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Under the guidance of Our Lady Of The Way



# ***SEPTEMBER 2006***

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**Traveston dam**

Although there are some hobby farms in the Mary Valley, the bulk are still for commercial farming.

**J. Forrest**

**Nuclear state**

Several nuclear power stations along the coast from Brisbane to the north would clean up Queensland.

**Hans Sander**

# BUCKET DAY... INSTRUCTIONS FOR:



the LAWN &  
GARDEN



the BATH



the POOL



"far sighted"  
POLITICIANS

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**Please have all Jilalan articles to Louise Leonardi by the 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:samlouis@bigpond.net.au)

### GENERAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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
<b>August</b>				
<b>21</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			
26	Mt May to Mt Maroon	Pat Lawton	3366 1956	D/W
30	<i>Coffee Night</i>	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
<b>September</b>				
Sat 2	Fr Ed Memorial Walk Toohey Forest Park	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	D/W
Sat 2	Riverfire Social	Terry Silk	3355 9765	Social
10	Ravensbourne- Great Australian Bushwalk	Robyn Jones	3267 7377	D/W
Fri 15	John Toohey Society Meeting	Phil Murray	3841 0254	
17	Coolangatta to Palm Beach	Phil Murray	3841 0254	D/W
<b>18</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			
24	Hamilton Heritage Walk	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
30 – Oct 1	Cooloolo	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	T/W
Wed 27	<i>Coffee Night</i>	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
<b>October</b>				
7	Mt Beerwah	Richard Johns	3353 2822	D/W
Sat 14	Progressive Dinner by Ferry	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
14	FMR – Rescue Leader Activities	TBA		FMR
<b>16</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			
22	Obi Obi to Baroon Lookout	Liz Little	3356 4874	D/W
25	<i>Coffee Night</i>	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
29	Muscat & Baily Creeks	Matthew Palmer	3876 8125	Social
<b>November</b>				
5	Evans Heads Basecamp	Kerry Mulligan	3876 8125	B/C
11	<i>Powerhouse Markets</i>	<i>Maxine Brophy</i>	<i>3203 4699</i>	<i>Social</i>
12	Canungra Creek to Road Junction	Philip Kearns	3870 3710	D/W
19				
<b>20</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			
26	Coomera Circuit	Michelle Johns	3353 2822	D/W
Wed 29	<i>Coffee Night</i>	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	Social
<b>December</b>				
Sat 2- Sun 3	Christmas Party – (Week-end at Coolum)	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	Social
10	Dianna's Bath	Graham Glasse	3371 9623	½ DW
17	Toolona Falls Circuit	Marie Ricketts	3265 1794	D/W
<b>18</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			
Sun 24				
Mon 26	Boxing Day Walk	Liz Little	3356 4874	

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
T/W	Through Walk	TRN	Training
O/N	Overnighter	FMR	Federation Mountain Rescue
B/C	Base Camp	SOC	Social
C/W	City Walk		



**KEY – Walk Gradings**

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

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

**Club Web Address:** [www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/](http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/)

**email:** [briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au](mailto: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.)



Sketch by Iain Renton

**Monthly Meeting**  
**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September**  
**St Brigid's Hall**  
**78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill**

**Contact:** Phil Murray (3841 0254)  
**Club President**  
**Location:** St Brigid's Parish Hall,  
 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill  
 (In the building at the back  
 of the carpark).  
 St Brigid's is the big red brick church  
 right on the top of the hill.  
**Time:** 7:30pm  
**Grade:** M 2 7  
**Cost:** Nil  
**Emerg Off:** Phil Murray (3841 0254)  
 but not after 7pm on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

## ABOUT MEMBERS

### Inquiries, Visitors and New Members

After finally completing her 2 walks with us we can formally welcome Lynne Lucas as a new member to the club. She has been coming regularly to our meetings and went off to do Kokoda earlier in the year. For August we had an inquiry from a previous member Marina Moran who is hoping to come & join us again on track. Other people who contacted the club were Richard Tiong, Susan Cox, Natalie Ross, Mark Griffin, Geoff & Andrea Guiver, & Dell Hall. Pio Tan who had contacted us earlier in the year came along to our last meeting. Make these people welcome when you see them out walking.

*Robyn Jones (Membership Officer)*

## Members



Birthday wishes to David Auer, David Cory, Jenny Dancer & Rosemary Stafford this month.

## TREASURERS REPORT



<b>Balance 16/07/06</b>	\$2724.51
<b><u>Plus Receipts</u></b>	<u>\$ 407.06</u>
	\$3131.51
<b><u>Less Payments</u></b>	\$ 00.00
<b><u>Balance 16/07/06</u></b>	<u>\$3131.51</u>
<b>Term Deposit</b>	\$1900.22

*Terry.*

Congratulations to Robin Thorn and Gordana Stanjevic who won our last raffle.

Tickets in the current raffle are already selling fast with the **1<sup>st</sup> prize** being a Campmaster Portable Gas Stove with four Butane Gas Cartridges and the **2<sup>nd</sup> prize** is a small cooking dish complete with lid and handle. Both of these prizes were generously donated by Maxine and Michael Brophy.

Thankyou to all ticket buyers for continuing to support our club.

