

O'Reilly's Trip, Australia Day 1958



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DATE	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT	TYPE	GRADE
26/28	Tenterfield	Paul		BC	
26	Tooloona Circuit (DW) (50 th Anniv Walk)	Maxine		DW	
30	Coffee Night – Jolly's Lookout	Greg		Soc	
Feb 2	Booloumba Gorge	Justin		DW	
3	Wilston Heritage Walk	Barbara		DW	
10	Little Kings	Maxine		CW	
12	Movie Night	Michael		Soc	
15	JTS – Fihelly's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16	Mary River Rattler	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
16/17	Mts Tuchekoi/Borumba	Michael	3351 3810	ON	M44
18	Annual General Meeting & Monthly Meeting	Philip	3870 3710	Meet	
23	Obi Obi Day Float	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M78
24	Warrie Circuit & The Pinnacle	Philip	3870 3710	DW	L45
26	FMR Meeting				
27	Coffee Night - Café Zanetti	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
28	BWQ Meeting				
29	James Boag Society - The Courtyard	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
Mar 2	Mt Walker	Philip	3870 3710	DW	M44
11	Movie Night @ Stafford City 10	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
15	Council Elections			Voting	
15	Club Hut Feast	Maxine	3203 4699	Soc	M44
16	Isolated Peak	Iain	3371 4672	DW	M77
17	Monthly Meeting			Meet	
21	Good Friday				
21/24	Sundown National Park (Easter)	Michael	3351 3810	BC	
23	Easter Sunday				
24	Flinder's Peak	Pat	3366 1956	DW	
25	FMR Meeting				
26	Coffee Night – The Grove	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
27	BWQ Meeting				
28	JTS – The Victory	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
30	50 th Anniv Mass & Lunch	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
Apr 5	Blackbutt to Linville	Michael	3351 3810	DW	
12	Black Canyon	Rick	3269 8317	ON	
18	JTS – The Criterion	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	Beerburrum/Dularcha Tunnel	Graham	3371 9623	SW	
21	Monthly Meeting			Meet	
25	Anzac March	Terry	3355 9765	SOC	
25/27	Swan Creek/Huntley/Sentinel Pt	Joe	3848 4642	TW	
May 3/5	Pittwater	Justin	3366 3193	BC	
3/5	Goomburra	Michele	3353 2822	BC	
3/5	Somewhere between Edwards Gap & Cunningham's Gap	Matthew	3876 8125	TW	
9/11	Upper Portals	Justin	3366 3193	BC	
16	JTS – Mick O'Malley's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
17	Mt Coot-tha Walk	Brendan	0417 261 842	SW	
18	Mt Chinghee	Anthony	3342 0386	DW	
24	Annual Mass & Dinner (50 th Anniv)	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	

The Calendar is subject to change without notice

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

KEY – Walk Types

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

KEY – Walk Gradings

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

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

EDITOR'S REPORT

ARTICLES: Please have all Jilalan articles to Greg by the 1st of the month. Articles should be e-mailed to me at **endhouse@bigpond.net.au**. I prefer not to get a hard copy. Please follow the "Jilalan Style Guide". If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092.

As Editor, I reserve the right to alter, amend, move, shorten or not print articles.

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PRAYER OF THE MONTH

We are sent in the name of God who comes to set us free.

We are sent with the teachings of Jesus who comes among us with justice and joy.

We are sent to live in the spirit of Christmas proclaiming peace on earth.

Amen

(St Mary's Mass Sheet, South Brisbane)



Brisbane Catholic Bushwalkers Club Inc.
invites you to the

50th Anniversary Mass & Lunch

Date: Sunday 30th March 2008

Mass Venue: Saint Brigid's Church at
78 Musgrave Road, Red Hill.

Time: 11.30 am

Celebrant: Archbishop John Bathersby

Lunch Venue: The Auditorium

Broncos Leagues Club
Fulcher Road, Red Hill.

Time: From 1.00 pm to 5.30 pm.

Lunch served at 2.00 pm

Cost: \$35[#] per adult for a buffet lunch
\$15 per child (ages 4-14)

Beers, wines, tea & coffee and dessert are available for purchase as extras. Bring along your memories to share. Sit with friends and relive the past.

There is plenty of parking at both venues.

RSVP: Holy Thursday 20th March

Archbishop John Bathersby will once again celebrate Mass for us. He celebrated the Barney Mass for the Club in 1983 and 2007, as well as the 40th Anniversary Mass.

All Members, Former Members, Families and Friends are most welcome at both the Mass and the Lunch.

Special guests will be the Club Founders Willie Hayes and Raoul Mellish.

After Mass we will join together for a meal and a chat, a few speeches and display of Club memorabilia at the Broncos Leagues Club.

There will be commemorative booklets for sale.

Please nominate to Phil or Greg as we need to ensure we have sufficient Mass booklets prepared and must also advise Broncos of accurate numbers for lunch.

Spread the word far and wide to former members, as we don't have current addresses for many. We are hoping to have former members from each era.

Phil Murray philriver@optusnet.com.au

Or Greg Endicott Ph: 07 3351 4092 any time and leave a message

Those attending Broncos but not having the meal are asked to make a donation of \$5.

PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS

It's that time of year again: our membership falls due and we participate in the democratic cycle of our Club.

This report will not be long: you will have more than enough reading this month with the publication of the Annual Report and the fantastic trip reports for the month of January in your Jilalan. I have been lucky enough to be on all bar one of the walks this year: sorry I missed your river walk a few weeks ago Patricia, I heard it was fantastic. From what I have done so far, this year will be a real cracker.

It's our 50th Anniversary. We're having a celebratory Mass and Dinner (Lunch) on 30th of March. The Archbishop will say Mass for us at St Brigid's that day then we will have lunch at the Bronco's Leagues Club. It'll be a great day of memories, even taller stories and lots of laughter to brighten everyone's day. Everyone is invited to come along. Please do.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of 2007. Whether you just did one walk, drove people on walks, baked a cake or brought a packet of biscuits to meetings, attended a coffee night or served on the executive, you have contributed to the wonderful tapestry that is our Club.

It is with sadness we note the passing of Catherine Simpson's mother. Catherine, Michael and family, our thoughts are with all of you during this very trying time. Please remember Catherine's Mother and family in your thoughts and prayers. Please remember all of our deceased family members in our collective prayers to our creator God.

Philip Kearns

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS COORDINATOR

The bushwalking year is well underway. It's interesting to note that every walk so far this year has involved water. The second of our 50th Anniversary walks occurred last month and by all accounts was a great day. The next event is the Mass & Lunch to celebrate our formation and I am looking forward to this day.

I have had eight (8) nominations at this stage for the Wilson's Promontory through walk and almost as many expressions of interest. With such an interest, it looks like we will be able to split into 2 groups and join up each night for a party. It seems the South Coast Walk has inspired others, as I know of 2 groups currently planning the trek for this coming year. This is great and I hope the interest leads to an increase in our membership.

Michael (3351 3810, 0409 620714 or michaellesimpson@optushome.com.au)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 17/12/07	\$2757.36
Plus Receipts	\$ 790.05
	\$3547.41
Less Payments	\$1051.33
Balance 21/1/08	\$2496.08
Term Deposit	\$2059.19

A reminder to those who still have not renewed their membership; you are running out of time if you wish to continue receiving your "Jilalan". Please complete your membership renewal form, remembering to sign it and return it to the Club as soon as possible. (Your renewal form is at the back of this magazine.)

