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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 outing—but 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	Grade
April					
10	Meeting				
Fri 14	Middle Ridge Traverse	Paul, Philip & Michael		D/W	L77
Mon 17	Minnages – Easter Monday	Pat Lawton	3366 1956	D/W	M55
Tues 25	ANZAC – Dawn Service	Terry Silk	3355 9765	Social	-
Fri 27-Mon 1	Lost World Hostel - Sat – Lost World - Sun - Mt Widgee - Mon – Buchanan's Fort	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	B/C	M66 M88 M55
Sun 30	New Farm Walk & Dinner	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social	
Мау					
Fri 13 -Sun 14	Killarney to Cullendore	Pat Lawton	3366 1956	T/W	L44
Mon 15	Meeting				
Sat 20	Boonah Show and Dinner at Dugandan Pub - Camp at Mt French	Michael Simpson	3351 3810	Social	
Sat 20-21	FMR – Training Weekend	Paul Evans	3357 5254	FMR	-
Sun 21	Mt Toowoonan	Anthony Dolan	3342 0386	D/W	M55
Wed 24	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social	-
Sat 27	Annual Mass and Dinner	Phil Murray	3841 0254	Social	-
Sun 28	Bridges of Brisbane	Graham Glasse	3371 9623	C/W	M11
June					
Sat 4	Trachyte Track & Mt Tibberoowuccum	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	C/W	<i>S22</i>
Sat 10	Rogaining	Phil Murray	3841 0254	D/W	L55
Fri 9 – Mon 12	Mt Barney Basecamp – Long weekend Sat <u>East Peak of Mt Barney</u> via - North Ridge or - Peasants Ridge Sun - Campbell's Foly Mon - Mt Gillies	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	B/C	L66 L45 S33 M34
Sat 17	FMR Equipment Day	Paul Evans	3357 5254	FMR	1131
Sun 18	Bardon to Toowong	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	CW	S 11
Mon 19	Meeting	Justin Tobin	3300 3133		3 11
Sun 25	Glen Rock	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	D/W	M44
Wed 28	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social	-
July	- Considering the second secon	24.24.4 24565			
Sat 1	Christmas in July	Robyn Jones	3267 7377	Social	_
Sun 2	Shorncliffe to Clontarf (Bells Beach) across the Hornibrook Bridge	Rosemary Stafford	3855 2652	D/W	M11
Fri 7- Sun 9	Panorama Point	Iain Renton	3371 4672	T/W	L66
Sat 15	Colonial Ball			Social	
Sat 15	Shepherd's Walk	Terry Silk	3355 9765	D/W	M22
Sun 16	Bird Identification morning Nudgee Bird Hide	Matthew Palmer	3876 8125	S&T	S&T
Mon 17	Meeting				
Sun 23	Mt Warning	James Parra	3711 4490	D/W	M23
Wed 26	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social	
Sun 30	Stag's Head	John Carter	3290 3621	D/W	L77
August					

Fri 4 – Sun 6	Richmond Gap - Collins Gap	Matthew Palmer	3876 8125	T/W	L44
Sun 6	Bridge to Brisbane Funwalk	Greg Endicott	3351 4092	C/W	M22
Sun 13	Island Hop - Bay Islands	to be advised		Social	-
Wed 16	Barney Mass	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	D/W	L66
Fri 18 - Sun	Federation Pilgrimage at	hosted by Glasshouse			??
20	Landsborough – Rocky Creek Scout	Mountains Bushwalkers and Sunshine Coast			
	camp	Bushwalkers			
19 – 20	Qld Bush Poets	Robyn Jones	3267 7377	Social	-
	Championship				
Mon 21	Meeting				
Sun 27	Mt May to Mt Maroon	Pat Lawton	3366 1956	D/W	L44
Wed 30	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social	-
September					
Sat 2	Fr Ed Memorial Walk	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	D/W	<i>S22</i>
Sat 2	Riverfire social	to be advised		Social	-
Sun 10	Basket Swamp B/C	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	ВС	M33
	Ravensbourne -	Robyn Jones	3267 7377	D/W	M33
Sun 10	Great Australian Bushwalk	Dist. M	2041 0254	D /\/	633
Sun 17	Cobaki Wetlands	Phil Murray	3841 0254	D/W	<i>S22</i>
Mon 18	Meeting	Marria - Duarde	2202 4600	C	
Sun 24	Hamilton Heritage Walk	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Soc	
Wed 27	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639		
October	MI D	D: 1 1 1 1	2252 2022	D ///	652
Sun 1	Mt Beerwah	Richard Johns	3353 2822	D/W	S53
6 th to 8 th	Cooloola TW	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	T/W	L33
Sat 14	Progressive Dinner by Ferry	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social	-
Sat 14	FMR Rescue Leader activity	to be advised	2267 7277	FMR	
Sun 15	spare		3267 7377	D/W	
Mon 16	Meeting	1:-1:44-	2256 4074	D ///	C22
Sun 22	Obi Obi to Kondalilla Falls	Liz Little	3356 4874	D/W	<i>S22</i>
Wed 25	Coffee Night	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Casial	MCC
Sun 29 November	Muscat & Bailey Creeks	Matthew Palmer	3876 8125	Social	M66
	Evans Head Passeamn	Vorry Mulligan	2076 0125	ВС	NA 1 1
Sun 5 Sun 12	Evans Head Basecamp Canungra Creek	Kerry Mulligan Philip Kearns	3876 8125 3870 3710	D/W	M11 L67
Sun 19	· · · · · ·	Fillip Realtis	3670 3710	D/ W	LU7
Mon 20	spare Meeting				
		Mayina Branhy	2202 4600	D/W	122
Sun 26 Wed 29	Coomera Circuit Coffee Night	Maxine Brophy Barbara Eastoe	3203 4699 3355 3639	D/W	L22
December	Corree Night	Daibara Lastoe	3333 3039		
Sat 2 - Sun 3	Xmas Party at Coolum)	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social	
Sun 10	Dianna's Bath	to be advised	3203 7033	½ DW	S11
Sun 17	Toolona Falls Circuit	Marie Ricketts	3265 1794	DW	L22
Mon 18c	Meeting	TIGHT NICKELLS	3203 1734	DVV	LLL
Sun 24	spare				
Mon 26	Boxing Day Walk	Liz Little	3356 4874		
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Details in Italics indicate the event details have been adjusted or added since last month.

KEY - Walk Types

D/W Day Walk ½ DW Half-day Walk CW City Walk T/W Through Walk TRN Training O/N Overnighter

B/C Base Camp FMR Federation Mountain Rescue S&T Safety & Training

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. Distance

2. Terrain

3. Fitness

Short Under 10km per day

1-3 <u>Graded or open terrain.</u> No scrub 1-3 <u>Easy.</u> Suitable for beginners

Medium 10-15km per day

4-7 Bush. Minor scrub

4-7 Medium. Reasonable

rainforest, rock creek Rock hopping, scrambling fitness required.

