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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.

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

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CALENDAR

<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	312 1518	B/C

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CALENDAR (cont)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Type</u>
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	Rogaining-Intermediate	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	FMR
17	Noosa National Park	Kerry Mulligan	870 8564	D/W
18	MEETING			
22-25	Swan Creek	Christine Harrison	378 0264	B/C
22-25	Main Range	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	T/W
APR 30/				
MAY 1-2	Moreton Island	Paul McDonald	205 1984	B/C
	Moreton Island	Anthony Dolan	899 1785	T/W
7	Mt Moon	Anthony Dolan	899 1785	D/W
8	Leaders' Day - BYO BBQ	Christine Harrison	378 0264	Soc
14-15	O'Reilly's Dinner/Walk	Bernard Ivers	865 1032	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
19	Beau Brummel	Geoffrey Egert	356 2163	D/W
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	Christmas in July	Bernard Ivers	865 1032	Soc
17	Black Snake Ridge	Russell Nelson	378 5200	D/W
18	MEETING			
23-24	Butler's Ridge	Barry Ellerington	886 3451	T/W
30-31	Upper Portal(Grace's Hut)	Justin Tobin	312 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	Matthew Palmer	366 5660	D/W
22	MEETING			
26-28	Killarney to Stanthorpe	Pat Lawton	366 1956	T/W
27	Leaders' Day - Rescue	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	FMR
	(Tamborine)			
SEP 3	Wildflower Walk No.1	Phil Murray	841 0254	D/W
3	Wildflower Walk No.2			
6	Operation Centre	Cliff Harrison	378 0264	FMR
10-12	Pilgrimage - Bigriggen			B/C
19	MEETING			

COMING EVENTS

SWAN CREEK (BASE CAMP)

Contact : Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Date : 22-25 April
Meeting Time : 7.00 PM, Friday, 22 April
Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides Carpark
Grade : Medium
Emergency Officer : Janet Ellerington (Ph: 886 3451)
Cost : \$15.00

Come for the day or join us on the base camp supporting the Main Range throughwalkers. Day walks will commence at 7.30 AM SHARP.

Saturday and Sunday, we will include at least 2 full-day medium grade walks to Mt Huntley and Double Top, leaving from our base camp at the junction of Swan Creek and Hell Hole Gorge. Please bring your own drinking water.

Monday, a drive to Queen Mary Falls for an **easy** pleasant stroll to the lookout and below the falls. After lunch, we will pick up the throughwalkers before returning to Brisbane.

What a wonderful relaxing way to get away from the metropolitan hustle and bustle. Breathe the fresh mountain air and enjoy good company. Maybe the Island long weekends are not for you, come join us in the mountains.

There are Club tents to hire if you don't have your own.

Christine.

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SUBS ARE DUE NOW this could be your last magazine!

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Rebecca Mooney was the winner of the Easter Raffle - her first meeting too!!

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Just where are those sunglasses?

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MAIN RANGE (THROUGH WALK)

Leader : Barry Ellerington (Ph: 886 3451)
Date : 22-25 April
Meeting Time : 7.00 PM, Friday 22 April
Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides Carpark
Grade : Hard
Emergency Officer : Janet Ellerington (Ph: 866 3451)
Cost : \$15.00

Spicers to Teviot - A Sojourn of Beauty.

Come with me on a journey of incredible beauty, rugged peaks, views unlimited. It begins at Spicers Gap, up past Governor's Chair and the slog to Spicers Peak. Down and around the cliff line to Double Top following the escarpment to the Huntley saddle. From here you can look back through the grass trees to Double Top, Spicers and Mitchell - just one of the weekend's highlights. Then up and up to Huntley's for Saturday night's camp. Relax and reflect on a great day's walk.

Sunday, into Tree Fern Gully to pick up water and back on the range, over to Asplenium, Upper Panorama, Lower Panorama - from here you can see our journey for the next two days. A bit of a glimpse at the Steamers, then down over a few knolls across Davis Ridge to Panorama Steamers Saddle - Sunday night's camp. Now you have two great days to talk about.