Congratulations to Michelle Anderson who won our January meeting lucky door prize which was donated by Michael Simpson. This year I can not afford to waste any time in starting the Club's first raffle for the year. Consequently, I have started selling tickets with the prize being a hamper which was kindly donated by Graham Glasse. The good news is that tickets are still only one dollar each and, naturally, you need to have one in order to stand any chance of winning the prize.
Terry.

MBS: Windsor Road Baptist Church billboard sign - "If God had a fridge, your photo would be on it."

ABOUT PEOPLE

It is with sadness that we heard of the sudden death of Catherine Simpson's mother last week. Our sympathies are with Catherine & Michael and family.

Michele Endicott, Philip Kearns, Kerry Mulligan, Greg Miller, Greg Rogers, Louise Rooney, Michael Simpson and Terry Silk are having a birthday in February.

Michele Johns has just returned from a through walk in New Zealand where she also caught up with her family. Lyn Lucas did a walk in South Africa last December. Is there any truth in the rumour that she is engaged?

Luella Forbes, Michelle Anderson and Nicola Pritchard were welcome visitors at our January meeting. We also had enquiries from Dorelle Hegarty, Joe Booker, Ian Debert, Karen Burns and Greer Collins. We always encourage visitors to join us on any of our activities so that we can get to know each other better. Tracy Hager and Peggy Roe have already clocked up two walks this year as visitors, having both done Greg's Illinbah Circuit and Maxine's Tooloona Circuit walks.

A walker called Philip the Younger
For cakes had an awesome hunger
Wherever he'd walk
Of food he would talk
Now he's grown bigger (not younger) no wonder

COMING EVENTS

TRIPS still leave from St Brigid's car park at Red Hill.

Could Leaders please find Emergency Officers prior to submitting articles – I'm just the Editor

**15TH FEBRUARY, FRIDAY
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING
FIELLY'S BAR**

Contact: Phil Murray 5522 9702
Or 0413 307 580

Time: From 4pm onwards till 8pm or much later.

Where: Grand Central Hotel, Below Central Railway Stn, 260 Ann St

What For: For a chat and a drink

Drinks: Whatever you want – wine, beer, coke, water, coffee

Web: <http://www.grandcentralhotel.com.au/bar/fiellys.html>

Emerg Off: Phil on 0413 307 580.

The Club has a regular gathering in town for a social drink and a chat on the third Friday of the month. This month we are meeting at the Grand Central Hotel in Fihelly's Bar. (It is apparently pronounced as "feelies").

The bar is very popular with office workers, oldies, trendies and yuppies. The plan is to grab one of the footpath tables and enjoy an afternoon and evening of socialising and hear the latest news on who is doing what job on the committee.

They have a good selection of wines, soft drinks, water and food.

The pub has a wide selection of beers on tap, in particular the top line Irish beers of Guinness and Kilkenny. Plus there are Toohey's Old and Cascade, plus a few Boutique beers like James Squire Pale Ale. For the true believers it is a great opportunity to join me on the quest to determine what is the best of the above beers.

But it is not all beer. Have what you like.

All members, visitors & friends are welcome to come along and enjoy a social chit chat and discuss the big issues of bushwalking, the next trip to Tasmania – one suggestion is the Western Arthur's.

Phil the Elder

MBS: Who were the exhibitionists keeping us in suspense on Baxter's Creek? Yes, there is photographic evidence.

**16TH - 17TH FEB, SAT TO SUN
THE VALLEY RATTLER/MT
TUCHEKOI/BORUMBA MT
SOCIAL AND/OR DAY WALK AND/OR
OVERNIGHT**

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810
or 0409 620 714

Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7.00 am

Cost: \$20:00 (Rattler) + \$15 (Fuel) + Camp Fees

Grading: Social and/or M 4 4

Web: <http://www.thevalleyrattler.com/>

Emerg Off: Catherine Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

Join me for a weekend where anything goes. You can ride the Valley Rattler from Gympie to Imbil for lunch and then you may go home.

Or you can stay and climb Mt Tuchekeoi, a moderately easy 288m mountain near Imbil.

Or you can enjoy the delights of Imbil and/or Kenilworth before returning to Brisbane.

If you decide to stay we will be dining in Imbil after Mass before spending the night at the campground near Borumba Dam.

On Sunday we will be climbing Borumba Mt, a 624m mountain near Borumba Dam. This walk should take 4-5 hours and I expect to finish the climb around lunch. We should be back in Brisbane early on Sunday afternoon.

As the Valley Rattler is popular, I will need to book places by the end of January so please nominate to me as early as possible.

Michael.

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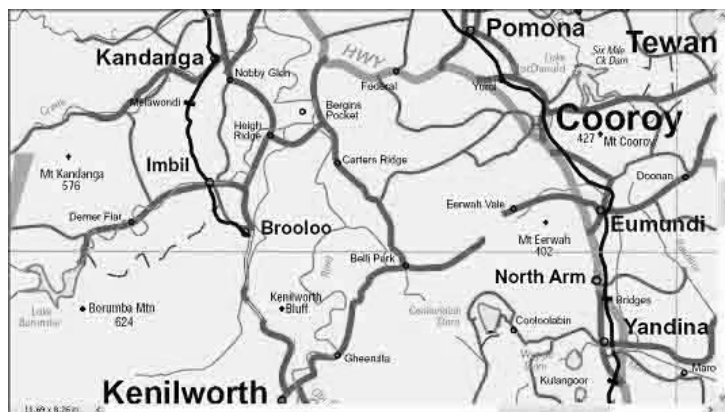
Cost: \$15 (Fuel) + Camp Fees

Grading: M 4 4

Web:

http://www.nrw.qld.gov.au/property/mapping/pdf/cooloola_mapview.pdf

Emerg Off: Catherine Simpson Ph: 3351 3810



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You can come just for the daywalk if you want – either day, but let me know so I can arrange a meeting place & time. You will need your own transport, unless a car load is coming just for the day.

Michael.

**NOTICE OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
18TH FEBRUARY 2008, MONDAY
St Michael's Parish Hall
Banks St, Dorrington**

Contact: Philip Kearns, President

Ph: 3870 3710

Location: St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St,
Dorrington

Time: 7:30pm

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Monday 18th February at 7.30pm, at the St Michael's Parish Hall.

The business conducted will include:

Receive the Committee's Report,
and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2007;

Receive the Auditor's Report;

Election of Committee for 2008;

The appointment of the 2008 Auditor;

Voting of Honorary Members; and other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

All persons are welcome to attend – Do Not be put off – you are getting 2 meetings for the price of 1.

Members should attend to carry out their democratic rights, and to vote in the new committee. It works better if we have more than the usual number of members there.

As soon as the AGM is completed, the normal February Monthly Meeting will commence under the command of the new committee.

Visitors will find it a bit slow, but will see the Club in operation. Also, the regular monthly meeting is on afterwards, so Visitors can ask leaders about their coming trips.

See you all there.

