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GENERAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, being scheduled to commence at 7.30 p.m (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 staffed up to about 8.00 p.m. If you arrive after this time, 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 \$4.00. **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 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 outings' 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 p.m. 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.

1996 BCBC CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS**MARK YOUR DIARY NOW!**

MAY	24-26	Moreton Island	Ed Nally	3857 2021	B/C
	24-26	Moreton Island	June Greenaway	3358 5295	T/W
	27	Jilalan Deadline (Paper Articles)			JIL
JUN	1	Ten Pin Bowling	Majella Robertson	3359 8311	SOC
	2	Monseratt Lookout	Barry Ellerington	3886 3451	D/W
	4	Management Committee Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	7-10	Sundown	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	B/C
	7-10	Sundown	Ken Fraser	3852 1607	T/W
	10	Mt Maroon	Trevor Kelly	3357 5046	D/W
	14-16	Watson's Creek	Matthew Palmer	3279 4490	O/N
	16	Watson's Creek Falls	Ken Fraser	3852 1607	D/W
	17	Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	21-23	O'Reilly's - Binna-Burra Traverse	Christine Harrison	3378 0264	T/W
	22-23	Green Mountains (O'Reilly's)	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	B/C
	22	Green Mountains (O'Reilly's)	Bernadette Dolan	3899 1785	D/W
JUL	23	Green Mountains (O'Reilly's)	Geoffrey Egert	3356 2163	D/W
	24	Jilalan Deadline (Paper Articles)			JIL
	28-30	Glasshouse Mtns Epic (A)	John Carter	3290 3621	B/C
		Team (B)	Joe Finn	3848 4642	T/W?
	1	Management Committee Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	3	Jilalan Deadline (Computer Disk Articles)			JIL
	6	Beginner's Abseil Morning	Bill Butler	3351 1588	TRN
	6	Colonial Ball	Greg Endicott	3351 4092	SOC
	12-14	Mt Glorious - Lake Manchester	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	T/W
	14	Rescue Leaders	Bill Butler	3351 1588	FMR
	15	Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	17	Outing's Committee - Calendar to July 97	Ed Thistlethwaite	3374 2198	MTN
	20	Christmas in July	Majella Robertson	3359 8311	SOC
	21	Shipstern	June Greenaway	3358 5295	D/W
	22	Jilalan Deadline (Paper Articles)			JIL
	26-28	Club Hut	Jon Brunott	3209 9598	B/C
	27-28	Logan's Ridge	Bill Butler	3351 1588	O/N
AUG	3	Lightning Falls	Patricia Broughton	3341 7509	D/W
	3	O'Reilly's Dinner	Majella Robertson	3359 8311	SOC
	4	Post Dinner Walk	Majella Robertson	3359 8311	D/W
	5	Management Committee Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	7	Jilalan Deadline (Computer Disk Articles)			JIL
	9-11	Lizard - Bangalore - Bell	Justin Tobin	3366 3193	T/W
	10	Beginner's Abseil	Bill Butler	3351 1588	TRN
	11	Mt May	Con Vink	3814 3545	D/W
	13-14	Barney Mass	Con Vink	3814 3545	O/N
	16-18	Spicers	Jim O'Meara	3838 3356	B/C
	19	Meeting	Paul Mc Donald	3205 1984	MTN
	24	Cougals	Cecilia Doherty	3392 0290	D/W
SEP	26	Jilalan Deadline (Paper Articles)			JIL
	30-1	Forest Tops-Stretcher Track			T/W
	30-1	Forest Tops	Russell Code	3245 4803	B/C

KEY

D/W - Day Walk
T/W - Through Walk
O/N - Overnighter
B/C - Base Camp

1/2 DW - Half-day Walk
TRN - Training
FMR - Federation Mountain Rescue
SOC - Social

JILALAN

In order to make it easier for leaders, the closing dates for Jilalan articles have been listed in the Association Calendar. Note that there are different closing dates for written articles vs computer disk articles. PLEASE ADHERE TO THESE DATES.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Once again, all members are invited to attend the next meeting of the Management Committee. It will be held at Con Vink's place on Monday 1st July starting at 7.30 p.m. You are very welcome to attend the meeting but please contact the President beforehand. If you feel strongly about an issue, bring it along to the Committee Meeting and we'll put it on the agenda. The dates of future Committee meetings have also been listed in Jilalan.

OUTINGS MEETING

A meeting of the Outings Committee, where the walks until July 1997 will be decided, will be held at Majella's place on the 17th of July. All members are invited, but once again please contact the President beforehand if you wish to attend so that Majella is not confronted with a larger than expected attendance.

GENERAL MEETINGS

In order to try to make General Meetings run smoother, members must notify the Chair beforehand of any items of General Business they might wish to raise.

WALK GRADINGS

The BCBC is trialing the following Walk Grading system currently used by the Brisbane Bushwalking Club.

