

# JILALAN

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#### **GENERAL MEETINGS**

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, being scheduled to commence at 7.30 pm (although they usually start about 15 minutes later). The location is currently in the basement of the Catholic Centre (near St Stephen's Cathedral) with entry via Charlotte Street. The door is usually manned up to about 8.00 pm. If you arrive after this, please ring the bell and wait for someone to let you in. Parking is NOT available on site and free parking can be difficult to find nearby. Parking is available close by at \$4.

#### VISITORS are always welcome.

#### **OUTINGS**

- (a) Always read the Jilalan article to check the departure point, date and time.
- (b) Departure of walks is usually either from the rear of the Cathedral in Charlotte Street or at Sullivan & Nicolaides (134 Whitmore Street, Taringa - enter via the upper driveway and drive down to the upper level of the carpark). Check Jilalan or phone the leader to be certain.
- (c) The Club will usually organise transport for each outing, but you must nominate in advance to the leader. Contacting to someone else may lead to your nomination becoming "lost". Nominations should preferably be made by the Monday prior to the activity (Wednesday at the latest) so that transport etc can be arranged. Note that nominations for some walks may close well in advance of this. Late nominations may not be accepted.
- (d) Walkers are responsible for their transport to and from the departure point.
- (e) Walks are rarely cancelled if they are, all nominees will be notified. Should you change your mind and decide not to come to a club event, please notify the leader as soon as possible.

#### EMERGENCY OFFICER

If, within the hour prior to an outing's departure, you can't make it or you are running late, phone the number shown in the Jilalan for the Emergency Officer for that outing. If you have not returned from an outing by 9.00 pm, your family may ring the Emergency Officer - but please don't panic.

#### EQUIPMENT HIRE

The Club has some tents and through-walk packs to hire to visitors and newer members. Borrowers are responsible for collecting and returning equipment, as well as making good any loss or damage over and above normal wear and tear. Hire rates - Packs \$10/weekend, Tents \$5.00 - Deposit of \$20 required.

#### PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

The Association requires that certain minimal basic equipment should be carried by all walkers on all trips. This should comprise the following - a first aid kit, a torch, a parka/raincoat, hat, shirt, 15+ (or suitable value) sun screen 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.

#### WARNING

All persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertake all activities of the Club at their own risk. The Club is not in a position to even state that all care will be taken.

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KEY

D/W	Day Walk
T/W	Through Walk
O/N	Overnight
B/C	Base Camp
1/2DW	Half-day Walk
S/T	Safety & Training
FMR	Federation Mountain Rescue
Soc	Social

"Let us probe the silent places,

let us seek what luck betide us.

Let us journey to a lonely land I know,

There's a whisper on the nightwind, there's a star agleam to guide us. And the wild is calling, calling - let us go" ...Service

