

Mt Maroon



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June 2008

Date	Event	Leader	Contact	Type	Grade
May 24	Mass & Dinner (50 th Anniv)	Philip		Soc	
28	Coffee Night – Mt Coot-tha	Michael		Soc	
31/1	FMR Training Weekend	Greg		Trng	
Jun 1	Mt Samson	Pat		DW	
3	Movie Night - Southbank	Michael		Soc	
7/9	Emu Creek	Iain		BC	
7/9	Cunningham's Gap to Emu Creek	Philip		TW	
June 14	Ipswich Heritage Walk	Liz	3356 4874	SW	S11
15	Stony Creek	Philip	0411 016864	DW	M44
16	Monthly Meeting	Philip	0411 016864	Meet	
20	JTS – Theodore's Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
21/22	Wilson's Pk via Kinnanes Falls	Matthew	3876 8125	ON	M66
22	Map & Navigation Training	Greg	3351 4092	S&T	
22	FRM Rescue Training	Peter	3287 6837	FMR	
25	Coffee Night - Bean Scene	Maxine	3203 4699	Soc	
26	BWQ Meeting	Michael	3351 3810	Meet	
29	Mt Tanna & Mt Glennie	John	5514 0285	DW	M55
July 1	Movie Night - Stafford	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
6	Mt Maroon	Phil	5522 9702	DW	M55
12	Medieval Fair	Desley	3369 5530	Soc	
13	Ngungun Train Walk	Justin	3366 3193	DW	S44
18	JTS – Irish Club	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
19	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 9765	DW	S44
20	Nerang State Forest	Graham	3371 9623	DW	M33
20	Page's Pinnacle	Philip	0411 016864	DW	S66
21	Monthly Meeting	Philip	0411 016864	Meet	
26	Kin Kin	Terry	3355 9765	DW	M44
26	Savages Ridge	Iain	3371 4672	DW	L77
27	Acacia Plateau	Justin	3366 3193	DW	M44
30	Coffee Night – Lido Woodfire	Maxine	3203 4699	Soc	
Aug 1/3	Lamington Plateau	Philip	0411 016864	TW	L55
5	Movie Night - Stafford	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
8	Chinese Dinner	Maxine	3203 4699	Soc	
9	Mt Goolman	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
13	Barney Mass – BCBC 50th Anniv	Phil	5522 9702	ON/DW	L66
15	JTS – Union Jack's	Phil	5522 9702	Soc	
16	Karawatha Forest	Maxine	3203 4699	SW	
17	Museum of Brisbane	Liz	3356 4874	Soc	
18	Monthly Meeting	Philip	0411 016864	Meet	
22/24	Pilgrimage – Mt Nimmel	Michael	3351 3810	DW/BC	Various
31	The Twins - Glasshouses	Paul	3357 5254	DW	M45

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", which is on the Club web site under "Club Magazine" and follow the links – <http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/JilalanStyleGuide.html> . 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

“God commanded, ‘Let the water be filled with many kinds of living beings, and let the air be filled with birds.’ So God created the great sea-monsters, all kinds of creatures that live in the water and all kinds of birds. And God was pleased. God blessed them all and told the creatures that live in the water to reproduce, and to fill the sea, and God told the birds to increase in number. Evening passed and morning came — that was the fifth day. Then God commanded ‘Let the earth produce all kinds of animal life; domestic and wild, large and small’ and it was done. So God made them all, and was pleased.”

Genesis 1:20-25

REFLECTIONS

“Above all, do not lose your desire to walk. Every day I walk myself into a state of well-being and walk away from every illness. I have walked myself into my best thoughts, and I know of no thoughts so burdensome that one cannot walk away from.”

Soren Kirkegaard – (he was a well known Danish religious philosopher of the 19th Century.)

PRESIDENT’S RAMBLINGS

Well, its June already. The year just seems to fly past doesn't it?

This has been the most wonderful year for our Club. The Anniversary celebrations were wonderful and the Annual Mass and Dinner were beyond compare. I really do want to thank Liz Little for organizing the most wonderful Liturgy for us.

The dinner afterwards was very well attended (many more turned up than RSVPd) and a great night was had by all. It was with regret that Raoul Mellish, one of our Club's founders was unable to attend the Mass due to ill health. We were going to confer life membership to him after Mass. We wish Raoul good health in the future and a speedy recovery.

As I write this I am looking forward to the Through Walk on the long weekend. It will be good to get out and exhaust myself on the track again. I hope everyone enjoys the walks they do this month and may we continue to walk humbly with our God.

Philip Kearns

RAMBLINGS FROM THE OUTINGS COORDINATOR

I was recently reading the Active Trails (shame it's not Tracks) Strategy document prepared by the State of Queensland and the Council of Mayors (SEQ) in January 2007. It reports that the population of SEQ is predicted to rise from 2,464,640 in 2001 to 3,709,174 in 2026, an increase of 151% while the number of outdoor recreation activity-events in SEQ will rise from 53 million in 2001 to 90 million in 2026, an increase of 171% (based on the 2001 age class patterns of activity preference, participation and frequency). Thus, in the next 25 years, growth in recreational demand is conservatively predicted to be 10% greater than population growth due to the ageing of the population.

The development of the SEQRTS has led to the identification of a number of potential new regional and district trails within SEQ. Using the Trail Assessment process and the criteria mentioned above, nine of these proposed trails have been highly ranked and are considered to have the potential to be regionally significant. These trails are:

- Brisbane Valley Rail Trail;
- South East Queensland Coastal Recreational Cycleway (Bribie Island to NSW);
- Boonah to Ipswich Multi-User Recreation Trail;
- North Coast Mountain Bike Touring Trail;
- Caboolture Multi-User Trail Network;
- Maroochy River Canoe Trail;
- Gormans Gap Track and Bicentennial National Trail Circuits;
- Tamborine Tracks and Pathways Network; and
- Brisbane City to Fernvale Recreation Trail.

This means that there will be plenty of new tracks to explore over the next decade. The club has already walked the Blackbutt to Linville section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail so we have made a start.

If you are interested in reading this document I would be more than happy to email it to you.

Good walking and I hope to see in the bush.

Michael (3351 3810, 0409 620 714 or michaellesimpson@optushome.com.au)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 21/4/08	\$1688.81
Plus Receipts	\$ 488.00
	\$2176.81
Less Payments	\$ 755.45
Balance 19/5/08	\$1421.36
Term Deposit	\$2093.45

I am still selling tickets in our second raffle for the year. The first prize is a light weight travel towel and the second prize is a small box of chocolates. Tickets are still only one dollar each.

We still have a supply of 50th Anniversary T-shirts for sale at \$20.00 each.

Terry

MEMBERSHIP OFFICERS REPORT

One of the issues for a membership officer to address is a recruitment drive. One of the key ways of doing this is to ensure there is a wide range of activities available on the Club's program of events and to ensure that there is a wide range of articles in the monthly magazine and that it easy for new members to join.

The Club has an enviable record of putting together an extraordinary range of walks and socials on our calendar and thanks go to Michael Simpson for the walks and Maxine and the many others who put together the various socials.

The Club's magazine Jilalan is just a fantastic production that the Club should be very proud of. Thankfully we don't limit the articles to just coming and past walks which would be an extremely narrow view of the world. The magazine also includes a range of articles about different activities and other issues like the poems, reflections, historical articles, notes about trips in other parts of the country and notes about safety and training events. It is probably the best magazine from Queensland bushwalking clubs and something we should treasure.

Moving on to the topic of the mechanics of joining our Club. Our membership level is the lowest it has been years and to increase membership we need to make it easier for people to join and we shouldn't be putting barriers in the way. It is probably time we let applicants for membership to pay the subscription fee and be classed as members without first requiring them to do 2 walks before they become members. This way it makes it very

quick and efficient and makes people feel very welcome and people can pay at the start of the walk or over the internet. If they find they don't like bushwalking let them ask for a refund and we should give them a pro-rata refund. We don't need to change the constitution to do this as all we need is to make a small change in the by-laws and a willingness to try different things for the Club. Hopefully we might be able to increase our membership by another 20 people by December. So spread the word.

