



JILALAN

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CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB INC.
UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY

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JILALAN

Articles for "Jilalan" should be posted to Cecilia Doherty 2/32 Stanley Terrace, East Brisbane. **Please note there are different deadlines for submitting articles on paper and on disk as shown in the monthly calendar.** The Editor is currently using MS WORD 6.0 but can convert from most programs. Please submit a hard copy of the article just in case there are problems with your disk.

GENERAL MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of every month, at 7.30 p.m (although they usually start about 15 minutes later). The location is The Little King's Centre, 33 O'Keefe Street, Buranda. Contact the President for details. **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 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.
- 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 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 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.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

All members are most welcome to observe the next meeting of the Management Committee. You are very welcome to attend the meeting 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. The dates of future Committee meetings have also been listed in Jilalan.

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

	25-27	Club Hut - Tom's Tum and Isolated Peak	Jon Brunot	3209 9598	B/C
AUG	2-3	1st Aid Course	Bill Butler	3266 8330	FMR
	9-10	O'Reilly's Dinner	Liz Richards	3393 5545	SOC
	9	Lyrebird - Castle Craig Lookouts	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	D/W
	10	Toolona Creek Circuit	Gabriel Romaguera	3369 7330	D/W
	12-13	Mt Barney Annual Mass - SE Ridge	Anthony Dolan	3899 1785	O/N
	12-13	Mt Barney Annual Mass - South	Ed Thistlethwaite	3374 2198	O/N
	16	Luke's Bluff	Kerry Mulligan	3279 4490	D/W
	17	Daisy Hill	Jon Brunott	3209 9598	
	18	Meeting	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	
	23-24	Mt May to Mt Maroon	Jonus Bernotas	3288 3826	T/W
	24	Mt Maroon via Caves	Christine Harrison	3378 0264	D/W
	25	JILALAN DEADLINE HAND WRITTEN			
	30-31	Rainbow Beach/Lake Freshwater	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	T/W
SEPT	5	JILALAN DEADLINE DISK ARTICLES			
	5-7	Cottonvale to Bald Rock	Pat Lawton	3266 1956	T/W
	7	Father's Day			
	12-14	Pilgrimage - Toowomba Club	Christine Harrison	3378 0264	B/C
	15	Meeting	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	
	19-21	Barney Lodge	Justin Tobin	3266 3193	B/C
	28	Back Creek Abseil			D/W
	28	Killarney Glen	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	D/W
OCT	3-5	Border Loop to Lindesay			T/W
	5	Mt Lindesay	Paul McDonald	3205 1984	D/W
	11	Progressive Dinner	Elizabeth Richards	3393 5545	SOC
	18	K.P. Beginners	Bill Butler	3266 8330	FMR
	18	6 and 12 Hour Rogaine			ROG
	19	Mt Moon	Iain Renton	3395 7665	D/W
	20	Meeting	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	
	24-25	Nightcap National Park	Christine Harrison	3378 0264	B/C
	24-25	Nightcap National Park Base Camp	Anne Tracey	3395 2559	T/W
NOV	1-2	Beginners at Manorina	Paul McDonald	3205 1984	B/C
	4	Night Navigation	Bill Butler	3266 8330	FMR
	8-9	Bulimba Creek 26 km Canoe			CAN
	15-16	Metrogaine			ROG
	15-16	O'Reilly's to Binna Burra	June Greenaway	3358 5295	D/W
	15-16	Binna Burra to O'Reilly's	Chris McCaffrey	3349 5730	D/W
	17	Meeting	Richard Kolarski	3341 7509	
	23	Shipstern/Ballenjui Falls	Mary Nolan	3355 6851	D/W
	30	Mt Tibrogargan Anniversary	John Carter	3290 3621	D/W
DEC	5-7	Christmas Party	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	SOC
	14	Summer Creek/Jimna SF			D/W
	21	Pinnacle and Meeting of the Waters			D/W

KEY - Types

D/W	Day Walk	1/2 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 Gradings

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

1. Distance

Short	Under 10 km per day
Medium	10-15 km per day
Long	15-20 km per day
EXtra	Over 20 km per day
Long	

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

*** WHAT'S IN A NAME? ***

Most of us realise that names have meanings whether they are the names of people, cars or anything else.

