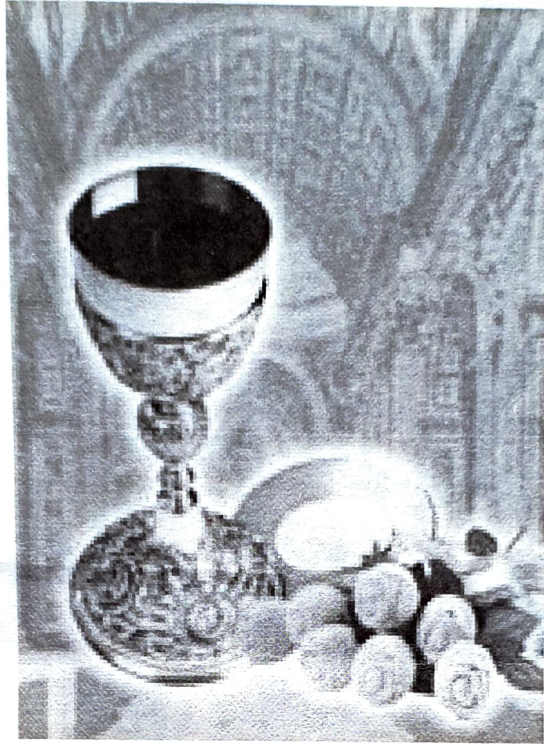


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The Annual Mass and Dinner on May 23rd

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Date	Event	Contact	Phone	Type	Grading
25	Anzac Day Dawn Service & Breakfast	Terry		Soc	
25/26	Maidenwell Observatory	Desley		Soc	
25	Card Night	Michele		Soc	
26	Mt Greville	Paul		DW	
29	Coffee Night – Café de Vita	Greg		Soc	
May 2/4	Fraser Is	Iain		TW	
3	Mitchelton Street Markets	Michele		Soc	
5	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael		Soc	
May 15	John Toohey – Mick O'Malley's	Phil	5522 9702	Dinner	
15/17	Logan's and North Ridges	Justin	3366 3193	DW/BC	L78
17	Reynolds Gorge incl Mt Edwards	Pat	3366 1956	DW	M44
18	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
20	Outdoor Recreation Trends	NPAQ	3367 0878		
23	Active Outdoors Expo	QORF			
23	<i>Annual Mass and Dinner</i>	<i>Desley</i>	<i>3369 5530</i>	<i>Soc</i>	
24	Leader's Training Day	Greg	3351 4092	Trn	
27	Coffee Night – Coffee Club Ascot	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
28	BWQ Meeting	Desley	3369 5530		
30	Kangaroo Mountain	Paul	0412 339 311	DW	M45
30	Reconnect With The Bush Conference	Birds Aust			
June 2	Movie Night – Stafford	Michael	3351 3810	Soc	
6	Q150 Mt Barney Coordinated Walk	BWQ		DW	Various
6/8	Goomburra	Michele J	3353 2822	BC	up to M44
6/7/8	Goomburra	Michele J	3353 2822	3xDW	up to M44
8	Mt Coot-tha Traverse	Greg	3351 4092	DW	M44
15	BCBC Meeting	Desley	3369 5530	Meet	
19	John Toohey Soc– Theodore Club	Phil	5522 9702	Dinner	
21	Mermaid Mountain	Desley	3369 5530	DW	S33
24	Coffee Night, Vespa Pizza, New Farm	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
27/5	Larapinta Trail	Michael	3351 3810	TW	XL47
27	Lake Manchester Circuit	Graham	3371 9623	DW	L33
July 11	Chermside Hills	Cheryl L	3263 8393	SW	S22
12	Mt Zahel	Desley	3369 5530	DW	M45
17	John Toohey Society - The Tank	Phil	5522 9702	Dinner	
18	Shepherd's Walk	Terry	3355 6765	DW	S22
19	Mt Ernest Traverse	Matthew	3716 3222	DW	M56
25	Christmas in July			Soc	
26	Toohey Forest Wildflower Walk	Phil	5522 9702	DW	
Aug 2	Kin Kin Trails	Terry	3355 6765	DW	M33
8	Mt Coolum & Heathlands	Barbara	3355 3639	DW	M43
12	Mt Barney Mass	Phil	5522 9702	ON/DW	L66
14/16	Beaudesert to Southport - Drumley Walk	Desley	3369 5530	TW	
16	Tamborine to Nerang	Desley	3369 5530	DW	
21/23	The Federation Pilgrimage	Desley	3369 5530	BC	Various
30	Mt Superbus to Lizard Point	John	5514 0285	DW	
Sept 5	Larapinta Falls	Russ	3374 3534	DW	M44
5/6	Christmas Creek	Michael	3351 3810	TW	XL55
6	Bridge to Brisbane (B2B)	Greg	3351 4092	SW	S11
12	Spring Equinox Social			Soc	
13	Great Aussie B'walk – Glasshouses	Greg	3351 4092	DW	S33
19	Coolangatta to Burleigh	Phil	5522 9702	DW	L33
19/20	Cullendore to Amosfield	Pat	3366 1956	TW	L44

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 3rd of the month. Articles should be e-mailed to me at edhouse@bigpond.net.au. Please follow the "Jilalan Style Guide", which is on the Club web site <http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/JilalanStyleGuide.html>. If you have any queries, you should phone me on 3351 4092. **Articles due Friday 29th May**

- # As Editor, I reserve the right to alter, amend, move, shorten or not print articles.
- # The views expressed in Jilalan are not necessarily those of the Editor or of the Management Committee of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club.
- # If you "borrow" any words or image from another source, please acknowledge that source – author, publication, issue, date, publisher.
- # I need your articles on time – it makes it hard to still get articles when I should be formatting.
- # Articles from this publication may be reproduced provided the source is acknowledged.
- # Look at last month's Jilalan and copy that format – especially the "headings" in Comings
- # Type your article as a Word document, then attach it to the e-mail. A4 please, not in Columns.
- # Type Face is "Arial", Font Size is "12", though Date, Name of Event & Type are "14"

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

God help us to find our confession;
The truth within us which is hidden from our
mind;
The beauty or the ugliness we see elsewhere
But never in ourselves;
The stowaway which has been smuggled
Into the dark side of the heart,
Which puts the heart off balance and causes
it pain,
Which wearies and confuses us,
Which tips us in false directions and inclines
us to destruction,
The load which is not carried squarely
Because it is carried in ignorance.
God help us to find our confession.
Help us across the boundary of our
understanding.
Lead us into the darkness that we may find
what lies concealed;
That we may confess it towards the light;
That we may carry our truth in the centre of
our heart;
That we may carry our cross wisely
And bring harmony into our life and our
world.

Amen

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Now that we are entering winter, the best walking season is upon us. And we are moving out of the rainforest into the open eucalypt. This means more sun, steeper ridges and fewer creeks. You will see this trend in the Calendar.

One highlight of the Club year is coming at the end of this month – the Mass and Dinner. This expresses what differentiates us from other clubs in Brisbane. The event is on May 23rd, at the chapel of the Franciscan Sisters in Turner Rd, Kedron. We want all members to come and take part. Peggy Roe is arranging the music and liturgy. Of course, helpers will be needed on the night itself. There is ample parking.

On the following morning is the Leaders Training morning. This is open to all members, especially the newer ones. The tired old leaders are slowly bowing out and need to be replaced. This means you. Anyone can lead a trip; all you need is the confidence and knowledge of how we do things. This is what this morning will teach you.

Desley.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance @ 16/3/09	\$2385.88
Plus Receipts	\$1181.00
	\$3566.88
Less Payments	\$ 118.65
Balance @ 20/4/09	\$3448.23
Term Deposit	\$2228.58

Our current raffle has two prizes with the first being an Ultra Bright Wind Up Head Lamp and the second being a small Extra Bright Dynamo Flashlight. These are ideal items as you do not have to worry about batteries going flat. Tickets are one dollar each and you need to have at least one to stand a chance of winning.

Please be aware that some of our t-shirt sizes are running low and, so, you should delay buying your first or second. They are very good value at twenty dollars each.

Terry.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Julie Brake, Greg Endicott, Richard Johns, Nicholas Keen, Phil Murray and Rosemary O'Brien are having a birthday in May.

