



JILALAN

MONTHLY CIRCULAR

OF THE

**BRISBANE CATHOLIC
BUSHWALKING CLUB Inc.**

UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY



JULY 2001.

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JILALAN

Please have all articles to Louise Leonardi (25 Harburg Drive, Beenleigh 4207) by the 1st of the month. Articles, if on disk need to be submitted in RTF (Rich Text Format) with a hard copy included, otherwise a handwritten or typed copy will do. Alternatively, you can e-mail your articles to: leonardi@gil.com.au

GENERAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7:30pm. The location is **St Brigid's Parish Hall, Musgrave Rd, RED HILL**. VISITORS are always welcome.

OUTINGS

- Always read the Jilalan article to check the departure point, date and time.
- Departure of walks is usually either from Red Hill Parish Hall, Musgrave Rd 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.
- 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.
- Walkers are responsible for their own transport to and from the departure point.
- 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 9:00pm 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 \$20.00 required.

PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

The Association requires that all walkers on all trips should carry certain minimal basic equipment. This should comprise the following – a first aid kit, a torch, a parka/raincoat, hat, shirt 30+ sunscreen 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.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

All members are most welcome to attend a meeting of the Management Committee, but please contact the President beforehand. This means you can be advised of any change of date/venue. If you feel strongly about an issue, bring it along to the Committee Meeting and we'll put it on the agenda.

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.

CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS

| DATE | EVENT | LEADER | CONTACT NUMBER | WALK TYPE |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------|
| June 18 | Meeting | John Carter | 3290 3621 | |
| 24 | Knapp's Peak | Mark Deegan | 3856 2305 | D/W |
| 30 | Colonial Ball | Greg Endicott | 3351 4092 | Social |
| July | | | | |
| 6-8 | Swan Creek | Justin Tobin | 3366 3193 | B/C |
| 14 | Joe's Bonfire (Bastille Day) | Joe Finn | 3848 4642 | D/W |
| 15 | Kenilworth Bluff | Christine Harrison | 5429 5494 | D/W |
| 16 | Meeting | John Carter | 3290 3621 | |
| 20-22 | Spicer's Gap | Justin Tobin | 3366 3193 | B/C |
| 21-22 | Spicer's Gap | John Carter | 3290 3621 | O/N |
| 28 | Historic Shepherd's Walk Kerry Valley | Terry Silk | 3355 9765 | D/W |
| August | | | | |
| 4 | Lake Manchester | Carolyn Ivanac | 3379 9486 | D/W |
| 5 | Bridge to Brisbane Fun Run | John Carter | 3290 3621 | Social |
| 11/12 | Wynnum Wilderness | Eliz R / Eric S | 3393 5545 | |
| 15 | Mt Barney Mass | Trevor Kelly | 3269 4795 | D/W |
| 20 | Meeting | John Carter | 3290 3621 | |
| 24-26 | North Coast Mountains | Justin Tobin | 3366 3193 | B/C |
| 26 | Mt Coolum | Mary Nolan | 3355 6851 | D/W |
| September | | | | |
| 1 | Moggill SF (Fr Ed Memorial Walk) | Carolyn Ivanac | 3379 9486 | D/W |
| 7-9 | Pilgrimage | Justin Tobin | 3366 3193 | B/C |
| 16 | Mt Superbus | Christine Harrison | 5429 5494 | D/W |
| 17 | Meeting | John Carter | 3290 3621 | |
| 23 | Karawatha by Train | | | D/W |
| October | | | | |
| 5/6/7 | Lizard Point | Justin Tobin | 3366 3193 | T/W |
| 7 | Mt Roberts/ Lizard Point | Phil Murray | 3841 0254 | D/W |
| 14 | Muscat & Baileys Creeks | Matthew Palmer | 3279 4490 | D/W |
| 15 | Meeting | John Carter | 3290 3621 | |

KEY – Walk Types

| | | | |
|-----|--------------|------|----------------------------|
| D/W | Day Walk | ½ DW | Half-day Walk |
| T/W | Through Walk | TRN | Training |
| O/N | Overnighter | FMR | Federation Mountain Rescue |
| B/C | Base Camp | SOC | Social |

KEY – Walk Gratings

The Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club uses the following Walk Grading system, which is referred to under each coming walk. If uncertain, please consult with the walk's leader.