Desley Pedrazzini

Club Secretary

**23RD FEBRUARY, SATURDAY
OBI OBI LILO TRIP
DAYWALK**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
Mob 0413 307580

Meet at: St Brigid's Church Carpark,
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 6:15am

Grading: M 7 8

Cost: \$20:00

Location: Up in the Blackall Ranges,
between Maleny & Kenilworth

Web:
<http://www.montvillevillage.com.au/natparks.html>

Emerg Off: Greg Endicott Ph 3351 4092

The Obi Obi Creek Lilo Trip is one of the best ever bushwalks you can do. The trip is located up at the back of Montville on the Sunshine coast hinterland. It is a lilo trip along the Obi Obi Creek for about 10 kilometres. You need a lilo to do this trip –they only cost about \$20. The disposal store in Elizabeth Street in the city has them.

The plan has changed. The original plan was to only do about a third of the creek. However, it is clear after the January trip that some of the best rapids are below the junction with Skene Creek. If the water is flowing freely over the spillway of the Baroon Pocket Dam we will do the long trip. The long trip is all the way down to the road bridge on the Kenilworth to Obi Obi Road.

The trip will only be going out if there is sufficient water over the spillway - if less than 10cm over the spillway we won't be going as the rapids don't have enough water to provide a safe ride over the rocks and boulders.

The trip is about 15% walking and the rest liloing. The highlight of the trip is the first long rapid which is about an hour after the gorge.

After we had all the rain in early January, I just had to go and do a trip when the water was up rather than risk missing it. So the call went out for those who might be interested to come along and I quickly got 8 starters. Actually 8 people is about the safe limit for a group. We did the trip on Sunday 21st January and the water over the spillway was at least 13 cm. There was some "uming and aahing" as to whether we would do the long trip or the short trip. Eventually we decided on

doing the long trip and it is certainly the best way as there are so many excellent rapids below the Skene Creek junction. They are not really rapids but they are more a water race and they are just so easy to glide through.

For a while I was concerned that we might miss out on the February trip but there has been plenty of rain recently (500mm over the spillway) so things are looking good for a second trip this summer. The first hour can be a bit tricky as we have to walk around (called "portages") the mini waterfalls and bigger rapids for safety reasons.

As to gear to bring you obviously need a lilo or air bed. I highly recommend that people wear their thermal underwear, that is the polypropylene tops and a full length long johns as they provide excellent sun protection and are skin tight so they won't get snagged by the rocks and shrubs. I strongly recommend people wear sandals like the Dunlop Volleys. Also it is very handy to use a "drysack" that you can buy from camping shops for about \$16.00.

Bring the normal stuff you need for a day trip - a daypack, a cap, lunch, water bottle, torch & sunscreen - to keep your gear, lunch and clothes dry the simplest and cheapest method is put all your gear inside a garbage bag and put a tie in it and repeat this process twice and then put this inside your daypack I also suggest that people have garden gloves to wear on their hands to minimise the chance of bruises and cuts. .

I also need to mention that as we are going into moving water there is an elevated risk factor of injury and property damage. I don't mention the danger factor to scare people away but just to scare them! The rapids show no mercy. The water will do what it wants to do. So I need to ensure that people have an awareness and a respect for the dangers involved and are ready and prepared to take action to save themselves.

Phil

There was a young man called Phil (the Younger)
He climbed a very big hill
He hugged a rock
Got a big shock
It's a wonder he's not out there still

**24 FEBRUARY, SUNDAY
WARRIE CIRCUIT AND THE PINNACLE
DAYWALK**

Leader: Philip Kearns Phone 3870 3710
Or 0411 016 864
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark, Red Hill
Time: 6:30 am
Cost: \$15.00
Grade: L 4 5
Location: Springbrook, in the Gold Coast
Hinterland

Web: <http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=31>

Emerg Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

The Warrie Circuit is lovely walk in the Springbrook National Park. The circuit itself is a 17km walk, and with The Pinnacle thrown in, we'll get up to 20km of walking in one day (whew, that'll help get rid of the Christmas excesses). I first did this walk back on that really hot day Brisbane had in 2004. It was my second walk with the Club and Robyn Jones was the leader.

So onto the walk itself. The track starts up on the Springbrook Plateau and works its way down the gorge via a series of beautiful waterfalls and meanders along the creek to the Meeting of the Waters, where several creeks meet with each other. The track then works its way up from the creek junctions to the carpark. It's probably advisable to do the walk in the "reverse order" because we get the dry part of the walk over in the cool part of the day. We can all enjoy the beautiful waterfalls on the way back during the heat of the day when we need them the most. The walk is along graded tracks and there is no technical walking, so it is within all club members' abilities.

What should you bring: all the usual things you need on bushwalks: first aid kit, sunscreen, lunch, morning tea, etc. It is probably a good idea to bring about 3 litres of water. You may even get a chance for a swim at lunchtime.

Come and join me for a lovely day in the rainforests of Springbrook.

Phil.

MBS: "I haven't got my glasses with me" - the excuse for thinking the shirtless man running towards her was arriving for her walk. If she couldn't see his face, how come she could describe his six pack so well?

**27TH FEBRUARY, WEDNESDAY
COFFEE NIGHT**



Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Where: Zanetti's Restaurant, Blackwood St, Mitchelton (near the level crossing)
Time: 7:00pm for Dinner, 7.30 for Coffee & Cakes
Web: Map - http://www.eatability.com.au/au/brisbane/zanetti_in_the_vineyards/map.htm

This is a popular establishment which we have used before. So please come early for a meal or a bit later for coffee and cake. On a balmy summer's evening, it is lovely sitting out in the open in the plaza sharing a meal with friends. This is an ideal opportunity to relax and socialise on a summer's evening. Discuss the year ahead.

They have a good range of Italian & Modern Australian meals. It is a licensed restaurant. They have great coffee, and even greater cakes, cheesecakes & slices.

Just turn up – no need to nominate.

Plenty of parking – if the street is full, park behind & walk through the arcade.

See you there.

Greg.

**29TH FEBRUARY, FRIDAY
THE COURTYARD
JAMES BOAG'S SOCIETY**

Contact: Liz Little Ph: 3356 4874
Where: 4/411 Newmarket Road, Newmarket
When: 4pm onwards
Bring: Wine, champagne, soft drink, juice, beer, etc, photos, conversation, companionship, smiles, stubbie coolers.

This date is the fifth Friday in February and won't occur on a Friday again for another 28 years, until 2036. So an extraordinary meeting is called for!

The Club meets from time to time for social occasions, where we can relax and talk freely. This is one such occasion. The sky is the subject – figuratively & not just literally. Talk about Life, the Universe & Everything. Work out The Meaning of Life. What is "42"? Talk about events past – like Christmas, extended trips, or about things future – like Easter & extended trips. This is an occasion to

meet with your fellow walkers in a different setting and get to know them as people.

If you have never attended a JTS, this is the one for you, because it is a James Boag's. Come whenever you like. It is not dogmatic that you arrive on time. Six pm or later is early enough. If you work late, you can still come. There is plenty of time. There is ample parking. There is no competing noise. You will actually be able to hear the person next to you. There will be no one to spill drinks over you, unless you want it.

Sit around in the cool of the evening beside friends. Have a snack. Have dinner. Have a good time. Have a drink or two. Relax.