Monday, up to Mt Steamer and, with a few ups and downs, you will be standing on Lizard Point for that incredible view facing east. Look across the range to Mt Mitchell and all those peaks you've passed, across to Barney and Ballow and more.

It is truly a fantastic panorama to be visited at least once in your lifetime. Over Roberts and down to Teviot and the cars.

One of the best three day walks in south east Queensland. A chance to climb its major peaks and take in the views. Rest and find solace on the high tops. It requires a bit of effort but the rewards are worth it. Make the journey with me.

Barry.

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ATTENTION NEWER MEMBERS

The Club has three tents and three packs for the newer members and visitors to use, particularly on the Swan Creek (22-25 April) and Moreton Island (30 April - 2 May) base camps. Phone Cliff Harrison (378 0264) for details.

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Richard is back from South America - Not in town long as he's off again!

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MORETON ISLAND (BASE CAMP)

Contact : Paul McDonald (Ph: 205 1984)
Date : 29 April - 2 May (Labour Day Long Weekend)
Meeting Time : 5.30 PM SHARP, Friday, 29 April
 (Saturday morning optional - different location)
Meeting Place : 17 Gloucester Crescent, Bray Park
Grade : Very Easy (4WD transport)
Emergency Officer : Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Cost : \$30.00 (includes camping and barge fees of \$18)

If you've never been to Moreton Island, now is your chance to see many of the sights in one weekend. I will be taking my 4WD across to provide transport between camps and walks. With only one vehicle, numbers will be limited as I'd prefer to make no more than two trips between camps. When you nominate, please advise time you WILL come (see below) and I will let you know your place on the list and try to keep you updated as to changes. I will have to make advance bookings on barge, so please nominate ASAP.

Please bring only one throughwalk pack or equivalent amount of gear. If more room becomes available, I will let you know. I will bring the usual gas stove, pots/pans, gas light (and if rain seems a possibility, the big tent!).

Departure is from my place (address above) on Friday at 5.30 PM SHARP - we must leave at this time to ensure making the barge - it will not wait for us!! If you are running late, go straight to the Scarborough boat harbour (try to ring me first).

For those for whom this is too early, please let me know - Friday's camp is very close to the barge landing point and we will be able to meet you at the Saturday morning's barge (departs Scarborough at 6 AM). Even meeting the 11 AM barge is a possibility.

The plan for the weekend is very flexible and depends on the numbers and tide times. The example below provides a guide:

Friday - 5.30pm Drive to Scarborough - barge departs 7 pm.
 Arrives Moreton Island 9 pm.
 Set up camp near Bulwer.

Saturday - 8 am Drive/Walk to meet Saturday's barge
 Activity depends on numbers/barge.
 - Noon Drive across island to Blue Lagoon.
 Set up camp - swim (lake/surf).
 - PM Drive/Walk to Lighthouse.

Sunday - AM Pack up camp.
 Drive/Walk down island to Mt Tempest.
 - PM Drive/Walk across island to visit the "Desert"
 (Sand tobogganing!!)
 Drive to Moreton Bay side - set up camp.

Monday - AM Walk.
 - Noon Pack up camp.
 Drive to barge (Bulwer) early PM.
 - 2 pm SHARP - barge departs.

Paul.

MORETON ISLAND (THROUGH WALK)

Leader : Anthony Dolan (Ph: 899 1785)
Date : 30 April - 2 May
Meeting Time : 4.30 AM, Saturday 30 April
Meeting Place : Sue Herron's, 110 Stewart Rd, Ashgrove
Grade :
Emergency Officer : Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Cost : \$30.00

Map - Moreton 1-25000 - A Journey Through The Lakes.