A big welcome to the following new members who joined the Club in the last few weeks Margaret Atkin, Barry and Pat Taylor I trust you find us a friendly Club.

Yours in walking.

Phil

MONTHLY MEETING NEWS

Meetings are speeding up now under the steady hand of Philip. He is starting them at 7.30pm sharp, and making sure the "business" part is less than 90 minutes. This means the "business part" finishes by 9pm, hopefully earlier. That leaves more time for talk, supper and socialising.

Why not come along to try it out.

Come To The Monthly Meeting on Monday 16th June – We Would Like To See You There

ABOUT PEOPLE

June Greenaway, Ivan Mort and Bill Seymour are having a birthday in June.

Congratulations to Patricia and Barry Taylor who are our latest new members. Barry and Patricia were members a number of years ago.

June has just returned from a holiday in Western Australia where she bumped into Rick and Julie who were over there on business. Maxine had a Great holiday in Tas, walked in World Heritage rainforest on the Gordon River - a very humbling experience just being there.

Michele & Greg had a long weekend in Newcastle, visiting the Tyrrell Winery 2 Reds Meet (wine & steak) Festival on a very sunny Saturday. <http://www.tyrrells.com.au/>

Are you aware that El Presidente is now a member of the mortgage class.

COMING EVENTS

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

14th JUNE, SATURDAY IPSWICH AND ROSEWOOD HERITAGE WALK SOCIAL

Leader: Liz Little Ph: 3356 4874
Meet at: Roma Street Station, Ipswich
Train Platform
Time: 8.30 for the 8.39 train
Grade: S11
Cost: \$11.60 train fare plus optional lunch
Location: Ipswich and Rosewood
Web:
<http://library.ipswich.qld.gov.au/lh/ipshistory.htm>
<http://www.travelmate.com.au/Places/Places.asp?TownId=1154>
Emerg Off: Beth Small Ph: 0414 252 003

Come along for a relaxing day of train travel and heritage walking in Ipswich and Rosewood.

The journey from Roma St to Ipswich takes nearly an hour in an air conditioned train with large windows for easy viewing of the passing landscape.

Ipswich was established in 1827 as a convict out-station to quarry limestone. Later it became a busy port on the Bremer River, relying on coal and railways for prosperity, even aspiring to become the capital of Queensland. The walk will take in some imposing public offices, Queensland's oldest churches, numerous fine mansions, historic house and cottages.

The next leg of the railway journey takes about 20 minute to Rosewood for an Aussie pub lunch at a country hotel or a picnic nearby (your choice) and a chance for a look around the town before boarding the train back to Roma Street.

Lunch will be at the Rising Sun Hotel. There will be a limited menu - Rosewood is a small town. We expect to be on the 3.42pm train back to Ipswich and Roma Street, but it cannot be guaranteed that lunch will not be delayed. If you really need to be on that train, you might prefer to bring your own lunch and enjoy it in a delightful park in Rosewood. If you can be flexible, the Rising Sun Hotel is a comfortable country pub serving delicious soda water and well worth a visit, even if lunch takes a while.

The pub is our last stop for the day, so flexibility is highly recommended so that the ambience can be savoured, companionship shared and time ignored.

15th JUNE, SUNDAY STONY CREEK DAYWALK

Leader: Philip Kearns Ph: 0411 016 864
Meet at: St Brigid's
Time: 7 am
Cost: \$18
Grade: M55
Location: South of the Conondales & west of the Glasshouses
Web:
<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=8>
Emerg Off: Catherine S Ph: 3351 3810

This is a new area for the Club as we have never been here before.

This will be a delightful walk. We are going to cross Stony Creek and climb a ridge for about 2-3km and hit the old forestry road. The ascent of the ridge should be straight forward enough, but there will be part of it that could be a little bit steep. The party will follow the forestry road to an old sawmill and then move to Branch Creek. The plan is to then follow the creek back to the picnic area where we started.

There has been considerable rain in the last couple of days. I was at Stony Creek at the end of May and the creek level was not excessively high. It would be possible to negotiate the creek or the banks. The rocks can be slippery, but the rain should have flushed any moss, etc, from the rocks. I also expect the creek levels to be back to normal if we have no further rain. The banks of the creek are secure and there was no slippage of soil beneath my feet even in the wet.

Set at the southern end of the Conondale Range, Bellthorpe State Forest offers untouched bushland with rainforest, waterfalls and attractive creeks. They are home to 600 identified plant species and many endangered and threatened animals. It can be quite rugged with open eucalypt forest, rainforest, waterfalls and cascades along picturesque Stony Creek. There is a rock pool at the junction of Stony and Branch Creeks.

I have decided to rate the walk as a "55" due to the section of the creek at the end of the walk. As always with walking along a creek the conditions on the day will dictate whether we use the creek or the banks.

Come along and join me for a great day in a very new area for the club.

16th JUNE, MONDAY GENERAL MEETING

Contact: Philip the Younger, President
Ph: 0411 016 864
Time: Doors open 7.30pm
Venue: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Ashgrove (the old Dorrington). The hall & carpark are on the lower terrace, down below the church.

Come along to the Meeting to hear what the Club is going to do over the following month.

- Hear what you will be doing over the coming month
- Hear what we did over the previous month.
- Ask Leaders questions that will solve your queries about coming events – this Jilalan can not say everything about what we do, where we go and how we do it.
- The meeting starts at 7.30pm, regardless of the numbers present.
- Philip is keeping the business down to 90 minutes.
- Stay and talk with your friends – enjoy supper

20th JUNE, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING THE THEODORE CLUB

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 or 0413 307 580
Where: Level One, 333 Adelaide Street, Brisbane (The club is on the first floor.)
Time: From 4pm till 10ish.
What For: For a chat and a beer and a meal
Web:

<http://www.thetheodoreclub.com/index.html>

Emerg Off: Michael Simpson 0409 620 714.

For the month of June we are meeting at The Theodore Club. It is just 100 metres south of the Wharf St and Adelaide St intersection. The Club is named after a famous pioneer of the Australian labour movement and a great adopted-son of Queensland - Edward "Red Ted" Theodore.

It is a nice little watering hole. It used to be called the Masonic Club but has been renamed the

Theodore Club. The prices are excellent and it is a low key place. (It has pool tables)

So come along and have a chat, a drink, a meal and meet friends in sociable surroundings. These nights are for EVERYONE

JUNE 21/22, SAT TO SUN WILSON'S PEAK Via THE VERANDAH OVERNIGHTER

Leader: Matt Palmer Ph: 3876 8125
Meet at: Red Hill at 4.44pm
Cost: \$20.00 + dinner money
Grading: M66
Location: On The Head road, between Boonah & Queen Mary's Falls

Web:

<http://www.qld.gsa.org.au/BBMain.pdf>

Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan Ph: 3876 8125

Wilson's peak is a large volcanic plug nestled on the Qld NSW border. It is the corner of the Scenic Rim and Great Dividing Range where the McPherson and Main Ranges converge. The walk will provide a great variety of terrain, open forests, thick rain forest and dry rainforest. Steep climbs and descents, open rock slabs, scrubby off track trails, rock hopping and the airy sensation of traversing The Verandah. This will be a top walk not to be missed in Prime walking season.

The plan is to get to Boonah in time for the six o'clock vigil followed by dinner at the Dugandan. When they kick us out we will head off to the base of The Verandah where we camp the night.

Undoubtedly this will be the best overnighter of 2008.

Matt Palmer

22nd JUNE, SUNDAY MAP, COMPASS and NAVIGATION TRAINING S&T

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Mt Coot-tha, in the park next to Channel 7 (on the Channel 10 side)
Time: 10am
Cost: Free

Web:

http://www.silva.se/templates/Products_7_9.aspx?epslanguage=EN&productId={28079803-C9CB-401D-ACE9-F411DEBB2B0E}

And:

<http://mapconnect.ga.gov.au/ICSM/imf.jsp?site=ICSM>

What You Need: Nothing, but if you can get hold of a Silva Compass, do so.

Here is something everyone should know the basics of. Even if you do not intend leading a trip, it is still good to have the background knowledge. Not many outings require a compass, so get to know how to use one & read a map today. Map reading is not just for the "hards". Knowledge adds interest to your favourite sport.

