 864)
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	6:30am
Grade:	L 6 6
Cost:	\$18:00
Emerg Off	Sam Leonardi (3287 1372)

Well I hope you have your dancing shoes on for this one. We are going to travel down the Bullant Spur, turn left, go to the Blue Pool, go past and admire Stairway Falls and keep going. We have to rock hop down the creek all the way (hence the need for your dancing shoes) and hope quite a long way, so the members of the party will be fit, agile and able to move at a reasonable pace throughout the day. There are no waterfalls that we have to negotiate as it will be track as far as Stairway falls, but after that it's hop-along-Cassidy territory. We will pass through that lovely part of the creek that we enjoyed morning tea on during Pat Lawton's Alpaca farm walk.

There will be a car shuffle involved and we will finish before sunset, but the car shuffle could mean we won't get back to town until quite late. I will be doing the pre-outing before the next meeting, so come along and hear how good the walk will be and the skills you will need to join me on this cracking walk, or alternatively give me a call and nominate for a walk you will enjoy and remember forever.

Phil.

ADVANCE NOTICE

COOMERA CIRCUIT NOVEMBER 26, 2006 Daywalk

As I haven't had a chance to do a pre-outing as yet, I have researched from reliable sources some information on this must see part of Lamington National Park. The walk starts at Binna Burra and goes along the border track for about 2 km. We then turn right and head down to the top of the Coomera Gorge. The vegetation on this section is open eucalypt forest rather than rainforest. At the top of the Gorge there are some great vantage points. We should be able to see Coomera Falls and Yarrabilgong According to my reliable source, Falls. these falls are amongst the most spectacular in South East Queensland.

We then follow the track as it criss-crosses the Coomera creek. According to my source, there are at least 13 falls along the track, so there should be some good photo opportunities as the day progresses.

The end of the walk will connect us with the border track passing Joalah Lookout overlooking the Woggunba Valley.

The distance is long (about 19km) but on a graded track, with several creek crossings

on slippery rocks. If you are thinking about coming please keep this in mind.

I have decided to put a limit on the number of walkers at 15 - 18, so nominate early.

Michele Johns

25th – 28th January 2007 Australia Day Week-end Canoe Trip

Cost: \$160.00

Australia Day weekend 2007 we are canoeing Teewah Creek to Elanda Point. Camping at Campsite 15 and Campsite 3 on the Noosa River. The cost gives us transport to Teewah Creek, N.P campsites fees and canoe hire for three days. Eight campsites and four canoes are booked.

Book your place with \$100 deposit with Justin. (Ph 3366 3193)

COMING SOCIALS

Progressive Dinner by Ferry Saturday 14th October

Contact:	Maxine Brophy
	(3203 4699)
Meet at:	Brisbane Powerhouse
	Riverfront – New Farm
	Park
Time:	5:00pm

Dining by the river on a Spring evening – this will be a special night.

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We will start with drinks at the bar upstairs in the Powerhouse.... followed by savouries in the park. The bar looks out over the Brisbane River and is a perfect place to relax with a cool drink whilst watching the water traffic glide by.

We will stroll along the path to board the City Cat over to Mowbray Park, and a short walk up to the "Fish Café" for our main dinner in their restaurant.

Later we will catch the boat along the river to Bulimba and take a short walk up Oxford Street to the coffee Mecca of Brisbane. Dessert & coffee to then complete the night of good food and much fun.

A pleasant walk back to the boat to cross over to New Farm and the cars.

Powerhouse Fresh Food Markets Saturday 11th November

Contact:	Maxine Brophy
Meet at:	(3203 4699) New Farm Park (near City
	Cat wharf)
Time:	6:00am
Cost:	Free

Come along for an interesting morning wandering through these now famous fresh food markets. From homemade breads, cheese, cold meats and organic vegetables to many fine produce stalls.

After a few hours of looking, tasting and shopping we will have breakfast in a local café. This will leave the day free to continue on with other plans or chores after an early start.

Hope to see you at New Farm Maxine

A Batty B.B.Q. and Afternoon Tea with the Grotesques Saturday 18 November 2006

Leader:	Justin Tobin (3366 3193)
Meet at:	St Brigid's Car Park,
	Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	1:30pm
Cost:	\$10:00 + B.Y.O.E B.B.Q.

Come and take the ferry in the shadows of the new bridge being built between Ovens Head and the Elbow. Walk from Chandler Park and see what the locals are protesting about with the golf course. Discover the secrets of the Grotesques Friezes and Coats of Arms of the Great Court with a coffee of course. Discuss as you ride the ferry how long it will be before Eleanor meets up with Fred again. After the B.B.Q on the Brisbane see the bats fly out Corso from Indooroopilly Island. Join us for a Saturday afternoon on the Brisbane River.

Justin

John Toohey Society Meeting Friday 20th October The Victory Beer Garden

Corner Bar Corner Edward and Charlotte Streets Brisbane.

Contact:	Phil Murray 3841 0254
Time:	From 4pm onwards till 7pm or
	later.
What For:	For a chat and a beer
Drinks:	boys - beer
	girls - wine
Emerg Off :	Phil on 0413 307580.

The Club is interested in more then just walking. There are also the regular gatherings for a social drink. The numbers are building every month. Last month we had 8 people join us.

So come along and join Greg, Phil the Elder, Liz, Catherine and Elizabeth to find out more about the John Toohey Society. He was the original brewer and founder of Tooheys Beers. For those who follow "the game they play in heaven" (rugby) they will have noticed that the current sponsors of the Queensland Rugby team is Toohey's New.

The Victory Beer Garden is a lovely place for a gathering on a hot afternoon so come along and join us before the crowd comes in.

John Toohey Society Meeting Friday 17th November **The Port Office Cnr Edward and Margaret Streets**

Contact:	Phil Murray 3841 0254
Time:	From 4pm onwards till 7pm or
	later.
What For:	For a chat and a beer
Drinks:	boys - beer
	girls - wine
Emerg Off:	Phil on 0413 307580.

The Club has a regular gathering in town for after work for a social drink on a Friday once a month. So for those working in the city pop in and say hello.