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

PLEASE NOTE!

The DEADLINE for articles for the Jilalan is the 1st of the month. I am still getting articles after this date. I find editing this magazine, quite an enjoyable task, and it would make this job a lot easier, if members could get their articles to me asap during the month, so I can start the magazine earlier. It doesn't matter how EARLY I get the articles, but it does matter if they are late. I am currently getting most of them all at once, at the very last moment they are due, meaning I have to do the magazine, all at once, at the last moment. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks, Carol.

REPORTS

July General Meeting

Come along to our July meeting, to hear about upcoming walks and socials. Stay for a cuppa and a chat.

The meeting will commence at 7.30pm with doors opening at 7.15pm.

Have your say

Members are being asked to provide comments on how to improve meetings. Majella and Mark are seeking your ideas. So don't be shy to give an opinion.

About Members

Sam has recently undergone surgery for a broken bone in his leg and treatment for golden staph. He is recovering in Logan Hospital. Please remember Sam and Louise in your prayers.

Best wishes and good luck are extended to Don Keating and Robyn Pugh on their move to Adelaide. Robyn has been successful in attaining a position with the SA Health Department in Epidemiology.

We hope you get plenty of opportunities to enjoy walking in the Adelaide Hills and checking out the Barossa Valley.

Iain Renton has seen the light and is now a Northsider. His new address is 24 Maraket St Toowong 4066 and his telephone number is 3371 4672.

Majella Robertson is now the Minute Secretary of the Federation of Bushwalking Clubs.

Welcome back to Louise McPherson who has just enjoyed two weeks trekking in the high country of Thailand!

Club Web Address

Have a look at the site at:

www.geocities.com/briscathbushclub/

email: briscathbushclub@yahoo.com.au

The club's calendar can be seen at this site under the heading Event Calendar.

(The web site can be located through the Yahoo search engine. Also, there are links from the Federation web site.)

Treasurer's Report



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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance 23/04/01 | \$2,025.72 |
| <u>Plus Receipts</u> | <u>\$ 264.00</u> |
| | \$2,289.72 |
| <u>Less Payments</u> | <u>\$ 221.00</u> |
| <u>Balance 21/05/01</u> | <u>\$ 2,068.72</u> |
| Term Deposit | \$1,500.00 |

OUTINGS NEWS COMING WALKS

MT BARNEY MASS

Date: 15 August (Exhibition
Wednesday)
2001
Leader: Trevor Kelly 3269 4795
Meet: At Yellowpinch 7.15am to
begin walking at
7.30 am sharp!
Grade: L 5 5
Cost: \$15.00
Emergency Officer: Carol Kelly 3269 4795

It's that time of year again for the Annual Barney Mass. There are several possibilities walkers can think about.

Walkers could camp at Barney Lodge for a night or two or come down early that morning. The plan is to have everybody at the mass site by at least 12.30 so that all walkers have the opportunity to be back at Yellowpinch before nightfall.

I will be leading Peasants Ridge and Mathew Palmer has indicated he would like to lead South East Ridge.

Come along and enjoy the company of friends and the beauty of Mt Barney.

Trevor Kelly

Spicer's Gap Basecamp July 20-22

Leader: Justin Tobin (3366 3193)
Time: 7.00pm (Friday.)
Meet at: St Brigid's car park, Red
Hill
Grade: L 5 5
Cost: \$15.00 & camping fee \$3.75
Emer Off: Majella Carter (3290 3621)

Spicer's Gap campground is located high on the Main Range away from the busy Cunningham's Gap. We will spend two quiet nights here. Joining the overnights for Saturday around the campfire.

Saturday's walk involves a traverse of Spicer's Peak from east to west before dropping down into Millarvale Creek. Then climbing Mt Mitchell by the South West Ridge and dropping back to Spicer's Gap off the East Peak.

Spicer's Gap Overnighter July 21-22

Leader: John Carter (3290 3621)
Time: 3.00pm
Meet at: St Brigid's car park, Red
Hill
Grade: M 4 4
Cost: \$15.00 + \$3 camping fee
Emer Off: Majella Carter 3290 3621
or 3848 0793.

