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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

KEY – Walk/Event Types

DW	Day Walk	BC	Base Camp
ON	Over Nighter	CW	City Walk
TW	Through Walk	SOC	Social
TRN	Training	SP	Spiritual Event
FMR	Federation Mountain Rescue	S&T	Safety & Training
Stroll	Stroll	AT	Accommodated Trip

KEY – Walk Gradings

Distance	Terrain	Fitness/Endurance
Short Under 10km / day	1 - Smooth reasonably flat path	 Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking Or Flat
	2 - Graded path/track with minor obstacles	 2 - Basic - Suitable for beginners. Up to 4 hours walking Or Minor Hills
Medium 10- 15km / day	3 - Graded track with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	3 - Intermediate - Suitable for fit beginners.Up to 5 hours walking And/Or minor hills
	4 - Rough unformed track or open terrain with obstacles such as rock, roots, fallen debris or creek crossings	 4 - Intermediate - Suitable for fit beginners. Up to 5 hours walking. And/Or up to 300m gain/loss
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 And/Or up to 450m gain/loss. Agility required
	6 - Steep, rough or rocky terrain with large climbs using hands or rock hopping	 6 - Moderate - Up to 6 hours walking And/Or up to 600m gain/loss. 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 And/Or up to 750m gain/loss. 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 And/Or up to 1000m gain/loss. 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 And/Or over 1000m gain/loss. Very high fitness. Endurance and agility required

Example: M48 is a Medium distance walk 10 to 15km long, over unformed rough ground with obstacles, in which the trip is hard or strenuous for fit walkers requiring agility and endurance.

PRAYER

Loving God, At the start of a new Club year, we as individuals seek your wisdom and love in all our relationships, deliberations and decision-making. May we also, as Club members, share that wisdom and love at our gatherings and on the track, with our 'companions on the journey,' so that the presence of Wisdom and Love may permeate all of Club life throughout this year. Amen

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thanks to all those who've put their names forward for service to the Club on the 2024 Management Committee. That is much appreciated by us all. We are now well-placed to hold a fast efficient AGM, as there will be no voting, due to the lack of multiple nominations for a single position. The new Committee members will be announced and congratulated, as will the members who've agreed to fill the various Volunteer Coordinator roles for 2024. We're very grateful to them, too! One Volunteer role that hasn't been filled yet is that of Safety and Training Officer. It's not at all onerous. You can get an

idea of the scope of this role by reading Phil's S&T report in the Annual Report (out soon!) or by talking to him - at the February Meeting or, preferably, before. I'd love to leave the 19 Feb meeting with a full complement of Volunteers on our books. Please consider: Is this a small way I could serve the Club, give back a little, in 2024?

The other matter I'd like to raise before you read the Coming Events in this *Jilalan* is this: you'll see a couple of external charity events with a bushwalking element advertised for February and March. Although they're not official Club events (and you should always choose the Club event if there's a clash!) they are worthwhile initiatives that should be supported, I believe, by a Catholic Bushwalking Club. Please give some thought to being involved in either or both of these and if you'd like to know if other Club members are planning to participate, please contact me.(Details at back of *Jilalan*)

I hope everyone is planning to be at our three big annual events on Monday 19th and Saturday 24th February. Nominate now for the Mass and Lunch if you haven't already. See you there! Michele

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND THE 2024 ELECTIONS OF BCBC Monday 19th February 2024

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc will be held at 7:30pm on Monday 19 February in the Fr Denis Power Building (part of the former Sacred Heart School) at 347 Given Terrace, Paddington ('Rosalie').

All members are invited to attend – and to participate in any voting that may occur. A quorum of 19 members is required for the AGM to proceed.

The Minutes of the 2023 AGM and the 2023 Annual Report will both be sent out to members in early February. If you have any business arising from either of these documents, please e-mail the Club Secretary, Susan Tobin, at the Club e-mail address – <u>briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au</u> so that Committee can become aware of your concerns and present them to the AGM. The actual AGM is not the place to raise new business. There is no "General Business" at an AGM.

As soon as the AGM is completed, the normal February Quarterly Meeting will commence, under the authority of the new committee. See Meetings article in the Coming Events section, 19th February.

You can attend and vote by Proxy if you are unable to attend in person. Proxy Forms will be attached to an e-mail from the Secertary soon. Your completed Proxy Form needs to be in the hands of the Secretary before the start of the AGM.

BCBC Elections

- 1. Elections will be held at the Annual General Meeting (AGM), which is normally held prior to the February General Meeting from 7:30pm
- 2. All existing Committee Positions are deemed vacant and all are up for election.
- 3. All existing Committee Members are eligible to stand for election.
- 4. Nominations for the BCBC Management Committee are now called for. These must be in writing, signed by the Nominator, the Seconder & the Candidate. Nominations can also be in the format of an e-mail from all three the Nominator, the Seconder and the Nominee, sent to the Club e-mail address. Note that all 3 e-mails must be sent <u>10 days prior to the AGM</u>.
- 5. Any two (2) members of the Club may nominate any <u>Ordinary</u> Member for a Committee Position. (Associate Members are not eligible to be on Committee.)
- 6. The Candidate cannot be his/her own Nominator or Seconder or nominate anyone else for the same position as she/he is standing for.
- 7. A person can be nominated for more than one Committee Position. They are elected to the first position they win. If they do not win the first position nominated for, they are still in the ballot for the next nominated position until elected or remain unelected at the end of the night.
- 8. All Nomination Forms must be in the hands of the Club Secretary <u>at least 10 days prior to the AGM.</u> <u>In 2024, this deadline is Friday 9th February</u>. You can post them to the Club (at PO Box 31, Red Hill Qld 4059), provided they are stamped by the Post Office prior to 9th February. They can be scanned and e-mailed to the Secretary - only at the Club's e-mail address.

- 9. If only one person stands for a position, by having a valid Nomination in the hands of The Secretary by the required date, that person is automatically elected to that position.
- 10. Where there are two or more Nominations for a Committee position, a secret ballot will be conducted at the AGM. The positions are voted on in the following order: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Outings Secretary, Social Secretary, Vice-President, General Committee and Membership Officer.
- The list of all the Nominated Candidates, their Nominators & Seconders will be emailed to all members by 12th February – 7 days prior to the AGM.
- 12. Should there be no candidate for a position at the start of the AGM, nominations will be called from the floor for nominations to that position.
- 13. In recent years, if a position has been left vacant due to no-one nominating for it, the Club has allowed any member, regardless of category, to act in the position unofficially without being formally elected. Being in the position 'unofficially' means the person can participate in all Committee meetings and fulfil the functions of the role but cannot vote at Committee when a vote is necessary.
- 14. If a member is unable to attend the AGM, a Proxy Form may be used for absentee voting. The form is available on the BCBC website, is attached to this *Jilalan* or obtainable from the Secretary. Absentees must complete and sign the Proxy Form and have it in the hands of the Secretary before the AGM begins.

Susan Tobin, Secretary

ABOUT WALKS

Trips leave from St Brigid's Car Park at 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill, unless otherwise advised.

Leaders are asked to print their own *Nomination Forms* and to consult the *Leaders' Guide* on the Club website. <u>https://bcbc.online/assets/Nomination.pdf</u> Leaders Notes are at https://bcbc.bwg.org.au/assets/leading.pdf

Pre-Outings: Leaders are to ring Phil, Ph: 0416 650 160, to advise him details of it.

If **changes** are made to walks (date, location, cancelation etc.) leaders are asked to advise Phil Murray on Ph: 5522 9702.

Our Leaders: Our walk leaders only lead walks that are within their ability and experience but are not formally trained or qualified in bushcraft.

Visitors are required to do at least two walks, complete the Application Form and pay the relevant subs before the Committee considers their application for Club membership.

Nominations for walks are needed at least 3 days in advance to allow adequate time to make suitable arrangements such as carpooling.

Going Privately on Club Trips.

As from 01/01/2024, the cost of going privately on a trip will be \$5 for each walker.

COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY REDCLIFFE to SHORNCLIFFE DAYWALK

Still Not Too Late To Nominate – Ring Phil, Then Catch The Train

Leader:	Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Meet at:	Roma Street Station
Time:	7:10 am
Cost:	Fares
Distance:	15km
Grade:	M23
Location:	Brisbane's Northern Bayside Suburbs
Web:	https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=13/-27.2867/153.0653

Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 0420 510 214

Join me on a bayside walk from Redcliffe to Shorncliffe - an easy though long flat walk. We will be walking beside the beach most of the way. Plus, I intend to walk to the end of all the jetties, eg. the Redcliffe Jetty, the Woody Point Jetty and the Shorncliffe Pier. There are nice views and usually a cooling breeze. Bring the usual day walk stuff and sunscreen – perhaps also bring an umbrella for sun protection.

The idea is to get to the start of the walk at Redcliffe by catching the train to Kippa-Ring and then the bus to Redcliffe, and to return from Shorncliffe to Brisbane by suburban train. According to Google Maps the distance is 14.6km and takes 3 hours 18 minutes but I will budget 5 to 6 hours for the walk to allow time for breaks and looking at all the piers and jetties.

Travel Details :- catch the 7.18am train from Roma Street Station, arrive at Kippa-Ring Station at 8.20am. Travel time 62 minutes. We will probably catch the 660 Bus from Kippa-Ring to Redcliffe The bus is due at 8.30am arrives 8.47am. (Cost – GoCard \$6.32 concession \$3.32). The plan is to catch the 2.39pm train from Shorncliffe which gets back to Roma Street at 3.22pm. (the train leave every 30 minutes). (Cost – GoCard \$4.32 concession \$2.17). But we need to be flexible as sometimes Queensland Rail do track works and we will need to rejig our travel plans.

TIDES (The highest tide for the year is on Sunday 10th February at 10.45am height 2.77m)

Low tide 03.32am 0.26m High tide 10.00am 2.76m Low tide 14.46pm 0.40m

SATURDAY 10th FEBRUARY YOWOGGERA BRIDGE OPENING Breakfast Creek Green Bridge COMMUNITY DAY NEW

Co-Ordinator: Adrian Schrinner Ph: 3403 4400 Meet at: In Newstead Park near the Cnr Breakfast Creek Rd and Newstead Ave Time: 7:30am to 10am https://translink.com.au/ Transport: Whatever you spend on breakfast, morning tea, lunch at the numerous stalls Cost: Grade: VS¹/₄¹/₄ Newstead, Albion Location: Web: https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/traffic-and-transport/roads-infrastructureand-bikeways/green-bridges/breakfast-creek-green-bridge

Your first preference is Redcliffe to Shorncliffe Daywalk – a far better prospect.

Join the community for the official name unveiling of the first **green bridge** to be completed in this round of cross-river pedestrian bridges.

Be the first to walk, ride or scoot across the Breakfast Creek Green Bridge.

Become at trend setter in Newstead Park from 7am to 10am for the official opening, ribbon cutting and photo opportunity.

What's on

There'll be something for everyone at this free, fun morning for the whole family...

- Live music from local artists.
- Live crosses with <u>ABC Radio Brisbane</u>.
- Variety of displays and local business stalls.
- Interactive activities for all ages.
- Local food trucks serving up delicious breakfast & coffee.
- Free yoga class in the park.
- Free family fun with the Bluey and Bingo Live Interactive Experience.

Getting there

We encourage you to ride, walk or catch public transport to the event with a **free bus service running between Teneriffe Ferry Terminal and Newstead Park from 6:30am to 10:30am**.

