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MONTHLY CIRCULAR

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The next Monthly General Meeting is on Monday August 19th at the Temperance Hall, Hotel Canberra (Edward Street Entrance).

OFFICE BEARERS

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| President Chaplain | Fr. K. Aspinall | 49.2280 | Treasurer | Leon Buchanan | 49.1109 |
| Vice President | Col. McLellan | 31.2427 | Outings Secretary | Tony O'Brien | 7.4750 |
| General Secretary | Brian Jones | 56.4833 | | (Work) | 98.1118 |
| Librarian | Byron Moss | 89.1313 | Social Secretary | Jan Whitman | 97.4877 |

COMING EVENTS

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| Sunday | July 28th | Day Walk | Brookfield District ✓ |
| Wednesday | July 31st | Bowling Party | Greenslopes |
| Weekend | August 2/4th | Through Walk | Mt. Cordeaux - Castle ✓ |
| Wednesday | August 14th | Mt. Barney Mass | Mt. Barney |
| Saturday | August 17th | Fancy Dress Party | Mooroooka |
| Monday | August 19th | General Meeting | Temperance Hall |
| Sunday | August 25th | Day Walk | Tibrogargan |
| Weekend | August 30th/Sept 1st | Annual Retreats | (Ave Maria |
| | | | (Grange Hill |
| Weekend | Sept 13/15th | Base Camp | Mt. Warning. |

and many more to follow in the months to come.

EDITORIAL.

It is to be hoped that the debate on the subject of late leaving buses at the June Meeting will lead to some improvement in this regard. When bus departure times are advertised as frequently as is the practice with "Bushwalking News", it is deplorable that some people persist in delaying the whole party. Fortunately for the punctual ones, the Committee has now instructed trip leaders to insist on the bus leaving at the appointed time. Leaders who leave on time will have the full authority of the Committee and the full approval of all punctual participating members to do so.

He was late at every meeting, and late for every bus,
Late for every single thing no matter what the fuss.
One day an avalanche roared down, Too late he tried to hide,
A boulder bounced upon his crown, he crumpled up and died.
For lateness he was martyred, just ponder on his fate,
He now is "The Departed" and is also called "The Late".

Sunday July 28th - Day Walk - Brookfield District. Nominations of 12/6d. to Club Box by 22nd July. Bus leaves Tourist Bureau 9.15. a.m. sharp. Bring full water bottles. Leader Claire Maguire.

This walk will traverse an offshoot of the Taylor Range and gives good walking in the area between Mount Cootha and the Daguiilar Range. Good views of the Enoggera Reservoir and Ipswich are ensured and the western range to Cunningham's Gap and the Barney district should be visible. Also highlighting this trip should be the vivid colouring of the wattle trees for which the northern slopes of the Taylor Range are noted. Bushfires usually cause heavy damage but our wet autumn should ensure that our national emblem is blooming at its very best.

Bowling Night - Wednesday July 31st. Our Social Committee is now swinging into action and an ever popular bowling excursion at Greenslopes Lanes has been arranged for 6p.m. Nominations close at Club Box on Wednesday 24th July. Send no money but address letter to Social Secretary. After the ten-pinning, we descend on Roslyn Andrews' home at 47 Wellington Street, Coorparoo for supper and more festivities. Admittance here is 2/- and some eatables for supper.

Weekend August 2/4th - Through Walk Mount Cordeaux to Mount Castle.
Bus leaves Tamborine Depot 6.30 p.m. Friday and nominations of 30/- should reach Club Box by Friday the 26th July. Leader Brian Hart.

This very popular through walk should be supported heavily by Club Members. The party will travel to Cunningham's Gap and will utilise the graded track system to set up camp on the saddle between Cordeaux and Morgan's Lookout. The early morning scene from this vantage point of nearly 4000 feet will take in the Tarome Valley in the immediate vicinity, the Barney Ballow district to the south, the whole MacPherson Range to the south east and the rock bound ramparts to the north. Wending through mossy tendrils of particularly beautiful rain forest, including the Victorian type of tree fern, the party will proceed in a northerly direction, being rewarded with stupendous views of the eastern cliff line as they go. The interesting Razorback and Hole in the Wall will be covered on the Sunday and the party will descent via one of the spurs of Mount Castle. Bring very warm clothing and water bottles for this trip. At Morgan's Lookout and at several other points the altitude is over 4000 feet and sleet has been known to fall during bad weather.

Wednesday August 14th - Annual Mount Barney Mass - Nominations of 30/- to Club Box by Wednesday August 7th. Bus leaves Tamborine Depot 6.30. p.m. Tuesday 13th.