Moreton Island has its own charm. An island of lakes, sandhills and beaches. Our journey begins on the 6 am barge from Scarborough to Bulwer. From the beach at Bulwer, we'll follow the 4WD road which goes across to Blue Lagoon, branching off this to visit Smith Peak. Although it is only 112 metres high, it provides good views of Lake Jabiru, Blue Lagoon and the surrounding lakes area. Continuing to Blue Lagoon either across country or a return to the road. Saturday's camp will be at Blue Lagoon - toilets and cold shower! The usual Saturday night eating and talking.

Sunday, another look at Blue Lagoon and a trip to Honey Eater Lake before heading along the beach to Spitfire Creek and the Aboriginal Midden and leaving the beach to follow the creek to Lake Jabiru. The only way to reach Jabiru these days is to walk, so we will be here all by ourselves. No 4WDs! A beautiful spot - a relaxing camp for Sunday night.

Monday, we will follow the lake and old road to the Western Beach and down the beach to Bulwer. It is a fantastic beach walk and a great way to finish the weekend. Home on the 2.00 pm barge.

Visit the lakes with me - it will be a weekend of new discoveries, some old ones revisited, but most of all it will be a return to Moreton. A magic all its own.

Anthony.

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MT MOON (DAY WALK)

Leader : Anthony Dolan (Ph: 899 1785)
Date : Saturday, 7 May
Meeting Time : 7.30 am
Meeting Place : Charlotte Street (behind Cathedral)
Grade :
Emergency Officer : Desley Pedrazzini (Ph: 369 5530)
Cost : \$12.00

Mt Moon is one of the isolated peaks east of Cunningham's Gap and the Main Range. It rises to about 780 metres and is identifiable by its "twin peaks". The mountain is surrounded by open paddocks (private property) which we need to cross before reaching the mountain proper. The ascent is rocky and steep in places but well within the capability of most comers. From the top, good views are assured of Mt Greville, the Main Range and the lowlands surrounding. This walk will whet your appetite for the other great walks planned for the coming winter. Nominate to me at the meeting.

Anthony.

SOCIALS

LEADERS' DAY - BYO BBQ

Contact : Christine Harrison (Ph: 378 0264)
Date : , 8 May
Meeting Time : 2.00 pm
Meeting Place : 19 Dumbarton Drive, Kenmore

New and Old leaders are invited to my home for a BYO BBQ. After a short briefing, we will be planning further walks for the remainder of the year. So if you would like to find out what is involved in leading a walk, this is a MUST to attend. Enjoy your Mother's Day morning and lunch, then we will see you in the afternoon.

Christine.

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O'REILLY'S DINNER & CAMP

Contact : Bernard Ivers (Ph: 865 1032)
Date : 14-15 May
Meeting Time : 1.00 pm, Saturday 14 May
Meeting Place : Sullivan & Nicolaides, 134 Whitmore St, Taringa
Cost : \$32.00 (includes 3-course meal, transport and camping fees)

What is the main event of the social year? Yes, you guessed it - a social at O'Reilly's. If you want a great weekend away, then this is the one for you. If you like to meet new friends or maybe old friends, then this is the one for you. There might even be a bush dance for you. So, if you like dancing after dinner, and if you like going for a nice relaxing bush walk, then come along and see for yourself how relaxing it is.

Bernard.

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To follow the dinner, on Sunday the Club will be doing a day walk along the Western Cliffs. Moran Falls, Lyre Bird Lookout, Castle Crag will all be visited. Good views and nothing too difficult.

For those wanting to come up for the day walk only, we hope to get away by 8.00 am. Please let us know if you are coming for the day walk.

Justin.

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PAST OUTINGS

FOUNTAIN FALLS (9 January)

There's nothing like seeing a bus-full of familiar and friendly faces first thing in the morning to make one feel that we are all in for a good day!

Fountain Falls, O'Reilly's sector of Lamington National Park, was the destination.

We were making the short, sharp descent to Blue Pool, courtesy of the Bull Ant Spur route. In less than an hour, we were crossing the, more brown than blue, Blue Pool (drought in Lamington!). Some of the group took the chance to have an early morning swim in preparation for the hot day ahead. A morning tea snack, and we were back on the track.