But most of us don't worry much about the meanings of names because very often there is not much connection between the names of things and the things themselves.

How about when an organisation chooses to call itself by a particular title, say "Catholic Club"? Is there necessarily a connection between the name and the reality?

Our club has included the word "Catholic" in its title since day one of its existence. What can we expect of the Club as a consequence?

Apart from the legal ramifications about membership and the positions that only Catholics can hold, we should be able to say that the members make a serious effort to honour, respect and put into practice the teachings of the Christian faith.

And in the twelve or thirteen years of my association with the Club, I have witnessed many instances of the members' willingness to honour the teachings of Christ, whether it is in a readiness to be of service to fellow members or to people outside the Club, or in readiness to support worthy causes such as Little Kings movement, or in adopting and promoting a Christian stance on relevant public issues. Charity has been strongly in evidence in the Club, in my opinion, over the years.

However, we the Club members are not perfect, and sadly we realise at times our failings and weaknesses win out. We do not always behave as we later realise we should have. We realise that at times we and fellow members fall quite short of the expectations people rightly have of us as Christians and members of a specifically Christian Club.

Should this realisation that we and our fellow members are not perfect, in fact, at times are very imperfect, lead us to opt out, lead us to choose to find another Club?

That may be the only answer at times, but I would hope that more often we will have the ability to find truly Christian solutions to our difficulties, put them into practice and get on with living.

Edwin Nally



IN THE RAINFOREST

PRESIDENT'S PRATTLE

Below is reprinted Rule 25.01 of the Club which deals with who the Chairman will be and his/her duties.

25.01 Chairman

25.01.01 The President will preside as Chairman, or if there is no President, or if he is not present within fifteen minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting or is unwilling to act, the Vice-President shall be the Chairman or if the Vice-President is not present or is unwilling to act then the members present shall elect one of their number to be Chairman of the meeting.

25.01.02 The Chairman shall maintain order and conduct the meeting in a proper and orderly manner.

25.01.03 All questions of rules of debate and conduct of business shall be decided by the Chairman, provided that such decisions are not in conflict with these Rules.

A full copy of the Rules can be obtained from the Membership Officer.

COMING WALKS

Sunday 24 August 1997

Mt May to Mt Maroon

(Day Walk)

Limit of 10 walkers

Leader:	Jonas Bernotas (ph: 3288 3826)
Meet:	My home address: 77 Church Street, Goodna
Time:	6.30 a.m.
Petrol cost:	\$12
Grade:	L 7 8
Emerg Officer:	Anthony Dolan (ph: 3343 4116)

Those who nominate - can you be certain or definite because of the car shuffle.

The walk will start at Mt May campsite and finish at Mt Maroon car park. We commence the walk ascending Mt May the normal southerly route. A short distance below the smaller peak, we take a ridge heading directly east towards the Western slopes of Mt Maroon. The views of Mt Barney from this ridge are unusual, revealing the depth, height and length of Mt Barney as well as the impressive Mt Maroon.

After crossing Paddy's Plain we head towards Maroon and pick up a ridge on the right side of a distinct gorge. We will have lunch on top of the ridge with spectacular views again of Mt Barney. From here, it's a scramble and walk to the Maroon saddle and back down the normal route to the Maroon car park. We may have assistance from Mt Maroon Caves day walkers to help us out with

the short distance car shuffle. Bring 3 litres of water and camera.