Other transport options include:

Ferry: Bulimba – Teneriffe Ferry Terminal (and board the free bus service at Teneriffe ferry terminal, OR 1.4km/ 20-minute walk) from the terminal to The Bridge, OR Brett's Wharf ferry terminal (2.1km/ 29-minute walk)

Bus: Breakfast Creek Road, Stop 12 (inbound and outbound, near Bunnings Newstead)

Train: Bowen Hills train station (1km/15-minute walk)

Download PDF version of map.

TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY PANCAKE TUESDAY, EVE of LENT M^{ISS} CLAUDE'S CREPES SOCIAL

Leader:Russ Nelson Ph: 0427 743 534Meet at:Miss Claude's Crepes, Village Shopping Centre,
400 Newmarket Rd, Newmarket - Cnr Enoggera Rd –
Under the Reading Cinemas, ground level, Enoggera Rd side of complexTime:6.00pmCost:\$20 approxMenu:https://www.missclaudes.com.au/newmarketFood:Dinner and Dessert Crepes – A huge range – one for everyone

Miss Claudes Crepes have redefined an age-old French classic and have created a mouth-watering modern menu of authentic Sweet, Savoury & Breakfast Crepes, derived from an old family recipe that has been handed down through generations and brought to Australia by Miss Claude. To perfectly complement their crepe menu, Miss Claudes also serves up award-winning Bellissimo Coffee, T2 Tea, Creamy Milkshakes, Fresh Juices, Frappes and is fully licensed. There is also a huge variety of Gluten Free, Vegetarian and Vegan options available. So, who needs Paris, when Miss Claudes is open 7 days for breakfast, lunch, dinner & dessert.

Pancake Tuesday is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Lent – the 40 days leading up to Easter - was traditionally a time of fasting and on Shrove (Pancake) Tuesday, Anglo-Saxon Christians went to confession and were "shriven" (absolved from their sins). A bell would be rung to call people to confession. This came to be called the "Pancake Bell" and is still rung today in many parts of England. Pancake Tuesday always falls 47 days before Easter Sunday and this year Pancake Tuesday falls on 13th February.

Pancake Tuesday was traditionally the last opportunity to use up eggs and fats before embarking on the Lenten fast and pancakes are the perfect way of using up these ingredients. A pancake is a thin, flat cake, made of butter and fried in a frying pan. A traditional French pancake is very thin and is served immediately. Golden syrup or lemon juice and castor sugar are the usual toppings for pancakes. The pancake has a very long history and features in cookery books as far back as 1439.

The ingredients for pancakes can be seen to symbolise four points of significance at this time of year. Eggs – Creation Flour – Staff of Life Salt – Wholesomeness

Milk – Purity

This is an opportunity to prepare for the beginning of Lent, which is a time of preparation for Easter, the key moment in the Christian Calendar.

Miss Claudes is more than a dessert destination. The secret batter, fresh seasonal ingredients and inspired toppings all make for consistently great sweet and savoury crepes that attract diners from far and wide. The beauty of a crepe is that it is perfect at any time of the day - for breakfast, lunch, dinner, dessert or just as a snack - in both sweet and savoury varieties - so there's something for everyone!

All welcome. Nominations would be appreciated.

WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY SPARKES HILL Everton Park to Stafford Valentine's Day Special AND Ash Wednesday STROLL

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092 Meet at: South Pine Rd at South Pine North, Cnr Newhaven St, Bus Stop 36; Stop ID: 002082 Time: 3:37pm **Route 360 Everton Park** Bus: 3.00pm @ Queen St Stop 58 tween Isles & Gresham Lns; Stop Id 000058 3.05pm @ Brunswick St Stop 212, Cnr Alfred St; Stop ID: 000212 (near Fortitude Valley Rail Station) Free Cost: S11 Grade: Distance: 8.3km @ 2½hr Height – Min: 16m Max: 94m Everton Park, Grange, Gordon Park, Stafford Location: https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=16/-27.4139/153.0053 Web: Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

We have Strolled in this area before, with Sparkes Hill looming large over us. Now we shall conquer it. This Stroll begins on South Pine Rd and goes to Kedron Brook in front of Harvey Norman. We follow the Brook for a short while before branching off to South Pine Rd at the High School, to find the road up THE Hill. On top of it, there are several water reservoirs showing the development in styles – no climbing of it, though.

Now to go down the other side, back to The Brook, again for only a short distance. The Strollers will branch off into Grange Forest Park to explore this forgotten bit of native bush. Once thoroughly explored, it is off through suburbia towards Gordon Park, strolling through Hickey Park and onto the Downs Syndrome HQ.

Returning home: the 369 Bus runs between Mitchelton Stn & Brookside, down Stafford Rd to the Kedron Brook Busway Stn at Kedron Park and on to Eagle Junction Stn and finally to Toombul Station. (This bus route covers everyone.) The 369 bus stops near the start of this Stroll at Griffith St at Everton Park, Stop 4/18, Stop ID: 002113 near the corner with South Pine Rd.

Other buses from the End at *Stafford Rd at Webster Rd, Stop 30, Stop ID: 011036* take you to various destinations – City, RBWH, Chermside, Bardon & more.

SATURDAY 17th FEBRUARY WARRIE CIRCUIT DAYWALK

Leader:	Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Meet at #1:	City - St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time #1:	7:00am
Meet at #2:	Hungry Jacks Mudgeeraba, Exit 79 on M1
Time #2:	8:00am
Cost:	\$25
Distance:	17km
Grade:	L35
Location:	Springbrook, Gold Coast Hinterland
Web:	https://thelongwaysbetter.blogspot.com/2018/04/warrie-circuit-springbrook-
national-parl	<u>k.html</u>
Emerg Off:	Sue Murray 0420 510 214

This is a wonderful long walk up at Springbrook. It is mainly on graded track. In places, the track goes behind a waterfall just after the start of the walk so bring a fold-up umbrella just in case there is a huge flow of water over the falls. We mainly go through rainforest. There are patches of brush box forest, eucalypt woodland and montane heath.

There are several lookout spots with lovely views. Plus, there are plenty of waterfalls and rainforest creeks.

Bring the usual daywalk stuff and a change of clothes for the end of the walk I hope to finish walking by 4.00 pm. Of note is that Springbrook Road has re-opened. Phil

SAT 17th - SUN 25th FEBRUARY HIKE TO HEAL SCAVENGER WALK CHARITY EVENT

Leader: Linda Barton Ph: 0406 436 616

Meet at: Mount Peel Bushland Park – more on nomination

Time: Anytime between the above dates

Cost: \$15 to \$80 – depending if you are an individual or on the size of your team Distance: Once registered, you'll receive the scavenger clues via email.

Then head on outdoors to find the answers.

Location: 9km (20min) south west of the centre of Toowoomba CBD Web: https://www.hiketoheal.org.au/

The Scavenger Hike is a unique outdoor activity that combines bushwalking, exploring, and solving clues. You can choose to walk either at Mt Peel Bushland or a location of your choice anytime, and as many times, as you like during the week-long event. This is a great opportunity to bond with your bushwalking buddies, friends, or family while enjoying the great outdoors. Take in the natural beauty as you embark on your Scavenger Hike, connect with nature, yourself and others on the trails. You answer the challenges via photos/videos of yourself/your group and you can share on Facebook and Instagram using #hiketoheal24.

If you are interested in joining us for this amazing event, please register online at <u>www.hiketoheal.org.au</u>, or call Ph: 0406 436 616.

Where is it?

https://www.tr.qld.gov.au/facilities-recreation/parks-gardens/parks-by-location/draytonmount-peel1

View in Google Maps

https://www.google.com/maps/place/Mount+Peel+Bushland/@-27.5907639,151.8961105,14z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x6b965b1a23d44f81:0xdab75542f060bf25!8m 2!3d-27.6000518!4d151.8953956!16s%2Fg%2F11III7z3h0?entry=ttu

MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by the QUARTERLY GENERAL MEETING

Contact: Michele Endicott Ph: 3351 4092 or 0418 708 638

Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after. Where: Fr Denis Power Building (part of the former Sacred Heart School, NEW 347 Given Terrace, Paddington (Rosalie).On GPS try 339 Given Tce. <u>https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-</u> 27.4623287,153.0006302,450m/data=!3m1!1e3!5m1!1e4?hl=en&entry=ttu Parking: In Given Tce OR in the carpark off Central Ave

Web: <u>https://bcbc.online/</u>

We welcome all members - and any interested visitors - to attend and be involved in this important meeting for the success of the Club in 2024. A quorum of 19 members is needed for the AGM to be held (and also for a valid vote to be conducted on matters discussed at the Quarterly Meeting).

The business conducted will include:

- Receive the Committee's Report on the 2023 year (ie the Annual Report)
- Receive the Statement of Income & Expenditure, Assets & Liabilities, for the year 2023
- Receive the Auditor's Report
- Elect the Management Committee for 2024
- Appoint the 2024 Auditor
- Vote-in any Honorary Members.

All persons are welcome to attend, members and visitors alike. Do not be put off because there are two meetings. We look forward to welcoming a crowd to our new meeting venue at Rosalie.

The AGM is usually fast – and will be again this year, as nominations have been received for all Committee positions, so those nominees will be elected unopposed and congratulated.

As soon as the AGM is completed, the normal February Quarterly General Meeting will commence, under the authority of the new Committee. At this meeting, the 2023 recipients of Awards and Recognition will be announced and congratulated. Then, the matter of ongoing Quarterly (vs Monthly) Meetings will be discussed and voted on. Please come along, to form a quorum (19) and have your say. If unable to attend, please fill out a Proxy Form and send it to the Secretary, Sue, or give it to someone attending the meeting who can pass it to Sue before the AGM begins. That way, your voice can be heard and your vote counted. Proxy Forms have just been sent out by Sue - with her official email of 10 Feb announcing the Nominations for Committee positions 2024.

In the last part of the AGM, some key information on Club matters (incl Volunteer Coordinator roles) and Club events for the coming quarter – both Walks and Socials – will be highlighted. Nomination forms for the coming trips, in February-March at least, will be available and Visitors – members, too, of course – can ask leaders about their coming trips over Supper at the end (about 9pm).

WEDNESDAY 21st FEBRUARY MURARRIE to WYNNUM NORTH STN Rail #21 STROLL

Leader:	Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at:	Murarrie Rail Station
Time:	3:15pm @ Murarrie Stn
Train:	2:50pm Roma Street Station PI 5 Cleveland Train
Cost:	Free
Grade:	M21
Distance:	10.9km @ 3hr
Height:	Max: 28m Min: 2m Max Ups: 41m Max Downs: 32m
The Sun:	Set: 6:27pm Twilight Ends: 6:51pm
Location:	Murarrie, Hemant, Lindum, Wynnum Nth
Web:	https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.4496/153.1379
	End: Wynnum North Rail Station
	Crear Db. 0449 422 005

Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

The problem today is that there are too many swamps – mainly along Bulimba Creek. This presents a problem in that we have to deviate enormously to get from one Station to the next. In fact, apart from at the Stations, you do not see the train line at all. So much for following the trains.

Some of this route we had done on various Strolls already, however, today will be different in that it will be at a different time of day – the shadows will be shorter.

The route is mainly along streets though there are a few paths through parks. You certainly would not have been into some of the areas covered today. See something completely new. See a Big school.