Terry Silk

## COMING WALKS

### ADVANCE NOTICE

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

**Cost: \$160.00**

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

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

### COOLOOLA

#### **Elanda Point to Harry's Hut Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October Throughwalk**

**Leader:** Phil Kearns (3870 3710 or 0411 016 864)  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6:30am  
**Grade:** M 4 5  
**Cost:** \$40:00 (includes camping & boat hire)  
**Emerg Off** Terry Silk (3355 9765)

Come and join me in the Noosa region for what will be a relatively easy through walk. The plan on Day 1 is to leave Red Hill at about 6:30am and then drive up to Lake Cootharaba. Elanda Point is on the banks of the lake and this is where our adventure will begin. We will walk from Elanda Point to the footbridge on Kin Kin Creek,

cross the footbridge and make our way to Fig Tree Point. This will be our campsite on Saturday night and is regarded as a Wilderness campsite. The walk on the first day is only about 11 km and we should be able to enjoy a swim in Lake Cootharaba at the end of our journey. Apparently there are BBQ facilities there and it should be a really enjoyable evening there, but I would recommend insect repellent, just in case there are little bities up there.

Our second day will be extremely leisurely. It's only about a 7 km walk so we don't have to rush to pack up Sunday morning and there is always the opportunity to explore some of the Melaleuca swamps at Fig Tree Point. I would like to get to Harry's no later than say 2:30pm because we are going to be met there and transported back to Elanda by the old sea dog himself Captain Trevor Kelly: he will be hiring a boat to take us home along the Noosa River. We should be able to have a swim before Trevor picks us up I hope. The total distance walked for the weekend will be about 17 – 20 km.

All in all it should be a great weekend up in the Great Sandy Masses of Cooloola. I will arrange for camping for about 6 -8 people. The sooner I get firm numbers the easier it will be to arrange the boat shuffle. Please **nominate no later than the 28<sup>th</sup> of September.**

Phil.

**MT BEERWAH**  
**Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2006**  
**Daywalk**

**Leader:** Richard Johns (3353 2822 or 0409 871 641)  
**Meet at:** St Brigid's Car Park,  
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill  
**Time:** 6:30am  
**Grade:** S 9 7  
**Cost:** \$12:00  
**Emerg Off** Michele Johns (3353 2822 or 0414 635542)

We will be driving north from Brisbane and taking the old highway to the town of Glasshouse. From there we will drive another 10km to the car park at the foot of Mt Beerwah. This is where the fun begins!

The return trip from the car park takes 3 hours according to the National Parks signage and my experience is that we will need a little bit longer, perhaps 4 hours. The first hour will be spent climbing a very steep rock slab. You will need a good head for heights to handle this part of the climb. The rest of the climb is a fairly easy but steep bushwalk to the summit where 360 degree views will make it all worth while.

We should be down by lunchtime and back in Brisbane by around 2:00pm even with a coffee stop making this a relatively short although difficult trip.

Richard

**COMING SOCIALS**

**Hamilton Heritage Walk**  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Daywalk**

**Leader:** Maxine Brophy  
(3203 4699)  
**Meet at:** Newstead Ave, Newstead  
Street Car Parking,  
**Time:** 7:30am  
**Grade:** S 2 2  
**Cost:** \$3:00  
**Emerg Off:** Michael Brophy  
(0401 024 867)

Have you ever travelled along Kingsford Smith Drive and noticed that large sandstone castle sitting up on prime real estate? Time to explore and find out more!!!

The modern Brisbane architecture of Mediterranean Stucco brick veneer is all out there on 16 perches? Well, come walk with us to view and experience a by-gone era of stately homes built in the 1800s' and early 1900's.

We will be up in the clouds at the water reservoir with glimpses of Mt Warning, Mt Barney, Flinders Peak and around to Moreton Island, whilst picking out numerous landmarks of Brisbane.

We will complete the walk at a famous historical watering hole before a picnic lunch/morning tea in the grounds of Newstead House. Bring water, hat, sunscreen & lunch/morning tea. Looking forward to your company.

Maxine

**P.S. Thanks to Justin & Trevor on the pre-outing.**



### **Progressive Dinner by Ferry Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Phone Maxine by October 10<sup>th</sup> for bookings.**

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

Month	Date	Location
<b>October</b>	20 <sup>th</sup>	The Victory
<b>November</b>	17 <sup>th</sup>	Port Office
<b>December</b>	19 <sup>th</sup>	Pig n' Whistle Riverside
<b>January 07</b>	19 <sup>th</sup>	Storey Bridge
<b>February</b>	16 <sup>th</sup>	Fihelly's
<b>March</b>	16 <sup>th</sup>	Brisbane Underground
<b>April</b>	20 <sup>th</sup>	Mick O'Malleys

### **John Toohey Society Meeting Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October The Victory Beer Garden**

Corner Bar  
Corner Edward and Charlotte Streets  
Brisbane.

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

The Club is interested in more than just walking. There is also the regular gatherings for a social drink. So come along and join Greg and Phil the Elder and find out more about the John Toohey Society.

One of the primary reasons behind the formation of the Society was a semi-secret society in Melbourne called the Tom Groggin Red Wine Society – the society was set up by esteemed older members of the Catholic Walking Club of Victoria. Only walkers with very distinguished walking exploits were eligible to be invited to join. (Tom Groggin is not a person but a mountain and locality in the Australian Alps. The name is derived from the aboriginal word "tom groggin" meaning water spider).

A warm red wine may be fine in cold old Melbourne but in the Sunshine State it is more appropriate to drink a refreshing cold beer. Plus there is a rich tradition of brewing beer in Abbeys throughout Europe and as a Catholic Club it is important to cherish and explore the rich history of beer appreciation of church members. So we can claim with pride that the John Toohey Society is a beer appreciation society. So come on down for a cleansing ale at the Victory beer garden on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October and learn more about the John Toohey Society and the history of beer.

The beer tasting agenda for the afternoon is as follows.

