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		APRIL				
10	Wed	Ferny Grove to Jinker Track & Back	Greg		Stroll	
14	Sun	Country Lunch "The Queensport Tavern"	Greg		Soc	
17	Wed	Mimosa Creek – Griffith Uni to Garden City	Prasada		Stroll	
20	Sat	Upper Enoggera Creek	Jan		DW	
24	Wed	Holland Park Hills	Louise J		Stroll	
27	Sat	Lake Manchester	Paulette		DW	
		MAY				
01	Wed	Coffee Night - The Woods Neighbourhood Bar	Barbara		Soc	
01	Wed	Mt May	Phil		DW	
03 – 06	WE	Bunya Mountains	Khaleel		BC	
05	Sun	Mapleton to Gheerula Fall Postponed	Sue Walsh		DW	
08	Wed	Doomben Stn to Murarrie Stn (The Gateway)	Jon P		Stroll	
11	Sat	Miketeebumulgrai, Elimbah & Beerburum	Michele J		DW	
15	Wed	Belmont Bushland Reserve	Prasada	0402 964 854	Stroll	S32
17	Fri	Drinks & Dinner Hotel West End	Liz L	0414 252 003	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 Ware	0416 086 207	Stroll	S11
30	Thu	Banff Mountain Film Festival			Movies	
		JUNE				
01	Sat	Mapleton to Gheerula Fall New Date	Sue Walsh		DW	M44
05	Wed	Coffee Night – Kafe Meze	Prasada	0402 964 854	Soc	
09	Sun	Mt Maroon New	Phil	0416 650 160	DW	S56
12	Wed	Teneriffe, The Valley & Spring Hill to City	Janet G	0419 466 373	Stroll	S21
14	Fri	Mystery Progressive Dinner	Sue T	3366 3193	Soc	
15	Sat	Flinders Peak	Michael C	3556 1664	DW	S66
19	Wed	Rail #22 – Wynnum North to Lota	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	S11
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	S33
26	Wed	River #01b Nudgee Beach to Toombul	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	M11
29	Saturday	Ravensbourne Pole Farm New Date	Matt	0438 720 235	DW	L55
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	
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	
03–04	Sat-Sun	Lizard Point New	Matt	0438 720 235	O/N	
07	Wed	Coffee Night			Soc	
10	Sat	Musical Theatre - Legally Blond	Russ	0427 743 534	Soc	
14	Wed	Barney Mass – Peasants	Terry	3355 9765	DW	
14	Wed	Barney Mass – South East Ridge	John C	0422 279 771	DW	
14	Wed	Barney Mass – Foothills	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
18	Sun	Bralcalba Trails	Sue Walsh	0403 487 737	DW	
19	Mon	Quarterly Meeting	Michele E	0418 708 638	Meet	
21	Wed	History #3 - Indooroopilly	Greg	3351 4092	Stroll	
24	Sat	White Rock	Greg	3351 4092	DW	
25–31	WK	Sydney Upper Harbour	Russ	0427 743 534	AT	
28	Wed	Bunyaville Conservation Park			Stroll	

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

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honour Mary, Mother of God. Mary, our guide - *Duce Maria* our club logo

Blessed Virgin Mary,

who can worthily repay you with praise and thanks

for having rescued a fallen world by your generous consent?

Receive our gratitude, and by your prayers obtain the pardon of our sins.

Take our prayers into the sanctuary of heaven; enable them to make our peace with God. *St. Augustine*

ABOUT WALKS

Trips leave from St Brigid's Carpark at 78 Musgrave Road, 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 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 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 Street, 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 J

MONDAY 20th MAY **CLUB GENERAL MEETING**

Contact: Antonia Simpson Ph: 0400 571 387
Time: 7.30pm – Doors open and 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: Ferny Grove Train Pl 6 Roma St 2:22pm - Central 2.26pm - Bowen Hills 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 and 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**

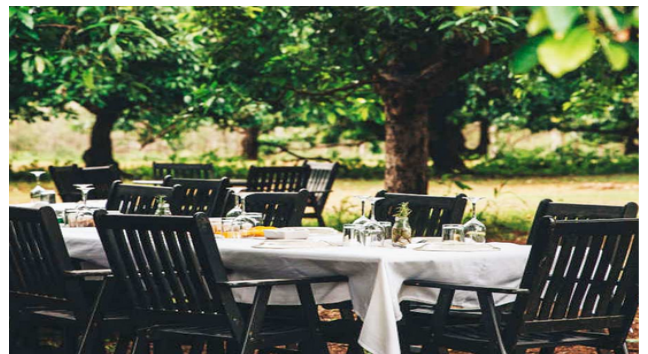
Leader: Barbara Eastoe Ph: 0466 652 259
Where: Awassi Cheesery at Grantham, 776 Sandy Creek Road, Grantham
Cost: \$20 per person for the cheese platter, and \$25 with ice cream
Web: <https://awassicheesery.com.au>

Awassi Cheesery produces delicious sheep milk cheeses and ice cream made with all natural ingredients (yum!)

My plan is to meet at the Cheesery between 11.00 and 11.15am. We will then learn about the sheep from owner David Piggott.

Following this we will sit down under the huge old mango trees to sample the cheese platter. Di Piggott (the Cheesemaker) will tell us about each cheese. Please feel free to bring a bottle of wine to have with the cheese if you wish. Costs are \$20 for a cheese platter and \$25 for a platter and ice cream.

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!



We will then make the 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 want 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.

When you nominate can you please let me know if you will buy the cheese platter with or without ice cream. If for some reason you don't want to get a cheese platter let me know and I'll check if you can

bring along some of your own food. Hopefully most people will get the platter as this is the way they make their money. Also let me know if you want to drive or if you would like to get a lift and I'll try and match people up.

This is a great spot to visit and should be an interesting day out.

MONDAY 27th to FRIDAY 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
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=11/-27.8124/152.0570>
Emerg Off: To Be Advised

This trip is now fully subscribed and a waiting list exists. Details are contained in the January Jilalan.