Congratulations to our latest new member, Michele Foley.

Long standing member Iain Renton is getting married on Saturday 6th June – the Club sends "All the best".

Robin Thorn has just returned from walking The Milford Track in New Zealand. Marion Gibbons did some walking in Vietnam with her family a couple of months ago.

Over Easter, Allan Whittaker and Robyn Ross clocked up their second and third walks as visitors by doing Michele's Dave's Creek Circuit and Pat's Mt. Maroon walks. (Well done both of you.) Gaye Higgs clocked up her second walk as a visitor on Peggy's Somerset Trail walk. Josie Hynes and Nicholas Schneider were first time visitors on this walk also. We always encourage visitors to get to know us by participating in our activities. Vince & Marian have just returned from the Maidenwell Trip – via Inverell.

Recently, we have had enquiries from Norman Long, Trish Kennedy, Rhonda Graham, Margaret Collins, Fran Barry, Ruth O'Sullivan, Helen Mees and Glyns Taylor.

Rick Brake, in a different personality, recently seen directing Scouts all over the Christmas Creek area.

COMING EVENTS

LEADERS NEEDED

We are still short of leaders for outings.

If there are no leaders, the outings are cancelled, like Mt May on the 3rd and The Ramparts over the coming long weekend.

Do more than think about it, ring and say you will.

Leaders Needed for: Mt Zahel on July 11th, North Coast Mtns on Sept 26th, Mt Warning D/W on 4th Oct, Mt Doughboy/Mt Uki on 1st Nov.

You will get help with leading if you are new at it.

Call Michael on Ph: 3351 3810

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

The "Leaders Guide" is on the web at:

<http://www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>

15th MAY

JOHN TOOHEY GATHERING MICK O'MALLEY'S (An Irish Pub)

Contact: Phil the Elder Ph: 5522 9702

Location: Mick O'Malley's Irish Pub, Wintergarden Basement, Queen St Mall

Time: From 4pm till 8ish, orActually, Dinner time

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

Grade: From S11 to EX99, depending on your ability

Cost: Anything from \$5 to your week's pay – the choice is yours.

Web: <http://www.mickomalleys.com.au/>

For May, we are meeting at Mick O'Malley's. It is directly below Cibo Espresso and is a downstairs bar near Hoffstays the jewellers. The place has a nice Irish feel to it - In fact it reminds me of a little pub in the Irish town of Westport which is the nearest town to Croagh Patrick in Ireland.

Come along to meet your friends in a congenial non-strenuous atmosphere. Have a wine, a beer, a coffee and maybe dinner. We talk about anything & everything – and not just bushwalking. . You will surely know something about one of these topics, so can put in your 2-cents worth. Or, just prop yourself in a corner and listen.

I have booked the table in the little alcove called "the Snug". It is between the 2 entrance stairways. O'Malley's has a fine selection of Irish beers.

A visitor will recognise us as we are the quite ones.

O'Malley's has a selection of Irish beers.

Phil the Elder

15th – 17th MAY, Fri-Sun

MT BARNEY

BASECAMP/

OVERNIGHTER/DAYWALK

Leader: Justin Tobin Ph 3366 3193

Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill.

Time: T/W & B/C: Fri 15 May 5:00pm.

Daywalk: Sat & Sun 5:00am

Grade: Logan's L78, North L68

Cost: \$50.00 Accommodation & \$20.00 Petrol.

Location: SW of Brissie, near the border beyond Rathdowney

Web: [http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/publications/p02820aa.pdf/Mount Barney National Park Map.pdf](http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/publications/p02820aa.pdf/Mount_Barney_National_Park_Map.pdf)

Emerg Off: Carol Kelly. Ph 3269 4795
Mobile 0411 286 885

When you're lying in bed at night, the city push getting to you, you can hear Barney calling, whispering in the wind, Come to me, Come to me, Come to me. Answer the call.

Larkin's is booked, Barney is waiting and we're to ready go. Friday night tea at the Dugandan then on to Barney for two days of great walking. The Barney week-end for everyone. The main purpose of the weekend is to climb two of Barneys Ridges, Logan's and North.

The Saturday walk is Logan's Ridge, first climbed by Captain Logan in 1828. A rocky exposed ridge on the right hand skyline, Logan's provides great views, nothing too difficult, although some scrambling is involved with some exposed sections on our way to the East Peak. The descent route will be South East.

The Sunday walk is North Ridge, a scrubby ridge with a couple of rocky knolls to traverse it takes us to North Peak, views across to Isolated on Eagles Ridge, Leanings and East and West Peak. If we have time we'll head up

to East Peak before coming back to the North saddle and head down Rocky Creek.

The week-end is for everyone so if climbing Barney is not for you, sit on the veranda, read a book and watch Barney change throughout the day. You may even be able to spot the walkers on Logan's or start early with the Logan walkers and join them as far as the cliff line before heading back for a relaxing breakfast. Grab the camera and head up to the Yellow Pinch Knoll for those great views of Barney. A great photo opportunity, little effort, great reward. Lunch and relax at base camp.

Sunday finish the book, spend the day on Gillies or pack up and after breakfast join Pat on her Reynolds Gorge Daywalk. A scenic drive through Mt Alford, mountains spread out before you in the early morning light.

Saturday night will be a BYOE BBQ, bring dessert to share and we'll tell our Barney stories around the fire.

Join us for a great week-end base camp.

**17th MAY, SUNDAY
MT. EDWARDS via REYNOLDS
GORGE
DAYWALK**

Leader: Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956
Meet at: St. Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.30 a.m.
Cost: \$15.00
Grade: M44
Location: Moogerah Dam
Web: <http://www.moogerah.com/lake-moogerah-caravan/gfx/natparks.pdf>
Emerg Off: Michele E Ph: 3351 4092

Reynolds Gorge is situated between Mt. Edwards and Little Mt. Edwards. The walk will start at "The Gorge" camping area (privately owned) and after crossing Reynolds Creek (expect wet feet) we will make our way along through vine covered vegetation until we reach some rock slabs. It is easy walking on the sloping slabs, however they are exposed (no vegetation) and care is required in a couple of sections. If the day is fine and sunny the slabs would radiate some heat so make sure you have your hat.

Usually, Mt. Edwards is climbed by crossing the dam wall at Lake Moogerah, However on this occasion we will negotiate Reynolds

Gorge before picking up the usual track to the top.

The route up Mt. Edwards is well worn and straightforward, however it is up, up all the way. Enroute there is a rocky outcrop and from there you can book down to Reynolds Gorge and see the route you have just negotiated. There are wonderful views of the Fassifern Valley from the top.

I hope you can come along and enjoy the walk with me.

If you don't fancy doing the Gorge you could wait at the picnic area at Moogerah Dam and then join us for the climb up Mt. Edwards.

However, if the day is wet Reynolds Gorge section will not be done.

**18th MAY, MONDAY
MONTHLY MEETING**

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530
Time: 7.30pm
Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark.)

Come along to hear reports of recent outings & socials, as well as our coming events. Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as whether to come on the walk. Come pay your subs.

**MAY 23rd, SATURDAY
ACTIVE OUTDOORS EXPO 2009**

Where: At the Cultural Forecourt at South Bank
When: 9:00am until 3:00pm
Website: www.qorf.org.au

People will have the chance to try everything from rock climbing to mountain biking at the inaugural 'Active Outdoors' Expo 2009, The Expo promises to offer something for everyone with an action packed program featuring free activity demonstrations throughout the day including: mountain bike trials, rock climbing, canoe polo plus many more still to be confirmed.

There will also be the chance to talk to a wide range of outdoor providers of activities, or find out more about the outdoor gear and equipment on offer from some of Queensland's leading outdoor service providers.

Further details of the 'Active Outdoors' Expo 2009 along with the programme of events will be posted on the QORF website www.qorf.org.au

**23rd MAY, SATURDAY
ANNUAL MASS & DINNER
SOCIAL**

Leader: Desley Ph: 3369 5530
Meet at: The Convent Chapel of the Sisters of St Francis
Address: Mass: 115 Turner Rd, Kedron – Over the road from The Little Flower parish church & Padua College & opposite Jardine St
Dinner: The Stafford Tavern, 51 Webster Rd, Stafford (Cnr Billabong St)
Web: <http://www.thestafford.com.au/>
Time: Mass: 5.00pm
Dinner: 6.30pm

The Mass this year is in the same chapel as last. The chapel is an intimate and prayerful environment for our Mass.