1. Distance	Short	Under 10 klm per day
	Medium	10-15 klm per day
	Long	15-20 klm per day
	EXtra Long	Over 20 klm per day
2. Terrain	1-3	<u>Graded or open terrain</u> . No scrub.
	4-7	<u>Bush</u> Minor scrub, rainforest, rock, creek, rock hopping, scrambling
	8-10	<u>Bush</u> As Above + thick scrub, major rock scrambling using hands, technical
3. Fitness	1-3	<u>Easy</u> . Suitable for beginners
	4-7	<u>Medium</u> . Reasonable fitness required.
	8-10	<u>Hard</u> . Strenuous, fit walkers only

COMING WALKS

Friday 21 June - Sunday 23 June 1996

CENTRAL TRAVERSE**(Throughwalk)**

Leader: Christine Harrison (Ph 3378 0264)
Time: 7 pm
Meeting Place: Sullivan & Nicolaides, Taringa
Cost: \$12 plus camping
Emerg. Off. Cliff Harrison (Ph 3378 0264)
Grade: L88

We will leave Brisbane Friday night for O'Reilly's where we will camp for the night. Saturday bright n' early, full packs on and down to the Blue Pool for an early morning swim (for some) before heading uphill to go along a ridge and over various terrain. Lunch will be at Fountain Falls on East Canungra Creek. Then, it is an uphill slog to the Darlington Range to reach Noowongbill Lookout. It has impressive views of the Coomera River below, Slip Rock and many other features of the Binna Burra area. Down we go to the Coomera River and Gwongoorool Pool

meeting the graded track with 5 km to go to our camp for the night.

After a restful and I'm sure enjoyable night, we will be returning to O'Reilly's via the easy way, along the graded track (21.4 km) passing through rainforest and patches of Antarctic beech (nothofagus Moorei) forest. There will be spectacular views, creeks and waterfalls along the way to make these two long days worthwhile.

Of course, if this is not enough, we could take the challenge and go from Fountain Falls down East Canungra Creek and up West Canungra Creek back to O'Reilly's OR for a real challenge - from Fountain Falls, we could slog up to the Darlington Range, stay overnight and continue through the thickest rainforest vegetation and huge beech trees you will ever see, to Mt Merino, then return to O'Reilly's.

Which way? Come and See.

Christine.

Which well known BCBC throughwalker went on a base camp recently and mistook "ladies loos" for "laddies loos"?

Saturday 22 June 1996**GREEN MOUNTAINS (O'REILLY'S)**
(Day Walk)

Leader: Bernadette Dolan (ph: 3899 1785)
Time: 7.00 a.m.
Meeting Place: Behind Cathedral, Charlotte St, City
Cost: \$12
Emerg. Off. Louise Jones
Grade: L 3 4

We will be taking the Toolona Creek circuit (17.4km (return)) The Toolona Creek track branches from the Box Forest circuit near Elabana Falls then follows Toolona Creek up a gorge and past its headwaters to emerge on the Border Track near Wanungara Lookout. We will see numerous waterfalls and cascades along the way. In many pools along this track the blue lamington spiny cray may be seen. The return trip is via the Border Track passing Toolona and Bithongabel Lookouts. The large clumps of Antarctic beech trees near the lookouts will be a great sight. I hope you can come along. Bernadette

Sunday 23 June 1996**GREEN MOUNTAINS/WESTERN**
CLIFFS CIRCUIT (Day Walk)

Leader: Geoffrey Egert (ph: 3356 2163)
Time: 7.00 a.m. - (Dep. O'Reilly's 10.15 a.m.)
Meeting Place: Behind Cathedral, Charlotte St, City
Cost: \$12
Emerg. Off. Louise Jones
Grade: M 3 3

On the assumption that we leave Brisbane on time, there will be a short refreshment stop at Canungra. The walk is to commence from the camping ground. It is a short 2 km walk along the road to the signposted track entrance. The track weaves gradually down through rainforest to Python Rock. From this vantage point, there are views of Moran's Falls, Castle Crag and Lost World. The track continues to Pat's Bluff. Shortly after our view-stop at Pat's Bluff, we pass an old log cabin where Luke O'Reilly lived in the 1930s. The graded track ends but we continue through open spaces along the Northern cliff line for a further km until we reach Luke's Bluff. This is our lunch spot. After lunch, we will seek the commencement of the Stockyard Creek track. For a period of 20 years, this track provided the only access to the Green Mountains. We will follow the track through mainly open space to the road and then return to the camping ground. This is a good walk for beginners. It is 10 km in distance. Consult page 1 of the magazine for the personal equipment you require for this day walk. Geoffrey

Sat 22 June - Sun 23 June 1996**GREEN MOUNTAINS (O'REILLY'S)**
(Base Camp)

Leader: Paul Mc Donald (ph 3205 1984)
Time: (to be arranged)
Meeting Place: (to be arranged)
Cost: \$15
Emerg. Off. Louise Jones
Grade: See Day Walks

The purpose of this Base Camp is to provide an opportunity for people who wish to do both Bernadette's & Geoffrey's day walks, without returning to Brisbane for the Saturday night (and saving some money!).

Saturday morning we will travel with Bernadette's walkers (the change from Friday is so there will be no excuse for missing the video night on Friday) to O'Reilly's. After the walk is over, we will set up camp, and settle in for the night.

Sunday morning will be breakfast, pack-up, then a short walk (Rainforest-treetops) while we wait for Geoffrey's day-walkers to join us.

Nominate to me at the meeting.

Paul

**Fri 28 June - Sun 30 June 1996****GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS**
(Base Camp)

Leaders: John Carter (Ph 3290 3621)
 Joe Finn (Ph 3848 4642)
Time: 7.15 pm
Meeting: Sullivan & Nicolaides, Taringa
 (at this stage)
Cost: \$12 (transport)
 Hut \$8/night, Tent \$4/night/site
Emerg Officer: Leisa Hodgkinson
Grade: Easy (S 2 2) to difficult (M 8 8)
 depending on the mountain

These volcanic peaks dominate the Sunshine Coast landscape and are a national landmark. Gradual weathering by wind

and water has produced these spectacular remains of volcanic activity over an estimated 20 million years. Some peaks can be easily climbed, while others require some rock-scrambling. They all offer great views, rare plants and loads of fun.