Long 15-20 km per day X Extra Over 20 km per day Long

8-10 Bush. As Above+ thick scrub, major rock scrambling using hands, technical

8-10 <u>Hard</u> Strenuous, fit walkers required.

Club Web Address: www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/

email: briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au

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 GENERAL MEETING Monday 15th May

Time: 7.30 PM

Location: St Brigid's Parish

Hall, Musgrave Rd, Red Hill. The BIG Brick Church on Top of the Hill. (The hall is down the back of

the carpark.)

Contact: Phil Murray

Ph: 3841 0254

Cost: FREE

Business now starts at 7.30pm. Be there or be late.

VISITORS are welcome and encouraged to come and meet us. Come and listen to our leaders talk about their Outings and Socials. Learn what you need to bring on an outing, what you need to wear, what food to bring, listen to a description of the route. Ask questions that will clear up the mystery of what "a walk" is about.

Members: Bring along your photos of recent trips. Have your input into General Business. Stay for supper, have a biscuit, hang around and talk. Hopefully, the "business" apart of the meeting should be over by 9pm.

See you there.

Greg

COMING OUTINGS

KILLARNEY TO CULLENDORE Border Gate Sat 13th - Sun 14th May 2006 Throughwalk

Leader: Pat Lawton

ph 3366 1956

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: TBA : If a car shuffle is

necessary we may leave Brisbane on Friday night

more details later.

Grade: L 4 4 **Cost:** \$20:00

Emerg Louise Leonardi ph 3287 1372

If you have not done a throughwalk before, or if you think you can't do one, this is a relatively easy one to try. It is not a hard walk, however Saturday's walk does climb over 2 steep hills (Mt. Leslie and One Tree Hill). Sunday's walk is flat all the way.

We will start the walk at the Border fence about 4 klms from Killarney. From there we will walk 16 klms to Barlow's Gate where we will set up camp for the night. Sunday's walk is 14 klms, but as I said it is almost flat. The walk will finish at Cullendore Gate.

If you have done lots of throughwalking and want to complete

another section of the Border fence come along on this trip. The purpose of the trip is to encourage members to try throughwalking – we will take our time and enjoy the trip.

If you do not have a pack/tent but would like to come along, I'm sure you will be able to borrow the gear from another member.

Transport arrangements and leaving time will be finalised a little closer to the trip. Hopefully we might be able to arrange something about water for Saturday night.

If you need more details regarding the trip or wonder if you are fit enough to do it, talk to me and if you have already done lots of day walks, I'll convince you that you can do it.

Pat Lawton

MT TOOWOONAN

Sunday 21st May Daywalk

Leader: Anthony Dolan

ph - 3342 0386

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7:00am Grade: M 5 5 Cost: \$15:00

Emerg Louise Leonardi Off: ph - 3287 1372

Mt Toowoonan is an isolated peak down in the vicinity of the Barney and Ballow ranges. The mountain is approximately 750 metres high and is located on private property. It has not been visited by the Club for many years and there are few veterans left from the previous Club trip.

We will access the mountain from the north-west and make a fairly direct ascent. We should have plenty of time to explore the top of the mountain and we should have views of both the Main Range and the Mount Barney/ Ballow ranges.

For those attending the Boonah show the day before, this will help put a bit of bushwalking meat on your social bones. Nominate to me at the meeting.

Anthony Dolan

FMR TRAINING WEEKEND

Fri 19th May – Sun 21st May 2006

You can attend the full weekend or just do a day or part day

Contact Paul Evans

Person: ph - 3357 5254

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7.00 am Saturday

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Venue: Yarramalong – in the Mt

Edwards Area.

Cost: Travel -Approx \$15:00

FMR Cost About

\$15:00 per day

Emerg Louise Leonardi

Off: ph 3287 1372

This is a great opportunity to update your knowledge and skills on bushwalking matters.

FMR is an umbrella organization that helps organize and train people in bushskills with a particular emphasis on search and rescue activities.

The weekend has several featured items including

- 1. FMR -Its objectives & history
- 2. Geology of the area
- 3. GPS updates
- 4. Ropes and knots
- 5. Reduced weight gear
- 6. Weather

- 7. Callout sheets and rescue protocols
- 8. Using radios and EPIRBS
- 9. Risk management
- 10.Bush tucker
- 11. High energy food
- 12. Hauling systems
- 13.Eye injuries
- 14.Leadership skills
- 15. Several practical exercises using equipment and doing a mini rescue.

The speakers include a range of people who are experts in their areas.

For further details contact Paul Evans, Greg Endicott, or myself. Or look at the FMR website.

Our Club's participation at these events in the past has been very modest and we need to encourage members to attend these days.

To assist in the aim to get our members along to this day, the plan is to subsidise our members if they attend and pass on the information to our members at a subsequent meeting. Further details about the quantum of the subsidy at the meeting.

The venue is at Yarramalong which is near the township of Aratula. Both days start at 9:00am.

If you wish to attend there is accommodation in a hall with showers, kitchen and cooking facilities.

Our aim is to get at least 2 people from our Club to attend.

Please nominate to Paul Evans.

Phil

BRIDGES of BRISBANE

Sun 28th May 2006 City Walk

Leader: Graham Glasse

3371 9623

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 8:30am

OR

Meet at: West End City Cat

Terminal

Cnr Orleigh St & Hoogley WEST END

Time: 9:00am **Cost:** \$3:00

(+ \$2:10 for City Cat)

Emerg Sam Leonardi **Off:** 3287 1372

The route for this walk will be as follows: Orleigh Park to Victoria Bridge, proceed under expressway to Goodwill Bridge and on to Kangaroo Point cliffs for morning tea.

After morning tea we will continue to Thornton St and The Story Bridge. From there we will take the bikeway past Riverside to City Botanical Gardens for lunch.

After lunch we will cross The Goodwill Bridge again and proceed along Clem Jones Boulevard at Southbank to William Jolly Bridge and follow the bikeway to Regatta for afternoon tea.

Following coffee at Regatta, we will catch the City Cat to West End where we should arrive no later than 4:00pm.

The total distance is about 15km. However, if the full circuit is too long, people are free to leave the walk at any City Cat terminal and return independently to West End.

Here is an opportunity to do one of the great city walks of South East Queensland, with spectacular city and river views. Don't miss it!

Graham

Trachyte Track, Mt Tibberoowuccum & Tibrogargan Circuit

Sat 3rd June 2006 Day Walk

Leader: Justin Tobin

3366 3193

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7:00am Cost: \$10:00 Grade M34

Emerg Susan Tobin **Off:** 3366 3193

Don't want to climb the major peaks of the Glass House Mountains, but still want those great views? Then this walk is for you.

This day walk in the Glass House Mountains National Park takes us around the base of Tibrogargan, along the Trachyte Circuit through open woodland and the John Ferris Lookout and with a side trip to the summit of Mt Tiberwooccum.

You'll be able to see all of the Glass House Mountains before you.

A great day to discover the volcanic plugs named by Cook as he sailed up the East Coast.