I haven't done a pre-outing but I am very keen to check out the upstairs balcony and hopefully get a view of the river. Also there is some sad news in that we have a stirrer in our midst who wants to change the name of the society.

Items for discussion

Agenda Items

1. Future venues - We will have a discussion as to what other venues we will visit in April, May and June next year. The nominees are the Orient Hotel, Gilhooley's, the Brewhouse, Rush, The Zenbar, Chill on Queen, the Regatta, the Irish Club and the Plough Inn. There are just so many choices and so little time.

2. find out why Greg wants to change the name of the John Toohey Society to the Kate Quinlan Society. Apparently Kate was the first brewer of XXXX in Queensland. (Rather then change the name perhaps he should start a new society for lunch time drinks on the first Friday of the month.) 3. Selection of a society badge and motto

The Itinerary for the upcoming John Toohey Society's Monthly Meetings

Dec	15 th	Pig n' Whistle Riverside
Jan	19 th	Story Bridge Hotel
Feb	16 th	Fihelly's (at Central Station)
Mar	16 th	Brisbane Underground
Apr	20 th	Mick O'Malleys

Coffee Night – OCTOBER



When:	Wednesday, 25 th October
Where:	The Persian Restaurant
	Shop 5 Harries Rd,
	Coorparoo - (directly
behind Harve	ey Norman (Old Myers)
Time:	From 7pm
Contact:	Patricia Mackie
	(3398 7041)

I have been assured that they have delightful desserts as well as very interesting main meals. Pat

Past Coffee Nights

Coffee Night – Newmarket Hotel 30th August 2006

A first time visit from the club to the Newmarket Hotel brought much positive response. The old hotel had closed some time ago and the refurbished one opened

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last January. It bears little resemblance to the sad old pub of the past.

We dined in the air-conditioned comfort of a contemporary restaurant and sipped on a range of drinks from a well appointed bar. Our orders ranged from main course to snacks to just coffee. Although the menu was not huge, it did contain a great variety – something for everyone really.

All agreed that this venue should be on the list again next year. And all were ...Phil K, Maree R, Pat M, Graham, Michael, Catherine, Pat L, Terry, Jeff F, Greg and Lucy and Liz L. We also had the pleasure of making a new friend because Linda Pankhurst, a visitor, joined us for the occasion.

Liz

PAST SOCIALS

Bridge to Brisbane 6th August

This year we had 26 runners/joggers/walkers come along on the B2B. Not all were Club members, since a few bought friends & relatives along. The more, the merrier.

It was a fine not-too-cool morning. The group gathered early at the traffic island in Lytton Rd at Murarrie. As the start time approached, we moved off towards the line. The hardest part is going up the Gateway Bridge through the crowd – over 25,000 this year.

We soon split up into smaller groups and walked at our different paces. All did the 12km and all finished. Some ran and did it in one hour, most did it in just over 2hrs, and some took slightly longer.

The weather remained kind to us, the morning stayed cool and the walk along the

River was fantastic – lovely at that time of the morning. Those who finished early waited near the finish line to cheer in the tail.

We all had fun, we talked to each other, we looked at the lovely Brisbane at an early hour and we looked at the other participants. It was a great method the talk to one another.

We re-gathered at New Farm Park afterwards to swap stories and especially to have the group photo.

Thanks to all my walkers.

RESULTS ON BACK PAGE

Try the web sites: Results: <u>https://secure.ni.com.au/bridgetobrisbane/C</u> <u>ontroller?controlleraction=search</u> Photos:<u>http://www.supersportimages.com/p</u> <u>roducts/index.php?sc_id=20&sc_n=</u> <u>Bridge%20to%20Brisbane%20Fun%20Run</u> <u>%202002&timed=0</u> Individual Video Finish: <u>http://cm.world-</u> <u>television.com.au/suncorp_b2b06/entry.jsf</u>

Riverfire Social Saturday, 2nd September 2006

Well, it seems like we may have created another annual club event after nine of us gathered to witness this spectacle. Initially, I was concerned that we would not be able to have this social as I was not sure when Maxine's walk would be finishing but as it turned out it was only during lunch on this walk that we formulated our plan for the evening. I took up Liz L's suggestion that we view the fireworks from her favourite spot.

Liz left Maxine's walk after lunch so that she could make it to the river to reserve an area for us to gather in. Of the nine of us who made it into the city, five of us had been on Maxine's walk. Richard and Michele did not quite meet up with us, finding their own spot nearby. Also joining us were Michael and Catherine, Phillip, Fran, a friend of Liz and Linda Pankhurst who was joining us for her second Social in a week after first meeting us at our monthly coffee night at the new-look Newmarket Hotel.

Once again we were fortunate to have the Roulettes provide an entry to the night's entertainment. Right on schedule, two F1-11's streaked overhead to kick off the half hour pyrotechnic display with the finale seeing the return of the F111's to perform their famous dump and burn.

Our vantage point was on the north bank cliff top just on the down river side of the Story Bridge affording us a spectacular view of the bridge with the C.B.D. in the background. At the end of the show we agreed that we should return to this spot next year. This spot also allowed us to see the higher fireworks at South Bank.

For the second year in a row I ran out of film just as the F1-11's returned for their dump and burn. This year the crowd seemed to be bigger than ever. Hopefully, I will be more organised when we stage this social next year.

Terry Silk

Hamilton Heritage Trail Sunday 24th September

Brisbane City Council has produced booklets of heritage and history of each area of the city and closer suburbs. Hamilton is a classic area to view many of theses architectural gems.

We met at Newstead Park early on Sunday morning and descended upon the quiet streets of Hamilton Hill. We walked along Kingsford Smith Dve past "Cameron Rocks" and a large memorial to the soldiers of WW1 from the area. A steep climb up to the first site – "Cremourne House" – which was built in the early 1900' and commanding the finest site overlooking Brisbane River and the city. Further up on the top of the first hill sits "Bishop Bourne" – the home of the Anglican Archbishop of Qld, a fine sandstone home with its own chapel in the garden.

As we made our way on, many modern structures were underway, walls of glass invading every spare space, perched on sides of hills standing along side grand old homes of a gracious era, long gone.

