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APRIL 2024

		MARCH				
02	Sat	Mt Coolum & Wildhorse Mt	Louise J		DW	
06	Wed	Coffee Night @ The Courtyard, Broncos Club	Russ		Soc	
09	Sat	Mt Hobwee	Khaleel		DW	
13	Wed	Brisbane Square Mile – The First Half	Greg		Stroll	
15	Fri	Drinks & Dinner – Red Brick Hotel	Jan		Soc	
17	Sun	Club Hut Daywalk	Terry		DW	
20	Wed	History #1– Salisbury War Industries	Greg		Stroll	
23	Sat	Noosa River to Sunrise Beach& Back via Hill	Graeme A		DW	
27	Wed	River #01c – Myrtletown to Northshore	Greg		Stroll	
27-01	Wed-Mon	Warrumbungles Easter Basecamp -	Khaleel		BC	
		APRIL				
01	Mon	Mt Glorious Area- Pat's regular walk	Pat		DW	
03	Wed	Coffee Night Adda@Oxford	Louise J		Soc	
10	Wed	Ferny Grove to Jinker Track & Back	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	S22
14	Sun	Country Lunch “The Queensport Tavern”	Greg	3351 4092	Soc	
17	Wed	Mimosa Creek – Griffith Uni to Garden City	Prasada	0402 964 854	Stroll	M12
20	Sat	Upper Enoggera Creek	Jan	0401 030 137	DW	M43
24	Wed	Holland Park Hills	Louise J	0437 447 277	Stroll	S12
27	Sat	Lake Manchester	Paulette	0414 805 512	DW	M33
		MAY				
01	Wed	Coffee Night - The Woods Neighbourhood Bar	Barbara	3355 3639	Soc	
01	Wed	Mt May	Phil	0416 650 160	DW ^T	S56
04-06	WE	Bunya Mountains	Khaleel	0413 314 443	BC	Var
05	Sun	Gheerula Circuit	Sue Walsh	0403 487 737	DW	M44
08	Wed	Doomben Stn to Murarrie Stn (The Gateway)	Jon P	0422 602 658	Stroll	S12
11	Sat	Miketeebumulgrai, Elimbah & Beerburrum	Michele J	0414 635 542	DW	S44
15	Wed	Belmont Bushland Reserve	Prasada	0402 964 854	Stroll	S32
17	Fri	Drinks & Dinner Hotel West End	Jan	0401 030 137	Soc	
18	Sat	Mt Tabletop	Michele J	0414 635 542	DW	M54
20	Mon	Quarterly Meeting	Antonia	0400 571 387	Meet	
22	Wed	Cabbage Tree Ck Ferny Grove to Old Nthn Rd	Paula H	3355 4310	Stroll	S12
25	Sat	Awassi Cheesery at Grantham	Barbara	3355 3639	Soc	
27-31	Mon-Fri	Toowoomba to Allora	Russ	0427 743 534	AT	M22
29	Wed	Dutton Park, Highgate Hill, Boundary Rd, City	Susan War	0416 086 207	Stroll	S11
30	Thu	Banff Mountain Film Festival			Movies	
		JUNE				
05	Wed	Coffee Night			Soc	
12	Wed	Teneriffe, The Valley & Spring Hill to City	Janet G	0419 466 373	Stroll	
14	Fri	Mystery Progressive Dinner	Sue T	3366 3193	Soc	
15	Sat	Flinders Peak	Michael C	3556 1664	DW	
19	Wed	Rail #22 – Wynnum North to Lota	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
20-21	Thu-Fri	Tweed Rail Trail	Russ	0427 743 534	O/N	M22
22-23	Sat-Sun	Club Hut Working Bee	Iain	3870 8082	BC	
26	Wed	River #01b Nudgee Beach to Toombul	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
30	Sun	Doyle Art Awards& lunch at Mudgeeraba	Phil	0416 650 160	Soc	
		JULY				
03	Wed	Coffee Night			Soc	
04	Thu	Bunyaville to Chermside Hills			DW ^T	
06	Sat	Neglected Mountain			DW	
10	Wed	History #2 – South Brisbane	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
12-14	Fri-Sun	Club Hut Basecamp - Upper Portals			BC	
17	Wed	Toohey Forest Park	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
19	Fri	Drinks & Dinner	Jan	0401 030 137	Soc	
20	Sat	Freeman's Lookout	Jan	0401 030 137	DW	
24	Wed	Rail #23 – Lota to Wellington Point	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
27	Sat	Boonah Ipswich Rail Trail	Sue Walsh	0403 487 737	DW	
31	Wed	Toowong Creek – Mt Coot-tha to Milton	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
		AUGUST				
03	Sat	Noosa Trails	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
07	Wed	Coffee Night			Soc	
10	Sat	Musical Theatre - Legally Blond	Russ	0427 743 534	Soc	

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	1 - 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, whereby the walk is hard or strenuous for fit walkers, requiring agility and endurance.

PRAYER

A prayer for Eastertide, for people of the Resurrection, based on a hymn entitled “Because He lives”:
 Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
 Because He lives, all fear is gone,
 Because I know He holds the future
 And life is worth the living just because He lives.

Because He Lives: Song by David Crowder Band. Songwriters: Gloria & William Gaither

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. <https://bcbc.online/assets/Nomination.pdf>

Leaders Notes are at <https://bcbc.bwq.org.au/assets/leading.pdf>

Pre-Outings: Leaders are to ring Russ, Ph: 0427 743 534, to advise him details of it.

If **changes** are made to walks (date, location, cancelation etc.) leaders are asked to advise Russ, Ph: 0427 743 534.

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.

COMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL

FERNY GROVE STATION to JINKER TRACK& BACK STROLL

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Ferny Grove Rail Station
Time: 3:15pm
Train: 2:37pm Ferny Grove train from Roma Street Station PI 7 - First Carriage
Cost: Nil
Grade: S22
Location: Ferny Hills
Distance: 9.5km @ 3hr
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=16/-27.3939/152.9431>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

This is a Stroll Michele & I did during the Covid Lockdown. The Stroll will head towards the Bunya Rd State School, up to the Barber Rd Water Tank, then down an up again to Hutton Rd via Harvey Resv, onto Cabbage Tree Ck and finally up to the Pine Hills Sports Complex on the Jinker Track.

Then from the ridge top, you shall head down back into Cabbage Tree Ck, cross it back into suburbia and eventually to View Cres. Following on, the path takes us down to the Library, to a kindergarten, towards Kedron Brook to investigate a possible path and eventually back to the Station.

All so very simple for a cool Autumn afternoon. Find all those little paths & easements, treelined creeks, un-made roads and more.

You may have been in the area before. This time you will be crossing over the tracks you were on before.



**SUNDAY 14th APRIL
COUNTRY LUNCH**

SOCIAL
Nominate Now

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Queensport Tavern/Hotel
Address: 49 Gosport St, Hemmant. Off Lytton Rd and Aquarium Ave
Time: 11:30am
Cost: Food & Drinks - \$19 simple food, up to \$40 steaks, \$16 to \$20 salads, \$24 to \$30 for "Pub Meals"
Distance: 20km @ 20min from the CBD. Go via the City & Lytton Rd or the Gateway Bridge
Web: <https://www.qptavern.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995

This is a real "country pub" but in Brisbane suburbia. I can't even believe this. And there is plenty of parking – endless in fact.

The pub is a friendly local pub for the locals. It is not part of a hotel chain – owned by the owner.

The *qp* is an old-fashioned pub – just look at the public bar – oozes nostalgia. The dining room is just like granny's. The meals are like those Mum used to make – nothing special, not chef created, just good. Check out the menu – not extensive but full of lovely food choices.

The service is fast (we have done 2 pre-outings already), the staff friendly, the ambiance nice, no music on our last 2 occasions – you can hear yourself talk. On our Sunday visit, there was only one other person in the dining room.

What they say about themselves: The *qp* is just 15 minutes from Brisbane's CBD. The perfect place to stay for any Brisbane event. Get away from the hustle & bustle and enjoy the country style hospitality along with the home style cooking in the *qp bistro*. The new beer garden is the perfect back drop to sit back, enjoy a meal and of course a cold one. So what are you waiting for, come and say G'day!