Justin.

Mt Barney Base Camp

June Long Week-end Fri 9th – Mon 12th 2006

Leader: Justin Tobin

3366 3193

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7:00 pm

Friday 9 June

 Cost:
 \$50:00

 Grade
 L66 or M34

 Emerg
 Susan Tobin

 Off:
 3366 3193

Camping in the shadows of Mt Barney at Mt. Barney Lodge with showers and toilets this long weekend is three days of great walking.

Phil is leading North Ridge, capable of most walkers but for those who want to climb something more gradual come with me up Peasants.

We will leave early and take our time to get to the saddle by mid morning then up to East peak, for those great views and a great feeling of finally conquering Barney.

From the summit you can see Campbells Folly, our Sunday walk and Mt Gillies, our Monday walk, two of the minor bumps between Barney and Mt. Earnest.

If you think Mt. Barney is too challenging, a walk to Yellow Pinch Knoll will give you great views of the Massif.

Barney is calling. Answer the call.

Justin

ROGAINING DAY Queensland 8 Hour Rogaine Daywalk Navigation Training Day Saturday 10th June 2006

Leader: Phil Murray

Ph 3841 0254

Mob 0413 307580

Venue to be advised **Meet at:** St Brigid's Carpark

Time: 8:00 am

Cost: Travel fee approx \$15

Q.R.A. fee approx \$20

Grading: L55

Emerg Off: Sue Murray 3841 0254

This is an event organized by the Queensland Rogaining Association and our Club is going along as participants to their event.

Rogaines are team events and the ideal number in the team is 2 as it increases the potential for each member to contribute to the navigational decisions and by only having 2 members it reduces the potential for navigational disputes between members.

Rogaining is basically long distance orienteering and it is a great way to learn and develop your navigation skills. You are given a map and are required to locate and visit as many control points on the course as feasible in the allotted time.

The difference maior between rogaining and orienteering is that in orienteering you have a designated course with set control points to visit in a set order, whereas in rogaining the competitors decide what course to follow and decide what check points they will visit. The other main difference is that in rogaining the control points have different point values depending on how hard they are to get to, either because they are difficult terrain (the top of a steep hill) or because they are hard to find (eg. the control point is in the middle of a heavily forested flat area and therefore you will need expert compass skills to find it).

The event is to be held in south east Queensland but the precise location is not yet available as they try and keep things a bit secret to minimise people checking out the course before the event. The details of the event will be available at the next monthly meeting. (I expect that the venue will be in the Warwick area).

These rogaining events are excellent ways to improve your navigational skills and all members should aim to do a rogaining event to get their navigation skills up to a good standard and also to experience what a rogaining event is like. I am aiming to re-establish the tradition our club had in participating at these events and hopefully each year our club will schedule one of these events as they fit the description of both a safety and training event and a daywalk with a difference. With good luck we may get at least 4 members to attend the day.

The actual event is due to start at 12 noon and will go for 8 hours. But each team is free to finish when they have had enough. There is a "food tent" at the event and this is traditionally known as the "hash house" so we should get dinner provided if we are not back too late. (Bring your own plate and cutlery).

Bring the usual daywalk stuff including gaiters and a compass if you have one. Come along and enjoy a new experience.

Phil

P.S They usually have camping spots available after the event if you want to camp the night but I am planning to drive back after the event.

BARDON TO MT COOT-THA Sunday 18th 2006 City Walk

Leader: Justin Tobin

3366 3193

Meet at: Bardon Catholic Church,

Cecil Road. Bardon. Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7:00 am Mass

Cost: Nil Grade M33

Emerg Susan Tobin **Off:** 3366 3193

A day walk in the Western suburbs of Brisbane. After Mass we'll walk through the Bardon/ Rainworth green space through to the Toowong Cemetery for morning tea and over to the J.C. Slaughter Falls track to Mt Coot-tha for lunch.

Then using the track system we will finish at Bardon for coffee early afternoon.

Discover some of the bush close to Brisbane and remember Majella with me.

Justin

Leaders Please Note

Leaders of outings, trips, walks, socials, training. ALL visitors and everyone under 18 MUST complete by their own hand the "Liability Form". DO NOT fill it in for them & just have them sign it.

For those under 18 the parent or guardian must countersign the form.

The form must be completed before the start of the Club Event.

No form, Not Going.

Therefore, the Form cannot be completed at the start of the walk as they have already participated & cannot very well go home if they refuse to sign.

The Form is to protect you, the leader, against losing your house in the event you are sued for negligence in the event of an accident.

Visitors are NOT covered by insurance, so the only way they can get compensation for medical care and lost wages/income is to sue you as the leader.

By signing the Form, they know you and the Club are not responsible for accidents – they are to be careful and responsible for their own actions.

Those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian – they cannot come alone, even if the child of a member.

Once the Club Event is over, the Forms go to the Treasurer with the Outing Nomination Form & Money.

All Visitors on ALL Club Events need to sign the form.

If the Leader or Organiser is not handed the form, get them off the Club's Web Site at

http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/VisitorWaiverForm.html

The Visitor must sign one for each & every event they attend – completing one does not cover you and us for every event.

Take note and make sure the Form is always completed.

Thanks. Greg

COMING SOCIALS

THE JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY EMBASSY HOTEL

Friday 19th May @ 4pm Embassy Hotel, Cnr Edward & Elizabeth Sts, City.

The John Toohey Society- I would like to invite all members & visitors to the monthly meeting of the "John Toohey Society". This month it will be at 4:00 pm on Friday 19th May at **The Embassy Hotel**.

You do not have to arrive at 4pm sharp, but anytime between 4 & 6. Never know, if the incentive is right, could stay later. How do you recognise us – we are the quiet ones in the corner. John Toohey is the founder and brewer of Toohey's Old. Purpose to enjoy a few cleansing ales and discuss life, the universe & everything.

Greg

BOONAH SHOW DUGANDAN HOTEL & CAMPING WEEKEND.

Leader: Michael Simpson

Ph: 3351 3810

Meet At: St Brigid's carpark,

Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

Time: 7am

Cost: \$25.00 - camping & petrol

\$11.00 show entrance

Boonah is in the heart of the Scenic Rim. This time we'll stop and visit the show and have tea at the Dugandan Hotel This will be a fun weekend with time to enjoy a country show and to meet the locals & join in the many activities that will be happening.

The Boonah show is always a popular occasion and has been visited on past Club outings.

After travelling down from Red Hill the plan is to establish camp and get tents set up with a welcome cuppa after the journey.

Then it is off to nearby Boonah for the Agricultural Show. Look at the ring events, the horse judging, side show alley, smell the dust, feel the excitement, have a go at the sideshows.

The rest of the day at Boonah Show, before heading to camp to clean up for dinner at the famous Dugandan Pub just out of town. Great food and entertainment make this a top night with the locals.

Sunday morning there will be mass at Boonah Catholic Church before joining up with Anthony Dolan for the day walk to Mt Toowoonan.