The Stafford Tavern is just 5 minutes down the road. We will again be outside in the balmy cool of the evening. The area is covered, but away from the crowds and noise. You go up to the counter to order & pay for your meal, and buy drinks from the bar. There is more than enough parking around the building – enter from either Stafford Rd or Billabong St.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Mass, and certainly the dinner.

**24th MAY, SUNDAY
LEADER'S TRAINING MORNING
TRAINING**

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Mt Coot-tha, in the park next to Channel 7
Time: 9am
Web: <http://www.geocities.com/briscathbu-shclub/LeadersGuideV5-02-06.html>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995
Please phone & nominate so I can expect you

Here is your opportunity to go up to the next level – become a Leader of a BCBC Outing. Leading is not difficult. You do not have to be up front "leading" the way. You do not have to be a strong walker.

You do not need to be knowledgeable about the bush, terrain, BCBC history, nature, flora/fauna, storytelling, lighting fires, and everything else you think a leader needs.

What you do need is to know how BCBC leads outings.

And this is where I come in – I will tell you how.

We have a "Leaders Guide" which goes through the process step by step.

I will explain the steps & give examples.

You do not really enjoy outings till you have led a trip – you have a different perspective on bushwalking afterwards.

**27th MAY, WEDNESDAY
COFFEE CLUB, ASCOT
COFFEE NIGHT**

Contact: Michele E Ph: 3351 4092
Where: 138 Racecourse Rd, Ascot – the racecourse end
Time: After 6.30pm for a meal, before 7.30 for coffee & cakes
Web: <http://www.wherewillimeetyou.com/>
Emerg Off: 0418 122 995

This is popular venue for us. Come along to discuss the latest happenings in the Club, your life, or someone else's.

You all know Coffee Clubs with their good quick service, quick meals, a good variety of deserts and an unlimited variety of coffees.

This is a good occasions for visitors to come & meet us in a social environment – though recognise us might be a bit difficult until a lot of us arrive.

**30th MAY, SUNDAY
KANGAROO MOUNTAIN
DAYWALK**

Leader: Paul Evans Ph: 0412 339311
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park, , Red Hill
Time: 6.00am
Cost: \$20
Grading: M45
Location: Between Cunningham's Gap & Laidley
Web: <http://www.postcodes-australia.com/postcodes/4307> AND http://iguide.travel/Brisbane/Getting_There/By_plane
Emerg Off: Carolyn Ph: 0412 339322

Have you ever noticed the range to your right as travel south over Cunningham's Gap? It is the Little Liverpool Range which rises near Laidley and joins the Great Dividing Range near Sylvester's Lookout.

If you have then I'm sure you've also noticed the stunning mountain near the southern end. This is Mt Castle and will be clearly visible when we climb Kangaroo Mountain which is a smaller mountain a kilometre or two further north. The Little Liverpool Range provides stunning views across the Fassifern Valley as well as amazing views south from Mt Castle along the Ramparts including the incredible cliffs protecting Mt Castle.

We will travel south to Aratula before turning west to an easement which leads directly to the climb. We may be able to drive to the start of the walk proper and thus avoid a 3-4km road bash before entering the National Park.

We pass through farmland before following old roads to a very steep ridge which climbs 400m to the range. After morning tea we will head north along the range to Kangaroo Mountain for lunch. Hopefully we will be able to view Beau Brummel to the north, a mountain only recently climbed by the club.

This is not a difficult walk but does involve steep climbing as well as navigational issues. Please ring me to discuss the walk. Paul.

**30th MAY, SATURDAY
RECONNECT (WITH) THE BUSH
CONSERVATION FORUM
BY BIRDS AUSTRALIA SOUTHERN
QUEENSLAND
at the Brisbane International Virginia
Palms**

"Reconnect with the Bush" is about restoring corridors at the landscape scale, and about engaging the Australian public by education, awareness raising, and encouraging them into subsequent action. The opening is at 9:15am. The registration form available from the BA website

Visitors welcome.

More at www.basq.org.au

**2nd JUNE, TUESDAY
MOVIE NIGHT
STAFFORD CINEMAS**

Contact: Michael S Ph: 3351 3810
Where: Stafford 10 Cinemas – Stafford City Shopping Centre,
Meet at: Fasta Pasta – (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

Visitors & New Members please ring first to find out how to recognise us when you arrive at the cinema.

We will be going to the Stafford 10 Cinemas at Stafford City. It is on Stafford Road about halfway between Webster Rd and Shand St. 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>

You can get a movie meal deal for around \$20. So come along.

**6th JUNE, SATURDAY
IAIN'S MARRIAGE TO MERRILL
CELEBRATION**

Where: The Chapel Hill Uniting Church, 9 Chapel Hill Rd, Chapel Hill
Time: 11.30am

Iain Renton & Merrill Turpin invite all their friends to join in the celebration of their marriage on this day. Iain has been in BCBC for many years and is one of our best walkers and leaders.

The church is on the corner of Mogill Rd.

You can still do a day walk at Goomburra with Michele on Sunday.

**6th JUNE, SATURDAY
Q150 WALKS
DAYWALK**

Contact: Robyn Cox 5594 5805
or 0429 330 001
Meet at: Various, different for each trip
Time: Various
Cost: Petrol

Gold Coast Bushies have been proactive and drawn up a list of 15 walks for Queensland's 150th Birthday - Saturday 6th June. Group photos with the Qld. flag will be taken. All clubs are welcome to participate in these walks.

The walks are: Mt. Barney SE Ridge, Mt Cordeau, Mt Merino, The Pinnacles Springbrook, Toms Tum, Burleigh Headland, Mt Nathan & Nerang State Forest, BC Emu Creek and the Steamers, Mt Hobwee Circuit, Double Peak/Ballow, Wagawn, Wilsons Peak, Murwillumbah Kayak - Murdering Ck and Rous River, Bike Ride - Best Of All Lookout. They also have a walk to Mt Rooper in Conway N.P.

Full details are at the end of "Comings" OR on the BWQ website - www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au

**6th - 8th JUNE, SAT - MONDAY
GOOMBURRA
Queens Birthday Long Weekend
BASECAMP**

Leader: Michele Johns Ph: 3353 2822 or 0414 635 542 or 0409 871 641
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark
Time: 6.30am
Cost: \$30 (includes camping fees)
Grading: Up to M44
Location: On the Downs side of the Great Divide, north of Cunningham's
Web:http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/main_range_national_park/main_range_national_park_nature_culture_and_history/
Emerg Off: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765

This is a World-Heritage listed park and covers a vast variety of rugged mountain ranges, spectacular lookouts and rare wildlife including the seldom seen Albert's lyrebird, the eastern bristlebird and the black-breasted button-quail.

The two camping areas are Poplar Flat and Manna Gum beside Dalrymple Creek. With the recent rain there should be plenty of water. Swimming is an option! Fuel stoves are required for cooking, barbeques are available.

The plan is to leave Brisbane early Saturday morning, set up camp and then do one of the shorter walks, the winder trail which is 12km return. This track is an old logging track with

gradual ascents and descents but overall is flat to undulating. It passes through rainforest along the crest of the Mistake Range ending at the "winder", a piece of relic machinery from the early days of timber logging.

On Sunday, we will be walking the Cascades Ridge Walk one of the best day walks in the area. This walk starts off from the Manna Gum camping area and follows the Dalrymple Creek starting with the Dalrymple Circuit. Along this section of the track, there are self-guided signs which explore the rich history of the park. We then start climbing through rainforest with a series of cascades and rocky pools to cross. This is the Cascades Circuit. After about 5kms the Cascades Circuit joins the Ridge Walk. This passes through sections of open track and New England Blackbutt. The last section of this walk takes us back to the Manna Gum camping area with a rather steep ridge but well defined track.

The last day, Monday can be spent exploring the creek and areas around our campsite before returning home in the afternoon.

On the Saturday or Sunday night, depending on the interest of campers, we will drive to either Allora or Maryvale for tea. Both are within about 30 minutes of the camping area.

This weekend promises to cater for all walking abilities, so dust off those walking boots and mark this weekend in your diary

Nominate early, as I need to know numbers for booking.