There will be two parties undertaking a number of climbs over the weekend. John's group will attempt to climb most peaks, particularly the more obscure ones. Joe's group will climb some traditional peaks like Mt Beerwah, as well as easy

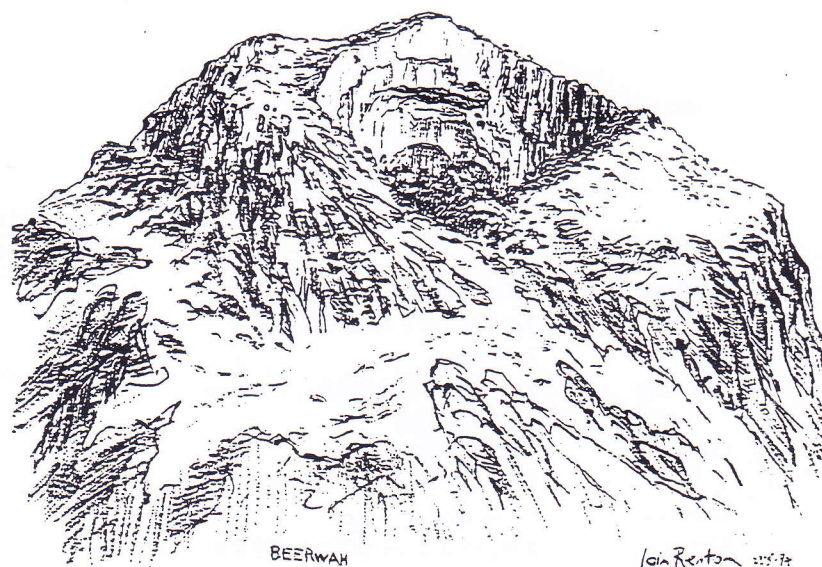
ones like Mt Ngungun and Coochin Hills. With the full moon, there will be the opportunity for moonlight walks.

Accommodation will be at the Beerwah Field Study Centre on Roys Road, within pine plantations. Its a great spot with opportunities for camping or to have a bed in the hut. There is also toilet, shower, kitchen and camp fire facilities to share. A great spot!

John

The Peaks of the Glass House Mountains

Mt Beerwah (556 m)
Mt Ngungun (253 m)
Mt Coonowrin (377 m)
Mt Tibrogargan (364 m)
Mt Cooe
Mt Tibberoowuccum (200 m)
Coochin Hills (twin peaks 238 m)
Wild Horse Mountain
Mt Beerburum (278 m)
Mt Tunbubudula (twin Peaks 312 m))
Mt Elimbah
Mt Miketeelumulgrai



Saturday 6 July 1996 **BEGINNER'S ABSEIL DAY AT** **KANGAROO POINT**

Leader:	Bill Butler (Ph 3351 1588)
Time:	8 a.m. to midday
Meeting:	Rotunda at Kangaroo Point
Cost:	\$4 rope and equipment levy

A good opportunity to learn the basics of abseiling or just brush up on your existing skills. The Club has ropes, harnesses and the gear, so bring along boots or runners, a clear head and a sense of adventure. Veteran abseilers are welcome to come along and assist with the training and the exchange of ideas. We will commence the abseils on the 10m nursery cliffs with the main emphasis on equipment care, knot tying and safety belays. There is no need to nominate for this event - just turn up around 8 a.m. After rolling up the ropes around 12 p.m., we will have a BYO sausage sizzle on the BBQs at the cliffs. So don't miss out - be there for the action!

Bill

Sat 13th July - Sun 14th July 1996 **MT GLORIOUS -** **LAKE MANCHESTER** **(Throughwalk)**

Leader:	Justin Tobin (Ph 3366 3193)
Meeting Time:	7.00am
Meeting Place:	J & S 110 Stewart Rd Ashgrove
Emerg Officer	Susan Tobin (ph 3366 3193)
Cost:	to be advised
Grade:	M44
Map:	Lake Manchester 1 : 25 000

Brisbane Forest Park West of Brisbane is the major greenbelt and breathing space for Brisbane. Consisting of rainforest and open eucalypt forest, the many creeks should provide an interesting two days walking. I have not done the pre outing yet so a rough guideline here and I'll update everyone at the meeting.

Saturday we'll drop down (YES DOWN) by the road on the ridge near Jolly's Lookout into Cabbage Tree Creek. Saturday night camp will be by the creek with the usual Saturday night throughwalking tales plus goodies for the leader. On Sunday before commencing our trip to Lake Manchester there may be a side trip on the way.

It's an area I have never been to so come and discover it with me. It should be a walk for new throughwalkers but more at the meeting after I go and have a look.

Justin Tobin

Who substituted as human cricket stumps while having a shower at Emu Creek? Which lady refused to protect the wicket? (She'd never be LBW'd Ed)

Membership Officer's Report

A very warm welcome to **Don Keating** who recently became a member. Congratulations, Don! We look forward to seeing you on future walks and socials!

It was a pleasure to welcome a number of visitors to the last general meeting - Tracey Laing, James Prato, Barry Staples, John Caton and Mary Ellaway. We look forward to seeing you again !!