Our Country Lunches are usually beside railway lines so you can get there easily and, more importantly, you do not have to drive home afterwards. This is true again – Take the Gibson Island Branch Line. The only problem is that it is goods traffic only (coal & chemicals), so you have to climb up in the driving cabin with the crew. And there is the swim across Aquarium Passage to the Hemmant Boat Ramp in Aquarium Ave – so many "aquariums" are highly suspicious – what does it all mean? You are allowed to drive though – especially if you car-share with a few friends. Ring around; gather a team together and come.

WEDNESDAY 17th APRIL
MIMOSA CREEK to GARDEN CITY
Bulimba Creek Series
STROLL

Leader: Prasada Ph: 0402 964 854
Meet at: Griffith University Busway Stn.
Bus Stop: Platform 2 Stop ID: 010819.
Transport: <https://jp.translink.com.au/>
Bus: Roma St Rail Stn @ 2:56pm; walk to the Busway Stn PI 2
(enter from inside the Rail Station)
Bus 111 Eight Mile Plains @ 2:58pm
Time: 3:30pm.
Cost: Free.
Distance: 10km @ 2½hr
Grade: M12.
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.5581/153.0671>
Emerg Off: Prasada Ph: 0402 964 854. Bring this number with you. Bring a Torch

Mimosa is one of the four tributaries of the Bulimba Creek journey. We Strollers have done the rest of Bulimba Ck in the past – this is one worth repeating.

This time you will follow Mimosa Ck from Griffith Uni at Mt Gravatt through Toohey Forest down to Klump Rd and off towards Logan Rd at Eight Mile Plains. After crossing Kessels Rd, Mimosa Ck is again

followed through bush till it joins Bulimba Ck at MacGregor, then go up the roads where we bail out at Garden City; there are oodles of buses to the City and various rail stations (though Buranda is still closed).

The track is through Toohey Forest, along suburban streets and across parklands. A complete variety of countryside.

Make Prasada have an endless grin by coming along.



**SATURDAY 20th APRIL
UPPER ENOGGERA CREEK
DAYWALK**

Leader: Jan Nelson Ph: 0401 030 137
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7.30am
Distance: 13km
Cost: \$5
Grade: M43
Location: D'Aguilar National Park
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.4432/152.9017>
Emerg Off: Michele Johns Ph: 0414 635 542

We will commence the walk from the car park at Walkabout Creek Wildlife Centre on Waterworks Road, The Gap. From here the group will walk on the northern side of the Reservoir before turning off onto the Long-Range Walking Track. For the initial section of this track, the party will be following pink tags as the track is rather indistinct - there are obstacles such as logs to step over, but it is not too difficult. After a short while the track will become clearer & easier to follow and will bring us down to Enoggera Creek. The track will then follow this creek where we will find a suitable place to stop for morning tea.

When Centre Road is reached, we will follow this dirt road up a reasonably gentle incline to Nebo Road Break. There are lots of short ups and downs along the Break with some short, very steep downhill sections; so if you use a walking pole certainly bring it along. There are some viewing points along the

way. We will stop for lunch along Nebo Road Break before turning down the Duck Creek Track which will take us back to the Enoggera Reservoir and onwards to the car park.

This is a lovely walk very close to Brisbane, so I hope you can come along and join me.

SATURDAY 20th APRIL
ROMEO LAHEY MEMORIAL
LECTURE

<https://npaq.org.au/romeo-lahey-lecture-2024/>



National Parks Association
of Queensland Inc.



Romeo Lahey Memorial Lecture 2024

Date: 20th April 2024

Venue: Kedron Room, City Hall - Brisbane

Time: 9:30am - 11:30am

Presentation title:

Climate Change: How should National Parks prepare for the changes and challenges this will bring?

Presented by Prof Kerrie Wilson



Professor Kerrie Wilson commenced in the role of the Queensland Chief Scientist on 1 November 2023.

Her distinguished career encompasses roles at QUT, including Pro Vice-Chancellor (Sustainability and Research Integrity), and her tenure as the Executive Director of the QUT Institute for Future Environments. Previous leadership roles include Director of Conservation for The Nature Conservancy Australia and is currently a natural sciences expert for the Australian Heritage Council.

One of Australia's leading researchers into the science, strategy and policy of conservation, she holds a Bachelor in Environmental Science (First Class Honours) from The University of Queensland and a PhD from The University of Melbourne, undertaken in collaboration with the UN Environment Programme's World Conservation Monitoring Centre, based in Cambridge.

Outside the office, Professor Wilson embraces the outdoors with her family and they are regular visitors to Queensland National parks.

WEDNESDAY 24th APRIL
HOLLAND PARK HILL
“Over the Top”
STROLL

Leader: Louise Jones Ph: 0437 447 277
Meet at: Holland Park West Bus Station; cnr Sterculia Ave & Bapaume Rd
Bus: 3:07pm @ Roma Street Busway, Pl 2, (The platform entry inside the Rail Station);
Bus111 Eight Mile Plains
Time: 3.30pm.
Cost: Free.
Distance: 6.2km @ 2 hours.
Grade: S12.
The Sun: Sunset 5:21pm Twilight Ends 5:45pm
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=16/-27.5312/153.0595>
Emerg Off: Louise Ph: 0437 447 2777. Bring this number with you. Bring a Torch

This stroll begins and ends at Holland Park West Bus Station, 15 minutes from the City, on the Southern Busway. You may never have known there are hills in Holland Park – they are mere pimples compared to the nearby Mt Gravatt.

We climb the streets over Holland Park West, then follow mostly back streets and bike/walking paths back to the bus station. The path is through suburbia, sometimes along winding streets, up to the crown, along divided streets, through various easements that join streets and finally along a bush path along Ekibin Creek

Come along to see how the other half live in Holland Park up that little teeny-weeny hill.

SATURDAY 27th APRIL
LAKE MANCHESTER CIRCUIT
DAYWALK

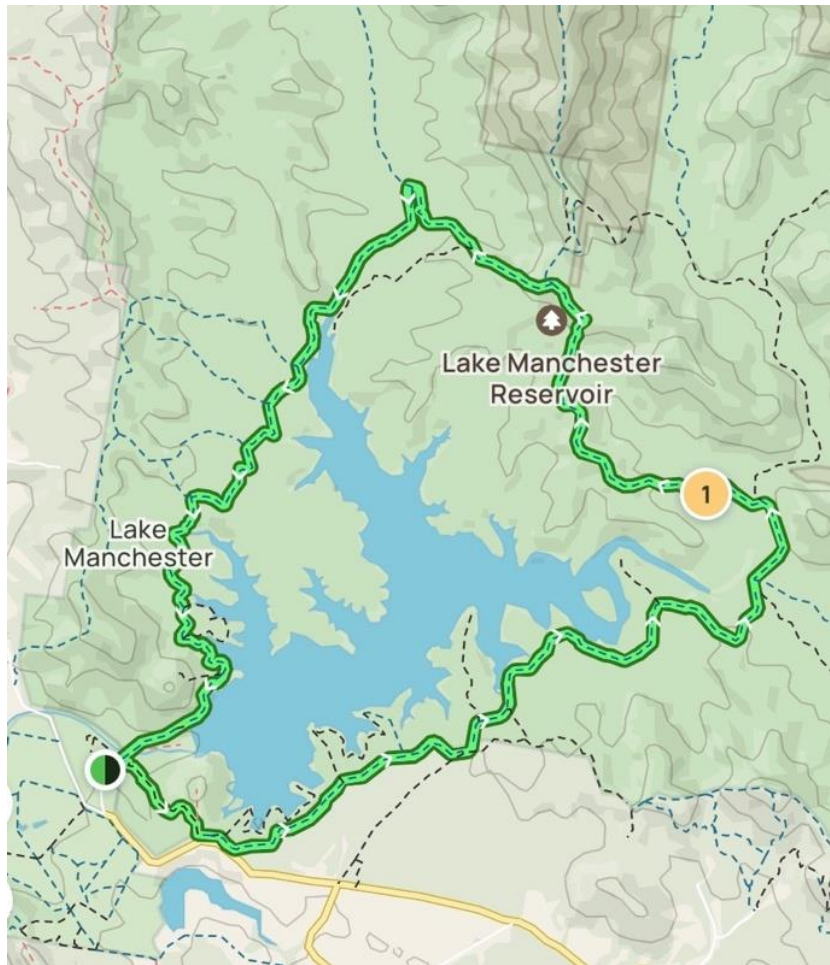
Leader: Paulette Schmidt Ph: 0414 805 512 paulette.t.schmidt@gmail.com
Time: 8am @ Lake Manchester
Meet at: Lake Manchester
Alternate: 7am if anybody requires to car pool? St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill.
My first option is just to meet at the picnic grounds at the beginning of the trail at Lake Manchester. Happy to accommodate people who may not drive.
Cost: \$5
\$25 with transport
Distance: 16.7km loop
Grade: M33
Location: City of Brisbane/Somerset Region 30km from the Brisbane CBD
West of Brisbane and north of Ipswich – near Karana Downs
Web: <https://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/se-qld/brisbane-forest-park-d-aquilar-np/lake-manchester-loop>
Where is: [Lake Manchester](#)
Google map: [Lake Manchester](#)

Located in Brisbane's backyard is the beautiful Lake Manchester Reservoir. Come along for a good walk around Lake Manchester commencing in a clockwise direction, from the carpark (just near the picnic tables). We will leave the hills behind us in the first half of the walk that is a 16.7km circuit. It is considered by 'All Trails' to be a challenging route, however, when I did it in 2023, I found it a rewarding, but not a hard walk as a lot is along the fire trail. Just one foot in front of the other with an elevation gain of 501m over the walk.