A stop then at Hamilton Library still holding its original roof of glazed tiles made locally. Up to St Augustine's Anglican Church where the oldest bell in Australia hangs at its entrance. The bell dates back to 360AD and is from a Romanian Churchyard. Brought to Australia by WW1 soldiers only to be stolen and lost for some years before being returned to St Augustine's.

Morning tea and coffee at Oriel Park before a climb to the reservoir; overlooking Brisbane and southern suburbs. Amazing views to the boarder and right around to Moreton Island.

A stop further on to gaze in awe at the huge mansion built for the Skase family. The site taken and three grand old homes removed right under our noses in the 1980's. A photo stop outside the stately sandstone castle up on the very top, sitting on a huge piece of the land with views forever.

Welcome cool drinks at the famous Breakfast Creek Hotel with every house on the heritage trail passed and lunch in the park where our morning had commenced. The day had gradually warmed up and breezes from the river were welcome as we relaxed and talked about the day. Thanks to a great group who followed the trail with such interest. Also, many thanks to Justin for the memorabilia gathered from the council and libraries.

Cheers, Maxine
PAST OUTINGS

Stairway Falls or Bust Sunday, 22nd January

Well despite the fact we are stuck in the middle of the worst drought in recorded memory, we did get some rain this week to help slake the thirst of our gardens. For those of you with long memories there was a short sharp period of heavy rain in January this year, right before the club was about to undertake a walk to Stairway Falls.

In order to refresh the minds of the participants and the author the original plan was to go down the Bullant Spur to the Blue Pool on Canungra Creek, then follow the disused track downstream to Stairway Falls. This rarely visited waterfall is amongst the most beautiful in the Lamington National Park, so I was more than a little concerned for the safety of our party when I was seeing reports of massive volumes of rain falling in the Gold Coast Hinterland. I did a quick check with the information desk at the Guest House the evening before the walk and found out that the water in the creek was rather high and this forced me to re-evaluate the overall plan: a view that was reinforced by reports on the day of the walk from other walkers once we arrived at the Green Mountains carpark.

The new plan was to wander down the border track, visit Picnic Rock and then decide what to do after that. Once at Picnic Rock we discovered that there was a lot of water flowing over it and seeing other walkers coming from the other direction with shorts and shirts drenched from fording creeks said to me: **DON'T GO ON!** A few of us wandered down to Elabana falls and were rewarded with a view that will stick in my mind forever: the volume of water flowing over the rocks was the greatest I had ever seen. We then wandered further down the track to look at Box Log Falls: even more water and it was again an absolutely sensational sight. I then discovered that time had run away from us and I got back to the remainder of our party with the speed of a thousand gazelles.

The rest of the party was a little concerned for our welfare and understandably feeling quite frustrated. Once we had all regrouped we rejoined the border track and headed further towards Binna Burra and had lunch surrounded by Antarctic Beech trees. A primordial environment for lunch helped make the day rather special: the leeches did temper our enthusiasm however these little blighters were probably around during the ancient times when these trees first sprouted.

We started walking again and went to a lookout: mist started rolling in and together with the Beech trees helped create an even more primordial environment. There was however no view. About 5 of us went to the lookout and discovered that it was in fact where leeches go for their holidays: or is it a more apt to describe it as the leech equivalent of Hungry Jacks in the mall? Anyway, we headed back to O'Reilly's, coffee and then back to town. All in all, a great day away from Brisbane and thanks to all those who joined me on the day.

Phil the Younger (PtY)

<u>Glen Rock: The Vision Splendid</u> Sunday, 25th June

The Glen Rock recreational park is a very special place near Gatton. I first went there about a year ago on the Point Pure through walk and was amazed with the beauty of the park and how it lends itself to bushwalking adventures. The sense of awe on the day of the walk began with the drive into the park: after we left the foggy gloom of Brisbane the sun broke through and its angle on the low lying hills created shadows that helped highlight every single bump on each hillside. The park has a beautiful creek (water an optional extra) and has mountains and hills on either side. The higher you climb on the hills the more spectacular the views: some of the distant mountains are fringed with rainforest, whilst those directly across the creek are sparsely populated with eucalypts.

So the party of brave bushwalkers went up the creek (paddles firmly in hand but the barbed wire canoe nowhere to be found) for a couple of km before leaving the road, crossing the creek and climbing the ridge that would eventually lead us to Glen Rock. We had several short breaks that not only gave us an opportunity to catch our breath and admire the views, but it also allowed one of the party to catch up (then we made all the right noises about departing immediately upon his arrival). The one thing we did notice was there was a little willy wag tail that was stalking us as we made our way up the ridge. I looked longingly towards Point Pure, remembering that wonderful weekend last year and with anticipation of the walking pleasures that the other ridges in the park can offer.

Once we reached the top of the ridge we made our way to the Rock itself, the geological feature that gives name to the park. One of our party had no doubt seeing the Lion King and made a comment that the you almost see Simba standing on the rock, surveying his kingdom and roaring in approval. We picked our way around the base of the rock and up behind it to our lunch spot. The views were as you can imagine from what I have already said were spectacular and we have already started planning on returning to the park next year to conquer more hills.

So all good things must come to an end! We found a route down from the rock (thanks to the trail-blazing Michael and Pat) that enabled us to complete a circuit, rather than simply back tracking. The track down was a little steep in parts, but we all got down OK. I remembered turning around about ³/₄ of the way down to look back at where we came from and saw two eagles soaring from Glen Rock: why couldn't have they been soaring whilst we were there at lunch time. We finished the walk at about 3:00 pm and made it back to town around 5:00pm, after a break in Gatton.

It was a great walk, challenging at times, but I believe that all who did the walk enjoyed the views as much as I did. Also for those who tested their limits and abilities on the walk, I believe passed the test with flying colours. They now know just how capable they really are and can get themselves out of situations that they may once have considered to be too tricky.

Thanks to all those who joined me on the day, and thanks to Matthew who provided the back deck, tea and scones, and also to Iain, Polly and Max for joining me on the pre-outing the day before the walk.

Philip Kearns.