Spicer's Gap campground is located on the eastern slopes of the Great Dividing Range in Main Ranger National Park. The site is level and has the usual facilities. The walk provides members with an opportunity to get away from Brisbane for one night and enjoy the beauty of the bush.

By leaving mid afternoon we will be able to setup before dark and so enjoy the evening around a campfire. Our main walk is the Mt Matheson track, which is partly through rain forest can be done by most members. Most of the walk is along a bush track. Views should be superb from Governor's Chair. The area has historic values, which we will explore during the walk. We may time to walk to the base of Spicer's Peak. Give it a go.

**Historical Society of Beaudesert
“Annual Shepherds’ Walk”
Saturday 28 July, 2001**

Leader: Terry Silk (3355 9765)
Time: 6.30am
Meet at: St Brigid’s car park, Red Hill
Grade: M 3 4
Cost: \$8 plus \$10 to society
Emer Off: Carol Kelly (3269 4795)
 Beaudesert Historical Society sponsored
 “Annual Shepherd’s Walk”.

Walkers travelling on our bus will need to be at the Society Complex, McKee Street, no later than 7.45 am to check in, pay, and sign the Disclaimer Form.

The walk is preceded by a brief historical address at the Monument, which marks the buses return to the point where the Walk begins. Walkers need to bring a snack for morning tea.

Cost: Walkers and those not walking but travelling on the bus and including Sausage Sizzle Lunch: \$10, or \$3 for Sausage Sizzle for walkers not travelling on the bus and those who attend the picnic only.

If anyone is interested, could they please contact Terry on 3355 9765 ASAP, as numbers are needed early.

**LAKE MANCHESTER.
Saturday 4 August**

Leader: Carolyn Ivanac (Ph 3379 9486.)
Time: 8:30am
Meet at: St Brigid’s Car Park.
 Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.
Grade S 3 3
Cost \$8:00
Emerg Off: John Carter.
 (Ph 3290 3621.)

Lake Manchester is held back by a concrete dam built in the 1940’s and

supplies water to the Mt Crosby water treatment plant for drinking by you and I in Brisbane. The lake is surrounded by open wooded country. We will leave town at the civilised hour of 8:30am and drive to the picnic area at Lake Manchester. At about 9:45 we will set off along the fire break at the western end of the dam wall and walk to the log cabin on the lake foreshore for morning tea. We will return much the same way arriving back at the picnic area at about 1:00pm for a B.O.Y.E. BBQ lunch. Join us a relaxing day out with peaceful scenery, excellent company and food.

**WYNNUM HERITAGE WALK.
Sunday 12 August 2001**

Leader: Elizabeth Richards
 (3393 5545)
Walk Guide: Eric Steeden
Meet at: Council Car Park (entry is right beside the LOTA sign) along the Esplanade driving south just past Wynnum Manly Yacht Club – turn left, then immediately left again)
Time: 8.30 a.m.
Grade: Easy & approx 12 klms
Cost: \$5.00

Join Eric and I for a stroll through the Oyster Point and Wyvernleigh area better known today as the Wynnum Manly area. One of our first stops will be the 7.5 metres stone retaining wall built during the depression by relief workers. There are lots of little mysteries included in this wall. Then up Manly Hill for a panoramic view of Moreton Bay and all its islands, through some suburban streets where the old mixes with the new, past the Shire Clerk’s cottage and various historical memorials.

Our return will be along the waterfront past the wading pool, Wynnum Pier and Pandanus Beach before reaching Manly Boat Harbour and the cars.

We’ll have a couple of short smoko breaks along the way before arriving back at the

vehicles and driving round the corner for a late lunch of fish & chips.

MT. COOLUM & PEREGIAN BEACH.

Saturday 26 August, 2001

Daywalk

Leader: Mary Nolan

Time: 7.00 AM

Meet at: St Brigid's car park,
Musgrave Rd, Red Hill.

Grade: S 4 3

Cost \$15

Emerg Off: Carol Kelly (Ph 3269 4795)

Mt Coolum is a prominent landmark on the Sunshine Coast and is interesting from a geological viewpoint with basalt columns on its cliffs. At 208 metres high it also has about 700 species of plants and wildflowers which should be in flower at this time. There is a 360 degree view from the top looking out to Double Island Point, Moreton Island and across the canefields and wetland areas of the Maroochy River valley. After lunch we will go to Stumers Creek at Peregian Beach and may stroll through Noosa National Park or just swim. Bring lunch, water, snacks, hat, sunscreen (the track is unshaded), togs, towel, camera and binoculars. Come for the view and a lovely day.