# CALENDAR

Dat	e Event	Contact	Phone	Туре	
JAN	13-15	Illinbah Circuit Goomburra	Chris McCaffrey Nathan Tobin	349 5730 202 2690	D/W B/C
	17 22 26	MEETING Northbrook Gorge Mt Cougal	Kerry Mulligan Justin Tobin	870 8564 366 3193	D/W D/W
FE	3 5 11 12 18 20 26	Echo Point - Beginners FMR Beginners Day K.P. Obi-Obi Ballanjui Falls MEETING - AGM Little Kings Movement	Paul McDonald Cliff Harrison Phil Murray Susan Tobin Gabriel Romaguera	205 1984 378 0264 841 0254 366 3193 369 7330	T/W S/T D/W D/W
Ma	r 4 58 L 12 11	Warrie Circuit Metrogaine - Brisbane Annual Mass & Dinner	Gabriel Romaguera Christine Harrison	369 7330 378 0264	D/W S/T Soc
	19 20	Ballow Range MEETING	John Brunnott Paul McDonald	209 9598 205 1984	T/W B/C
Арг	26 · 2	Club Hut Mt Zahel	Nathan Tobin	202 2690	B/C
	8-9 13-17 22 23	Basic Skills Days New England N.P. Mt Tabletop Mt Lindesay	Ed & Ed Susan Tobin Pat Lawton	374 2198 366 3193 366 1956	FMR B/C D/W D/W
	24 25 30	MEETING Mt Coot-tha Traverse Mt Toowoonan	Greg Endicott Trevor Kelly	351 4092 357 5046	D/W D/W
Ma	y 5-7 5-7 13	Guy Fawkes Guy Fawkes Mt Alexander	Paul McDonald Matthew Palmer Joe Finn	205 1984 366 5660 848 4642	B/C T/W D/W Soc
	14 19-21 19-21 27-28	Mother's Day Swan Creek Cedar Mt-Spicers Ret. Training Weekend	Kerry Mulligan Barry Ellerington	870 8564 886 3451	B/C T/W FMR
Ju	n 3-4 4 9-12 9-12	Lizard via Bell Knapps Peak Emu Creek Emu Creek	Justin Tobin Russell Code Ian Renton Bill Butler	366 3193 245 4803 351 1588	O/N D/W B/C T/W
	9-12 17 18 19	Rogaining-Stanthorpe Kinnanes Falls MEETING	Christine Harrison Ian Renton	378 0264	T/W
	23-25 23-25	Mt Barney - Peasants Mt Barney - Mezzanine	Justin Tobin	366 3193	B/C B/C

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## SUGGESTED EXTENDED WALKS TO COME

1995 Sept July/Aug

1996 Feb July Sept Oxley Wild Rivers Skiing - Snowy Mts

South New Zealand Mt Bowen Circuit, Hinchinbrook Is. Blue Mts & Canyoning

## COMING EVENTS

## THE LITTLE KINGS COLLECTION (PART DAY WALK OR ODD HALF HOUR)

Leader	:Gabriel Romaguera (369 7330)
Date	:26 February 1995
Meeting Time	:9.00 AM
Meeting Place	:Under the Music Shop awning, Appel St, Graceville (opposite
	Graceville train station)
Grade	:EASY
Cost	:Free!!! That's right, no charge!!!

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This is the **only** event in the club's annual calendar for the **only** charity that the club supports, by offering the help of our members to help them collect funds. It is a very worthwhile charity that cares for the spiritual, social and moral needs of the cerebral palsied, physically and intellectually handicapped, and any other disabled persons. Heck, that could include me and probably a lot of yourselves!! It is a Brisbane wide appeal and we are helping organise the collection in the Graceville area.

Yes, it is an excellent charity. I have been to their centre, seen their "clients", and the valuable work they perform. This includes vocational training, day care, elderley care, special programs for the young and adults, as well as school classes. All workers at the Little King's Centre are unpaid voluntary workers so no money is frittered away. You may not have heard of this charity as they have little government support, but they run a huge centre at Buranda and you are always welcome to visit there. It is all achieved through the generosity of the public!!!

The disabled have the very same needs as we all do but with even less resources at their disposal - to work, have fun, make friends, live independently etc. Don't feel sorry for them and don't just pay them lip service. Come along and help them achieve the goals we grasp so easily in our lives.

We want to make this a really good year for the Little Kings. In the past we have had not had enough volunteers to help collect the money that Graceville residents are willing to give. The more people that come, the less there is to do, and the more we collect. Any contibution of time, even only half an hour, will be gratefully accepted. Drinks and snacks will be supplied so please come along. Show you care!!

## WARRIE CIRCUIT (DAY WALK)

Leader	:	Gabriel Romaguera (369 7330)
Date	:	4 March 1995
Meeting Time	:	7.00 am
Meeting Place	:	Charlotte St City (behind cathedral)
Grade	:	Graded Track
<b>Emergency Officer</b>	:	Cathy Wood (398 1465)
Cost	:	\$12.00

The Warrie Circuit at Springbrook is a beautiful, relaxing walk past waterfalls and cascades to the Meeting Of The Waters, the vegetation and terrain changing as we wind our way down to the creek junction for lunch. There will be plenty of time for a swim and photos. If you want to escape the heat, come along for an enjoyable, cool daywalk.