MT MAY TO MT MAROON Saturday 26th August 2006

Friday 25th was a hot summer's day (officially it was still winter) and I began to dread the thought of climbing Mt. May and Maroon in such heat. However, even though the climb up to the May saddle was hot and unpleasant, for the afternoon's climb up Mt. Maroon there was some respite. As usual we met at Red Hill. 6:00am, came and went. Where was Phil Kearns? There were some comments such as "Go without him" (from his friends mind you). A quick phone call and we found he had just left the comfort of his bed! "But it's not 7:00am yet" was his excuse. By picking him up en route gave him 20 minutes to get ready – and he did it!

Jonas joined us at Goodna and at Boonah we met David Cory – making a total of 11 in the group.

The starting point was the Mt. May Water Reserve so we drove there and then did a car shuffle to enable a car to be left at the base of Mt. Maroon – the walk's finish. While that was being done the rest of the group enjoyed morning tea. I believe Terry had to be stopped from eating all the cake. "Leave some for the car shufflers" he had to be told.

It was 9 am when we finally set off. Jonas was in the lead but had to be delegated to the tail as he was going too fast. Our first real break was at the Mt. May saddle. A lady who was walking by herself joined us at this point. After showing her where she had to go we turned in the opposite direction and headed off down the ridge. The views of Mt. Barney from along the ridge were great and lots of photos were taken.

Morning tea was had just after 11 a.m. on a rocky outcrop. Before us lay our route up Maroon and behind was the ridge we had taken off May. Ivan's bag of lollies was reduced in size after it had been passed around. Morning tea was not prolonged as we still had a long way to go for our lunch on Mt. Maroon.

After finally arriving at the Paddy's Plain area, we picked up an old road which we followed until it was time to climb a bump which would then bring us to another road. We were entertained along the way by Justin's jokes. On a large log we rested for a while and had a quick snack as stomachs were rumbling – it was 1 p.m. Time had now come to start the Maroon ascent.

The pace of the whole group was good and we all moved along at much the same pace. Of course, Paul was always out in front, followed closely by David. Paul's yellow shirt stood out and he was always visible up ahead picking a good route.

It was 2 p.m. when we arrived at our lunch spot – a lovely rocky point that gave us wonderful views in all directions. Before us, displayed in all it glory, was Mt. Barney – Justin was suitably impressed and paid homage to the mountain. To the right was Mt. Ballow and Mt. May, while over to the east was the main peak of Mt. Maroon and on the horizon was Mt. Lindesay and the Scenic Rim. Michael and Phil had much delight in picking out the route they had taken on their recent throughwalk from Border Loop to Mt. Lindesay. They were surprised that Mt. Tanna did not appear as steep as it actually was.

After a good rest of half an hour it was time to move on. A storm was beginning to develop further south, however it did not appear to be of any concern to us. Those who had not been on the Maroon summit before were impressed with the magnitude of the top. Mt. Maroon was once an old volcano and as one moves along the rocky crater rim the picture unfolds before you.

After Paul, Michael and Ivan did a little exploring by themselves we regrouped and arrived in the saddle at 3.30 p.m. to start the rough descent.

Jonas was able to point out the various climbs on the cliffs – Phaedra, Beau Brummell and Ruby of India (which he had climbed several times). Michael was really impressed and I believe he is thinking of joining a rock-climbing group. If think it all happened when Jonas mentioned Ruby of India. Sometimes he could see her up there and when he called Ruby she echoed back. 17

The route down over the years has become very eroded and care is required as the gully is full of loose rocks. Anyway, everybody negotiated it at their own pace and all arrived safely back at Paul's car. Paul, Michael and David set off to complete the car shuffle while the rest of us waited. As the sun was setting and storm clouds were developing a magnificent light display had us all standing in awe. The trees on the east all turned a brilliant orange. Ivan was quick to capture the sight on his camera before it all too soon disappeared. We waited and chatted for the cars to arrive.

It was then off to Boonah for coffee and a snack and the usual happy moments shared after a long walk. Those in Michael's car were delayed, as Jonas could not get through his hamburger fast enough.

It was a great walk and I'm sure all enjoyed it. Having 10 capable and strong walkers on the trip certainly made it easy for me as leader. I can't recall leading a trip where (apart from myself) it was an entire male group. As I said before, all kept together and walked as a group and so there was no lost time waiting around. It was a solid day – total of 8 hours walking. Our stops were brief which enabled us to move on quickly.

Many thanks to the following who came along and contributed to the success of the day. I enjoyed walking with them all and along the way we had many laughs and much sharing of past trips etc. – Joe Finn, Jonas Bernotas, Trevor Kelly, Ivan Mort (who even signed up his membership form on the trip), Terry Silk, Justin Tobin, Phil Kearns, Michael Simpson, David Cory, Paul Evans and myself.

Pat Lawton

Fr Ed Memorial Walk 2nd September

Our day began attending Mass at St Brigid's at 6:30am. Time to reflect and remember the Chaplains who have guided our club in spirituality over the years.

We then departed early for a car shuffle at Toohey Road, and met up on Mt Gravatt lookout with eleven walkers ready to explore Toohey Forest. Weeks of rain had settled the dust on rough tracks and bringing to life all the fresh scents from the eucalypt trees. Wild flowers were plentiful and names given to them all thanks to Phil Murray. Native iris, boronia's, melaleuca and banksias were among the most easily spotted.

We took Acacia track to Mt Gravatt campus passing a healthy waterhole housing birds and lilies. Down the track to cross under the South East Freeway safely. Past years were more adventurous, with Pat L. and BCBC jumping the fence and dodging cars to cross over! The first small creek on the walk was flowing well with Phil commenting it was the first water seen there in many years. We had come at a good time after the welcome rain.

Morning tea was at the Sandstone lookout with views out to the South East and over Moorooka & Tarragindi. Another road to cross – Toohey Rd with busy Saturday traffic, then up to Toohey Mountain and Peg's Lookout. This has unbroken views from a high cliff over to Archerfield Airport with the backdrop of Border Ranges from Boonah, Mt Barney and Maroon around to Cunningham's Gap. Then back down the tracks, with a few travelling via the quarry which was used to lay the foundation roadway forming the South East Freeway in the 1970;'s. The Mayne and Toohey families owned this land before Brisbane City Council purchased it in 1946 to start to provide a green belt around the city. The poor soil quality had also made it impossible to form successfully.