COMING SOCIALS

Coffee Night

Wednesday, 25 July 7.30pm

Freestyle Tout

Shop 5, 21 Nash Street

Rosalie

I've made this a 7pm start as when I rang to check, they said they do not take bookings and it seems to be a very popular place. Hope to see you there.

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini 3369 5530

ST. HELENA BOAT TRIP

Date: Saturday, 18 August.

Time: 11am-4pm or 7:00pm 11:15pm

Location: Manly

Cost: \$29.50.

Contact: Desley Pedrazzini

(Ph 3369 5530.)

I have 8 half price tickets for one of the St. Helena Boat Tours. They have 2 tours - a day one from 11am - 4pm or a night ghost tour from 7 - 11.15pm. Both leave from Manly and include a meal and drink as well as a guided tour from one of the previous occupants. As numbers are limited, please book soon and let me know which time you would prefer.

Desley

Bridge to Brisbane Fun Run/Walk Sunday, 5 August

The club participated in this event last year and it was most enjoyable. Walking or running beside the Brisbane River early in the morning was beautiful. The views from the top of the Gateway Bridge were superb. It starts at 7am on the southern side of the bridge.

We regrouped at New Farm Park for some entertainment and then returned via ferry and bus to the bridge, later in the morning. The race cost is \$15, which includes \$10 to local charities.

Members can chose to walk or run. Just a reminder that nominations for this social close on **13 July. Nominate to John** at the June meeting or by telephone. An application form has to be signed by each person.

PAST SOCIALS.

Past coffee Night

Belesis Cafe Restaurant was a popular choice for the June coffee night with 13 people joining me for a night of coffee, cake (and Mark's birthday cake). Thanks to Elizabeth, Jean, Majella, Tony, June, Michael, Gabe, Mark, Louise, Graham, Patricia, Liz and Maxine. Desley

PAST OUTINGS

Washpool Gibraltar Range National Park

It was an early start Saturday morning leaving Brighton at about 4.15, to be at Mark's place by 4.45 am and at Desley's place by 5.00 am. Elizabeth and myself arrived at Mark's a little bit early. Mark came out with the least amount of base camping equipment I have ever seen, for a 3 day base camp.

We arrived at Desley's place again a little bit early where we loaded up the car and set off down the Coast Road. We had a reasonable run until we got down to Ballina where traffic was slowed by road works, however we continued on and further down towards Grafton where the driver was forced by majority rule to pull up at a roadhouse and enjoy a scrumptious meal.

We continued on eventually arriving at Washpool National Park after a wrong turn off. Matthew, Ethan, and Gabe had arrived the previous night. Coombadjha Creek camping area was closed, so we set up camp at Bellbird camp site. We just got our tents up and down came the rain. We waited until the rain eased off then completed the circuit walks around the camp before deciding to call it quits for the day, sitting around camp, and cooking early tea.

Sunday morning we were up reasonably early to do the Washpool Rainforest walk, and it was pleasing to have a fine day, and enjoy the lush rainforest, giant red cedars, and beautiful creeks, a beautiful walk and not difficult. We arrived back at camp and had some lunch then we decided to go and do Waratah Trig in the afternoon. We drove to the carpark and set off leaving the carpark at 2.00 pm. Its amazing just a couple of kilometres down the road is beautiful rainforest and around Waratah Trig is rock and open forest.

The climb up to the top of Waratah Trig was a bit of a rock scramble near the end, but well worth the climb when you got to the top. With views looking across to Gibraltar Range and the numerous rocky outcrops.

On our return we met Matthew and Ethan walking along the track and we returned to the cars and back to camp by about 4.45, and quick dip to have a wash in the creek and then cook up some more tucker.