This meeting is entirely BYO for all liquids. Fortunately, there is a bottle shop across the road. Refrigeration will be provided, along with the traditional hot chips to eat. For those who like to include a meal, a variety of take away food shops are also located conveniently across the road.

If you are travelling to *The Courtyard* by train:

- Alight at *Newmarket Station* on the Ferny Grove line.
- Exit by the subway at the city end of the station.
- Turn left into Wilston Road.
- Walk about 100 metres to a T-junction.
- Turn right into Newmarket Road.
- Walk about 250 metres.
- 411 will be on the right.
- The bottle shop will be on the left.

If you are travelling to *The Courtyard* by bus:

- The 345 *Aspley* bus leaves every 10-15 minutes from the inbound platform at the Cultural Centre bus station.
- It also stops on the corner of George and Adelaide Streets at Stop 16 and in Roma Street at Stop 124.
- Other buses leave from other parts of the city and can be researched at www.translink.com.au or phone 13 12 30. They are the 325, 360, 361, 372, 373, 357, 359 and 390. Type in *411 Newmarket Road*. **Do not type the unit number in.**
- Alight at *Newmarket Stop*. (The driver will alert you if you ask in advance.)
- Continue walking outbound.
- Cross one intersection.
- Take the next right into Newmarket Road.
- Walk about 100 metres.
- 411 will be on the left.
- The bottle shop will be on the right.

(For those travelling home alone, the bus stop is located in a busy, well lit place.)

Maps can be found at www.whereis.com or in *Google Maps*.

This will be your only opportunity to visit *The Courtyard* for a "James", so come along – why not bring a friend.

**2nd MARCH, SUNDAY
MT WALKER
DAYWALK**

Leader: Philip Kearns Ph: 3870 3710
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7.00am
Cost: \$10:00
Location: On the right of the road to
Cunningham's Gap, near Muttapilly
Grading: M 4 4
Emerg Off:

Mt Walker is a 471m mountain northeast of Warrill View. The views from Mt Walker will give a different perspective of the Little Liverpool Range, the Main Range and the Fassifern Valley. So come and join Philip climb a rarely visited mountain close to Brisbane.

Michael.

**11TH MARCH, TUESDAY
MOVIE NIGHT
Stafford City**

Contact: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810
Or 0409 620714
Where: Stafford 10 Cinemas – Stafford
City Shopping Centre,
Meet at: Fasta Pasta – Shop E13 (first shop
at rear entrance)
Time: 6pm
Cost: \$12.00 (movie only)
Web: <http://www.a-m-c.com.au/>
Location: Stafford Rd between Webster Rd
& Windorah St

It has been decided to try a different venue this month. Therefore we will be going to the Stafford 10 Cinemas at Stafford City. It is on Stafford Road about halfway between Webster Road and Shand Street.

We will meet at or near Fasta Pasta, a café sited just inside the rear entrance near the cinema. The link below contains a map of the centre.

<http://www.thefirstgroup.com.au/images/centreProfiles/StaffordProfile.pdf>

**15TH MARCH, SATURDAY
CLUB HUT BIRTHDAY**

Contact: Maxine Brophy Ph 3203 4699
Meet At: St Brigid's, Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7am
Grade: S 3 3
Location: At BCBC Hut, on the beautiful shores of Mt Barney Creek, west of Rathdowney Mt Lindesay

Web:
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/55449428@N00/193798542>

Cost: \$ 15.00

Warning – There are the Council elections on this day. Either do Postal Voting, Pre-polling or vote after 8am at Rathdowney.

We celebrate this occasion each year with a walk into our Club Hut. Cars are left at the lower portals car park where our walk into the Hut begins.

There are two small creek crossings along the track, and views of Mtns Maroon and Barney as we walk in. Recent rains will have Barney Creek flowing beautifully past our hut, with swimming at the Lower Portals promising to be at its best.

Lunch and a cuppa beside Barney Creek as you hear stories of memorable times shared at the hut.

Please bring your favourite sweet to share around at lunch as we say happy birthday Yalburru.

If staying for the weekend to join Iain's walk Sunday, we will have a special feast celebration on Sat night. Looking forward to a great weekend at this very special place.

Maxine.

16th MARCH, SUNDAY ISOLATED PEAK DAYWALK

Leader: Iain Renton Ph 3371 4672 Or Mob: 0401 429 085
Meet at: St. Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 5.30 am
Grade: M77
Cost: \$20.00
Location: Mt Barney, near the NSW border beyond Rathdowney

Web:
<http://www.bushwalking.org.au/bushwalking/BWAutumn05.pdf>

Emerg Off: Matthew & Kerry Ph 3876 8125

Warning – There are the Council elections on Saturday. If you are doing the Feast on Saturday, either do Postal Voting, Pre-polling or vote after 8am at Rathdowney.

Join me for a scenic and adventurous walk up Isolated Peak. You'll get plenty of spectacular close-up views of many of Barney's peaks.

It is a prolonged steep climb with a fair bit of rock-scrambling and a couple of exposed bits. We'll then descend past the falls at Barney Beautiful to Barney Creek and rockhop back to the hut. After a quick cuppa there we'll return to the cars

You can choose to go down on Sunday morning or walk in on Saturday for the Club Hut Feast, stay overnight at the hut and join the walking party on the track on Sunday morning.

Iain.

THU 20TH MARCH TO MON 24TH MARCH SUNDOWN NATIONAL PARK THROUGH WALK AND BASE CAMP EASTER

Leader: Michael Simpson Ph: 3351 3810 or 0409 620714
Meet at: St Brigid's, Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 7.00 pm
Cost: \$60:00
Grading: L 7 7 (through walk).
M 3 3 to M 4 4 (base camp).
Location: On the border, west of Stanthorpe & South of Texas

Web:
<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=26>
[http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/publications/p00144aa.pdf/Sundown National Park.pdf](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/publications/p00144aa.pdf/Sundown_National_Park.pdf)
Emerg Off: Catherine Simpson Ph: 3351 3810

Sundown National Park is a rugged park with spectacular exposed granite outcrops and cliffs lying on the border south of Texas and south west of Stanthorpe. It is a 3 hour drive so we will leave on either Thursday evening or early Friday morning. There will be two options available. The first will be a circuit of the southern part of the park including Blue Gorge whilst the other is still in the planning and depends on who nominates. The area usually has little water but with the recent rains I am hopeful the creeks and rivers will be flowing.

This is a rarely visited area by the Club so come and join me for the first through walk of the year.

Michael.

**24th MARCH 2008 - EASTER MONDAY
FLINDERS PEAK
DAY WALK**

Leader: Pat Lawton Ph. 3366 1956.
Meet at: St. Brigid's, , Red Hill.
OR 77 Church Street Goodna.
Time: 7 a.m.
Cost: \$10-00.
GRADING: M 4 4
Water: 2 litres.
Location: 20 minutes south of Ipswich, on the Boonah road.

Web:
<http://www.greatsoutheast.com.au/gsec2cqw/story.asp?weekID=313&storyID=949>

Emerg Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

If you are not going away for Easter you might like to join me on Easter Monday on a walk to Flinders Peak.