For anyone only going for the day there may be an option for a car return to Brisbane on Saturday night. For a great weekend at Boonah contact Michael to nominate for a great country weekend.

Authors - Maxine, Greg & Justin

SPECIAL SHOW FEATURES

GRAND PARADE FEATURING CAVALCADE
OF TRANSPORT
AND STOCK HORSE PAGEANT
ANIMAL NURSERY

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Holden Storm Riders
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SHOW PROGRAMSaturday 20th MAY

Time **Event** Venue 8 am All Pavilions Open From 8am Horse Judging **Main Ring** (6 Rings Operating) From 8 am Stud & Dairy **Cattle Yards** Cattle Judging Dairy Goats Judging **Beside Guide** Hut. From 9 am Poultry Judging **Poultry Pavilion Caged Birds** Caged Birds Judging **Pavilion** Pigeons Judging **Poultry Pavilion** From 10.30 am Chainsaw Races Trade Display Area 1.30 pm Official Opening **Main Ring** 1.45 pm **Grand Parade Main Ring** 5.00 pm Night Show **Main Ring** commences 8.00 pm Fireworks **Main Ring**

CAN'T BE MISSED MONSTER FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT 8.00 PM

Look up:

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Greg

ANNUAL MASS & DINNER Saturday 27th May 2006

Mass Venue: The School Chapel at

Padua College, Kedron

Time: <u>5:00pm</u>

Address 80 Turner Road Kedron
UBD Ref Map 139 grid ref P3
Dinner Venue: Everton Park Tavern
Time: From 7:00pm

Address From <u>7:00pm</u>
101 Flockton St

Everton Park

UBD Ref Map 119 grid ref B18

Nominate to Phil Murray

Ph 3841 0254 or Mob 0413 307580

Come along to the celebration of the Club's Annual Mass.

The Mass will be held in the school Chapel. Please note it is not the main church. The Chapel is at the back of the old "Friary" building

The celebrant will be Fr Finian Perkins who celebrated Mass for us last year and I have asked Fr Finian to once again celebrate Mass for us. Peter Dore and family have kindly agreed to be the musicians once again.

After Mass we will join together for a meal and a chat at Everton Park Tavern. (Please note the change in venue is due to the Stafford Tavern undergoing renovations).

Please note all members, especially our non-catholic members, are most welcome at both the Mass and the Dinner.

Please nominate to me so I have some idea of numbers. I would like to be able to tell the College and the Tavern if we will have 30 or 40 people to make sure we have enough Mass booklets prepared and have enough seats at the chapel and tavern.

Also of interest we will be presenting the annual bushwalking awards at the Dinner. The awards were held over from the AGM.

The three awards to be announced are

- Bushwalker of the Year Award
- The Burke & Wills Award for the most walks
- The Rookie of the Year Award

Phil

COFFEE NIGHT AT AVANTI AND TWILIGHT WALK Wed 31st May 2006 Social

Contact: Barbara Eastoe (3355)

3639 or 0431 921 641)

Where: Avanti Café

1/57 Macgregor Terrace Bardon

Time: 6:15pm forTwilight

Walk(see details

below) OR

Time: 7:15pm onwards for

dinner/dessert

Another new venue for us! This time it is Italian. Parking is in the small shopping complex. I haven't been there for ages but it always seems busy, which is a good sign. It's in the small shopping complex on the left as you go towards the river. Avanti is on the street end and hard to miss.

For those of you who like the idea of a walk beforehand, we will meet in front of the café and walk around the streets. It will be dark and the lights from the hills around here should be a site. It would be a good idea to bring a torch.

If you intend coming for dinner, can you please let me know by the day before as I shall book a table and add a couple of extras for those that decide to come at the last minute.

Could visitors also ring me so I can watch out for them.

Hope to see you there.

Barbara Eastoe
THE JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY
AT ROSIE'S TAVERN
Friday 16th June @ 4pm
Rosie's Tavern, Edward St,
City.
(The old Rowes Arcade)

Oh No, not again. It's the third Friday of the month. Time for another "Meeting". This time at Rosie's – Downstairs. Haven't been there in years, so it is time to see the old watering hole again.

Come along and discuss everything, except bushwalking, work and the drought.

Greg

MAXINE'S MERRY MINGLES

SOCIAL CALENDAR EVENTS FOR 2006

MONTH April	DATE Sat 8 Tues 25	EVENT Mt Coot-tha ANZAC – Dawn Service
May	Sat 20	Boonah Show & dinner at Dugandan Pub – Camp at Mt French
	Sat 27	Annual Mass & Dinner
Jun		
Jul	Sat 1	Christmas in July
	Sat 15	Colonial Ball
Aug	Sun 13	Island Hop – Bay Islands
	Sat 19	Qld Bush Poets at
Sept	Sat 2	Riverfire Social
	Sun 24	Hamilton Heritage Walk
Oct	Sat 14	Progressive Dinner by Ferry
Nov	Sun ??	Powerhouse Markets &
		Breakfast
Dec	Sat 2- Sun 3	Xmas Party (weekend at Coolum)

ADVANCE NOTICE

QUEENSLAND COLONIAL BALL

At Morningside School of Arts, cnr Wynnum & Thynne Rds, Morningside Date Saturday 15 July 2006

Enjoy dances from our early days of settlement that came from our Anglo-Celtic-European heritage to those that are uniquely Australian and to those that have evolved during the changing years and population.

Experience the music of waltzes, varsovianas, schottisches, polkas, mazurkas, jigs and reels. Enjoy a delicious light supper.

Learn about quadrilles, longways sets, progressive dances, circle dances and couples dances.

There are 2 practice sessions where the dances are taught, etiquette explained and suggestions given on costumes. Arrive at 7 pm, come in Colonial, Period, National or Formal Attire.

TICKETS \$35 (\$25 if purchased before 23 June) Light supper provided

PRACTICES
Saturdays (1-4 pm) 1st and 8th July
Stephens Uniting Church Hall,
cnr Kadumba St & Kingsley Pde, Yeronga
(\$3 per session)

For more information contact Jan or Vic on:Phone/Fax (07) 3848 7706 Email:colonialdance@quicknet.com.au

PAST OUTINGS

CLUB HUT FEAST DAYWALK 19th March

"Yalburru" certainly had a crowd to celebrate another birthday. With the

numbers camped overnight and daywalkers present it seemed like up a warm up for the 2007 40^{th} Anniversary.

A warm clear autumn day to walk into the hut, with regrowth all around us, after the recent fires in past seasons. Grass trees especially looking green & lush on their blackened stumps. Rocky Creek had a good flow which is always good to see at the start of the walk.

As people arrived at the hut the famous Club Hut table was soon laden with food to share at lunch time along with sparklers to mark the occasion.

Some were happy to relax around the hut taking in the views of Mt Barney's peaks while others crossed Barney Creek and headed along the track to the Lower Portals for serious swimming. As always the huge swimming pool was very cold and refreshing after a hot walk.

A climb up over the massive boulders for better views while Mike S. lined up that top shot only to find his camera had a flat battery.