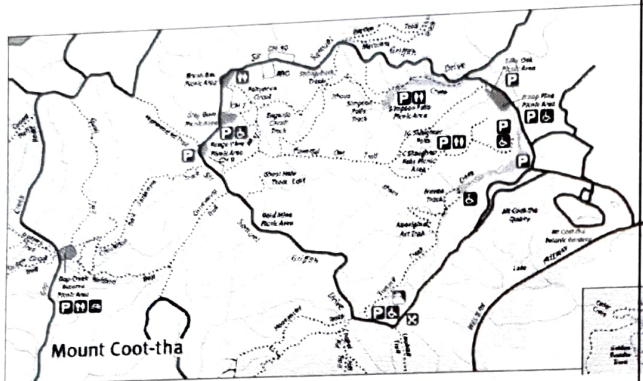
Michele Johns

**6, 7th or 8th JUNE, SAT/SUN/MON
GOOMBURRA
DAYWALK**

Leader: Michele Johns Ph: 3353 2822 or 0414 635 542
Meet at: St. Brigid's Carpark, , Red Hill
Time: 6.30am
Grading: M44 (well within all members capabilities)
Cost: \$3 each nominal cost (if coming in own car) otherwise to be negotiated
Location: On the Downs side of the Great Divide, north of Cunningham's
Web:http://www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks_and_forests/find_a_park_or_forest/main_range_national_park/main_range_national_park_nature_culture_and_history/

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Emerg Off: Terry Silk Ph: 3355 9765

For those who cannot spend the weekend away on the base camp, but would like to go on one of the day walks at Goomburra with the base campers, then you are catered for on this weekend as well. Ring me if you are interested. As long as your car arrives at Goomburra on the Saturday by 10am or 8.30am on the Sunday, and we know of your intention to join us.
 Michele Johns



8th JUNE, MONDAY MT COOT-THA TRAVERSE DAYWALK

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: J C Slaughter Park, Sir Samuel Griffith Dr, Bardon (opp Birdwood Tce). Drive as far into the park as you can, then walk to the Picnic Shelter.

Time: 8am
Grading: M44
Cost: \$3

Location: North west suburbs of Brisbane
Web: http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/bccw/r/environment/documents/track_map_mtc_ootha.pdf

Emerg Off: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092

This will not be a picnic in the park, or lunch at the kiosk. Plan on finishing late afternoon. But, it is within the capabilities of most members. Once you have started, there is no short way back. Now no one will come with me.

The party will be going up hill & down dale, along the creek and along rough tracks. There is some very steep country off the side of The Mount. Remember, it is a traverse – from one side to the other straight across the top, and back a different way.

The plan is to follow Ithaca Ck Left to Channel 9, go over the side by the Currawong Track to Chapel Hill & back up to CH9 via the Jacksonia Track. Now down Ithaca Ck Right to Simpson's Park and back around to the cars.

The first section along the creek is without a track, and some of the others will be washed out & debris filled, following the severe hail storm last Nov. But a rewarding walk anyway.

15th JUNE, MONDAY MONTHLY MEETING

Contact: Desley Ph: 3369 5530

Time: 7.30pm

Where: St Michael's Parish Hall, 250 Banks St, Dorrington (in the lower carpark behind the church.)

Come along to hear reports of recent outings & socials, as well as our coming events. Ask questions of our leaders about their coming events, so that you can make up your mind as whether to come on the walk. Come pay your subs.

19th JUNE, FRIDAY JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING SOCIAL THE THEODORE CLUB

Contact: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702
 or 0413 307 580

Time: From 4pm till 10ish

Where: Level One, 333 Adelaide Street

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

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

Emerg Off: Greg E Ph: 0418 122 995.

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. We went there in June last year and had a lovely time. You can actually hear yourself think & the people opposite you talking.

So come along and have a chat and a drink and a meal and start dreaming and planning your next overseas trip.

**21st JUNE, SUNDAY
MERMAID MOUNTAIN
DAYWALK**

Leader: Desley P Ph: 3369 5530
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark
Time: 7.30am
Grading: S33
Cost: \$12.00
Location: In the Mt Glorious area
Web:<http://www.swiss.org.au/event.php?ID=622>

The Swiss Club did this walk in June 2006, and here is what they said about it (and they have some nice photos as well):

However, we will be doing it differently. Desley will be going to the end of Brookfield Rd, and the walk along the road through the forest at its end. The track will wind its way up the ridge to the top – Mermaid Mtn. you will be going through open eucalypt country mainly on tracks. the top overlooks Lake Manchester, and is below Mt Nebo and Jolley's Lookout. The overall length is about 7km.

Bring along: The whole family, good walking shoes (sneakers are ok), plenty of water (2 litres / person) lunch & snacks (a light weight day-pack) a raincoat or poncho just in case of a shower

**24th JUNE, WEDNESDAY
VESPA PIZZA
COFFEE NIGHT**

Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: 148 Merthyr Rd, New Farm (near James St)
Time: after 6.30pm for dinner and before 7.30 for coffee

Web:<http://www.vespapizza.com.au/>

http://www.yourrestaurants.com.au/guide/vespa_pizza/ says:

The gentrification of New Farm has spawned a profusion of ritzy dining spots but even the urban hoi polloi need to watch their wallets now and again. Enter Vespa; a hip new pizza joint where the food is as good as the bar is dry. Yes, it's BYO only, so for the price of a daiquiri down the road you can feast on

quality fare while sacrificing nothing in style. Inside it's rustically chic, cool and convivial.

The brooding woodfired pizza oven churns 'em out with a perfect crust: crisp and light but with enough yeasty softness that it's still a dough, not a Sao biscuit. Quality toppings like tender artichoke and milky mozzarella are used sparingly and in combinations that work. There are plenty of vegetarian options, but standouts such as the chevre and pancetta remind you why pig was invented. Their repertoire of toppings doesn't include pineapple or miniature tyre-tubes masquerading as olives, and there's a welcome absence of other ubiquitous Italian staples: no pasta, no fritto misto. The desserts, however, include such hackneyed favourites as tiramisu and affogato.

So forget the dolce, but if you've got a lazy twenty bucks, a bottle of red on the rack and a hankering for first-class pizza, this place is worth the wander. Or maybe not; they deliver till 11pm.

Vikki Moore

Menu:-

Breads: Bruschetta, Pizza bread, Calzone,
Preludes: Mixed olives w/ garlic, rosemary, lemon zest and coriander seeds, Potato wafer pizza w/ rosemary and sea salt, Marinated artichokes with fennel, mint and basil, Crispy polenta pieces with rosemary and garlic aioli, Smashed kipfler potatoes with parmesan and garlic aioli,
Salads: Panzanella salad w/ red wine vinaigrette, Mixed leaf salad w/ sweet chilli dressing, Vine tomatoes, buffalo mozzarella, torn basil and olive oil.

Pizza \$17 to \$20

Deserts: \$7 to \$10

Coffee: all verities & combinations.

**LARAPINTA TRAIL
27th JUNE TO 5th JULY SATURDAY
to SUNDAY
THROUGH WALK**

Leader: Michael S Ph: 3351 3810
Cost: Around \$800:00 (airfares, transport to/from walk, hotel)

Grading: XL47

Location: McDonald Ras in Central Aust

Web:<http://www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks/walks/larapinta/index.html>

THERE IS STILL TIME TO BOOK & GO

The Larapinta Trail is a 231km long distance walk in the West MacDonnell Range. This range lies west of Alice Springs and includes such picturesque areas as Redbank Gorge, Ellery Creek, Standley Chasm and Simpson's Gap.

The walk can be divided into two 8 day walks and I have planned both walks and am yet to decide on which I will lead. These walks are not difficult but you have to have the endurance to carry a 20kg pack for 8 days. I already have one nomination and we are booked on Qantas Flights QF981 on the 27th to Alice Springs and QF982 on the 5th back to Brisbane.

Please ring me if you are interested.

Michael.