If you have, or can borrow, a Silva brand compass, all the better. We will start with basic map reading – determining such features as ridges, peaks, plateau, creeks & gullies, and the magic of contours. Then I will go into the best & easiest way to plan a walk by looking at a map.

Next we move down the road a bit to start the compass work. You will learn about the features on the compass, why there are there and what they do. Then you will have a go at finding the water reservoir at The Gap, the High School, the Retirement Home, and more.

Finally, the group will put it all together by doing a walk through the bush between Chancels 10, 7 & 9. It will not all be along tracks – what can you learn about navigation on a track.

There will be a late lunch, if you wish, at the kiosk at the other end of the mount.

Nominate, so I know how many maps to bring along.

**22nd JUNE, SUNDAY
FMR TRAINING
SEARCH EXERCISE**

When: From Saturday evening, 21st June, 2008, for a dawn start on Sunday.

Where: Isolated Peak, Mt Barney National Park.

Access to the Park is signposted from Upper Logan Road, off the Boonah Rathdowney Road.

Meeting places and times will be arranged as part of the exercise, but latecomers can rendezvous at the Lower Portals trailhead carpark on Sunday morning.

Who: The exercise is for the benefit of Intermediate volunteers, but bushwalkers of all experience levels are welcome and will be deployed according to ability.

What: A search for overdue walkers in rugged terrain.

The scenario will be a report on Saturday of day walkers overdue. The walkers are young and fit, but unfamiliar with Mt Barney and unprepared for

a night out. Their intended route included rock scrambling.

A de-brief will give you the opportunity to feed back your suggestions.

Costs: Transport contribution up to \$24. Mt Barney Lodge \$10 or alternatively NP walk-in site \$4.50

A small donation to FMR would be appreciated to cover expenses such as radio batteries.

Bring: Pack as for a rugged day walk (water, food, sunscreen, insect repellent, map and compass, first aid and survival gear.)

Map: Mount Lindesay 1:25000 topo or Mt. Barney 1:25000 Forestry

Camping equipment for Saturday night.

Optional: GPS, harness, rope/cord/tape, mobile phone.

RSVP: by Tuesday 17 June directly to Peter Rollings

Ph: 3287 6837 (ah) Ph: 3407 5112 (bh)

Email: peterrollings@energex.com.au, or to your club S&T Officer

**25th JUNE, WEDNESDAY
BEAN SCENE CAFÉ/RESTAURANT
COFFEE NIGHT**

Contact: Maxine Brophy Ph: 3203 4699

Address: 1/242 Hawken Dr, St Lucia, at the Uni end, down from Boomerang

Time: 7pm for Dinner, 7.30 for Coffee & Cakes

It has been a very long time since we were in St Lucia. Come along to find the delights of this new location for us. At least we will be away from the crowds, traffic and noise.

**29th JUNE, SUNDAY
MT TANNA / MT GLENNIE
DAYWALK**

Leader: John Carter Ph: 5514 0285

Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill

Meet Time: 7am

Grading: M55

Cost: \$20

Location: South of Beaudesert, near Mt Lindsay border gate

Web: http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/media/parks_and_forests/parks/mount_barney.pdf

Emer Off: Sue T 0417 710 371 or 3366 3193

These peaks lying east of Mt Barney are on the McPherson Range and form part of the State border. The walk will be in the area of Colin's Gap to Mt Tanna. Glennie's Chair is a rocky pinnacle, which provides great views of the Border Ranges. Mt Glennie & Mt Tanna summits

are clothed in rainforest. Part of the walk will be along the border fence.

We will park our cars on the Old Mt Lindesay Highway, just past the Palen Creek Prison Farm and walk to the border fence. We will follow the fence to Glennie's Chair. There is a rocky scramble to the summit. We will probably continue following the fence through rainforest to Mt Tanna. While we will be following tracks most of the time, the walk will be undulating with a couple of steep climbs. You will need to carry water for the whole day.

The walk will now be on Sunday.

**1st JULY, TUESDAY
MOVIE NIGHT
STAFFORD CINEMAS**

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

Don't forget we are now meeting on the first Tuesday of the month.

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 entrance near the cinema. The link below contains a map of the centre.

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

The costs at Stafford City are similar if not cheaper as you can get a movie meal deal for around \$18. So come along.

**6th JULY 2008 SUNDAY
MT MAROON
DAYWALK
WILDFLOWER WALK**

Leader: Phil Murray, Ph: 5522 9702 or 0413 307 580
Meet : St Brigid's Car Park, Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 7.15 am
Grade: M55
Cost: \$15:00 in car pool cars

\$2 per person for those going privately

Location: Near the NSW border, between Beaudesert & Rathdowney

Web:

<http://www.bootsawalkin.com.au/winter.html>

Emerg Off: Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

This is a medium to hard walk but the views are spectacular of Mt Barney and the Scenic Rim. Mt Maroon has an excellent reputation for having a wide range of wildflowers.

The reason for going in early July is to catch the very beautiful red pea flower in full bloom. The scientific name for the plant is *Bossiaea rupicola* – (pronounced boss-eye-AY ru-pie-kol-ah). The flower is sometimes known as the scarlet pea. (After my extensive publicity about the Scarlet Pea it had better be in flower or I'll)

As regards the route we are taking, it will be the standard walk up Mt Maroon. We'll park the cars near the small dam at the end of the Cotswolds Road and then walk up the steep ridge to below the rock faces, then sidle across to the gully where we have to clamber up a few steep sections, then into a little glen where there are largeish trees and then we traipse across to the heath area of the summit plateau. I hope to visit both the south and north summits and check out the wildflowers.

Bring the usual day walk stuff and be ready for a steepish walk with a bit of scrambling involved. It could be a bit cool on top at lunch time so bring a jacket or woolly jumper and perhaps a beanie.

I need someone to organise the cars at Red Hill as I will meet the group at Beaudesert at about 8.00 am at McDonalds.

We will try to spot where 'Diff' the bullmastif dog was left behind earlier this year. The owner went up on New Year's Eve to see the first sunrise for 2008 from Mt Maroon. Well the view was rained out and they got lost on the way down and Diff spent 2 nights on the mountain. Does anyone know if the owner got fined for taking a dog into a National Park? The maximum fine is \$1,500.

Celestial Data.

Sunrise 6:39am; **Sunset** 5:07pm, Length of day 10h 27m 56s

Moon (a crescent moon): Moonrise 9.01am; Moon Noon 8.31pm; Illumination 12.8%; New moon was on Thursday 3/7/2008
Phil

Society For Growing Australian Plants:
<http://www.sgapqld.org.au/>

And:

<http://www.sgapqld.org.au/scrim.html>

**12th JULY, SATURDAY
MEDIEVAL FAIR
SOCIAL**

Leader: Desley Pedrazzini Ph: 3369 5530
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 8am
Cost: Entry \$25, Transport \$15
Grading: Fun, fun, fun
Location: Between Caboolture & Bribie Is,
at the Abbey Museum

Web:<http://www.abbeytournament.com/welcome.htm>

Welcome, My Lords and Ladies, Merchants and



Peasants to the
19th Abbey
Medieval Festival.
A week of
festivities
commences with
the famous
Banquet on

Saturday, 5th July, and concludes with two
fabulous days of the Medieval Tournament held
over the weekend of 12th and 13th July, in the
Year of Our Lord 2008.

The Abbey Museum holds the festival primarily
for educational and cultural purposes and to
raise funds to maintain its priceless
collections. The festival is the largest authentic
medieval event in Australia. It spans a thousand
years from Europe's Dark Ages to the High
Middle Ages, roughly AD 600 to 1600.

There is something for all ages at the
Tournament. The breath-taking pageantry of the
Joust; the courage and skill of knights in armed
combats; the spectacular Grand Parade with
over 500 re-enactors massed outside the castle;
a Masque Ball, educational talks and exotic
food. There is music, dance, arts and crafts and
rich photographic opportunities.

Come and enjoy the magic of the Abbey
Medieval Tournament in July 2008.