Go past land once occupied by WWII radio masts. Walk alongside the Sand Camp Road Wetland Park.

See you at Murarrie.



Leader:	Antonia Simpson Ph: 0400 571 387
Meet at:	St Cecilia's Church, Mother of Mary Parish
Address:	30 College St, Hamilton (Cnr Hants St)
Time:	10:45am for 11am Mass
Cost:	Mass Free.
	Web: https://www.motherofmercyparish.org.au/mass-timesprayer-
	opportunities.html
Bus:	Kingsford Smith Dr at College Street, Stop 31; Stop ID: 002883
240	Route 301 Toombul
	Parking: Best parking for entry via ramp: College St for older persons or the
	disabled.
	Further street parking on Hants St and a small carpark off Hants St.
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Lunch:	Hamilton Hotel
Address:	442 Kingsford Smith Dr, Hamilton (Cnr Racecourse Rd)
Time:	12.15pm
Restaurant:	Steakhouse (Graziers) Bistro
Cost:	Mains \$18 to \$32; Steaks: \$36 + – Pay as you order
	Web: https://alh-
	res.cloudinary.com/image/upload/v1666915758/venues/QHA%20-
	%20Hamilton%20Hotel/menus/Hamilton Hotel Main Menu.pdf
Bus:	Frequent buses & CityCat nearby
Parking:	Hotel carpark at rear, off Racecourse Rd or Riverview Tce
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RSVP for one/both events is by text message or call me on the number above. RSVP date: Tuesday 20th Feb.

The Annual Mass & Lunch, one of the major events of the Club year, is just a few weeks away. I hope that the 24th February is already in your calendar and that you plan to be there. It is now time to nominate.

Please let me know if you are coming and if you are willing to take a role in the liturgy.

Fr Michael Grace will be our celebrant. He is the new Parish Priest of Mother of Mercy Parish, and we know him from previous Club Masses and events and are pleased that he has agreed to be with us again. After Mass, he will join us for lunch at the Hamilton Hotel.

St Cecilia's Hamilton is just the right size for BCBC and is accessible by a ramp from the footpath (College St) to the door. Those who are not so mobile can park nearby in College St. there is also a carpark beside the church, accessed from a driveway off Hants St - or in Hants St itself. Then it is just a short walk round to the College Street ramp entrance, which is now the main entry.

After Mass, those who want to walk the 1.3km (16min) to the lunch venue, may leave their cars parked where they are or you can drive the 1.4km (3min) up to the Hamilton Hotel on the corner of Racecourse Rd and Kingsford Smith Drive, and leave your car in the free carpark at the rear,

accessible from Racecourse Road - or from the back street, Riverview Terrace (or from Kingsford-Smith Drive, if approaching from the city).

Those who attended lunch at Graziers last year found the service fast and friendly, and a menu which offered a good range of main courses and desserts. This year, we'll be seated in a quieter area.

Please invite visitors who may be interested in joining our club because they will be able to get a feel for BCBC with its longstanding tradition of spiritual and social events for those who love bushwalking.

When you nominate, by sending me a text or voice-message, I will assume you are coming to both events unless you specify just one. Please start those nominations rolling in now.

SUNDAY 25th FEBRUARY AMITY POINT to POINT LOOKOUT DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650160

Sealink - Water Taxi Jetty, Toondah Harbour, 12 Emmett St, Cleveland Meet at: Time: 8.50am (could be problems with finding a carpark) Water Taxi - Catch the 9.25am water taxi Cost: Taxi - \$20 return or \$10.00 concession Bus fares - to be advised – approx. \$10 return Distance: 14km approximately Grade: M23 Location: Stradbroke Island, east of Brisbane https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-Web: 27.4164999,153.4854267,7201m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en&entry=ttu Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 0420 510 214

The very tip of North Stradbroke Island is gorgeous with fantastic views. We will catch the ferry over to Dunwich then get the bus out to Amity Point. The party will walk around a few streets to get access to the beach.

It is then a long beach walk along the northern edge of North Stradbroke Island. First along Flinders Beach, then Cylinder Beach, Deadman's Beach around the point to Frenchman's Beach and up the stairs to Point Lookout. We will do the walk around the Gorge Walk. Our group will then catch the bus back to Dunwich at about 4:20pm.

Each needs to bring your own morning tea and lunch. It is expected to be warm and sunny so bring all your usual daywalk stuff. (Plus raincoats). Please wear hats, long sleeves and long pants to minimise the chance of sunburn.

The water level will still be highlish when we start at Amity so we will have a longish morning tea at Amity around 10ish, so the tide should be going out by the time we start walking and it will be very low at the end of the walk.

We are catching the water taxis with Sealink Water Taxi

- Water Taxi to Straddie Departs Cleveland 9:25am arrives Dunwich about 9.50am
- Bus to Amity Departs Dunwich at 9.57am arrives Amity Point about 10.50am
- Bus to Dunwich -Departs Point Lookout at 4.20pm arrives Dunwich about 4.50pm
- Water Taxi back to Mainland Departs Dunwich at 4:55pm arrives Cleveland 5:20pm

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High Tide	8.19am	1.77m
Low tide	2.43pm	0.42m
High tide	8:35pm	1.42m

Phil

WEDNESDAY 28th FEBRUARY THE PORT OF BRISBANE River #21 STROLL Our last southern shore *River Stroll*

Leader:	Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at:	Wynnum North Rail Station
Time:	2:54pm @ Wynnum North Stn
Train:	2:20pm Roma Street Station PI 5 Cleveland Train
On Island:	3:20pm at the carpark of the Shorebird Roost on the east (right) side of the Island
Cost:	Free
Grade:	M11
Distance:	16.9km @ 4hr + 15min car ride to the start
Height:	Max: 9m Min: 0m Max Ups: 9m Max Downs: 8m
The Sun:	Set: 6:20pm Twilight Ends: 6:44pm
Location:	Fisherman Island
Web:	https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.3768/153.1869
	End: Wynnum North Rail Station
Emerg Off:	Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

You probably have driven around the Port, been to the Information Centre, probably walked the lagoon, but never had the close-up & personal view that only Strolling can provide.

We will need to do a car-shuffle to get to the start of the actual Stroll. It is a 15min drive from the Station to the Shorebird Roost carpark. Strolling should commence before 3:20pm. Thus, I need a car or two.

One problem at the Port is that the trainline goes right down the middle of the Island and there is no pedestrian way over it - there is a traffic bridge which does not have a footpath. Thus, we have to Stroll down the Island and go back up again, cross over to the other shore when allowed, and go down & up again – covering the same ground twice. Annoying, but the only way to cover the Island.

Most of the Island is a container park, ship loading cranes, warehouses, repair facilities and that train line. The ground is completely flat, with grass footpaths. We should be able to go with speed.

Why are there 3 three-car electric train units at the Port where there are no overhead electric wires for them to run on?

If you are nice, you might even get a lift to the CBD once this Stroll is over.

Come with us on this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

THURSDAY 29th FEBRUARY Leap Day CORNUBIA FOREST DAYWALK

Sue Walsh Ph: 0403 487 737 Leader: 102 Parkview Cres Cornubia (Opp Aster Ct) Meet at: Time: 9am Cost: \$2 Grade: M23 Distance: 12.6km @ 5hr walking, not counting any of the breaks Cornubia, Daisy Hill, Shailer Park, West Mt Cotton Location: Web: https://www.alltrails.com/parks/australia/queensland/cornubia-forest-naturerefuge Emerg Off Greg Endicott 0418 122 995

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Though this be a Thursday walk, it is not a short walk in the park. You will do some sweating.

This Cornubia Forest outing gives you a comprehensive tour of the Reserve, crossing some streams along the way. It takes you through refreshing woodlands that provide habitat for heaps of animals such as water dragons, bandicoots, greater gliders and many species of birds. Keep an eye out for wildlife along the way and enjoy the serene natural environment. https://www.bushwalk.com/j/L5PIYS

We will do 2 forest circuits after a short walk through the Nature Refuge. There are plenty of logs where we can sit and have our morning tea and then lunch. The day of the pre-outing was humid and itchy; make sure you bring insect repellent and at least 2 litres of water.

If you are checking out a map, the tracks followed will be whole/part of: Parkview Access Trail, Birdwing, Lookout Break, Spangled Drongo, Wallum Froglet, Birdwing again, Stupidly Happy, Resurrection Access, Escarpment Break, Ginger Gully, Resurrection again, Birdwing again, and finally back to Parkwood Access Track. There are a lot of ups & downs, twisting & turning, with two major ups to the top of the ridge before coming back down again.

These are shared trails and we must watch out for mountain bike riders. I thought it would be best to do this walk mid-week and outside school holidays so that we would not come across many of them.

Come and escape the city with me on this walk in Cornubia Forest. If it is a relentless humid day like on the pre-outing, there are shortcuts to make it a little shorter. https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=16/-27.6501/153.2065

If you require a lift there, let me know when you are nominating.

Fri 1st to Sat 31st MARCH THE NATURE WALK CHALLENGE CHARITY EVENT

Leader: Renee Mason on renee.mason@wilderness.org.au Meet at: Anywhere, your choice Of your choosing Time: Donations Cost: Grade: Depends on what you choose Distance: Your choice Location: It is up to you Web: https://www.naturewalkchallenge.org.au/ https://www.naturewalkchallenge.org.au/signup Register:

For the month of March, join thousands of Australians across the country, as they walk to protect Australian wildlife and the places they call home. Set your fundraising target and ask your friends, family and work colleagues to support you. With every step you'll be helping protect endangered species and their homes, all while enjoying the benefits of getting active and spending time outdoors!

The Nature Walk Challenge is designed with everyone in mind. Whether you're an advanced bushwalker or a leisurely Stroller, you set the distance and the pace. You can choose from a 50km, 70km or 100km challenge. Or you can choose your own distance, whether that's 5km or 500. It's up to you. Whatever you decide, the most important goal is to get outside and enjoy reconnecting with nature.

https://www.wilderness.org.au/news-events/nature-walk-challenge-2024

For further comment contact Renee Mason at renee.mason@wilderness.org.au

Isobel Hutton, isobel.hutton@wilderness.org.au Individual Giving Coordinator, 1/81-87 King William Street, Fitzroy, VIC 3065 Ph: 0468 778 902 https://wilderness.org.au/

If you'd like to join with other BCBC members to take on this challenge, call or text Michele E. on 0418-708-638.

SATURDAY 2nd MARCH WILDHORSE MOUNTAIN LOOKOUT & M^tCOOLUM DAYWALK

Leader:Louise Jones Ph: 0437 447 277Meet at:St Brigid's carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd Red HillTime:7.00amCost:\$25Distance:Wildhorse 1.4km

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 Mt Coolum 8.5km
 Mt Coolum 8.5km

 Grade:
 S23

 Location:
 Sunshine Coast

 Web:
 https://adventure.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Home/TrailDetailsView?trailId=485

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https://www.visitsunshinecoast.com/guide/climb-mount-coolum

Emerg Off: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

We are doing 2 mountains in one day- both short walks but maximum gain for the effort. There's a bit of uphill walking, but great views from the top.



Wild Horse Mountain Lookout at 123m is the smallest of the Glasshouse Mountains. We usually don't do this one as it is too small for a daywalk by itself - we normally do the other bigger peaks. It has been years since we last did Wild Horse. (The mountain was last done as a social about 18 years ago when Maxine Brophy had a Vinnies fundraising dinner on it).

