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MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month in the basement of the Catholic Centre. Entry is via the back door off the Cathedral Courtyard in Charlotte Street. Parking is on the street, but could be difficult to find nearby. Open air parking at \$4 is available nearby. Should the door be locked, please ring the bell and we will come to greet you. The door opens at 7.15 pm and the meeting begins at 7.30 pm.

VISITORS are always welcome.

OUTINGS

- (a) Always read the Jilalan article to locate the departure point.
- (b) Daywalks usually leave from the City, behind the Cathedral in Charlotte Street.
- (c) Weekend trips usually leave from the Sullivan & Nicolaides Building, 134 Whitmore Street, Taringa. Enter the carpark via the upper driveway, and drive down the back to the large car park. We are on the upper flood-lit level.
- (d) The Club organises transport for each outing, so please nominate to the Leader by the Wednesday prior to the outing. Late nominations accepted subject to transport.
- (e) Walkers are responsible for their transport to and from the departure point.
- (f) Should you change your mind and decide not to come to a club event, ring the Leader and tell us.

EQUIPMENT HIRE

The Club has one tent and two packs to hire to visitors and newer members. Cost of pack and tent hire - \$5.00 for weekend.
Phone Cliff Harrison (378 0264) for details.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

On every outing, bring a torch, first aid kit, 2 litres of water, and a parka/rain protection. A hat and sunscreen would be to your advantage.

EMERGENCY OFFICER

- (a) Should you be running late on your way to the departure point, phone this person whose details are in the Jilalan article.
- (b) Should you not be back from an outing on time, no-one at home is allowed to panic until 9 pm. Then they may phone the Emergency Officer.

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

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CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Type</u>
FEB 1(Tues)	FMR Night Navigation	Joe Finn	848 4642	S/T
4-6	Byron Bay	Kerry Mulligan	870 8564	B/C
20	Little Kings Movement	Gabriel Romaguera	369 7330	D/W
19	Social	Susan Herron	366 3193	Soc
21	MEETING - A.G.M.			
26	Beginners' Abseil(K.P.)	Joe Finn	848 4642	FMR
25-27	Point Lookout/Running Ck	Matthew Palmer	366 5660	T/W
27	Westray's Grave	Chris McCaffrey	349 5730	D/W

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CALENDAR (cont.)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Type</u>
MAR 4	Bush Dance - Jimboomba	Susan Herron	366 3193	Soc
4-6	Springbrook	Chris McCaffrey	349 5730	B/C
12	Annual Mass & Picnic	Susan Herron	366 3193	Soc
19-20	Lightning Falls/Echo Pt	June Greenaway	358 5295	O/N
21	MEETING			
26-27	Nixon Creek Abseil	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	T/W
26-27	Binna Burra	Justin Tobin	812 1518	B/C
APR 1-4	EASTER at Bunya Mts	Ken McCarron (071)	62 3942	B/C
8	Sizzler/Movie Night	Bernard Ivers	865 1032	Soc
10	Mermaid Mt	Christine Harrison	378 0264	D/W
13	Abseil Techniques K.P.	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	S/T
16-17	Rogaining-Intermediate	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	S/T
17	Noosa National Park	Kerry Mulligan	870 8564	D/W
18	MEETING			
23-25	Main Range	<i>Christine Harrison</i>	<i>378 0264</i>	<i>B/C</i>
23-25	Main Range	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	T/W
APR 30/				
MAY 1-2	Moreton Island	Paul McDonald	205 1984	B/C
	Moreton Island	Justin Tobin	812 1518	T/W
7	Mt Moon	Anthony Dolan	899 1785	D/W
8	Leaders Info.Night	Christine Harrison	378 0264	S/T
14-15	O'Reilly's Dinner/Walk			O/N
16	MEETING			
22	Coonowrin & Beerwah Mts	Matthew Palmer	366 5660	D/W
25	Abseil Techniques K.P.	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	S/T
28-29	Eagles Ridge/Club Hut	Justin Tobin	812 1518	B/C
JUN 5	Mt Bangalore	Russell Code	245 4803	D/W
11-13	Fraser Island	Christine Harrison	378 0264	T/W
11-13	Fraser Island	Paul McDonald	205 1984	B/C
18	Ten Pin Bowling	Bernard Ivers	865 1032	Soc
20	MEETING			
25-26	FMR Weekend - Drynan's	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	FMR
JUL 2	Colonial Ball			Soc
10	Mt Fraser	Trevor Kelly	357 5046	D/W
16-17	Butler's Ridge	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	T/W
18	MEETING			
23	Christmas in July	Bernard Ivers	865 1032	Soc
24	Black Snake Ridge	Russell Nelson	378 5200	D/W
30-31	Upper Portal(Grace's Hut)	Justin Tobin	812 1518	B/C
AUG 6	Buchanan Fort	Sue Herron	366 3193	D/W
10	Annual Mass-Mezzanine	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	O/N
	Midget	Phil Murray	841 0254	O/N
13-14	New Members	Chris McCaffrey	349 5730	B/C
	& S/T Weekend	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	B/C
21	Back Creek			D/W
22	MEETING			
26-28	Killarney to Stanthorpe	Pat Lawton	366 1956	T/W