WINTER WALKING

The last few weeks has been the weather walkers wait all year for. Warm sunny crisp clear days, cool nights. The time of year when we head for the hills, with all the rain leading into winter. It's going to be a great bushwalking season - I hope you are as excited as I am. The big sandhills of Moreton have whetted the appetite. Walks to Monserrat, Mt Maroon and Mt May. New walks to Watson falls and the Northern end of Sundown. Old favourites, O'Reilly's and the Glasshouses. A chance to visit Lizard Point and that great panorama it offers. The Barney Mass, our own annual pilgrimage. The imagination is running overtime. Yes the hills are calling, my pack's packed - is yours?

Matthew

SOCIALS

Majella Robertson

Video Night Friday 21 June 1996



Time: 7.30 p.m.

Place: Louise and Russell Jones' place
18 Stuart Street, Bulimba (PH: 33994472)

Bring cushion, sweets, popcorn or something for supper

Come and join us for a relaxing evening with good company and a movie or two.



COFFEE NIGHT

Wednesday 26 June

Time: 7:30pm

Details at the meeting or phone Majella

(☎ 3359 8311)

★ Colonial Ball 1996 ★

Saturday 6 July 1996

Leader: Greg Endicott PH 3351-4092

Time: 7.00 p.m.

**Morris Hall at Anglican Boys'
Grammar School ("Churchie"),
Oakland Parade, East Brisbane**

The club is once again attending the Annual Colonial Ball and all members are invited to join us for this good-night-out-with-a-difference. Non-club-members are welcome too, so if you have some friends you would like to invite along for this special event, feel free to show them this article or study it yourself and pass the information on to them.

For ten years now the Colonial Ball has been held in Brisbane, allowing people to take a step back into the 1880's and celebrate the part social dancing has played in our history. City folk, country folk, old and young, rich and poor, all danced in places such as: railway sheds, the school of Arts, convict ships and town halls. The new arrivals from the old world brought with them the dances of their homeland, be it Scotland, Ireland, England or the Continent.

Dress standards for the evening are either Colonial Style or semi-formal (at the very least). Costumes may be hired, but this is not absolutely necessary. You should be able to find in a wardrobe at home, or at the grandparents, something to suit this theme e.g. Governor and Lady, officers, soldiers, sailors, convicts, maids, squatters or rural workers.

Colonial dancing is similar to square dancing, bush dancing or Scottish country dancing. It is sometimes energetic but always genteel, not fast and violent. Types of dances include: Waltzes, Schottisches, Mazurkas, Polkas and various jigs and reels done in different formations (quadrilles, longways sets, circles and couples). On the night, dances are walked through and the steps are called as you dance. Knowing how to dance is not necessary - you don't have to be Fred and Ginger! You can learn at the practices or on the night.

Free practices will be held at "The Paint Factory", 10 Donkin Street, West End. This year, the practices will be on four Tuesdays: 11th, 18th and 25th June and 2nd July, all starting at 8.00 p.m. Come along to one or more practice sessions if you wish.

In keeping with the tradition of nineteenth century balls, everyone receives a Dance Card when they enter the hall on the night. For the next half hour the gentlemen are supposed to ask a variety of ladies to partner them for the sixteen dances. It is polite to have only two dances with

the same person; any more and it will be thought that you are too familiar! So this ensures that everyone mixes. If you want a full dance card, don't come late. The advertised starting time is 7.00 p.m. and it is important to be there at that time to work at filling your dance card for the evening.

The Ball usually goes until midnight. For your \$30 (\$25 for members of the Queensland Colonial Dancers), you get a champion band, including dance caller, sixteen dances and a quite substantial 2-course supper about 9.30 p.m. Some people still like to have a light snack at home before coming and/or bring a few nibblys to share at their table. There is a licensed bar but you may like to bring a flask of cold water, because many of the dances are energetic and it is easy to work up a thirst. Even though the Ball takes place in mid-Winter, you will probably get hot and stay that way.

Arranging a partner before the night is not necessary. You can come along, since the ball rules state you cannot have more than 2 dances with the one partner anyway. So, feel free to nominate as a single. Over half of the dances are progressive, so the ball provides an opportunity to meet at least fourteen other people.

We normally have about thirty people in our BCBC party, out of a total attendance of one hundred and sixty. Remember, it is not restricted to BCBC members, so ask a few friends to come with you. Please nominate to me as soon as possible, so I can order the right number of tickets (which you can then buy from me closer to the Ball). My phone number is at the top of this article, or you can catch me at the next meeting.

Hope to hear from you soon or see you at practices.

DINNER NIGHT

Wednesday 10 July

Time: 7.30 a.m.

Place: Naples Pizza Restaurant (BYO)
497 Lutwyche Road, Lutwyche
phone Majella
(☎ 3359 8311)



Future ... Socials

CHRISTMAS IN JULY Saturday 20 July



We plan to get together at about 7.30 p.m. Bring a plate for supper (Christmassy type food) and a small gift (\$2 - \$5). We'll have a Christmas Tree, a visit from Santa (any volunteers?), Christmas Carols and some Christmas-type games.

It should be a great night so keep it free and come along.

P.S. I'm looking for a venue for the evening.

PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Saturday 7 September

There has been a change of date for the Progressive Dinner. It is now on Saturday 7th September. This year's theme: "Come as a Fairy Tale or Storybook Character". I'm looking for venues so if you are able to help out, let me know ASAP. The following may help you out with ideas for costumes for the night.