27th JUNE, SATURDAY LAKE MANCHESTER CIRCUIT DAYWALK

Leader: Graham Glasse Ph: 3371 9623
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Grading: L33
Cost: \$5
Location: In the south-western suburbs of Brisbane, near Karana Downs and Mt Crosby (of water treatment fame)

Web:http://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/BCC:BASE::pc=PC_2462
AND<http://www.sweetwaterfishing.com.au/Manchester.htm>

Lake Manchester is part of Brisbane's water supply, and is just behind Mt Crosby and near Kholo. The enlarged Dam now has a large circumference, so the walk will be long. There are many inlets to get around. There will be timber tracks and fire breaks to use on one side of the lake, but on the other side there will be a bit of bush bashing and track wading.

But it will be a good day overall. We do not get here too often, so come this time as you may miss out forever. Use your sun cream. Bring water.

12th AUGUST, WEDNESDAY 49th BARNEY MASS DAYWALK AND OVERNIGHTER

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 5522 9702,

0413 307 580,
philriver@optusnet.com.au

Meet : St Brigid's Car Park, Red Hill
Time: 5:00am SHARP (I repeat five am)
Or meet at Yellowpinch 7:00am.

Grade: L66

Cost: \$20:00 in car pool cars, \$2 per person for those going privately

Location: Near the border, 2 hours south-west of Brisbane

Web: <http://www.john.chapman.name/qld-barn.html>

Emerg Off: Susan Murray PH: 5522 9702

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 are invited to attend.

As to which route we may climb we usually do more than one ridge. The probable routes are Peasants Ridge (leader to be advised) and South East Ridge (Phil Murray).

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 1pm depending on when the walkers arrive. The trip down Peasants Ridge also has a few challenging bits. But we cope each year.

Phil

HELP CELEBRATE QUEENSLAND'S 150th BIRTHDAY

The Q150 Daywalks 6th JUNE, SATURDAY

Here is a great selection of activities to participate in the Q150. the bushwalking fraternity of Queensland wants to celebrate our birthday by presenting as many walks as possible. Gold Coast Bushies have arranged these for us all to try out. There is something for everyone.

Every group will have a small Qld flag to include in the photo, we hope to get an album

together for the event and maybe some publicity.

To Nominate and for more information call Coordinator, **Robyn Cox 5594 5805 or 0429 330 001**

Mt Barney SE Ridge L55 Franz Huber We'll walk from Yellowpinch on a 4WD track, then it's up, up and away. And up, and up... Magnificent views of Mt Lindesay and Ernest on the left, and a breathtaking abyss on the right. After lunch at the top, we'll descend via Rum Jungle and Peasants Ridge. In some places, the track is a bit exposed; a bit of scrambling is involved. Height difference from bottom to top is approx 1100 metres. The 4-odd hours, sometimes steep ascent and 4 hours descent requires a good level of fitness.

Mt Cordeaux M23 Jennifer Lewis It is well worth it for the superb views from Mt Cordeaux's Bare Rock. This is a gem of a walk with a graded track making pleasant walking to Bare Rock, which is as far as you can go. About 12.5km return.

MT MERINO XL23 Stan Piper A 23km walk return from Binna Burra.. Mt. Merino (1165m) is halfway along the Border Track to Green Mtn O'Reilly's. Morning tea at Joalah Lookout and lunch at the summit with great views over the Tweed and Limpinwood Valleys. A long walk at a steady pace, but generally on a level track. **Departure:** White St, Nerang 7 am

The Pinnacle Springbrook M33 John & Rhonda Neaves Our walk commences at Tallanbana picnic area. We follow part of the Warrie Circuit along the base of the cliff line and pass Goommoolahra Falls via an easy undulating track. At the eastern most point of the Warrie Circuit we leave the track and follow a grassy ridge to the Pinnacle. The last section to the top of the pinnacle requires a scramble up a rocky ridge. **Departure:** Elsie Laver Park Mudgeeraba 7.30am

TOM'S TUM Roly James An interesting and varied walk, with a little bit of everything for the reasonably fit. We start from the Mt Barney Lodge car park and walk along the track towards the Lower Portals, where we branch off and head to a rock outcrop, to get marvellous views of the surrounding county and where we are heading. Then a climb part way up one of Mt Barney's ridges, where we have morning tea. From then on, it's all down

hill. We descend down a narrow gully with plenty of loose rocks to come out in Barney Gorge and Creek. Here we have lunch. Then its rock hopping down the Gorge, back to the Lower Portals.

Burleigh Headland N P S12 Jacky Edson-Hawke This is probably the easiest walk of the day. We will meet at The National Park Office at Koala Park. A beautiful walk with spectacular ocean views. **Meet** 9am.

Mt Nathan & Nerang State Forest XL33 Gary Poland The walk includes both peaks of Mt Nathan and continues through Nerang State Forest. There are several steep up and down sections along the way where care is needed. **Departure:** Hope St Nerang, outside of Nerang Velodrome, 7 am

Sat to Mon 6-8 June BC Emu Creek & The Steamers. Max Baker & Ann McLean A chance to visit the Main Range without through walking. Max & Ann will be meeting you on Saturday morning at Aratula to go up Mt Mitchell 1161m, from Cunningham's Gap carpark, before going on to the camp at Emu.

Mt Hobwee Circuit L23 Paula Baxter This circuit winds through rainforest to the summit of Mt Hobwee (1140m), which provides strong evidence of Gondwanan connection; look out for the 'beech orange' – a species of fungus around Antarctic Beeches. We will have lunch on top of Mt Hobwee. This is an easy but long walk suitable for new walkers. **Departure:** White St, Nerang 7.30 am

Double Peak/Mt Bellow S65 Mike Harris We start from Cleared Ridge, part of the Mt Barney NP, and travel along a gravel road for a short distance. We climb along a fire trail (fairly overgrown) to a saddle, which we ascend to enter the Park. Travelling along a ridge, through beech dominated forest, we scramble through some blackberry to Mt Mowbra to have morning tea. We then continue along the ridge to reach Double Peak for lunch before heading back the way we came. This is a long day, but the views are tremendous and include Mt Barney and 'The Head'. Stay overnight Fri nearby.

Wagawn L33 Meriel Luff Wagawn is a pleasant walk of 18km, branching off the Mt Hobwee Circuit. We passing through some ancient forest, but these plants are significant species & their survival could be threatened. Expect to see quite a bit of primitive moss &

fungus. **Departure:** White St., Nerang 7.30am

Wilson's Peak L56 Dave Butler Wilson's Peak is at the junction of the Great Dividing, and the McPherson Ranges. It is 1283m high and is a long day for bushies who are reasonably fit. We start the walk from the border fence on the south-west side, and climb the very steep trail, before tackling a short scramble to the peak. We then leave the peak to follow a magnificent grassy ridge in the northern direction, and then pass through farmland to the road. The off track sections may require gaiters and gloves, and bring plenty of water and warm jacket for lunch at the top.

Kayak/ Canoe M B1 T1 P2 Currumbin Creek

Bike Ride medium Best of All Lookout – Springbrook Pam Engwirda

OUTDOOR RECREATION TRENDS

Wednesday 20th May 2009 at 7.30pm

IMPLICATIONS FOR PROTECTED AREAS

Rob Hales, Lecturer and Researcher, Griffith University

*Why is there currently less interest in bushwalking and nature-based activities
Which recreational activities are on the rise and having an impact on our National Parks?*

The results of the SEQ Outdoor Recreation Demand Study make for interesting reading! Come along and find out more about how trends in outdoor recreation might affect protected areas!

Mt Coot-tha Auditorium, Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens

For more information: Karen Langton at NPAQ, Ph: 3367 0878

admin@npa.org.au

Maidenwell Observatory

23rd MAY SATURDAY

MAIDENWELL COACH TRIP

Nev McManimm, from the Gold Coast Bushwalkers Club, is running this coach trip, and is offering it to other clubs. It will be a

varied and enjoyable day. Pick up for Brisbane people will be at Church St. Goodna at around 8:15am, returning approx. 11pm. Enjoy some unusual sights, savour the hospitality of country towns and a traditional country pub. Then rug up like an astronomer for the night star show – truly spectacular and very informative using three 14 inch optical telescopes.

We will be visiting Muntapa Tunnel (complete with bats), The Palms NP, Coomba Waterhole, Maidenwell Pub for Dinner, Maidenwell Observatory for night viewing. A couple of short walks- no more than 30 minutes. The cost of \$65.00 per person includes.

Website for Maidenwell Observatory:

<http://www.sbstars.com/>

Coach Trip Bookings can be made with John Marshall Ph: 3311 5506 email:

jmarshall@optusnet.com.au

Please nominate by 13th May:



Who Can It Be Now? And What Is She Doing?