Round 1	XXXX
Round 2	XXXX Gold
Round 3	XXXX light
Round 4	free choice

Last month at the Exchange the attendees were Michael & Catherine Simpson, Liz Little, Graham Glasse, Desley Pedrazzini and Phil Murray

## Coffee Night - September

### SEE TABLE

**When:** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
**Where:** New Farm Bowls Club  
 Oxlade Drive NEW FARM  
**Time:** From 7pm  
**Contact:** Barbara Eastoe, 3355 3639



### Coffee Night – OCTOBER

**When:** Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> October  
**Where:** The Persian Restaurant  
 Shop 5 Harries Rd,  
 Coorparoo  
 (directly behind Harvey Norman (Old Myers))

**Time:** From 7pm  
**Contact:** Patricia Mackie  
 (3398 7041)

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

## B.B.Q BREAKFAST

**When:** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October  
**Where:** Shorncliffe  
**Time:** 8:00am  
**Cost:** \$5:00  
**Contact:** Justin and Susan for  
 Catering purposes.  
**Phone:** 3366 3193

Join us for a B.B.Q. breakfast down on the bay at Shorncliffe near the jetty. Pancakes, sausages, bacon and eggs, good company.

## PAST SOCIALS

### Past Coffee Nights

### MAXINE'S MERRY MINGLES CALENDAR OF SOCIAL EVENTS FOR 2006

MONTH	DATE	EVENT
<b>October</b>	Sat 14	Progressive Dinner by Ferry
<b>November</b>	Sun 19	Powerhouse Markets & Breakfast
<b>December</b>	Sat 2- Sun 3	Xmas Party (weekend at Coolum)

## PAST OUTINGS

### Getting LOST in another WORLD Fri 28<sup>th</sup> April– MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> May

The Mayday weekend saw the Bushwalking season start with a bang. Four intrepid explorers made their way from Brisbane through Beaudesert into the Kerry Valley only to discover that this was not the way to New South Wales. We followed the yellow brick road and came to rest at the Lost World Hostel. After a good nights' sleep we woke up to a beautiful morning: clear blue skies and the sound of the Albert river bubbling through the valley. If only we woke up to those sounds every day the world would be a better place.

After a good breakfast we headed back down the Kerry Valley Road to the start of the walk. We headed up to the ridge that would lead us to the Western Razorback and turned to admire the views of the Scenic Rim. The fence marking the Boundary of the National Park runs along the ridge eventually becomes the razorback. We picked our way up the razorback to the top. It is rather sobering when you make the ascent of the lost world from the west: there is a marker to commemorate the life of a young bush walker that perished coming off the Lost World: it also makes you a bit more careful as you begin the descent.

Once we made it off the razorback we headed over to the western side and picked our way to the cliffs edge for even more spectacular views. We saw the headwaters of the Albert River, Mt Barney and all of the other peaks we love to climb during the year. On the pre-outing we did the traverse of the lost world, made out way down the Eastern Razorback into the Worendo saddle and down into the river and rock hopped our way out. This walk would have been way too long for a 3 day base camp which would see us doing some of the biggest walks in the Lamington region so we

decided to just proceed to the campsite, have lunch and then make our way down the way we came. The light cloud cover that afternoon ensured that the valley was cast in the most wonderful soft light and Iain took the opportunity to take some undoubtedly good photos. On the way down we saw Susan and Mary arriving to share the weekend with us and once back at the Hostel we met up with John and Thomas. We relaxed into the evening ready for the next exciting instalment that the weekend had to offer.

Those who joined me on the day were Justin, Iain and Paul. I would also like to thank Mike (Woods) and Justin for joining me on the pre-outing: one incredible walk in itself.

Philip Kearns.

### Mt Widgee

Sunday's walk was to climb this western escarpment of Lamington NP. After 8am mass at Hillview, where we met up with Mike Simpson, we returned to the hut to prepare for the walk. Justin, Phil, Paul and Michael were to accompany me, with Sue, Mary & Thomas walking along the creek.

The lower northern slopes were grassy before climbing onto the forested ridge, which contained spotted gum, ironbark and a she oak and wattle understorey. Epiphytes were everywhere, even on the ground. There were large specimens of staghorns and various orchids. The ridge rose steeply above the valley with good views of Lost World. On a level step, we saw Des Dickie's memorial cairn set amongst some large boulders.

Eventually we reached the base of the cliff line. From here we contoured east until the cliffs were replaced by steep grassy slopes. This was about a 100 metre band below the top of the ridge. We carefully picked our way up until we reached thick rainforest. Walking westwards we reached the

escarpment. The views were impressive over the Main Range and Mt Barney, even though it was becoming overcast. Buchanan's Fort lay below us with Christmas Creek valley on our right. We enjoyed a relaxed lunch and cuppa on the grassy ground.

Our descent was made interesting when a couple of showers passed over making the slopes a little slippery. We retraced our steps down the ridge in the late afternoon light. A couple of flocks of cockatoos were seen flying up the valley to roost for the night. We were quite glad to reach the comforts of the hut after a solid days walk. Thanks to Michael, Phil, Paul & Justin for coming with me.

#### Memorial Cairn

Desmond Allan Dickie

Who died 5 May 1969, at the age of 27 years

A kind hearted, open sincere friend

He died with the mountain air in his lungs

With the grass and trees and life around him

With the company he cherished and his mind satisfied

That he had lived life to fulfil the adventures of the great outdoors.

Always remembered by his bush friends.

Dedicated November 1969.

After John's walk it was a B.B.Q. tea shared dessert and cards, everyone joining in for a game of Ups and Downs.