The walk is a 1.4km out-and-back trail near Beerburrum, at the Shell petrol stations. It takes an average of 35min to complete although it is a steep uphill. Great views from here. The track is up what used to be the road to the fire lookout tower on top. You'll walk past casuarinas, grass trees and eucalypts.

There is shade and generous seating at the top in the fire tower rotunda. From the tower you can see Brisbane to the south, as well as Pumicestone Passage and Coochin Creek. There are coastal plains to take in and the various Glasshouse Mountains to the west and. northwards; you can also spot Mt Coolum. While you are in the tower, checkout the information boards which describes the peaks you are looking at.



Mount Coolum at 208m is an isolated dome shaped rock (originally an intrusion of molten lava through the sandstone bedrock and is now hard erosion-resistant rhyolite) and is situated north of

Brisbane and overlooks the beautiful beaches of Coolum. This route is quite steep; however, it has been recently renovated to provide an easier journey to the top.

The track is up the front face, on the highway side. NPWS has done a lot of work on it, putting those concrete steps in the more difficult places. The Mount is bare, so good views are had all the way up. From the top, besides the radio masts, there are some trees; though the pleasant surprise is how spectacular the views are -270° overlooking the beaches north & south as far as the eye can see, the Glasshouses, the Maroochy River and all the farms in the area. A special bonus is looking straight down the runway of the airport.

https://www.sunshinecoastairport.com.au/flights/arrivals-and-departures/

This walk will begin and end at the Marcoola Surf Life Savers Clubhouse. The trip then takes the Coastal Path through the heath to the Coolum Golf Club and turn left to The Mount. Once we are finished on top, the downhill is via the back path, and a partial circumnavigation to get back to the front and retrace our steps to Marcoola - for a cool drink and/or a swim.

We last did a walk there in February 2020 (just before Covid hit). The track has approximately 306 steps which lead to great views towards Maroochydore.

Please bring your togs as there will be plenty of time to go for a swim. There are also BBQs at Marcoola



WEDNESDAY 6th MARCH COFFEE NIGHT THE COURTYARD CAFÉ, BRONCOS SOCIAL

Leader:Russ Nelson Ph: 0427 743 534 or russnelson52@outlook.comLocation:Broncos Leagues Club, 98 Fulcher Rd, Red HillTime:6.00pm onwardsWeb:https://broncosclub.com.au/Menu:https://broncosclub.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Broncos-Courtyard-Menu-August-2023-1.pdf

Their new café offers raised seating areas complimented with homely booths, offering a homage to that of cane lounges found on Queensland decks.

The alfresco is surrounded by tall palms and an external garden, bringing the outside in; allowing you to enjoy your weekly catch-ups, afternoon & evening cocktails in the comfort of some sub-tropical settings; additionally casting dappled shadows over the seating space come the afternoon.

This is our second visit to this refurbished café which offers a variety of meals with prices starting from \$18.50 for members. Non-Members pay \$10 more for meals. So, if not already a member, it would

be well worth obtaining membership - currently \$2 for one year or \$5 for three years. You can join online via <u>https://broncosclub.com.au/membership/</u> .or at the door.

Also, it may bring back memories of the Broncos Rugby League team and their recent success on the football field!

Come along and join us.

SATURDAY 9th MARCH M^t HOBWEE CIRCUIT DAYWALK

Leader:	Khaleel Petrus Ph: 0413 314 443
Meet at:	St. Brigid's Carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time:	7:00am
Cost:	\$25
Length:	20km
Grade:	L37
Location:	Binna Burra section of Lamington National Park, Gold Coast hinterland
Web:	https://www.aussiebushwalking.com/gld/se-gld/lamington-np/mt-hobwee-
circuit	
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Emerg Off: Greg Endicott Ph: 0418 122 995

This Park is part of the Gondwana Rainforests World Heritage Area. It is worth mentioning a noticeable feature of the mountain is the Antarctic Beech trees close to the top.

Although the track has more than 750m ascent, I believe it is suitable for most of our club members as the ascents/descents are fairly gradual and distributed along the whole track. This is a good and very interesting summer time walking track in Lamington National Park

Mt Hobwee Circuit starts on the Border Track and follows Araucaria Track and branches off to right after 6.3km to Mt Hobwee. This is a good spot for late morning tea. Then continue another 3.6km to the junction leading to the top. Watch for Darrayabroo Lookout on the way to the top where we will have good break for lunch.

After lunch, heading back to our main track, the circuit rejoins the Border Track after 2km to return to the Binna Burra, where we will enjoy our well-deserved drink/munch.



https://www.openstreetmap.org/search?query=mt%20hobwee#map=19/-28.25344/153.20722

WEDNESDAY 13th MARCH THE BRISBANE SQUARE MILE PART 1 The North Side STROLL

Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092.

Meet at:Howard Smith Wharves, on the bike path underneath the Story Bridge, The ValleyTime:3:30pm.

Cost: Free. Bring your GoCard

Grade: S12.

Location: The Northern Part Of The CBD

Distance: 7.5km.

Web:

https://www.ghatlas.com.au/sites/default/files/imagecache/Medium/item3%20c%2

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Time: 1³/₄hr

Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 – take this number with you.

The British tended to make their original settlements one square mile; meaning the army only protected "citizens" within that square mile and it was literally lawless outside this area. Sydney still has one – the Sydney City Council is very, very small.

All the Boundary Streets marked the original boundary of the Moreton Bay Penal Settlement. There were originally four Boundary Streets; North, South, East & West (very original naming convention) – however, two of them got renamed in the 1870's; and another even got extended, to add to the confusion.

We start off under the Story Bridge where our Street actually begins and head up Boundary St from Petrie Bight to Brisbane Grammar School – there to be on the lookout for outcasts who might try to enter the Old Town in the evening. Our Square Mile trail gets a bit lost at the far end, since Grammar sits on our route and the railway cutting at College Rd blocks us.

We'll stroll up and down the hills of Spring Hill, looking for those now forgotten bits of Brisbane Town that still remains, checking out the street named after our forefathers, taking photos, chatting as we go.

However, we will use our initiative to get around these obstacles and follow Cemetery St, into Boundary Lane and into Boomerang St and back to the River at the Go Between Bridge, which we cross to the Pauls factory. There we find our other Boundary St, this one starting on the River and heading to the River at the other end.

This Boundary Street will be followed only a short distance, as far as the original Boundary St went (before the point it somehow got extended). A left turn here and now follow Boundary Street South. Only go partway along this 3rd one, as to go further would make this a too-long Stroll. We finish at Southbank Station (Vulture St Stn).

Come along with me on this first half of the Brisbane Square Mile – to be completed at a later stage.



RIDAY 15" MARCH DRINKS AND DINNER RED BRICK HOTEL SOCIAL

Leader: Jan Nelson Ph: 0401 030 137

- Meet at: Red Brick Hotel, 83 Annerley Rd, Woolloongabba (cnr Stephens Rd)
- Time: 4.30pm onwards
- Cost: Meals from \$20.50

Web: <u>https://redbrickhotel.com.au/</u>

The first Drinks and Dinner for 2024 will be at the Red Brick Hotel. This hotel was built in 1890 for Thomas Burke and has substantially retained its Federation-style architecture. The hotel was called Burke's Hotel for a period of time but was renamed Red Brick Hotel because of the red 10-pound notes, known as bricks, which were used by the bookies in the public bar when settling debts.

The hotel is heritage listed and well worth a visit. If you have never been inside, go in to see its interesting architecture. It is easily accessed either by bus or train.

This has been a very popular venue for the Club in the past and it is generally fairly quiet, so come along and join us for a nice meal and a catch-up with friends.

SATURDAY 16th MARCH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS DEMOCRACY

Co-Ordinator: Pat Vidgen Ph: 1300 881 665

Meet at: A School near you <u>https://www.ecq.qld.gov.au/elections/election-events/2024-</u> local-government-elections

Time: 8am to 6pm

Cost: Free

Grade: S11

Location:<u>https://event.elections.qld.gov.au/Events/Information?EventID=597&EventType=1&</u> StreetName=Brisbane%20city%20hall%20QLD&StreetNo=

Web:https://www.ecq.qld.gov.au/electoral-boundaries/where-is-my-electorateEmerg Off:Ph: 1300 881 665

The <u>2024 Local Government Elections Service Plan</u> outlines the electoral services that will be provided at the election.

Information for voters

If you are eligible to vote in the 2024 local government elections, there are a few things you can do now to ensure you're ready. These include:

- checking your <u>enrolment</u>
- finding out which local government area you live in
- learning more about voting in a local government election
- viewing our step-by-step guide to voting.

ECQ's Compliance Approach for the 2024 local elections.



SUNDAY 17th MARCH CLUB HUT DAYWALK

Leader:	Terry Silk Ph 3355 9765
Meet at:	St. Brigid's Red Hill
Time:	7.00am
Cost:	\$25
Grade:	S32
Location:	South West of Brisbane adjacent to NSW Border
Web:	https://www.alltrails.com/trail/australia/queensland/lower-portals-track
Emerg. Off.	Desley Pedrazzini Ph 3369 5530

Once again, it's time to celebrate the Club Hut's birthday. Most of the walk is on a graded track which is quite eroded. The track undulates across nine gullies with one creek crossing which can be negotiated with dry feet by rock hopping. The walk in and out takes about two hours each way.

When we reach the hut, we will have a shared morning tea. (Please bring some food to share.) After this it may be possible to cross Barney Creek and walk 15 minutes upstream to the Lower Portals where you could have a swim.

Lunch will be at the hut before we head back to the cars. The hut is in a very peaceful spot-on private property.

Please join me in celebrating the hut's birthday with fine food and good memories. Terry.

WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH SALISBURY WAR INDUSTRIES HERITAGE TRAIL STROLL

Contact: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092. Meet at: 90 Evans Rd, Salisbury (at EGR Plastics); Cnr Standish St Bus Stop: Evans Rd at Standish Street, Stop 40, Stop ID: 004824 Time: 3:16pm. 2:39pm from Adelaide St Stop 45 near City Hall; Bus 124 Sunnybank Bus: Cost: Free. Grade: S12. Location: Salisbury & Moorooka Distance: 8.9km. Web: https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=17/-27.54402/153.03409

https://www.housedetective.com.au/blog/munitionsfactory

3hr – 2hr walking & 1hr talking, looking & snooping

Home: From Beaudesert Rd at Moorooka

Time:

Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 – take this number with you.

https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/things-to-see-and-do/outdoor-activities/walking-inbrisbane/heritage-trails/salisbury-war-industries-heritage-trail

In the early 2000's, I went into one of these factory buildings for a work inspection and was told by the owner that the area was a big munitions manufacturing area during WWII. Though he was not making bombs, you could immediately see the old work nooks & crannies, the old roof beams, the brick alcoves and all that stuff. I wanted more.

The BCC self -guided walk of the area only came to 2.5km – far too short for a Stroll. So, I included the optional extra at the end – came to 4.5km. Still an embarrassment for a Stroller. Then I remembered the camouflage netting factory up the end of Evans Rd in the old quarry. Thus, we have 8.86km now – a healthy distance even if a bit under average for Strollers. All the discussion concerning the factories, the work carried out in them, looking at the photo sheet and trying to find some of the buildings, will add to the time this Stroll takes.

I bet no one knew of all this dangerous activity taking place in suburbia; so, come along to learn all about it on our Autumn Equinox.