PAST EVENTS

KEPLER TRACK

NZ WALK

FEBRUARY 2009

Two flightless kiwi birds returning to NZ to tackle one of the South Island's great walks, the Kepler Track in the Fiordland National Park. We were joining the Otago Youth Adventure Trust/Milton Rotary Club Tramping Club, a volunteer group leading freedom walks.

First, a day of rest and relaxation in Dunedin to explore this old Scottish pioneer city, known as the University City of the South Island displaying heritage architecture. The most prominent and dramatic was the Dunedin Railway Station in charcoal and cream stonework, dominating the city wharf area. The morning was spent travelling north on a scenic rail trip out past the Otago Peninsula and up to Palmerston. Stunning coastline as the line followed the ocean climbing as we went north. Endless sheep dotting the green farmland on one side and sparkling blue sea on the other. Lunch and a peaceful afternoon in the botanical gardens before a walk up the steepest street in the world (according to Guinness Book of Records), Baldwin Street.

Our adventure started the next day with a coach pick-up at the grand old backpacker's hotel, the Leviathan. Leaving at 2.30pm we travelled for about 4hrs across to Te Anau for an overnight stay beside the lake. We dined in the village and walked back to our accommodation in the twilight of daylight saving. Across the lake we could see the mountains we would be walking. It was a fun evening getting to know our fellow walkers and leaders.

After an early breakfast, we collected food parcels to be carried daily and made ourselves ready for 3½ days of adventure. Starting at the Control Gates on Lake Te Anau, the track entered beech forest surrounding the lake and followed the coastline for about 5kms until Brod Bay. The next 8.5km was a steady climb with clear views over the lake, beautiful forest and thick ferns covering the ground with a steep section past limestone cliffs. Lunch was to be along this section of the track beside a creek, but on reaching found it to be bone dry, so it was on to the hut for lunch where running water was readily available.

We came out above the tree line at around 1000m to stark tussock grass, high winds and mountain peaks. Welcome cuppas, soup and sandwiches went down well on our arrival at Luxmore Hut – a well earned lunch after a big climb. Luxmore Hut, the largest of the 3 huts on the Kepler Track sleeps 50, our group numbered 36, including our 4 intrepid leaders. Amazing views from the huge windows in the hut over the Murchison Mountains and the fiords of Lake Te Anau.

Our 2nd day began early, with strong winds expected of over 50km. We would be climbing to 1472m to the top of Mt. Luxmore with a 6 hour walk to our next hut, Iris Burn. Many photos along the way of spectacular scenery as the track crossed exposed avalanche prone sections of loose rock. We passed many walkers doing the circuit the opposite way and like us were laden with packs and gear, battling high winds. A very welcome lunch break was waiting for us at Hanging Valley Shelter on top of a ridge with hot soup and sandwiches. The afternoon was a downward trail of steps (90+) hanging onto some very exposed ridges and countless zig-zags leading down to Iris Burn. We were dropping height quickly once we were back in the shelter of the forest leaving behind freezing cold wind. Waterfalls and streams tumbling down beside the track as we neared Iris Burn, our hut for the 2nd night.

Iris Burn is nestled in a valley with mountain peaks either side and the Iris Burn River flowing beside. At sunset a group of red deer could be seen feeding at the edge of the forest. Another fun evening with delicious food and good company of our walking companions.

The 3rd day was an easy walk down the Iris Burn valley following the Iris Burn River to Moturau Hut. We passed the area of a huge landslide in 1984; the whole side of a mountain had slid down into the valley pushing everything in its path further down the river. Vegetation was changing as we left behind the alpine beech forest. South Island Robins greeted us along the track, tame little birds waiting for walkers to pass so they could peck at the loosened soil for food. Moturau Hut sat beside Lake Manapouri and the freezing water had eased aching muscles after a welcome swim that afternoon on our arrival. We had a group photo beside the hut and then mingled amongst our fellow walkers before tea.

As the sun was starting to set in the west we could see an orange glow filtering through the trees and glimpses of the moon quite clearly blotted out by a thick haze. Unbeknown to us it was the tragic events of the Victorian fires, the smoke travelling up into the atmosphere and darkening the late twilight skies. We heard the dreadful news later that evening from the Ranger. It was a

sad end to our day especially with so many Australians in the group.

A lively talent quest after dinner brought out many clever skits and hastily put together shows. Such talent and fun as we shared our last evening together.

Light misty rain, our first for the trip, accompanied us out on the last morning. The track followed the Waiau River with an option to finish the walk at Rainbow Reach or walk another 9.5km to the Control Gates where we started.

It had been a great walk with new friends made and challenges achieved. We left NZ knowing we would be back to take on another great walk.

Maxine and Michele

OVERLAND TRACK WALK

**Friday 10th to Sunday 19th April
2009**

**Through Walk
Part 1**



An early morning flight saw Paul, Rick, Joe, Maxine and I in Launceston for lunch. We limbered up for the Overland Track by taking a short delightful walk up Cataract Gorge and around the streets of Launceston. The next day we headed off to Cradle Mountain and after a few short delays were finally on the track around 3pm. The start of the track from the north is a serious climb to Marion's Lookout but when you get there the views are incredible. Cradle Mountain to the south and several lakes to the north. As we started late we made camp beneath the imposing cliffs of

Cradle Mountain and thrill of the climb next morning was on everyone's mind.



Day 2 arrived with almost total whiteout. The clouds had dropped and it wasn't long before the rain started. Cradle Mountain was left for another day. We were above the treeline and the surrounding terrain, the little we could see, was covered in small tarns and creeks. We made the Waterfall Hut by lunch after unfortunately having to forego the climb of Barn Bluff because of the weather. We continued on down the valley to Windermere Hut which is a small hut just pass Lake Windermere. Another side trip to Lake Will was also postponed to another day due to the wet conditions. We later discovered that the track was very boggy. Windermere Hut was packed and we were lucky to find a campsite for the night.

We awoke to similar conditions and after breakfast we packed and left early for the longest leg of the trip, a 14km walk to Pelion Hut. Pelion Hut is a large hut about half way down the Overland Track but it is also an access/exit point for the Walls of Jerusalem National Park. The track passes below the awesome cliffs of Mt Pelion West before dropping to Frog Flats which is a flood plain of the River Forth. We stopped for lunch along with several other groups before climbing back out of the valley to Pelion Hut which was also very crowded but there were plenty of campsites. It was here the ranger informed us snow was expected over the next couple of days which had Rick very excited. The local wildlife, possums and wallabies, were out in force to greet us and make our stay memorable.

Michael S

FERRIS WHEEL 7th MARCH SOCIAL

This was a unique occasion to have a ride. The Wheel is in our City, and as usual, we ignore it because it is a tourist attraction. It is here for a year only, and will be unbolted and shipped to the Gold Coast. So we went.

And I'm glad we did. It was a really good experience. We all fitted into the one car, which was completely glass lined for good viewing. We picked the best time of day to get aboard as it was daylight when we got in, the sun set while we were there and we got out after dark. As we went up, we saw the city & surrounds in full light, then the growing shadows of twilight, and then the city lights gradually came on. Was an experience.

Then our group strolled up to Amici's, our chosen restaurant for the evening. We sat outdoors, in the now cool of the evening. We read the menu and chose our meals, which were not too long in coming. The talk was long and stimulating.

Thanks to those who came.

Greg

M^t COUGAL 21st MARCH

This was a lovely little trip under threatening skies. I was sure we would get a spot of rain on us and we did, but only after we had finished the walk and were back in the cars (and then it bucketed down). a big thank you goes to Denice Campbell's daughter Megan who got us out of transport problem and volunteered to drive as we were having problem finding a driver. Our small group of 6 met at Mudgeeraba at 8.15am – those in the party were Robin Thorn, her niece Lisa Stewart, Paddy Taylor, Denice & Megan Campbell and I.