The track goes to Stairway Falls, but we headed up to the ridge line just after the side creek on the right. The side of the ridge was a little steep and loose but, once we gained the ridge line proper, it was a classic "off track" ridge line walk through eucalypt forest. As we ascended, the rainforest was more in evidence but conditions all round were pretty dry. We ascended slowly but surely to the knoll and the cairn marking the "leave the ridge" spot. From here it was downhill all the way to Fountain Falls following a faint blaze and a beaten track in parts (thank goodness the pink-blaze-every-five-feet-crew from Running Creek had not yet re-blazed this track).

The Falls were only in medium fury, so conditions were perfect for a swim. Most people did have a swim and felt much the fresher for it. Knowing that we had ahead of us some solid uphill walking in humid conditions made the cooling-off swim even more appealing.

After lunch, Christine and Barry were keen to have another crack at the Darlington Range, but we assured them that once in a lifetime was more than enough.

We re-traced our steps in the afternoon (except that we ended up in that side-creek somehow) and got out to Canungra Creek in the gathering gloom at about 4.00 pm. The thunder rumbled and storm clouds threatened as we made our way back up Bull Ant Spur. It rained lightly but the storm never eventuated.

We re-grouped at the bus and headed home. Thanks to Barry, Christine, June, Russell, Joe, Bill, Christopher, Graham, Stephen, Nathan and Justin (who assisted the leader) for coming along and making it a most rewarding day.

Bernadette and Anthony.

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ECHO POINT OVERNIGHTER (19-20 March)

A small party of us rolled up at Sullivan & Nicolaides and, after packing two vehicles that looked like we were going away for a month (we were helping out those whimpy throughwalkers AGAIN, Ha!), we were soon on our way to O'Reilly's. Tents were all up before 4 o'clock, including those for the throughwalkers (what a team!).

We all went to the tree top walk, where it has been extended quite a lot, made up of nine suspension bridges. Most of the boards have small plaques with someone's name on them, presumably they must donate to this. The bush has a very different look about it from this height. After this exhilarating walk, we needed refreshment, so it was off to the Coffee Shop. We were a bit late and two guys were served up coffee with curdled milk, but the girl looked at them and decided they were already curdled enough and made a fresh cuppa. The evening was relaxed, sitting around the campfire, having our exotic dinners and plenty of chatter. The throughwalkers arrived around 7-ish, looking very exhausted. They'd had a really tough day! Trev almost demolished his big esky as well as the food in it!

Sunday was a bit cool to start, but nine walkers set off early. We passed a group of people waiting patiently for a sighting of a lyrebird that could be heard, but not seen. We took the Border Track and saw many Antarctic Beeches, mostly covered in moss with a host of other things growing off them. The creeks were flowing a lot faster, so there were a few crossings that weren't hard. On the pre-outing, it had been very dry with very little water, so the walk was much "nicer" with numerous waterfalls. The Cascades Falls was spectacular and all the falls and creeks were very pretty. There were a lot of fallen trees on the tack and scunge, but it was very green from all the recent rains. At Echo Point, we had good views of the Tweed Valley, although Mt Warning was in cloud. Lunch was enjoyed here, but cut short by the wind and threatening rain - only a few more hours back to O'Reilly's.

We finished off with another visit to the Coffee Shop - beaut views from here and lots of colourful birds to watch and identify. It was a good weekend, great walk, excellent views and scenery, great company. Thanks to all those who came - Nathan, Veronica, Russell, Richard, Kerry, Matthew, Bill and Chris. Many thanks to the drivers, Chris and Bill, and thanks to my pre-outing mates. To those that didn't come, you should feel sorry to have missed out!

June.

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ANNUAL MASS AND PICNIC

The mass to celebrate the beginning of the Club's walking year was once again celebrated by Father Ed Nally at Padua. Having mass at 11.00 am enabled members and their families to come. It was good to see Russ and Jan Nelson, Anne and Michael Cashman, and their children, in the Year of the Family especially. The picnic was held at Downfall Creek. A relaxing and enjoyable afternoon was had by all. Those mud pies looked good!