Lunch at the hut and billies boiled with cakes and sweets for all. Soon it was time to leave for the walk back to the cars – the journey out always seems shorter for some reason. Maybe the spirit is well replenished after visiting such a beautiful place.

Coffee on the way home at Beaudesert and plans started for a special dinner at the hut on the 40th Anniversary year in 2007.

Thanks to all who joined us for the day especially many new walkers and visitors making this journey for their first time. I hope you will find time to revisit our hut in quieter times to sit beside the creek and marvel at the

special place we were given for our hut. And to remember the adventurous members who spent many arduous hours carrying in materials to build our hut.

Thanks also to the drivers.

Cheers Maxine.

KNAPP'S PEAK

Sunday 2nd April Daywalk

Thirteen walkers gathered at St Brigid's at 7:00am on a beautiful Sunday morning to tackle a small mountain south east of Boonah. After regrouping at Boonah we set out for Photo

'Green Hills', the property lucky enough to count Knapp's Peak as one of its assets.

We started walking at 9.20am with views of Knapp's Peak on our left and Mts Lindsay, Maroon and Barney on our right. After 10 minutes or so we arrived at Knapp's Creek which was easily crossed (Terry's shoes were safe), as the water level was very low and commenced climbing the mountain.

The climbing was relatively easy, as easy as sitting on a log (sic) as the photograph will attest, until we neared the summit when the grade suddenly steepened.



The Walkers (from left to right) - Mary Kelly, Catherine Patterson, Noel Maloney, Michael Simpson, Paul Evans, Marie Ricketts, Robyn Thorne, Justin Tobin, Philip Kearns, Terry Silk, James Parra, Therese Abernethy. Photo taken by Jenny.

A breakaway group led by Paul found an interesting route around a rock formation whilst we less intrepid skirted the outcrop before rejoining several minutes later. I forgot to check my watch when we arrived at our morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea stop but I think it would have been around 11.40am. We were now only an easy 5 minute walk from the summit.

Unfortunately there was little to see on the summit, being scrub covered, except for the trig point and the old wooden trig post now used as a seat/table so we returned to our lunch spot for a well earned rest. Many varieties of tea and coffee were brewed and blended with the usual variety of cakes and sweets and the magnificent views of the Barney/Ballow massifs, assisted by near perfect conditions, we found it difficult to summon up the energy to leave. Justin provided us with a detailed survey of the many peaks could be including that seen recently climbed mountains mountains to be climbed in the near future to whet our appetite. However at 1pm we decided we had better start down and just after 3pm we arrived back at the cars. We decided to return to Boonah via a different which provided scenic route different aspect of Knapp's Peak revealing the razorback on northern side which ends at a ridge which connects Knapp's Peak to Ben Lomond, a smaller peak on the northern side, which is difficult to climb due to permission problems with the landowners.

Now it was time for a coffee break. We stopped at Flavours in Boonah for a welcome cuppa and a review of the day before heading home. Unfortunately I spoiled the club's reputation by arriving at St Brigid's in

daylight and I promise it won't happen again. My thanks to the twelve walkers who joined me – James, Paul, Terry, Maree, Robyn Thorne, Therese, Philip, Catherine, Jenny, Justin and two visitors Noel Maloney and Mary Kelly – who I hope enjoyed the day as much as I did.

Michael.

NORTH COAST MOUNTAINS Sunday 9th April Daywalk

The group set out from Red Hill at 7:00am on Sunday minus one leader. Thanks to Michael for organization of cars. I was up the coast to do a preouting on Saturday so it was at Ettamoogah Pub that we all met together for the start of trip. It was from here we proceeded to our first peak Mt Cooran, towering above the town of Cooran. We tackled it from north east and made it up to the top at about 260m. The first up was Ethan Palmer followed up by Mary Tobin. Spectacular views were afforded in all directions. The track was good but not for wet weather. It was back to the cars and to Cooran for a short stop.

Next it was up to the lookout on the tableland top. Mt Pinbarren was directly to the south on a ridge. The views from the lookout were great sandblow with the at Cooloola evident. It was out along the track for a short distance before heading out along the ridge to the base of the mountain. A cave here provided a Some of the group lunch spot. ventured up to the top of the mountain/ there were no views due to the forest and at the top was a scrub After lunch it was a turkey nest. gentle walk back to the cars. Terry's white datsun had decided to change position in the carpark?

Then it was down to Pomona for refreshments. After a small break it was felt that Mt Cooroora was for another day. From here it was down to Mt Ninderry at Yandina. This mountain starts at the northern end and the carpark backs into the house's driveway. The track up is a good track although again not for wet weather. It is in state forest. At the top, the views east and south were spectacular. Mt Coolum was directly east. It was a fitting end to the day with everyone heading back to the cars for the trip home to Brisbane.

I would like to thank everyone for coming along; Matthew, Ethan & Heidi Palmer, Justin & Mary Tobin, Robin, Maureen (visitor) Michael, Therese, Terry, Michelle, Phil the elder, Louise, James, Roger & Patricia. I would like to commend the efforts Mary, Ethan and Heidi who are impressive bushwalkers / well done. As for Mt Cooroora, there is always next year??

Paul Evans

Acting Editor's Note - For those not aware the locals from the area still call Mt Cooroora by it's correct name of Mt Pomona. This fact was kindly volunteered by Michael Simpson.

Phil

MINNAGES MOUNTAIN EASTER MONDAY 17th April 2006

It was a glorious day for our walk to Minnages Mt. and 26 people came along to enjoy it – 8 from B.C.B.C. and 17 from B.O.S.Q.

B.C.B.C. departed from Red Hill while B.O.S.Q. met at Goodna. We all regrouped at Boonah, where we were met by Julie Cullen, Ed Diary and Don Stevenson. The Burnett Creek valley was a new area for many and it wasn't long before Minnages Mountain came into view. A short car

shuffle was done – the distance was only 4.5 klms, however I'm sure that extra distance at the end of the walk would not have been appreciated. Paul's car was left at the finish so all his passengers jumped into the other cars to drive to the start.

While some put on boots, others enjoyed a cup of tea etc. etc. Ellen's chocolate cake was quickly devoured by both Catholics and pagans alike – that's if you got in quickly enough to get a piece. By the time Alan Cox discovered the cake there were only crumbs left.

We all introduced ourselves and then set off up the ridge. The main ridge departs from the old sawmill site further along the road however I chose to take the shorter but steeper route to that ridge. It was steep and we had lots of rocky bits to get over or around and there was much puffing and panting as we made our own pace upwards. Graham Glasse was getting worried that the descent might be something like what he was already going up – I assured him that it would be!

We re-grouped before reaching the main ridge and after that the climb became a little more gradual. Actually it was a delightful walk up the ridge, through the long green grass, open eucalypts forest, lots of staghorns and elkhorns on the rocks. We even found a small white ground orchid growing in the grass. The views of Wilson's Peak, Mt. Clunnie and the Main Range were great.