Photo: Lachlan Douglas

**13th JULY, SUNDAY
NGUN NGUN BY TRAIN
DAYWALK**

Leader: Justin Tobin Ph 3366 3193
Meet at: Roma Street Station
Time: 7:40pm for 7:56 Train.

Cost: \$11.30 Off-peak daily to
Glasshouse Station.

Grading: M 3 4

Emerg Off: Susan Tobin. Ph: 3366 3193

Journey in the footsteps of the club's early
walkers. Just as they did, we'll catch the train
and head north to Glasshouse Station and follow
the road to Mt Ngun Ngun.

A gentle climb past the cave to the saddle will
have us on top for those great views of the other
Glasshouses and across the Pumicestone
Passage. Maybe an eagle soaring the thermals if
we are lucky. Lunch in the saddle before heading
down to have a look at the disused quarry and
the scar left on the rock. Then back to the station
for the 3:13 train back to Caboolture and the
4:02 back to Brisbane.

For those catching the train along the way.
Roma Street 7:56am, Northgate 8:16am, Petrie
8:31am, Caboolture 8:48am. We will be in the
first carriage.

Join me for an enjoyable day in the
Glasshouses.

**18th JULY, FRIDAY
JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING
THE IRISH CLUB**

Contact: Phil Murray on 5522 9702
or 0413 307 580

Location: 171 Elizabeth Street

Time: From 4pm till 10ish.

What For: For a chat, a drink and a meal

The Club has a regular gathering in town for a
social drink and a chat on a Friday once a month
on the third Friday of the month. The original aim
of the society is to find the best beer on tap and
we have now moved on and it is just a friendly
gathering in town.

For July we are meeting at the Irish Club. The
Club has recently been refurbished and looks
very modern & trendy and, in particular, they
have revamped the entrance so it is easy to
access the Club at street level.

A special feature of the Club is the Tara Room
with its beautiful Victorian architecture. The
notable beers are Harp lager, Guinness and
Kilkenny. The prices are very reasonable. The
Club is about 200 metres north of the Myer
Centre. As it is a club you have to sign in.

So come along and have a good night in town.

**19th JULY, SATURDAY
HISTORIC SHEPHERDS' WALK
DAYWALK**

Leader: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765
Meet at: St Brigid's car park, Red Hill
Time: 6.45am
Cost: \$8.00 + \$15.00
Grading: M 3 4
Location: South west of Beaudesert, in the Kerry Valley

Web:<http://www.boonah.qld.gov.au/regionInfo/documents/Sthbdst.pdf> (#17)

And <http://www.beaudesertmuseum.org>

Emerg Off: Carol Kelly Ph: 3269 4795

I am determined to keep scheduling this walk each year until every club member has done it as I believe that everyone is capable of doing it. This will be our seventh consecutive year of doing this walk which is now easier than when we first did it as we no longer climb up and over the Gin Broken Range. Now we climb to the saddle on the range from our lunch spot and return the same way. A leisurely morning tea is had at the saddle whilst enjoying the surrounding views.

The walk only takes just over two hours with the pace being set by the slowest walker. The Beaudesert Historical Society has been organising this event for twenty-two years now and, consequently, everything runs very smoothly. They provide the walk leader and tail-end-charlie. During the climb to the saddle views of the surrounding countryside can be obtained. Frequent rest breaks are taken during the climb. The track is a little rough in places but there is nothing too difficult. There is a water crossing at the start and end of the walk but nobody should get wet feet.

Lunch is provided by the Historical Society and is their famous sausage sizzle along with all the trimmings. This is supported by the now famous dampers washed down with tea, coffee, cordial and water. There is usually no shortage of food. There could even be a limited supply of home cooked biscuits and cakes.

There is no charge for children under fourteen who must be accompanied by an adult. Non-walkers are also welcome as they can wait at the lunch spot. The Historical Society provides buses to take us from their complex to a monument in the Christmas Creek valley where a short address is given on the significance of the Shepherds' Walk and the era of Chinese shepherds in this area. Then the buses will take us to the Kerry Valley for the start of the walk.

The buses will leave the picnic area at approximately 2.30pm to return to the Historical Society Complex in Beaudesert. So we will be back in Brisbane before dark as it is not a long day.

I highly recommend this walk as the Historical Society is famous for their country hospitality, the views are quite spectacular and the food is most enjoyable. What more could you want. The Historical Society charges \$15.00 for the day all up. Our club charges \$8.00 for our car pooling. You will need to bring your own morning tea and water for the walk. In past years there have been over a hundred people present on this day with everyone having a fun time.

You need to nominate A.S.A.P. as bookings close on the 12th July. I look forward to your company on the day which I am sure you will enjoy.

Regards, Terry.

**20th JULY, SUNDAY
NERANG STATE FOREST
DAYWALK**

Leader: Graham Glasse Ph: 3371 9623
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7am
Grade: M33
Cost: \$15
Location: North western outskirts of Nerang, Gold Coast

Web:<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=57>

Emerg. Off.: Jean Gowans Ph: 3256 6140

This walk will begin at a recreation reserve at Hope St, Nerang. The first part of the walk is on the short Casuarina Grove trail. The remainder is on either walking tracks or forest roads. Nerang State Forest is quite hilly, so be prepared for some steeper sections. The total length is estimated at about 15k. From time to time, there are views of the Nerang River, Gold Coast highrise buildings, and some Gold Coast suburbs. The vegetation includes dry rainforest and open eucalypt forest.

The park is very popular with riders of mountain bikes; in some areas there are separate bike tracks. We may also see a few illegal trail bikers. Other features that we shall see include a large open cut blue metal quarry, and the remains of an old rifle range. Join me on this interesting walk in a forest park which is rarely visited by the club.

Graham

**20th JULY, SUNDAY
PAGE'S PINNACLE
DAYWALK**

Leader: Philip Kearns Ph: 0411 016 864
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Cost: \$20
Grading: S66
Location: In the Gold Coast Hinterland
Web: https://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/springbrook_national_park_and_numinbah_forest_reserve/springbrook_national_park_and_numinbah_forest_reserve_8212_nature_culture_and_history/

This outing is just a stroll up the creek valley & a quick climb up the ridge next to it. What more is there to say.....

The grading is S66, so it is "Short". This is the first official Tiger Walk for 2008.

The party will drive as far up the valley as possible, given all the rain we had recently. However, the valley sides are a bit steep, and rocky. The Pinnacle looks spectacular from the Border Track - a nice hill.

The vegetation is a combination of rainforest and eucalypt. This means that you will be getting a bit of sun, but also lots of views. The Pinnacle may not be the highest, but it is strategically positioned to have views of most of the well named and higher peaks & ridges nearby.

Don't be a pussy cat, be a TIGER and come with me.

**21st JULY, MONDAY
GENERAL MEETING**

Contact: Philip, Ph: 0411 016 864
Time: Doors open 7.30pm
Venue: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Ashgrove (the old Dorrington). The hall & carpark are on the lower terrace, down below the church.

Come along to the Meeting to hear what the Club is going to do over the following month.

- Hear what you will be doing over the coming month
- Hear what we did over the previous month.
- Ask Leaders questions that will solve your queries about coming events – this Jilalan can not say everything about what we do, where we go and how we do it.
- The meeting starts at 7.30pm, regardless of the numbers present.

- Philip is keeping the business down to 90 minutes.
- Stay and talk with your friends – enjoy supper

**25/26 JULY FRI/SAT
SAVAGES RIDGE
OVERNIGHTER**

Leader: Iain Renton Ph: 3371 4672 or: 0401 429 085
Meet at: St. Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 6.30pm
Cost: \$30
Grading: L68
Location: Mt. Barney (in Rathdowney area near the NSW border)

Web: http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/mount_barney_national_park/#gen1

Emerg Off: Mathew & Kerry 3876 8125

This will be the fourth time I've led or navigated a group up Savages Ridge. It remains one of my absolute favourite walks. It is a long day's walk with a 6.15am start but the rewards make it well and truly worth it. You'll get a distinctly different view of Mt. Barney and magnificent panoramas of wide wild expanses such as you rarely see in S.E.Qld. It is a much less-travelled side of Mr. Barney, which further enhances the wilderness feel of the walk. We'll be camping at Barney Lodge the night before because of the early start.