WEDNESDAY 29th MAY
DUTTON PARK TO CITY
Via Highgate Hill and 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 @ 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>

NEW DATE
SATURDAY 1st JUNE
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: Graham Glasse Ph: 3371 9623

The club has walked various tracks in this area before but this time we will visit some of the parks 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. Come and join me on the first day of Winter for a walk through the forest at Mapleton. Sue

WEDNESDAY 5th JUNE
COFFEE NIGHT
SOCIAL

Leader: Prasada Vajjhala Ph: 0402 964 854 (sms preferred) OR PrasadaVajjhala@gmail.com
Meet at: Kafe Meze, 409 Honour Ave, Graceville; near Cnr Wilie St, opposite Graceville Railway Station, on Sherwood side of Graceville Regal Cinema
Time: 6.00pm
Web: <https://kafemezegraceville.wixsite.com/kafe-meze-graceville/our-menu>
and <https://www.facebook.com/kafemezegraceville/>
RSVP: 8pm Monday 3rd June

This is a cosy little Greek cafe that has outdoor dining as well. We have been here before – the ambiance is good, the service is great, the staff friendly, the food excellent. We normally occupy a table on the footpath to see life passing by. This really is a nice little family run restaurant – not glossy, not overly expensive, is very casual, and serves great Mediterranean food. We will be seated outside, and the manager will organise heaters as well. Come and enjoy a wintertime Mediterranean dining experience! Prasada

SUNDAY 9th JUNE

Mt MAROON

DAYWALK

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Meet at #1: St Brigid's Carpark, Red Hill
Time: 7:00am
Meet at #2: Beaudesert at McDonalds
Time: 8:00am
Cost: \$25
Distance: 6km
Grade: S56 – at a gentle pace
Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 0420 510 214
Web: <https://www.theroadtoanywhere.com/climbing-mount-maroon-australia/>

This is a wonderful short walk in the Mt Barney National Park. Mt Maroon is an “off track” walk that is a bit steep in places with a tiny amount of rock scrambling. We are basically doing the “standard” Mt Maroon walk with a bonus side trip to the north peak.

We will start near the “lagoon”, ascend the mountain via the north east ridge, sidle across to the gully, then up the gully on to the summit saddle, heading to the south peak (967m) along a vague track. The south peak is the higher peak and we will have our lunch there enjoying the view of the Mt Barney Massif and the Ballow Range. (I can't remember if you can see Mt Warning from Mt Maroon, so hopefully we have a clear day to check this out). The height of north peak is 924m.

This walk is within the capability of most members, but please note I will be going at a gentle pace, as many members get puffed going uphill on steepish walks. The total distance is about 6km and 4 to 5 hours of walking. Bring the usual daywalk stuff – lunch, raincoat, water etc., and perhaps bring gaiters and gloves as well. (For those members who are keen watchers of the walks programme this walk replaces the Lizard Point walk which was rescheduled to early August). If it is raining on the day my plan B is to do a walk in Nerang State Forest. Phil

WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE

TENERIFFE to THE CITY

STROLL

Leader: Janet Galos Ph: 3871 0322
Meet at: Teneriffe Ferry Terminal, cnr Commercial Rd and Brisbane River
Transport: CityCat, Bus 60 “Blue Glider” or Bus 199
Depart: 3:30pm
Cost: Free
Grade: S21
Location: Inner Suburbs
Distance: 6.5km @ 2hr
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=16/-27.4600/153.0314>
Height: 92m total ascent; 72m overall descent
Pace: That of the slowest person
Emerg Off: Janet Ph: 3871 0322

This day we Stroll from the old wharves along the Brisbane River, go up Teneriffe Hill via a graded track to look over New Farm and over the River to Bulimba. You'll go to places you never knew existed, visit one location of the 1989 Kylie Minogue movie “The Delinquents”, see the houses of the rich end of

New Farm, go through the edge of The Valley and through the back blocks of Spring Hill to get transport home from Roma Street Station. Those on this Stroll will also see historic Teneriffe House, the first house in the area – built in 1865.

Anyone can come along, not just those who have been strolling before. You'll find it very pleasant to walk in the twilight hours, chatting as you go – or strolling in silence at times, if you prefer – and discovering hidden corners of our city while enjoying a 'constitutional' (healthy walk, so good for your constitution). Whether or not you've been on one of the previous strolls, come along and join us in this little local adventure. You won't regret it!

FRIDAY, 14th JUNE **MYSTERY PROGRESSIVE DINNER** **SOCIAL**

Leader: Sue Tobin Ph: 0438 800 039
Meet at: West End Ferry Terminal
Phone if you need transport
Time: Between 4:15 and 4:30pm
Cost: Go Card plus what you drink and eat
Food: Entrees: \$10.00–\$20.00
Mains: \$17.00–\$30.00
Dessert: \$10.00

Have you ever wondered where the Blue Glider (Bus 60) goes? Well here is your chance. This month we are doing something a little different. We will meet at the West End Ferry Terminal – street parking is available. This is where there will be no more driving for the evening, only to go home.

This is a mystery tour, where we will visit three different venues where the Club has not visited before. There will be plenty of seats as this is the start of our journey. There isn't too much walking from each of the stops to the venue.

After a short ride, we will disembark to enjoy a pre-dinner drink. All tastes are catered for; and if you wish, nibbles and shared plates are available.

After enjoying a drink and catch up, we will head off with our driver from Bus 60 for the main course. We will travel through the City and the Valley, where we will arrive for mains, where a range of dishes are available providing for a variety of tastes. You can also order something smaller if you wish.

To end the night we will head back on Bus 60 for dessert and coffee. After which the bus will take us back to West End.

It shouldn't be a late night but hopefully a very enjoyable one.

Everyone is welcome. Remember your Go Card. If you want, just come for the company and the ride.

Sue

SATURDAY, 15th JUNE **FLINDERS PEAK** **DAYWALK**

Leader: Michael Cashman Ph: 0401 308 665
Meet: St Brigid's, Red Hill
Time: 7.00am
Distance: Less than 10km, Elevation 680m
Cost: \$15
Grade: S66
Location: Flinders–Goolman Conservation Estate, Mt Flinders Rd between Ipswich & Boonah
Web: https://www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0003/239313/Flinders_Poster_About_Web.pdf
Emerg Off: Joe Tottenham Ph: 0423 469 704 or 07 3351 4493

We will commence the walk from the car park at Flinders Plum Picnic Area on Mount Flinders Road, Peak Crossing [plan A]. The track soon becomes quite steep, and remains so for the next hour to 90min, depending on your pace. You then reach a peak, with quite good views. Then you will cross a ridge full of boulders, stretching perhaps 500m. You will need reasonable agility here. After descending a little you come to a wide open area of rock with excellent views. There is a possibility for some walkers to call it a day at this point.