COMING EVENTS

NIXON CREEK ABSEIL (THROUGH WALK)

Contact : Barry Ellerington (Ph: 886 3451)
Date : 26-27 March
Meeting Time : 7.00 AM, Saturday 26 March
Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides Carpark
Grade : Medium
Emergency Officer : Janet Ellerington (Ph: 886 3451)
Cost : \$14.00

Here is an excellent walk that will provide a little of everything from rainforest to Box or Eucalypt forest - good views, some rock scrambling, three abseils and a rock-hop up a creek. What more could one want!

To start the walk, we will use the Lamington graded track system, leaving Binna Burra on the Ships Stern Circuit via the Border Track. This track winds its way through magical rainforest passing pristine waterfalls and cascades. Towards the Stern - good views of the Numinbah Valley, Tweed Range and Mount Warning are enjoyed. The descent from the Stern will be from Kooloobano Point. This is very steep in places, requiring some rock scrambling and a little care. Near the bottom of the ridge are two cliffs and these will be negotiated by two abseils. From here, we will ascend the ridge in front of us to the summit of Turtle Rock. The northern end of Turtle Rock is riddled with a system of caves - a torch will be required to explore the various passages, some leading out to sheer cliff face giving views of the valley below.

The views from the summit are towards the State Prison at the north of the Numinbah Valley and also to Egg Rock. The third and last abseil of the day will be off the northern tip of Turtle, then down the ridge to Nixon Creek - the ridge is scungy, so don't forget your gaiters. This is the camp spot for the night and water is plentiful.

The second day begins with a pleasant rock hop up Nixon Creek through pleasant rainforest and Box Forest to Bohgaban Falls - a very nice lunch stop. A further 45 minutes rock-hop above the falls, the Ship Stern Track crosses the creek. This track will take us back to Binna Burra via the Lower Ballanjui Falls.

For those interested who would like a practice abseil before the outing, Glen and Joe have kindly offered to put on a practice night at Kangaroo Point the week before. Please let us know.

It is a great walk with a lot of activity - so don't miss out on a great weekend. Hope to see your smiling faces!

BAZZA.

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TYPIST NEEDED

Heaps of Work - No Pay!!

I have an electric typewriter available if required - or if you have a computer, Kristine will hand over a disk of the magazine layout. Ring me on 812 1518 if you are interested in helping.

Justin.

BINNA BURRA (BASE CAMP)

Leader : Justin Tobin
 Date : 26-27 March
 Meeting Time : 7.00 AM, Saturday 26 March
 Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides Carpark
 Grade :
 Emergency Officer : Janet Ellerington (Ph: 886 3451)
 Cost : \$12.00

A Binna Burra Base Camp without camping at Binna Burra!

Instead, we'll be camping just outside Canungra, hopefully there will be more room! No showers, but there are toilets!

Saturday, walk will be the Illinbah Circuit, Old Cedar Road - walk from Illinbah. A very beautiful rainforests and palms walk, with its 12 creek crossings. It will be a relaxing and most enjoyable walk suitable for everyone and we won't have the slog back up the hill!

Saturday night, hopefully a campfire and yarn-telling. My jokes are getting a bit old, so bring some new ones!

Sunday walk could be one of the smaller nearby mountains or a trip up to Binna Burra for one of the graded tracks before heading home.