The route will take us up Savages Ridge on the South-Western corner of Mt. Barney then up West Peak and down to the saddle. If we make good time on the day of the walk, we may be able to descend via Egan Creek rather than Peasants Ridge (I'll be doing a pre-outing to check the time it takes to descend Egan Ck). This route would mean most of the walk would be off track and take us directly below the ridge we ascended.

Walkers will need to be fit and reasonably confident about rock scrambling. Come and join me for a great walk.

Iain

**26th JULY, SATURDAY
KIN KIN
DAYWALK**

Leader: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765
Meet at: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Cost: \$20

Grading: M25
Location: up the North Coast, near Pomona

Web:<http://www.noosa.qld.gov.au/trailnetwork/TrailDetailsMap.shtml>

&

<http://www.noosa.qld.gov.au/images/community/TrailNetworkMap.pdf>

this is a lovely civilised area just inland of the Noosa Lakes system. The track is through farmland, parks & reserves and beside roads. There are some hills to get up, but these are not steep or high. But from the top there are fantastic views of the southern Cooloola area and Noosa Lakes, as well as the surrounding farm land and western mountains. Some of the trail is open, so slip/slop/slap is necessary. This is a Medium range walk for the not-so-fit. Remember, it is long though, and there is no short way back.

**27th JULY, SUNDAY
ACACIA PLATEAU
DAYWALK**

Leader: Justin Tobin Ph: 3366 3193
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 5:55am
Cost: \$35.00
Grade: M 4 4
Location: Along the border. Between Boonah & Killarney

Web:<http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/projects/park/index.cgi?parkid=57>

Emerg Off: Susan Tobin Ph 3366 3193.

A rare opportunity for the day walkers to walk this fantastic section of the Great Divide. Relax on the bus as we head to Boonah and down the Carney Creek Road, the Main Range spreading out on our right. All the major peaks are here.

Through Teviot Gap and Wilson's Peak on our left, and Superbus and Roberts on our right. Down the road and the start of the walk along the Plateau - a great day of walking is ahead of us.

Join me for those different views and gentle walking along the Divide. I need to know numbers so nominate as soon as you can so I can book the bus and get this great walk underway. Don't delay nominate today.

**30th JULY, WEDNESDAY
COFFEE NIGHT**

THE LIDO WOODFIRED DECADENCE

Contact: Maxine Ph: 3203 4699
Meet at: 120 Racecourse Rd, Hamilton

Time: 7.00pm for a meal, 7.30pm for coffee & cakes

Web:<http://brisbane.citysearch.com.au/restaurants/viewContent/1119945819575/1137463331222>

The name says it all...Art Deco at it's best. Come and enjoy an evening in this delightful cafe. Interesting decore, great pizzas and amazing desserts. While you are enjoying your food we will be treated to live music, making this a really special experience.

Looking forward to your company on a midwinter coffee night.

Cheers..Max

**13th AUGUST, WEDNESDAY
THE 48th Mt BARNEY MASS
DAYWALK AND OVERNIGHTER**

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702 or 0413 307 580
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time: 5:00am SHARP
Grade: L 66
Cost: \$20:00 in car pool cars
\$2 per person for those going privately

Emerg Off: Susan Murray Ph: 5522 9702

Meeting Time at Yellowpinch – 7:15am, and departing at 7.30am.

The Barney Mass is a day for all Club members to celebrate Mass on top of a mountain. This trip is the standout event in the year and it is this tradition that helps make our Club so special. It is a memorable day and is a trip all members should aspire to do. All current and former members as well as visitors members of other clubs are invited to attend.

As to which route we may climb, we usually do more than one ridge. The probable routes are Peasants Ridge and South East Ridge but as always are plans for the Barney Mass are very flexible.

The trip to the top of Mt Barney is hard and long but it is so rewarding – great views, great country, great wildflowers and great company. This trip could be described an easy walk for the very fit and a very hard trip for those still dreaming of getting fit.

The Mass time is approximately 1ish but this depends on when the walkers arrive. The trip down Peasants Ridge also has a few challenging bits. But we cope each year.

Bring the usual daywalk stuff and ensure you have a torch and raincoat and jumper. Please

bring at least 2 litres of water for the walk. It could be a bit cool on top at lunch time, so bring jacket or woolly jumper. With our weather, it could rain, so be prepared for the wet.

It will be a long day but it is a trip worth doing. Last year there were 45 people in attendance. Hopefully, we will have a similar number this year.

This year Fr Gerard McMorrow of the West Chermside Parish has very kindly accepted our

request to celebrate the Mass at the usual site on top of the mountain.

I also plan to make use of the school bell that Willie Hayes gifted to the Club.

Celestial Data.

Sunrise 6:20am; Sunset 5:26pm; Length of day 11h 05m 24s; Actual Noon 11:53am

Moonrise 1.56pm; Moon Noon 9.11pm; Illumination 88.7%; Full Moon is on Sunday 17-8-07

Phil

PILGRIMAGE 2008 INFORMATION

The Gold Coast Bushwalkers Club Inc will be hosting Pilgrimage 2008

Date: 22 - 24 August 2008

Venue: Mt Nimmel Lodge, 271 Austinville Road, Mudgeeraba

For information about Pilgrimage 2008 click on the links below:

Program

Pilgrimage Walks 2008

How to get there

Water: Please BYO drinking water to the Pilgrimage making sure you have an adequate supply for the weekend.

PROGRAM:

Friday 22nd August 2008

12 noon onwards	Registration of arrivals and setting up camp
7pm - 10pm	Walks sign on sheets available. (Due to distance to be traveled to the start of some walks there may be a small petrol contribution amount required - this will be indicated on each walk description)
6pm until late	Supper supplied by GCBC - soup, coffee, tea etc (please BYO cups)
7pm onward	LCD projector and big screen available - Bring your digital photos or videos on CD, DVD or USB memory stick Bright Ideas for Walking & Camping - Show & Tell. Display and share your bright ideas and innovative items

Saturday 23rd August 2008

6am onwards	Registration of arrivals
7am onwards	Staggered walk departure times. One of two of the walks may depart earlier if required
Throughout the day	Coffee and tea available. Self guided orienteering course will be available Non-walkers may like to take advantage of visiting some of the local scenic spots
3.00pm	Damper Cooking Demonstration - BYO ingredients and camp oven
5pm onwards	Return of walkers. Everyone arranges their own evening meal, but supper will be provided at the Bush Dance
6.30pm onwards	Bush Dance with "Band O Coots" in the Mt Nimmel Hall. Dress up in Bush Olympics theme
8.30pm	Light supper supplied by GCBC (please BYO cups)

Sunday 24th August 2008

7am - 9am	Breakfast available
8am - 9am	Bush Poetry

7am - 11am	Swap and sell your pre-loved bushwalking gear (please have all items clearly marked with price and your name)
9am - 11am	The Games (organized by GCBC)
11am - 11.30am	Speeches, Presentations and Passing on of the BOOT
Midday	Pilgrimage close

MAKE OUR OWN DAMPER - 3.00pm SATURDAY

Here is your chance to make your own Damper. We will meet Saturday afternoon at 3pm near the campfire area.

Please nominate for this activity on Friday evening please. You will need to bring:

Ingredients: 1 kg SR flour, 1/2 cup milk powder, big knob margarine or soft butter, salt (also, if you would like to add them to your mix, bring along sultanas, currants, herbs, garlic, beer)

Utensils: a small table, large mixing bowl, camp oven, alfoil, metal dish/plate/cake cooler to fit inside base of camp oven

**BRIDGE TO BRISBANE
2008
7th SEPTEMBER, SUNDAY
GET READY!**

The Bridge to Brisbane will be bigger and better than ever in 2008! Join the fun on Sunday 7 September when 30,000 people will hit the streets of Brisbane to participate in Queensland's biggest annual fun run.

There are improved transport options available this year including buses, trains and car parking to make getting home after the event easier

Meet your friends and family after the race at the new EKKa Showgrounds race village, with great prizes to be won.