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Gabriel.

### THE BALLOW RANGE (THROUGHWALK)

Leader	: John Brunnott (Ph: 209 95	98)
Date	: 17-19 March 1995	
Meeting Time	: T.B.A.	
Meeting Place	: T.B.A.	
Grade	: Medium-Hard	
<b>Emergency Officer</b>	: Lynn Brunnott (Ph: 209 95	98)
Cost	: \$15.00	

"The Ballow Range - A moss festooned beech forest grows atop Mt Ballow, one of the most remote mountains in South Eastern Queensland. The soft lighting and eerie silence help create the unique mood of the forest."

(Robert Rankin 1991)

The Ballow Range is my first lead walk for the club. With help and information from my fellow members the pre - outing in hot January went very well. The Ballow Ranges include the peaks Double, Durrumlee and Mowburra. Mt. Ballow itself is 1312 mts, nearly as high as the west peak of Barney. We will be returning via Big Lonely (1155 mts). The walk will start at Graces Hut on friday night, and on to Montseratt our campsite for the evening (I hope the moon is out). Saturday will be an early start, heading for a hard but beautiful rainforest walk to Focal Peak, down to the narrow but serene Cedar Pass, then up to Durrumlee Peak for lunch and a cuppa.

Once on top of the range it's easy walking along the undulating ridge line and for a good nights sleep camping amongst the misty Beech trees on the N.S.W. border. (1/2 will have to sleep in N.S.W. that night.) Then it's up early to catch the sunrise over Barney, off to Nothofagus and down to Big Lonely, following the ridge down to Ballow and Barney creeks for lunch and a swim, then onward to Grace's Hut and cars. A walk not to be missed.

John.

## PAST OUTINGS

#### OAKEY CREEK (2January).

At the last general meeting, those interested were invited to come on a walk on Monday 2 January. Yes, nine of us decided it was time to walk those Christmas festive season calories off. Having waited 35 minutes at our meeting destination we missed one walker. We continued up to Mt Mee State Forest which is a relatively new area just opened up. We parked our cars and began to walk past the Hoop Pine forest, down a steep slope and into the creek.

Well - what a beginning. Nettle, Wait-a-While and Gympie, then luckily dry cleared creek bed with cleared boulders. It was a hot humid day - 32 degrees. Although we were surrounded by piccabeen palms and other rainforest vegetation all we wanted was some water to cool ourselves. However, there were only a few large pools of water rather stagnant and filled with tadpoles and mosquito larvae. So we had some people who couldn't resist getting wet, by bombarding others with rocks while they were precariously walking around smelly pools. Eventually we came to a gorge and strangler fig where we had lunch. This was near the end of the 4 km rockhopping trip, the time was 1.30p.m. and very hot with still a climb up to the forestry road with a 4 km gravel road walk to the cars.

The scenery was unbelievable with rolling green hills, cleared paddocks, Mt Archer and Glasshouse Mts in the distance to the north and Mt Byron to the south- west. This walk can be recommended a couple of months or so after the rains, perhaps May to August period. Although it was extremely hot we all enjoyed the day including "Round The Bend" Jonas, Pat, Patricia, June, Richard, Jill and Cliff to make this the first walk for 1995 and in a very interesting and new environment for the club.

Christine.

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#### Goomburra Basecamp (13-15 January)

With the festive season over it was time to enjoy our first basecamp of the year - Goomburra nestled in between the Main and Mistake Ranges near Cunninghams Gap. Friday night we escaped the city rush to find the advance party (behind every good leader there is a great wife) all set up with the camp fire well alight to welcome us.