The main peak is now 130m above you, and perhaps 20 more minutes of walking, including a chimney. On the peak there are views in all directions, and also a helicopter landing pad. The return journey is also difficult, partly because the boulders require the same energy in both directions, and partly because the tracks going down are steep. A walking pole would be helpful here.

Except for on the peak, there is some shade throughout, including on the boulder section.

[plan B] On the pre-outing the council had closed the road about 1.5km before the picnic area, and it was necessary to park the cars beside the road and walk this distance, adding 3km to the walk. If the road is closed, we will walk in.

WEDNESDAY 19th JUNE
WYNNUM NORTH to LOTA
RAIL #22
STROLL

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet at: Wynnum North Rail Station, 81 Cameron Pde
Time: 3:24pm
Train: 2:50pm Cleveland Train from Roma Street Stn Pl 5; front carriage
Cost: Free
Grading: S11
Distance: 7.3km
Duration: 2hr
Location: Wynnum Nth, Wynnum, Wynnum Central, Manly, Lota
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=15/-27.4536/153.1800>
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 – Bring this Number with you

You are back to following rail lines; continuing our trek to Cleveland. You have been to Wynnum North Station a few times recently (especially for the River Series around the Port of Brisbane), so now it is time to say “Goodbye” to it.

Our track takes us near this historic rail line – not always in view of it, finding all the parks and sports grounds to Stroll through along the way. If you are in the mood, you could even explore the old (now closed) Wynnum Community Health Centre and perhaps find a way through the bush behind it.

This one is reasonably flat, mainly along streets, with no bush (unless we do the abandoned Health Centre option), and visits to 4 stations.

Come along on this pleasantly enjoyable Stroll on a nice winter's evening.



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: Closed 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.

SAT 22nd – SUN 23rd JUNE
CLUB HUT WORKING BEE
OVER NIGHTER/DAYWALK

Leader: Iain Renton Ph: 0401 429 085
Meet: St Brigid's, 78 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill
Time: 6.30am Saturday
Cost: \$25 (car pool)
Grade: S33
Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan Ph: 0421 022 250



It is time for our annual hut working bee. This is always a sociable and enjoyable occasion. It is a great feeling at the end of the working bee to see the hut paddock freshly mown and the hut looking good. All are welcome and no particular skills are needed. Some people enjoy working much of the time, others will do a few hours of work and then spend the rest of the time relaxing and yakking (or walking to the Lower Portals). We are glad to have your help however much you decide to do. This year there will also be the bonus (hopefully) of walking in on a much improved Lower Portals track. The track has been closed by National Parks since mid April for prescribed burning and then work on the track. It should be reopened very soon.

We will be doing the usual weeding, removing lantana and mowing the hut paddock. Possibly we will start working on the roof of the hut chimney (it is getting a bit rusty in spots). We will be preparing it for painting and then start painting it. Inside the hut will need a good clean up and things put in order. There will probably be a few other odd jobs to do. Some of us will be going in for the weekend and

others will be going in for the day on Saturday. Join me in helping keep the Club's unique hut in tip-top condition.

WEDNESDAY 26th JUNE
NUDGE BEACH to TOOMBUL
RIVER #1
STROLL

Leader: Greg Endicott Ph: 3351 4092
Meet At: Toombul Station Carpark, Sandgate Rd side
Time: 2:45pm
Train/Bus: <https://jp.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/journey-planner>
Car Shuffle: From Toombul to Nudgee Beach and again at the end
Cost: Free
Grading: M11
Distance: 12km
Duration: 3½hr
Location: Nudgee Beach, Nudgee, Nundah, Toombul
Web: <https://www.openstreetmap.org/#map=14/-27.3779/153.0883>
Finish: Toombul Shopping Town Bus Station OR Toombul Rail Station
Emerg Off: Greg Ph: 0418 122 995 – Bring this Number with you

To finish at a reasonable time, we'll have to move quickly. It is very flat – the height gain is only 9m. So, you will scoot along. This is why you are having a car shuffle – we can do it on our own terms. I have discovered that the buses to Nudgee Beach go only every 2½ hours, which is not good enough for us.

On this 12km, three-hour stroll you will start out at picturesque Nudgee Beach and have a very quick look at the sun shimmering on the swell on Moreton Bay. Then you will follow the road around to the Jim Sooley Cycleway which runs along Kedron Brook/Schultz Canal all the way to the Gateway.

The first part is beside the road, but as it passes the Boondall Wetlands it veers away from the road and goes bush all by itself. Eventually, you will go under the Gateway and the Airport Rail Line and meet up with the Kedron Brook Bikeway in outer Toombul. Then it is a short Stroll back to Toombul Shopping Centre Bus Interchange or the Railway Station. The route is completely flat; however, we will have to move if we want to complete it in three hours.

Come along on this Kedron Brook Stroll to complete your Brisbane River experience

NEW
SATURDAY 29th JUNE
RAVENSBORNE POLE FARM
DAYWALK

Leader: Matt Palmer Ph: 0438 720 235
Meet at: Contact Leader
Time: 6.30am
Cost: \$20
Grade: L55
Location: Lockyer Valley
Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan Ph: 0421 022 250

Have you ever wondered where do power poles come from? What makes a power pole and what doesn't? How does growing of power poles work in with nature conservation? Well this is the trip for you. We will be walking along roads and trails, following creeks and gullies, maybe even spot a koala? The trip will contain some off track parts so you will need to be confident on uneven surfaces. Matt

SUNDAY 30th JUNE
The Darcy Doyle Art Awards
And Lunch at Wallaby Hotel Mudgeeraba
SOCIAL

Leader: Phil Murray Ph: 0416 650 160
Meet at: Firth Park Mudgeeraba at 10.30am
Or by train: Gold Coast Train leaves Roma St Station at 9.02am arrives at Robina 10.18am
Cost: Lunch, and Train Fares \$4.58 each way
Web: <https://thedoylesaward.com.au/>
Emerg Off: Sue Murray Ph: 0420 510 214
Nominations: By Wednesday 26th June (for table booking)

A chance for a slightly different country trip. Mudgeeraba is on the Gold Coast, but it still has the old country village feeling to it. The trip is scheduled to link up with the D'Arcy Doyle Art Awards (on display from 27th June to 7th July). The winner of the landscape category receives a cash prize of \$20,000. The exhibition is held in the Mudgeeraba Community Hall and has fantastic lighting to beautifully display all the paintings.