Morning tea was had at a rocky outcrop – only the early comers got to sit on the rock, the rest of us had to contend with sitting in the long grass. There was much sharing of jokes, past bushwalking experiences and identifying of various mountains. We then continued our gradual climb upwards and had another break and

re-grouping at the entrance to the rainforest. The rainforest section was beautiful to walk through – no vines to get tangled up in. The walking stick palms were all in fruit with their red berries. Brian Blackwell became Blacksheep after he showered a handful of the berries down Jonas' shirt.

After about 25 minutes in the rainforest we finally emerged out into the open forest again into a lovely grassy area for lunch. It was 12:45 pm. Before us stood the main peaks of Mt. Ballow – Double Peak, Junction Peak and Nothofagus.

The atmosphere at lunch was very relaxed with everybody chatting and sharing with one another. The finish lunch bell went off and it was time to descent the mountain via another ridge. The grass was long and to make matters worse lots of rocks were hidden from sight. The first descenders made a great path down through the grass. I was somewhere in the middle of the group and the path was becoming rather slippery on the steep sections so much so that it was impossible to walk on. Mary Kelly at this stage found it easier to use her bottom rather than her feet. I also felt safer on my bottom. By the time the tail got to this section it was one big slippery slide and all had great fun frolicking in the long grass. Bum sliding became the way to go. Rob Simson boasted that he had slid over 30 feet down the slide - others tried to beat that record. Anyway there was much bubbling humour as all slid, fell, tumbled & bum slid their way down. It was great fun when you were sliding uncontrollably suddenly hit some rocks – were there any bruised bottoms after the trip?

The "playground" section eventually became more gradual and instead of just looking at the ground we were able to now admire the great views

before us. Paul's car was spotted – but it was still a long way down.

As we dropped further down we contoured over a few ridges to get us back to the car. At this stage the drivers took off so that the car shuffle could be done. The rest of us stopped for a short break and to rest our tired knees. It was then only a short walk down the ridge, across Burnett Creek, under a fence and there were all the cars waiting for us. It was just before 4:00pm, which was my estimated finish time.

It was then off to Boonah for a wellearned coffee break. But alas, everything in Boonah was closed. It was such a disappointment as all were looking forward to this time to finish off a great day. We finally decided to go down-market to McDonalds at Yamanto. Ed, Don and Julie had to leave us at Boonah so unfortunately they missed out on the finale.

It was a great day and I thoroughly enjoyed the company of everybody. A special thanks to the tail end Charlies – Rob Simson, Alan Cox and Terry Silk. Thanks also to Paul Evans who helped with the car shuffle and to all the other drivers. And a special thanks to all who came along and added to the enjoyment of the day.

Those on the walk were: --

B.C.B.C. - Paul Evans, Philip Kearns, Robyn Thorn, Terry Silk, Mary Kelly, Michael Simpson, Graham Glasse and Julie Cullen.

B.O.S.Q. – Fiona Cheung, Alan Cox, Brian Blackwell, Bronwyn Menkins, Isabel Rivera, Veronica and Jon Baldry, Julie Dennis, Rob Simson, Ellen Pezet, Charles Conde, Jonas Bernotas, Anne Mathers, Neil Douglas, Ed Diary, John Hegerty and Don Stevenson (visitor).

And myself. (Pat Lawton)

STOCKYARD CREEK SOUTH NAVIGATION TRAINING DAY

Sunday 23rd April 2006

This was a lovely little bushwalk at Burbank in a patch of remnant bushland close to Brisbane and actually it was in the Brisbane City Council area.

This walk was done in conjunction with the Queensland Orienteering Association. There were 4 people from our Club who participated. James Parra and I did the "Long Red Course" of 4.3 km and Paul Siboni and Kate Colls did the shorter "Green Course" of about 2.4 km.

The Orienteering Association provided the most lovely detailed maps for the events. The maps are almost a work of art with the amount of detail they include. I just love the fact they include the termite mounds and large boulders on the maps.

The aim of orienteering is to locate all the check points on the course by navigating using your map reading and compass skills and get back to the finish in the shortest time possible. As we were walking the course we met many of competitors who were busily and frantically jogging past us. Some of these joggers passed us a few times as they gained their bearings. In particular we met Tim Apelt a former president of our Club. The day was a great success and we were made to feel very welcome on the day and Julie Irvine tried to sign us up as members.

In time we hope to schedule 2 of these orienteering days on our

calendar each year to give new members an opportunity to develop their map reading and compass navigational skills.

The other feature about these trips is that they are a great ½ day walk in the bush. As there is an early finish it gives you an opportunity to enjoy the bush and also get home and do a few chores or watch the football in the afternoon.

Regards, Phil

PAST SOCIALS

MT COOT-THA SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Saturday 8th April

A perfect afternoon to stroll through this tropical haven. It houses some 20,000 plants from arid, tropical, subtropical and temperate areas both native and exotic. The plants are all thriving in our sub-tropical city environment and in excellent condition despite the extremely dry conditions we are experiencing.

After only covering the Japanese gardens, Bonsai House (through the grills), rock pools and creek for a stop to watch the frill neck lizards coming out to feed or sun on the rocks. We soon realised we needed to spend at least a day exploring this area.

A pleasant climb back up the paths through native gardens, to a delicious early tea, that Lizzy had kindly stayed back to prepare. Outdoor eating always tastes better – we were soon enjoying sausages & bread & sauce while looking out over the city bathed in afternoon sunlight.

Tea & coffee & cakes to finish off before we reluctantly packed up to depart before closure of the gardens. A promise to return and make it a BBQ breakfast next time, with a day to cover the many paths and gardens. And a visit to the Planetarium in the afternoon is a must.

Thank you Lizzy for your help and to all who came for a pleasant afternoon. Sorry to Greg & Stephen who had to settle on a pizza after our early finish. And welcome to our visitors who joined us for the first time.

Cheeers Maxine

ANZAC Dawn Service

Each year the numbers attending the traditional moving dawn service seem to grow and this year for the first time so did our representation. Six of us gathered at 4:00AM at Anzac Square on a slightly chilly but beautifully clear morning. Two of our group had memories of their visit to Gallipoli. Philip showed us a stone souvenir which he had brought back from the beach.

After paying our respects during the half hour service which started at 4:28AM which is dawn at Gallipoli, the crowd dispersed rather quickly allowing us to quickly make our way to the Kangaroo Point Cliffs for our BBO breakfast. Strangely, it was not crowded like last year which meant that we had no trouble choosing a prime spot right by the river allowing us to watch the rays of the rising sun light up the city high rise buildings. We were also able to watch the early morning traffic on the river and the Captain Cook Bridge. This year the hot air balloons did not put in an appearance.

After a satisfying breakfast we decided to stroll around the river to South Bank in order to warm up. At South Bank we found a place on the Boardwalk where we could sit in the sun and enjoy a cup of coffee and

some more stimulating conversation whilst enjoying some more city views and the increasing activity around us as the city continued to come alive.