Jonas

Sunday 24 August 1997
Mt Maroon via Caves
(Day Walk)

Leader: Christine Harrison (ph: 3378 0264)
Meeting Time: 6.30 a.m.
Place: Sullivan & Nicolaides
Cost: \$12
Emerg Officer: Anthony Dolan (ph: 3843 4116)
Grade: M 4 4

A different way. It is an off track and rock scramble route with a chance to see a large cave on the face before ascending Mt Maroon for views of Mt Barney, Mt Lindsay and the Main Range. After lunch we will descend back to our cars via the popular gorge route. Go Walking.

Christine

Sat 30 - Sun 31 August 1997
Rainbow Beach-Lake Freshwater
(Throughwalk)

Leader: Richard Kolarski (PH: 3341 7509)
Time: 7:00 am Saturday
Place: Sullivan and Nicolaides
Grade: L 3 3
Cost: \$25 + camping fees
Emerg Officer: Danuta Gur (ph: 3345 3971)

After meeting at Sullivan and Nicolaides, it's a three hour drive to Rainbow Beach, with maybe a stop at the BP Petrol Station at Burpengary for anyone who wants to meet there (approx 7:45).

From Rainbow Beach we'll walk along the beach, past the Carlo Sandblow, towards Double Island Point. There'll be plenty of time to look at the Coloured Sands cliff line, and with a wide beach to walk on, (low tide at midday), plenty of opportunity to mix and mingle.

We'll cross over the boarded track just before Double Island Point and have lunch near the Cherry Venture. For the more adventurous, a chance to walk to the lighthouse, and for the less so, a chance to buy an icecream from the vendor at the Cherry Venture.

From lunch, it's only an hour and a half to the Freshwater Camping area, with BBQ, toilets, tap water and hot showers.

Next day we have a change from beach to rainforest, walking past Freshwater Lake towards Poona Lake. Lunch near a lookout over Rainbow Beach and back to the cars by 2:00 pm for the long drive back. This walk is suitable for beginners

who want to do their first throughwalk with about 17 kilometres of walking each day, along beach or graded tracks.

Friday 5 Sept - Sunday 7 Sept 1997
Bald Rock to Stanthorpe
(Throughwalk - without packs)

Leader: Pat Lawton (ph: 3266 1956)
Time: 7 p.m. Friday
Place: Sullivan & Nicolaides, Whitmore Street, Taringa
Cost: \$25 - \$30 approx.
Grade: L 3 6
Emerg Officer: Bernadette Dolan (ph: 3843 4116)

Remember the stories of the walk along the border fence from Killarney to Cottonvale! Well, don't read about the next episode - be part of it!! On Friday night we will travel to Stanthorpe and set up camp on private property (not far from Wilson's Downfall). This will also be our campsite for Saturday night - no need to pull tents down etc.

With an early start on Saturday we will be driving to Bald Rock and then walk back to our camp site, through a variety of different scenery along the NSW/Qld Border fence. On Saturday night we will do a car shuffle.

Sunday will see us walking northwards - again plenty of variety. We will finish the walk at Stanthorpe Border Gate, rather than at Cottonvale. This will make Sunday's walk a little more relaxed, save some sore feet, hopefully, allow time for a leisurely lunch and enable a car shuffle and then enable us all to return home at a reasonable time. Saturday's walk is long but not hard - only day packs are necessary.

Bring water for the whole weekend - no water available at the camp site or along the way.

See me if you need more details. As I said at the start - don't hear the stories about this trip from others - come and be able to tell your own stories! Pat

Club Sentiments

"Oh, the comfort, the inexpressible comfort, of feeling safe with a person, having neither to weigh thought nor measure words, but pouring them all right out, just as they are, chaff and grain together; certain that a faithful hand will take and sift them, keep what is worth keeping and with a breath of kindness blow the rest away."

