



MONTHLY CIRCULAR

UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY

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The monthly General Meeting is held at the Temperance Hall, Hotel Canborra (Edward Street entrance). Next meeting is on November 20th. (Monday) at 8 p.m. Prospective members and visitors welcome.

OFFICE BEARERS.

Chaplain	Fr. K. Aspinall	58 2126
President	Col. McLellan	31 2427 (Work)
Vice President	Peter Murphy	81 4698 (Work)
Gen. Secretary	Lorraine Burke	97 4451
Treasurer	Mike Laherty	
Social Secretary	Anne Davis	57 4477
Safety & Training	Kevin Herlihy	71 1377 x 344
Outings Secretary	Graham Chalmers	38 1720

COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Therese Moynihan	4 5288	Claire Maguire	79 1631
Judith Cushing	59 2737		

Any of the above will be pleased to give information on the Club to any interested person.

COMING EVENTS.

Sunday November 19th.	Beach Picnic	Durandah
Monday November 20th.	General Meeting	Temperance Hall
Weekend Nov. 25/26th.	Base Camp	Somerset Dam
Weekend Dec. 8/10th.	Base Camp	O'Reillys
Monday Dec. 18th.	General Meeting	Temperance Hall
Dec. (?)	Christmas Party	

EDITORIAL

Col McLellan.

There has been criticism lately of the fact that certain people have, by their inordinate slowness of foot, delayed the progress of various club trips. Most of them have been beginners and it seems that in the famous trip to Mount Zahel, the pace of certain people was so bad that the poor fellow who hurt himself badly in a fall caught up to and actually passed some of the slow plodding types coming off the mountains.

Once again the club is bound up in contemplating the old contentious subjects of grading, splitting up and the other various alternatives of combating a situation in which the normal member finds himself fettered by the funeral pace of certain other members of the party.

The position is indeed a vexed one. The very basis of the club indulging in a bushwalking venture should be that the members remain together for many reasons. It would be asking too much of any leader to accept responsibility for various parties careering around a mountain especially in day trips when all depends on having everybody back at the bus to enable the group to return to the City. It is also painfully apparent that most of the trouble emanates from day trips.

What is the solution? Like many others in a co-operative type of Club such as our own, the solution rests with the individual. People must realise that bushwalking is a pursuit suitable to anybody of average good health and of normal walking ability. Unfortunately it is not suitable to people who, because of some physical disability or due to a below average coordination of muscular activity cannot maintain an average pace in mountain country. Much as we need new members, and much as all members should welcome and encourage the newcomer, we cannot allow the below par walker to unconsciously sabotage our trips. If the offenders cannot or will not accept the fact that they are not suited for waling expeditions, they should be courteously but firmly informed that they could fill with distinction, membership of a club engaged in some other sphere of activity.

BEACH PICNIC / SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19TH. / DURANBAH:

Fare is \$2.00 Bus leaves corner Roma and Turbot Streets 9 a.m. You should have nominated before this but give Annie Davis a ring and you might get on the bus.

It is perhaps too late to say anything further about this well patronized annual social, but if you miss out, you will be overcome by the deadly sin of jealousy when you find out what a good time was had by all who attended.

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING / TEMPERANCE HALL / NOVEMBER 20TH:

Oh dear, oh dear, oh dear. We did not publicize this very much (one unkind critic was brutally correct when he said that we had practically not publicized it at all) but our annual photographic competition is on tonight. As an emergency gesture, we have extended closing time to Monday November 13th. and therefore get stuck into the search for your best slides. Select the best and send them to the Club Box immediately, showing the section for which they are entered and send five cents entry fee with each slide. Alternatively you could give them to Anne Davis or Therese Moynihan, but the important thing is to get cracking and get your slides in. There are three sections -

Club Characters
Club Activities
General

Prizes will be awarded for each section winner and do your best to ensure the success of this night.

Owing to the resignation of Brita Nelles from the General Committee due to her approaching marriage, there is a vacancy to be filled for a committee member. The vacancy will be filled at this meeting, by election if necessary. Nominations are invited, and can be made in writing prior to the meeting or can be made immediately up to the actual filling of the vacancy. Nominators, Secondors and Candidates must all be financial members of the Club.

WEEKEND TRIP / SOMERSET DAM / NOVEMBER 24/26TH:

Leader Peter Murphy

Fare \$4.50

BLSE CAMP

Bus leaves Friday night 6.30 p.m. Roma and Turbot Streets
Nominate before November 20th. Contact Officer Vince Maunc 44562.