It was a trip where a few things could go wrong but thankfully nothing major did. Navigationally, it is a very simple walk – follow the Border Fence from the Garden of Eden Road up to Mt Cougal (East Peak). There was to be an additional bit of walking at the start as we planned to walk from the Tomewin Border gate, but the fence line there was completely overgrown. So we zipped around to the Garden of Eden road to follow the fence line up. The rabbit fence is no longer maintained so there were several



spots where those nasty rabbits from New South Wales could easily cross over. (Where is the Emperor Nasi Goreng when you need him.) Plus the track in places has become very narrow with the vegetation trying to reclaim its territory. There were a few lovely spots along the way to admire views of the coast, and we had a few moments where we could see Mt Cougal looming up ahead of us. A highlight on the walk for me was the spotting of one of the survey marks on a huge tree that was apparently blazed by Francis Roberts in 1863 when he marked the border from the coast to the Darling River.

The walk was fairly easy until we got to the base of Mt Cougal, then it was a very steep uphill climb to the cliffline. The rainforest was very nice except for the bits of wait-a-while. We had lunch at the cliffline where Lisa explored the cave which apparently goes through to the NSW side. Then it was time for the final summit push; there was an awkward cliffline to negotiate and it was a bit wet & slippery. I suggested my group to come up but it was somewhat daunting, and only Lisa and I clambered up the cliffline. With the benefit of hindsight I should of have been more adamant and I am sure my group could have got up. Anyhow, Lisa and I zipped up to the top and saw the Giant Spear lilies. We met up with the "Hard Team" of Justin, Paul; Trevor, Michael and Allan who were doing the Boyd's Butte & West Peak trip.

We took a few photos, rang Greg E to confirm that we had reached the top, and then zipped back down to the rest of the team. We then started for home and Robyn was in training for her trip to Milford Sound Track - she wanted to build her fitness for her trip and zoomed away into the distance. Justin's party was catching up and I had a quick chat to Paul and Trevor, then noticed

my group had moved on and I struggled to catch up with Robyn & the team. We were out by 3pm, had a quick detour on the way home to vote and an afternoon tea party at Tallai.

It is six weeks since the walk and I still have regrets about not making more of an effort to coax my companions to come up to the summit of East Peak. It is one of the dilemmas a leader has - how hard do you push your fellow walkers – this time I think I could have pushed harder as I am sure that they could have all got up, but it would have been a challenge for them. A very enjoyable trip with an excellent team. I am keen to revisit Mt Cougal to catch the Spear Lilies in flower.

Phil

COFFEE NIGHT TOMATO B^{ROS}, ROSALIE COFFEE NIGHT

We gathered at this unique venue for an evening of mirth and frivolity. The atmosphere was electric. The mood wild. What a place!

We sat outside along the veranda, soaking up the local Rosalie atmosphere. We sat and had a coffee, then ordered our pizzas, pastas and breads. Great delicious food and coffee that hit the spot. We talked & talked, laughed, told stories and lied about our adventures.

A memorable evening.

Greg

JOHN TOOHEY SOCIETY MEETING THE VENICE CAFE 17th APRIL

What a magnificent setting for a gathering the Venice Cafe proved to be. From our well positioned table we observed the late afternoon activities on the Brisbane River and watched the lights of the Story Bridge come on as evening approached. An added experience was the superb spectacle of an approaching storm. Our vantage point gave us a clear view of the lightening and the rolling clouds that preceded the rain.

The service was excellent at the Venice. Food was a little more expensive than we usually experience at these meetings, but the chips and soup were delicious and popular.

Conversation ranged from aeroplanes and football to past and future walks and the mystery of Ian, in whose name our table was booked. But who was Ian? He didn't come to the meeting.

Those who did attend were Desley, Antonia, Maree, Russ, Elizabeth, Michelle, Graham, Jan, Liz, Greg and Michele.

Liz

SOMERSET TRAIL, M^t MEE FOREST RESERVE 18th APRIL DAYWALK

Eleven walkers gathered at Red Hill and drove to Dayboro where we met up with four more. We then moved on to the beginning of our walk at The Gantry Day-Use area of Mt Mee State Forest Reserve where we joined our 16th walker, Nicholas, who had driven up from Woodford.

The walk started with a lovely variety of vegetation types: rainforest, palm groves, araucaria pine forest and this gradually changed to dry sclerophyll forest with beautiful Sydney blue gums, banksias and grass trees. Some tracks were a little muddy after the large amount of rain last Monday but most were dry and provided easy walking. There were a few little creek crossings after the rain and Trevor entertained the crowd by pole vaulting across in order to keep his feet dry.

We had lunch on a sunny rock with a magnificent view of Somerset Dam and after group photos got moving for the rest of the circuit. There was interesting conversation as usual – so interesting that the leader missed a track marker and continued along one of the many forestry roads. Luckily someone soon told me where to go and kept us all on the straight and narrow.

The walk was really enjoyable with beautiful weather and just strenuous enough feel we had 'done a walk' without getting too exhausted. We were finished walking by around 3:00pm and concluded the day with a coffee and cake in Dayboro.

Thank you to the walkers for your great company: Justin & Mary Tobin, Julie Philippi, Anne & Bob Iron, Patty Taylor, Ray Rowe, Angie & Dennis Carmody, Keelin Roe, Trevor Kelly and Desley Pedrazzini. A special

welcome and thank you to our visitors: Josie Hynes, Nicholas Schneider and Gay Higgs. Peggy

CARD NIGHT 25th APRIL SOCIAL

A small group gathered for some serious card playing on Anzac Day, but it turned out that only two knew how to play 'serious' cards. It was then up to Richard to be the teacher for the night. Everyone soon got the hang of whisky poker and the card night was under way.

There was a brief stop for a cuppa and some delightful snacks of cracker biscuits, chocolate and ginger slices and other sweet biscuits before the dealing began again.

Many thanks to Terry, Rosemary, Graham and our visitors Eric, Martlyn and Rosemary's overseas student for a pleasant evening.
Richard

MT GREVILLE SUNDAY 26th APRIL

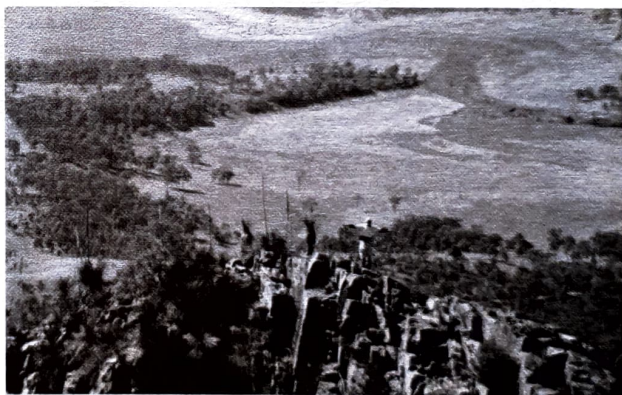
The forecast for good weather came true - it was a magic autumn day – a cloudless blue sky with a forecast of 30 degrees. A great day for bushwalking – Paul Evans was leading a trip to Mt Greville but rather than the standard routes he was leading the unorthodox route from the northern side of the mountain.

It was well after 9 and time to go. Paul asked Allan to be the designated tail end Charlie. Then it was gaiters on and Paul led us across a few paddocks and past a rough and ramshackle but friendly house overlooking a dam. It was a bit of an uphill slog across the foothills. This is the part I always find a bit a jolt to the system at the start of a walk as there was no warm-up and we get straight into the heavy cardio work. Paul always is a fast walker and he set an even faster pace as he was just back from a 7-day walk in Tassie on the Overland Track. Our newer walkers were either very polite or very fit or both as they didn't request Paul to slow down and they seemed to have no trouble keeping up with his pace.

Thankfully Paul had a little break to enjoy the views of Moogerah Dam that was well over half full. Lately it has been less than 5% full so it was nice to see speed boats zooming around on the lake for a change. There was a lovely soft breeze to keep the temperature down. Paul was

keen to keep going and it was only a 3 minute break. Anyhow we kept slogging up the scree slope. It was fairly easy going as the vegetation was sparse as it had been burnt out in the last few years. We kept going up until we got to the "clifflines" – they aren't really cliffs it is the place where the scree slopes meet the expanse of the bare rock face that just loom up hundreds of metres above you. We had a quick discussion about what type of rock it was and the consensus was that it was probably rhyolite - a yellowy brown coloured igneous rock.