Friday 12 - Sunday 14 September 1997

Pilgrimage-Birch's Gully

Weekend Basecamp

Leader: Christine Harrison (ph: 3378 0264)
 Time: 6.30 p.m. Friday
 Place: Sullivan & Nicolaides
 Grade: Various
 E.O. Anthony Dolan (ph: 3343 4116)
 Cost: \$25 (includes camping fee)

This year's Pilgrimage is hosted by the Toowoomba Bushwalkers' Club Inc and is to be held at Birch's Gully, approx 5 kms east of Crows Nest Falls Picnic area, on private property. The site is located in the catchment of Cressbrook and Perseverance Creeks and they intend to explore the picturesque gorges and countryside in the surrounding area.

Registration is on Friday night on arrival. Walks are on Saturday commencing from 7 a.m.-9.30 a.m. with variety. So bring along suitable footwear for gripping the rocks for rockhopping and gaiters/sock protectors will also be a good idea to protect from the spear grass.

There is a campfire at 5 p.m. onwards, then a Bush Dance featuring the Band-O-Coots. Supper is provided. BYO cups. Sunday - free Sausage Sizzle, Trash and Treasure (bring along any used or not-so-used camping/walking gear you may wish to sell). Traditional bushwalking games, presentations, speeches, goodbyes and pack up camp.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN WATER SUPPLY FOR THE ENTIRE WEEKEND.

Pit toilet provided. Cooking on fuel stoves only.
Please take all your rubbish home with you.

As we do not visit this region regularly, it should be a "Spring in the Hills with Toowoomba Bushwalkers" adventure. A great weekend for bushwalking, socialising and fun

Christine.

*** *Threatened Species* ***

Brush-tailed rock-wallaby

The Department of Environment (Toowoomba) wants to know if you have seen any brush-tailed rock-wallabies. Fears are held for the safety of this threatened animal. If you have ever seen a brush-tailed rock-wallaby, please contact the Department or your local National Parks office

What do they look like?

The brush-tailed rock-wallaby can be identified by its:

- thick, dark brown-black untapered tail and similarly coloured feet
- chocolate-brown back and flanks with a reddish brown tinge on the rump

- mottled grey shoulders with dark stripes behind the elbows;
- white cheek stripe with a dark stripe running from between the eyes to behind the ears;
- brownish-yellow belly and sometimes white chest blaze, and
- white tip on the end of the tail in some individuals

Rock-wallabies can be distinguished from other wallabies by their characteristic ACROBATIC movements in rocky terrain.

Feral animals have been blamed for the decline of rock wallabies generally. Foxes and goats are thought to be the main offenders and to a lesser extent, dogs and cats.

If you have seen the brush-tailed rock wallaby, see the Editor for a Questionnaire. (thanks Patricia Kolarski)

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO
TREVOR AND CAROL ON THEIR RECENT
ENGAGEMENT. BCBC WISHES YOU BOTH
EVERY HAPPINESS.**



VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

For a moment of quiet contemplation

Behold now, you who say "Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and spend a year there, and trade and make money", you who do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. You ought rather to say "if the Lord will".

"Blessed are they who have the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but above all, the power of going out of one's self, and appreciating whatever is noble and loving in another."

Thomas Hughes

SOCIALS

Maxine Brophy and Liz Richards

Social Calendar - August



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August 27 **Wednesday Coffee Night**
Time: 7.30 p.m.
Place: The Purple Olive
 79 James Street, New Farm

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August 30: **Saturday Heritage Trail-**
 Toowong Cemetery
Time: 10.30 a.m.
Place: Toowong Cemetery
Meet: Front Gate - Frederick
 Street

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 The Heritage Trail in the Toowong Cemetery covers 33 burial sites. Ancient symbolism is reflected in the design of these monuments so we will begin our walk at the Old Sexton's Office Museum where these symbols are explained in greater detail. I am hoping to have a volunteer guide to take us on this walk and she has estimated a time of 1.5 hours. I have also obtained from the Brisbane City Council booklets which describe each of these sites. For those who wish to see more, please feel free. You can join us later in the Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens for a picnic lunch. There are some lovely walks through the gardens and the planetarium is also worth a visit for those interested.

Pack a lunch and join us in the Gardens from about 1 p.m. if you can't make it earlier. See you there.