By way of background D'arcy Doyle lived up the road for many years and to honour his legacy each year there is a prestigious art show to encourage up and coming artists. The exhibition is usually of a very high standard. Of course there are many landscape paintings, but there is also a variety of other categories like still life and portraits. A key reason to come and see the show is that many of the paintings are scenes from our popular bushwalking haunts. Entry to see the exhibition is usually free, but they do ask for a donation and sell tickets in a prize. After an hour or so we will retire to the Wallaby Hotel for a lovely meal.

Plan A is to drive down by yourselves or Plan B to catch the train down to Robina and Sue and I will transfer people to Firth Park Mudgeeraba. We will have a good look at the art show, and gather at the local Wallaby Hotel then return to Brisbane. (The proposed lunch venue was the Woodchoppers Hotel, but it closed down in January this year after the storms and hasn't re-opened). It should be a great day out. For those who are keen there is also the Mudgeeraba Show on the same weekend.

<https://thedoylesaward.com.au/about/> – <https://wallabyhotel.com.au/> – <https://www.mudgeerabashow.org.au/>

Travel Details:

TRAVEL DOWN – on Gold Coast train

Departs Roma Street Station 9:02am – Arrives Robina Station 10.18am

Go Card Adult \$11.46 – Concession \$4.58

TRAVEL BACK – Leave hotel 2.30ish (no later than 2.40pm)

Train Departs Robina 3.13pm – Arrives Roma Street Station 4:27pm

ADVANCE NOTICE

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

Leader: Russ Nelson Ph: 0427 743 534 russnelson52@outlook.com
Cost: Travel to/from Sydney + Accommodation at North Sydney + incidental public transport costs
Grade: M to L23 except 29th August - M34
Location: Sydney with a focus on Harbour west of Harbour Bridge
Emerg Off: To be advised

Day	Start	End	Walking
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 meet 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 meeting point will be in North Sydney at our accommodation site, namely Meriton Suites, 80 Arthur Street, North Sydney – Ph 1800 214 822 or 02 8319 9888. To minimise costs, you may like 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 Go Card). 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.

TUESDAY 4th – SUNDAY 16th MARCH 2025

WILD SOUTH COAST WAY and KANGAROO ISLAND WILDERNESS TRAIL

ACCOMMODATED WALK

Leader: Russ Nelson

Admin: Paulette Schmidt

Email: paulette.t.schmidt@gmail.com

Cost: Air Fares/Transport to Adelaide to be booked privately
Tour costs for 12 days approx. \$3600

Location: Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island, South Australia

Links: [Wild South Coast Way \(WSCW\)](#)

[The Friends of the Heysen Trail](#)

[Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail \(KIWT\)](#)

Google Map: [Victor Harbor; Cape Jervis & Kangaroo Island](#)

Projecting to one of the first of the multi-day walks for 2025, your early nomination to walk both the **Wild South Coast Way (WSCW)** located on the Fleurieu Peninsula, South Australia, followed by 5 days walking the **Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail (KIWT)**. The WSCW is also the first 7 days of the famous 1200km Heysen Trail. The trail commences at Cape Jervis, but for practical reasons we will be walking from Victor Harbor to Cape Jervis, to then catch the ferry to Kangaroo Island to commence the KIWT. The trails are in south-west, SA. Some of these walking areas are in remote locations, normally

making this a camping experience. However, BCBC has organised this walk, supported by *Big Heart Adventures* into an accommodated walk.

With all logistics included for our 12 day journey, walkers will be collected from Adelaide Airport where a group of 16 will make their way to Victor Harbor for 4 days, then to Cape Jervis for 2 nights to complete the WSCW. A ferry to Kangaroo Island will be a rest day between walks to allow for a little sightseeing while on Kangaroo Is (Seal Bay, etc).

There is a maximum limit of 16 people and a \$400 deposit on confirmation of your booking will be required to secure your place for this trip. Numbers are restricted on this trip due to the Parks Permit and the size of the bus that needs to navigate some of the remote areas.

If you would like to participate, or are interested in registering, a schedule of the daily activities along with a summary of the logistics, can be emailed to you. **Email Paulette, to secure your place.** Once fully subscribed, a waitlist will be compiled.



Highlighted in green – Kangaroo Island Wilderness Trail

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 31/03/24	\$5170.95
Plus Receipts	\$ 655.02
Sub Total	\$5825.97
Less Payments	\$ 700.00
Balance 30/04/24	\$5125.97
Term Deposit	\$5000.00

I am still collecting donations for the Little Kings Movement for the handicapped for which I can issue tax deductible receipts. Please see me if you wish to purchase a Club t-shirt or small metal Club Badge before they are all gone. Terry.

OUTINGS SECRETARY'S REPORT

We have just completed the first four months of the year. So far, we have had two trips cancelled – one because of lack of access; the other due to the leader's unavailability.

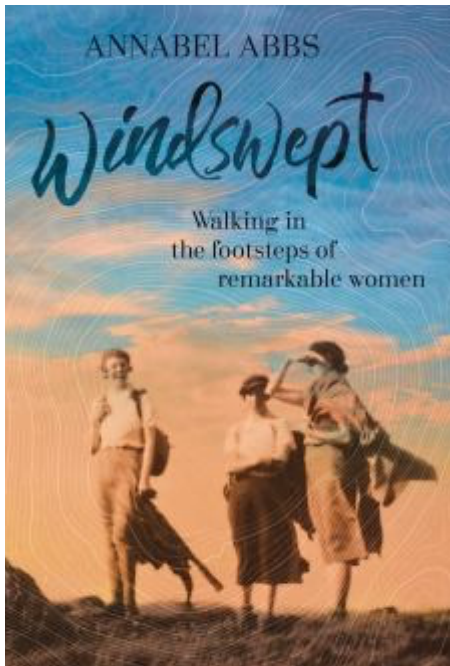
In these four months we have had 15 successful walks, which suggest an annual result of about 45 walks for the year. There was an average of 9.6 walkers on each walk. This reflects the goal of this year's committee for outings in 2024.