Saturday an early start - no problems. We were stirred at dawn by the forest coming to life to greet the day with an orchestra of sounds dominated by the tinkling sounds of the silver tongue bellbirds. Our first stop was Sylvesters Lookout- amazing views, then into the forest for a day of good fun,outstanding views and rock formations. The hole in the wall being true to it's name, a few brave bodies climbed over the top for photo sessions. With Mt. Castle in our sights we set off, passing Laidley Falls (not a drop of water), and followed the ridge up to Mt Castle. More great views looking over the Laidley Valley with Brisbane in the far horizon and the Main Range stretching as far as we could see. We had lunch on top of Boars Head before the return journey with the heat well upon us. Saturday night a cheery but tired group of walkers enjoyed poems and tales around the camp fire and watched the night life in the trees around us. Sunday was a relaxing day with Mass at a local country church (is 30 kms

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## Goomburra Basecamp (continued)

local?) A refreshing start to the day talking to the farming families and afterwards a short walk following the creek up into the valley. We had lunch back at camp, packed and departed for home after a great week-end.

Our thanks to Nathan and Veronica for the week- end and to Trevor for the endless supplies of cuppas and Richard who saved our legs from the road bash.

Maxine

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## The Cougals Daywalk (26 January)

Australia Day 1995, no better way then to spend it in the bush. Fourteen other members thought so as well, with twelve meeting in town and three down there it was no stops to Mt Cougal National Park. Regrouping at the carpark for a map reading and chat, then off along the track to the old sawmill site, along the creek, across the creek and up to Boyds Butte. A reasonable track and old road, a sign that that section of the walk is getting some use. It was a gradual ascent until we got to the last climb to the cliffs of Boyds Butte, a bit rocky and steep but it was not long before we were on top for those views of Mt Warning and Springbrook and you can't see the coast hi-rise so it was an enjoyable smoko stop. From here it was across to the east peak of the Cougals, this section not getting as much use and we did our best to miss most of the lawyer vine.

The Cougals sits on the Border and is a double peak so leaving three on east peak for a leisurely lunch the other twelve did the optional extra of west peak, totally different in size, vegetation and views so it was worth the extra hour. Back to east peak for a quick lunch and cuppa, then following the cliffline to the fence, having a look at the cave before heading down the fence. A few figs including the small sandpaper fig here and quite edible. About half way down we left the fence on an old road, past the old house and dam, old holdens, then onto the ridge for the steep descent into the creek and swimming hole. Beautiful, beautiful cool water, most people having a swim and cooling down after the humid rainforest walk. Another half hour along the creek and we were back at the cars.

Thanks to all who came- Phil, Richard, Patricia, Cliff, Christine, Bill, Jim, Chris, Nathan, June, Trevor, Matthew, Joe, Casey and Mark and John for the pre-outing. I hope you enjoyed the walk as much as I did

Justin.

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#### More Beaut Scandal:

A tip on what not to take on John's Throughwalk - Garabaldi salami!!

Which teacher said after two days back at school? - !! I need a holiday !!

Mathew only in his new job a week, and his boss goes on stress leave.

## PAST OUTINGS (continued)

#### Texas Caves (28 - 29 January)

I met Justin, Sue and June at the Glenlyon Tourist Park about 8.30, our group deciding in their prophetic wisdom a cabin was the way to go. Glenlyon Dam seems to be very popular with the fisherman and with the dam only two percent full the odds are definitely with the fisherman. We were here for the caves so at nine o'clock we were off, heading north over low hills and ridges until after an hour and a quarter the white limestone rocks could be seen. Russedon cave with an eagles nest in a dead tree was the first of two caves we visit. The entrance is a bit steep until it opens up and reveals the main cavern branching off in several directions. The cave has been dry for eighteen months yet the stalactites are still dripping helping to form natures sculpture. We explored where we could crawling along in places and having a fun time. Lunch was by the creek before heading around to the Main Cave. This cave has a main entrance and three daylight holes, it's more muddy and not as much to see but we enjoyed ourselves for about an hour, slipping and sliding, turning the torch off and it was dark. Half an hour from camp we were greeted by a huge thunder storm and driving rain - would Matthew be too late? Watching the rain come down outside we all thought what a great idea the cabin was. Thanks Justin, Sue and June for your company and great walk.