The Somerset Dam is not a racehorse. It is the main repository of water supply for our fair city. In common with all dams it provides beautiful vistas of lake country and colourful reflections but Somerset Dam also provides much more. Hereby is the rugged shape of Mount Brisbane, which, although only 2000 feet odd, provides more variety and lookouts in that 2000 feet than many other mountains of twice the height.

As the party ascends, the complete area of the lake becomes apparent and the contrast between the placid still waters of the storage area and the rushing speckled waters of the Stanley river immediately downstream, is very well marked. Grass trees of enormous size abound and it is possible to utilise some for impressive foregrounds when taking photos of the surrounding countryside.

The summit area of Mount Brisbane blends into the other mountains of the range and the rewarding vista of ridge after ridge bears testimony to the fact that this is one of the most isolated districts of state forest and unsettled uplands near to the State capital. For many years the European red deer has abounded in these fastnesses although they are extremely shy and a party of walkers would have little chance of seeing them.

On the opposite side of Somerset Dam is little Mount Brisbane and this is a little more than a hillock. It makes a mildly interesting Sunday walk, although the weather at this time of the year will almost undoubtedly prevail upon most of the party to take full advantage of the many swimming holes afforded by the Stanley River. Incidentally, it was very close to the junction of the Stanley and Brisbane rivers that the paradoxical Captain Logan met his death in 1729. It is generally thought that aborigines were responsible but one school of thought has it that convicts, snarling under his ruthless discipline, either killed him themselves or arranged for some aborigines to do it. Captain Logan was Commandant of Brisbane and the first white man to climb Mount Barney.

WEEKEND TRIP/ O'REILLYS / DECEMBER 8/10TH.

Leader Paul W.

Fate \$4.50 (camp fee inc.)

Nominate before December 4th.

Bush leaves corner Roma and Turbot streets 6.30 p.m. Friday .

Contact Officer Vince Maurie 4 4562

Officially it is the Lamington National Park, but ever since the early days of this pioneering family, this section of the Park has been affectionately known simply as "O'Reillys". There is little to say in a bushwalking circular about this fascinating area as all people interested in outdoor activity are familiar to some extent with the district. Lamington National Park, consisting of some 50,000 acres is internationally famous and contains every conceivable form of mountain scenery within its boundaries with the sole exception of snow. Even, here, rare falls have been encountered and any stalwart camping in midwinter will testify that the nights are uncommonly cool.

The Park contains great crashing waterfalls, stupendous mountain crags including the daddy of them all, Pat's Bluff, and a myriad of trees, shrubs, bird and animal life to keep a naturalist delirious with joy for his life time. Graded walking tracks penetrate the Park; allowing all the noteworthy sights to be gained in comfort in quick time.

It is, of course, unnecessary to mention that club members are expected to be of impeccable behaviour on this trip as this condition holds good on all trips. However, we will be very much in the eyes of the public and undoubtedly by members of several other clubs on this occasion and members must jealously guard the reputation of the club here as always.

It must also be remembered that Paul, as leader must be consulted by all parties wishing to have alternative trips and the permission of the leader must be obtained on all occasions. No sensible suggestion will be vetoed but the authority of the leader is supreme and members will assist in the smooth running of the weekend if they keep this point in mind

GENERAL MEETING / DECEMBER 18TH / TEMPERANCE HALL:

The December meeting, in line with the sentiments of the Christmas Season, will be devoted to a general get together immediately after the formal business is concluded. All members are invited to bring a few slides of any subject of interest and an interesting and informative night should result. Remember the words "few slides". One upon a time, a certain unsuspecting person was invited to a rather similar night and one keen bod insisted on showing about 200 slides on soil erosion prevention. If a similar episode was attempted on our strong minded members, doubtless some stronger limbed members would gently but firmly usher the offender through the door.

GRAND CHRISTMAS PARTY (TENTATIVE DATED 15TH NOVEMBER): DE C

Our Christmas Party is always famous and for a very good reason. This year the tradition will be fully maintained and Santa Claus will be there complete with all familiar trappings. Usually he can be seen just before our parties rockhopping up the river from Bishop Island and after negotiating the difficult pitch of the Story Bridge and Rapelling down the cliffs at Kangaroo Point, he usually turns up safely at our chosen meeting place. Be sure to consult your December circular for full details and be surer still that you do not miss out on the grand celebration.