Opportunities for leading trips remain available. Please contact me if you wish to lead a trip a variety of options are available. Russ Nelson

ABOUT PEOPLE

Greg Endicott, Benno Giuliani, Richard Johns, Phil Murray, Catherine Morahan and Joe Tottenham are celebrating their birthday in May. Catherine Morahan and her daughter have now returned from walking some more of the Camino; whilst Pat and Jonas have just returned from doing some more walking in New Zealand's South Island.

BOOK REVIEW



Windswept: Walking in the footsteps of remarkable women by Annabel Abbs

Publisher: Tin House Books
Brisbane City Council Library
Call Number: 796.51 ABB
ISBN: 9781529324723
Copies: 8

At its core, this is a book about the secret walking lives of extraordinary women – some well known and some lesser known – for whom “rural or wild walking had proven to be life-changing.” Freida Lawrence, Gwen John, Clara Vyvyan, Georgia O’Keeffe, Daphne Du Maurier, Simone de Beauvoir, Nan (Anna) Shepherd, and Emma Gatewood.

The book is what one might call “meticulously researched,” but that label falls short of the commitment Abbs demonstrates to her subject matter when she physically retraces these women’s steps in a series of hikes that takes her across the globe.

Her key insight is that by investigating the lives of women who traded societal expectations for a walking stick and some comfortable shoes, she begins to search for and find her own answer to Mary Oliver’s oft-repeated question: Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one precious life?

The background to the book was that the author was determined to make all future holidays walking holidays but when she researched the issue most of the books were by men and so she thought “Where are the women?” And so she began her research and wow she found a treasure trove of stories by several eminent women. Rather than just make notes about their exploits she follows in the footsteps of eight women who were long-distance hikers. Some I’d heard of before like Simone de Beauvoir but I didn’t know she was a walker. There are artists like Georgia O’Keeffe and Gwen John, some I hadn’t heard of (Clara Vyvyan and Frieda von Richthofen). I was amazed I hadn’t heard of several of these women before yet they are figurative giants in their field of expertise.

Each chapter is devoted to one woman; Abbs tells their story, hikes their route as best she can (though in most cases the landscape has changed greatly over time and uses their stories to ponder her own. Part memoir, part biography, part history, part rumination, “Windswept” is a fascinating, deeply thoughtful read. It delves into all sorts of questions about these eight women in particular, and about walking women in general. Why did they hike? What did they wear? Did they hike alone, or with someone? What compelled them? What did striding through forests or scrambling up mountains do for them? Where did they sleep? (In haystacks, fairly often.) Weren’t they afraid? (Mostly, yes. But they kept going.). Of note is that the early chapter is about her early unconventional upbringing which follows the principles of Rousseau as set out in his book ‘Emile Or Treatise on Education’.

It is probably one of the best reads about walking I have ever come across and the book is must read for all keen walkers. It is a book that you can reread several times as there are so many interesting facts, thoughts and issues that reveal themselves on the second and third reading.

Other notes - A side fact was that one of the walkers discussed in the book was the artist called Georgia O’Keeffe who now has the distinction of having the record for the most expensive price paid for a painting by a female artist. It is a surrealistic depiction of a desert wildflower called Jimson Weed – the painting was sold at auction in 2014 for \$44,405,000, more than tripling the previous world record auction for a piece by a female artist.–

<https://www.bbc.com/news/entertainment-arts-30142581#:~:text=A%20floral%20painting%20by%20the,artwork%20by%20a%20female%20artist>

By way of comparison Van Gogh has his famous painting The Sunflowers which was sold in 1987, at Christie’s London, for £24.75 million (\$39.9 million) to the Yasuda Fire and Marine Insurance Company. But even though Yasuda acquired the painting legally, there is a court case challenging the ownership of the painting, as allegedly the painting was sold under duress in 1934 in Nazi Germany and the

descendants of the original owner claim it should be returned to them. It sounds like a retelling of the story behind the movie – The Woman in Gold.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Portrait_of_Adele_Bloch-Bauer_I

Phil

MOVIE REVIEW

Movie: The Way, My Way

Date: Thursday 16th May

Cinemas: Check Cinemas for further details

Sneak Previews were at Palace Barracks and Palace James Street on 10th and 11th May

Synopsis: The Way, My Way is the charming and captivating true story of a stubborn, self-centered Australian man who decides to walk the 800km long Camino de Santiago pilgrimage route through Spain. He doesn't know why he's doing it...but one step at a time; it will change him and his outlook on life forever. Based on Bill Bennett's best-selling memoir of same name

Web Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eYrEBQhLEQ> and

<https://www.palacecinemas.com.au/movies/the-way-my-way?cinema=palace-barracks>

PAST EVENTS

WED 27th MARCH – MON 1st APRIL WARRUMBUNGLE BASECAMP

Day 1 – Wednesday 27th March – Driving to Coonabarabran

At 6:40am started driving and had stops at Toowoomba, Goondiwindi, and Narrabri, arriving late afternoon at Wagon Wheel Motel, Coonabarabran.

Day 2 – Thursday 28th March - Gould Circuit, Fan Horizon and Tara Cave

Drove to Pincham carpark at 8:40am to start our first walk, Goulds Circuit, taking 3hr 10min to complete 7.5km. Visited two peaks, Macha Tor and Febar Tor, which included some scrambling, while the rest of the track was moderate in steepness with 300m ascent. Morning tea break was at Macha Tor lookout that had fantastic views of the main peaks of the Warrumbungle Range.

12.30pm was the start of our second walk of the day from Pincham carpark to Fan Horizon and Mamos Mountain Lookout. Here we clocked 3.8km both ways and the ascent was 205m. The track included a lot of steps, completing it in 1hr 50min, and included a lunch break at the Fan Horizon lookout with great views.