From Sunday 8 June check out The Sunday Mail or bridgetobrisbane.com.au each week

for information on how to enter, training tips and getting ready for the big day.

The major charity beneficiary in 2008 is Youngcare, whose mission is to provide dignified and relevant lifestyles for young Australians with high care needs.

ENTRIES OPEN 8 JUNE 2008

Enter online at
bridgetobrisbane.com.au

or pick up an entry form at a Suncorp branch or McDonalds restaurant in South-East Queensland.

If you entered last year, you registered on-line. You would have had a password for that - use the same one again.

Ph: 1300 55 55 77

E-mail: info@bridgetobrisbane.com.au **Web:**
bridgetobrisbane.com.au

POETRY CORNER

THE FORGOTTEN TRACK

Sheltered in the mountains high
Hidden in the filtered light
Lies a long forgotten path
Made by men in times gone by
Winding down through hanging vines
Slipping softly into shade
Steeplly dropping ever down
Lost from sight it seems to fade

A scramble down through shattered rocks
Then in dim light the track appears
Twisted roots criss-cross and form
Sturdy footholds through the trees

Now sloping down through lichen walls
Which hand above the sunless stream
The track is etched into the cliff
And beckons us as in a dream

And so we follow ever on
As track and stream become as one
Tree ferns flourish and lawyer-vines
Will scratch and tangle if they can

Small pool of water now awake
And murmur quietly as it snakes
Around stones and pebbles in its bed
And seeks to bar the way ahead

The track now winds round fallen trees
Rocks thick with moss become a bridge
By which to cross the flowing stream
And continue on and down the ridge

Now water runs and cascades down
In leaps and bounds it falls below
And forms a music of its own
A joyous orchestra of sound
On through a gap on aged-worn steps
Into an ancient forest
The rise and fall of lyre birds call
Joins with the bell birds chorus
And now the old track peters cut
Its weary journey ended
In tangled growth of ferns and bush

Elaine Jackson, The WAYSIDER No. 323 July - August 2007

The lost world now suspended
Just one more bend and up ahead
A more frequented track
Runs serenely to the west
And waits to take us back
By other ways and sunlit paths
The safest way instead
Yet looking back through patterned light
No sign of track nor Pass
The secret Pass has closed its door
It's remembered now at last

PAST EVENTS

TENTERFIELD AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND

What better way to celebrate Australia Day than down in the birthplace of Federation? We were in fine company. This was a town connected to Banjo Paterson and Henry Parkes. So it was off to Tenterfield Saturday to stay at the local caravan park. The park was the site of the old Railway Hotel and sits down from the old railway station. So after a three hour trip down through Warwick and Stanthorpe (a quick stop to buy a box of new season apples), we arrived at Tenterfield.

As we turned into Tenterfield we were met with a sight that entertained us all weekend: sheep dog trials. It was worth watching as the dogs and their owners went through their paces. Then it was up to the park to put up the tents for the weekend.

After lunch, we were all off to Boonoo Boonoo National Park. Due to the large amount of rain around the creeks were flowing. It was up to the falls and we weren't disappointed. The falls was at its best with the large drop seen from the lookout. Being a warm summer day, it was off to the pools above the falls for a refreshing swim. Unfortunately it was soon time to head back to Tenterfield.

Back in town we enjoyed the comforts of the caravan park before heading off to Mass at St Mary's. Around the back of the church, there was the original church from the 1800's. After Mass it was off to the tavern for a meal before settling down for the night (this is roughing it!)

The next morning we realized we had an extra walker. Our President had come down during the night after walking Tooloona circuit. Today

he was ready for a national park not well known. It was off to Basket Swamp National Park to meet up with BOSQ bushwalkers. Kath and Bruce were down there leading a base camp. It was easy to link up with BOSQ and we all headed up to Wellington Rock. We went straight up the track and around the rock. After viewing the Rock some headed off to Little Wellington Rock.

Then it was back in the cars and up to Baskets Camp Falls. We had a swim and lunch before a thunderstorm sent us back to Tenterfield. That night some of us decided against camp food and ordered a takeaway Chinese.

On Monday we headed around to the lookout above Tenterfield for spectacular views over Tenterfield. Then it was off to Bald Rock National Park. The 2nd largest monolith in Australia was as usual worth the climb. The views of Girraween were endless. From there it was back to Brisbane. I would like to thank Patricia, Geoff, Joshua, John, Marie and Phil for making it a great weekend.

Paul Evans

ANZAC Weekend 2008 Friday 25TH to Sunday 27TH APRIL THROUGHWALK

Originally planning for an 8am start consensus had us meeting at Justin's at 6:30 – not a silly idea – by the time we got to Swan Creek, did the car-shuffle up the hill to the left, it was 11am before the 7 of us started walking.

After a nice rain-forest walk, morning tea was had on top of Mt Double Top – a vote was had and carried for a name change to Mt Single Top – the other peak was to the north and with our heading was south with other things to conquer.

Swan Knoll was next and then on to Huntley

Knoll for the night. And in between, camaraderie, puffing going uphill, sore thighs coming down, views to the east, an unexpected side track and then camp with the occasion cow pat and sunset through the trees. Evening bought wind and showers then an early night for everyone – and a cold one at that – It is not often I zip up my sleeping bag but that night it was long thermals and hood as well. Brett and son Josh had a cold night under the traditional army hootchie.

Next day was on to the back of Huntley for the journey through the cliff-line. It was only a small climb but an interesting one with one of two muddy patches. While Ivan, Paul and myself were hauling the packs up a wallaby racing past within a metre of my leg. A minute or two later a panting noise got closer and closer with what looked like a dingo/domestic-dog cross hot on the heels of the Wallaby – with luck it would have made the rocky outcrop and safety. The top of Huntley had the team split into two groups – one to follow the gully to replenish water supplies; the other to guard the packs/sleep in the sun until regrouping for lunch.

The original plan was to be here the night before and onto Guymer then Barney Creek for the next: but if a plan isn't flexible ... Following the west ridge of Huntley we worked our way across to Sentinel Saddle and found a nice campsite for the night. There were minor cliffs on the way but easy to descend or work one's way around – Justin decided to take a sidetrack at one stage but was quickly put back on the right path – his pack took a bit of moving though.

The camp more convivial without the rain of the previous, the weather warmer but the ground under my tent just as lumpy – it wasn't I picked it. Sentinel Point took about an hour to get to from where the packs were left but with a brand new fence along the ridge. Although barbed wire the top wire was plain and therefore worked like a handrail in the steeper section – very thoughtful. The majority of the party got to the top of Sentinel but it was more for the challenge and the tick-list than the views.

Back to the packs, the road out, the cars, and then Yangan for the fresh made sensational Pizzas at the pub. Not cheap, not quick but all the things that fast food isn't.

Thanks Justin, Mike, Paul, Ivan, Brett and Josh for the great weekend.

Joe

MICK O'MALLEY'S

16th MAY

A diverse group gathered at this delightful Irish pub after work to share a beer, a wine and a coffee and to chat about many things. Those present were Graham, Greg, Julia, Liz, Phil, Russ, Jan, Elizabeth, Desley and Mike. It was especially lovely to welcome Julia, a visitor attending her first JTS.

Phil had booked a cosy private room with a generous table and very comfortable seating. It was very spacious and we were all very relaxed. A wall map enabled Phil to elaborate on his proposed trip to climb some mountains in Ireland. A *mountain* of hot chips was consumed during the evening.

Other topics of conversation included the upcoming Annual Mass, Mt Sinai, travel in Europe and in Spain, upcoming walks, the Blue Mountains marathon, urban traffic, the inner northern bus way and Tasmania.

Overall, a great evening was had by all.

Liz

SUMMER CREEK DAYWALK

18th MAY

A cool change early in the week made it a cool autumn day in Summer Creek.

Leaving the BP at Carseldine, the two cars and six walkers headed up the highway to Kenilworth and onto Charlie Moreland State Forest. We left it until lunchtime to decide whether to come back down the creek. We left one car here and Mike's Daihatsu became a six seater for the journey up the Summer Creek Road.