Mondays walk was to Buchanan's Fort so it was off to the Steinhardts and after a chat with the farmer we were soon on the road and up to the ridge and out to Little Widgee for those great views towards the Main Range. What a place for smoko! Every major mountain seemed to be out there. We then moved back along the ridge and across to the Fort for lunch. From here you could see across to Lost World and almost touch Widgee with an eagle soaring on the thermals. A fantastic spot for a cup of tea;

and a chance to relive Saturday and Sundays walk. Too soon it was time to move on and head back down, this time catching up with the farmer's son. Back to the hostel for a shower and farewell to the Kerry Valley. We shall return.

Thanks to Iain, Paul, Mike, Phil, Susan, Mary, John and Thomas for sharing the weekend with me. It was a great base camp and three great walks.

Too few to travel with me and share the comforts of the hostel but that's life.

Justin.

### **Barney Mass 2006** **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2006** 46<sup>th</sup> Barney Mass

The Barney Mass was once again celebrated on the top of Mt Barney. The Club's amazing tradition of having this outdoor Mass was continued.

We met at Yellowpinch carpark at about 7-20 am. We gathered for the pre-walk "circle" where we introduced ourselves to each other then Pat turned up and we introduced ourselves again. There was a lovely sense of excitement and anticipation. This year we had a far bigger group than last year and there were four members in Paul Evans, Lynn Lucas, Barbara Eastoe and Therese Abernethy undertaking their first Barney Mass. There was a buzz as to who was here and who was missing and who was doing what ridge as there were the usual late scratchings (5) and late nominations (6).

We then had to work out who was doing what ridge and who were the leaders. Everyone was giving advice to Fr Bernie as to which ridge he should do. He must have been thinking what have I got myself in for. But he kept smiling. We started walking just after 7.30 am and made good progress. We reached the spot near Cronan's Hut site well before 9-00 am. A small party of 9 went up South East ridge and the rest did the slightly easier option of Peasants ridge. Fr Bernie did Peasants in the expectation that he can come back next year and do south east.

I was in the South East ridge group and one of the group got sick part way up South East ridge. Paul Evans and I walked back to the cars with her. But we still had a good day as we had 2 memorable

highlights – firstly, we spotted a rock wallaby and had him cornered under a rock ledge for about 5 minutes and then he bolted off just as I was about to take his photo, and secondly we had our lunch on the top of Yellowpinch Knoll – Paul Evans said that Justin always reckoned that the best views of Mt Barney were from here and he was not wrong - it was just superb. (A special thanks to Paul for putting himself out and coming to my assistance.)

Pat Lawton gave me the rest of the story of the day and advised it was an excellent trip. The advance group on Peasants got to the saddle very early and then made a dash for East Peak to enjoy the views. They then zipped back to the Mass Site and had Mass. Pat said Fr Bernie gave a lovely Mass and we have invited him back for next year and he hopes to be able to get here once again. Pat said that all the readers spoke very well particularly Erin Pearl. Pat made a special mention in the prayers of the faithful in honour of Cathy Pearl who died about a year ago. After Mass everyone bolted down the ridge and got back to the cars just on dusk and made it safely back to Brisbane.

Terry mentioned at the meeting that the south east party heard a plane very close to them and turned around to see a RAAF Hercules plane flying very low coming between the gap between the summits of Mt Ernest and Mt Lindsay. (did anyone get a photo of it?). Terry also mentioned there was an excellent wildflower display.

It was another memorable day and all members should do themselves a favour and come along to the trip that makes our Club so very special.

I should note that when I was speaking to Pat about when was last time she missed a Barney Mass. She somewhat sheepishly admitted that she had missed the Barney Mass in 1965 as she went on holidays overseas. I have a long way to go to match her record.

A would like to take an opportunity to publicly thank Fr Bernie for saying the Barney Mass for us, for without a priest it is not easy to have a Barney Mass. I should also add that Bernie is truly a man who has faith in the goodness of man - he took time out of his very busy schedule to climb a huge mountain with a group of people he didn't know. He just took the request at face value from a mere phone call. Just a lovely example of someone showing trust in people. In particular every time I rang him the pick up time got a little bit earlier but he didn't quibble.

The people on the trip were as follows:-

1.	Fr Bernie	Thomas *
2.	Lynne	Lucas
3.	Dave	Nickson *
4.	Malcolm	Hill *
5.	Pat	Lawton
6.	Bronwyn	Menkins *
7.	Jonas	Bernatos #
8.	Louise	Leonardi
9.	Kevin	Pearl *
10.	Alex	Pearl *
11.	Erin	Pearl *
12.	Ryan	Pearl *
13.	John	Gardner *
14.	Ursula	Gardner *
15.	Justin	Tobin
16.	Mary	Tobin **
17.	Trevor	Kelly
18.	Joe	Finn #
19.	Ivan	Mort ##
20.	Phil	Murray
21.	Terry	Silk
22.	John	Blumke *
23.	Barbara	Eastoe
24.	Therese	Abernethy
25.	Paul	Evans
26.	Dave	Cory
27.	Larry	Corkeron #
28.	Lawrie	Kearney #

\* visitor

\*\* children of members

# former member

## son of former member

1 visiting priest

10 visitors

1 child of a member

1 son of a former member

4 former members

11 members

Unfortunately circumstances conspired to thwart the following eager walkers:- John Carter, Thomas Carter, Philip Kearns, Nick Keen & Karen Fredricks. The circumstances ranged from sprained ankles to the flu to car breakdowns.

Thanks to all those who managed to attend the Mass. For my I will be there next year.