Tara Cave (3.7km both ways) was the third walk taking one hour. It was a steady ascend totalling 86m to the cave. There is nothing very impressive in the cave except a couple of stones with groove marks for sharpening tools. But I should add that the steel cage fence across the front of the cave was very impressive and would keep out most people. About 700m of the track was covered with brick pavers completed on 7th September 2001.

Day 3 – Friday 29th March – Mount Exmouth and Cathedral Arch

We started the walk at 8.10am from Burbie Creek Carpark, following Burbie Canyon track, then linking to a fire trail passing Camp Burbie leading up a steep 4WD fire track to Danu gap where we had our morning tea break. Then taking Mount Exmouth Track to the top where lunch was had, and spent around 40min soaking up the beautiful 360° scenery. It was time to head down to Danu Gap, then head to Cathedral Rock and Arch, which is impressively carved by Mother Nature. We headed back to the carpark arriving at 3.40pm. This walk was probably the most serious one, clocking 20.7km, with a total ascent of 1137m.

The track was marked by open grass patches, some rocky sections and a couple of ledges near the top. The start of this track for about 500m up to Mt Exmouth was very rough; although it was a “flat” track surface, lots of small rocks - the size of lemons and grapefruit - had tumbled down to make it a bit of a guessing game of where to tread. The distinctive vegetation was eucalypt forest at the start, woodland stretch from Camp Burbie to Danu Gap and grass trees close to top. Wildlife was marked by wallabies, wallaroos, dark furred kangaroos, skinks and feral goats by the carpark at the end.

Day 4 – Saturday 30th March – Beloungery Split Rock Circuit

This was the shortest walk as we had to allow time for the Easter Mass. We started late at 9.00am and were at the junction leading to top by 10.00am. The junction is marked by a ladder leading to a tricky rock scrambling, and by 10.20am we were at the top for morning tea. We headed back to the junction and completed the circuit by 12.00noon. The walk was markedly steep with a couple of rock scrambling sections, and we clocked 4.6km with 424m ascent. Next was back to the motel for a rest and a swim. We went to Easter Mass at Baradine about 40min drive from Coonabarabran. We left about 5.10pm and arrived early enough to have a quick tour of the little township, attended Mass, then headed back to the motel by 7.40pm. We encountered an Echidna crossing the bitumen road and I just managed to put her between the tyres safely. We went to the Golden Sea Dragon restaurant where we had our delicious dinner, sharing the dishes.

Day 5 – Sunday 31st March – Breadknife, Grand High Tops and Bluff Mountain

On the way to the walk we encountered two big wedge-tailed eagles scavenging on a road killed kangaroo. One of them flew away and the other didn't bother and kept scavenging. We commenced the walk at 8:00am from Pincham carpark, and did a quick detour to Spirey View Lookout to enjoy the view. The track here was very well constructed with rammed earth for the first few kilometres, then 800m of paved track. It was very impressive and easy to walk along. Pushing on we came to a huge modern staircase that made the ascent so easy, quickly gaining about 100m in height. We had a stop at the top of the stairs at a junction. The track divides here going either side of the Breadknife, but the track to the right - the eastern side of the Breadknife - was closed. Arriving at the Balor Hut and Campsite we encountered a group of rock climbers. The Breadknife was looming above us; many photos were taken. By 10.00am we came to another Junction. The track to the left took us back to the Grand High Tops. Phil and Johnny pushed on to Bluff Mountain. Khaleel led the subgroup back along the "upper track" arriving at the Grand High Tops and were handsomely rewarded by great views looking back down on the Breadknife to take in its "signature view".

Next was on to Dagda Saddle stopping for morning tea. Phil and Johnny continued to the summit Bluff Mountain. It was a relatively moderate track, yet it took 50min to walk up a mere 1.3km. I should mention that the track here was not well maintained and was in many places a jumble of small rocks and inclined rock slabs. By around 1.00pm we were all at the top of Bluff Mountain. The views here were better than the top of Mt Barney. We had our lunch break and stayed for a good 50min to enjoy the 360^o fantastic views. Finally it was time to head back to the carpark and we zoomed along and were all there by 3.40pm. Of note is that the eastern side of Bluff Mountain had a HUGE cliff line of over 300m straight down. It was just awesome. This is the second hardest walk, where there were some stretches of rock-hopping and scrambling. We clocked 16.6km with 1031m ascent. On the way back we took a detour and drove up to the Sidings Spring Observatory, but alas the boom gate was down, it had closed just 4min before we arrived. We were tempted to zoom through, but we were good citizens and obeyed the signs.

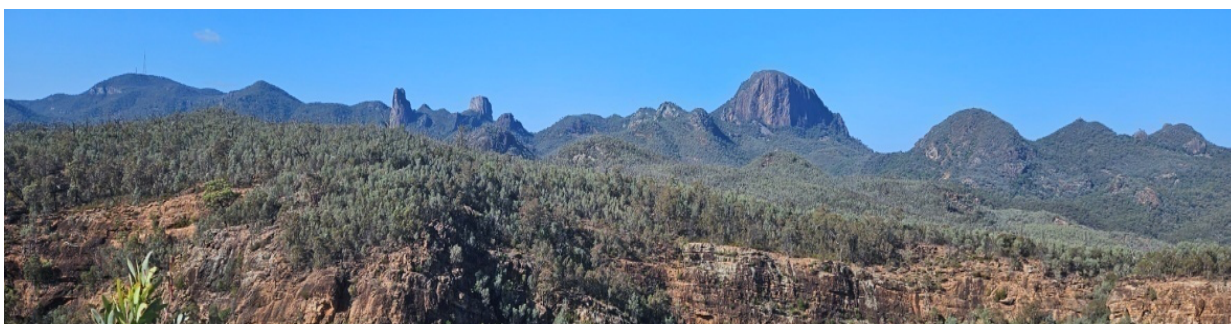
Day 6 – Monday 1st April – Driving Back Home

We started driving early at 5.40am and had a good run with stops at Moree, Goondiwindi and Gatton, and we were all at my place by 3.00pm.

Special thanks to our marvellous ladies Olga and Louise for preparing the very yummy dinners for the whole group for four nights; Olga doing three and one was prepared by Louise.

Thank you very much to my walking companions (Phil, Louise, Rusty, Olga, Stephen and Johnny) for their patience, cooperation and determination to make the most of this event and have utmost enjoyment of the beautiful weather and the very distinctive and impressive piece of wonderland of the outback bush.