Liz

M B S sssssssss is back

MBS snippet of the month

On a recent trip to Glass House Mountains, newly betrothed committee members heard ordering each other around -
 "Wash *this* WOMAN!"

NO AUDITIONS NECESSARY!!

**'RED FACES'
 IS COMING TO TOWN**



At this years Progressive Dinner (with a difference) we will be presenting a 'Red Faces' segment. 7 - 9 acts are required to appear during the night.

This will be your chance to show us what you are really made of.

Do you play an instrument, sing or act? - good or bad, what does it matter just get a group together, a duo or just yourself and DO IT.

The date of the Progressive Dinner is 11 October 1997. You have a few weeks to perfect your act. Please nominate to me by 15 September 1997.
 Thanks

If you are prepared to have the dinner in your home please let me know also. Elizabeth

"SPIN US A YARN"

GET THOSE PENS SCRIBBLING

Here's your chance to get down on paper what many of you do so well on the track! Spin us a yarn choosing one of the towns listed below and giving your interpretation of how its name was derived.

BOB'S FARM	NSW
BUTLER TANKS	SA
BLIND BIGHT	VIC
BLOW HARD	VIC

Post or hand deliver entry/entries to Elizabeth Richards ASAP. All entries will be published in the Jilalan. Please limit your yarn to 500 words.

Elizabeth
 68 Mountjoy Terrace
 Wynnum 4178
 3393 5545

THE MEDICALLY INCORRECT DICTIONARY

(With apologies to anyone I haven't offended)

ARTERY	The study of paintings
ASTHMA	A pregnant donkey
BACTERIA	Back door of a cafeteria
BARIUM	What doctors do when patients die
BOWEL	A letter like A.E.I.O.U.
CAT SCAN	Searching for kitty
CAUTERISE	Made contact with her
COMA	A punctuation mark
D&C	Where Washington is
DILATE	To live longer
DNA	National Dyslexic Association
ENEMA	Not a friend
FESTER	Quicker
FIBULA	A small lie
GENES	Levi's brother
GENITAL	Not a Jew
HANGNAIL	Coat hook
HERPES	The name on everyone's lips
IMPOTENT	Distinguished, well known
INFARCTION	Something you hold inside
LABOUR PAIN	Getting hurt at work
LIFE	Sexually transmitted disease that is invariably fatal
MALARIA	A slum
MORBID	A higher offer
NITRATES	Cheaper than day rates
NODE	Was aware of
OUTPATIENT	A person who has fainted
PELVIS	A cousin to Elvis
PYREXIA	Microwave safe
RECTUM	Dang near killed 'em
SECRETION	Hiding something
SEIZURE	Roman Emperor
SCHIZOPHRENIC	Someone beside himself
SUTURE	Looks good
TABLET	A small table
TUMOUR	More than one
URINE	Opposite of "You're out"
VARICOSE	Nearby
VEIN	Conceited

For those who don't already know

The Binna Burra Bushwalkers Club has had a NAME CHANGE! As from 1 July 1997, the Club is known as "BUSHWALKERS OF SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND"

BCBC 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Members are invited to donate photos/slides to the Club for the 40th Anniversary. Please give these to the sub-committee members. If you would prefer not to part with the originals, the Club can take a copy of the photos/slides. Contact John Carter for any enquiries.

***Stirrings from an old Bushwalker:
"The Way We Were"***

There was movement at the camp-site for the word had got around

That Raoul had lit the camp-fire, it was just up on higher ground.

We gathered round the burning logs and it really was a site

The jokes and talk flowed thick and fast and last into the night.

That's the way we were!

The formation of the Catholic Bushwalking Club some here remember well.

And for us to meet again tonight returns memories we would not wish to quell

There were Margaret and Maureen, Julie, Rosemary, Gloria, Agnes, Loretta

and Pats two, just to name a few.

And then there were Jack and Bob and Dan - who usually came in overdue.