I thoroughly enjoyed my first walk around Lake Manchester and thought it worthwhile to revisit with Club members. The walk takes an average of 4 hours 42 min to complete – not including morning tea which will be taken in a beautiful area just off the track, mid-way through the walk – so bring your morning tea.

This is a very popular area for admiring nature, (i.e. goannas, snakes, etc) birding, hiking, and horseback riding, so you'll enjoy a day of adventure as you walk around the Reservoir.

At the conclusion of the walk, we'll enjoy lunch together at the picnic tables located close to the carpark, so no need to carry your lunch. ☺



Things to bring: Water and all the normal daywalking gear (i.e. sunscreen, etc); morning tea and lunch.



WEDNESDAY 1st MAY COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

Leader: Barbara Eastoe Ph: 0466 652 259
Where: The Woods Neighbourhood Bar
Meet at: 37 Blackwood St, Mitchelton
Time: 6pm
Web: www.thewoodsbar.com.au

This is a bar that takes its beer and wine seriously with a large range of craft beers (some on tap) and an exhaustive wine list. It also has a short but interesting food menu at reasonable prices (see the website). Wednesday is Schitty and Parmy night and you can get either of these for \$18. I'm sure they have copious amounts of coffee, and other "softer" liquids.

The best place to park is in the car park opposite the bar and there is bus and train transport close.

We will be sitting inside in the cosy old fashioned bar area. I really like the feel of this place.

Please let me know on 0466 652 259 if you are coming. I've booked for 15 and can increase the numbers but I'd like to know numbers earlier rather than later.



WEDNESDAY 1st MAY
M^t MAY
DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Meet at #1: St Brigid's Carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time #1: 7:00am
Meet at #2: Beaudesert at McDonalds
Time #2: 8:00am
Cost: \$25
Distance: 8km
Grade: S56
Web: <https://www.aussiebushwalking.com/qld/se-qld/mt-barney-np/mount-may>
Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 0420 510 214

This is a wonderful short walk in the Mt Barney National Park. Mt May is an "off track" walk that is a bit steep in places with a bit of rock scrambling. But it is actually only an easy off-track walk. We are doing the "standard" Mt May Circuit walk.

Mt May has two peaks and we will ascend both of them. We will start near the 'water reserve' and ascend the mountain via the north ridge. Our party will get to the north peak first, then it is down into the gully/saddle between north and south peaks. There is a bit of rock scrambling and a small cliff to pass by but not very scary. The south peak is the higheone and we will have our lunch there enjoying the view of Mt Barney massif and the Ballow Range. (The views of Mt Barney are sensational). The height of south peak is 836m. Then it is down the south west ridge to the Grace's Hut Road.(according to the map it is called Waterfall Creek Road). It is a rough 4WD road. Then it is a very easy downhill walk back to the cars. The initial descent down the south-west ridge involves some steep scrambling but nothing hard or scary for bushwalkers.

This walk gets a write up in the book *Take a Walk in South East Queensland* (2010) by Lyn & John Daly. See page 301–302. The height gain for the day is about 600m so it is a good uphill walk that the bushwalking purists love, but it is also within the capability of most members. The vegetation is open eucalyptus woodland forest. All up about 7 to 8km in distance and only about 4–5 hours of walking.

Bring the usual daywalk stuff:- lunch, raincoat, water etc. and perhaps bring gaiters and gloves as well.

Phil

FRI 3rd– MON 6th MAY

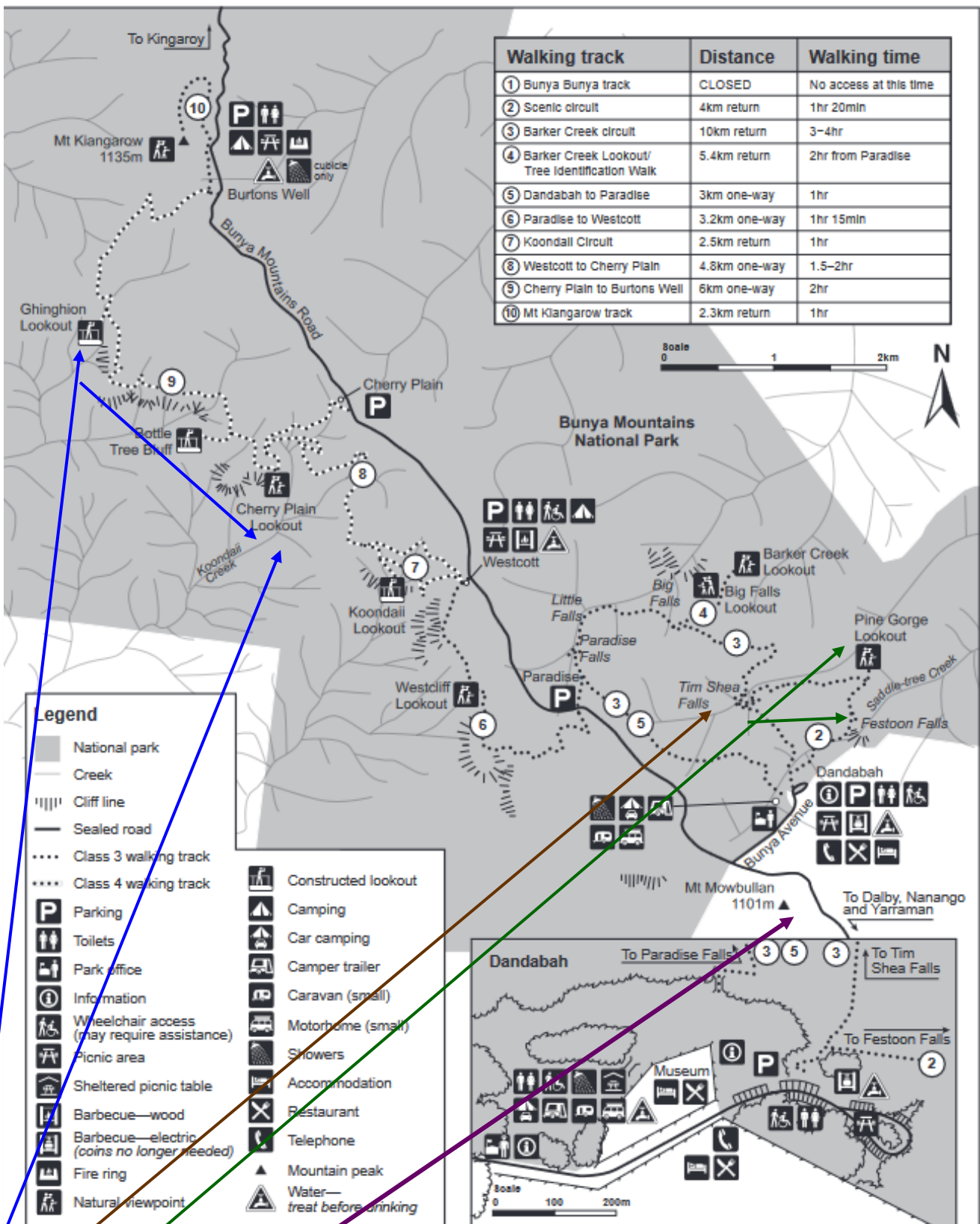
BUNYA MOUNTAINS BASECAMP

Leader: Khaleel Ph: 0413314443
Meet at: St Brigid's Church, Red Hill
Time: 6.30am
Cost: Various
Grade: Various
Location: West of Toowoomba and north of Dalby
Web: <https://bunyamountains.com.au/about-the-bunya-mountains/>

Bunya Mountains have a variety of stunning walks within ancient rainforest, beautiful viewpoints, and has its own flora and fauna. The mountains are pristine, peaceful and spectacular and about 3hr drive from Brisbane.