To all those who came, for the cakes, Louise for organising the songs and Father Ed for saying the mass - thanks very much. Have a great walking year. Sue.

LOST WORLD DAYWALK

After leaving Brisbane at 5 am, Justin, Matthew and myself set off to Lost World in the Kerry Valley, meeting John at Beaudesert. John's car was left at Duck Creek Road for us to pick up on Sunday. We then drove to the beginning of our epic walk.

We set off towards the top of Lost World. The walk to Lost World was relatively easy, the main danger being wet grass on the slopes. Of course I was reminded not to under-estimate any climb by reading the plaque on top to Heather Easton. We then headed towards the eastern part of the mountain, soaking up the postcard views of Mt Barney and Mt Lindsay. As we walked into the rainforest, everybody was reaching for their compass. I didn't have one, so I looked into the sun! We found our way down the eastern razor back into the saddle. Along the track there is a blue rain jacket which separated from my backpack at some time or other. Unfortunately, it is not a Buttercup brand rain jacket. From the saddle we headed down to the Albert River and upstream to Red Rock Cutting. A couple of us threw our packs across a section of the river we had to swim. John and Justin floated theirs across in garbage bags. The water was invigoratingly cold (damn freezing!).

Just upstream from the cutting we had lunch and set off towards Black Canyon. This section proved to be the toughest section of the walk, rockhopping where possible but, more often than not, just wading through shallow sections of the river. We reached Black Canyon by about 3.15 so we didn't have a great deal of time to enjoy the spectacular waterfalls here. It surely is one of the most beautiful places I have been to in the short time I have been bushwalking. We still had a fair walk just to reach the graded track from the river. Even though we were all pretty weary by now, we stepped up the pace. Heading up the rough track starting at Shooting Creek. We reached the graded track with not much light at all left. It was a most welcomed sight. There was two things on my mind as we headed towards camp: (1) How was I going to find the energy to put up my tent? and (2) The hot shower I was going to have when I got back!

As the light failed out came the torches, someone made the comment about being the "Wise Men from the East". After more than 10 hours of walking, I thought the Wise Men, if they had any wisdom at all, would be well and truly back to camp by now! However, we pressed on into the darkness. The leeches hitched a ride with us for a while and had a bit of a feed on the ankles.

We walked into O'Reilly's about 7.45 pm and discovered the base campers had put our tents up - which was fantastic - and had a fire going. What a welcome sight.

Next day, we packed up and went to the Hash at O'Reilly's for breakfast, then down Duck Creek Road and back to the cars, enjoying the views we had visited the previous day. We were lucky to see a Wedge Tailed Eagle riding the thermals in the distance. We finally reached John's car and headed back to Brisbane.

Thanks to Justin, Matthew and John for the company, humour and challenging walk. Thanks to June and the base campers for the support.

Trevor.

REFLECTIONS

HOW WE LIVE MATTERS

St Paul in the New Testament undertook several missionary journeys around the Mediterranean. During his second and third journeys Paul passed by the Dardanelles in western Turkey, where for thousands of years East and West have met. It was there, too in that melting pot of legend, that one of our own legends was forged. Some 1,940 years ago, the apostle Paul trod within 50 kms of Gelibolu. We know it as Gallipoli.

When we see throughout our nation, in every city and town a memorial to the Anzacs, their significance comes home to us. Of the 330,000 Australians who saw service overseas in War World 1, there were 226,073 casualties, a rate of 68% which was the highest in the then Empire. One in twelve Australian men served their country overseas at the time. One in five of those did not return. What an extraordinary cut in to the heart and mind of a culture!

This mass movement of Australians to the front lines was our first large scale journeying away from our shores. It gave us a chance to look back at our land and our people and see ourselves as others saw us. And how did others see us? The British General, William Birdwood wrote that the Australians were reckless and debonair. He went on to say that they would stick at things no matter the odds, that they were proud of their independence and proud of dying game. He concluded that they were gladiators with the eyes of children.