The walk, which was scheduled for Easter Monday, was to be in the Mt Glennie area. Having done a pre-outing I have decided that this walk is not suitable for Easter Monday – due mainly to the length of the walk. Also recent heavy rain in the area has seen a tremendous growth of waist high grass (containing lots of snakes).

I have now chosen Flinders Peak, which is a bit closed to Brisbane, and the walk is not so long.

Flinders Peak is the major peak in the Ipswich-Logan region. Although it is only 679m high, its rocky profile dominates the skyline between Ipswich and Jimboomba

There is a communication tower and helipad on the peak, which somewhat spoils the atmosphere, however great views of the Scenic Rim and surrounding areas are obtained.

The walk is within the capabilities of any reasonable fit person, however it has a few minor difficulties and a rocky razorback adds some extra interest. If you want to do something a little more challenging than a graded track walk why not give this a go.

As has been the case on previous Easter Mondays this walk will be a combined walk the BOSQ (Bushwalkers of Southern Qld.). These walks are a great success and they give people a change to meet and mix with members from other clubs.

Looking forward to seeing you on this great walk.
Pat.

MBS: The cold amber coffee Michael likes - is it available at any coffee shop or only special ones?

**30TH MARCH, SUNDAY
50TH ANNIVERSARY MASS & LUNCH**

Leaders: Phil Murray Ph 5522 9702
OR Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Nominations: are essential for Bronco's catering

Mass:-

Meet at: St Brigid's Church, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Meet Time: 11.15am

Lunch:-

Meet at: Bronco's Leagues Club, Fulcher Rd, Red Hill – The Auditorium.

Meet Time: 1.00pm

Cost: \$35.00

Emerg Off: Greg Mob: 0418 122 995

Our Club has turned 50. Let's celebrate. It's time to kick up our heels, lift our skirts, puff up our chests and prance around.

The first part of the celebrations is a Mass at St Brigid's, said by Archbishop Bathurst. He has had a long association with the Club, the first contact was saying a Mt Barney Mass in 1983, when a young priest. We are glad he has the time to say this important Mass for us now. St Brigid's is a lovely Cathedral type church – tall ceilings, red brick, columns, wood panelling, and impressive altar. The Mass should go for an hour. Phil will organise musicians & hymns, as well as a souvenir booklet. Come along and sing up, say a prayer for us all, and especially for our deceased past members. All members, past members, families, BCBC friends & members of other clubs are most welcome to attend.

The time for talking is not in St Brigid's car park, but in the Auditorium at Bronco's – just 7 minutes down Waterworks Rd. Now, get to meet the past members who founded BCBC, built it up, made its

reputation, created its ethos and kept it running so that we could join. Look at the memorabilia that had been dusted off, see the photos, listen to the conversation. Learn how it was done “in the old days”. Many a memory will be unlocked, many a laugh had, and maybe a tear shed.

Do not miss this once in a lifetime occasion. Even if you only come along 3 or 5 times a year to a Club event, make sure you come to this one.

There was a young man named Phil
Who from his bike rarely did spill
Despite zooming round Town
And not slowing down
Not even when going down Hill

PAST EVENTS

PADDY'S PEAK SUNDAY - 9 SEPTEMBER 2007 DAY WALK

Sixteen people turned up for the walk to Paddy's Peak – an area not often visited. The Peak is situated between Mt. May and Mt. Maroon and is seemingly unremarkable; however its sprawls of spurs and ridges give excellent views of Mt. Barney, Mt. Lindesay and Mt. Maroon.

As we had an early meeting time and as we did not stop en route, I provided morning tea at Drynan's Hut before the start of the walk. Within five minutes of walking we got wet feet. Barney Creek, which had previously only been ankle deep, was now knee deep after recent rains.

We had a steep climb up an old road and then up a ridge to then drop down to a wonderful waterfall. All were impressed with the height of the falls. The party retracted its steps to pick up an old road heading in the vicinity of Paddy's Plain. Morning Tea was had at a point where we were to leave this road and head bush.

Paddy's Peak was well hidden and at no point can you see it until you are almost on it. We climbed up rather scungy spurs and ridges and everybody kept asking, “Where is Paddy's Peak?” Somebody commented that he had collected more cuts on him than when he was at school.

Eventually Paddy's Peak came into view and it did appear a long way off, however we were soon on our way to the top and arrived there about noon. It

was a rather hot day and all available shade for lunch was soon occupied. The views of Mt. Barney were great.

With lunch over we set off down a different ridge – one that was to take us to another wonderful waterfall. These falls were even more impressive than the ones we had visited in the morning. Somebody lost a cup over the falls – goodness knows where it is now!

Our route back to the cars was via a ridge consisting of one rocky outcrop after another and all along the ridge we had great views of Mt. Barney and Mt. Lindesay.

Desley lost her soul just prior to climbing the ridge. Elastoplast is great for saving Souls! Some tried their rock scrambling skills on the outcrops, while the less adventurous sidled around on less exposed parts.

We then headed back down the ridge to pick up our original route in and we were soon back at the cars. Once again five minutes from the cars we got wet feet again!

It was a great day and I'm pleased I was able to take people to a fairly new area for the Club. Those who enjoyed the day with me were:-

Joe Finn, Paul Evans, Terry Silk, Michael Simpson, Lesley Pedrazzini, David Hill, John Byrnes, Jill Blacker, Justin Tobin, Trevor Kelly, Michele Johns along with Therese Little and John Elliott (past members from the 1960s) and Karen Fredericks (a visitor on her second trip with the Club) and myself.

MOVIE NIGHT 8TH JANUARY

Terry, Catherine, and I made it to the Movie Night this month. We met at Take 5, as pre-arranged, for a light meal before taking in the movie. National Treasure: Book of Secrets was the choice this month and our opinions of the movie again differed. In February, we will meet at the Take 5 café again but in March we will be meeting at Stafford Cinemas (in Stafford City shopping centre) before returning to Southbank in April. If Stafford is a success we will alternate Stafford and Southbank for the remainder of the year.

Michael

ILLINBAH CIRCUIT 12TH JANUARY THE ADVENTURE

Ever wondered what a flood could do?

A week before this outing went out was the start of the January flood rains, when Springbrook received 600mm overnight. Illinbah is just below Binna Burra, on the Coomera River, just beside Springbrook. Getting the picture.

The preouting was done during the drought – the creek was down, the track clear and well formed, the 13 crossings easy. Now imagine 3m of water coming down a narrow valley with high ridges on either side. But, this is flash flood country, so water rises fast and goes down again fast.

We could see signs of the recent flooding – not one causeway across the river & associated creeks was intact. The road in was gouged out. Rocks were everywhere.

There were no dry shoes after the first crossing. The water was knee deep (or neck deep in Desley's case). At the third crossing, we found 2 caravans & 5 4WD vehicles stranded on the wrong side of the river, waiting for the water to subside & careful plotting of the creek rocks – and this a week after the flood.

We entered the rainforest & National Park along the track. The day was fine, some clouds and warm. The way was clear enough all the way – 18kms. The understory along the river was gouged out, the debris level about 3m above water height, fresh sand dumped along the bank, 3m palms lying flat on the ground – knocked over by the force of the water. In places, the track had disappeared along with everything else – thanks to Rick's GPS were always able to find the right place again.