A short walk down the road had us in the creek. Rock slabs, pools, cascades, a pretty little walk indeed. That rather large pool was inviting us back for a Summer swim. The top of the falls and that huge drop. Don't panic; we are not dropping over the side today. Instead we contoured to a steep ridge and down into the creek for lunch and a swim(A rather quick one.) No volunteers to swim through the gorge to the bottom of the falls.

The decision was made that "the known" was better than the "unknown", so we took the ridge out of the creek. From here we could see the gorge and the falls not flowing, though a great piece of rock. A steep climb soon had us back at the cars.

A coffee at the Bellbird Café. Thanks to Trevor and Michael for driving. Michele, Bill and young Thomas who is soon heading to do the Kokoda

Track - have a safe journey and enjoyable walk with your dad. We will return for a Summer Creek summer basecamp.

ANNUAL MASS AND DINNER 24th MAY

The recent Annual Mass and Dinner attracted 45 people, the largest attendance for many years.

Past, present and future members recognized the community that is our club and celebrated our experience of God in the beauty of nature. We chose the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians to also celebrate our Club patron, Our Lady of the Way. Father Finian presided and delivered an informative homily about Our Lady Help of Christians, the patron saint of Australia. We were delighted that our own Deacon Russ assisted in the celebration of the Mass.

Present were five club originals: Vince and Marion Arthur, Merv Galvin, Brian Purvis and Leo Power. Vince and Merv were part of the Club's first committee. We were sad to be unable to present co-founder, Roaul Mellish, with his life membership. He was unable to attend due to illness. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Many people willingly participated in the Mass. Several future members presented the offertory gifts: Lucy, Mary, Ethan, Heidi and Keelin. Phil K offered the ceremonial walking staff, given to the club by co-founder Willie Hayes. The offering represented the past, present and future of our club. Our life members placed candles on the altar to represent the five decades of the club. The candle bearers were Pat L, Greg, Sue T, Justin and Jan on behalf of Russ. Pat generously acted as special minister as well. Readers were Liz, Desley, Phil M, Matthew, Rosemary and Ian. Peggy played guitar. With Michele, Lucy and Keelin, she led the singing beautifully. Thanks also go to Terry who took on the role of parking attendant and to Sue M who willingly assisted with distributing booklets.

Others who attended were Paul and Caroline, Graham, Maria Galvin, Sophia, Therese, Jill and David, Brigid, Elizabeth, Pat R, Maria, Louise and Kerry.

We were joined by others still when we adjourned to the Stafford Tavern for dinner: Michael and Catherine, Tracy, Sam, Michelle and Richard. The meal was a relaxed gathering where conversation flowed easily, tasty meals were savoured and companionship was shared. We were relaxed enough to happily enter into the spirit of the jumble auction that became the serving of the meals. Eventually all were fed and

watered and culinary fulfilment complemented spiritual satisfaction.

Overall it was a delightful evening of celebrating our club, its traditions, its members and its spirituality under the guidance of Our Lady of the Way.

MT COO-THA COFFEE NIGHT 28 MAY

An exclusive group gathered to share a coffee and a chat at the Mt Coo-tha Kiosk for the May Coffee Night. It was a magnificent experience to look out over the magic fairyland of lights that is Brisbane by night. The lightening flashes of an approaching storm added to the splendour of the occasion.

Pat gave an interesting report on her walk earlier in the day from Binna Burra to Numinbah. With 14 companions she was able to dodge the heavy showers falling in the region.

Over a milkshake, Michael made plans to meet up with Pat's upcoming walk. Liz thoroughly enjoyed a Mt Coo-tha special BLT. Terry joined in the discussion of a range of other walks. Greg sent his apologies.

The quiet of the summit was truly appreciated after the crowdedness of the equivalent evening last year when the whole of Brisbane seemed to be there for the lunar eclipse.

Mt Samson Sunday 1st June Daywalk

There were to be two variations to this walk. Unfortunately the first variation to be led by Pat was cancelled due to the small numbers. That left Justin (notionally our leader), Don, Allan and I to tackle Mt Samson from Tenison Woods.

After a brief car shuffle from Samford to the base of the mountain, we all piled into Iain's car for the journey to Tenison Woods. Thanks Iain. The conditions were ideal for walking as we started walking along the Lepidozamia Track at 8.15am and before long we were at the trig point that the rangers call Mt D'Aguilar. Then it was down to Hidden Valley and up to the real Mt D'Aguilar, our morning tea stop. There was plenty of lawyer vine around but the going was relatively easy and we thought we'd be on Mt Samson in no time.

Then the fun started as we made our descent to the saddle that would lead us to the Mt Samson ridge. Lantana started to appear and blocked our path down the ridge forcing us to zig zag a lot

and it was no surprise when we missed the saddle. Amazingly only by about 50m or so which was a great piece of navigation by Allan.

The rest of the morning was spent climbing up out of the rainforest onto the Samson ridge which was more open and consequently more lantana. In place almost impenetrable. But we had a D9 (Justin) and through we ploughed. On top of one of the many knolls, probably the 650+m knoll we stopped for lunch. A lovely spot out of the wind with unfortunately few views. We figured we only had the 665m knoll to cross before we summited Mt Samson and from memory I think that was right.

The climb to Mt Samson was through an amazing forest (if that's the right word) of yellow Banksia in full bloom. Magnificent and on the top a number of large grass trees surrounded the actual summit. It was just after 2 and we realised we would not have met Pat's lot even if they had walked as they were expecting to be up around 11am.

The trip down was steep and slippery in the rainforest but once out it was fairly easy. Then the long road bash back to the car. Just after we reached the road there was a great lookout looking over the area we had just traversed. Mt Samson looked quite steep from this angle and Brisbane Forest Park looked almost impassable. We arrived at the car almost on 4pm after a great day with only a minor scud hitting us just after Mt Samson. Coffee and chips at Samford and home by 5.

Michael.

KAMP STACEY LONG WEEKEND DAYS in the DIOCESE - JULY WORLD YOUTH DAY CELEBRATIONS

Information for those who knew about the Toowong Parish WYD preparations having a camp at Kamp Stacey. We were providing the Leaders for their overseag guests having an Ozzi bush experience. Well, their pland have changed, and our expertice is nolonger required. Rather than a 3-day camp, they have decided to do daywalks more localised from Brisbane.

FMR

See the FMR Training Day article in "Comings" at 22nd june – Rescue Training at Isolated Peak on Mt Barney.

• <http://www.geocities.com/fmrqld/train.htm>

AROUND THE RIDGES

By Phil the Elder

THE CROSS AND ICON ON MT KOSIUSZKO A WORLD YOUTH DAY PILGRIMAGE

In July 2008 Australia will celebrate World Youth Day. As part of the lead up to this celebration is the touring of the country of the Cross and the Icon.

The WYD Icon of Mary with the Child Jesus, is a copy of a sacred and ancient icon housed in St Mary Major in Rome. This painting is closely related to the painting of Our Lady of the Way, the Club's Patroness which is to be found in the chapel of the Madonna della Strada, within the Jesuit Church of Gesu, in Rome. Both paintings are examples of the genre called hodogitria (hodos-way, and gitria-holy) in Eastern Christianity with the upper body of the Madonna holding the Child on her left arm. Its more specific translation from the Greek is 'guide of the way'.

Of special note is that on Wednesday, 27th February the Cross and the Icon made a special visit to the summit of Mt Kosciuszko, Australia's highest mountain as part off its journey from the Archdiocese of Canberra to the Diocese of Wagga Wagga.

Over three hundred people assembled at Rawson's Pass after walking from Charlotte's Pass or from the top of Crackenback Chair for the pilgrimage to Kosciuszko's summit

The route was divided into the fourteen Stations of The Way of The Cross. The weather added to the mood with a strong southerly wind blowing along with the gathering dark brooding snow clouds.

Assembling on the summit of Mt Kosciuszko the raising of the WYD Cross was very moving and symbolic. As the Cross was handed over from the Archdiocese of Canberra to the Diocese of Wagga Wagga prayers were said for Australia and the success of World Youth Day. The Australian Journey will culminate in the arrival of the Cross and Icon at the World Youth Day Opening Mass of Welcome on Tuesday 15th July in Sydney.