The mountains have a subtropical range of forests and woodlands and is the world's largest forest of bunya pines. Dome shaped bunya trees raise gracefully above the forest canopy presenting a beautiful green splendour.

Tent camping (cost is \$7.25 per night) will be at Dandabah which is probably the best campground in the National Park offering hot showers, flush toilets, undercover picnic tables, dish washing basin. There is good mobile coverage at the campground. There are restaurants and coffee shops handy to the campground.



House accommodation capacity is six people and total cost is about \$800.00 for three nights.

Day 1: Drive, check-in and settle in. Scenic walk to Tim Shea Falls 2.7km S22

Day 2: Festoon Falls and Pine Gorge Lookout 8.5km S23

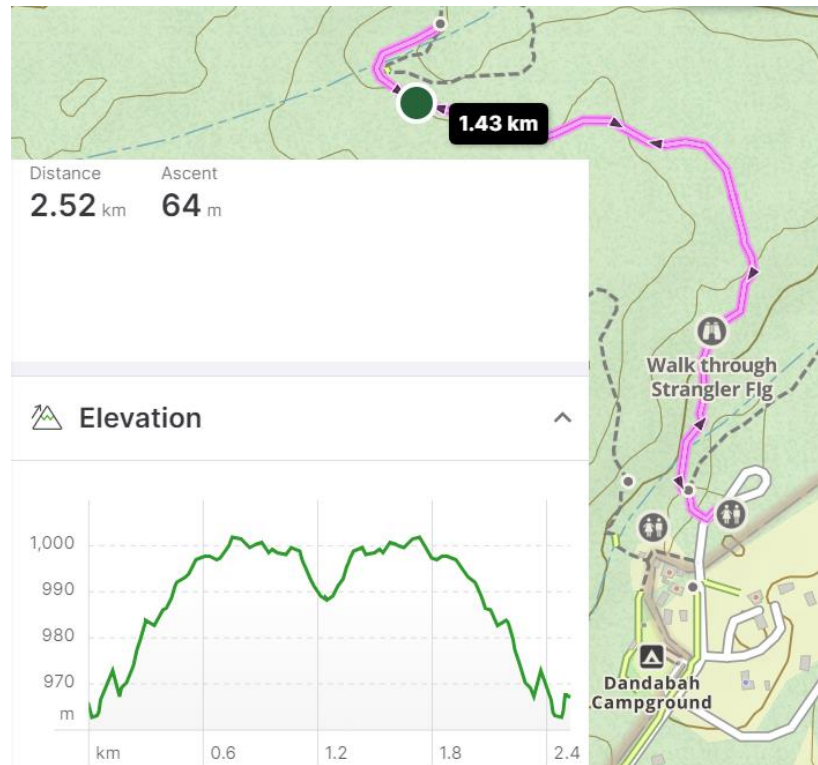
Day 3: Ghinghion Lookout and Cherry Plain Lookout 20km M33

Day 4: Cunjevoi Waterfall 5.6km S23. Then drive back to Brisbane

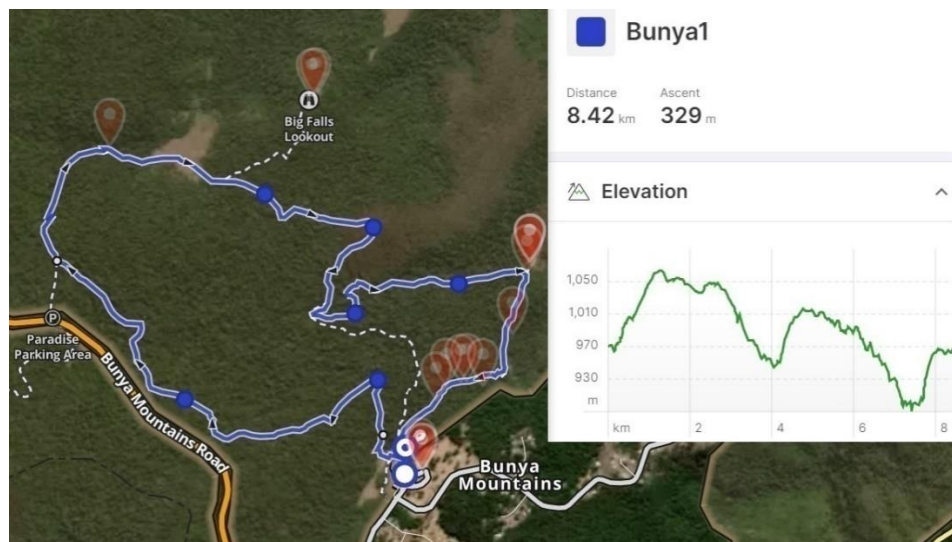
Please nominate ASAP and as I have booked limited spots: 8 tent camp sites and a house for 6 people.