A welcome cuppa at lunch with Louise kindly providing hungry walkers with her famous jam drops. All 45 were consumed by 11 walkers! Some serious eating after a good morning's walk. Four of the party departed to fill afternoon commitments with the remainder taking the Toohey Ridge track back to Mt Gravatt via the elevated boardwalk. A memorial to the Mayne Family sits on Toohey Mountain and down from the boardwalk; the resting place for the Toohey Family. Their remains were removed to the Mt Gravatt cemetery some years ago.

We were back at the cars at 3:00pm with the caves still to be explored. Most in the group were eager to get home to attend the River Fire Show so a promise was made to return and find the caves next time.

The day had been fun and interesting. Thankyou to a top group and Phil Murray's help with names and expertise in the flora area and also thanks to Justin, Joe Finn and Trevor for their kind help on the pre-outing. Apologies to Bridgett Baker who couldn't make it in time but wonderful to see her on the Hamilton Walk.

A day of records asset: Most jam drops consumed, a walker missed before we started and 4 walkers temporally lost before lunch.

Maxine

RAVENSBOURNE 10th September 2006

When we left St Brigid's car park the weather did not seem too bad but by the time we got to Esk it was raining so a couple of our members who didn't have raincoats did a little shopping. Another navigator who assured me that she knew where she was going stopped in Fernvale & saw the rest of the cars drive past. As the leader had stopped at Jindalee to collect Sophie, she stopped & got all the cars grouped again at Esk.

At the entrance to Ravensbourne National Park we were joined by Charmaine Darby who came down from Mt Nebo to join us. The motorbike rally in Esk was cancelled because of the muddy conditions but we decided to continue. We checked out the Gus Buetel lookout but could not see much due to the cloud cover so we headed back to the track where we had morning tea & a sugar hit before we set out. It drizzled & rained as we walked, but the rain only added freshness to the air. The palm trees glistened with the raindrops after it stopped. We walked down the side of the palm gorge, through the eucalyptus forest to the creek. Along the way we heard whip birds, saw yellow chested robins & at the creek watched a male wren displaying for his females.

On the way back we stopped on the cave circuit under the shelter of the overhang to have lunch or second morning tea before coming back to the track via the palm circuit. As we entered the rainforest circuit the black yellow tailed cockatoos flew off above us to let others know we were there.

After returning to the cars we headed off to Sketches, a new resort and coffee shop, where the staff provided us with rugs and blankets as we sat & had our coffee & cake before heading back down the mountain to Esk and onward to St Brigid's. Thanks to Terry, Graham, Louise L., Gordana, Terese, Elizabeth, Jenny, Rosie, Catherine P., Richard & Michelle, James, Phil K., Sophie, Cheryl, & our visitors Amanda Lee, Kathy Burton, & Charmaine Darby. Thanks to the drivers for the day. Although it was wet I think we all enjoyed the day.

Robyn Jones

COOLANGATTA TO NORTH PALM BEACH Sunday 17th September Daywalk

A lovely beach walk in early spring. The day before the weather turned sour with wind and showers. A few people decided not to chance the weather and I lost 4 nominations.

On Sunday morning I had 8 nominations for the trip and they all turned up. The weather was still a bit "iffy". But we headed out and drove down the coast and left the cars at the end of the walk. It was then off to the bus stop to catch the 765 bus in plenty of time. It was just as well we were early as the bus turned up 4 minutes early.

We rendezvoused with Lynne at Tugun and continued down to Coolangatta. We then walked around to Greenmount Point and enjoyed the views of the surfers catching waves. It just looked so good; a real feast for the eyes. Then it was on to Snapper Rocks and watched the guys on boogie boards catching wave's only metres from the rocks. The sparkling water and golden sand was a treat for the eyes. We finally got to Point Lookout and checked out the Captain Cook Memorial. We also had a good look at the memorial plaques for all the ships that were destroyed during World War 2 off the east coast of Australia. I was amazed at how many ships were bombed. There must have been plaques for over 40 ships.

Then was the time for the proper walk as we headed back down the hill and started the beach that goes from two ajar landmarks – Point Danger to Burleigh heads. By now the clouds had cleared completely and it was a beautiful sunny day. It was low tide so it was easy walking on the hard sand. We quickly zipped past Greenmount and Kirra Points and then it was the long expanse to Currumbin but we made excellent time some got the shoes wet when we had to ford a patch of water coming from the Kirra lagoon. There were a few mock complaints as apparently I promised they wouldn't get their feet wet. Well the water was at least 2 inches deep and 8 foot wide.

Before we knew it we were at Currumbin Beach. We made a detour to have a look at the lookout on top of Elephant Rock. There was a long queue waiting to get to the top and the queue was right beside the entrance to the Surf Club. They were very well set up like a coffee shop and they were open for business. A few walkers (who shall remain nameless) decided this was definitely an omen from above that they couldn't ignore and ordered a cup of coffee each. Well we couldn't let them drink alone so we had to join them.

We then worked out why there were so many people around - it was a major art show to display the work of Queensland sculptors. The display was awesome. My favourite was the "owl" made out of chicken wire - it was about 8 feet high and looked like it was about to sweep you away in its large talons. It was just amazing. Anyhow back to the walk. We made a quick detour to circumnavigate Currumbin rock. Then it was lunch time and we found a nice secluded spot beside Currumbin Creek. We had lunch while some young guys on their Jet Ski boats provided the entertainment. Obviously they found the boats rather boring and had to do silly things like acting like idiots with the boats.

Then it was back walking again and we zipped up and over the bridge at Currumbin Creek. Then in no time we met up with my wife Sue in front of our unit. We had a decision to make continue up to Burleigh Heads or go to the unit now and enjoy the hot scones. It was no contest - the hot scones won easily. We then sat down and enjoyed a leisurely afternoon tea with all the goodies that people brought to share.