Phil Murray



### **Basecamping for the Mass. 15- 17 August**

Tuesday night and the annual pilgrimage was underway with the Subaru packed to the hilt and with Mary and Trevor on board we were off to the Southside to pick up Ivan and Joe then warp factor six to Barney Lodge. Eight o'clock and Mt. Barney was there before us. Turning into Larkin's and Foresters Hut; Home again. Not too late a night as Barney was calling, tomorrow up South Ridge for the Mass. Wednesday morning, breakfast on the verandah as Barney unwrapped itself before us in the morning light. Down to Yellow Pinch to greet the day walkers as they arrived with Laurie proudly showing us photos of his family. Some faces we saw once again like Therese and Barbara joining us for the first time to help continue a tradition begun in 1960.

The usual meet and greet and then up and over Yellow Pinch, over the causeway, which to our surprise had water over it Mt. Barney standing before us in all its glory. A regroup at the South East turn-off, where the South East party left us, eighteen to continue onto South Ridge. No chance missing the mass this year – we had Father Bernie in our party. The usual glimpses of Ernest and Lindsay on the way up. Larry, who left the car park at 9:00am catching up with us and quite excited as it was forty years since his first Mass in 1966. Up the gully, over the slippery slide and smoko at the knoll where I managed to catch up with Mary who was in the front group with Alex.

Upward and upwards with west peak looming large on our left through Rum Jungle and the old hut site. South Ridge had been conquered again! A big effort for Therese and Barbara to get themselves here, standing on Barney for the first time. I hope they felt something special not just on another mountain top, but being on Barney. Over to the Mass site for lunch and to wait for the South East party and for those who had gone onto East Peak including Father

Bernie who wasn't going to miss the opportunity to check out the view from East Peak.

Another Barney Mass would soon be underway. To have Mary with me – fantastic! To Therese and Barbara who made the effort – well done and to all those who came to continue the tradition. Thank you.

Forty-six years on and the journey continues. Justin

### **Drug scandal at Federation Pilgrimage 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST**

Now that I have your attention I will give you the 2006 pilgrimage report which was held at the Scout camp at Landsborough.

We arrived reasonably early on Friday night to find that one of the walks was already booked out however there were plenty of walks on offer and Justin, Joe, Ann, and Trevor all nominated for the Baxter Creek Falls walk. We unpacked our gear then found a bunk in one of the cabins, then it was off to enjoy the fine home made soups on offer.

Next day we were up early to have breakfast and shower. We headed to the main gate to meet for our walk. We did a car shuffle and most of the cars were driven to Mapleton after dropping off the walkers at the Flaxton flourmill. We were driven back to the start of the walk and soon caught up with the others on the track. The highlight of the walk was beautiful Baxter creek Falls and was a great setting for a cuppa and a break. Along the way some of the walkers picked up some of the fruit on offer which was put out the front of the property owners either for free or a cheap

price, there were avocados, oranges, lemons and limes. We had lunch at a picnic area provided on the great walk before heading off on the track and finishing the walk at Mapleton where we headed off into town for coffee and a bite to eat at a local coffee shop.

We walked past a shop which had a small dog on guard which I think was a small terrier of some sort. The dog did not raise an eye brow until Justin walked past; the dog bared its teeth and snapped at his heels. He must have sensed that Justin was a meter reader. It was an enjoyable day walking at leisurely pace with picturesque landscape. We headed back to the scout camp to meet up with Sue and Mary who arrived during the course of the afternoon. After a shower and a snooze it was time for the controversial boot throwing competition where Joe, Justin, and myself were all extremely confident in at least making it to the finals which were to be held on Sunday morning, however it proved more difficult than it looked and some throws were quite respectable, and sadly some were woeful. (see THROW NUMBER TWO)

We needed to throw about 25 metres to make it into the final, and our best was about 23 metres. We had great fun trying with a lot of laughs in between and the day certainly was not over as we had the Bush dance on Saturday night with everybody having a great time with a great band singing bush ballads. Mary learnt the Nut Bush City Limits song and dance and was busy teaching her parents and anybody else who was interested.

Sunday morning dawned and it was time for a cooked breakfast happily served up by the hosts Sunshine Coast Bushwalkers and Glasshouse Bushwalkers with copious amounts of snags, fruit, coffee and tea and then it was the final of the Boot Throwing competition. The finalists all took their turn with the best throw being about 24 metres until the big bloke from Toowoomba stepped up to the mark with a throw of 34

metres, absolutely unbelievable and quite soon he was announced the winner of the competition.

No sooner had he been awarded his prize when an official looking man dressed in bushwalking shorts and shirt and holding an old black billy in his hand, strolled over to the big bloke from Toowoomba and requested a urine sample. The crowd thought it was a great joke and the official looking man with the bushwalking shorts and shirt retreated behind the pavilion with his old black billy to test the sample to see whether it was positive or not. Silence fell over the crowd as they tensely waited for the result, then suddenly the official looking man with the bushwalking shorts and shirt reappeared with his old black billy and announced a negative result. Thanks to Joe, Ann, Mary, Sue and Justin for coming along and sharing a lot of laughs.

Trevor

### **Other Items of Interest**

My name is Graham King and I own Roversrest (tourist accommodation 15min south of Stanthorpe). We are close to all four (4) national parks Girraween, Boonoo boonoo, Bald Rock and Sundown Valley. There is great bush walking in the area and would like to offer a 15% discount to any member of your organisation who comes and stays with us. Please check out our accommodation at [www.roversrest.com.au](http://www.roversrest.com.au)  
Thankyou, Graham King

## **FOR SALE**

Hence I have for sale a complete kit which I am making available to a club member at a greatly reduced price and will donate 10% of sale price to the club.

