



JILALAN

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**BRISBANE CATHOLIC
BUSHWALKING CLUB Inc**



Under the guidance of Our Lady Of The Way

SEPTEMBER 2002

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Please have all Jilalan articles to Louise Leonardi by the 1st of the month., otherwise they cannot be included. 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

- (a) Always read the Jilalan article to check the departure point, date and time.
- (b) Walk departures are usually from Red Hill Parish Hall, Musgrave Rd. Check "Jilalan" or phone the leader to determine the location.
- (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 own 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.
- (f) Visitors who have done more than 3 walks must sign an Assumption of Risk form for insurance.

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 2002

DATE 2002	EVENT	LEADER	CONTACT NUMBER	WALK TYPE
August 19	Meeting	Desley Pedrazzini	3369 5530	
25	Toohey Forest	Phil Murray	3841 0254	D/W
26	Committee Meeting			
28	Coffee Night	Pat Mackie	3398 7041	Social
September				
1	Fr Ed Memorial Walk - Dave's Creek Circuit	Maxine Brophy	3203 4699	D/W
6-8	Pilgrimage hosted by YHA			B/C
13	Social	Pat Mackie	3398 7041	Social
14	FMR Training Day - Abseiling Kangaroo Point	John Carter	3290 3621	Training
15	Mt Maroon			D/W
16	Meeting	Desley Pedrazzini	3369 5530	
22	Binna – O'Reillys – Traverse	Barbara Eastoe	3355 3639	D/W
23	Committee Meeting			
25	Coffee Night	Pat Mackie	3398 7041	Social
29	Muscat & Bailey Creeks	Matthew Palmer	3279 4490	D/W
October				
5-6	Running Creek	Iain Renton	33714672	O/N
13	Mt Barney Creek Site Monitoring	John Carter	32903621	D/W
19	FMR Vertical Rescue			FMR
20	Ipswich Historical Train Trip	Patricia Mackie	3398 7041	Social
21	Meeting	Desley Pedrazzini	3369 5530	
28	Committee Meeting			
30	Coffee Night	Patricia Mackie	3398 7041	Social
November				
2	Oxley Creek	Carolyn Ivanac	33799486	D/W
9	Brisbane Forest Park	Desley Pedrazzini	3269 5530	D/W
16-17	Byron Bay / Broken Head			O/N
18	Meeting	Desley Pedrazzini	3269 5530	
25	Committee Meeting			
27	Coffee Night	Patricia Mackie	3398 7041	Social
December				
7-8	O'Reilly's			B/C
14	Christmas Party	Patricia Mackie	3398 7041	Social
16	Meeting			
23	Committee Meeting			
26				D/W
31	New Years Eve	Patricia Mackie	3398 7041	Social
January				
11	Beach B-B-Q			
19	Northbrook Gorge	Anthony Dolan	3843 4116	D/W
20	Meeting			
25-27	Washpool / Gibraltar Range	Gabriel Romaguera	3856 3842	B/C
29	Coffee Night			
February				
1	Tooloona Circuit	Carolyn Ivanac	33799486	D/W
9	Little King's Collection	Gabriel Romaguera	3856 3842	D/W
15-16	Coomera Crevice	Iain Renton	33714672	O/N
17	Meeting - AGM			
26	Coffee Night			Social

March				
8-9	Gloworm Caves / Springbrook	Gabriel Romaguera	3856 3842	B/C
17	Meeting			
23	Boondal Wetlands			D/W
26	Coffee Night			Social
29-30	Condamine / Queen Mary Falls			B/C
April				
5	Illinbah Circuit	Maxine Brophy		D/w
12	Lepidozama Trail (Brisbane Forest Park)	John Carter		D/W
18-21	Bunya Mountains			B/C
21	Meeting			
	Coffee Night			Social
25	Anzac Day Dawn Service			
25-27	Club Hut			B/C
May				
3-5	Mt Castle	Phil Murray		B/C
11	Toowong/Sherwood Cross River Walk	Maxine Brophy		D/W
17-18	Border Walk			T/W
19	Meeting			
24	Annual Mass & Dinner			Social
25	Mt Ngunngun Train Trip	John Carter		D/W
28	Coffee Night			Social
31	Mt. Greville			D/W
June				
7-9	Emu Creek	Iain Renton		B/c
16	Meeting			
21	Mt. Mitchell	Carolyn Ivanac		D/W
25	Coffee Night			Social
28-29	Savages Ridge	Iain Renton		O/N
July				
6	Mt Zahel			D/W
12-13	Girraween			B/C
21	Meeting			
26-27	Barrabool Ridge	Iain Renton		T/W
	Coffee Night			Social
	Historic Shepherd's Walk			D/W
August				
12	Barney Mass			
18	Meeting			
27	Coffee Night			Social
31	Father Ed Memorial Walk	Maxine Brophy		D/W