Other web sites: <u>https://www.ozatwar.com/ozatwar/militarycamps.htm</u> https://www.abc.net.au/news/2021-05-13/brisbane-wartime-factory-under-threat-of-scrapghost-hunter/100133402

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH NOOSA HEADS to ALEXANDRIA BEACH & BACK DAYWALK

- Leader: Graeme Aldom Ph: 0403 014 335
- Meet #1: St Brigid's carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd Red Hill
- Time #1: 6.30am
- Meet #2: Noosa Woods carpark at the western end of Hastings St
- Time #2: 9am (car parking could be tight)
- Cost: \$25
- Distance: 16km
- Grade: L23

Location: Northern end of the Sunshine Coast

Web: <u>https://www.queensland.com/au/en/places-to-see/experiences/nature-and-</u>wildlife/the-ultimate-guide-to-noosa-national-park

Emerg Off: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

Noosa National Park is one of the wonders of South-East Queensland, so come along and enjoy beaches and bush with fabulous views. To begin with, the cars will be parked at Noosa Woods. After doing introductions, the party will walk out along the boardwalk to the National Park. Then it is out on Track 4, the Coastal Track. We'll go past all the bays & headlands to Ti-Tree Bay, Granite Bay to Alexandria Bay and over the headland to the north end of Sunshine Beach. Then we will return via a walk through the bushland, including Track 2, and possibly Track 3 to Noosa Hill.

It will be a fairly long, but easy, trip. Pack your morning tea and lunch snacks. No beaches in the park are patrolled, so I suggest swimmers wait till we are back at Noosa Beach late in the walk, where there are flags and facilities. We will, of course, end at a coffee shop in Noosa.

So, come along for an awesome day at Noosa on my first walk as leader for the Club. Fear not, it's an area I know, and it's hard to get lost.

Bring all the usual daywalk gear, including swim gear if you so wish. I have been advised to set the limit on the number of walkers at 16, so nominate early.

Noosa River Tide times – Description Time Ht February 2024 JilalanBrisbane Catholic Bushwalking ClubPage 22High tide7:12am1.96mLow tide1.32pm0.61mMoonrise is at4:59pm, illumination is 97.2%- so nearly a full moon, which is Tuesday 25th.

Put this one in your calendar and see you at Noosa

Graeme

Noosa Headland section walking track map

Noosa National Park



WEDNESDAY 27th MARCH MYRTLETOWN to NORTHSHORE River #01c

STROLL

Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092. Contact: Roma Street Station, PI 6 Doomben train Meet at: 2:19pm.at Roma St Stn PI 6 Time: 2.28pm at Bowen Hills Stn 2:37pm at Eagle Junction Stn Cost: Free. M11. Grade: Begins at: Marine Rd at Main Beach Rd, Pinkenba; Stop ID: 003607 @ 3.22pm Transport: Roma St Stn @ 2.19pm PI6 Doomben Train last carriage, Arr 2:46pm Doomben Stn: Bus 303 Myrtletown @ 2:51pm - We need to be FAST Change at Stapleton School @ 3:15pm to Marine Pde, Arr 3:22pm Location: Myrtletown, Luggage Point, Stapleton, Pinkenba, Eagle Farm, Northshore Distance: 14.4km. Web: https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=14/-27.4124/153.1542 Time: $3\frac{1}{2}hr$ – it is flat, so we can go at a good pace. Max Ups: 4m; Max Down: 3m I call this FLAT Height: Max; 7m; Min: 1m From Northshore CityCat Terminal to City Home: Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 – take this number with you.

Ever been to the mouth of our mighty river? Ever been to the new cruise terminal? Ever walked past the airport at the busiest time of the day? Ever heard of Myrtletown? Your excuses do not hold up after today.

There are serious public transport issues with this one – it almost does not exist. The above is our only chance.

This is a longish Stroll for winter. Transport is the problem. At 4 hours, it will be a late finish; but worth it. However, there are bus stops along the way if you need to bailout early.

The aim of this Stroll is to visit the Brisbane International Cruise Terminal to have a look through it. Then to wander back to the Northshore CityCat terminal – an easy task, but looonng. There are some other interesting things to be seen along the way. However, it is the challenge that is drawing me.

The route is flat (the max height is 7m, the lowest point is 1m – better not be a high tide), most is along footpaths, so we can go at a decent pace – though not leaving the slower ones behind.

Come with me to discover Myrtletown and explore its environs.



THE WARRUMBUNGLES EASTER BASECAMP

Leader:Khaleel Petrus Ph: 0413 314 443Meet at:St. Brigid's, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill

	February 2024 Jilalan Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Page 24
Time:	6:30am
Cost estimate:	\$132.5 PP Motel Accommodation (given 6 people nominate)
	+ Travel cost \$200~\$300 PP (depending on nominations & car occupancy) + \$8 per car per day
Grade:	Various stated according to NSW National Parks grading
Location:	In central NSW, south of Moree, west of Tamworth and north of Dubbo https://www.openstreetmap.org/relation/5836978#map=8/-30.501/149.832
Web: <u>national-park</u>	https://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/visit-a-park/parks/warrumbungle-
Emerg Off:	Greg Endicott 0418122995
Cap:	6 Members - please nominate ASAP

Tentative program:*

Day 1 (Wed) Travel to Wagon Wheel Motel (Booked), Coonabarabran 755km.

Day 2 (Thu) Fans Horizon - moderate to steep 3.6km + Goulds Cct - moderate to steep 6.3km.

Day 3 (Good Fri) Split Rock Cct 4.6km - steep to very steep + Burbie Canyon - easy 2km + Tara Cave 3.4km – moderate.

Day 4 (Sat) The Breadknife and Grand High Tops Cct - steep 14.5km + Easter Mass

Day 5 (Easter Sun) Mt Exmouth (via Burbie Fire Trail) 17.3km - moderate to steep

Day 6 (Easter Mon) Travel back to Brisbane 755km

People who are less fit could choose to do parts of a walk - especially the very steep one.

There is a 35km / 40min drive one way each day from the motel to the National Park up and over the range; and back again.

Photos: http://www.geomaps.com.au/scripts/warrumbungle.php

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Warrumbungles

As the range is between the moist eastern coastal zone and the dryer plains to the west, it has provided protection for flora and fauna suited to both habitats. There are over 120 bird species identified on the range, including lories and lorikeets, rosellas and parrots. The centre of the range has served as an area of protection for a healthy and content colony of grey kangaroos. These animals have become fairly tame due to constant visitor attention and are easily approached.

The <u>Siding Spring Observatory</u> is located on Mount Woorut, an eastern peak. The area has little to no light pollution to disturb astronomical viewing.

Geology

The base of the region was formed 180 million years ago. At that time a lake was formed that allowed sediment to slowly compress into sandstone. The Warrumbungles are the remnants of a large heavily eroded shield volcano which was active from 13 to 17 million years ago The volcano is estimated to have been 1,000m high and 50km wide. It formed as volcanic explosions occurred over millions of years The remaining complex rocky formations are what is left after millions of years of erosion.

Physiography

This area is also known as the Warrumbungle-Liverpool Basalt Ranges, which is a distinct physiographic section of the larger Hunter-Hawkesbury Sunkland province, which in turn is part of the larger East Australian Cordillera physiographic division.

Formations

The Warrumbungles - panorama

The main features of the Warrumbungle mountains are a series of huge jagged outcrops in a roughly circular pattern, surrounded by hilly bush and woodland forest. Dykes, plugs and domes are common and mostly made from trachyte.

The Grand High Tops is a section of the range where volcanic remnants are especially clustered. These vents and rocky formations are all named - Belougery Spire, Belougery Split Rock, Crater Bluff, Bluff Mountain, The Breadknife and Mount Exmouth. Pyroclastic rock is found in this area. The Breadknife, a straight wall of jagged rock nearly 100m high, is particularly rare. There is an extensive network of nine walking tracks across the central peaks.

Towards the southeast a broad belt of basalt outcrops extends towards the Liverpool Range. Near Chalk Mountain are outcrops of diatomite. Outer stretches of the volcano are made up of hawaiite and mugearite. Khaleel

MONDAY 1st April M^t GLORIOUS AREA Easter Monday DAYWALK

Leader: Pat Lawton Ph: 3366 1956 St. Brigid's, Red Hill Meet at: 7.30am. Time: Cost: \$15 Grade: M22 Distance: 10km Location: Just north-west of Brisbane; beyond The Gap Web: https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-27.3317806.152.7706912.901m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en&entry=ttu https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-27.2862054,152.7668795,3605m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en&entry=ttu

At Mt. Glorious township there is a lovely walk in the back blocks. It is called Faheys Road. One would normally not go down this unless you lived there. However, we will walk down it and admire the properties hidden away in the bush.

The walk is mainly shady and passes through a lovely rainforest section. The road continues on through private property. Once our group have reached this point, we will return to Mt. Glorious. To return to the cars, the party will take a different route along an old forestry track which leads to the start of the Joyners Ridge Road.

We will then drive to the start of the Lapidozamia Track – park the cars there and walk along the track travelling through open eucalypt forest and rainforest – once again all shady. The walkers will pass the track off to the Piper Comanche wreck and continue on until we reach the remote camping site and shelter hut. I plan to have a late lunch here before returning to the cars.

Back at Samford, we will finish the day off with coffee etc. Both walks are within the capabilities of most fit people. If you are looking for something different to do on Easter Monday away from all the traffic and people, come along and see a different part of Mt. Glorious.]

MONDAY 27th to FRIDAY 31st MAY TOOWOOMBA to ALLORA ACCOMMODATED TRIP

Leader:Russ Nelson Ph 0427 743 534Distance:77kmCost:\$90 for transport plus accommodation for 4 nightsGrade:M22Location:Toowoomba and then south to Allora on quiet country roads or pathways

This trip is now fully subscribed and a waitlist now exists. Details are contained in the January issue of Jilalan.

THURSDAY 30th MAY BANFF FILM FESTIVAL FILM NIGHT

Leader: Adventure Reels Ph: 3358 8622 https://adventurereels.com/

Meet at: Brisbane Powerhouse, 119 Lamington St, New Farm info@brisbanepowerhouse.org

- Time: 7pm for 3 hours
- Cost: \$37 + booking fee

Web: https://brisbanepowerhouse.org/events/banff-mountain-film-festival-2024/

The annual Banff Mountain Film Festival is the most prestigious international film competition of short films and documentaries about mountain culture, sports, and environment. It was launched in 1976 as The Banff Festival of Mountain Films by The Banff Centre and is held every October in Banff, Canada. From over 300 films, the best is selected for a world tour.

From this selection a program of over 2 hours of thought-provoking films, with subject matter ranging from remote landscapes and cultures to adrenaline-packed action sports are selected to tour Australia.

Book at: https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=BANFFFIL24

SAT 12th to FRI 18th OCTOBER KUMANO KODO NAKAHECHI, JAPAN AUSWALK GUIDED 7-DAY KUMANO KODO NAKAHECHI TOUR

Website:	Auswalk: Guided 7 Day Kumano Kodo Nakahechi
Distance:	61km is moderate to challenging with average of 5 – 9 hours of walking each day.
Location:	Kumano Kodo Nakahechi, Japan
Cost:	\$3495 (Those with Auswalk points earned in 2023 receive \$100 off)
	Twin Shared accommodation only available.
Contact:	Paulette Ph: 0414 805 512; Liz: Ph: 0414 252 003

This is advice only and not an organised walk by BCBC.