Khaleel

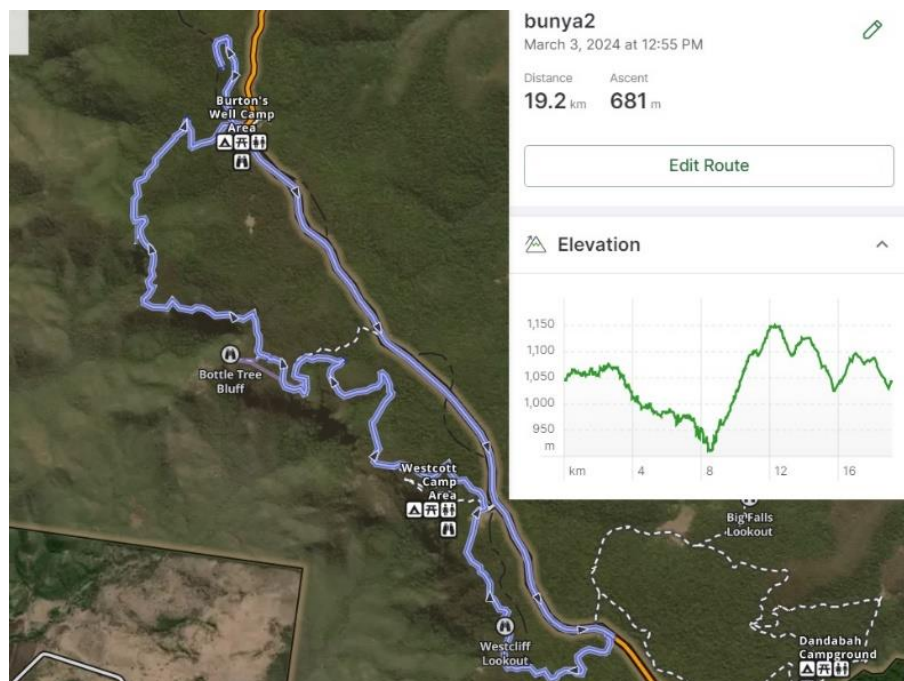
Day1 Walk



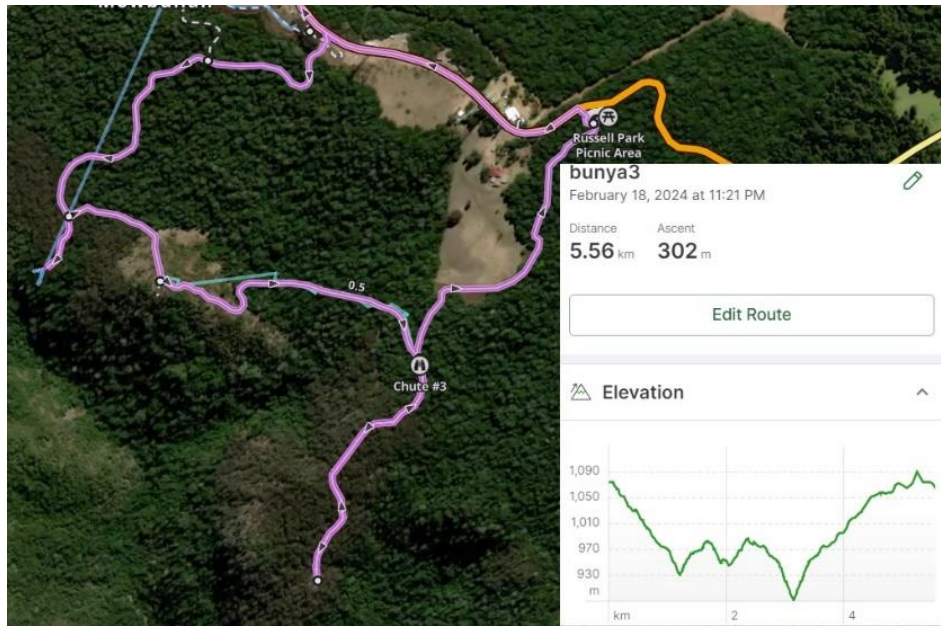
Day 2 Walk



Day 3 Walk



Day 4 Walk



SUNDAY 5th MAY MAPLETON to GHEERULLA FALLS DAYWALK

Leader: Sue Walsh Ph: 0403 487 737
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd Red Hill
Time: 7.00am
Cost: \$25
Grade: M44
Distance: 11.5km
Where: Mapleton National Park
Web: <https://www.weekendnotes.com/mapleton-falls-to-gheerulla-falls/>
Emerg Off: Richard Johns Ph: 0409 871 641



The club has walked various tracks in this area before but this time we will visit some of the park's landmarks from a different direction. The day will start with a drive from Red Hill to Mapleton Falls where people can admire the views and maybe have a snack while a short car shuffle is organised.

We will walk downhill from Mapleton Falls to the Delicia Rd Trailhead then walk the short Linda Garrett Circuit which passes through some of the prettiest wet rainforest around. You should be able to keep your feet dry but some protection against leeches would be advisable. From here, we will walk uphill until we reach the Piccabeen Circuit near the Leafy Lane carpark.

After walking part of the Piccabeen Circuit we will turn off and follow the trail to the Ubajee Walkers Camp and lookout where we will have lunch. It is downhill from here until we meet the Gheerulla Circuit near Gheerulla Falls. There is a creek crossing near the falls track which will require either some very tricky rock hopping or wet feet.

After relaxing at the falls, it is only a short but steep 1.5km walk out to the Gheerulla Falls carpark. Hopefully there will be time for a coffee on the way home. Sue Walsh

WEDNESDAY 8th MAY
THE GATEWAY BRIDGE
Doomben to Murarrie
STROLL

Leader: Jon Peake Ph: 0422 602 658
Meet at: Doomben Rail Station
Time: 3:16pm
Cost: Free
Train: 2:49pm Doomben Train Pl 6 Roma Street Stn
Grade: S12
Distance: 9.5km @ 2½hr
Twilight: Ends at 5:35pm
Home: From Murarrie Rail Station
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.4478/153.0908>
Emerg Off: Jon Ph: 0422 602 658

This 9.5km, 2½ hour Stroll links up some of the other Strolls we have done in the past. It joins the north and south sides of the river. Murarrie Station has been the starting place of several strolls.

This time you walk over the Gateway Bridge without getting run over. If you survive, views from the top are spectacular, especially straight down the runway at the airport. Oh, and down along the River. There is nothing higher than The Gateway so you will get spectacular views.

From Kingsford Smith Drive, the party will head along the Moreton Bay Cycleway (and pedestrian way) to THE Bridge. (The MB Cycleway is 150km from Bribie Is to Redland Bay.) You will follow the path over the bridge, stopping at the lookout at its highest point; the best views in Brisbane, and then head down to the Murarrie side.

The path then circles around under the bridge to a river viewpoint sitting out above the water. Then the group will head through the industrial landscape to the residential part of old Murarrie and the station.

You don't often walk over The Gateway Bridge, so here is your chance to get a guided excursion. Bring a torch and Jon's phone number with you.

SATURDAY 11th MAY
M^{ts} MIKETEEBUMULGRAI, ELIMBAH & BEERBURRUM
DAYWALK



<https://www.weekendnotes.com/hike-mount-miketeebumulgrai-mount-coochin-and-mount-elimbah/>

Leader: Michele Johns Ph: 0414 635 542
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd Red Hill
Time: 7.00am
Cost: \$15
Grade: S44
Where: Southern Glasshouse Mountains
Web: <https://parks.des.qld.gov.au/parks/glass-house-mountains>
Emerg Off: Therese Abernethy Ph: 0428 510 706

According to Wikipedia, there are 13 glasshouse mountains and most of us have only climbed a few. Here is a chance to visit a couple of the rarely visited ones closer to Brisbane. We are going to climb Miketeebumulgrai then Elimbah followed by Beerburum as each one has a better view than the one before.

From Red Hill, we will travel north and regroup at Elimbah township before a five-minute drive to our walk start on King Rd. We will then follow a track that leads to a scar from an old quarry then turn right and follow a pink flagged track that will take us through the scrub and boulder/rock field and directly to the top of Mt Miketeebumulgrai. It is fairly steep but not to the extent of a scramble. Total height gain is 150m.

It is a short 6km drive from Mt Miketeebumulgrai to Mt Elimbah carpark from which we will follow a 1km pink flagged trail to the top. Total height gain is 70m.

Next, we will drive to the Beerburum Trailhead to start the Mt Beerburum climb. At Mt Beerburum we will have the luxury of a 700m concrete path to follow for the 215m of height gain which is very steep although the views from the top will be worth it.

If all goes to plan, we will have lunch at the top of Beerburum followed by a coffee after the descent into Beerburum township prior to our trip home. Michele Johns

WEDNESDAY 15th MAY BELMONT BUSHLAND RESERVE STROLL

Leader: Prasada Ph: 0402 964 854
Meet at: 3:05pm at Carindale Shopping Centre Interchange, Platform J, Carindale St
For the 3:05pm Bus 243 Gumdale Loop Bus at Platform J. Travel one stop.
Bus: 2:21pm at Queen Street Bus Station, 3b, Bus 200 Carindale Hts. Get off at Carindale Shopping Centre.
If Driving: Park in Scrub Rd near the corner with Winstanley St and walk north along Scrub Rd to Old Cleveland Rd, turn right to find the entrance to the Reserve at the end of the houses (The yellow gate) by 3pm.
Cost: Free.
Grade: S32
Distance: 8km @ 3hr
Height: Gain: 170m Loss: 156m.
Location: Southern Suburbs - Carindale
Map: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=17/-27.50610/153.11526>
Emerg Off: Prasada Ph: 0402 964 854

Bring this number with you. Bring a torch.

This is an interesting Stroll in an area we have not done before. I did not know this forest existed till I searched the map for green bits. It is a forgotten part of Carindale between Old Cleveland Rd and the Gateway Motorway.

The terrain is all bush though we will be using existing tracks of one sort or another. These are not graded or formed paths, so it will be a bit rough underfoot. There will be a confusing mix of tracks, so there may be some delays in following the true path. Anyway, you will be in native Australian bush all the way so the sight of green leaves and brown trunks will calm the spirit.

Bring a torch as it could be a latish end – it will be Autumn by then and is starting to get dark earlier. At least it should be cool.

Use Translink's Journey Planner to find you way to the Carindale Shops and be there by 3.50pm. I do not trust buses to be on time, so even I may turn up late and miss the Route 270 bus. Failing the 270, there is the 242 at 4.05pm.

Coming home, there is the Route 200 City every 15min from Scrub Rd, cnr Winstanley, going to the Queen Street Bus Station in the Myer Centre.

FRIDAY 17th MAY DRINKS & DINNER SOCIAL



Leader: Liz Little Ph: 0414 252 003
Where: Hotel West End, 10 Browning St, South Brisbane
Time: 4.30pm onwards
Cost: Meals from \$19
Web: <https://hotelwestend.com.au/>

Hotel West End was formerly known as the Melbourne Hotel but was renovated and renamed in 2017. We last visited this hotel in November 2022 and in the post event report I noted that it was “a venue well worth revisiting in the future”.

The Bistro offers a very good range of meals and drinks at a reasonable cost. The Hotel is 650m from the Cultural Centre Bus Station or South Brisbane Train Station, or you can catch the 196 bus which stops almost at the door.