Cinderella
Sleeping Beauty
The Emperor's New Clothes
Alice in Wonderland
Hansel & Gretel
Three Billy Goat's Gruff
Jack and the Beanstalk
Princess and the Pea
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs
Little Red Riding Hood

Past Social

17 May 1996

FEDERATION BUSHDANCE

Another night, another dance at Jimboomba.

The Ran Tan Bush Band kept us all entertained with a few songs and the feet hopping with circle dances, Quadrilles, Pride of Erin, Gypsy Taps, Polkas and to finish the night off the old Hokey Pokey. With Supper, laughter and plenty of dancing even Lucy and Stephen, who thought being the drongo was a big joke joined in. I'm sure a good time was had by all and it was good to meet up with other bush walking clubs again.

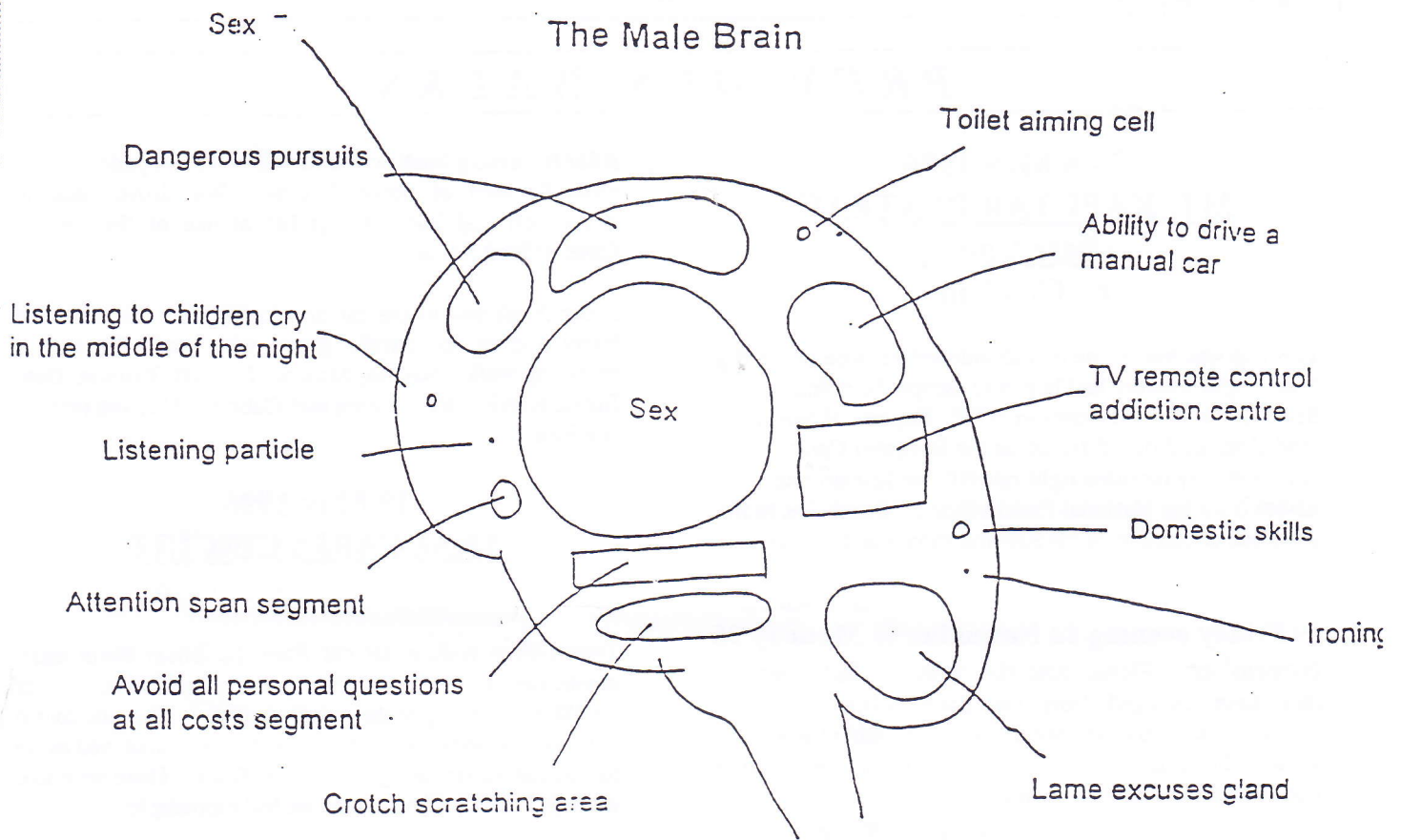
The dancers were Don, Gabrielle, Iain, Kerry, Matthew, Jonas (**we kept an eye on him for you Pat**), Greg, Michelle, Lucy and Stephen. Include it in your Diary for next year, The Federation only has two functions a year and the Bush dance is definitely a great night.