Members of our sister club were able to participate in the event including Paul & Kerry Wijngaarden who we met again at the 50th Anniversary walk at Mt Tibrogargan in December last year.

HELP NEEDED WITH CAMPSITE MONITORING

Bushwalking Queensland and the Queensland Parks and Wildlife (esp. Ross Buchanan and Steve Finlayson of Main Range) have organised a system where bushwalkers inspect and report on remote camping areas once or twice a year.

The most important attribute of a campsite monitor is a WILLINGNESS to assist BWQ and the Q'ld Parks & Wildlife by taking responsibility for a site and demonstrating RELIABILITY by visiting it at least once a year. Ideally these visits should be club trips to spread the minimum impact message to other members of your club, but many monitors find it less onerous to do their inspection just when the opportunity arises.

Any walkers who would be prepared to make a definite COMMITMENT for several years are requested to speak with one of the monitors from your club or to contact Ann Tracey on 3391 3334 before the end of June 2008

Sites vacant at the moment are Swan Knoll, Mt Huntley and Doubletop. Others at Canungra Creek Junction, The former monitors are prepared to assist with the monitoring of Huntley in the near future, and the other two sites have been monitored recently. There may very well be other sites coming into the programme, so please register with Ann even if these sites do not appeal.

If you are prepared to commit to this worthwhile project, please act now. Liaison with the ranger responsible for the area is highly recommended, as is attendance at the annual meeting on the first Saturday in February each year.

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Marbled Velvet Gecko *Oedura marmorata*
Currawinya National Park

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- We are having commemorative Polo T-Shirts, on sale
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WARNING

There are spam e-mails going around using the Club's e-mail address – briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au . These are the usual ones selling you meds, Viagra & etc. I suspect most anti-virus spam filters will chuck yhem out before you see them. I know they are about because the Club's own e-mail account is receiving them. I know that I did not send them to myself, so they must be spam.

Before opening e-mails, always look at the "Subject Line" and decide if the messages are for real. I personally delete before opening any where the "Subject Line" does not look real. So, when you send e-mails, especially to me, make sure you put in the "Subject Line" what the e-mail is about, otherwise it might get itself deleted.

Greg E

SOME VIEWS ON OUTINGS PLANNING

As regards outings program we can't just rest on our laurels as there are always new and different ways of doing things. Recently a trip was cancelled due to lack of nominations. Rather than pretend this didn't happen or put it down as a bad idea for a walk we need to address the issue front on. The proposed trip was to Mt Ballow. It is a great walk but a very hard walk. The actual date for the trip got changed a few times and a few people were unavailable to attend and therefore Justin was left leading a trip with no nominations which is a bit unfair on him. The reason for the low numbers may be due to the changes to the date and the actual details of the walk and perhaps more importantly there was no push from the Club behind this great walk. It was left to Justin to publicise this hard walk but a great walk.

So rather than give up the fight of scheduling hard and long trips on our program we should perhaps make a concerted effort to make sure these walks are clearly promoted and celebrated as hard walks and make them the jewel in the crown of our outings programs (for daywalks).

There are a range of hard daywalks that our club could attempt - trips like the traverse of Mt Ernest along the organ pipes, a traverse of Mt Barney up Savages to West Peak across to East Peak and down South East Ridge, the middle ridge traverse from Binna Burra to O'Riellys, the Ramparts in a day, Lizard Point from Teviott Gap or a traverse of Lost World across to Echo Point and back to O'Rielly's in a day. These would be hard trips but very memorable trips. We couldn't put them on the program too often and perhaps 2 a year would be ideal. (Next month I will list out a range of walks and possible dates to take advantage of full moons).

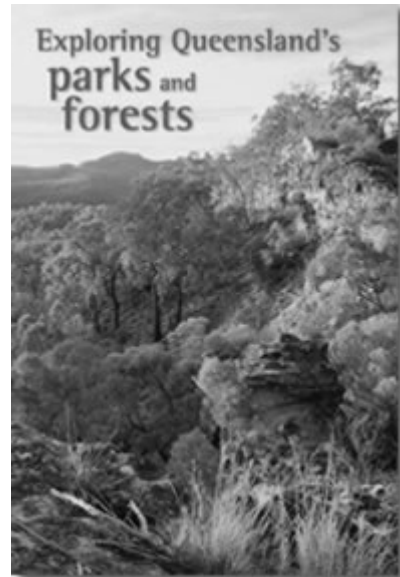
So what I am recommending is that the Club should put on two very hard walks each year and clearly label them as such. It would be handy if we had a discrete identifiable term or label to

describe these trips. A label we could use is the old bushwalking term of "tiger walks". This term was generally used in the early days of bushwalking to describe very long and very hard walks and would be a great way to identify these walks and prevent this term from fading into the mists of time.

Phil the Elder

Exploring Queensland's Parks and Forests

Explore Queensland's parks and forests with the



help of this guide to the best places to camp, bushwalk, picnic or simply enjoy the nature of Queensland.

The book is divided into regions and lists more than 200 national parks, conservation areas and resources reserves. Each region includes a coloured map showing the park

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MANAGEMENT PLANS FOR 21 NATIONAL PARKS REVIEWED

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Sent: Sunday, 25 May, 2008 7:02:25 PM

Subject: BWQ - Management plans for 21 parks, submissions close 27 June

EPA Intention to prepare management plans for 21 parks:

BWQ has received a letter from Rob Hughes, Mangager, Terrestrial Policy, EPA, calling for public submissions to the draft management plans (under review) for 21 national parks. Relevant information from the letter is attached, giving instructions how to view the existing plans and how to make submissions.

Submissions close on 27 June 2008.

Note: The Bushwalking Qld. meeting is 26 June 2008.

If any club wishes to make a submission via BWQ, please advise by reply email.

This will be an agenda item at the June meeting.

John Marshall
Sec. BWQ

QUEENSLAND ADVENTURE ACTIVITY STANDARDS (QAAS)

May 2008

QORF is pleased to announce that it has been commissioned by the Department of Sport and Recreation to undertake a project to produce Queensland's Adventure Activity Standards (QAAS).

The AAS are minimum, voluntary guidelines on how to conduct an outdoor recreation activity and cover aspects of safety, planning, environment and equipment. There are fifteen

(15) adventure activities which are the subject of this project. They include the following:

Abseiling, Artificial Climbing Structures, Bushwalking, Canoeing/Kayaking, Challenge Ropes Courses, Trail Horse Riding, Mountain Biking, Rock , Climbing, Recreational Angling, Recreational Caving, River Rafting, Surfing, Snorkelling, SCUBA and Wildlife Swims, Trail Bike Touring, Four Wheel Driving

A major component of the project will be the consultation with outdoor and adventure tourism providers and will involve information workshops to discuss the content and implementation of the QAAS. It is anticipated that information workshops will take place in various locations throughout Queensland.

The Adventure Activity Standards (AAS) Project is currently being overseen by the Department of Sport and Recreation with a dedicated AAS Project Officer. The project will also be operating under the guidance of a committee made up of representatives from 16 State Government agencies who will review project methodology and outcomes.

The AAS were first developed in Victoria in 2003 to assist organisations conducting outdoor recreation activities for dependent groups to advise them of the minimal safety, environmental and risk management standards as agreed upon after extensive consultation.

QAAS@qorf.org.au <http://www.qorf.org.au/>

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.

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.

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THEOLOGY CORNER

The Gospel reading for this month's meeting comes from Matt 5:38-42 where Jesus recalls the passage from Exodus where it says: *Eye for eye and tooth for tooth*. This recalls the fact that we make many choices every day of our lives and Jesus, in today's passage from the Gospel says, "to offer no resistance to the wicked."

Freedom of choice is different from free will. Free will can be free even when there is no choice. We can desire something freely without having a choice. Thomas Aquinas thinks that all creatures desire God and cannot choose not to desire him. We lose God by choosing other things which keep us from God. It is good to have free choice, but only for the sake of choosing what we really desire. It is childish to choose badly, simply because 'it's my choice.' St Paul the prisoner showed to the world what true freedom is.

Deacon Russ Nelson
Source Euan Marley O.P.