Liz and Paulette have booked this hike and thought others may be interested in joining this small group tour (up to 12 people) in a beautiful part of the world. The Club has previously hiked with Auswalk in 2023 and this tour was excellent.

Be guided over Kumano's sacred mountains over 7 days from Tanabe to Nachisan. This walk has been a major pilgrimage destination for imperial and aristocratic families since 794AD. The 1200-year-old Kumano Kodo walk traverses mountains and forests, through villages and to fabulous ancient temples and waterfalls. A pilgrimage to purify mind, soul and spirit is bound to leave you with a real sense of improved well-being. (Auswalk 2024)

The full Program can be found on the Auswalk website. To book the walk, contact Auswalk directly through their webpage (link above). All personal arrangements would be self-managed, i.e. airfares, accommodation etc. Paulette and Liz can also be contacted for general information.

This is a private group activity and not a Club authorised walk.

Program:

Day One: Meet at Kii-Tanabe gateway of the Kumano Kodo

Day Two: The hike of the Nakahechi route begins.

Day Three: Hike ancient mountain trails to Hongu Taisha

Day Four: Rest day in Hongu Taisha

Day Five: Hike along the Kogumotori-goe path, one of the best walks in this region.

Day Six: Auswalk leaders' favourite section of the Nakahechi, fair bit of elevation with spectacular views!

Day Seven: Breakfast and head to Osaka (Kansai) for flight home or continue your travels in Japan



Ring Auswalks NOW to book you place

ADVANCE NOTICE

FRI 1st to WED 6th NOVEMBER VICTORIAN ALPS Macalister's Springs, Crosscut Saw & Phillip Island WALK-IN BASECAMP

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

This is a great 6 day walk to Victoria - 5 days in the Victorian Alps and one day on Phillip Island. There are basically 5 daywalks The first day is a flight and drive there.

Day 1	Fri	am pm pm	fly to Melbourne & drive to Macalister's Springs 5 hours a 5km walk to the camp site (90 minutes)
Day 2	Sat	рш	Mt Buggery via Crosscut Saw 18km
Day 3	Sun		Mt Magdala via Mt Howitt 16km
Day 4	Mon	am	Bryce's Gorge walk 8km
,		pm	drive to Walhalla about 3 hours
Day 5	Tue	am	Mt Erica walk 9km then 32-hour drive to Phillip Island
Day 6	Wed	am	Cape Woolamai Walk 8km
		pm	drive back to Melb & fly back to Brisbane and home.

I am leading the Queensland contingent on this walk in the Vic Alps. We are camping 3 nights at Macalister's Springs (height about 1600m), so you need good warm sleeping gear for the cool nights there.

Monday night will be spent at Walhalla (or Rawson) and Tuesday night on Phillip Island.

We'll probably stay in motels for those nights.

Come along and enjoy the Crosscut Saw, one of the best bushwalks in Australia. Yep, it is that good. But we'll probably have a limit of about 6 people from Queensland. There will also be a group of people from our sister club in Victoria. Phil

THU 5th to WED 11th DECEMBER KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK THROUGHWALK

Leader – Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160

This is a great walk. A	4-day trip to the roof top of Australia. The propose	d itinerary is:
5	Fly to Canberra & Virgin VA1210 @ 8.50am to 11	
pm	Drive Thredbo 4 hours (220km)	
pm	Stay at Thredbo motel	
Day 2 Fri 6 th	Thredbo to Mt Townsend via Kosciuszko	12km
Day 3 Sat 7 th	Mt Townsend to Watsons Crag via Club Lake	9km
Day 4 Sun 8 th am	Watsons Crag to Charlotte Pass	11km
Day 5 Mon 9 th am	Charlotte Pass to Thredbo via Rawson Pass	15km
-	Spend night in the Thredbo area	
Day 6 Tue 10 th	Spare Day if we get delayed on the range - Tidbi	inbilla area or ???
Day 7 Wed 11 th am	Drive Thredbo to Canberra 220km	
pm	Catch flights about 3pm on Wednesday back to E	Brisbane.
	Flight Jetstar JQ657 @ 5.20pm to 6.00pm - cost	s about \$100

If you have wanted to do a spot of alpine walking, this is your chance to do it. You will need tents, sleeping bags etc etc and full wet weather gear, as conditions can change quickly. The number-limit on the walk will probably be about 6 people. Phil

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 31/12/2023	\$2602.55
Plus, Receipts	\$1573.04
Balance 31/01/2024	\$4175.59

Term Deposit \$5000.00

It is still Membership Renewal Time. The new fees are:-

Ordinary Members \$35.00 for an e-copy of our monthly magazine and \$80.00 for a posted copy, Associate Members \$30.00 for an electronic copy or \$75.00 for a printed copy.

Life and Honorary Members must pay \$45.00 if they wish to have a printed copy of our monthly magazine.

When renewing you must complete, sign and return your renewal form.

If paying by direct deposit, you must reference your name and send your completed renewal form to the club.

Our Vinnies's fund raiser was very successful with the members donating a record \$585.00. It's not too late if anyone wants to add to this amount.

I will soon be collecting donations for The Little King's Movement for the Handicapped which is the second charity that the club supports. Terry.

OUTINGS SECRETARY'S REPORT

Past Walks – Quick Overview For December 2023 & Early January 2024

JANUARY

4	Thu	Blue Pool	DW	Phil	3	cloudy
6	Sat	Coomera Falls	DW	Cancelled	-	no nominations - rain
13-21	9 days	Tassie Trip	AT	Phil	3	Great
27	Sun	Lukes Bluff	DW	Phil	5	Warm & humid
			FE	BRUARY		
1	Thu	Coomera Circuit	DW	Cancelled		Leader crook
3	Sat	Obi Obi Lilo Trip	Lilo	Cancelled		Not enough water

In January there were the following points to note:

- 3 walks in January 2 daywalks & a roving basecamp/accommodated rip
- there was 1 walk cancelled in January (Coomera Falls) no nominations were received as there
 was rain forecast
- The weather for walks that went out was surprisingly good mainly fine Issues Of Note

- Just confirmation I am not seeking reappointment for the role of Outings Secretary of the Club
- Please nominate for walks early.
- Lack of walkers on walks recently:
 - \circ $\;$ The average number on walks recently has been very very low.
 - the average for January has dropped by 60% compared to the long-term average. The stats for January are usually about 5 walks, 50 walkers and an average on walks of 9.8. This January the figures were 3 walks, 12 walkers and an average of 4. No need to panic yet. But if we have 3 more months of these figures than we are entitled to panic and then we can think about what we should do about it if anything. Obviously, we have to concede walking is not compulsory for members (although some do think we should make it compulsory to do at least 6 walks a year

The drop in numbers could be due:

- to the increase in prices for trips,
- "It's too hot" people keep telling me it is hotter, but the evidence of this is very marginal at best and the heat this year is virtually the same as last year.
- The socials have been doing very well.
- Visitors on walks recently there was a noticeable decline in the number of visitors in the last few months. The only visitors lately have been friends and relatives of members. This trend is continuing as there were no visitors on walks in January. If there are visitors on walks, please make the feel very welcome, as in many ways they are the future of the Club.
- **Discount subs for younger members**. I was on a walk recently and the discussion was about getting younger people to join the Club. The Club is in need of younger members particularly those under 40. I received a suggestion that people under 40 should receive a discount and just ask them to pay \$20 per year. I was convinced it was a great idea. The Club should seriously consider implementing this. The stats in 2021 Annual Report show the number of members under 40 was only 2 under 30 and only 2 between 30 and 40.
- **Mt Warning** - protest meeting was successfully held on 26th January. There was a great vibe and the action group seems to be gaining traction with the media to help give the issue a greater profile in public awareness. See article later in the magazine
- GPS variations in distance I did the Blue Pool walk recently and the GPS recorded a distance of 15.75km, not the advertised distance of 13.9km per the Guidebook and the NPWS signs. I have been advised that the discrepancy it is due to the GPS signal bouncing around trying to find the device and therefore presume it gets an error with the distance. A website comments as follows -

For example, GPS-enabled smartphones are typically accurate to within a 4.9m radius under open sky, however, their accuracy worsens near buildings, bridges, and trees.

https://www.gps.gov/systems/gps/performance/accuracy/

Foliage - Thick tree cover attenuates GPS signals as they pass through leaves and branches. The GPS receives less signal strength as a result of this. Hence, its ability to determine an accurate position is affected.

https://family1st.io/11-factors-affecting-gps-accuracy/

Advance Notice-

Please consider joining me on the **Victorian Alps** trip in early November (a "walk-in basecamp" at Macalister's Springs) and the **Kosciuszko** throughwalk in early December See the articles in this magazine.

Walks Changes /Leaders Appointed

Date	Month	Day	Trip	Туре	leader
29	Feb	Thu	Cornubia Forest Park	DW	Sue Walsh
2	Mar	Sat	Wildhorse Mountain & Mt Coolum,	DW	Louise Jones
23	Mar	Sat	Noosa Heads to	DW	Graeme Aldom #
25-28	Apr	Anzac	Border Ranges (NSW)	BC	lain (not Khaleel)
4-6	May	WE	Bunya Mountains basecamp	BC	Khaleel
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(# It will be Graeme's first walk as leader, so a big thank you to Graeme.)

	<u>Feb</u>	ruary 2024 Jilalan Brisbane Catholic Bushw	alking	Club Page 30				
Walks De	Walks Delisted							
1. 7 th	Mar Thu	Love Creek Circuit Mt Glorious DW	Love Creek Circuit Mt Glorious DW no leader					
1. 4 th	Apr Thu	Cedar Creek Falls (Mt Glorious) DW		no leader				
COMING	WAIKS	х, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,						
FEBRUARY								
10	Sat	Redcliffe to Shorncliffe	DW	Phil	Fares			
17	Sat	Warrie Circuit	DW	Phil	\$25			
25	Sun	Straddie - Amity to Point Lookout	DW	Phil	tba			
29	Thu	Cornubia Forest Park	DW	Sue Walsh				
		MARCH						
2	Sat	Wildhorse Mtn & Mt Coolum	DW	Louise	\$25			
_ 7	.Thu	Love Creek Circuit Mt Glorious	Đ₩	delisted	\$15			
9	Sat	Mt Hobwee	DW	Khaleel	\$25			
17	Sun	Club Hut daywalk	Club Hut daywalk DW					
23	Sat	Noosa National Park	DW	Graeme	\$25			
27- 1 st	Wed-Sat	Easter Basecamp – Warrumbungles	BC	Khaleel	tba.			
		APRIL						
1	Mon	Mt Glorious Area - Pat's Easter walk	DW	Pat Lawton	tba			
_4	-Thu	Cedar Creek Falls (Mt Glorious)	Đ₩	delisted	\$10			
6	Sat	Ravensbourne Pole Farm	DW	Matt Palmer	\$25			
20	Sat	Upper Enoggera Creek	DW	Jan	\$10			
25-28	Thu-Sun	Border Ranges (NSW)	BC	lain	tba \$15			
27	Sat	Lake Manchester DW Paulette						
		MAY			*			
1	Wed	Mt May (on May Day)	DW	Phil	\$25			
5	Sun	Gheerula Creek circuit (a Sunday trip)	DW	Sue Walsh	\$25			
11	Sat	Miketee. Mt Elimbah & Mt Beerburrum	DW	Michele J	\$15 \$25			
18	Sat	Mt Tabletop	DW	Michele J	\$25			
27-31	Mon - Fri	Toowoomba to Allora	AT	Russ	tba.			

