

JILALAN

MONTHLY CIRCULAR OF THE BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB

UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY

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B.C.B.W.C. Monthly General meetings are held on the third Monday of each month in the Temperance Hall, Canberra Hotel (Edward St. entrance), at 7.30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

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<u>PROPOSED CLUB CALENDAR</u>			(subject to alteration)
14-16th January	SAFETY & TRAINING		Base Camp
17th January	General Meeting		
28-31st January	BOONOO BOONOO		T'walk/Base Camp
11-13th February	BUNYA MOUNTAINS		T'walk/Base Camp
19th February	SOCIAL		Poolside Barbecue
21st February	General Meeting		
27th February	KNAPPS PEAK		Daywalk
10-12th March	GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS		Epic
20th March	General Meeting		
25th March	SOCIAL		
31st Mar-3rd April	FRAZER ISLAND		
9th April	MT. JUBERA		Daywalk
14-16th April	SAFETY & TRAINING		Base Camp
17th April	General Meeting		
22nd April	SOCIAL		
28th April-1st May	BORDER LOOP-MT. GLENNIE		T'walk/Base Camp
6th May	SOCIAL		
12-14th May	COOLOOLA		Throughwalk
15th May	General Meeting		
27th May	MT. MITCHELL		Night Walk
9-12th June	MT. BARNEY		Throughwalk
17th June	SOCIAL		

NOTE: NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON THE MONDAY BEFORE THE TRIP OR SOCIAL.

VIEWPOINT

Some years ago, as a joke, I suggested the foundation of "The Brisbane Catholic Picnicking Club", but unfortunately it seems that this is no longer funny. Ours is a bushwalking club, yet the number of people taking part in this, the major club activity, is incredibly low.

The foundation members of our club came together because they shared a common interest - bushwalking. It has been this shared interest which has bound our club together, and helped it to weather several storms during the years of its existence. Now it is becoming increasingly difficult to find people willing to participate in walks. If we lose this common interest, what will keep our club together?

With one quarter of the club year still remaining, it is not too late to rediscover, or, in the case of some of our newer members, to discover for the first time, the very real enjoyment which bushwalking brings. Consult your club calendar at the beginning of this circular. There are some really rewarding trips coming up. Perhaps you've "been there before", - well, have you considered leading the next trip? Even if you won't, it's always encouraging to newcomers to meet someone who has done it before and not only survived but also come back for more.

In 1972, we start the fifteenth year of our club's existence - don't let it be the last. It's up to you.

Marnie Conway
Secretary

SAFETY & TRAINING

DATE: 14-16th January,
COST: \$3.50
TIME: 7.00 p.m.

TRANSPORT: Leaves from North Quay behind Trittons.
EMERGENCY OFFICER: Margaret Boyle - 56 2480

There will be an easy walk in on Friday night to the Club Hut at the foot of Mt. Barney, where this relaxed but informative weekend will be held. A variety of topics will be covered ranging from map work, first aid and basic ropework. For the knots, two pieces of cord, each 18" long, will be needed - please bring, and also bring a compass and protractor if you have one. All members are urged to attend, especially new members who need to fulfill entrance requirements.

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

The feature at this meeting will be slides of the American Rockies - obtained by Mike Laherty. Should be most interesting, so come along at the usual time - 7.30 p.m.

BOONOO - BOONOO

DATE: 28-31st January
PRICE: \$6.00
TIME: 7.00 p.m.
TRANSPORT: Leaves from North Quay behind Trittons.
LEADERS: Base Camp Brian McMahon - 913532
Throughwalk: Paul Tracey - 572935

EMERGENCY OFFICER: Dermott O'Moore - 556017

The Boonoo-Boonoo area is situated about 40 miles from Stanthorpe in Queensland's Granite Belt. This is the perfect trip for this time of year - a throughwalk following a cool, broad flowing river with numerous swimming holes. The trip will start from the Undercliff Falls, down Bookookoorara Creek, then up the Boonoo Boonoo River and up the falls carrying the same name as the river, on an easy graded track.

The base-campers will be seeing both the Undercliff and Boonoo Boonoo Falls and also Mt. Prentice. Other places of interest in the area will also be visited.

BUNYA MTNS

DATE: 11-13th February
PRICE: \$6.00
TIME: 7.00 p.m.
TRANSPORT: Leaves from North Quay behind Trittons.
LEADERS: Base Camp: Terry Baker
Throughwalk: Tony Kelly - 472332
EMERGENCY OFFICER: Margaret Boyle - 562480

The ideal basecamp site since all the highlights of the area can be seen in a weekend from the Dandabah Picnic Grounds - described by the aborigines as a "pleasant place". The national park lies 35 miles from Kingaroy, so if you're lucky you may even score a visit to the Premier's peanut farm! The area is covered with

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BUNYA MTSBOONOO BOONOO (cont)

light rainforest, abundant in bunya pine and blackboys; there is plenty of birdlife and no leeches - Oh boy!