Visitors are very welcome. It is usually not a late night as we tend to order our meals before 6pm and are on our way home by 8pm. Come along and join us.



SATURDAY 18th MAY
M^t TABLETOP
DAYWALK

Leader: Michele Johns Ph: 0414 635 542
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Time: 7.00am.
Cost: \$25
Grade: M54
Location: Near Toowoomba
Web: <https://www.toowoombataalk.com.au/places/toowoomba/exploring-table-top-mountain/>
Emerg Off: Therese Abernethy Ph. 0428 510 706

Tabletop Mountain is of historical significance to many of the early Aboriginal tribes who suffered major losses in the battle of One Tree Hill in 1843 between indigenous locals and Europeans.

The walk starts from Picnic Point on top of the Range. We will park just below Picnic Point, then follow a narrow track along a plateau of native grass. It's all downhill and easy walking to the base of Camels Hump.

The walk will take us over some roughly placed rocks and there is a little bit of scrambling near the top with a scree slope but nothing really daunting. The walk is just over 11km return, so depending on the group, we should be walking for about 4 – 5 hours.

There are great views on top from suburban Toowoomba in the west, the Lockyer Valley to the east and the main range to the south.

Bring the usual day walk gear, including sun screen and a shady hat as it is quite exposed. I suggest at least 2ltr of water as well.

We should be able to finish the day with a coffee from the restaurant at Picnic Point.

Hope to see you on this walk. Michele

MONDAY 20th MAY
CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Contact: Antonia Simpson
Time: 7.30pm – Doors open & meeting starts soon after.
Where: Fr Denis Power Building (part of the former Sacred Heart School, 347 Given Terrace, Paddington (Rosalie). On GPS try 339 Given Tce.
<https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-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: <https://bcbc.online/>

Our meetings are friendly and relaxed gatherings where members and visitors can hear about recent & upcoming Club events and ask questions about Coming Walks that interest you.

After the formalities, people catch up over a friendly cuppa. During this time, nominations for Walks are taken. You can ask leaders about their trips and talk with members about their experiences.

Russ will lead a discussion on trips on long weekends.

Everyone is welcome to the Club General Meeting. Please plan to be there on Monday 20th.

WEDNESDAY 22nd MAY
CABBAGE TREE CREEK
Ferny Grove to Everton Park
STROLL

Leader: Paula Hill Ph: 3355 4310

Meet at: Ferny Grove Station, in the concourse in front of the ticket office
Time: 3pm
Cost: Free
Grade: S12
Distance: 9.95km @ 2½hrs
Train: 2:22pm Ferny Grove Train Pl 6
It stops at Central at 2.26pm and at Bowen Hills at 2:31pm
Driving: Park at Enoggera Station and catch the 2.43pm Ferny Grove train
Terrain: The first 45min is through Native Australian Bush; the rest is on a native Australian bike track beside a very beautiful native Australian creek.
Web: <https://www.bikemap.net/en/o/5539576/#/z15/-27.3808563,152.9579258/osm>
At the End: Bus Stop in Old Northern Rd near Hamilton Rd. Stop Id: 010239 Bus 359 Enoggera Stn, Roma St Stn & Creek St @ 5:38pm & 6:25pm
Emerg Off: Paula Ph: 0435 171 366 Bring This Number With You
Bring A Torch, Sun & Rain Protection And Water With You

Most of this one is along a lovely bike track through beautiful parkland. Starting out in the Samford State Forest, you will follow the firebreak from Ironbark Gully up to the top of the ridge into the higher part of Ferny Hills and onto Linkwood Rd. (This is where we will get to a height of 150m from a starting point of 60m. (It is a *Real Hill*.) From there, it is downhill all the way to the end.

We will then be in the catchment of Cabbage Tree Creek and will be following it all the way. The Council has kept this a showpiece of planning by keeping it clean, manicured and full of the original native vegetation. Sadly, there is hardly a street to cross as most crossings go under the road with the creek. This is my mostest favourites bike track and has been so ever since I found it when the kids were small and into riding those little bikes. The end is a little wonky as we must leave the Creek to get to a bus stop to take us to Enoggera Station, Roma St Station or Queen St.

Join me on this very pleasant stroll. See pretty parkland, native vegetation, wildlife and waterways management.

SATURDAY 25th MAY AWASSI CHEESERY at GRANTHAM SOCIAL

Leader: Barbara Eastoe Ph: 0466 652 259
Where: Awassi Cheesery at Grantham, details in May Jilalan
Web: <https://awassicheesery.com.au>

Awassi are a Middle Eastern breed of sheep farmed for their meat and milk. Queensland is lucky to have its own flock of Awassi sheep at a magical small farm north of Grantham in the Brisbane Valley. I'd like you to join me to visit this lovely place and sample the cheese and ice cream they make.

The final details need to be worked out but this is generally what I am planning. I would like to arrive about 11am and start with a talk from David Piggott about the sheep and how they are milked. I suggest that you then get a cheese platter. Di Piggott, who is the cheesemaker, will talk to you about the cheeses. There is free tea and coffee and if you think that a cheese tasting should always be accompanied with a glass of vino, never fear. You are welcome to bring along your own wine and they will supply the glasses. The tasting takes place under the huge old mango trees.



After the cheese tasting you can check out the farm shop (I really recommend the fig balsamic) and have an ice cream. You have never tasted a good ice cream until you have had an Awassi ice cream! I need confirm prices but they should be about \$20 per person for the cheese platter (\$25 with ice cream)

After we have finished at the cheesery, we will take a short drive to Lake Apex at Gatton. There is a café there if anyone wants to buy good coffee or food (if the cheese was not enough for lunch). There are picnic tables if you would like to bring along your own food or maybe you would like to take the 2km walk around the lake and see how many different birds you can see.

If this seems like a great day out (trust me it is) put it in your diary and watch out for the details in next month's Jilalan.

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

Leader: Russ Nelson Ph: 0427 743 534
Distance: 77km
Cost: \$90 for transport plus accommodation for 4 nights
Grade: M22
Location: Toowoomba and then south to Allora on quiet country roads or pathways

This trip is now fully subscribed and a waitlist exists. Details were contained in the January *Jilalan*.

WEDNESDAY 29th MAY
DUTTON PARK TO CITY
Via Highgate Hill & Boundary St
STROLL

Leader: Susan Ware Ph: 0416 086 207
Meet at: Dutton Park Bus Station (Dutton Pk side of the Eleanor Schonell Bridge)
Bus: To the Bus Station: 29, 66, 139, 169, 192, 209
To Annerley Rd (just above the Bus Station: 192, 196, 198
3:02pm Bus 66 UQ Lakes from Roma Street Busway Station PI 2
Time: 3:26pm
Cost: Free
Grade: S11
Distance: 7km
Duration: 2hr
Location: Highgate Hill, West End, South Brisbane & The City
Web: <https://www.google.com.au/maps/@-27.4901113,153.0277786,16z?hl=en&entry=ttu>
Emerg Off: Susan Ph: 0416 086 207 – Bring this Number with you

You start off from the Eleanor Schonell Bridge and walk up to Gladstone Rd for just a short distance. Then the party heads along back streets nearer the River. Here you see old houses – some very ornate and pretty, some nice renovations. There is even a rainforest gully – so this is a “real” walk...

Once you reach Boundary St at Hill End (which is the back end of West End), you take a short detour to the River, and turn around. Now the party will follow Boundary St from the River at Hill End all the way straight to the River at South Brisbane. Boundary St is as straight as an arrow.

Go under the Dornoch Tce Bridge, walk past old houses, through the main West End shopping centre with all its ethnic shops and cafes, down to the South Brisbane shopping precinct and down to the Paul's factory and the River.

Finish with a crossing of the Kurilpa Bridge to either Roma St Station or the King George Station and transport home.

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>



THU 20th to FRI 21st JUNE
NORTHERN RIVERS RAIL TRAIL
Tweed Section
ACCOMMODATED WALK

Leader: Russ Nelson Ph 0427 743 534
Meet at: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 10.30am
Distance: 24km
Cost: \$35 + 1 night's accommodation
Grade: M22
Location: South of Murwillumbah
Emerg Off: to be advised

Bookings Close 30th April

The Northern Rivers Rail Trail was originally a railway line that operated between the early 20th century and 2004. This walk follows the former railway line from Murwillumbah to Stokers Siding Station (20th May) and then onto Crabbes Creek Station on 21st May. It anticipated that in the future the track will continue all the way to Casino. The route is flat, very green with some stunning views and passes through lush rainforests, quaint villages and rural farmland.