Khaleel



From Split Rock. Bluff Mountain dominating the scene



View from Macha Tor. Bluff Mountain dominating in the far back



Looking south from Mt Exmouth



On top of Mt Exmouth



Breadknife from the Grand High Tops

**WEDNESDAY 3rd APRIL
COFFEE NIGHT
SOCIAL**

Adda@Oxford was the venue for the Club's April coffee night. Twenty-three of us gathered to enjoy the 'soulful Indian cuisine' in the busy Oxford Street eating hub at Bulimba on a warm Wednesday night.

We were very patient as it took a little while for us to get served. It was still a pleasant wait sitting at a single long table outside, as it was less noisy and cooler than inside the café.

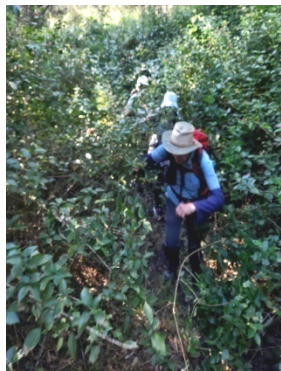
A variety of interesting Indian dishes were served with a few more adventurous diners ordering the goat. Some dishes were a little spicier than others.

There was a conversation on the up and coming trip to Europe by Greg and Michele who were departing the following Wednesday.

Thanks to everyone for joining me. Louise J

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

Despite the forecast that rain was on the way, the sun shone as 18 walkers met at Walkabout Creek. We set off at 8am along the Reservoir Track on the northern side of Enoggera Reservoir. After half an hour of walking we turned off onto the Long Range Walking Track where we commenced the magical mystery tour of following the pink tags, many of which were very faded and sometimes far between. We gradually gained height before descending down to Enoggera Creek where we enjoyed morning tea beside the crystal-clear water of the Creek.



After morning tea we followed the creek upstream before turning off onto the orange tag track. The track gradually wound its way uphill. We were surprised to hear voices ahead and met some walkers from BOSQ including Will Taylor who is also a member of our Club. They were admiring a wooden chair which was beside the track, many kilometres from the closest road. Mystery surrounds how it came to be there, but it was the source of a few photos. The track became quite clear and it descended down to Enoggera Creek which

we then followed up to Centre Road. We turned right into Centre Road and gradually gained height until we reached Nebo Road Break which runs parallel with Mt Nebo Road. A short distance along Nebo Road Break brought us to the powerlines which provided a view to Flinders Peak, but also to the dark clouds which were moving in from the north. We decided to stop for lunch whilst it was dry.

Following lunch we continued along Nebo Road Break which had a few short, but very steep, descents. We stayed on this road for 2.3kms before turning south along the Duck Creek Road which took us back down to the Reservoir Track. Light rain began to fall and a few umbrellas were raised, but most walkers decided against donning rain gear. After a short while we dropped down to the Araucaria Track beside the Reservoir and followed it back to Walkabout Creek, arriving around 2.20pm. Unfortunately, the cafe decided to close an hour early, but some of the group joined Pat and Jonas at a cafe at The Gap to finish off a lovely day. We are very fortunate to have such a beautiful walking area so close to home.

Thank you to those who came on the walk and for your delightful company – Russ N, Paddy T, Mark D, Jonas B, Paulette & Al S, Louise & Rusty J, Annette M, Terry S, Maria K, Anne C & Michael, Sue T, Prasada V, Khaleel P and Graeme A. Jan

**LAKE MANCHESTER CIRCUIT
SATURDAY 27th APRIL 2024
DAYWALK**

A group of eighteen Club members were greeted at Lake Manchester on a gorgeous sunny Saturday morning after driving through the beautiful undulating green hills of the Western suburbs.

The walk commenced on time, with the motivation to conclude by 2pm to make the local café that closed at 3pm....would we make it? With an air of excitement we set off to the first water course to discover it had been worked on by the local council and was water free! Bonus! The day was perfect for walking as we continued up our first hill to the dam wall and views of the lake with two black signets enjoying their own paradise.

Continuing after the necessary first photo, we hit the steep slippery down hills, which come with going up hills! Six hills had been indicated when researching this walk, but we all decided this was underestimated (don't rely on the internet!) as we continued throughout the day. Next we headed along the undulating track up and down, through the first third of the day. We stopped at The Hut for morning tea, getting there just before horses and their riders who were disappointed to see us enjoying this spot for our morning tea break.



Morning Tea at The Hut, Lake Manchester



Mark & Prasada enjoying mornos



The Lake Manchester Circuit second third of the walk was a combination of easy to moderate walking as the track is well defined with lovely flat areas as you meander next to the lake; then onto a few decent hills that lead to two small watercourse crossings before our lunch break at the 10.38km mark at Gum Tree Flats camp ground. With only 6km to walk after lunch, we encountered some of the bigger hills along the track that made the going a tad harder, but it looked like we would make our café reservation!

With many highlights along the way – the weather, people, and wildlife, with one notable mention, a friendly local goanna, who was not happy to share his part of the world with noisy bushwalkers, as we neared the end of our day. Our reward for this 17km bushwalk was making it to The Reserve Anstead on time. A great walk was had by all.

Thanks to all who attended, for your support for my first opportunity to lead a walk for BCBC. Your advice, guidance and photos are very much appreciated – Allan, Anne & Michael, Annette, Christian, Graeme, Jan & Russ, Khaleel, Louise & Rusty, Maria, Majella & Mark, Paddy, Phil and Prasada.

Paulette Schmidt

WEDNESDAY 1st MAY COFFEE NIGHT SOCIAL

The May Coffee Night was held at a new venue, The Woods Neighbourhood Bar at Mitchelton. We sat inside in the cosy second bar area and admired the animal horns mounted on the wall. The food was good and the drinks were excellent. Several of us raved about the Rosé. We all had a great evening and enjoyed the venue.

Those who attended were: Annette, Susan, Majella and Mark, Jan and Russ, Prasada, Diane, Joe, Louise and Rusty, Barbara and Terry.

AUSTRALIAN CONSERVATION FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST BUSHWALK

Get active in nature this May. Join Australia's BIGGEST Bushwalk to raise funds to bring our beloved animals back from the brink. 1st – 31st May.