The kit; (All brand new )  
 Mont trek back Pack  
 Rain cover for above  
 Ground Sheet  
 Self inflating Sleeping mat  
 Mont Sleeping bag  
 Petzl Headlight  
 Utensil kit Knife/ fork/spoon/ mug /bowl  
 3x Watertight sealable bags  
 Travel towels (1x large, 1x small)  
 Blow up pillow.  
**The lot; \$650:00**  
 List price \$965:00  
 With thanks  
 Roger Ford. 3843 3605

## **BIRDS QUEENSLAND PRESENTS Bird Week 2006**



September 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>

## **ACTIVITIES**

Want to learn about Brisbane's birds? Join Birds Queensland on a FREE guided walk.. No need to book, just turn up and take part.

Walks at all venues start at 8 am. Further walks start at 8:30 and 9:00

**Sherwood Forest Park, (Arboretum) Sat 23<sup>rd</sup>** (Jolimont St, Sherwood, UBD 178 K 19.)

**Boondall Wetlands** Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> (Bicentennial Way—Gateway Motorway, UBD 111 C14)

**Oxley Common** Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
 (Sherwood Rd, Sherwood, UBD 179 B20)

**Auracaria Walk** (Brisbane Forest Park HQ) Sat 30<sup>th</sup> (Mt Nebo Rd, The Gap, UBD 137 G19)

**Anstead Bushlands** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> oct.  
 (Hawksbury Rd, Anstead, UBD 195 P3)

Attend a **FREE** talk on Glossy Black Cockatoos and their very specialised feeding habits at one of the following venues in September.

<b>Coopers Plains Library,</b>	Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 10 am..
<b>Inala Library,</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> 10 am.
<b>Chermide Library,</b>	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm
<b>Capalaba Library,</b>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am.
<b>Indooroopilly Lib,</b>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm
<b>Ashgrove Library,</b>	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm. <b>Mt</b>
<b>Ommaney Library,</b>	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> 4 pm.
<b>Corinda Library,</b>	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> 4 pm.
<b>Toownong Library,</b>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 am.
<b>Sunnybank Hills Lib.,</b>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm
<b>Garden City Library,</b>	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm.
<b>Carindale Library,</b>	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> 10 am.

Visit [www.birdsqueensland.org.au](http://www.birdsqueensland.org.au)

## ***Bird Identification Class***

**Two evenings of discussion,**  
*(two hours each)*

**Two outings to view birds,**  
*(two hours in the out doors)*

**Notes, binoculars, field guides**  
**Refreshments provided**

### ***Talks***

*Thursday Evenings*  
*5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October*

Carindale Library Start 7:00 pm

### ***Outings***

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>,  
 Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>, October.

Cost for the lot \$25.

Inquiries and bookings Birds Queensland c/-

Dawn 3870 8076

Jean 3398 5118

## WALK TO WORK DAY

**FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER 2006**



**Walk to Work Day** is an annual national event in its eighth year that aims to promote a healthier and more environmentally friendly lifestyle for all Australians.

People all over Australia are encouraged to walk, or walk and catch public transport to work on **October 7 2005**.

In simple terms, **Walk to Work Day** promotes better health – cleaner air – less traffic – improved transport.

- The National Physical Activity Guidelines for Australians recommend at least 30 minutes of physical activity at moderate intensity level, on most, preferably all, days of the week, to obtain a health benefit. Walking to work is a perfect way to make sure your body gets the exercise it needs.
- The Heart Foundation pedometer is the perfect way to keep track of your physical activity by measuring each step you take.

Why not get together with some friends and colleagues and plan to walk to work on **October 6**. You'll find you arrive at work more relaxed, invigorated and ready to start the day.

Phil

## SAFETY & TRAINING

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

## Federation Mountain Rescue

### Coming Events

October 15, 2006 0800

Elaine Gorge area,

Armidale, northern NSW

20 abseils in a canyon and ridge walk out.

Contact - Frank Bowling

Ph - 0419 715 719

E-mail: [Frank.Bowling@mater.org.au](mailto:Frank.Bowling@mater.org.au)

## FEDERATION UPDATE

Brief notes regarding the draft Memorandum of Understanding MOU between Qld Federation of Bushwalking Clubs and the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service QPWS

The MOU has taken nearly 14 years to get to the current stage. In the MOU, both parties make certain undertakings. Federation is conscious that it can't tell clubs what to do. Therefore, the negotiating team asked that the MOU use terms like "Federation will encourage its member clubs to..." rather than "Clubs affiliated with Federation will...". Nevertheless, Federation hopes that clubs will abide by the terms of the MOU as there is always the possibility that it could be withdrawn - especially if a less sympathetic minister were to come to office.

The MOU mentions a "Landscape Classification System" (LCS) at various points. This is a new system of classifying the "naturalness" of park areas and will be progressively incorporated into management plans and other visitor management policies. In the system, 1 is the most natural setting and 9 is the least natural. It will be some time before we know what classifications will be allocated to many of the areas of interest to walkers, although apparently not many parts of south-east Queensland parks would rate a 1 or a 2.

Following are some of the main points contained in the MOU:

- A Collaborative Management Group (CMG) consisting of senior representatives of both the QPWS and Federation will be set up to oversee the operation of the MOU. It will meet at least every 6 months.
- Clubs will be asked to provide QPWS with lists of their outings (either future or past) where these are not available on a website.
- Importantly, clubs will be able to ask for special permission to access tracks or areas that are closed to the general public, subject to providing various details about proposed walks. Generally, requests will be made through liaison officers. QPWS will make decisions on these requests well in advance.
- Federation will inform QPWS when things of environmental or safety concern are observed in parks.
- Federation will have a guaranteed, facilitated opportunity for input when management plans are being drafted, and Federation will be briefed on draft plans that affect bushwalking. Also, Federation will have a say in how the LCS is applied to bushwalking in specific areas.
- QPWS will not unduly limit bushwalker access to remoter areas, and clubs will conduct their activities appropriately there. (But some areas could still be off limits.)
- Group activity permits for "normal" bushwalking will generally be required only for very large groups, and never for groups of less than 12.