Monday dawned and we were away fairly early to explore Anvil Rock and Dandahra Crag in Gibraltar Range just a few kilometres down the road, and we aimed to be back at camp by about 11-11.30am to pull down our tents and hit the road back to Brisbane. Anvil Rock was quite spectacular with a huge rock roughly shaped like an anvil seemingly balancing on top of rocky outcrops. Matthew takes out the award for strength and stamina carrying Ethan on his back to both Anvil Rock and Dandahra Crag. Dandahra Crag was also quite spectacular, and it would have been easy to have spent the rest of the day exploring and climbing the rock outcrops in the area.

We arrived back at camp about 11.30 and packed up our tents and decided to hit the road. We said our goodbyes to Matthew and Ethan and Gabe.

Trevor Kelly

Knapps Peak Daywalk Sunday 24th June

The final Sunday of June 2001 was a typically idyllic winter day in South-East Queensland, with perfect blue skies and mild weather. Our seven intrepid explorers (four club members and three visitors) headed out at the civilised time of 7:35am from St Brigid's, away from suburbia, through Peak Crossing and onto Boonah where David from Walloon and Nathan were waiting patiently at the usual meeting place to join our group. Our party of nine then continued past the Dugandan Hotel, through the tiny township of Maroon onto Cannon Creek Road. Our slow ascent along this dirt track lasted for some three kilometres during which our eventual destination emerged gradually into our sight. It was a dominant outcrop surrounded largely by flat grazing land and tiny hills, the grass being dried and brown as happens often at the outset of the long dry winter.

We parked just inside the property gate and commenced the walk at 9:40. The first stage took us in an easterly direction along the property path, an open and elevated route which allowed sweeping panoramic views to the south, in particular of the imposing and rocky buttresses of Mt Maroon, framed on either side by Mts Lindesay and Barney. To the distant west we could see the various peaks and ridges of the main Range from Wilsons Peak to Cunninghams Gap. After negotiating a property fence, we attracted some very scratchy grasses around our ankles whilst crossing fields that led us towards Knapp Creek. Following a couple of kilometres of easy walking on cattle tracks, we crossed the creek to arrive at the southern ridge of the Peak, probably the best ascent route for this journey.

The initial leap from the creek bed required a rather steep climb of some 75 degrees. A particular club committee 'executive'

member on the trip expressed concern that the entire ascent would be of such magnitude. With assurances from me that this was possibly not the case, she reluctantly agreed to proceed. As we paused for morning tea, the magnificence of the view was beginning to emerge. Shortly afterwards I spotted large clouds of dust ahead of us which I initially assumed to be lingering fog or mist in this shadowy bushland covered area. In fact it was created by a herd of some 20-30 cattle disturbed by our arrival at this elevated point. We encountered a second herd of cattle as well as about half a dozen kangaroos during the remainder of our climb which was marked by a couple of cliffs, some steep terrain and regular contact with loose stones. However with each brief pause for breath, the group witnessed an ever-improving panorama to the south and to the west.

We reached the summit after slightly more than two hours of leaving Knapp Creek. Lunch then took place on a rocky outcrop looking toward the east. Several members of the party took a stroll after lunch where we found the survey stone to mark the highest point of the Peak. Immediately east of the summit there is a large cliff which offered us wide clear views from Ben Lomond to the north to the central region of the Scenic Rim to the south.

The descent from the Peak followed the ridge more closely but was somewhat slowed by the loose steep terrain. Thus our return to Knapp Creek at the base of the southern ridge took slightly more time and meant we did not have any opportunity to seek out those caves further downstream.

While returning across the fields to the main track, the group was confronted by a large herd of cattle that stood across our path instinctively thinking that we had suddenly arrived at feeding time. At this moment there was certainly no 'knapping' on our part. After much clapping and yelling and some amusing group photos of bushwalkers and cows bonding, we

quickly reached one of the property gates for a stroll to the cars.

As predicted, we all enjoyed coffee and cake at the increasingly popular Flavours Café Boonah as the perfect finale to an enjoyable outing.

Thank you to club members Desley, Jean, Nathan and Patricia as well as visitors and prospective new members David, Dave, Neale and Maria for sharing the day at Knapps Peak.

**Mt Barney Creek
Saturday 14 April
Daywalk**

Another glorious day at Mt Barney. Nine headed down the Lindsay Highway on a quiet Saturday morning, through Beaudesert and Rathdowney. The Lower Portals car park was quite full and we noted the construction of a new information display. The forest was regenerating after the severe November fire.