CLUB IDENTIFICATION CARDS

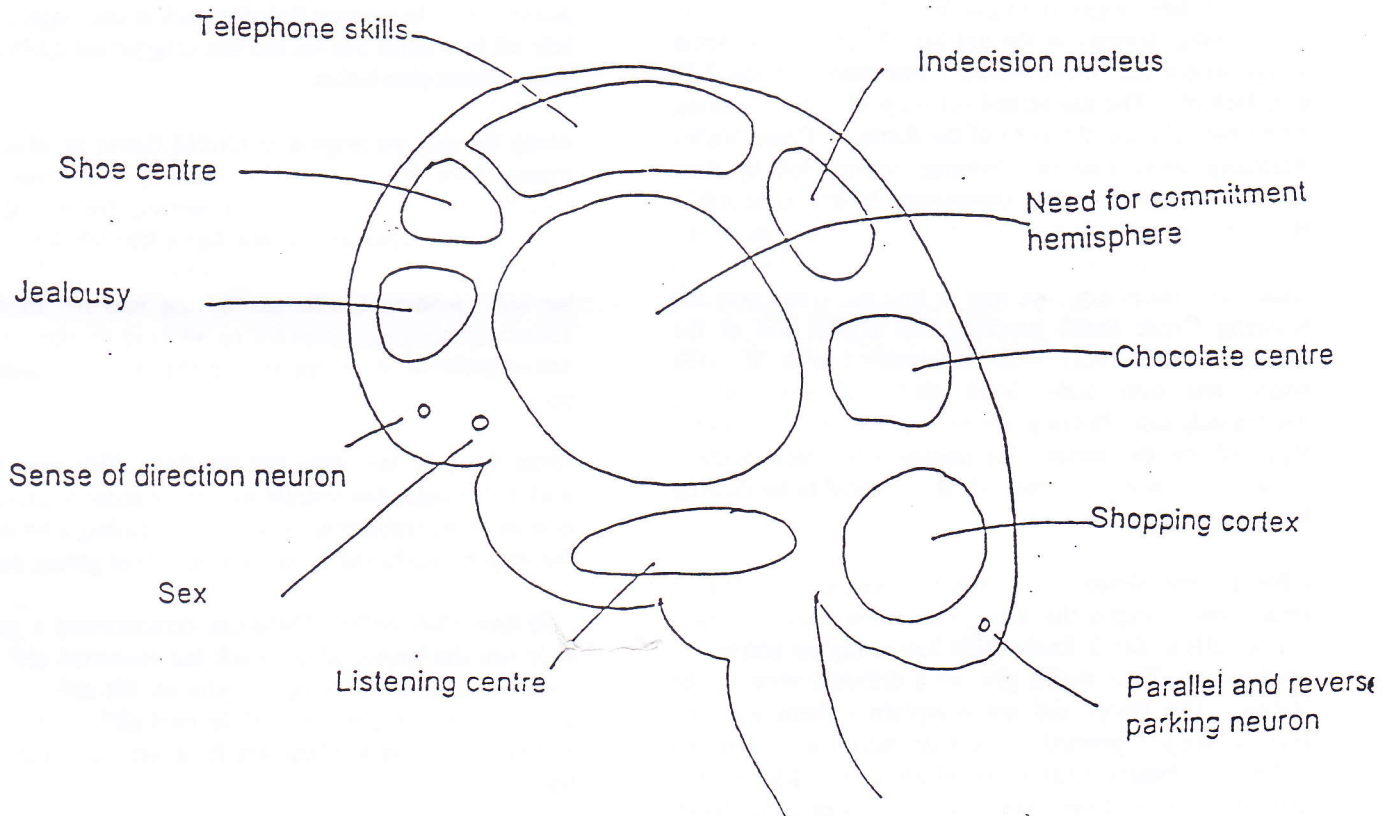
Your ID card should be enclosed in this issue. Telephone Jim O'Meara if you do not receive yours. This card is your proof of financial membership with the Club. Use it for discounted purchases at local bushwalking shops.

Why were Matthew and Trevor in such a hurry to get off Mt Maroon on the pre-outing?

The Male Brain



The Female Brain



PREVIOUS WALKS

3 - 6 May 1996 **MT. KAPUTAR PLATEAU** **(Base Camp)** **by Con Vink**

This trip was one of the two abandoned because of the Big Wet. Eight walkers had hoped to escape the deluge in Brisbane for drier climates in NSW. Reports of partial road closures didn't deter us, as the Boggabri Caravan Park had only reported light rainfall, but last-minute advice from the National Parks office at Narrabri as to the atrocious conditions at Mt Kaputar forced us to cancel.

By popular demand, this trip has now been rescheduled for **Friday evening 22 November to Monday 25 November**. Please note the dates carefully, because they have changed from the dates published in the calendar last Jilalan (to accommodate members who have already shown interest). If you plan to nominate, you may need to book holiday leave now.

11 May 1996 **RUNNING CREEK DAY WALK** **by Bill Butler**

After eight days of consistently heavy rain in the weeks preceding, everyone was looking forward to a bush walk, no matter how soggy it might be! Running Creek was still flowing strongly at the old Mt Chingee schoolhouse bridge where the fifteen walkers assembled for the 9.30 a.m. kick-off. The day turned out magnificent, blue skies, warm sunlight and the vista of the Running Creek Valley stretching away into the distance, surrounded by deep green to mauve coloured mountains, looked irresistible. However, our attempt to reach the Falls at the head of the valley came to a sudden halt approximately 7 kms into the walk. The necessary sock hop to ford the creek near the Running Creek South junction was almost out of the question. Most rocks were still covered with WATER which was over waist level deep and still flowing dangerously fast. Justin generously offered to slip into his togs and test the water. He managed to reach halfway across the 20m wide torrent which appeared to be flowing faster on the far side.