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 Gradings

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.

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		<u>Bush.</u> As Above+ thick scrub, major rock		
EXtra Long	Over 20 km per day	8-10	scrambling using hands, technical	8-10	<u>Hard</u> Strenuous, fit walkers required.

Club Web Address:

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 website.)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

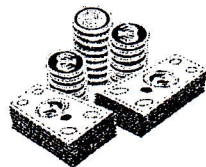
Iain Renton has agreed to help co-ordinate walks so if anyone wishes to lead walks or has any suggestions could they please see him or a committee member.

Could people please let Louise know how they wish to receive their Jilalan magazine, post or e-mail, or both. This will help save time and postage as some are currently receiving both and would like only one version.

ABOUT MEMBERS

Birthday wishes to Majella Deegan, Bernadette Dolan and Majella Carter

TREASURERS REPORT



Balance 15/07/02	\$1,414.03
<u>Plus Receipts</u>	<u>\$ 205.00</u>

	\$1,619.03
<u>Less Payments</u>	<u>\$ 97.70</u>
<u>Balance 19/08/02</u>	<u>\$1,521.33</u>

Term Deposit	\$1,570.36
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Terry.

OUTINGS NEWS

INFORMATION FOR VISITORS

All visitors who have participated in more than three walks and yet are to become a member must sign the 'Assumption of Risk Form'. This is to occur before commencing a walk. This is a requirement of the Insurance Scheme so that the visitor will be covered by the policy.

COMING WALKS

ADVANCED NOTICE

Bunya Mountains Easter Base Camp

This base camp has been planned for next year. Bunya Mountains is a popular spot so we need to book early.

We need some people who are definitely going give numbers by the September meeting so that we can make a booking.

Please contact Iain Renton (3371 4672) or Desley Pedrazzini (3369 5530) or speak to us at the September meeting.

Binna Burra to O'Reilly's (or vice versa) Sunday 22 September 2002 Daywalk

Leader: Barbara Eastoe (3355 3639)
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
Red Hill
Time: 6.30am
Cost: TBA
Grading: TBA (probably about L35)
Emerg. Off: TBA

This is a walk that I have always wanted to try, so much so that when I found out that it was to be offered when I was on holidays I agreed to lead it if the date could be changed to September. It is an unwritten rule of the club that you never say no to someone offering to lead a walk, so here I am leading my third walk for the year.

It is at least three years since the club has done this walk. I am reliably informed that the walk is long (about 22 km) but it is on graded tracks (well signposted) and the terrain is not difficult. The walk does,

however, provide some logistical problems in organisation.

We will divide into two groups, one going to Binna Burra and one to O'Reilly's. We will then set out and meet in the middle to exchange car keys, continuing on to pick up a car at each destination. We will then regroup somewhere on the way home to swap back to the original cars. Because of this, we will need to have approximately equal sized groups and equal numbers of cars at each destination. It's important that I know early who would like to go to be able to organise groups and cars. I also know who is prepared to drive and allow another member to drive their car back to the meeting point at the end.

Justin has indicated that he is prepared to lead a group cross country if there are enough people interested and it can be fitted in with the track walkers. Please ring early to let me know if you are interested in this harder option.