There was some water in Rocky Creek and we saw several trees down across the track into the hut. After an hour we arrived at the hut to be greeted by Iain, Gabe, Leon and Geraldine. After smoko, all thirteen of us continued to Barney Gorge via the Lower Portals, which was crowded. All campers were staying at the new campsite and the old campsite showed some regeneration. The track has been clearly defined. We followed the ridge to the gorge and saw low clouds swirling around the peaks. Great views of Mt Maroon.

We enjoyed a refreshing lunch and cuppa at the gorge and I completed the site monitoring at this campsite. Not much has changed. Some of the smaller areas receive little or no use, which is good. We returned to the hut by rock hopping down the creek, which was the first time for most of the party. Water levels were normal and the rock hopping was no problem. We were back at the hut by mid-afternoon.

Reluctantly, we said farewell to the campers who were staying for the weekend at the hut.

After an hour we were back at the cars. Thanks to the basecampers, Mark, Carolyn, Ben, Nicolas, Katrina, Calum, Terry and Barry (also for driving) for coming along.

John

An easy job seems mighty hard if you keep putting off doing it. (W.G.P.)

**Tingalpa Creek Wilderness
Saturday 19 May
Daywalk**

Nine traveled down the Pacific Motorway from Red Hill for the short trip to Burbank. The walk commenced at the picnic area, within the Brisbane Koala Bushlands. This walk in Tingalpa creek's catchment was traversing across three local government authorities - very impressive. After a quick orientation with the map, we headed eastwards along formed tracks through the bush. Along Tingalpa Creek is undulating low land open eucalypt forest, which has mainly disappeared from around Brisbane. After an hour we crossed the creek, which all navigated successfully, including Terry.

We were now on Redland Shire's Sheldon Trail. We passed acreage properties with high fences and dogs. Smoko was enjoyed in a cool grove next to a creek, where Bev revealed her recent Blue Mountains holiday. Crossing Avalon Road to the south we entered briefly Burnett Park, with its more stunted vegetation. Then we picked up a track into Venman Bushland NP and very quickly spotted a koala asleep in a tree, much to Gabe's surprise. We were certainly looking forward to lunch near the Logan City Council disused quarry. As we settled down one of the visitors spied an echidna waddling along in the leaf litter. It

seemed non-perturbed by our presence as it continued its relentless hunt for termites.

After our break, we followed the track that led into Daisy Hill SF. Unfortunately the recent rain had softened the clay and we all seemed to gain a few 'inches' in height. By mid afternoon we headed northwards to complete our circuit. By now, we started seeing red necked wallabies. We passed an abandoned house and grounds, which is now part of Brisbane's park. We even spied another koala low in a tree.

After a short walk along the formed track we were back at the cars. Thanks to Gabe, Terry, Bev, Mark and visitors for a great day. There are still good bushland areas for walking not far from the city centre.

John

"The value of things we have is not in their price or even in their beauty, but in whether or not they are replaceable."

Henry Frauca

Queensland Federation of Bushwalking Clubs

Federation meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Baroona Special School, Milton from 7.30pm. For further information contact John or Majella.

Information about the camping permit application form for use at Girraween is available from John. The proposed Statement of Principles between Federation and QPWS is still continuing with another meeting to be held.

Federation web site address is:
<http://www.geocities.com/qfbwc/index.htm>
 The email address is
qfbwc@yahoo.com.au

Federation Mountain Rescue

FMR meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Baroona Special School, Milton at 7.30pm. For further information contact John Carter. Ph 3290 3621

FMR has a web site and its address site is
<http://130.102.84.99/quanta/org/fmr/fmr.htm>
 and the email address is
fmr@chem.chemistry.uq.oz.au

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

□ *A thought to ponder ...* □

Some people drink deeply from the fountain of knowledge, while some others only gargle...

A friend is someone who knows the song in your heart, then sings it back to you when you have forgotten the words.

A note from the Editor...

Please forward your magazine articles to Carol by the 1st of the month at the latest. You may forward your magazine articles to

Either:

Carol's address: 10 Townsend Street
 Brighton Qld 4017
 PH: 3269 4795

or

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Louise is still very busy with family commitments at the moment. I will be doing the magazine until further notice. Please forward all articles to myself.

Thanks,

Carol Kelly

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