Quote for the Month

I think I cannot preserve health and spirits, Unless I spend 4 hours a day at least -And it is commonly more than that -Sauntering through the woods And over the hills and fields, Absolutely free from all worldly engagements.

In Walking by Henry David Thoreau

The American writer and transcendentalist, Henry David Thoreau (1817–1862). Known predominantly for his seminal text, Walden; or, Life in the Woods, and his deathbed essay, Walking. Phil

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We welcome Diane Yallop as a new member of the BCBC. Dianne lives in Victoria but has already completed 2 of our long-distance walks down that-a-way.

Several membership renewal forms and payment of subs have been received to date. However, we request that remaining members renew their memberships for the current year shortly, so we can have a more accurate picture of club membership for the year ahead. These memberships subscriptions for the 2024 calendar year became due and payable on 1st January.

ANNUAL FEES 2024	Email newsletter	Printed newsletter
Ordinary member	\$ 35	\$ 80
Associate member	\$ 30	\$ 75
Life & Honorary	\$0	\$ 45

The Membership Renewal Form is attached to this e-mail.

If you have not already completed one, please print out this copy, complete it in full, remember to sign it, and send it back to either Terry The Treasurer or me, Jon the Membership Officer. We would like the payment as well Thanks, Jon

FEDERATION MOUNTAIN RESCUE FMR

https://fmrgld.bwg.org.au/

Programme For 2024

FMR offers regular training activities, at near-cost, to adult financial members of BWQ-affiliated clubs. These are marked "Member: BWQ Club" in the descriptions below. Please add these to your club's program. Bookings essential.

For more information, email Secretary at fmrqld@gmail.com

Training and Experience Events:

Activity	Member	Limit	Cost	Contact
Digital Navigation - GPS devices	BWQ Club	15	free	Doug McDonald
Classic Navigation - map and compass	BWQ Club	15	free	Peter Rollings

ABOUT PEOPLE

Mairin Hayes, Willie Hayes widow: Thank you Greg, your email much appreciated. I miss Willie's presence very much, but greatly consoled by the long happy interesting times we shared. He never lost his interest in the bush walking club and gratified and interested in the ongoing events of the club. Long May it last and well done to you all. Thanks again. Máirín.

The Passing of Mark Tottenham's Wife: "Hazel (late of Flying Fish Point, near Innisfail) and spouse of Mark Tottenham (former BCBC Club member) was born in the UK and settled in Australia in the 1970's. She raised a family on the Atherton Tablelands. Mark met Hazel on a holiday in North Queensland and they lived in a seafront cottage under coconut trees overlooking the Coral Sea at Flying Fish Point. Hazel was an experienced walker, mountain climber, played golf, squash and a team member in kayaking on the South Johnson River. Sadly, Hazel passed in December 2023 after a short illness.

Ken McCarron's mother, Monica's mother-in-law, Edna passed away peacefully on Thursday 4th January. Her funeral service was held at Mt Gravatt Crematorium Chapel on Wednesday 17 January. Please keep Ken, Monica and family in your thoughts and prayers.

lain Renton's father, Merrill's father-in law, Alan passed away peacefully on Wednesday 17 January in Tasmania. Please keep lain, Merrill and family in your thoughts and prayers.

Jas Ah Kiau, John Bigg, Jenny & Wayne Bullock, Anne Cashman, Michele Endicott, Kerry Mulligan, Kylie Moore and Terry Silk are celebrating their birthdays in February.

Benno and his wife recently enjoyed a two-week cruise. Mark, Majella and family also recently enjoyed a short cruise.

PAST EVENTS

SAT 13th TO SUN 21st JANUARY THE TASSIE WEEK ACCOMMODATED TRIP

Attendance3Weathervey mixed, 3 sunny days, 2 wet days, 4 cloudy daysDistanceapprox. 60kmHeight gainheaps – about 2300m

Simplified Itinerary

Day Date Walks

13th Sat Fly to Hobart - hired car - visit Mt Wellington great views - car bingle in the Day 1 carpark (we were fully insured) - did grocery shopping for the week – check in at cottage. South Cape Bay & Lion Rock - great views an easy but long walk Day 2 14th Sun Day 3 15th Mon Hartz Mtn - sensational views - a medium walk. 16th Tue Day 4 A cushy day - visit to Bruny island - tour of Cape Bruny Lighthouse - stupendous views & a quick 2-hour walk to the **Rock Arch** at Moorina Bay – Miles Beach. 17th Wed A quick shop at Kingston, visited **Mt Wellington** in driving rain (didn't get out of the Day 5 car) and then drove to Mt Field Day 6 18th Thu The Tarn Shelf – a long walk in cold and rain – no views but very special 19th Fri **The Needles -** just superb – a great little mountain, maximum views for effort. Day 7 Day 8 20th Sat Mt Eliza - a tough and long day. But great views, best views I have ever seen! Day 9 21st Sun Easy day, Moorland Wildflower Walk, visited friends in Hobart, caught flight home but Will's plane got cancelled 10 minutes before boarding at 9.00pm. And

Over the next few magazines, I will do a report each month on each major walk we did.

he had another night in Hobart and flew home a day late.

Next year we plan to do the Overland Track and the year after a mobile basecamp to do the unfinished walks - Adamsons Peak, South Cape, Cape Queen Elizabeth (Bruny Island) Fluted Cape (Bruny Island), Mt Wedge, Mt Field East, Mt Wedge and Mt Anne. The year after maybe the South Coast Track or Frenchman's Cap and the year after a selection of walks around Freycinet and then around Cradle. There are so many trips to do down there.









WEDNESDAY 24th JANUARY S^t VINNIES DINNER at GAYTHORNE RSL SOCIAL

Forty-five of us gathered at the Gaythorne RSL Club for dinner, conversation, a catch-up and to make our annual donation to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

The RSL gave us 5 tables to gather around in their temporary upstairs bistro, until the old one is renovated. it Our group made up over half of the patrons for the evening – a very good turnout by us. As usual, the food was good, the service pleasant, our food coming to the tables fast and without confusion.

This being our first big gathering after the Christmas break, we had a lot to talk about. Because of the table structure, it was easy to glide from table to table in order to catch up with everyone – and lots of people did just that. The chatting lasted 3 hours! We did not solve any world problems, but we did find out what others did over Christmas and away on their holidays.

And Terry collected our notes for the St Vinnies donations. \$580 was donated by members for the St Vinnies collection. Terry has not sent the money in yet, so those who did not attend, it is not too late to make your contribution.

Thanks to those who came along: Jan & Russ, Terry, Susan T, Antonia, Geraldine, Karen & Michael, Prasada, Andrea, Barbara, Pat & Jonas, Michelle & Benno, Majella & Lauren & Mark, Liz, Janet G, Louise & Rusty, Di R, Maria K, Anne & Bob, Annette M^cK, Susan Ware, Donna E, Maree & Gordon, Jon, Graeme A, Anne & Michael, Marguerite, Joe, Michele & Richard, Neil H, Deborah & Will, Trevor and Michele & Greg.







SATURDAY 27th JANUARY LUKE'S BLUFF. (VIA BALANCING ROCK) DAYWALK

Attendance6Weatherwarm and very humidDistance14.2kmHeight gain1,190m

A lovely walk up at O'Reilly's. We did my traditional walk with a loop out to the cliff lines. The trip got off to a dodgy start - we intended going down the Wishing Tree Track but it was not so as the swing bridge is closed. The last time I crossed over it, I thought it had too much sway in it, so I am not surprised it is out of action. But I hasten to add I don't know what has happened – it could be broken or just closed due to an engineer's report. So, a change of plans; we went down the Red Road and out to Balancing Rock. There was actually a huge number of wildflowers in bloom. The view of Moran's Falls from here was excellent as there was a strong flow coming over the falls.

Then down to Morans Falls and on to the lookout. We noticed a group of about 4 daredevils had 'jumped the fence' and were right on the cliff lines near the falls. We then walked back up to the road - it was warm and muggy. The group of daredevils actually passed us on the way up the hill. They were all young and fit. Then out to Python Rock Lookout for lunch. After this, we zoomed across to Pat's Bluff and Luke's Bluff. The views from here are sensational. Finally, the trudge up the hill back to O'Reilly's. We noticed the paddocks at Luke's have bulldozers putting in roads and house pads, so presumably they are developing this area.

Wikiloc showed the distance as 14.2km, which was as expected but it showed a height gain of 1,190m which was nearly twice what I expected.

A big thank you to those who joined me on the walk - Khaleel Petrus, Will Taylor, Pat Lawton, Jonas Bernotas, Neil Holm, Benno Giuliani. Phil Murray.

POD CAST OF THE STINSON CRASH

https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/the-history-listen/the-history-listen-green-mountainplane-crash/103022808

REPORT ON THE RALLY TO REOPEN M^t WARNING

PART 1 - the protest meeting to re-open Mt Warning – several community action groups had a protest meeting to push for the re-opening of Mt Warning on Friday 26th January in Uki, NSW.

The meeting was promoted/organised by the Right to Climb group. <u>https://righttoclimb.blogspot.com/</u> and supported by the Save Our Summits group. <u>https://www.savEoursummits.org/</u>

The meeting was held at Uki on Australia Day and was a very happy day for the protest groups. Everyone who spoke, spoke in favour of the move to re-open the mountain. There were no dissenting voices.

Everyone basically said it was wrong to close the mountain. Several people said it is a special place to white people as well. There were several very strong opinions in support of this issue. I estimated the crowd to be about 200 people. But media reports have indicated that it was only 100. There was no one there from the government to indicate they would listen to the protest, let alone agree to reopen the mountain. I didn't see any politicians either. Nor did I see any representatives from the NSW Bushwalking Federation.

One of the early speakers was an Indigenous man called Sturt Davis who has clear aboriginal heritage. He was the son and grandson of the elders of the Ngarwarkal tribe. He basically said it was OK to climb to the summit in accordance with the wishes of his mother. He basically challenged anyone from the Bundjalung group to come forward and explain their position and say their piece, no one came forward. By clear inference he indicated their claim to be "dodgy." He spoke for several minutes and made it clear he was happy for people to walk to the summit.

About 8 people spoke, 3 from the *Save our Summits* group, Sturt Davis, Marc Hendrikx and 3 random people/off the cuff speakers from the crowd. One of the off-the-cuff speakers was a local who used to run up the mountain on a regular basis and he indicated that the track is still ok to run along. Another was a Caucasian lady and she spoke about her spiritual connection she has with the mountain and that she was "in love with the mountain": many of the people in the crowd sighed in approval. Another was a guy in garish "Australia Day Flag" pants and he indicated he used to walk up the mountain 3 times a day to get fit for Nepal. He said although he was born 4000 years too late, the mountain was still sacred to him, he got a big cheer.

There was a suggestion from the crowd that there should be a mass climb to the summit in the next few months. This suggestion got a very favourable reception from the crowd, as they seemed to be eager for action. I think a huge number were actually ready to walk up to the summit that afternoon. But no tentative date was set for the protest climb. Nothing else was decided.

There was a brief mention that they may get some media interest or interviews. See the notes in Part 4 of this report as there has been significant media interest and several interviews including an interview with the NSW Minister for the Environment.

Several of the organisers did a dawn climb to the summit and recorded it for the media and it has had reasonable airplay.