The creek was deeper than before, and flowing a bit fast. Luckily, no one fell in or lost balance. There were markers at most of the crossings – reassuring. Sometimes the creek bank was washed out, leaving a 2m bank to descend. Other times, the safest crossing was no longer at the markers. The going was slower than expected. Thirteen creek crossings later, we started the climb out of the creek and up to the swimming pool.

Lunch was at 3pm, and quick. A smidgin late. The worst part was the walk up and out to almost the Binna Burra road. We took the Illinbah Track 8.2km back to the first of the rainforest crossings. The doubt was – were there any landslides obliterating the graded track. These would slow us down, especially as we only had 2 hours daylight left for a 2 hour walk. We barrelled along, and there were several land slips below, on or above the track. Luckily, none held us up for more than 5 minutes, and we did not have to deviate too far. It was a mad dash out of the rainforest before it became too dark – there were still the 3 creek crossings out in the farmland, and who wants to do them at night?

We made it back to the cars just after nightfall. Do you know that there is nothing open in Canungra at 9pm?

Thanks to: Desley, Tracey, Russ & Jan, Ray, Rick & Julie, Peggy, Philip K, Lucy.

Greg E

JTS: STORY BRIDGE HOTEL JANUARY 18th

A classic night with a large attendance. The Story Bridge is proving to be our most popular location with reasonably quiet location with good food and easy access. Plus, the Ferry trip across the river is just lovely.

The atmosphere is great – outdoor, but under the bridge, balmy weather, no loud music, not crowded early in the evening, quick service. What more do you want. These JT nights are so good that people (Michele) even come on crutches – you just can't keep some people away.

We talked and moved on to talk again. Everyone had something to say to everyone else.

Those who attended were Michael & Cathy Wood, John McHugh, (Cathy's brother), Russ & Jan Nelson, Greg & Michele Endicott, Liz Little, Tracey Hager, Desley Pedrazzini, Graham Glasse, Philip Kearns, Geoff Forman, Rosemary Stafford and Phil Murray. Special mention goes to Rosemary and Tracey for coming to their first John Toohey night.

NEW FARM TO SOUTHBANK 20th January SOCIAL WALK

We (Graham and his harem – Bridget, Desley, Heather, Patricia, Robyn and Sophie) set sail for “Dockside” on the 2.34pm Sydney St ferry. Following an inspection of the dock, we meandered along the riverside and Captain Burke Park before we crossed the Storey Bridge (No chance of a speeding fine here!). Desley claims ancestral connections with the Storey family and Patricia showed everyone where her father had fallen off the bridge whilst painting it in 1961!

The boardwalk at Riverside was very pleasant and we were treated to a few drops of refreshing rain – it only drew out one umbrella! Luckily, for Graham, it stopped fairly quickly. He was travelling very lightly in order to help his harem so there were no luxuries such as raincoats or umbrellas!

We walked through the Botanic Gardens and dropped down to the ‘Mangrove’ Boardwalk before crossing the Goodwill Bridge. By this stage we were all in need of a refreshment and found ourselves a nice café by the river where we could watch all the boats come in.

Thanks to everyone for an enjoyable afternoon,
Patricia

OBI OBI LILO TRIP 21st JANUARY

This was a special trip down the Obi Obi to get it while the water was flowing. The last time I did it was back in 2004 and there was barely a flow.

There was very heavy rain the first weekend of January. The rain was heavy enough to get the water over the spillway - the water got up to nearly a metre over. We could tell in the creek with a lot of debris in the trees way above the water level for our trip. The conditions would have been very interesting and perhaps a little dangerous at a metre.

Anyhow we gave the river time to go down and planned to do the trip on Sunday 21st January. We got 8 people for the trip very quickly and down we went. The walkers were Philip Kearns, Michael Simpson, Matthew Palmer, Stephen Endicott, Lucy Endicott, Kate Rimon, Michael Murray and Phil Murray. There were 6 people on the trip who

hadn't done it before so we took it very slowly and carefully for the first 2 hours to get past the bigger waterfalls and rapids. But after we left the gorge we picked up speed and the new guys started to get the hang of it and away we went –slipping down the Creek with the greatest of ease. We got to the Bridge at 5ish and met Greg and Michele who had done the car shuffle for us.

The good news is that contrary to the weather forecast we had no rain at all whereas Brisbane had a fair bit. The bit of bad news was that the water extracted a price. We holed 4 lilo's on the day and Stephen Endicott lost his watch (like Paul McDonald did in 1991 - Paul was Club President then).

Thanks to those who came on this trip and special thanks to the drivers and to Greg and Michele for doing the car shuffle.

Phil the Elder

JOLLY'S LOOKOUT COFFEE NIGHT 30TH JANUARY

It was one of those wet, dry & wet again days. Could not predict the weather. However, it did not rain on our party.

Joe Tottenham was there with his pressure lamps, to ensure we had enough light in the shelter. Out at the lookout, we watched as the Samford Valley slowly came to life and one, then another light came on. It was truly atmospheric - town lights looking like ferry lights down below us, darkness around us, and the glow of the shelter, and even more atmospheric when the mist rolled in.

We shared various pieces of home cooking, as well as cakes & biscuits from the hot bread kitchen. Tea & coffee was hot & welcome. The conversation was as varied as the weather.

All the proceeds went to St Vinnies.

Thanks to: Michele E, Philip K, David H, Michael S, Joe, Richard J, Justin, Susan & Mary, and Terry for making it such a good occasion.

MBS: Has Graham taken over as harem master?

THEOLOGY CORNER

Monday, 18 February 2008

Love is sunshine and rain to the world.

Love is more powerful than any other human activity but it is a power which, like the sun and the rain, cannot be controlled.

There is no narrow focus in love, it always radiates outwards, it always soaks into things.

In our human weakness, in the shortness of our lives, we do have to love some people more than others.

Yet this is a limitation of humanity, it is not a limitation of love, because love by its nature is unlimited.

Euan Marley OP

Deacon Russ Nelson

YOURPHOTOS FOR BUSHWALKING AUSTRALIA

The Secretary of Bushwalking Australia, Hecate Jay, is asking for some digital pics of bushwalking in Qld for the new BWA website under construction. If members of Queensland clubs can assist her, (and if you would like your photos to be potentially seen by the whole world), please feel free to contribute.

Reply to gfbwc@yahoo.com.au and attach your photos to your e-mail, but please put 'pic' or 'photo' in the subject line. Also including captions with each photo in the email.

BWQ web designers need at least a couple of photos that look good cropped to a size of 614 by 140 pixels for a rotating banner. If you could reduce them in size to make them easier to email that would also be good (with camera resolutions these days you could print a pic for a billboard). I think that it would also be good to let us know where each pic was taken.

And there was Philip a bushwalker
Who was never much of a talker
'til one day alone
To home he did phone
Because now he was a very lost bushwalker

A REQUEST FOR WET and/or COLD WEATHER GEAR

I was a member of BCBC for some years in the 1960's, and then my brother Brian also became a member and office bearer. There were quite a few of us McMahon's.

In 2006 I did the Kokoda Trail along with my wife, her girl friend and also Peter Davidson with whom you may also be familiar – he was a BCBC member in the 80s. I had done a few walks in the 70's in PNG when I was a lay missionary, the main walk being from Chimbu to the Torres Strait which was a month long walk and canoeing trip.