Often lives were lost for what seem very little gain. At Chunuk Bair, 1,000 Australians fell for a gain of 500 metres. At Lone Pine, 2,500 fell for a gain of 300 metres. One could certainly question whether such losses were justified, but one could hardly question the dedication of those who gave their lives. Writing of the battle of Lone Pine, Sir General Sir Ian Hamilton, commander of the Mediterranean Expeditionary Forces, paid this tribute:

'The irresistible dash and daring of officers and men in the initial charge were a glory to Australia. The stout heartedness with which they clung to the captured ground despite fatigue, severe losses and the continual strain of shell fire and bomb attacks may seem striking to the civilian; it is even more admirable to the soldier.'

When we peel away from the men their bluster and their greenness in war, when we clear away the idealistic views of soldiering that was common in those days, when we recognise the unimaginable horror of battle and the questionable effectiveness of war, we are still left with this rich underlying truth: How we live matters! Is it our longing to touch this truth that makes the Australian War Cemetery in the Dardanelles the most visited war cemetery in the whole of Europe?

On Anzac Day people all round the country pause to remember those who have fallen. They pray that the shedding of their blood will not have been in vain, but that from their dying will come a better life for the world. Such hope is like the hope of the Scriptures, 'I saw a new heaven and a new earth... God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' (Rev 21:1,4) And how will such a new world come? By the power of generous love. 'I will give you a new commandant, Love one another just as I have loved you (John 13:34).

How we live does matter. It matters to us, it matters to the world, it matters to God. Lord, hold to your heart all who have died or suffered through war. May the memory of their love and your everlasting love spur us on to live lives that matter. Lest we forget.

E. Nixon C.S.S.R.

ALMOND ANZACS

Serves: 48 BISCUITS
Time : 30

Conventional

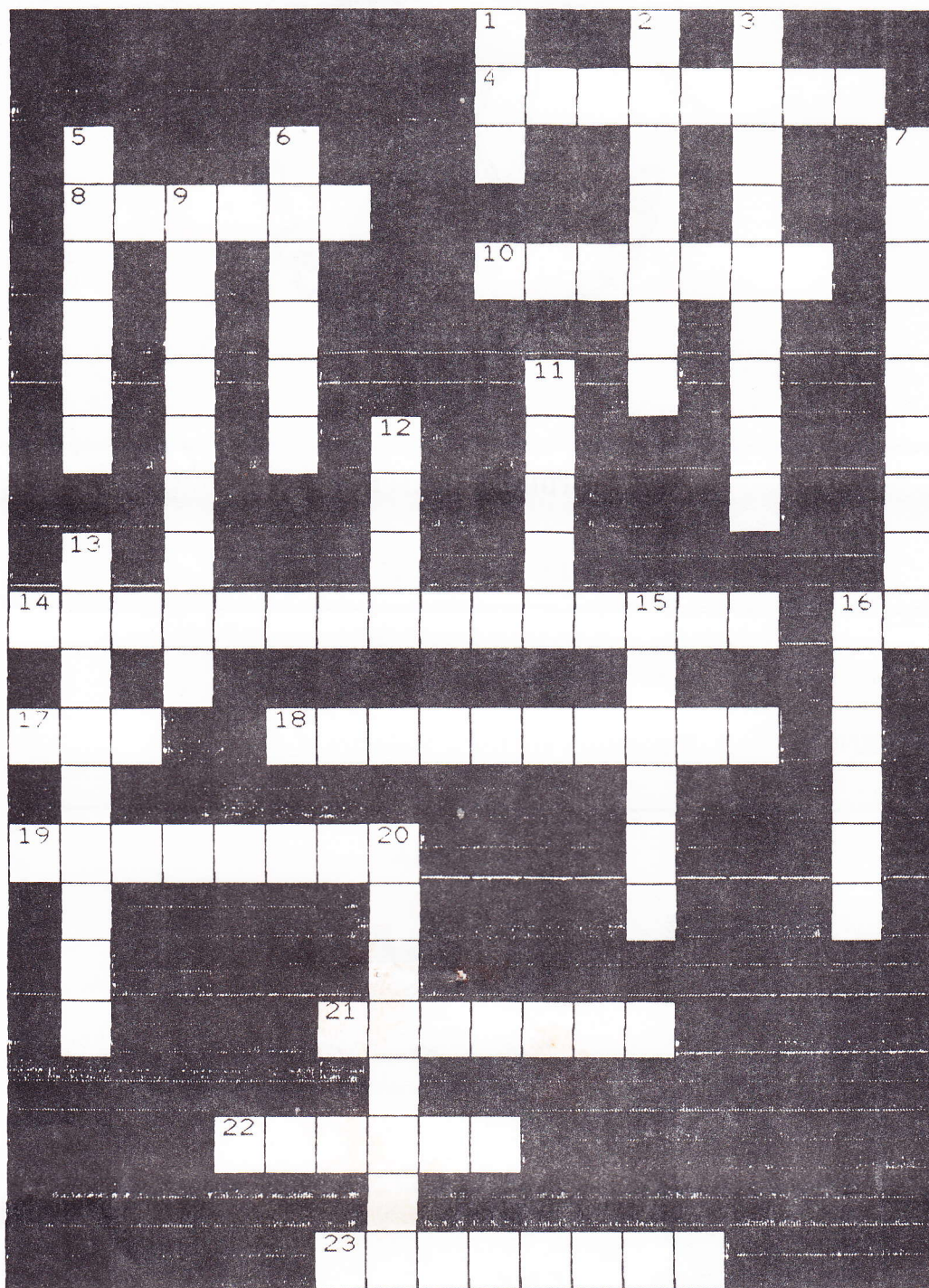
Ingredients:

125g margarine
20mL golden syrup
1 tsp bi-carb soda
40mL boiling water
90g rolled oats

90g coconut
125g flour
250g sugar
45g blanched almonds, chopped

Instructions:

1. Melt margarine and golden syrup in a saucepan and add the bi-carb soda dissolved in the boiling water. In a bowl, combine the oats, coconut, flour, sugar and almonds. Pour the melted mixture over the dry ingredients and mix well.
2. Drop teaspoonfuls of mixture onto greased oven trays allowing room for biscuits to spread.
3. Bake at 160C (325F) for 15 minutes or until golden. Cool for a few minutes on tray before removing to a wire cooling rack. Store biscuits in an airtight container.



ACROSS

4. club president
 8. Focal peak and Big Lonely are on this range.
 10. club magazine
 14. club Patron Saint.
 16. Western Australia [initials]
 17. The one we use is topographic
 18. A resort at Lamington.
 19. Flat mountain near Toowoomba.
 21. ----- Island
 22. Creek and falls at Green Mountains
 23. Name of Club Hut.

DOWN

1. Federation Mountain Rescue [int]
 2. Used in Navigation.
 3. Ridge on Mt Barney
 5. Descend cliff by rope
 6. Gateway
 7. Silky Oak is a type of this
 9. Another name for Mt Razorback
 11. Used at night.
 12. used to travel down the Obi Obi
 13. Club Motto
 15. Circuit walk at Springbrook.
 16. acacia
 20. Point on the Main Range.



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DATES: 9-11 September

VENUE: Bigriggen Park (Near Rathdowney)

PROGRAM

<i>Friday Evening</i>	<i>Arrival Registration for Walks Supper available from 7pm (BYO cups)</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Wide variety of walks, including children's walks and mountains to climb...</i>
<i>Saturday Evening</i>	<i>Bush dance in Recreation Hall on site (includes supper)</i>
<i>Sunday Morning</i>	<i>T.B.A.</i>

Early advice of approximate numbers attending from your club would appreciated.

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