Your impact – You can make a difference for our iconic animals found nowhere else other than in Australia's very own big backyard. By taking on Australia's Biggest Bushwalk challenge, you'll be raising funds to protect our incredible wildlife, threatened by habitat destruction and climate change.

Every dollar you raise goes directly to supporting the Australian Conservation Foundation's work in solving the extinction crisis and standing up for nature. Sign up now!

Visit their website for further details at <https://www.australiasbiggestbushwalk.org.au/>

NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND ANUAL DINNER 2024

Date: Friday, 7 June – 6.30pm to 10.00pm at The Royal On The Park Hotel, Brisbane City

Tickets: From \$70. Tickets can be purchased from the event webpage until COB on 3rd June:
www.npag.org.au/annual-dinner-2024

Join us to celebrate the accomplishments of the organisation and its members in their conservation endeavours. This event provides an evening of inspiration, connection, education and entertainment. There will be raffles, an award ceremony, two course meal, refreshments and addresses from past NPAQ Presidents, and an opportunity to raise funds to support ongoing conservation efforts.

SPEED CAMERAS AT ROAD WORKS – AND FINES

Queensland road works speed cameras to issue fines from this month following delays in rollout. Further details can be found on ABC News <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2024-04-10/queensland-roadworks-speed-cameras-to-begin-may-2024/103683234>

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

The Catholic Walking Club of Victoria – “The Catholic Walker” April Magazine

Catholic Bushwalking Club, Sydney – “The Waysider” May–June Magazine

Logan and Beaudesert Bushwalkers – April Newsletter

Redland Bushwalkers – “Ramble On” April Newsletter

Toowoomba Bushwalkers Club – “Footprints” April and May Newsletters

Bushwalkers of Southern Queensland – “Footnotes” May Newsletter

Central Queensland Combined Camp at Ubobo, 17th–19th May; for details see link below:

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CAPE to CAPE in MARGARET RIVER, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Wed 16th to Fri 25th October OR Mon 28th October to Wed 6th November

Leader: Dee Mit chell Ph: 0407 716 122 – dee4diesel@gmail.com

(A walk leader for the Gold Coast Bushwalking Club)

Cost: \$1,300. (\$400 deposit, with incremental payments of \$300 every two months)

Web: <https://www.goldcoastbushwalkers.org.au/index.cfm?module=EVENT> and
https://www.goldcoastbushwalkers.org.au/index.cfm?module=event&pagemode=indiv&page_id=2293123

Warning: This is NOT a walk in the park. You will need to be reasonably fit as there is a fair bit of beach walking and it can be in soft sand. The average day is 20km. If you have weak knees/hips or aggravating conditions, then this walk is probably not for you.

I'm a walks leader for the Gold Coast Bushwalking Club with many years experience in organising group walks. I will be your Facilitator; providing bus transfers to the start of the walk each day and picking you up in the afternoon.

There will be nine walkers in the group, and they could be any mix of men and women. The accommodation is shared room of similar gender. We use timber chalets and cottages in delightful locations, all three places being totally different from each other. You'll love them, everybody does! I shop and organise the meals, and prepare them with a little help from those who still have the energy to assist.

The walk is self-guided; I've taken 14 groups on this trip and nobody's been lost yet! You are asked to stay together as a group, and usually someone offers to be the map reader, but everyone is encouraged to participate in decision making throughout the day. You need only carry a day pack with your all-weather gear and lunches, water, etc.

You will need to organise your own flights and I will advise you on those if you decide to join us. Also, you need to make a "one way" trip to or from Busselton (depending on which group you are in); this is where the trip begins. The cost of this coach trip is \$63.

This is a general outline of the trip, but due to unforeseen circumstances, it cannot be locked in.

Day	Walks	Accommodation	Meals
Day 1	Arrive in Busselton, visit the famous jetty, followed by a quick shop for any snacks or beer/wine that you may want to purchase	Overnight in Wyadup for 3 nights	Dinner included
Day 2	Transfer to start of walk at Cape Naturaliste. Walk to Canal Rocks – 22km	Pick up and transfer to Wyadup	All included
Day 3	Transfer to Canal Rocks and walk to Willyabrup Cliffs – 20km	Pick up and transfer to Wyadup	All included
Day 4	Transfer to Willyabrup and walk to Ellensbrook House – 16km. Tour of Ellensbrook House if open that day	Overnight at Margaret River for 4 nights	All included
Day 5	Ellensbrook to Blackboy Hollow Rd – 24km Crossing Margaret River by canoe if the tide isn't low enough. Cost \$10	Overnight in Margaret River	All included
Day 6	Tour of wineries and breweries	Overnight in Margaret River	Breakfast & Dinner included – Lunch own expense
Day 7	Blackboy Hollow Rd to Hooley Rd – 15km	Overnight Margaret River	All included
Day 8	Hooley Rd to Cosy Corner Rd – 21km	Overnight at Augusta	All included
Day 9	Cosy Corner to Cape Leeuwin – 20km	Overnight at Augusta	All included
Day 10	Return to Perth		Breakfast only

The cost of the trip is \$1,300, which is at least \$1000 cheaper than anything I've seen online, and they don't include as much, so it is good value; plus you get to do it with a bunch of experienced bushwalkers! I will need \$400 deposit to secure your spot, with incremental payments of \$300 every two months to cover any last minute cancellations. I have set up a separate account for this trip and all money is secured.

If you do cancel for whatever reason, and there is another bushwalker to take your place, then your money will be refunded in full.

I'm really looking forward to doing this wonderful trip again; I just love this area. I'm hoping to make it as easy and memorable as possible for all. If you have any questions, please contact me. Dee Mitchell

HOW WE ORGANISE OURSELVES

OUTINGS

- Always read the Jilalan article to check the departure point, date and time.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 and 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 Terrace.

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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.bwg.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.

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

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Ordinary Members: \$35 for Jilalan-copy only, AND \$45 extra for a printed copy if you want one.

Associate Members: \$30 for Jilalan-copy only, AND \$45 extra for a printed copy if you want one.

Associate Members: Those not of the Catholic faith.

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Honorary Members: No membership fee, \$45 for a printed Jilalan if you want one.

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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