We then headed east to get to one of the gullies – but it wasn't exactly plain sailing as we had to zig zag up and down a bit and there were a few loose rocks, but the group coped with it so easily. We dislodged a few rocks and had a few nervous moments but the rocks make such a great sound when they crashed down the bottom. There were lots of wildflowers; particularly the mauve coloured Westringia. We eventually got to the gully about 11ish. It was covered by a remnant portion of dry rainforest – it was so different to be in a pocket of shade after been in the bright sunshine all morning. I identified a few of the larger trees - a Tulipwood and a Booyong. Paul declared this to be the official morning tea and someone brought a huge supply of lollies to be shared around. All good things come to an end and it seemed to be getting late and we were still very low on the mountain.



We then zipped up the gully and took a quick detour out to the top of one of the "needles" or "rock spires" or "rocky tooth" on the eastern flank of the mountain. Paul had coined a new term for the rock spires - they were the "ears" of the kangaroo as Mt Greville is known as the mountain that looks like a kangaroo feeding. There was another ear just across a gully from us. Before we could work out how to get there, Paul had bounded off and was bounding across the rocks to summit the next "ear". See the photo of Paul

on the "ear" with Lake Moogerah in the background.

It was getting close to midday and the summit loomed above. From where we were it looked almost impossible to get to the summit. Paul returned from his conquest and led us around the south side of the mountain. We only had to bushbash for about 2 minutes and then found a very distinct track that took us to the main track. We then just followed that up and we seemed to get to the summit of Greville in no time. This part of the track was just amazing as so many wildflowers were out. Of note was the *Grevillea linsmithii* - a smallish green and red flower that only grows on Mt Greville. There were several others I remembered like the Purple Matchheads, the Scarlet Pea and the white daisies, but there was another very pretty little flower that reminded me of fairy lights - *Leoinema gracile* and apparently it only grows on the summit of Mt Greville.

We had a short lunch then returned by the spectacular Palm Gorge. Paul organised a reading about a group of science teachers who travelled to the gorge in 1910 - I am pleased to report that the gorge is just as spectacular now as it was then, with cliffhikes raising over 200 feet above the floor of the gorge that was studded with Piccabeen palms. We then zoomed back to the cars. Kerriane and Michelle our drivers did the car shuffle and we then had a delightful refreshment stop at the Dugandan pub. Just an amazing day with Paul and some very capable new members and visitors.

Weather - a perfect cloudless blue sky temp 21 to 28

Walkers - members: Kerriane Pearce, Nicola Pritchard, Michelle Anderson, Phil Murray, Paul Evans, and visitors Lisa Jones, Geoff Simpson and Allan Whittaker.

Phil Murray

CAFFE de VITA 29th APRIL COFFEE NIGHT

This April night was balmy, so sitting outside did not worry us. Eliz arrived very early, getting a ride from work., Next was Lucy, coming after French in the City - to find the Deputy Principal had arrived before her and sitting with friends at a nearby table (Paul, too bad you were not with us). Then came the rest at the appointed time.

The service was good, no mix-ups, and we could pay individually - a bonus. The nine of us sat and talked about our recent experiences - walks, socials, work, and life in general. Michele and Graham were comparing scars. Eliz told how the Dragon Boat Championships went. We talked about the recent Maidenwell Observatory & Jondaryan trip. Marie R walked to and from, shows how close to home it was.

Present were: Eliz R, Lucy & Michele & Greg, Terry, Graham, Marie, Pat L, and Geoff F. Greg

MITCHELTON MARKETS SUNDAY 3rd MAY SOCIAL

"They came from near (Ferny Hills) and far (Gatton) to experience the delights of Jan Power's Farmers Markets in Blackwood St Mitchelton - and their willingness to rise early on a long-weekend Sunday morning was well rewarded, as their senses were tantalised - in the nicest possible way."

At the monthly Mitchelton Markets, there was a large array of interesting products, both crafty things and fresh edible things. We sampled produce as diverse as Spanish doughnuts, Hungarian spiral cakes, potato cubes in Australian avocado oil and small crunchy capsicums originally from the Netherlands. Everyone agreed that our own native Queensland nuts -originally called Bauple Nuts, after the town near Gympie where they were first discovered - produced the best range of enticing products, everything from Macadamia Muesli to delicious Macadamia ice-cream.

Our first foray into the market stalls was cut short by a call from the Swiss Alps, which we answered promptly, as we were really ready for a hot cooked breakfast at the Swiss restaurant Des Alpes, located right there on Blackwood St. An interesting addition to the traditional bacon and eggs fare was Roesti, a Swiss speciality made with grilled grated potato. Others tried the crepes and really enjoyed them too.

Then the market adventure continued. We left our alpine haven, complete with Matterhorn photos, cowbells and even a high-strung model of a cable car against a backdrop of Swiss Alps. Slipping easily back into the market maelstrom, we made our way

through the hustle and bustle to the particular stalls we'd earmarked for a return visit. Many purchases later, we struggled to our cars and/or the train station, laden with fresh produce to keep us going for a month till the next Mitchelton market day – and I for one plan to be there, only this time even more cashed-up, to cope better with the large range of delightful temptations.

Micheles Endicott & Foley

REPAIRS STARTING ON SPRINGBROOK AND LAMINGTON TRACKS

Full-scale work is about to start on upgrading and repairing damaged walking tracks at Springbrook and Lamington National Parks. There is a lot of repairs involved given the nature of the massive landslides that occurred. However, all going well including favourable weather conditions, Warrie Circuit should be finished and ready for visitors by the end of this year. In addition, the full Purling Brook Circuit could be open by next January.

The Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) this week employed 10 temporary ranger staff to carry out the work worth \$5.5 million. The rangers will work at Lamington, Springbrook, north and south D'Aguilar Range and Lockyer Valley over the next 12 months. There will be 30 helicopter trips lifting in materials and equipment as they finalise track diversions around the major landslips and repair the minor landslips and eroded track areas.

DERM is expecting a geotechnical report for the Purling Brook Circuit this month. Depending on the report's recommendations, they may be able to start clearing the track and stabilising the landslip so the track can be reopened safely. Long term options to avoid future closure of the circuit will also be investigated. Depending on the report and good weather, it is hoped to have the full Purlingbrook Circuit open by January 2010.

FEDERATION MOUNTAIN RESCUE FMR

Check out their web site:

<http://www.geocities.com/fmrqld/index.htm>

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Book "Finding your Way in the Bush" from Canberra Bushwalking Club

Email re Festival of Walks of the Blackall ranges webpage

World Wide Maps – 10% discount to members

Magazines – NPA News, Waysider, Brisbane Bushwalker, Logan & Beaudesert Bushwalkers, Gold Coast Bushwalkers, NPA News

Outwards:

Sympathy card to Tony Young on death of his mother

Annual Return of Association for Incorporation

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Leaders are needed for some walks
Terry has raffle tickets for sale

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.

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>

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.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - 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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Muesli/Anzac Biscuits

500g packet toasted muesli, 2 cups coconut, 4 cups sugar, 4 cups plain flour, 250g (8ozs) butter, 1 cup boiling water, 1/2 cup golden syrup, 3 teaspoons Bicarbonate of Soda

Place muesli, coconut, sugar and sifted flour into large bowl, mix well. Place butter and golden syrup into pan, stir over heat until butter is melted. Add bicarbonate of soda to boiling water, mix quickly. Add water and butter mixtures to dry mixtures. Mix well.

Place teaspoonfuls of mixture onto greased over trays. Allow room for spreading. Bake in moderate oven for 8 to 12 minutes or until dark golden brown. Cool slightly before removing from trays with spatula

Makes approx 180 Biscuits - plenty for the hoards of hungry bush walkers!!
Marian

THEOLOGY CORNER

In today's readings we visit the Gospel of John 15.26-16.4, which is from that part of the Gospel dealing with the Last Supper. Yet we are in Eastertide and the Church's scholars have selected this Gospel passage for us to use in pray. This should confirm that the Bible is not a history textbook. In this passage Jesus promises that the 'Spirit of Truth, who issues from the Father' will be the witness to Christ. Then, in their turn, the disciples of Jesus themselves will be his witness. They will face rejection and even persecution but they will be forewarned that this will happen. The Holy Spirit is active in all the sacraments, witnessing to the activity of Christ among us and giving us the courage to witness the Risen Lord, even in the face of opposition and difficulty.

Deacon Russ Nelson
Source Duncan Macpherson