The overnight will be in a hotel in Murwillumbah. Which one will be advised shortly.

Along the way on day one we will visit the Margaret Olley Art Centre which is just south of Murwillumbah. There are a lot of stairs from the trail up to the Art Centre, but the view of Mount Warning and the Tweed Valley from the top of the stairs is well worth the effort, as is the visit to the Art Centre. Margaret Olley was born in Lismore in 1923 and died in 2011 after living in Queensland and New South Wales. Entry to the Art Centre is free.

Day two goes via a long tunnel (500 metres) and weaves through the cuttings and the hills through the Burringbar and Mooball areas. Bring a torch for the tunnel.

This is a gentle walk and all are invited. Day 1 is only 8km plus the stairs to the Art Centre. Day 2 is 16km. It is being held on a week day so as to avoid the crowds of cyclists on the weekend and to visit the Margaret Olley Art Centre.

SUN 25th to SAT 31st AUGUST SYDNEY UPPER HARBOUR ACCOMMODATED TRIP

Leader: Russ Nelson Ph 0427743534 russnelson52@outlook.com
Cost: Travel to/from Sydney + Accommodation at North Sydney + incidental public transport costs
Grade: M to L 23 except 29th August - M34
Location: Sydney with a focus on Harbour west of Harbour Bridge
Emerg Off: To be advised

Day	Start	End	Walking Distance
Sun 25 th August	Brisbane	Sydney	
Mon 26 th August	Maroubra	Rose Bay	14km
Tue 27 th August	North Sydney	Gladesville Bridge	15.9km
Wed 28 th August	Huntley Point (Gladesville Bridge)	Parramatta	18.8km
Thu 29 th August	Berowra	Cowan	12.9km
Fri 30 th August	Gladesville Bridge	North Sydney	12.1km
Sat 31 st August	Sydney	Brisbane	

This walk follows the success of the Sydney Harbour Walk in May 2022 and primarily focuses on the Harbour west of the Harbour Bridge. Travel days are 25th and 31st August when you travel to/from Sydney by the means of your choice and catch the train to North Sydney. If flying, I suggest you fly mid-afternoon. Hopefully we can all gather for an evening meal on 25th August.

The basic plan is to gather at 7.50am each morning and head off, either by foot, ferry or train. The return will be at the end of the walk by either foot, ferry or train. Our gathering point will be in North Sydney at our accommodation site for 2022, namely Meriton Suites, 80 Arthur Street, North Sydney – Ph 1800

214 822 or 02 8319 9888. To minimise costs, may wish to share multi-bedroom accommodation if staying at the Meriton, but you can choose to stay nearby in North Sydney, if you wish.

The walks –

26th August – Maroubra to Rose Bay – In 2022 we walked part of this, so we repeat visiting some of the most scenic coastal walking in eastern Australia and it ends in an older area of Sydney which is now occupied by prestige dwellings.

27th August – North Sydney to Gladesville Bridge – This walk is the first five bridges in the Sydney “Seven Bridges” walk and provides classic views of inner Sydney west of the Harbour Bridge. We return to North Sydney by ferry.

28th August – This walk commences where yesterday’s walk ended and turns toward Parramatta and follows the Parramatta River upstream to Parramatta past the 2000 Olympic site. We return by train on the western end line.

29th August – Today we have a break from urban walking and spend a day in the bush. We catch a train to the north to Berowra and then walk west to Berowra Waters. Half way along is Naa Badu a suitable place for lunch. Afterwards we gain height to reach the railway line and Cowan Station for our journey home.

30th August – Our last day of walking is the completion of the “Seven Bridges” walk and we catch a ferry to Gladesville Bridge and walk via Tarban Creek Bridge, Fly Tree Bridge, Lane Cove Village and Wollstonecraft Village to our accommodation at North Sydney.

If you want to come, please let the leader know, ideally by 30th April. It is recommended that you access an Opal card (if you desire a concession rate) for public transport travel (Sydney equivalent of a GoCard). See <https://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/opal/get-opal-card>, Credit cards can be used for adult fares. Also remember to book your travel arrangements to/from Sydney plus your accommodation.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Balance 26/02/2024	\$5270.59
Plus Receipts	\$1289.23
Sub Total	\$6559.82
Less Payments	\$1388.87
Balance 31/03/2024	\$5170.95
Term Deposit	\$5000.00

I am now collecting donations for The Little Kings Movement for the Handicapped for which I can issue tax deductible receipts. Terry.

OUTINGS SECRETARY’S REPORT

A successful Outings Sub-Committee meeting was held in late March. The next step is to shrink the number of suggested walks to meet the vision of your Committee. This is then followed by date allocation in 2025 and finding leaders.

In 2025 the following public holidays occur close together –

Easter Sunday	20 th April 2025 throughout Australia
Anzac Day (Friday)	25 th April 2025 throughout Australia
Labour Day (Monday)	5 th May 2025 in Queensland only

Up to the present the Club has often run the more distant trips on long weekends. However, most members do not work full time and now there is a tendency to run more Accommodated Trips. This means that venues can be both crowded and expensive. I recall leading an Easter trip to Blackdown Tablelands, some 40 years ago, and on Easter Sunday morning we arrived at Dingo for Mass and overwhelmed the local congregation by doubling the number of people attending Mass.

Given that now most of us have more flexibility in our free time, I propose that we do not run extended trips on Easter and Anzac weekends. This will allow members to participate in the core purpose of these public holidays, i.e. Easter Triduum and Anzac Dawn Service. Labour Day weekend remains a good time to run trips in New South Wales where it's not a public holiday. Daywalks on Easter Monday would not be affected by this proposal.

Therefore, I would suggest we not run long trips on Easter and Anzac holidays and schedule them away from school holidays which should allow us to avoid travelling in peak periods and at a cheaper cost. Your feedback on this suggestion would be appreciated. Russ Nelson

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As at the end of March, BCBC has a total of 79 current members. This consists of 70 ordinary and associate members, 7 life members and 2 honorary members. To date, 2 new members, Diane Yallop and Kerry Necker, have joined the club and former member, Majella Deegan, has rejoined this year.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Philomena Grimwade *nee* Gaffney, aged 90, died last November (Phil was a foundation member of the Club and in Tiaro). Please remember Phil and her family in your prayers.

Pat Sellen, an early member of the Club, died in March in her home town of Gympie. Keep her and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Therese Abernethy, Rusty Jones, Pat Lawton and Di Robertson are celebrating their birthdays in April.

Paula Sedgman (Donna Ellison's sister) was a first-time visitor on Pat's Mt. Glorious walk. Visitors are most welcome on any of our activities.

Kylie Moore recently returned from walking in New Zealand's South Island and Jon Peake has just returned from a bicycling tour in New Zealand. Matt and Kerry are back from a holiday in Japan.

PAST EVENTS

TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY PANCAKE TUESDAY SOCIAL

Pancake Tuesday was the way we marked a Coffee Night in February and it marked the beginning of Lent the following day. The venue was Miss Claude's Crepes at Newmarket, our traditional venue and fortunately the pancakes were up to the required standard.

Attendees were – Graeme A, Pat & Jonas, Michelle & Benno G, Christina C, Jan & Russ, Michele & Greg, Neil H, Sue T, Cath & Jon, Liz L, Paddy T and Terry S.

Thanks to all who attended. Russ Nelson

WEDNESDAY 6th MARCH COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL



The Broncos Courtyard Café was the venue for March and we had twenty attendees with most of us becoming members of Broncos Leagues Club, as the meals are much cheaper.

Attendees were - Pat & Jonas, Barbara E, Jan & Russ, Michele & Greg, Louise & Rusty, Susan W, Geraldine Y, Liz L, Paulette & Al, Antonia S, Deborah & Will, Andrea T, Prasada and Terry S.

Thanks to all who attended. Russ Nelson

FRIDAY 15th MARCH DRINKS AND DINNER SOCIAL

Fourteen people gathered at the Red Brick Hotel at Annerley. This hotel is a lovely place to meet on a Friday afternoon. It was built in 1890 and features federation-era style architecture and I love the exposed brickwork of the interior. Importantly, it is not overly noisy which allows for conversation to take place without feeling the need to shout. Everyone seemed to enjoy their meals (the Barramundi was delicious).