Suitable for new walkers. If a tent is needed, let me know when you nominate.

Justin.

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THOUGHT OF A LONE WALKER ...

"The man who walks prepared to camp in any weather and anywhere, is the most independent fellow on earth. With his pack, he is never lost. No matter wither he may stray, his food and shelter are right with him and home is wherever he may choose to stop."

Horace Kephart.

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Seen at last meeting:

Anna Rosseto, Sue Fisher, Paul McPhee and Paul Mullin (two faces from the past).

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Is there any truth Anthony had to pay someone to take his car??? Anyway, he's no longer got it! As they say, you can fool some of the people all of the time!!

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EASTER AT BUNYA MOUNTAINS (BASE CAMP)

Contact : Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Date : 1-4 April
Meeting Time : 7.00 PM, Thursday 31 March
Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides Carpark
Grade :
Emergency Officer : Thurs/Fri/Sat - Sue Herron (Ph: 366 3193)
 Sun/Mon - Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Cost : \$30.00

This year's Easter trip will be a base camp at the Bunya Mountains National Park - about a 3½ drive north-west from Brisbane, near Kingaroy. As the name implies, there is a large stand of Bunya Pines which is surrounded by rainforest. The camp will be at Burton's Well camping area which provides basic facilities such as running water and toilets, but no showers. The other major camping ground, Dandabah, has hot showers and does get very crowded, but we might be able to organise a visit there once or twice. Also at Dandabah there is a small shop which sells basic supplies like milk and bread. As we are camping around 11 kms away, you should come self-sufficient.

The itinerary for the weekend has not been set in concrete, as I still have to check out one or two more places to make it more interesting. But, basically, it goes something like this: Depart Brisbane Thursday night, arriving at the Bunyas hopefully around 10.30 pm, where the leader should be waiting to greet you with the billy boiling.

Friday should be spent doing an off-track walk in one of the creeks. The walk should be within the capabilities of any reasonably fit person but, remember, it is off track. There may be a bit of a scramble up beside a waterfall and a bit of a scrub bash through the rainforest to get back to civilisation.

Saturday, it is planned to do the western cliff-line track system through to Dandabah camping area. This walk is not difficult, but is long - around the 20 kms plus mark. If it is a fine autumn day, the views are tremendous and there is a chance to buy an ice cream at the end of the walk. On Saturday night, hopefully one of the locals from the Bunya Mountains History Association will give a talk on the local history. The Bunyas did feature in Aboriginal history with a feast occurring when the Bunya cones drop.

Father Ed's availability will decide where Mass will be. There is a Mass at Kumbia, about a ½-hour drive, at 8 am Sunday. So the plan for Sunday is not formalised. If we have the whole day, we will explore another creek system near Maidenwell. I have not been there yet, but I hear it is beautiful. We should be able to incorporate seeing one of the early timber chutes.

Monday, all too soon and the weekend is gone! There are some walking tracks outside the national park which are not used much. These should not take long to complete and the rest of the day is free.

The nights can get very cool and it is often mild through the day. Bring gear for cold weather, but also something suitable for a warm autumn day. More detailed information by the next meeting. The number on this walk will be limited to 24 - so nominate early!

MERMAID MOUNTAIN (DAY WALK)

Leader : Christine Harrison
Date : Sunday, 10 April
Meeting Time : 7.30 am
Meeting Place : Indooroopilly Railway Station
Grade : Easy
Emergency Officer : Russell Code (Ph: 245 4803)
Cost : \$8.00

Mermaid Mountain is situated near Lake Manchester, west of Brisbane in the Brisbane Forest Parks region. A new area for many and a forgotten area by most!

Come along and enjoy the rare visit and views of our backyard ranges.

Christine.

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ABSEIL TECHNIQUES (KANGAROO POINT)

Leader : Cliff Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Date : Wednesday, 13 April
Meeting Time : 6.30 - 9 pm
Meeting Place : Kangaroo Point

Safety and training has traditionally carried the stigma of some elitist attitudes. However, this is untrue, as the title merely is an "umbrella" heading for some fairly common sense rules that extend throughout the various activities available to all bushwalkers. Therefore, the 1994-95 S&T year will endeavour to offer, to as many as require the knowledge, an introduction and/or further experience to ANYONE who is prepared to have a go.