COMMITTEE DOINGS AND ASPIRATIONS:

Committee both pleased and saddened over change of personnel taking place. Great and hearty welcome to Mike Laherty on elevation to post of Treasurer by General Meeting in October and sincere best wishes to Brita Nelles who has resigned from Committee due to her forthcoming marriage. Brita has acquitted herself well on Committee and will be sorely missed. Mike has already adopted the steely glint and ginlet mouthed expression of a Treasurer and will be sure to fill the position with distinction.

Following questions last general meeting over By-Law on hiring etc. The Outings Secretary will be the gent to contact in this regard/ Pre-Outings will be regarded as official club trips for the purpose of the By-Law and fair wear and tear is what a reasonable person would regard as fair wear and tear. On the other hand, deliberate lack of care or out and out vandalism would be damage for which the hirer would be expected to pay. Surely in a Club of this nature there would be no suggestion of the above abuse occurring.

Suggestion made that members wishing to dispose of unwanted but good equipment should be allowed to advertise in Circular. Good idea and any such adverts. welcomed.

Club membership slowly increasing after slow start and now stands at 106. Likewise only 16 first aid kits left and if interested you should see Kevin Herlihy urgently.

Owing to technical difficulties, last circular was printed out of sequence. Everybody seemed to survive but belated apology made for mix-up.

NEWS AND VIEWS AND ECHOES FROM THE HILLS

Outings Secretary not really swearing when he charges up to members and says "You had better come to Somerset, Dam you." Several members careering off or returning from holidays - the Peter Murphys noticed at O'Reillys having preview of December trip and Claire Maguire tripping out to Melbourne town - the Col McLellans dashing away to Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie - wedding preparations for Lorraine Burke and Kevin Herlihy as big day approaches soon - Claire Maguire had wrong phone number quoted in last circular - Brian and Leslie Purvis have a son Mark Brian. Frank Smith returned to Sydney. Jim Collins and Bernie O'Shea climbing the hills around Perty. The Frank Browns have moved into their new home. Congratulations to Carmel Steele on her engagement. Gavin Clancy has now taken a particular liking to ticks. John Graham settling down at Wallangarra, only complaint is that he has to thaw his biro out before it will work. Bob Sully transferred to Townsville for two years. Congratulations to our midwives for obtaining their certificates in Animal Husbandry. Pale orange "burp" now being seen running around town. Miss Mervana Galvin now wearing her hair up after a formal holiday on Hayman Is, while brother Merv. has turned miner.

In accordance with a promise made earlier, here are the official foundation members of the Club. Anybody in contact with them or younger brothers and sisters, are invited to keep them up to date on club doings and to try to get them back to the fold and also the said brothers and sisters and (in some cases, children).

Father W. Hayes
Michael Ahern
Pat Allanson
Carmel Allen
Vince Arthur
Edith Barry
Chris Bishop
Paul Boman
Mary Bourke
Br. Murie Broe
Bernice Caffery
Pauline Campbell
Kath Clancy
Pauline Coll
Mary Costigan
Ailsa Curran
Julie Darragh
Pam Davy
Bev. Dawson
Frances Doolan
Marie Downes
Adrian Draney
Daryl Driver
Kath Dunphy
Theresa Dunphy
Eleanor Eales
Keith Farrelly
John Fowler
Kath Francis
Philomena Gaffney
Pat Gall
Terry Gall
Merv Galvin

Allen Gardiner
Marg. Gimson
Pat Goodwin
Shirley Graham
Frank Hanley
Brian Hart
Bern. Healey
Ann Higgins
Merle Hodge
Frances Horan
Mary Hutchins
Loretta Kenny
Mary Leahy
Ken McAnulty
Irendan McCarthy
Leg McFarlane
Sue McGoldrick
Tony McGrath
Col McLellan
Eileen McLoughlin
Maureen McShane
Marion McShane
Mary Maguire
Mollie Maguire
Marion Marley
Bernie Maume
Vince Maume
Ann Mayze
Pat Mcagher
Raoul Mellish
Heather Murdoch

Jock Murdoch
Frank Murphy
Marg. Murphy
Helen Nixon
Alison O'Brien
Lorraine O'Brien
Rosemary O'Brien
Margaret O'Connor
Ann O'Regan
Vince O'Reilly
John Power
Mary Pirotta
Brian Purvis
Brian Rigney
Neal Reville
Hazel Rogers
Agnes Robba
George Smith
Carmel Steele
Bern Sweeney
Dolores Sullivan
Pat Towney
Maureen Wheeler
Margaret Wheeler
Terry Whyte
Beryl Wyatt
Bob Young