Thank you to those who joined me for an enjoyable catch-up and meal: Maria K, Annette M, Michelle & Benno G, Cath & Mike W, Russ N, Susan W, Barbara E, Paulette & Al, Liz L, and Cath M. Jan Nelson

SUNDAY 17th MARCH CLUB HUT DAYWALK

Another year and yet another Club Hut birthday saw eight of us gather on time at Red Hill before joining the Sunday morning traffic on our uneventful drive down to the Hut. We had a regroup in Rathdowney before heading onto the Lower Portals Carpark where we met Pat and Jonas. We were surprised to see the carpark was not as full as usual. The countryside was spectacularly green thanks to our surprisingly wet el Nino summer.

Sadly, the walking track continues to deteriorate with the vegetation now encroaching in places. As there was only a small flow in Rocky Creek, we had no trouble crossing it with dry feet. On the day we did not see as many people as usual and we wondered if this could be because of the poor state of the track. I feel that this contributed to our slow pace into the hut where we found Iain. He had walked in on Thursday night with the intention of doing some sketching. On Friday he was captured by the serenity of the place before becoming a one-man working bee on Saturday and Sunday. Sadly, no sketching was done.

As soon as we arrived, the table was stacked with goodies so that we could celebrate the birthday in style. Also, our timing was good as Iain had just boiled the billy. As usual there was plenty of food.



The water level in Barney Creek at the hut was up a bit after recent rain. With one of our stepping stones washed away, crossing it with dry feet was a little challenging. Three of the group made the crossing and headed up to the Lower Portals where two had a refreshing swim. Meanwhile, those at the hut enjoyed some conversation and relaxation whilst supervising Iain's work. On walking into the hut there is new track on the left-hand end of where the lantana used to be. This has been put in by John Carter and Iain.

When the swimmers returned, we had lunch before packing up and walking back to the cars. We broke our drive home with a stop in Beaudesert. The only event on the trip was driving through some heavy rain as we approached Brisbane. By the time we reached the river it had stopped. Until then it had been quite a fine and hot day

Thanks to those who joined me on the day celebrating the Hut's birthday:- Prasada Vajjhala, Therese Abernethy, Jan & Russ Nelson, Paddy Taylor, Annette Mackenzie (on her first visit to the Hut), Benno Giuliani, Pat Lawton, Jonas Bernotas, and Iain Renton. Thanks also to Russ for helping with the leading and Jonas for tail end Charlie. I look forward to your company next year when we will do it all again, potentially as a support for the return of the Club Hut Feast. Terry

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH NOOSA NATIONAL PARK DAYWALK

This was my first time to lead a walk, and we all survived well and didn't even get lost! Nine avid walkers gathered at 9am at Noosa Woods carpark. First, we walked Noosa Beach past all the surfers, then along the boardwalk to the national park entrance. We followed Track 4 which took us, and many other walkers and runners, along the north coast of the park to Hell's Gate, where there were three log-seats with sea views awaiting our arrival for morning tea.

Next it was down past a sleeping snake to Alexandra Bay and a beach walk (now without crowds), then up and over the headland to Sunshine Beach, at the end of Track 4. The northern tip was a great spot for lunch, with the beach and surf laid out before us. Fed and refreshed, we turned back into the park following numerous trails in the bush, but always the sounds of waves close by. Then we found Track 3 which led us up to Noosa Hill, where there were glimpses of the Noosa North Shore.

Finally, we set-off back on Track 3, to 4 and the boardwalk to Noosa Beach. Benno, Prasada and I couldn't resist a swim, while the others found a coffee shop (there's a few in Hastings St!!). From there we dispersed off to home or local friends, just as the rain arrived (though I was back in the surf by then!).



Thank you to the merry group who trusted a first-time leader: Cath & John; Prasada, Benno, Susan T, Eva, Neil, and a new club member Kerry. Graeme Aldom.

BETHANIA to LOGAN VILLAGE RAIL TRAIL

A new Rail Trail is being built – part is already in place; a lot is in the planning stage and a section is in serious dispute. Let's see what eventuates, and more importantly, when.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TrZLFDJfrHY>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SATm9biokBo>

<https://www.logan.qld.gov.au/bethania-logan-village-rail-trail-flythrough-transcript>

<https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=14/-27.7221/153.1036>

<https://www.logan.qld.gov.au/bethania-logan-village-rail-trail>

Do not hold your breath while waiting for it to pass through the middle of Palm Lakes Resorts at Bethania – the old rail right-of-way goes right through the middle – it will never happen.

PROTECT BEAUTIFUL QUEENSLAND WEEK OF ACTION

<https://protectqueensland.org.au/>

From: QCC Volunteer <volunteer@qldconservation.org.au>

Subject: Protect Beautiful Queensland - Week of Action

Did you know 77% of Queenslanders want more national parks? Just like you the majority of Queenslanders love national parks and other protected areas for their natural beauty, for a place to have fun and relax, connect to Country and of course the critical role they play in protecting our unique plants and wildlife. We are campaigning to double protection across Queensland in well managed national parks and private reserves by 2030.

We all love the outdoors and we believe our voice will be stronger by working together. As this campaign seeks to protect Queensland's precious natural environment for generations to come, we thought it would be of interest to the Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club.

In April we are holding a week of action to stand together and actively demonstrate broad and diverse support for doubling QLD's protected areas. By doing this our elected representatives will hear us loud and clear, protecting beautiful QLD is a priority and they must act now. We need your group to take part in the Protect Beautiful Qld week of action between the 20th - 28th of April by:

Digital Action - Head out into nature and take a photo of yourself with a "Protect Beautiful QLD because ..." sign, send it to your MP, share it with us and share it on social media.

Host an event - Increase your impact by bringing your friends, family and community together for a fun nature themed event to celebrate nature and demonstrate active community support. This could be a birdwatch, mini bioblitz, bushwalk, picnic, film screening or nature art workshop just as some examples. It will incorporate participants taking part in the digital action.

Please share information about the week of action to your group and consider organising an event, maybe you already have something planned for that week which you can tie in the digital action to. [Sign up and share info about the week of action with this link.](#) If you and your group are on social media you can share this info.

You can find out more about the campaign through the [Protect Beautiful Qld Website](#). Feel free to get in touch if you have any questions. If you and/ or others in your group sign up will be in touch with further information.

Thank you very much,

Rikki

Queensland Conservation Council, 1/377 Montague Rd, West End, QLD 4101 Phone: (07) 3846 7833

Website: www.queenslandconservation.org.au/

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MAGAZINES FROM OTHER CLUBS

The Club receives magazines from other south-east Queensland Clubs and interstate; if you wish to read any contact Sue, our Club Secretary at briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au

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.

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

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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Payment of fees can be made to the Treasurer.

Pro-rata amounts apply to new members if you join during the year.

WARNING: All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertakes all activities of the Club at their own risk.

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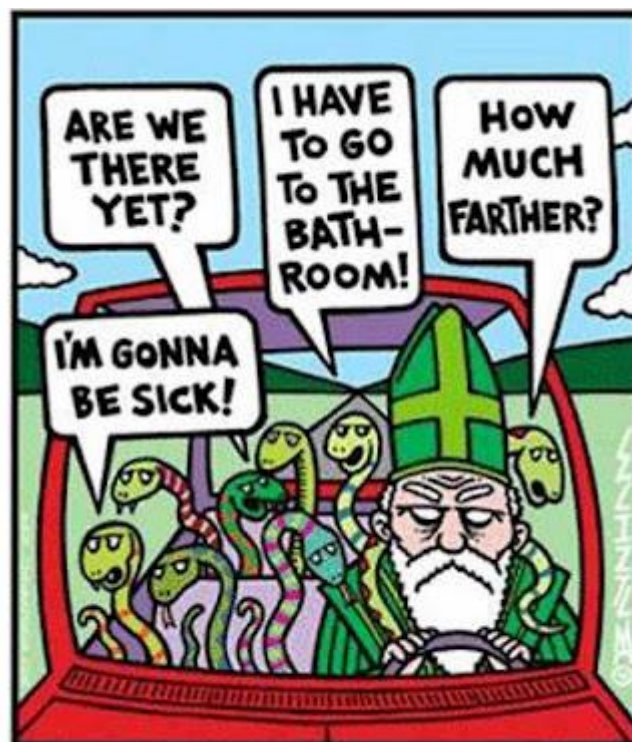
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