After the meeting, the organisers regathered / regrouped at the Mount Warning Hotel at Uki for a quick debrief and refreshments.

Stay tuned as I am sure there will be more happening.

Part 2 – subsequent media interviews, media articles, and press release by one Member Of Parliament about the protest meeting and the protest movement.

- a. Interview of Marc Hendrickx with Peta Credlin on Sky News (date on or about 30th January) <u>https://www.skynews.com.au/opinion/peta-credlin/a-guide-to-climbing-mount-warning-author-slams-late-1990s-summit-climb-ban/vidEo/810616465676502ab3f221bf9fad6c6c</u>
- b. TV commentators on Sky News discuss access to national parks Sky News host James Macpherson, Liz Storer & Caleb Bond comment about protest to ban on climbing Mount Warning. (they mentioned the protest was a crowd of 100). https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=283964311064482
- c. News article by Carla Mascarenhas about the closure and the protest meeting with photos of the "protest climbers" on the summit on Australia Day with their signs to Re-Open Mt Warning <u>https://www.news.com.au/technology/environment/security-guards-paid-7k-a-week-to-guard-mount-warning/news-story/36a62bbd71593f6dac0382b7b0e5211b</u>
- d. Radio Interview with the NSW Minister of Environment On Monday 5th February radio host/commentator Ben Fordham of 2GB interviewed Penny Sharpe the NSW Minister about the ban on Climbing Mt Warning. Penny Sharpe holds several ministerial portfolios.
 - Minister for Climate Change
 - Minister for Energy
 - Minister for Heritage
 - Minister for the Environment
 - Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council

In summary, it seems that in the interview with Ben Fordham took on board many of the points/arguments against the closure outlined in the book by Marc Hendrickx. Penny Sharpe was sort of on the back foot and promised to look into it and commented as follows - "Handled really poorly". "Conflicting views" [about the aboriginal representative group]. "Deal with issues as quickly as possible". "Next couple months talking to a much broader range of people". "It's not been handled well." "My commitment is I will talk to everybody who has a view".

A link to the 2GB website had a copy of the radio broadcast -

https://www.2gb.com/were-looking-into-it-nsw-government-to-investigate-mountainclimbing-ban/

e. **Press Release by John Ruddick** - Member of the Legislative Council of NSW (is the Upper House of the NSW Parliament) supporting the move to re-open Mt Warning and seeking parliamentary support for a parliamentary

"... Laws that grant special status because of ancestry are vile.

In the next sitting week of State Parliament, I will be seeking support for a parliamentary inquiry determining public access to Mount Warning."

https://assets.nationbuilder.com/ldp/pages/7944/attachments/original/1706663926/NSW_ Media_Release_Mount_Warning.pdf?1706663926

Ruddick, who left the Liberal Party to join the Liberal Democrats in 2021, was the lead candidate on the LDP's Legislative Council ticket at the 2023 New South Wales state election and was voted in.

- f. there were several newspaper reports but I don't pay subscriptions for the papers so I could take a bit longer to get them.
- g. I couldn't find any information about the radio interview on Penny Sharpe's ministerial website. Usually, they do list the media appearances especially when things go well. Phil

AROUND THE RIDGES

Banff Film Festival

The Banff Mountain Film Festival is the most prestigious international film competition and an annual presentation of short films and documentaries about mountain culture, sports, and environment. It was launched in 1976 as The Banff Festival of Mountain Films by The Banff Centre and is held every

October in Banff, Canada. From over 300 films the best are selected for a world tour. The tour comes to Brisbane in late May each year.

Thursday, 30 May 2024 7:00pm – 10:00pm - the best night for going to this event.

BUSHWALKING QLD NOTES

The 2023 AGM is still pending and we hope to run it as a zoom meeting soon.

The insurance coverage for members of other clubs will be in place but the rule of thumb is that there should be a limit and they should be recorded as visitors for those walks. The suggested reasonable limit is 3 times per club year, after which the expectation is they should join your club as well. An estimate of the number of times members of other clubs attends a walk should go on your insurance questionnaire.

John Marshall, President, Bushwalking Qld. Inc.



THE NATURE WALK CHALLENGE

If you love it, walk for it <u>Join the Nature Walk Challenge 2024</u> <u>https://www.naturewalkchallenge.org.au/signup</u>

For the month of March, join thousands of Australians across the country, as they walk to protect Australian wildlife and the places they call home.

Register for free and select your walking distance.

Set your fundraising target and ask your friends, family and work colleagues to support you.

With every step you'll be helping protect endangered species and their homes, all while enjoying the benefits of getting active and spending time outdoors!

The Nature Walk Challenge is designed with everyone in mind. Whether you're an advanced bushwalker or a leisurely Stroller, you set the distance and the pace. You can choose from a 50km, 70km or 100km challenge. Or you can choose your own distance, whether that's 5km or 500. It's up to you. Whatever you decide, the most important goal is to get outside and enjoy reconnecting with nature.

Australia is losing precious biodiversity at a staggering rate, with 563 animals currently threatened with extinction. We are also leading the world in mammal extinction, with a total of 39 species already lost. That's 5 more extinctions and 69 more threatened with it, in the last 12 months since Nature Walk Challenge 2023.

Funds raised from the Nature Walk Challenge will support Wilderness Society's ongoing work to protect the habitats of endangered wildlife across Australia. We do so by:

- Advocating for new laws that support the life our lives depend on.
- Monitoring satellite imagery and recording suspicious land clearing via Watch On Nature.
- Funding well researched and credible reports to protect Australia's wildlife.
- Stopping risky proposals before they start.

So, grab your walking boots, step up and step out, while protecting Australia's precious wildlife—now and for generations to come.

For further comment contact Renee Mason on <u>renee.mason@wilderness.org.au</u> <u>https://www.wilderness.org.au/news-events/nature-walk-challenge-2024</u>

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SCAVENGER HIKE

An epic adventure of fun, fitness, friends and fundraising! SAT 17th - SUN 25th FEBRUARY HIKE TO HEAL SCAVENGER HIKE https://www.hiketoheal.org.au/

I'm writing to you on behalf of Hike to Heal Australia, a Toowoomba-based registered charity and notfor-profit organisation that shares your passion for bushwalking and nature. I'm inviting you to join us for an exciting and fun-filled Scavenger Hike that runs from 17th to 25th February. <u>https://www.hiketoheal.org.au/events/hike-to-heal-scavenger-hike/</u>

As you know, walking in nature is not only good for our bodies, it's good for our moods, our minds, and our relationships, too. Walking can help us cope with stress, grief, and mental health challenges. That's why we created Hike to Heal Australia -. we want to raising awareness and funds for mental wellness and suicide prevention.

The Scavenger Hike t is a unique outdoor activity that combines bushwalking, exploring, and solving clues. You can choose to walk either at Mt Peel Bushland or a location of your choice anytime and as many times as you like during the week-long event. This is a great opportunity to bond with your bushwalking buddies, friends, or family while enjoying the great outdoors. Take in the natural beauty as you embark on your Scavenger Hike, connect with nature, yourself and others on the trails. You answer the challenges via photos/videos of yourself/your group and you can share on Facebook and Instagram using #hiketoheal24.

By participating in the Scavenger Hike, you will not only have a blast, but also support a worthy cause. All funds raised from the event will go towards Momentum Mental Health's well-being programs, which provide vital services to people struggling with mental health issues. You will also help us raise awareness and reduce stigma around mental illness and suicide.

If you are interested in joining us for this amazing event, please register online at <u>www.hiketoheal.org.au</u>, or call Ph: 0406 436 616.

You can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram or use the hashtag #hiketoheal to stay updated. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those who need it the most.

Thank you for your time and support. I hope to see you at the Scavenger Hike Event!

Linda Barton, Hike to Heal Australia; ABN: 76380179002/ Incorporation No.: IA4493599

Where is it?

https://www.tr.qld.gov.au/facilities-recreation/parks-gardens/parks-by-location/draytonmount-peel1 Mount Peel Bushland Park is located on the south-western edge of Toowoomba and has four entrances:

Darling Street car park (corner of Darling and Westminster Streets): Follow Anzac Avenue south and turn north-west onto Darling Street. The reserve has a well-signed car park at the intersection of Westminster and Darling Streets.

Westminster Street car park (Westminster Street): Follow Anzac Avenue south and turn north-west onto Darling Street. Take Westminster Street and drive uphill to the end of the road. The reserve entrance is signed and you can park your car near the entry gate.

Boundary Street entrance (Boundary Street South): Follow the Toowoomba-Millmerran Road and turn north at Boundary Street South. The reserve entrance is signed. Park your car near the wooden fence making sure not to block the entry gate.

Anzac Avenue entrance (Anzac Avenue South): This entrance is located at the southern end of the Gore Highway, also known as Anzac Avenue. This is a pedestrian entrance only and there is no parking provision at this entry.

View in Google Maps

https://www.google.com/maps/place/Mount+Peel+Bushland/@-27.5907639,151.8961105,14z/data=!4m6!3m5!1s0x6b965b1a23d44f81:0xdab75542f060bf25!8m 2!3d-27.6000518!4d151.8953956!16s%2Fg%2F11III7z3h0?entry=ttu

Hike to Heal Australia

A not-for-profit suicide prevention organisation inspiring communities to

strengthen wellbeing



Step X Step

Be active and healthy - participate in hiking or walking.

Step Outside



Nature nurtures - spend time in your back yard, take a walk in your local park, hike in a nature reserve.



Step Together

Connect with other people - walk and talk with friends, join a walking group or hiking club.



Step Up

Show kindness to others - adopt an attitude of gratitude, hike shoulder to shoulder with someone who is doing it tough.



Stay in the moment and take notice of the natural world around you.





REGISTER: Gather friends and participate in person at Mt Peel Bushland or participate virtually in a park near you



HIKE: Choose your time, trail, distance and difficulty!

Have FUN, follow CLUES, SOLVE riddles, complete photo CHALLENGES.



MAGAZINES FROM OTHER CLUBS

Redlands BWC "Ramble On" Gold Coast BWC "Friends on Foot" BOSQ "Footnotes"

Walker's Journal "Field Notes" Commercial Publication

https://www.walkersjournal.com.au/product/issue-12-vol-three-nofour/?mc_cid=8d73974421&mc_eid=86de8d0f65

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

OUTINGS

(a) Always read the *Jilalan* article to check the departure point, date and time.

(b) Walk departures are usually from St Brigid's Red Hill carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd. Check *Jilalan* to determine the meet-up 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 – e.g., 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.

All visitors must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance purposes.

VISITORS – for general enquiries contact Greg on Ph: 3351 4092.

GENERAL MEETINGS: Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of February, May, August & November, at 7:30pm. The location is Fr Denis Power Building (part of the former Sacred Heart School, 347 Given Terrace, Paddington. (Rosalie), -actually 339 Given Tce.

https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-

27.4623287,153.0006302,450m/data=!3m1!1e3!5m1!1e4?hl=en&entry=ttu

Parking: Either in Given Tce, OR down behind the Centre in the school's old playground off Central Ave – enter Central Ave from Ewart St.

VISITORS are always welcome.

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. <u>https://fmrqld.bwq.org.au/bushwalkers-overdue/</u>

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT: The Club requires that all walkers on all trips should carry certain minimal basic equipment.

This should comprise the following: Emergency Contact & Medical Information form, a first-aid kit, a torch, a parka/raincoat, hat, shirt, 50+ 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.

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