Features of the area are the incredible views of the Darling Downs, good camping and great waterfalls (notably Big Falls at Pine Gorge lookout). Cherry Tree Plain is a must and just to reassure new members that they are not completely removed from civilization, there is a souvenir shop and television towers.

The park is quite historic and notches cut in the fully grown bunya pines remind the walker of the tribal days when the bunya nuts were seasonally raided by the aborigines. The trees were younger then and the notches nowadays would take an eight-footer to climb up them. Throughwalkers and basecampers alike have the prospect of seeing the area thoroughly in the weekend. What's keeping you!

BACK AGAIN!

After three weeks of exams and five weeks in New Zealand, your Outings Secretary is back from the land of Nod and raring to invent, organise and lead the most incredible trips you've ever been on. To all those who worried about me (if any!) I did pass all my finals and my New Zealand trip was absolutely fantastic - wait till you see my 236 slides! And if you thought my old campfire jokes were bad, you haven't heard any of the ones I picked up in N.Z.

Right now, I'd like to send a big THANK YOU to John Elliot for his work as Outings Sec. while I was away. It's a busy job with plenty of problems and I'm grateful to John for taking it on.

You know, our walking isn't as bright as it could be. I mean, think of your last trip. Did you get your leader lost even once? Nope! And how about the stirring at the campfire? Just wait till **I bring along my Engineers' Songbooks and boy, will we lift the roof!**

When I started bushwalking, breakfast time used to be a real scream. You've never lived till you've seen what the girls look like first thing in the morning (yechh!) (The boys don't look too hot either - typist's comment) or rubbished what everybody else is having for brekka. I mean, they used to point fingers at me when I had spaghetti and chips - some people just don't know how to live, I guess.

BACK AGAIN - AGAIN!

Well. they're trips in the past. I want to talk about the present and near future. On the January long weekend, there's a party tripping down to the Boonoo Boonoo area in Northern New South Wales. Any of those who went on Paul Wijngaarden's Cataract River trip a couple of years ago will tell you of the sleeping sickness prevailing in the area. Yep, looks like it could be a real harey trip. More at the January meeting, so you better be there!

Brian McMahon
Outings Secretary

OUTINGS IN RETROSPECTNEW ENGLAND

The trip got away in good time and proceeded swiftly along the Pacific Highway through the coast and into N.S.W. After a few stops the party arrived at Dorriggo for a quick trip to the falls before breakfast. After breakfast and mass in Dorriggo and a stop in the same town, the party moved to Ebor, then Ebor Falls. The trout on the Serpentine River was visited before moving to Point Lookout. At this time, however, haze obscured the longer distance viewing, but Darkies and Wilsons Point could be clearly seen.

The next morning saw one party walking to Darkies Point and later being picked up and returned to camp. Another visited Banksia Point and walked back to camp. The overcast conditions and general cool temperatures stopped people from making use of the rather suspect hole at the rear of the camp, but more hardy members took a dip in the creek later in the evening.

Tuesday morning saw the camp up early, breakfasted and packed up. After a short trip, the spectacular Woolloomombi Falls were visited. Water was flowing over them and was watched in awe as it fell nearly 1000 ft. in two drops. The majesty and grandeur were marvelled at for some time before the party moved off for a view of another section of the gorge. Lack of time prevented anyone from visiting the bottom of this truly magnificent gorge. The party then moved on to Armidale and set off for a noisy trip back to Brisbane.

WHO'S FOR A CHANGE OF SEX?

That was some party last Saturday when twenty bushwalkers did what doctors have been trying to do for years. Theresa Cowley (Big Terry) had several points in her (his?) favour and the judge just had to award the 'Best dressed girl - oops - boy' prize to him.

CHANGE OF SEX PARTY REPORT (cont)

One walker is believed to have had some trouble on the way over when he - er - she had to stop and get out of the car.

Highlight of the evening - besides the food of course - was the orange passing wrestle, followed closely by the matchbox game, when some nosey people showed their true form. Jocelyn Roos seemed to have a hair problem (ever tried shaving that chest, Jos?). Through some oversight the party did not get raided, although some neighbours would have appreciated it!

TAMBOURINE MOUNTAIN

13 members departed from North Quay at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday and headed towards Tambourine. The first walk was around the Cedar Creek Falls circuit. From here we crossed over to Eagle Hts. where we did the Palm Grove Circuit. Excellent views of the South Coast were obtained from various lookouts along the track. We then proceeded to the Witches Falls park where we had lunch, and afterwards, 8 members completed the circuit to Witches Falls and walked back along the road to the cars. After this, we headed back to Brisbane. It was very disappointing to see that only half the walkers completed all the walks, even though they were of an extremely easy nature.