It was a longish but very easy walk. We covered about 16 kilometres and managed to fit in a coffee and a beer halfway at the surf club. It was a lovely day. Thanks to those who came on the walk. Michael Simpson, Catherine Simpson, Graham Glasse, Philip Kearns, Lynne Lucas, Terry Silk and Therese Abernethy.

Phil Murray

p.s a special thanks to my wife Sue for letting the Club visit her Gold Coast unit.

p.p.s under the new Outings plan a trip like this would be a social walk under the socials calendar not a bushwalk under the Outings Calendar.

Other Items of Interest

WEDDING BELLS John Carter & Cheryll Ross



Some good news to share with members is the news of the upcoming wedding for John Carter who is a life member and former president of the Club.

The big day is on Saturday 11th November 2006 at 12.30 pm at the Holy Family Catholic Church at 18 Simbai St Runaway Bay.

The Club wishes John and Cheryll all the best.

John indicated members are very welcome to come to the Church to John indicated members are very welcome to come to the Church to share this special day with them.

WEB SITE

The Club web site has a lot of useful information on it. http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/index.html It is our tool for 'strangers" to find us.

It is a reservoir of information for existing members also.

It contains: the Abseiling Waiver Form, the Constitution, the Emergency Officer System, the Nomination Form, How we Organise Ourselves, the Leader's Guide, Membership Application Form, the Membership Renewal Form, Visitor's Waiver Form, the Calendar, Outings Descriptions for the month and more.

When on the "Home" page, scroll down to the bottom to find the links to some of the other pages –

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This is below the "e-mail, Club Address and Site Updated.

Just don't rely on the column of Black Link Boxes on the left of the page.

So, it is a resource for Members, not just visitors.

Have a good read, Greg E

"The Alpine Walking Society"

An introduction to the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club's new interest group is to be known as the "Queensland Alpine Walking Society". To answer the question what is the society about is as follows. Many members of the Club have undertaken trips to alpine areas and overseas, treks to places like the Kokoda Track, the Milford Track, the Victorian Alps or trekking in Nepal. These trips have been done either privately or as guests with other clubs or with commercial providers. But hardly any of these trips are publicized. These wider trips are not been made known to a wide range of members.

The primary role of the Society is to record these extracurricular walks and treks by Club members in the Clubs Jilalan magazine, the Barrani Journal or the Annual Report.

The second aim is to strongly encourage members to write a short report about their trips to help publicise these more adventurous feature of bushwalking by members of our club.

The third aim of the society is to encourage members of BCBC to undertake bushwalking or treks in the classic bushwalking areas of Australia and the far flung corners of the world.

The fourth aim of the society is that in time our Club may build up the knowledge, experience, expertise and enthusiasm to take on roles of organizing & offering these types of trips to members of our Club.

At present hardly any of these activities have been mentioned let alone recorded in the Clubs records. I have heard of members planning to do trips in the next few months to places like Cape York, the pilgrims walk in Spain (The pilgrimage to Santiago de Compstela), Mt Feathertop in the Victorian Alps, the Cinque Terre walk in northern Italy and to Machu Pichu in Peru. It is these types of trips that need to be recorded. Also where appropriate (taking into account privacy issues) these walks should be advertised in advance to help build interest. enthusiasm and share someone's excitement about doing these trips and hopefully inspire fellow members to do similar trips.

Membership to the society is open to all members of BCBC, just do one of these classic bushwalks or treks anywhere in the world. It is highly recommended that members will have done a walk to places like Mt Barney, Mt Beerwah or the Main Range so that when they are interstate or overseas they can extol the virtues of walking in Queensland to people they meet on their trips and educate people on the excellent walking available in the Brisbane region. Members will be encouraged to wear a maroon shirt or other apparel that will show they are from Queensland and proud of it.

The special focus of the society will be to encourage treks to the Alpine areas of the Australia mainland and Tasmania but also give recognition to treks & to other significant geographical features like Cape York, Wilson's Promontory and Ayers Rock. Members will also be encouraged to record walks to special mountains like Mt Sinai in Egypt, The Pilgrims walk to Santiago de Compostela in northern Spain or Croagh Patrick in Ireland and Mont St Michael in France.

A major aim of the Society will be to encourage members to visit the highest mountain in the eight Australian States and Territories. A list of possible walks is provided below.

A preliminary list of walks for members to aspire to is as follows

- Mt Feathertop, Vie
- Mt Bowen on Hinchinbrook Island, Qld
- Cape York, Qld
- Mt Ossa and The Overland Track, Tas
- The Western Arthurs Tasmania
- Mt Kosciousko, NSW
- Mt Kinabalu, in Malaysia (Borneo)
- Milford Track NZ
- Kokoda Track, PNG

Another role of the Society is to research and publicise the history and traditions of the BCBC's previous Alpine group called the "Sunshine State Alpine Club" and their mascot Blinky Bill who accompanied members on their overseas trip to all parts of the world.

As for the name of the society it could be • 'The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club's Alpine Walking, Overseas Trekking, Interstate Walks and Religious Pilgrimages Society" - or the "Queensland Alpine Walking Society" for short.

Phil

<u>M.B.S</u>

David Hill made it to his first Coffee Night in September at the popular Merthyr Bowls Club. Surely he is not going to become a social member after all the hard walks he has done with us! He has been having trouble with his knees and he has not long turned sixty. Hopefully, we will see him on plenty more walks.

SAFETY & TRAINING

FMR is organising an abseiling event. It appears to be an advanced activity that would suit those who did the introductory course earlier this year. See details below

Federation Mountain Rescue

Coming Events

October 15, 2006 0800 Elaine Gorge area, Armidale, northern NSW 20 abseils in a canyon and ridge walk out.