That's the way we were!

Then there were our intrepid leaders, men both brave and bold.

They were Raoul, Col, Vince and Byron who never let us stray too far from the fold.

In Indian-file we would continue on in song or just plain chatter,

Through sun and shade, in wind and rain - it really didn't matter.

That's the way we were!

We remember well the Rosary in the Church at O'Reilly's place

And those bloody leeches all over us our limbs and toes did grace.

We remember well when it rained and rained and marooned us in the Canungra Hall

Trying to pitch our tents, boys to the left, girls to the right,

nearly drove us up the wall.

That's the way we were!

True bushwalkers, we were both green and keen, we dared not to stop or tarry

We all knew when breaking camp to burn and bash and bury.

We all knew how to select a safe camp-site and to enjoy good drinking water

But oft next day when we saw a dead cow upstream, we knew we "shouldn't aughtta"

That's the way we were!

Remember Billy Jock, the water carrier, from Murphy's Creek he came.

A steady walker brave and true, one speed - extra slow - was his fame.

Up hill, down dale, he would not stop, his legs did never falter,

Until he got up to the top, when he dropped the bleeding water.

That's the way he was!

One more story let me tell - its about a man called Peter.

A bushwalker through and through, you'd ne-er find a man more neater.

At Black Creek, that cold night, we all our tents did man

But where was Peter sleeping in his cosy van!

That's the way he was!

Tonight it's great to gather here with members young and old

To feel the spirit of the Club and meet the present members on the roll.

To look back on memories exciting in many ways

And to tell a few more stories that may long have seen better days.

That's the way we are!

May the Club grow strong and be active too.

And its members be Christian of stout heart and true.

May they protect our heritage and bush and beauty.

The Club can grow strong and go on to greater things if each member does

his duty.

That's the way we ought to be!

By Dan Flynn

PAST WALKS

Wilson's Peak

31 March 1997

by Pat Lawton

Wilson's Peak was climbed via the western ridge from the Head Road. We left Brisbane at 7 a.m. and regrouped at Boonah. We started walking at about 9.30 a.m. and arrived at the top at 12 noon. The day was a mixture of overcast and sunny periods. In the afternoon there was a large build up of storms, all of which bypassed Wilson's Peak and headed east and then north.

Obtained good views from the top through a break in the trees. Before lunch was finished the clouds rolled over and we were in mist for about an hour. We returned via the same ridge arriving back at the cars at 3.30 p.m.

Thanks to those who came on the walk: John Bigg, Jonas Benotas, Terry Silk, Maxine Brophy, Patricia Rynja, Kurt Herrmann (3349 9458 - 11 Cape Street, Holland Park), Stephen Darday, Mary Nolan, Liz Little, Ken Constable (15 Romeo Court, Sunnybank Hills). The walk was combined with Binna Burra Bushwalkers - total number 25.

Pat

"ONE DANGLING TEABAG"

by Trevor Kelly

One Dangling Teabag hanging from a cup
tempting thirsty walkers on arrival to the hut.

I pondered of my future, that wasn't looking great
A weekend without a cup of tea was a rather awful fate.

I made a frantic search, but realised my demise,
Suddenly, there upon a nail was a pannikin in disguise.

Just one dangling teabag to make the liquid gold
and temptation gained the upper hand although I knew it was rather bold

A cup of tea to quench my thirst is something that I love,
So I seized upon the dangling beauty that was hanging from above.

I hesitated just a bit, then dipped the dangler in,
and made myself a promise, to replace the tea therein.

The aroma and the flavour it helps to soothe the nerves
And a bushman will tell you through and through of the purpose that it serves.

A cup of tea has many cures for this is what I'm told,
and I was grateful for the opportunity to make the liquid gold.

Trevor Kelly



Middle Kobble Creek Sunday 6 July 1997 by Christine Harrison

Being the day after the Colonial Ball, this walk was a small group of 9 from our Club and 4 from Sydney Catholics. Our Club started by meeting at Miala Picnic Ground at 8 a.m. and commenced walking at 9 a.m. with reasonable cool but clear weather.