All too soon it was time to walk back to the cars thus concluding another successful club outing.

Thanks to David H., Elizabeth R., Therese, Rosemary S. and Philip K. for making the effort to join me in honouring those who gave their lives in service of our fine nation.

Terry.

SAFETY & TRAINING EVENTS

For details of the **FMR Training** weekend Weekend and **Qld 8 Hour Rogaine** see the Coming Outings section of the magazine.

FMR TRAINING DAY FMR Equipment & Research Day Sat 17th June

If anyone is interested, contact FMR to obtain the details.

E-mail: ron.farmer@uqconnect.net

Advance Notice

Bird Identification morning at Nudgee Beach on Sunday 16th July. Lead guide will be Matthew Palmer.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

ABOUT MEMBERS

Greg Endicott, Marilyn Graham, Richard Johns, Bill Keen, Nicholas Keen, Phil Murray, Rosemary O'Brien, Catherine Patterson and Karen Skelton are all having a birthday in May. Pat L. has just returned from another successful walking trip in New Zealand. How many is that now?

Inquiries, Visitors and New Members

February & March has seen many enquiries with some of these people already out on the track with us. Keep your eyes out for these people and make them feel welcome; Mary Kelly (New Member), Margaret Case, Peter Blumke, J. Stanton, Renee Bray, Stella Wells & Bernie Pattison. We have also had enquiries from Christine Mackenzie who found us on the Web, Maureen Rodgers – friend of Robin Thorn and Di Reynolds made contact through Pat Mackie. Please welcome these people on the track.

Paul Purcell, Taylor Ross and Noel Maloney have all been visitors on recent walks. Thanks for joining us and we sincerely hope that you had such a good time and that we will see you again real soon.

Also welcome back to Peta Matthewman who has rejoined us after a year's absence

Our 1st new member for this year is Roger Ford – we all hope to see him out with us and look forward to hearing about Kokoda. I have heard whispers that we have another associate member, Lynne Lucas, who is also heading that way. Barbara Divine has completed her 2nd walk as a visitor with the club & we now welcome her as a member. We look forward to seeing more of Barbara.

Keep talking about your great walks to friends and workmates as through that we get more people coming along to see what we are all raving about.

Robyn Jones (Membership Officer).

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance \$2906.61 **20/03/06 Plus Receipts** \$521.04

\$3427.65

<u>Less Payments</u> \$ 75.00 <u>Balance</u> \$3352.65 **10/04/06**

Term Deposit \$1850.40

Because our April meeting was held in a store room, (you should have been there), it was decided to delay the drawing of our first raffle for the year until the May meeting. So, if by some remote chance, I have not yet sold you a ticket or two, it is not too late. I have been encouraged by the support of all who have bought tickets so far.

Once again the main prize is a Grocery Hamper and the bonus prize is a Document Pouch. Good luck and thank you to all ticket holders.

Terry.

PRESIDENT'S NOTES May 2006

Last month's meeting was a very snug affair as the Hall was double booked. Fortunately we were able to squeeze into the room at the far end of the hall. The Brisbane Camera Club has their meetings twice a month in the hall. As we were the group that changed our meeting because of Easter I was happy to concede the point and have our meeting in the smaller room.

At the April Meeting we presented the certificates for the following first time throughwalkers – Paul Evans and Barbara Eastoe. Marie Ricketts

was not there and will receive hers at another time.

At the meeting we discussed the proposed Classic walks. There was some lively discussion but no real consensus. A suggestion that came out of the meeting was for Pat Lawton to endorse a list of the walks to do in south east Queensland. I will revisit the issue again in the near future.

For any changes or additions to the Club Calendar please advise me and I will incorporate the changes for the next magazine.

We discussed the issue of the Club purchasing its own portable hard **drive** after a quick discussion Michael Simpson agreed to take the role on. Robyn Jones was happy to pass this little chore on to Michael. Michael will investigate the issue further as he may be able to obtain a far cheaper option.

I have previously suggested that a sub-committee should be formed to look at reviewing the Constitution. At the May Committee meeting Pat Mackie and Robyn Jones asked for this process to be speeded up. A decision was made to set up a subcommittee to review the constitution and formulate amendments to rectify problem areas. The decision of the Committee was for the subcommittee to also look at the Associates issue. A sub-committee was formed and the first meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday 5th June

Guest Speaker at the June Meeting - Maxine asked Margaret Cooper if she could give a talk on walking in Wales and England. Margaret spent several months in the Welsh high country and will give us insight to walking in Britain.

The Club has numerous positions to be filled and these were duly filled at the April monthly meeting as follows:-

OTHER OFFICE HOLDERS

Abseiling Gear

John Carter

Steward

Artist-in-Residence Iain Renton

Chaplain

vacant

Club Hut Curator

Iain Renton

Club Hut Photo Album Curator

Maxine Brophy

Equipment Hire

Gabriel Romaguera

Federation Delegate

vacant

FMR Delegate

Paul Evans

Map Curator

Matthew Palmer

Old Annual Reports Justin Tobin

Curator

Jilalan Magazine Archive Curator

Justin Tobin

Phone Contact

Justin and Sue

Officers

Tobin

Photo Competition

Curator

Phil Murray

Walks Recorder

Matthew Palmer

Web-master

Greg Endicott

Publicity Officer*

Greg Endicott

* appointed at the may Committee

meeting.

If you know of any other roles that are performed please advise me.

I have received an article from Willie Hayes a co-founder of the Club. The article is a lovely history of the events and places that led to the formation of the Club. I initially intended to include it this month's magazine but at 7 pages it is a bit too long for the monthly magazine. I am very interested in the idea of once again publishing the **Barrani** journal and including the article in that journal. I will provide more details at a later date.

There are several activities planned for this month so I hope you find one or more activities that you can attend.

Happy Walking Phil

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Bush Poetry Championship

After an interesting trip to Townsville, Atherton, & the Undarra Lava Tubes we drove into Charters Towers for the Australian Bush Poets Championships. Each competitor has to say 4 poems of which 2 are traditional and 2 of their own composition – it is great entertainment, particularly the humorous & yarn spinning sections.

The Qld championships will be held at Beaudesert on the long weekend in June, for anyone interested if they are not going to base camp at Barney with Justin.

The performance competition of the Camp Oven Poetry Festival at North Pine Country Fair will be Fri 18 – Sun 20 August. This coincides with the Federation Pilgrimage. On Sat 19th August there will be Poetry Concert with 4 well known modern bush poets, Shirley Friend, Carol Huechan, Ron Liekefett, & Noel Stallard. I will be going to both Beaudesert & Pine Rivers if anyone wishes to join me on these social outings.

Robyn Jones

Walking the Pilgrim's Road A walking pilgrimage along the ancient Spanish road to Santiago

de Compostela, home to the Shrine of St James the Apostle.