After a very pleasant morning tea beside the creek, I reluctantly changed the walk destination from Running Creek Falls to Black Snake Ride 350 m higher and to the south of us. This would give us a different view of the Valley. The troops did not complain - there were no revolts. We just pressed on hard up this eucalypt forested Ridge. Extremely clear views of Mt Gipps, Mt Lindsay and the Barney Peaks were available from the rocky topped knoll where we had lunch. The Stretcher Track Range towering above the Running Creek Valley looked massive from this viewing platform.

Which member of the opposite sex said on the Araucaria Circuit "stop mucking around and get it out"?

After traversing back across lush green farm paddocks the walk finished at about 4 p.m. We drove back to Beaudesert and had tea together at one of the Central Cafes around 5 p.m.

A big thank you to the car drivers Majella, Matthew and Barry and to the terrific group who made for such a sparkling walk - Nathan, Maxine, Ed, Jeff, Patricia, Don, Justin, Kerrie, Denise, June and Gabriel. May the journey continue.

19 May 1996 **ARAUCARIA CIRCUIT** **by Patricia Broughton**

Twenty-three walkers set out from the Binna Burra camp ground just after 9.00a.m. in lovely sunny weather (at last) for the 18km return trip to the Araucaria Circuit. The first couple of k's were muddy and slippery but the track improved as we moved further out along the Border Track. There were fine views at Joalah Lookout where we had morning tea.

Several trees had fallen on to the track in the Mt Hobwee turnoff area and awkward detours had to be negotiated. Bill led a small group of rebels who broke ranks and preferred to climb over or under the tangled mess instead of obeying the leader's instructions. (I saw you, Trevor!! They **WILL** pay for their disobedience!) There was also quite a bit of wait-a-while close to the track and many of us are still digging out the thorns. Carol disappeared from the track at one stage, into the hole left by a fallen tree but she was dragged out again only a little grubbier than before.

Along the way we stopped at Orchid Bower to admire the scenery from this lookout. Unfortunately it was the wrong time of year for the orchids to be flowering. We arrived at our destination just after midday and had a leisurely lunch break while enjoying the views. Anne started a roaring fire to boil her billy, sending Cecilia scampering into the shrubbery. There wasn't enough room for us all to sit in one group so people gathered in groups among the trees and along the path.

About 1.00p.m. we began the trip back. This time we all stuck to the track, just scrambling over or under whatever was in front of us, probably because we were feeling a bit tired by this stage or maybe didn't care so much about getting dirty.

First time Club walker, Catherine, demonstrated a graceful slide into the bushes off the track but recovered nicely and soon hauled herself back up to rejoin us. We arrived back at the cars about 3.45p.m., scraped the mud off as best we could and motored down to Canungra for a well-earned afternoon tea.

Two snakes were seen on the day - a carpet snake I parked my car on top of and a tree snake Terry trampled on. Thanks

to all who came along to make it a fun day. Extra thanks to drivers Elizabeth, Majella, Gabe, Con, and Carol.

PS. The cafe in Canungra will give us a 10% group discount but ask to be given advance warning of the invasion.

13 April 1996
PIPER COMANCHE TO LOVE
CREEK FALLS
by Cliff Harrison

Map: Brisbane Forest Park 1:32,000

Eleven happy and energetic walkers followed me in enjoying one of the best day walks in the Brisbane Region.

In the dry season, this walk could be considered an easy walk despite its length of some 7 to 8 continuous walking hours. However, a wet season can change the vegetation quite dramatically, creating dense re-growth which impedes progress (causing time delays) and greater navigational problems.

Therefore good navigational skills, a topographic map of the region, and a compass that works, will probably get you through without too many problems.

Our band of cheerful walkers met at Maiala picnic grounds at 0800 hours sharp. Leaving one car behind, we drove to Tension Woods Mountain car park and the start of the walk (755 804).

After a brief chat and introduction to each other, plus a couple of safety hints, the walk was on in earnest.

Passing through the locked gat, we quickly picked the logging track which was followed for some 20-25 minutes before reaching a high point at 769 807). Re-setting compass bearings to a south, south east direction, a worn route was followed for some 600ms before the terrain showed an obvious rise (771 801).

Taking a 50 degrees magnetic bearing we descended through scrub/forest down a steep slope to a gravel creek bed. From here, we contoured in a south easterly direction for some 400 to 500 metres across three to four ridge lines, before coming to an obvious track which we followed down to the remains of the Piper Comanche plane wreck (775.801). We arrived here at approximately 10 a.m.

After morning tea, many photographs and some exploration of the area we ascended the ridge eventually arriving at a high point (760 ms high) at 772 798 at about 11 a.m.

Resetting compass bearings we descended in a southerly arc to the west. Finding a narrow but not steep easy to descent ridge, we headed in an indirect route to Love Creek Falls arriving about 1.30 p.m. Note: This section of the walk (i.e. finding the correct ridge) will cause confusion every time, as

everything is not what it seems. Visibility is restricted by regrowth and heavy timber.

After some moments of confusion we descended through heaps of wait-a-while to a ridge formation resembling an inverted "Y". Choosing the true right ridge (unsurveyed) we made a steep descent through scunge to arrive at Love Creek some 20 minutes walking tie upstream from Love Creek Falls.

The true left ridge is less steep, just as much grunge - some contouring to the right (after 20 minutes of descent) across a gully to gain a ridge line that leads directly to the top of the Falls).

After a very pleasant lunch in the sun with a view to the North-East down Love Creek Valley, we back tracked up the Creek some 300 to 400 metres to a flat spot on a hair pin bend (left side up stream or true right).