To get the ball rolling, there will be two abseil training evenings - the first on Wednesday 13 April and the second on Wednesday 25 April, at Kangaroo Point from 6.30 - 9.00 pm.

These programmes are designed to do more than just sliding down a rope, however, it is up to the individual as to how far they wish to advance. These two nights will end up with one or two one-day field activities later in the year where your knowledge of rope techniques will be used.

This programme is designed for ALL CLUB MEMBERS and not just experts.

Other events, including mid-week night navigation (at club level) and a combined new members and S&T weekend on 13-14 August, will only go to enhance bushwalking skills.

Cliff.

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FMR : INTERMEDIATE - "ROGAINING"

Contact : Cliff Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Date : 16-17 April

The venue is the Mt Brisbane Station in the Brisbane Valley between Esk and Kilroy, approximately 1½ hours west of Brisbane. A pre-marked topographic map will be provided two hours before starting time.

The events: 6 hours on Saturday - 1.00 pm to 7.00 pm
12 hours on Sunday - 11.00 am to 11.00 pm

Basic bush camping beside Hash House. Bush toilets provided. Bring your own water for private use before event.

Fees - \$20 entry per team member, includes cost of pre-marked maps plus Hash House food. Extras - camp fees \$2.00 per person, Sunday breakfast \$3.00 per person.

Nominations to me no later than Monday, 20 March.

Please note that a team consists of between two and five members (no single persons can compete for safety reasons).

Cliff.

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NOOSA NATIONAL PARK (DAY WALK)

Leader : Kerry Mulligan (Ph: 870 8564)
Date : Sunday, 17 April
Meeting Time : 7.00 am
Meeting Place : Charlotte Street, behind Cathedral
Grade : Easy
Emergency Officer : Mr Mulligan (Ph: 870 8564)
Cost : \$12.00

Come along for a leisurely 12 km stroll along a track and beach, visiting locations with charming names such as Devils Kitchen, Hell's Gates and Granite Bay!

The views of the ocean on a sunny day are magnificent and many spots along our walk are very picturesque and appear on posters and calendars. We will have plenty of time to stop and swim or rest.

So come along to an area of Noosa that you may not often have the opportunity to visit.

Kerry.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Paul McDonald - 1993 BUSHWALKER OF THE YEAR.

Paul gained this honour by his ongoing help, leadership and experience in his role as both President of the Club and leader of numerous walks.

SOCIALS

DINNER AT SIZZLER & THE MOVIES

Contact : Bernard Ivers (Ph: 365 1032)
 Date : Friday, 8 April
 Meeting Time : 7.00 pm
 Meeting Place : Toombul - outside Sizzler in the Food Court

The cost of the evening depends on what you decide to have. Salad Bar on its own - \$9.50. Salad Bar with any main meal - price of meal + \$3.95. For those who want to come along after dinner, the movie cost is \$8.00.

If anyone needs transport, let me know by Thursday, 7 April, so that I can organise it for you.

It is suggested that all those attending make a donation of \$1.00 to the Club.

Bernard.

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EXTENDED TRIP TO NSW ALPS - Greg Endicott

Greg is looking for expressions of interest in an extended trip to NSW Alps, possibly two weeks in December 94 - January 95. He has been talking about it for quite a few years. Help him turn a dream into reality! Phone Greg on 351 4092.

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SUBS ARE NOW DUE -- KERRY IS WAITING FOR YOUR CHEQUE.

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"HIGH ADVENTURE" - Edmund Hillary

Once again, after quite a few years, I've read Hillary's "High Adventure" - an easy to read and fascinating account of his conquest of Everest.

History only tells us Hillary and Tzening were the first on top of Everest. But it was a huge team effort. Not only the 1953 British expedition, but all the research done years before, pooling information from all sources and nations, to finally conquer Everest.

AND if, like me, you are wondering who actually stood on top of Everest first, Hillary or Tzening, read the book! You'll enjoy it. When my copy comes back, you may borrow it.

Justin.

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PAST OUTINGS

BYRON BAY BASE CAMP

After a week of rain, it was good to leave Brisbane and head for the sunny beaches at Byron!