Trevor.

## PAST SOCIALS

#### Christmas Party - Barney Lodge - Dec 11

Twelve of us went to the Christmas Party held at the old forestry barracks at Barney Lodge. You couldn't have asked for a better spot, Barney was there, majestic in all its splendour. It rained on the way down and the creek near the Lodge was flowing fast and brown. Saturday was spot Barney Peak as clouds were constantly covering it.

The party went off so well, heaps of food, an excellent BBQ prepared by the men, and tasty salads and sweets. Plenty of Bon Bons and games, "pass the parcel" was moving around so fast, was there a bomb in it - no - one squashed mango! Celebrity heads was a laugh a minute. I think I had the safest spot for musical chairs, being D.J., it was a definite fight for the chairs, the finalists looking as if they'd played a hard game of Rugby - hey! it brings out the kid in them and a bar of choccie for 1st prize. The games continued till late, when the more serious card games started up, some catching the card bug and staying up until 2am.

Next morning was perfect, beaut views of Barney and Maroon. Six of us left for a late walk, after relaxing over breakfast and reliving memories of the previous night. Bill was elected leader, and did a top job, he led us up Mt Gillies, I found it a struggle having had family commitments and being out of the bushwalking scene since the Canarvon Gorge trip - late September. The rocks in the ground were very loose after all the rain, a couple of scarred legs were the result of the rocks' habit of heading down the mountain. We had great views from the top, we were out for four hours, and back at the house we had lunch, showers, tidied up and headed home.

Thanks to Bernard, Sue and Justin for organising a really good party, and to Bill for leading the walk. The other partygoers were Gabe, Russell, Louise, John, Majella, Matthew, Kerry and myself. Pity that more didn't come and join in the festivities.

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June.

# M. B. S.

Who was the man hiding behind that beard at the meeting?? Ssmooth as ssilk.

Who wanted to shift the Committee meeting into the main bedroom?

Who is that walker and nominator for outings secretary basecamping in a 26ft caravan?

J. C. has a new job In Charge of Koala Coast and based at Daisy Hill.

# **COMING SOCIALS**

#### ANNUAL MASS AND DINNER.

Contact	:	Matthew Palmer (Ph:	366 5660)	
Date	:	Saturday ll March		
Time	:	6.00 pm		
Place	:	Padua Communication rear of the college. not in the church.)		

With a new club year beginning, let's all come together to celebrate Mass. Let us thank each other for the past year and look forward to the year ahead.

I have also a surprise for you, the location of our dinner, but let me assure you of a great meal.

Come along to reflect and meet new friends/catch up with old friends for an enjoyable night. So phone me or let me know at the meeting if you are coming to dinner so I can book your place for a great night out.

Matthew.

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7.30pm. Bistno: \$7-00.

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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#### **Commitee Nominations.**

The nominees for the 1995 committee are :

POSITION	NOMINEE	NOMINATORS
	Matthew Palmer	Paul McDonald, Phil Murray Paul McDonald, Matthew Palmer Matthew Palmer, Louise Rea
Vice President	Paul McDonald	
Vice President	Ed Thistlewaite	Paul McDonald, Matthew Palmer
Treasurer	Tony Young	Paul McDonald, Chris McCafferey
Outings Secretary	Paul McDonald	Matthew Palmer, Louise Rea
Outing Secretary	Ed Thistlewaite	Paul McDonald, M. Palmer
SEPNEARY:	FUSTIN Cal	Ly THISTLEAND WE
The above positions will	be voted on at the An	nual General Meeting. The unfilled positions will

be filled from the floor on the night - is there a job for you? Come along and join the organisation of the club - no experience required. Read MBS for details of fringe benefits attached to Committee!!



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