We followed an old forestry road for several kms with a short break for morning tea before descending steeply down to Middle Kobble Creek waterfalls. We dropped packs and descended further down the Creek for exploration "What is around the next corner?" Upon return to our packs the Sydney walkers caught up with us to share lunch time together. I shared the GREEN FROGS cup cakes, celebrating Richard's birthday and being with the other fellow walkers.

Well lunches cannot last forever. Now the slog upwards to 630 m knoll, along the undulating ridge line through eucalyptus vegetation till we found "the Bill" tree, to make a turn to the forestry road again. A gradual long climb and a few ups and downs before reaching our cars at 3.30 p.m.

Stopped at Mt Glorious restaurant for Devonshire teas etc. before saying goodbyes. New friends made, Old friends remembered. One day we shall meet again for another walk.

Many thanks for your wonderful company.. Barry, Rusty and Louise, Patricia and Richard. John, Amanda, Cliff (also for pre-outing) and the Sydney Catholic Bushwalkers - Anne Plowman, Robb Mann, Helen and Anthony.

Keep those hearts ticking - GO WALKING.

Christine.

Glass House Mountains Overnighter 19-20 July 1997 by John Carter

This trip had the ingredients for a great weekend with a full moon, fine weather, comfortable accommodation and the club's first visit along a new ridge. Arriving in the late afternoon at the Beerwah Field Study Centre, we were met by Peter the caretaker and a roaring fire in the galley attached to the hut. Some chose the hut or a tent to set up camp. After a cuppa, we attended mass at Blessed Mary McKillop church in Beerwah. This was followed by dinner in front of the fire.

I dragged the troops out to Wild Horse Mountain (123m) for a panoramic view of the Sunshine Coast under the full moon. Very refreshing! We could clearly see the silhouette of

tomorrow walk. Then back to the hut for supper (thanks to Liz McCall for the yummy strawberry cake).

After a car shuffle to the Tibrogargan carpark, we climbed the steep path leading to the summit of Mt Beerburum (278m). This was the highest point we reached all day. Matthew Flinders was the first to climb this peak in 1799. Bearings were taken and we dropped off the northern side to follow the Trachyte Ridge.

Over the next few hours we followed this ridge over a number of rocky knolls, which had a thick understorey of shrubs. Eric and Lorraine each had tussles with aggressive shrubs. A number of plants including wattles, native sarsaparilla and banksia were in flower which added to the ridge's attractiveness. Some sections had been burnt. From different vantage points more prominent Glass House peaks could be seen during frequent rest stops. Ann recalled a walk to Mt Miketeebumulgrai from early in the club's early days (what a memory). The ridge twisted and turned, which added interest. Jon and Sara shared a large pack, as they were in training for New Zealand in September.

On reaching Caves Road we stopped at a small lagoon on Tibrogargan Creek for a well earned lunch, as it had been quite warm. The remainder of the walk was along fire trails around the base of Mt Tibrogargan to the picnic area. This led through some pleasant open forest. Returning to camp we indulged in another cuppa. Thanks to Peter for his hospitality. I enjoyed the weekend especially walking the Trachyte Ridge which provided an interesting perspective of the Glass House Mountains. Thanks to my fellow walkers Richard, Patricia, Lorraine E, Ann, Don, Eric S, Jon, Sara, Karen P, Glennys and Liz.

John

Mt Mitchell Day Walk 9 March 1997 by Ed Thistlethwaite

A group of ten people departed Sullivan and Nicolaides car park on 9 March to Cunningham's Gap. As this was the morning after the Annual Mass and Dinner I thought there may be some sore heads but all appeared bright and cheerful. We met up with Gayleen Short and six of her friends at the Gap car park and after introductions commenced the track walk up Mt Mitchell.