On Saturday, we did a long beach walk to Lennox Head, passing through lush rainforest at Broken Head. It was a little tough on the leg muscles, but the experience and views made it worthwhile. That night, we wine and dined at Mexican Mick's - most of us struggling to stay awake!

Next day, we broke camp and headed inland for a short walk and stop at Killen Falls. We then trundled back into the cars and after a beautiful scenic drive through the hinterlands behind Byron Bay, we arrived at Whean Whean State Forest Park.

Here we did a short 6 km circuit walk through rainforest, taking in Quandong Falls and Minyen Falls, which was flowing fast and was quite spectacular.

Thank you, Anthony, for driving - in spite of your concern for your car! Thanks to all who came - Anthony & Bernadette, Cecily, Chris, John, Gabriel and Peter.

Kerry.

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BEGINNERS DAY AT KANGAROO POINT (26 FEBRUARY)

The beginners training day at Kangaroo Point was well attended, with members vying for positions to get in more abseil practice.

Five BCBC members attended this interesting morning.

Thanks to the FMR instructors, who work hard to give all members their fair share.

> Cliff.

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What was the attraction at Byron Bay that three of the males decided to cut the walk short???

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POINT LOOKOUT - RUNNING CREEK THROUGHWALK (25-27 FEBRUARY)

In celebration of the 57th anniversary of the Stinson crash and rescue by Bernard O'Reilly.

A bright moonlit night greeted our departure from Brisbane, trees silhouetted the road and the craggy peaks of Barney, Lindsay and Maroon. It was possible to drive without headlights on a night such as this, but this seemed to make my passengers too nervous. We reached Stinson Memorial Park before 11.00 pm, where I pitched my Holden Commodore tent.

We were walking by 8.00 am the next morning, after we drove to the end of the road. There was a feeling of expectation and anticipation in the group. There was the right honourable Mr William Butler, rookie of the year in 1993 now looking the part of the seasoned veteran. His rolling gait that becomes the part of every throughwalkers make up, led the way through the winding trail of lantana and rainforest to Westray's Grave. Behind me was Mr Anthony Dolan, the long-time campaigner who's seen it all before, his steadying influence on the group was to play a major part in the success of our journey. In the middle was me, leading my first throughwalk, trying to look like a throughwalker - or at least smell like one! Beside Christmas Creek, I caught a fleeting glimpse in the undergrowth of Albert's Lyrebird, only found in this small portion of the world. An hour and ten minutes after leaving the car, we reached Westray's Grave. This would be one of the most beautiful spots anyone could ever hope to get buried, hopefully not this weekend though!

Our easy walking was over and now we had to launch a full-blown assault on the Point Lookout trail. At first, one had to keep moving or else you would slide back to the beginning - so with bayonet in hand, I charged up the hill, not letting the thought of a 600 metre gain in elevation daunt me. I turned around to give the troops an encouraging word, only to find them AWOL, brandishing while flags instead of bayonets! After cracking the whip and poetic usage of the Paul McDonald patented terms "wimpy throughwalkers", I managed to drag them, kicking and screaming, one step at a time closer to the top. I hope none of you reading this article will listen to those malicious lies that Anthony and Bill have been spreading about their interpretations of events. I believe it goes something like this:

"Stop whingeing, Matthew", Anthony said, "YOU'RE the one who wanted to come here in the first place."

"Look Matthew", exclaimed Bill, "the national parks are not going to construct an escalator just so that you can get to Point Lookout".

Those statements are untrue - I assure you it was the other way around.

The initial 300 metres were the worst - after that, strategically placed roots, trees and rocks dramatically assisted our upward mobility and the ridge also flattened out. We paid homage to the Stinson wreck, where Bill was determined to pull off the \$1,000 first prize for putting the Stinson back together. Out of his pack, he pulled an oxy welder and got busy. Once he had the frame constructed, out came the socket set and pop riveter for the body panels, finally he overhauled the three motors and had it fuelled and ready to go. Unfortunately, I had to disqualify Bill on a technicality as the original seat covers were a darker shade of beige than the ones he had put in and also he used a stainless steel spring washer instead of an aluminium one on the number two turbocharger. (Yes, despite contrary reports, all Stinsons built after 1931 were fitted with turbochargers, similar to the ones used on the space shuttle.)