The ascent up this steep ridge which took some 40 to 50 minutes was punctuated by loose gravel under foot and thick scunge on the upper level.

Once at the top, we encountered a logging track junction. Using compass and map referral, we followed an overgrown track past a magnificent Sydney Blue Gum to the top of the ridge for the easy descent to Green Falls, arriving 30 minutes later. This easy grade route needs care to search out the correct ridge.

A brief sugar fix, one of many during the day where even the odd pack of kids at the top of Green Falls benefited (how many bags of lollies does Bill carry in his pack?) was enjoyed before following the boardwalk and track back to the Maiola Picnic grounds.

After the usual car shuffle - coffee and pastries were enjoyed at a Samford Village Coffee Shop and bakery - thanks to Barry.

Thanks to everyone for coming. You all made a good walk a very enjoyable day.

Cheers
Cliff Harrison.

Once in a blue moon

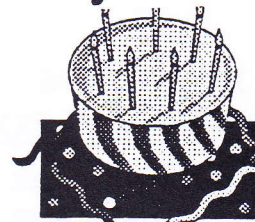
**With two full moons in July,
one on the first and the other
on the thirtieth, the second full
moon is called a Blue Moon.
So if you have something that
is going to happen once in a
Blue Moon this could be it -
Watch Out!**



Ever had that sinking feeling in your tummy? Well one young man in the club recently bought a scratch it ticket and scratched his way to \$100 000. After a quick jig and a few thank you prayers he abandoned the mundanity of commuter travel and caught the first cab to the Golden Casket Office. The girl at the front desk said "sorry sir but you've misread your ticket." Having already spent the money in his head and penned his resignation letter wouldn't this just stuff your day?

Include it in your Diary for next year. The Federation only has two functions a year and the Bush dance is definitely a great night.

Birthday Greetings



We wish club members Irene Bouveng, John Brack, Mark Daly, Maree Denkes, June Greenaway, Bernard Ivers, Russell Jones, Gerald Rosanove, Patricia Rynja, Anthony Smetzer, Susan Tobin and Pauline Walker who celebrate birthdays in June a very Happy Birthday.

Many Happy Returns to club members Greg Endicott, Joe Finn, Fr Ed Nally and Josephine Palella who celebrated birthdays in May.

Don's Ginger Beer Recipe

1.5 gallons of water (7 litres)
3.5 cups of sugar
half teaspoon of cream of tartar
2 tablespoons of ground ginger
1 teaspoon of dried yeast

Stir well until sugar dissolves. Let stand for 3 hours.
Bottle. Best after approximately 3 days.

Missing - a set of keys six feet under at Moreton Island!
Found - a Jeep CheroKEY that opens all and sundry!

"BILL(Y)'s GOAT BUTT

During a recent walk to the Cape Moreton Lighthouse, Bill Butler had a tussle with a curious billy goat named "Frank". Frank had a voracious appetite and was not satisfied with a mere biscuit - he wanted the whole packet! After several head-butts and other attempts to extract the packet of biscuits from Bill's pack, Frank wouldn't take "no" for an answer and stood up on his back legs with his hooves on Bill's chest giving Bill a hell of a fright!

ENTER THE "FUNNIEST INCIDENT ON A WALK COMPETITION"!
Just put down 50-100 words on something funny that happened recently and win a prize! Send your articles to the editor as soon as possible. Send as many as you like. They will be published over the coming few months.
GO ON HAVE A GO!

A handy checklist for when you pack for your next trip !

(Have you also checked THE FREEZER for your MEAT ?)

GEAR LIST

CLOTHES

Waterproof Jacket
Hat with Brim
Wool socks + spare
Beanie or balaclava
Woolen sweater, or:
Wool or thermal shirt
Light shirt
Handkerchief
Underwear
Thermal singlet
Thermal long Johns
Wool Gloves or:
Thermal gloves
Swimming costume

TOILETRIES

Toothbrush & paste
Comb
Toilet paper
Chux or small towel

FIRST AID

Band-aids
Elastoplast strip
Insect Repellent
Suntan cream (15+)
Elastic bandage
Triangular bandage
Needle & thread
Safety pins
Razor blade
Gauze
Sterilizing ointment or
liquid
Painkillers
Length of tie wire
Lip salve



"AFTER THE WALK"

(in a bag in the car)
Sweater
Shirt
Socks
Underwear
Comfy shoes
Track suit trousers

GEAR

Tent
Pegs
Groundsheet
Sleeping bag
Sleeping Sheet
Billies
Knife, fork & spoon
Plate
Cup
Water bag (wine bladder)
Water bottle
Matches
Camera
Spare film
Sleeping mat
Pack liner

SAFETY

Compass
Map
Foil rescue blanket
Small coil tent cord
Whistle
Meta tablets, paper or:
Rubber bands for firelighting
Torch & batteries
Spare torch bulb
Matches & striker in film container
Short candle
Garbag
Accident report
Small notebook & pencil
Penknife

FOR LONG WALKS

It is often necessary to take additional
gear on longer walks:
Spare Shoes or thongs
Second shirt or tee shirt
Overmitts
Overpants
Gaiters
Soap - but:
(Think of the environment)
Tummy pills
Antibiotics
Toothache remedy
Filling repair (gutta-percha)
Tent fly
Tent poles
Day pack
Choofa
Fuel
Tube to blow fires

Thanks to "The Waysider" Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc. Strathfield NSW for this helpful list!

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