Contact - Frank Bowling Ph - 0419715719 E-mail: Frank.Bowling@mater.org.au

FMR TRAINING CALENDAR - 2007 (a shortened version)

DATE	EVENT	CONTACTS
Jan 27,	Tibrogargan	Phil Box
	advanced abseiling]
Feb 24 -	Mt Maroon - rescue	Ron Farmer
25,	training	
Mar 31,	Condamine Gorge	Ted Wassenberg
	area	
	Exploration of little	
	visited gorge	
April	Lynches Creek	Lance

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28 & 29,	Challenging	Rutherford
	Navigation and	
May	Mt Gillies area -	Rob Santry
26 & 27,	Simulated rescues	
June	Equipment &	
16,	Research Day	
	(FMR Rescue Leaders	
	only)	
June	Mezzanine Ridge	Frank Bowling
30,	and Gorge descent	
	advanced bushwalking	
	skills & rock climbing	
	skills	
July 28	Mt Ernest	Robyn Cox
	Full moon traverse	-
Sept 29,	East of Main Range -	Ruth Palsson
Sept 30,	South Wild Cattle	
-	Creek -Exploration of	
	new area.	
Oct 27	Nymboida River	Kevin Blain
28	Canoe trip 45km trip	
	including white water	
Nov 24,	Coffs Harbour area	Trevor Smith
	canyons - Canyoning/	& Kerry de
	Abseiling trip	Clausel

Just an update to help people have an awareness of these trips and hopefully inspire some members to attend some of these trips. In particular I am looking for someone to go on the canoeing trip on the Nymboida with me.

PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Contributed by Liz Little

Ever present God,

May our eyes see the good in all creation.

May our ears hear the music of harmonious relationships.

May our lips speak words of praise and affirmation.

May our hands offer kindness and blessing.

May our hearts carry God's dream of peace and justice for all.

Jilalan

May our feet walk on a sacred path with Christ to guide our steps.

POETRY CORNER

THE DREAM

by Jim Teys

I fell asleep one quiet day. upon a field in springtime bloom. And dreamed a dream as there I lay, silent as in slumber's tomb.

My soul became a weightless form, floating over hill and dale. Above the reach of cloud and storm, to where the sky is blue and pale.

I gazed upon the earth so fair, looked upon the dusty shores. And misted mountains I saw there, and ferny glades I dreamt for more.

Then to the earth I drifted down, like a leaf in autumn fall. And landed lightly on the ground, beneath the eucalyptus tall.

And robins came to sooth me then, with songs to charm a laden heart. And fern fronds brushed me in a glen, so softly I could scarce depart.

Then daylight went in swift retreat, to let the darkness have its way. And the scurry of nocturnal feet, beneath the branches leafy sway.

Storm clouds gathered over head. and droplets showered tree and stone, Awakened from my grassy bed. I grabbed my pack and made for home.

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"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. For with the judgment you make you will be judged and the measure you give will be the measure you get." "Matthew 7:1-2"

> God Bless Louise (Editor)

President's Notes – OCTOBER 2006

Monthly Meetings

Last month's meeting started at the designated time of 7-35 pm and finished just on 9-00 pm. Thanks to all the speakers who gave quick and zappy talks. Also, it is clear members prefer a quick meeting so there is more time for a social chat between members after the meeting. For the November meeting we are having a guest speaker from 8-30 pm so we need to get finish our meeting expeditiously. Perhaps for the October meeting we should aim to finish at a similar time.

Stuart Olver Book - The Scenic Rim

Stuart has asked to give a presentation about his book the Scenic Rim. It is lovely 'coffee table book' with lots of glorious photos of the places we usually go bushwalking.

He will be selling the books at the discounted price of \$30 at the November meeting. At this stage I have received informal orders from 6 people to buy a book. So come along and find about a dedicated lover of the Scenic Rim who was prepared to share his love of the Scenic Rim area with rest of Australia.

Quorum

After 2 months of having less then a quorum we had a quorum for our September meeting. I for one know it is easier to get out and about in the warmer months. Unfortunately we didn't pass the minutes and the treasurer's report from those meetings at the September meeting so we should do it at the October meeting.

Changes to the Calendar

Just a reminder for any **changes or** additions to the Club Calendar please advise me and I will incorporate the changes for the next magazine.

Committee Meetings

Just a reminder about the dates for the upcoming committee meetings. The dates are as follows -

Management Committee:

Wednesday, 1st November at Pat's place at Coorparoo

Wednesday 10th January Venue to be advised.

Rules & By-laws Meeting

Wednesday 11th October at Pat's place at Coorparoo

2007 Outings Planning Meeting

Wednesday, 13th September at Michael Simpson's place.

50th Anniversary Planning:

changed from 23rd Oct as Greg has a school commitment to attend to.

May I suggest an alternative date of Monday 13th November at Greg Endicott's place.

Socials Sub-committee meeting – no date set yet. Perhaps Monday 27th November

Constitutional Review

As previously advised a sub-committee has been formed to look at reviewing the Constitution.

The main issue the sub-committee is looking at is the voting rights and eligibility for non-Catholics to be on Committee. (Basically we need as many people as possible to be able to go on committee).

If you have any thoughts or concerns about the issue please contact any of the following to provide your feedback.

> Pat Mackie, Robyn Jones, Patricia Funnell, Terry Silk or Phil Murray.

We hope to table the first draft at either the November or December meetings

Throughwalking Certificates

I still have 2 throughwalk certificates for Mary Kelly and Mary Tobin to present. Please advise when you are coming to a meeting and I will have the certificates ready for you.

The Hard Drive

The expectation is that we should have this capital purchase finalised by either the October or November meeting.

Barrani Magazine

I hope to have the Barrani journal published before Christmas. If anyone has ideas for articles to be included please contact me or Justin.

For those who are not aware the Club used to print a yearly journal with a range of articles on bushwalking issues. The journal was often over 50 pages long. The last journal was issued in 1967.

Last month Pat Lawton provided me a lovely article about the history of the Club Hut to be included in Barrani.

Also, Barrani is an ideal journal for members to record their trips to places like Kokoda and Milford Sound. It only has to be a one page article. So I am actively encouraging members to share their experiences by putting an article in Barrani. I am working on an article about the second Club Chaplain, Fr Kevin Aspinall. Kevin was the Club's Chaplain for most of the 1960's. I would love to get some further information about him and photos of him. Fr Aspinall celebrated every Barney Mass from 1961 to 1970.

I also hope to be able to get a selection of some of the limericks that were penned for Philip Kearns birthday party in February.