Peter Davidson and I are planning to do the South Coast Trail in Tasmania in March of this year. We do not have a lot of cold weather gear and are hoping we might be able to borrow such clothing from members if this is possible.

The cold weather gear we are interested in include waterproof jackets and/or raincoats and covers for our legs. I think we would have most other items. You know Peter D's size and I am the next size up say xl or os. I am just on 6 ft tall. 97 cm waist.

Could you let me know if it is possible to borrow gear from club members? We probably will not be doing much more cold weather exploring and so it seems a bit extravagant to purchase new gear for just one walk.

Hoping to hear from you. If other members wish to join us for the walk that would be good too.

All the best

Peter Mc Mahon.

thegap@bne.catholic.net.au

1 February, 2008

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY PROPOSED 2008 ITINERARY

February 29 th	Liz Little's place
March 21 st :	The Victory
April 18 th :	Criterion
May 16 th :	Mick O'Malley's
June 20 th :	Theodore Club
July 18 th :	Irish Club
August 15 th :	Union Jacks
September 19 th	Ship Inn (Talk Like A Pirate Day)
October 17 th :	Premier's Bar –Treasury Casino -
November 21 st :	Milano's - Queen Street Mall
December 19 th :	to be advised

SOUTH COAST WALK

SATURDAY 15TH TO SUNDAY 23TH

DECEMBER

THROUGHWALK

PART 2



Phil and I wanted to cross the causeway to Louisa Island and so after breaking camp we wandered down the beach. We all had our first sighting of the daunting Ironbound

Ranges during the hour or so it took us to reach the end of the beach. Luckily the water was only shin deep and we had no trouble crossing to Louisa Island and returning. It's a shame we did not have enough time to explore the island.

We returned to our camp site and then retraced our steps to the main track. It was then just a short walk across the Louisa Plains before wading across the Louisa River to the best camp site on the track. A couple of Geordis and a French girl joined us here. The French girl amazed us all with the size of her pack and she seemed to have more hanging off the pack than in it. The high promised was here and we were all able to do a little laundry on this the first of our rest days.

The next day dawned and the high was still here. It was going to be a lovely day to climb 900m. Nearly 5 hours later we were on the top of the Ironbound Range. It was not as bad as I thought and the views went on forever. We could see where we had come from and where we were going. Little did we suspect what was to come. A horrendous descent through steep, root-bound, boggy rainforest.



Six and a half hours later we arrived at (I staggered into) the Little Deadman Bay camp site. It was a lovely spot but I was too tired to care. Phil started a campfire, one of the two places on the track where fires are allowed, and we relaxed while we prepared dinner. The French girl arrived not long after and disappeared into her tent and we never saw her again.

A late start this morning. The weather was still good as we headed off for the boat crossing of the New River Lagoon. After a short walk across a headland we dropped to Turua Beach before heading inland again to bypass Menzies Bluff.

Finally we reached Prion Beach and looked forward to the 5km walk along the sand.

Halfway down the beach we came across a dead Elephant Seal. What a shame. The crossing of New River Lagoon did not take as long as we thought and we were soon on our way again.



Inland again and the turnoff to Osmiridium Beach was soon reached and a short time later we arrived and set up camp. The weather was becoming unsettled and we wondered if our luck had changed. (Part 3 next month)

Michael.

THE LEAP YEAR

The Leap Year has been the traditional time that women can propose marriage. In many of today's cultures, it is okay for a woman to propose marriage to a man. However, that hasn't always been the case. When the rules of courtship were stricter, women were only allowed to pop the question on one day every four years. That day was February 29th.

It is believed this tradition was started in 5th century Ireland when St. Bridget complained to St. Patrick about women having to wait for so long for a man to propose. According to legend, St. Patrick said the females could propose on this one day in February during the leap year. The first documentation of this practice dates back to 1288, when Scotland passed a law that allowed women to propose marriage to the man of their choice in that year. They also made it law that any man who declined a proposal in a leap year must pay a fine. The fine could range from a kiss to payment for a silk dress or a pair of gloves.

Why is it called a **leap year** – well it is a bit convoluted but it is due to an English law of 1256 that decreed that in leap years the leap day and the day before are to be reckoned as one day for the purpose of calculating when a full year has passed; thus, in England and Wales a person born on February 29 legally reaches the age of 18 or 21 on February 28 of the relevant year. So the leap year day had no recognition in English law (the day was 'leapt over' and ignored, hence the term 'leap year'). It was decided that the day had no legal status, meaning that a break in tradition on this day was acceptable. So on this day women can take advantage of this anomaly and propose to the man they wish to marry.



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Theatre, Stirling Highway, Crawley

Brisbane Thursday 21 February
Queensland University of Technology
D block Theatre, 2 George St, Brisbane.

Melbourne Tuesday 26 February
RMIT University, Kaleide Theatre
Bldg 8, 360 Swanston St, City

Sydney Tuesday 11 March
NSW Teachers Federation,
37 Reservoir St, Surry Hills

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HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

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

GENERAL MEETINGS: Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7:30pm. The location is St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St, Dorrington. The hall is on the terrace below the church, out of sight – drive down to the lower carpark. We have booked the Newmarket Memorial Hall for December, and hopefully December, January & February. It is on the corner of Enoggera Rd & Ashgrove Ave, Newmarket, just 5 minutes further on from Red Hill. Enoggera Rd is sometimes known as Kelvin Grove Rd or Samford Rd – but here it is Enoggera Rd. The Hall is over the road from the Coles Shopping Centre and the Newmarket Pub. UBD 139 G17

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.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/EmergOffSyst.html>

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 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.

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.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - Membership Subscription fees are:

Ordinary Members: \$35; Associate Members: \$26; Spouse Members: \$9.00; Country: \$26.00.

Fees cover the period 1st January to 31st December, and renewals are due and payable by end of February each year. Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer.

Pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

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

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

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

WE ARE MOVING



AGAIN????

Yes folks, again!!!

The Monthly Meetings now are at – St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St, Dorrington.

The Hall is behind the Church, on the Lower Terrace.

You cannot see it from the Road.

Drive into the car park, and on the left side, there is a driveway down to the lower terrace.

You will find us there.

**Detach This Form From Your JILALAN
And Hand To The Treasurer With Your Payment.**

How To Stay A Member.

1. Complete the "Membership Renewal 2008" form, noting the membership classifications.
2. Read carefully the Release, Waiver & Indemnification.
3. Fill in all the sections.
4. Don't forget to sign & date the form.
5. Bring this form to the meeting with the cash and hand the lot to the Treasurer.
6. Or, Post the form & cheque to the Club's PO Box.
7. The Club Secretary has a copy of the Club's Constitution for you to read. You can ask for your own copy. The Constitution is on the web:

Persons With Disabilities, Health & Fitness Concerns.