Point Lookout was reached without any dramas, except for the leader going into a raving frenzy when he saw a huge 20cm snake. The panoramic view from Point Lookout was the best of the whole trip, as it was the only one of the whole trip! From here, it was all down hill - walking, I mean!

We estimated the Stretcher Track to the mythical England Creek Track would take approximately 2 hours. We were walking quickly and the terrain was easy to negotiate. After 3 hours of walking, I was getting an empty feeling in my stomach as nothing looked familiar, everything looked the same and the troops were getting restless (meaning they wanted to rest). Anthony was about to send up a flare and Bill was warming up the short wave radio when I stumbled across the drop-off point. This was followed by a brief moment of collective euphoria.

"You bloody beauty!" I exclaimed. "Let's get down to Running Creek before nightfall."

"WHOA!" the group cried in unison. "Night has already fallen!"

So much for dictatorial leadership!!

The evening's entertainment was rather subdued - I guess it had something to do with the sheer exhaustion (also, I couldn't find a power point for my portable television). The next morning I decided to skip breakfast, as I did not feel like metho-flavoured Weet Bix. We left our camp site as we found it, except for a cairn Bill built to commemorate the spot and plenty of markings on the trees with red tape.

A 2-hour walk down to Running Creek awaited us. This became a 2-hour war, with the enemy being lantana, wait-a-while, lawyer vine, stinging nettle and Gympie trees. I'm not sure who won, but there were casualties on both sides! Running Creek Falls was our next destination. I did it alone, as my troops decided to take some R&R. The falls had to be seen to be believed - words like "far out", "awesome", "unreal", "cool" and "wow" come to mind. Unfortunately, on the way back, I lost a long time friend as my Buttercup T-Shirt passed away - the casualty of one too many throughwalks. May it rest in peace. The track to Running Creek Falls had been freshly marked and there was no trouble in finding our way out. It was followed by 1½ hours paddock bash in the blazing midday sun before stumps could be drawn!

No trip report would be complete without the thankyou's :

1. Biggest thank you to Mr Christopher McCaffrey for moving my automobile from one end to the other.
2. Thanks to Bill and Anthony for coming, the cheques are in the mail.
3. Thanks again to Anthony for pre-outing assistance.
4. Thanks to the Yoplait Yogurt Company for supplying the lid used to mark the drop-off point on the pre-outing.
5. Thanks to all those ticks and leeches that accompanied us on the majority of the journey.
6. Finally, thanks to the tree that crossed my path on the England Creek Track and cracked my ribs.

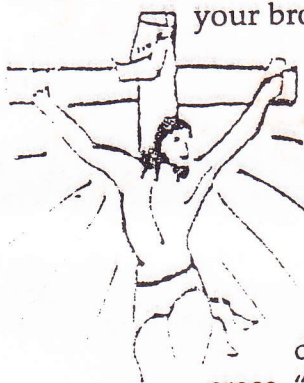
If you enjoyed my article, I assure you that my walks are much better. So next time, please come before the art of throughwalking dies out! If you didn't enjoy my article, come on my next trip and I'll let you write the article for me.

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REFLECTIONS

Easter - A Time for Peace

"Love your neighbour as yourself—do good to those who hate you—if you are struck on the cheek, turn the other—forgive your brother (and sister) seventy seven times."



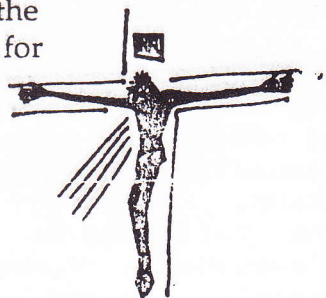
Jesus not only told us what to do, he lived it. Hounded by his enemies, suffering constant persecution, he was always a man of peace. Terrified at his imminent violent death, his prayer was not for the destruction of his enemies but "Father not my will, but thine be done."

Even more heroic was his prayer during his agony on the cross, "Father forgive them for they know not what they do."

We should reflect on Jesus and his method of handling violence, hatred and injustice and point ourselves in the right direction.

The only brave man is the one who has conquered all violence in himself.

The only brave woman is the one who has conquered all violence in herself.



*From "Walking with a Battlers God."
by Br. John Vernard.*

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