Concerns about track closures can be taken up with liaison officers or the CMG.

## **REFLECTIONS**

The Club's old magazines and reports have a wonderful legacy of articles on reflections on the bushwalking experience. I would share them with the current members. Hopefully these reflections will provide some words of wisdom. Phil

### **REFLECTION BY Pat Lawton**

#### **FORWARD 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Report 1981**

The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club has come to the end of yet another successful year in its history and it is with pleasure that I write these few lines to introduce the 24th Annual Report.

I have been associated with the Club now for 21 years and during that time have seen many people come and go, however I feel the main purpose for which the Club was formed has been maintained. It is pleasing to see the companionship, which was so evident when I joined the Club, still very much alive today.

The story of our Club has been a story of achievement. Over the years we have maintained our membership and the standard of our trips is still high. The Club can be proud of its record of having had no serious accidents and we pray that our Patroness, Our Lady of the Way, will continue to protect and watch over us, not only on our bushwalking trips but through our other walks through life.

"Catholic" is as much a part of our name as "Bushwalking" and it is to be hoped that the preserving of the Catholic atmosphere will continue in all activities.

It is disappointing that our Club is still without a Chaplain, however we are thankful of the various Priests who have assisted us and said Mass for us. It was pleasing this year to have Fr. Greg Windle climb Mt. Barney and celebrate our Annual Barney Mass. Fr. Greg is a cousin of Bernice Klein (nee Caffrey), one of our foundation members.

Unlike many Clubs, our Club is very fortunate in having a departure place in the centre of the City i.e. Cathedral grounds, and we must remember that this privilege must always be respected. Our overnight trips have proved very popular and it is encouraging to see our members attending the Saturday evening Mass at the Cathedral before setting off into the bush. On behalf of the Club I would like to thank



the Priests at the Cathedral for providing us with these privileges, I would also like to thank His Grace, Archbishop Rush, for his interest in the Club.

During the next year the Club will celebrate its 25th Anniversary and arrangements are well under way for this milestone in the history of the Club. The main functions will be on Saturday, 20th November, 1982. There will be a Mass at 6:00pm. to be celebrated at St. Benedicts, East Brisbane to be followed by a dinner at the Crest Hotel. Knowing the spirit that has existed in the Club during the first 25 years, I can confidently say now that these Anniversary functions are going to be a great success. Having had contact with a number of earlier members in this regard, it is great to see that the excitement and enthusiasm is still there.

I have enjoyed walking with the Club, and I'm sure most members have and no doubt the coming year will see still an increase in enthusiastic.

May I wish the Club all the best and I hope that members will give the Club all the support they can. May God bless you all.

PAT LAWTON

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 \* *Friendship is trusting someone during* \*  
 \* *a time of conflict.* \*  
 \* \*  
 \* Yours in Christ, Louise Leonardi \*  
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## POETRY CORNER

### A Bushwalker's Passing

By Jim Teys

The Church was dim and dismal,  
 beneath the lonely Cross.  
 The Congregation saddened,  
 by such a tragic loss.

The Priests in vestments solemn,  
 with the crucible in hand.  
 And holy water sprinkled,  
 in ceremony grand.

And sunlight through the windows,  
 as if from God's own light.  
 Descending from the heavens,  
 to chase away the night

Sweet words of wisdom, spoken,  
 by one who knew her well  
 We echoed in the solace,  
 of the loved ones tearful swell.

And as sure as there's a heaven,  
 or paradise above.  
 I know the Lord will take her,  
 to his everlasting love.

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## A note from the Editor.....

**Remember;** please forward your magazine articles by the **1<sup>st</sup> of the Month.** You may forward your articles to either:

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 Beenleigh Qld 4207

or

e-mail address: [samlouis@bigpond.net.au](mailto:samlouis@bigpond.net.au)

**"My potential is God's gift to me.  
 What I do with my potential is my gift  
 to him."**

**God Bless  
 Louise (Editor)**

## **THROW NUMBER TWO**

**The throwing of the boot was well under way  
When Trevor decided to add his name to the fray  
Throw number one of twenty-one metres just wouldn't do  
He'll have to rely on throw number two.**

**He grabbed the boot by the laces twirled it around and  
around  
As he let go, some one cried its going out of bounds**

**It rocketed to the left, every one scattered  
Saving their skin was all that mattered  
No one was hurt except Trevor's pride  
As we retrieved that boot made out of cow hide**

**Trevor's last chance was throw number three  
He closed his eyes and thought of sweet victory  
He hurled it and hurled it and hurled it so far  
He dreamt it would finish on top of Mt. Beerwah**

**It was awfully quiet out there in the bleachers  
Not even a sound from any of the creatures  
He opened his eyes there was no one in sight  
Throw number two had given us all  
Too much of a fright!**

**Justin.**

## HISTORY CORNER

Next year the plan is to have a special celebration for the Club Hut's Fortieth Birthday Party. As a lead up to the celebrations I thought it appropriate to include a few snippets from the Club's old reports about the history of the Hut. The following is taken from the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Report in 1967.

The Club Hut History.  
Monthly Circular      April 1967

### ANNUAL REPORT

#### An Excerpt from the President's Report

...The most important event of the year was the Blessing and Opening of the Club's Hut, "Yalburru", performed by Monsignor O. Steele on Sunday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1967. This historic event was attended by a crowd of almost 150.