After being frustrated by weather conditions last year, we hope that the elements will be more obliging this year. Newer members cannot claim to be conversant with the full spirit of Club activities until they share in the tradition of the Annual Barney Mass. Giving as it does a perfect blending of the spiritual and outdoors pursuits which are the very essence of our Club, the Barney Mass enriches all who attend. People who cannot leave Brisbane on the Tuesday night could reach the campsite if they leave the City at about 5 a.m. on Wednesday.

Saturday August 17th - Fancy Dress Party at Kath. Vingoe's domicile at Blomfield Street, Moorooka. (Get off Salisbury tram at Stop 40 and take the first street on right past the School). Admission 5/- or 4/- if in fancy dress and those with eatables will be allowed in for half price.

At one fancy dress party at a certain mountain guest house there were not less than eleven Sir Edmund Hillarys. Let us hope that certain people at present in the news are not copied to the same extent. This is a grand opportunity for everybody to satisfy their Walter Mitty complexes and a hilarious evening must surely result.

Monday August 19th - General Meeting - Temperance Hall 8.p.m.

Our famous yearly display of nonsense entitled "Club Cands" will be screened at this meeting. Come early as prominent members are usually accompanied by their attorneys who take up all the seating. Deliver all your slides to Pat Lawton or Bernice Caffery before the meeting if possible. Pat and Bernice will also accept all writs, complaints and summonses resulting from this scandalous revealing of activities on club functions.

Sunday August 25th - Day Walk - Mount Tibrogargan - No Nominations Required.
Train leaves Roma Street No. 2 Platform 9.8 a.m. and Central 9.12. a.m.
Purchase return ticket to Glass House. Leader Brian Gardiner.

This area will be described more fully in the next circular. Tibrogargan ranks next to Beerwah and Crookneck in the Glass House group attaining an altitude of 1160 feet. Called by the aboriginals Chibur-Karken (flying squirrel biting), it is safely climbed via the western face.

Annual Retreats - Weekend August 30th/September 1st. Two of the most important and rewarding functions of the Club year will be held on this weekend. Dealing with the girls first, the Retreat will be held at Ave Maria Retreat House, 46 Park Street, Coorparoo. It will commence at 7 p.m. on the Friday with tea and Saturday morning workers will be provided for. Bernice Caffery will be looking after arrangements and a deposit of 10/- together with the full name and address of the participant should reach Bernice by July 24th. Full rates are £2.10.-. for the whole weekend, or 30/- for student teachers or nurses and 25/- for non earning students. A special request is made for stiletto heels to be banned.

The men's Retreat will be at Grange Hill, Gregory Terrace. Full details next circular but Tony O'Brien will accept deposits of 10/- from members immediately.

NEWS AND VIEWS

Several Committee members going walkabout shortly - lucky ones include Kath Clancy, Tony O'Brien, Brian Jones - Pat Lawton will be acting Outings Secretary between July 12th and August 5th - Foundation member Peter Lillis proud father again - Barbara Mooney welcomed as new member - 82 renewals of membership already this year, have you renewed yet? - Prominent personality missed bus to Goolman due to its leaving on time.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Whilst planning a trip for the Club recently, one of our members was greeted rather tersely by a local grazier. After some conversation he learned that vandals had deliberately shot some of his cattle, apparently for amusement. Needless to say, all strangers in the area are suspect at the moment.

It is significant that senseless slaughtering of our wild life (and in the above instance our domestic stock) is reaching epidemic proportions. Taking into account the average shooter's disinclination to walk when he can drive and the bullet riddled traffic signs on our main roads, it is a source of wonder that more human lives have not been lost. It seems that when the Army restocked its equipment some time back, all the surplus rifles were sold through disposal stores. The price was low, no licence was required, and no qualifications or reasons were necessary to obtain them. Do you think it was a good idea?

GET UP AND GO

The recent controversy on punctuality emphasised the importance of this virtue in everyday life. It is so very essential also in all Club functions. Imagine the frustrations of a trip leader who has planned his schedule very tightly and then loses 30 minutes at the very start of the day and then perhaps a further 30 minutes after lunch. He either has to force the party to maintain an uncomfortably fast pace or will have to curtail or cut out portion of the day's activities. It is not the intention of anybody on walking expeditions to be absolutely bound by a rigid timetable but at the same time the main purpose is to spend all available hours on the walk or climb rather than waiting for laggards. Truly this is indeed a case for the old saying "Get up and Go".