This is an easy walk and all made it to the top without any problem. I made this walk last year as a post-dinner sojourn by torchlight with thick cloud on top. This year the weather was fine. One difference noted was the large excision made approximately half way up by the heavy rain in May last year.

We had a leisurely lunch on top and views were taken in of the valleys below Spicers Peak and the Cedar Plateau, Mt Cordeaux and the Ramparts where some people could discern the hole-in-the-wall. All seemed suitably impressed with these beaut easily obtained views. The eagles often seen floating in the void at this location must

have been on a lunch break also, as none were seen on this outing. Thanks to Perine, Anna, Geoff, Suzanne, Mary, Patricia Rynja, Richard, Patricia, Colleen, Gabe, Gayleen and her six friends George, Maureen, Derek, Lena, John and Glen.

Condamine Gorge **Overnighter** **12-13 July 1997** **by Ed Thistlethwaite**

Five people departed Sullivan and Nicolaides car park at 1 p.m. on Saturday 12 July. We travelled via Boonah and Croftley to the Old Head Road where the four-wheel drive Condamine Gorge track branched off. Half way through the gorge we came to Barrie Speddings privately owned camp ground. By this stage John Brunott was coaxing Barbara Cully's Toyota through some deep mud patches. We found good sites on the second of the camp areas set the tents up and built a camp fire. The evening had cooled down and clouded over.

Next morning after a yarn to Barrie, we commenced the walk up a side gully off the Condamine before starting the climb to what seemed a continuous bluff line below Paddy's Knob. A break in this cliff line allowed us to ascent to a small plateau and proceed to the prow of the Knob where we took in the views and morning tea. From here we followed a vehicle track which initially ran back in a north west direction along the plateau to continue in a semi-circle where we followed a fence line near clear fields.

From a second knoll we took a bearing into the rainforest in the hope of arriving at a second camp site (Kim Best) further down the Condamine. We came to a disused logging track where Jon built a cairn of rocks and I taped a small tree. From here we made the mistake of following intermittently this logging tack. It led us into large tracks of scunge on a par with the Darlington Range. By the compounded error of several different sequences of old logging tracks we eventually arrived back at the Paddy's Knob Plateau.

It took us some time and study of the map to convince ourselves we had almost completed a circle in the rainforest. We made our way down to the vehicle on Barrie's property and returned to Brisbane via Yangan stopping at Aratula for coffee and to stretch our stinging knees.

Thank you to John Brunott, Christine, Anne and Barbara for providing your vehicle for transport.

Next time we hope to return to that cairn and proceed through to Kim's tree house cabins at Adjinbilly.

Ed

Bushfire Weather

Its cool in the hills,
breezes dart through houses like trapped birds
beating glass till they're free.
It's clean up there. Smog doesn't rain
across the garden, smudging the birds of paradise,
fingerprinting the windowsills.

It's calm in the hills when the frenzied heat
in the town bullies pedestrians.
The north wind eggs it on:
cotton wrapped like a second skin
loosens and billows, even sunglasses can't screen
the grit,
the earth in the driveway's blown off,
vegetables wilt in the garden,
the city lies down like an old dog.

In century heat, in the tinder-dry hills,
air has an edge, too, but shade is kinder.
Children swing across the Onkaparinga
into cool green slime. Cats pant under water tanks,
horses munch prickly grass under rattling trees.

By one o'clock the city has a compress on its head,
no longer looks at the hills
as if they meant afterlife.
The north-east wind dries sweat running down the
spine,
belches out yellow clouds, pummeling cyclists,
rocks the lucky sheep trucked from the hills.
Down in the mall the dogged buskers play
till a string snaps.

by Jeff Knill



"There are those who pass like ships in the night.
Who meet for a moment, then sail out of sight
with never a backwards glance of regret;
folks we know briefly then quickly forget.
Then there are friends who sail together
through quiet waters and stormy weather
helping each other through joy and through strife.
And they are 'the kind who give meaning to life'."

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