"Yalburru", which is of aboriginal origin means "place of contentment",...

The completion of Yalburru is a personal triumph for Keith Condon and Paul Tracey on whose shoulders the main burden of this project has fallen.....

Merv Galvin ,  
President

### CLUB HUT REPORT

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The Blessing and Opening of "Yalburru" near Mt Barney Lower Portals was a memorable occasion for the Club and its members and marked the culmination of much hard work carried out over a period of two years.

Though handicapped in the project by the absence a skilled

carpenter, Keith Condon, Paul Tracey and the members who actively assisted them, have done a magnificent job of which they and the Club can justly be very proud.

During the course of the construction, many difficulties, both practical and administrative, were encountered. Despite these difficulties, the Hut as a structure is now a reality, perhaps more through, the determination, hard work and generosity of a small group of members rather than through the support members as a whole.

The Hut is ideally situated for many of the trips in the Mt. Barney area, and should receive good use from the many bushwalkers who frequent the area from time to time.

The following statement summarizes the financing of the Hut construction but includes only those amounts that passed through the Club's books. A not inconsiderable sum was donated by those most closely involved in the form of materials and sundry hardware requisites.

#### EXPENDITURE INCURRED IN

#### THE CONSTRUCTION OF "YALBURRU"

Net expenditure on Building Materials	544
General Hut Expenses	66
Hut Opening Expenses	<u>14</u>
total	624

The provision of bunks for the Hut is a matter to be dealt with in the months ahead. Maintenance trips will be necessary from time to time to keep the Hut and surrounding area in good order. The roof will require painting in the coming year. Insurance of the Hut is being arranged.

Paul, G.M. Wijngaarden 9/4/67

## **President's Notes September 2006**

### **Monthly Meetings**

Last month's meeting started at the designated time of 7-35am and finished well before 9.00 pm. The aim is to make the meetings bright and quick meeting and leave more time for socialising at the end.

### **Quorum**

There was a technical problem with the August meeting in that we didn't quite meet the requirement of having a quorum. To have a quorum we needed 15 members in attendance but we only had 13 members. So the meeting was actually a Clayton's meeting as we couldn't formally accept the minutes and treasurer's report. The size of the quorum is one of the administrative issues that will be earmarked for change under the constitutional review.

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

### **Committee Meetings**

Just a reminder about the dates for the Management Committee meetings. The dates are as follows -

**Management Committee:** Wednesday,  
1<sup>st</sup> November  
at Pat's place at Coorparoo

**Rules & By-laws Meeting:** Wednesday  
11<sup>th</sup> October  
at Pat's place at Coorparoo

**2007 Outings Planning Meeting:**  
Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September  
at Michael Simpson's place.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning:**  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
at Greg Endicott's place.

### **Constitutional Review**

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

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

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

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

### **Proposed Timetable for the Constitutional Change**

The proposed timetable was mentioned in the last magazine but already we are having a few issues as the committee has not yet agreed on the wording and the process is still ongoing. As long as people show patience and a commitment to finding a consensus the outcome should be for the betterment of the Club. As always there will have to be give and take from both sides.

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

### **Copy of Constitution**

I announced last month that we will provide members with a free copy of the Constitution. I was only requested by one person for a printed copy of the Constitution. I will have to ask our webmaster to try and put an electronic copy of the constitution on the website.

**Postal Voting.**

It seems very clear that indicated that postal votes are not allowed for a special resolution.

**Proxy Voting**

It appears proxy voting may be come within the rules. Under the Associations Incorporations Act you can only change the constitution through a special resolution. A special resolution requires it to be passed by the votes of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the members present and entitled to vote on the resolution.

I have been informed that an appropriate interpretation is that the word "present" includes both members physically present and present by proxy.

I am still going through the process of getting confirmation as to what is the correct interpretation of the voting requirements for a special resolution.

At the last sub-committee meeting the consensus was that the above mentioned interpretation to allow proxy votes is probably the correct view.

**Throughwalks**

At the August monthly Meeting we presented the **certificate** for a **first time throughwalk** to Ethan Palmer for his first throughwalk the Killarney to Cullendore throughwalk. I have been reliably informed Ethan proudly showed it at school at Show and Tell.

**Sad News**

Some tragic news. Our sister Club in Sydney was shocked by the tragic death of their vice-president Gaye Josephine. She was on a bushwalking/trekking trip in the Dolomites in northern Italy. The Dolomites are a very scenic part of the Italian Alps. The section she was on is known as the Alta Via 1 or AV1. The walk is in the foothills near the Matterhorn. Tragically she fell and died during a walk. I believe she was only in her late forties.

**Lucy Tottenham** the mother of our Auditor Joe Tottenham and Mark Tottenham a former member, died at the end of August. The funeral was held at Holy Cross Church at Woolloowin. Our sympathies are extended to Mark, Joe and the Tottenham family. There were several notable bushwalkers in attendance including a few like Tim Mellor, Chris Nieland, from the seventies and Justin Tobin and Greg Endicott from the seventies, eighties and beyond.

**Around the ridges**

I was intrigued to note that the Brisbane Bushwalking Club is putting forward a motion to allow children to go on their walks. In our Club we have just let children come on many of our easier trips.

**The Hard Drive**

The expectation is that we should have this capital purchase finalised by the September meeting.

**Barrani Magazine**

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

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

**Why go bushwalking**

Just a little saying that may be useful if you ever have to explain why you go bushwalking with a Catholic bushwalking club

“God being God he put his best creations in places only bushwalkers go.”

Happy Walking

Phil the elder



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