Please contribute your ideas.

The Outings Planning Meeting

The Outings sub-committee got together at Michael Simpson's place in mid September and organised the Outings Program for next year. A copy of the proposed Calendar should be published with the October magazine.

A point of note was a clear decision of the sub-committee was to move away from having too many easy trips and city walks coming under the banner of bushwalks. The very easy trips can and should be organised as part of the socials program. The city walks like the Hamilton Heritage Walk are very enjoyable and will continue to be programmed. These walks will be planned as socials and not as bushwalks.

At the next management committee meeting I will raise the issue of whether there is interest in holding a socials subcommittee to plan the socials (including city walks) for next year.

Federation Pilgrimage 2007

At the September meeting Justin put forward the idea that our Club should offer to help with the organising the 2007 Pilgrimage.

Justin suggested that by offering to assist as the junior partner it is a far easier option then running the Pilgrimage by ourselves in the next few years. A motion was put at the meeting and was carried convincingly 8 votes to 2.

The Queensland Bushwalking Club has taken on the role of senior partner in organising the pilgrimage. They have already received assistance from FMR to assist in running the Pilgrimage.

I have already contacted Qld Bushies through Richard Kolarski and their president Trevor Davern. I am pleased to report that our offer has been warmly received. The final details are yet to be worked out.

The work for our Club is expected to be help with the meet and greet and tea and cakes on the Friday night, asssit by leading several of the walks on the Saturday and to assist with the Sunday morning activities which includes the boot throwing. Also we will need to have Club representatives attend several planning meetings. The expected date for the pilgrimage is the weekend of 18-19 August 2007.

The expected venue for the Pilgrimage is the Yarramalong Outdoor

Recreation Centre which is a campsite and convention centre near Aratula. It is very close to Mt Greville and Lake Moogerah. The address is 688 Lake Moogerah Rd Kalbar 4309.

Qld Bushwalkers are having a basecamp at Yarramalong on the weekend of 4th and 5th November and they also intend to start planning the pilgrimage that weekend.

Federation Update

It was suggested that we should make more of an effort to make sure our Club had representation at the monthly federation meeting.

A suggestion was put forward and basically endorsed that we should have a rolling rotational arrangement whereby we have a list of members attend 1 meeting each.

The idea was endorsed and the next step is to prepare a list of names for people to attend certain meetings. A list of names will be worked out soon.

FMR Update

FMR have issued their training program for next year. It looks very interesting and appears to be very similar to an outings calendar. A copy of the calendar should be in this magazine.

WILD Magazne

The commercial magazine WILD was issued the last week September. The magazine is highly recommended to all members. Also it has 2 interesting articles in it.

The first one is an article on the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Walk. The trip Liz Little is leading to Baroon Lookout and Gheerulla falls goes to two of the main highlights of this trip and it is handy to see how the magazine describes the trip.

The other article of interest is about a 2 day through walk to "the Fainters" in the Victorian Alps. This trip is of interest to me as I will be doing that trip on the Melbourne Cup weekend this year with our sister Club the Catholic Walking Club of Victoria. The only difference is that I start from the western side and we will be doing it as a daywalk. It is these type of trips that I want to record members to start to record. See my note about the Queensland Alpine Walking Society in this magazine

Why go bushwalking

Just a little saying that may be useful if you ever have to explain why you go bushwalking. Many of our trips are to the mountainous regions of south east Queensland. In the book *Sheer Will* by Michael Groom who is an Australian Himalayan mountaineer, Michael explained his drive to climb mountains by referring to a comment by a legendary Italian mountaineer, Riccardo Cassin who said "if you were born for mountains sooner or later you will find yourself drawn towards them...".

This little quote helps explain why we have to keep going back.

So Happy Walking

Phil the elder

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No.				Time	Time (ms)	Time	Category	Category	Place	
17353	THERESE	ABERNETHY	12 KM	07:10:38	09:22:53	02:12:15	40-49	1340	13787	
17354	KELLY	BEAVERSON	12 KM	07:10:56	09:30:38	02:19:42	19-29	2337	14499	
17370	ANNE	CASHMAN	12 KM	07:00:38	09:08:25	02:07:46	40-49	1249	13150	
17371	LOUISE	CASHMAN	12 KM	06:59:38	08:09:09	01:09:31	13 & Under	20	4655	
17372	PAUL	CASHMAN	12 KM	06:59:10	08:05:44	01:06:34	19-29	865	3793	
17373	JENNIFER	CASHMAN	12 KM	06:59:38	08:09:13	01:09:35	19-29	435	4675	
19205	JIE	CHEN	12 KM	07:10:49	09:04:59	01:54:09	30-39	1427	10931	
17359	GREGORY	ENDICOTT	12 KM	07:10:54	09:06:25	01:55:30	50-59	767	11111	
17360	STEPHEN	ENDICOTT	12 KM	07:11:11	09:06:18	01:55:07	14-18	248	11061	
17361	LUCY	ENDICOTT	12 KM	07:11:11	08:46:57	01:35:46	13 & Under	72	8789	
17362	MICHELE	ENDICOTT	12 KM	07:10:54	09:57:05	02:46:11	50-59	954	15163	
19257	MICHELE	JOHNS	12 KM	07:10:38	09:22:53	02:12:15	50-59	777	13786	
17365	MARY	KELLY	12 KM	07:10:48	09:04:56	01:54:07	40-49	941	10924	
13431	CLAIRE	LEONARD	12 KM	07:04:34	08:24:33	01:19:59	19-29	851	6876	
3406	MICHAEL	LEONARD	12 KM	07:01:29	08:02:02	01:00:33	50-59	160	2111	
17358	LIZ	LITTLE	12 KM	07:10:56	09:08:21	01:57:25	50-59	493	11381	
17356	PATRICIA	MACKIE	12 KM	07:10:46	09:32:03	02:21:17	60-69	143	14598	
17364	CHELSEA	MOTLIK	12 KM	07:11:21	09:18:49	02:07:27	19-29	2101	13098	
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13432	JOE	TOTTENHAM	12 KM	07:02:06	08:31:49	01:29:43	50-59	576	8226
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