The event leader will discuss with the person concerned their eligibility to attend certain types of Club events or specific events. The leader will then inform the Management Committee and discuss the situation before coming to a decision. After these discussions, the person will have to abide by what is decided.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES & FEES @ 2008

CATEGORY	REQUIREMENTS Minimum Age Is 18 Years	RESTRICTIONS ON MEMBERSHIP	ANNUAL FEES
Ordinary Member	Applicant is of the Catholic Faith	None.	\$35.00
Associate Member	Applicant is not of the Catholic Faith	Cannot vote at meetings, and cannot officially be on the Management Committee	\$26.00
Ordinary Member Country	Ordinary Member residing over 150kms radius from the Brisbane GPO	As for Ordinary Member	\$26.00
Associate Member Country	Associate Member residing over 150kms radius from the Brisbane GPO	As for Associate Member	\$26.00
Spouse Member	Spouse of an existing Member	Same as for the Membership Category of their spouse	\$9.00
Life Member	Put forward by the Management Committee and voted on at a monthly meeting – usually someone with long service to the Club who has also done many and varied walks over a number of years	Same as for the Membership Category held prior to being elected a Life Member	\$0
Honorary Member	Put forward by the Committee and voted on at a monthly meeting – a non-member who has assisted the Club greatly.	Honorary Membership lasts the current Club Year only. May be re-voted the following year, usually at the AGM	\$0



BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.

PO Box 31, Red Hill. Q 4059.
(Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1981)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2008

**Attach This
Form To Your
Renewal
Payment**

SURNAME		CHRISTIAN NAMES		Date of Birth
Residential Address			Skills I Have That Could Aid The Club	
Postal Address:		CAR: Type, Number of Passengers & Rego		Occupation (Optional)
e-mail Address – We need to update our list.		Home Phone	Mobile	Work (Optional)
Next of Kin & Relationship		Address		Contact Number
Medical Conditions (including allergies & disabilities)			Membership Category	Fee \$

- ☐ Tick here if your Address & Phone Nos are not to be published in the Membership List.
(NOTE: All Names will be published in the Membership List. If you "tick" the box, your address & phone number will not be published, but your name will. If you are leading a Club event, your name & phone number will be at the head of the Jilalan article. From time to time, names are included in articles in Jilalan, the Club's monthly newsletter. Stories of all activities, with full details including names of participants, and occasionally photos of people, are put on the Club's Web Site.)

- ☐ I wish to have the Club's monthly newsletter "Jilalan" e-mailed to me.

Membership fees are due on the 1st of January each year.

Unfinancial members wishing to renew during the year pay the full year's amount. Unfinancial members cannot vote or be on Committee or Sub-Committees.

The minimum age for a Member is 18 years.

See the reverse of this page for the full range of membership classes.

"Ordinary" Membership category is open only to persons of the Catholic Faith.

"Associate" Membership is only open to persons not of the Catholic Faith.

"Country Membership" is available to members over 150km from Brisbane.

Renewal of Membership is automatic upon the Treasurer receiving this fully completed Membership Renewal form and the total subscription amount for your membership category.

Please Read The Important Notice Below

RELEASE, WAIVER & INDEMNIFICATION

All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertake all activities of the Club at their own risk. The Club is not even in the position to state that all care will be taken. "The Club" on this form is the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

I, the undersigned, hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns as follows:

I waive, release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless the following from any and all liability, responsibility and claims, for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft or actions of any kind which may hereafter result from my participation in any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

All members of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

The Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

The leader of any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

Any visitor on any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

The owner, resident or occupier of any place where the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc. holds an activity.

The driver and/or owner of any vehicle used in relation of any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

The land holder, owner, lessee and/or occupier of any land that the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc uses, crosses over, camps on or otherwise uses during any activity of the Club.

I acknowledge that activities of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc carry with them the potential for death, serious injury and property loss.

I hereby assume any and all risks associated with participating in any activity of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc.

This form shall be construed basically to provide a release, waiver and indemnification to the maximum extent possible under the applicable laws.

I hereby apply for renewal of membership in the designated category.

I agree to be bound by the Rules and By Laws of the Club for the time being in force.

I know I can receive a copy of the Rules and By Laws from the Secretary of the Club at any time.

I agree to behave in a socially acceptable way and am aware I can be expelled from the Club if a General Meeting considers my behaviour not to be acceptable.

I acknowledge that I have read this form and fully understand its contents, including the Release, Waiver & Indemnity.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 18th February 2008

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Mon. 18th February at 7.30pm, at St Michael's Parish Hall, Banks St Dorrington (The church with the blue cross in the sky).

The business conducted will include:

Receive the Committee's Report for 2007,

and Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2007;

Receive the Auditor's Report;

Election of Committee for 2008;

The appointment of the 2008 Auditor;

Voting of Honorary Members; and other business relating to the annual running of the Club.

Desley Pedrazzini

Secretary

NOTICE ELECTION 2008

Call for Nominations for All Committee Positions.

There has been only one nomination for the 2008 Committee.

Editor: Greg Endicott, nominated by Michael Simpson & seconded by Desley Pedrazzini.

He has been elected unopposed.

Nominations for all other positions will be called from the floor at the AGM. The nominee must accept the nomination. All nominees require a nominator & that nomination being seconded.

Desley Pedrazzini, Secretary

SAFETY & TRAINING SNIPPETS

The article below is from Keith Cordwell the former S&T Officer of BOSQ.

Safety & Training article:

Care with waste in the bush

We like to enjoy places that are pristine or places which at least show minimal evidence of human activities. One of the tenets of bushwalking is to leave only our footprints and to leave no other signs of our presence. We need to make sure that we don't leave tell-tale signs such as food scraps, paper, foil or other materials in the bush.

There is an interesting table of how long it takes for materials to decompose, produced by the National Trust, Oxfordshire and published on the website: <http://www.dep.orq.uk/projects/future/worldwidewaste.htm>

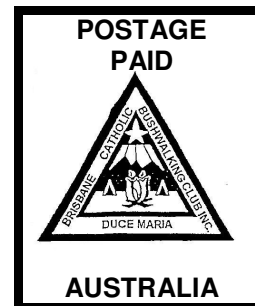
Paper	2-5 months	Cigarette filter tips	10-12 years	Nylon cloth	30-40 years
Orange peel	6 months	Plastic bags	20 years	Plastic containers	50-60 years
Milk cartons	5 years	Leather shoes	25-40 years	Polystyrene/glass	never

Keith Cordwell S&T Officer, Footprints August 2006

Landfill sites aren't compost heaps

Although there is a popular misconception that biodegradable materials break down in landfill sites, they don't. Rubbish deposited in landfill is compressed and sealed under tonnes of soil. This minimises oxygen and moisture, which are essential requirements for microbial decomposition. For biodegradable plastics to effectively decompose they need to be treated like compost.

If undeliverable return to
Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc
PO Box 31
RED HILL QLD 4059
JILALAN
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FORM OF PROXY

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY
BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.
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I _____
(Full Name)
Of _____
(Residential Address)
being a Financial Member of the above named Association,
hereby appoint _____
(Full Name)
of _____
(Residential Address)
whose signature appears below, and who also is a member of the Association, as my
proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the _____ meeting of the Association
(Type of Meeting)
to be held on the _____ day of _____ (Month) _____ (Year)
and at any adjournment thereof.

(Signature of Appointor)

I _____ being a financial member of the
(full name)
Association, hereby agree to act as a proxy for the above named member.

(Signature of Appointee)

/ (Date)