For over 1000 years pilgrims have been walking the Camino, and here is your opportunity to achieve the 'Compostela Certificate' and join the tradition of walkers through the ages. Includes: Madrid (1 night), Ponferrado (1 night), Pilgrim's Walk (9 nights), Santiago de Compostela nights). A 17 day journey departing 7 October 2006. Includes 9 days walking (approx: 23km per day.) Accompanied by our pilgrimage chaplain Fr John Doherty. Cost \$3895:00

Cost includes: return airfares, accommodation, transfers & touring and most meals. See enclosed flyer or call Harvest Pilgrimages for detailed itinerary: Free call 1800 819 156.

Regards, Selina

A note from the Editor.....

I have computer problems at the moment so I would like to thank Phil Murray who helped compile this month's magazine. Louise

Remember, please forward your magazine articles by the **1**st **of the Month.** You may forward your articles to either:

25 Harburg Drive
Beenleigh Qld 4207 **or**e-mail address:
samlouis@bigpond.net.au

"There may be peace without joy, and joy without peace, but the two combined make happiness."

John Buchan, 1st Baron Tweedsmuir, Scottish author

> God Bless Louise (Editor)

AROUND THE RIDGES

Just an update on various other events and happenings on the bushwalking scene

2006 State Bush Poetry Championships Queensland

The 2006 Qld Bush Poetry Titles will be hosted by Beaudesert, during their annual Country & Horse Festival June 9th to 18th 2006.

The theme will be 'Bushrangers." It is the 10th anniversary of the festival, so it will be bigger & better in 2006.

The Bush Poetry component will run from Sat 10th, Sun 11th, Mon 12th June. Some of the events will be held at "Fairy Meade", Big Al & Glenny's property, including the popular first night campfire.

Please direct all enquiries to the president of the Country & Horse Festival,

Mrs Nancy Moss, on 07 55414355 or email chfest@bigpond.com
PO Box 242 Beaudesert 4285.

Walk To Work Day - the event is on Friday 6 October 2006.

This is a special little event that is starting to grow in popularity. The event's aim is to promote regular walking and physical activity. It is an annual, national event in which the community can become involved in a healthy and environmentally friendly activity. You can participate by simply walking all or part of the way to work. You can use public transport and get off the bus, train, tram or ferry a few stops earlier and walk the rest of the way. Or take a half-hour walk at lunch-time. Where possible, walk up stairs. But, leave the car at home. If you have to drive, leave the car at least a kilometre or two from your destination and walk the remaining distance. So make plans now and get your friends involved.

World Rogaining Championship

Ever wanted to compete in a World Championship? Well you can.

The 7th World Rogaining Championships is a classic rogaine of 24 hours duration and will be held near the Warrumbungles on the weekend of the 13th and 14th October. The event will start at noon on Saturday 13th and finish at noon on Sunday 14th October.

There is no qualification standard for entry to the World Rogaining Championship. A diverse group of athletes have competed in World Rogaining Championships in the past and will at the 7th WRC 2006. Check the website for more details http://www.rogaine2006.com.au/

Words and Prayers

A Bushwalker's Prayer

From the Waysider

I thank you Father for the gift of life and the witnessing of your creation wherever I walk.

Through the intercessions of our Patroness, Our Lady of the Way and Blessed Mary MacKillop,

I ask you to ever strengthen my love and faith in you as I conquer life's mountains

I am the steward of your environment. I accept the challenge to protect it.

Give me the gift of Christ's love so that I can reach out to all those in need, whether spiritual or physical

Bless all Club members, family and friends, especially those who are sick, lonely or suffering,

Reward with everlasting life, all who have walked with us in this Valley of Tears,

Ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen

REFLECTIONS

"Looking back to find guidance for the way forward."

The Club's old magazines and reports have a wonderful legacy of thoughts and reflections on the bushwalking experience. Rather than let these little treasures disappear in the mist of time I would like to dust them off and share them with the current members. Hopefully these reflections will provide some words of wisdom.

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Foreword to 15th Annual Report 1972-73 – by Club Chaplain Father Leo Coote

During the course of the past two generations we have witnessed a phenomenon in the Family.

In general we have evolved from a society in which relative poverty prevailed, to a society in which relative affluence prevails. The challenge that faced past generations of parents was to rear children to be physically and emotionally healthy, in spite of poverty.

The challenge which faces many of the present generation of parents is to rear physically and emotionally healthy children in spite of affluence.

Past generations of parents were continually faced with the providing decision of the necessities of life for their children - these were difficult decisions. But to-day decisions as to what luxuries are provided - or not provided have as great an impact on the development eventual children.

One of the difficulties facing the present generation of children is that they have not learnt to

want enough - such that they will do something on their own to obtain what they desire.

Just as we have instant cakemix, instant coffee, so we have become accustomed to instant satiation of our wants.

There is nothing very perplexing in life, Television has adapted us to the concept of the fifty-six minute solution the most perplexing of human problem. If problems can be solved so quickly, I should quickly receive that for which I ask.

imminent danger for children who are victims of super-satiation is that they will not be able to cope with life's inevitable setbacks - the failure an exam, the failure to obtain a job, the loss of good health. Such a knock could the child to become cause acutely depressed, to drop out of society, to escape to drugs, sex and drink.

Surely bushwalking trains people to work for goals not instantly obtainable - goals; that require endurance, patience and skill.

The sign of a mature person is that they can work for a remote goal - whether it is a distant peak or a future examination. Bushwalking can help a person rise above material needs - to the needs of the spirit. It awakens a need in the person for beauty, truth, goodness and God.

Father Leo Coote

POETRY CORNER

The following poem is for all those very brave members who climbed and scrambled up Mt Widgee and across to Panic Button Point.

The Climb

Up I climb, up I climb, grabbing on to rock and vine. Finding holds with hands and feet, pushing on in baking heat.

Along the ledges small I go, hanging with hand and toe. Pressing on to summits high, up to where the eagles fly.

Shaking legs and aching knees, hands and fingers in a squeeze. Sweating palms on sandstone rough, aching arms have had enough.

Don't look up and don't look down, straight ahead and not around. Summit coming into view, at the top I've made it through.

J. Teys
THE WAYSIDER - No. 220 - May - June 1990

Get Up And Go

How I'd like to up and go, to places few men know. To hidden mountain glens, And distant river bends.

Where summits rise in awe, With views of valley floors, Where wedgetails spread their wings, And the heathland robin sings.

How I'd love to just shoot through, Where pressures are but few, To breathe the air anew, With a mate or two.

But alas the time to spare, For that dream beyond compare. Here to stay and mope, And long with heartfelt hope.

By Jim Teys
THE WAYSIDER -No. 203 June - July 1987

The Beasties

The Beasties are loose At night when I sleep And into my tent, They wriggle and creep.

There are some that suck blood, Content to imbibe, Who march in a line With the rest of their tribe.

Eight legs or six And those that just slither, Their armies are coming, From out of the river.

Some drive you mad, With their infernal persistence And of the insect repellent They've grown quite resistant

Some have got wings You swat hit and slap As they enter the tent Through every small gap

On to the slaughter I'm squashing them dead, Into the sleeping bag To cover my head.

by Jim Teys

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