CHANGES OF ADDRESSES:

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R.A.A.F. Base,
LAVERTON. VIC. 3027

Peter McMahon,
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EAST BRISBANE. 4169

Remember! First Aid courses!

The Red Cross has a course starting in early February - cost \$8. All members should try to undertake one of these courses, they are very helpful and informative. Nominate to Margaret Boyle or Monica Fienberg at the January meeting.

NOTICE: A letter was received from former member Maurice Allen who is working as a lay missionary in a Vietnam hospital. He has requested donations to assist in the running of the hospital. Anyone interested can forward donations to:

Administration, Holy Family Hospital,
Qui-Nhon,
SOUTH VIETNAM.

TREASURER'S REPORT: 26/10/71 to 22/12/71

Balance brought forward		238.49
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<u>Receipts</u>		
Subscriptions	1.80	
Badges	1.80	
Bushwalks	363.00	
Equipment Hire	3.00	
Socials	133.75	
Miscellaneous	1.10	
		<u>504.45</u>
		742.94

<u>Payments</u>		
Stationery	1.27	
Socials	74.30	
Postage	8.00	
Bus Hire	97.37	
Hall Rental	10.00	
		<u>190.94</u>
		552.00
Bank Charges		5.45
		<u>546.55</u>
Building Soc. A/c		400.00
S & T A/c		30.11
		<u>976.66</u>

Total Liquid Assets

Financial Membership: 89

It should be noted that the above statement is for a two monthly period. I would appreciate it if all those who have hired equipment from the club would return it to me by Monday 17th January at the meeting.

Russ Nelson
Treasurer

PUBLICATION OF NEW BY-LAWS

The Committee hereby notifies members of two new by-laws.

No. 13. "To qualify for ordinary membership, a probationary member must attend two official club trips and a new members' function within three months, and a safety and training weekend within twelve months of paying for his/her subscription."

No. 14. "The drinking of alcohol at club functions, i.e. trips and socials, is prohibited."

By-Law No. 11 is repealed.

JOTTINGS ON THE CHRISTMAN - NEW YEAR WEEKENDS

On Christmas Day a car-load of walkers set out for a frolic in the Carnarvon Gorge. After a wet journey, a flat tyre, a bogged car and a sleep on the park seats in Injune, the party headed back to Brisbane the next day. A cup of tea at Kellys' was the anti-climax and the breeding ground of a brilliant Idea. Mike Keane and myself decided that we would try a trip from Binna Burra to the Tweed Pinnacle while Mike Kelly (Ernest Hemmingway) and John Elliot played around the mountains and hills of the Lower McPhersons.

After a night in the Rat-a-Tat hut, the two throughwalkers decided to get lost. Somewhere through the mist and jungle of the mighty Ramparts, a small town with a large pub was sighted. We crashed out of Tarzan's Realm using the rope, and so ended our proposed epic.

Wednesday saw a meeting of the gruesome twosome's and after a look at the tourists at Natural Arch, we headed for home.

New Year's Eve saw two Elliot's and a Kelly heading for O'Reilly's in a lightening storm. A grand time was had with the mountain maids and on Saturday morning two more Kelly's arrived.

Saturday - after a late start the fierce-five headed for Point Lookout and the Stinson Wreck.

Sunday - an early start ensured a good days walk. Westray's Grave was visited and then the party headed off over the Widgee Divide to the Lost World Ridge. After a swim in the Albert River below O'Reilly's, we had a community swill and went to sleep in a cow paddock.

Recipe = swill

- (a) Onion gravy and meat balls
- (b) Irish stew
- (c) Dried spaghetti
- (d) Lambs brains
- (e) Arrowroot biscuits
- (f) March flies
- (g) Other unmentionables

Sleeping with Green ants is recommended, lads!

Monday - a thrash up Castle Crag and over to O'Reilly's for morning tea and lunch.
(Apologies for omitted events.)

Tony Kelly

CLUB NEWS

Margaret Wilson is declared an ordinary member, subject to her completing a Safety and Training weekend.

"Theresa" Cowley voted best-looking "bird" and "Mark" Kearney best-dressed man at the recent party.

Men beware!! It's leap year and Kath Vingoe knows it!

Congratulations to Ros Hennessy and John Walker on attaining their majority's this month. Kath Vingoe celebrates hers too - again!

Are beards now the trademark of a McMahon? Peter now back in town wearing one, but has not attained Brian's standard yet! Welcome back, Peter!

Glad to see an interest in bushwalking fostered in young people these days. Margaret Ann Hanvin seen on her first bushwalk at Tambourine. She is now 10 weeks old!

Congratulations to Lawrie and Thea on the birth of their daughter, - another member of the Kearney clan!

Birthdays are in this month! Kathy O'Moore and John Elliot have only 75 years to go to their century!