If you are interested in this walk, please try and let me know by the end of August. I will take nominations after this time but only if there is room. Hope to see many of you on the walk. Barbara

Muscat and Bailey Creeks Sunday 29th September Daywalk

Leader: Matthew Palmer-3279 4490
Meet at: St Brigid's carpark
Musgrave Rd Red Hill
Time: 6:00am
Cost: \$5:00
Grading: L 8 8
Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan- 3279 4490

Muscat and Baileys Creek at Mt Glorious are one of the hardest walks in Brisbane Forest Park, consequently it also makes them one of most rewarding. This will be

my third attempt to do this walk the previous two being cancelled due to park closure from fire danger.

The walk will follow a beautiful rainforest creek on the north eastern slopes of BFP before entering drier eucalyptus country. There should be plenty of swimming holes and there may even be places that we have to swim to get through.

I will be away from the 12th to 21st of September so I won't be able to talk at the meeting about the trip so please ring me before or after these dates.

Matthew

Running Creek 5th - 6th October Overnighter

Leader: Iain Renton (3371 4672)
Meet at: St. Brigid's carpark
Musgrave Road Red Hill
Time: 3:00 pm
Cost: \$15.00
Grading: L 5 5
Emerg Off: Kerry Mulligan 3279 4490

It is 5½ years since the club has done a walk to Running Creek Falls. This is a wonderful walk so it is surely time to go again. These falls would be one of the most spectacular in southern Queensland; a long straight drop into a large beautiful pool framed by a grand sweeping curve of cliff.

The walk is through open country, eucalypt forest and some particularly beautiful rainforest. It is quite a long walk but with no difficult walking (over farmland, a slightly rough track and a bit of rock-hopping.) And since we are walking along the floor of the valley there are no big uphill sections.

The wonderful rains we've been having recently should ensure a reasonable amount of water coming over the falls - hopefully, we'll get a bit more follow-up rain before October.

We will be camping overnight at the Lamington Bridge picnic area and driving from there to the start of the walk on Sunday Morning. I'm looking forward to seeing you on the track for a rewarding walk.
Iain Renton

Mount Barney Creek Site Monitoring Sunday 13th October Daywalk

Leader: John Carter (3290 3621)
Meet at: St Brigid's Car Park,
Musgrave Tee, Red Hill.
Time: 7:00am
Cost: \$15.00
Grading: M 5 4
Emerg Off: Majella Carter (3290 3621
or 3848 0793)

For those who don't get to Mt Barney occasionally, here is another opportunity for a great day's walking. From the Lower Portals car park, we follow the track for 4.5kms to the club hut for smoko. We will then follow the ridges to Barney Gorge for lunch, swim (if you like) and undertake the site monitoring at the campsite.

After lunch options include rock hopping down beautiful Barney Creek or return via the ridge to the hut. If you want, there are deep pools for a swim, however after the recent dry spell water levels will be low.

So give me a call or nominate at the next meeting for a chance to spend a day in the mountains.
John Carter

COMING SOCIALS

Heritage Ipswich Tour Sunday 20th October

Meet at: Roma Street Railway
Station
Time: 9:00am – Train leaves at
9:08am

Pack a picnic lunch and join us at Roma Street Railway Station for a trip to Ipswich.

We will then find a Coffee Shop to fortify us for the walk around Ipswich heritage sites. Lunch will be had at 12:30pm approx. at Queens Park. The return train leaves the Ipswich station at 3:10pm. Pat

Coffee Night Wednesday, 25th September

Where: Bellpeppers
Shop 5, 304 Wardell Street
Enoggera
Time: 7:00pm for 7:30pm

AFFOCARTO with double cream and ice cream - does this sound good to you? Meet us at BELLPEPPERS and explore this delight and others.

If you have not previously joined us for a social night out and you would like to know more about our walks - do come along.

For further information please contact Patricia on 3398 7041 (my answering machine is friendly).

PAST OUTINGS

Easter at Hut - Basecamp March 29-April 1

Heavy rain meant that the planned walk to Isolated Peak was cancelled, (with the possibility it may happen on Monday. I arrived at the hut early Friday afternoon to find Paul Evans and his son, Mike, already there (they had arrived an hour or two earlier). We enjoyed a relaxed and convivial afternoon and evening.

Late Saturday morning David Cory arrived for the day so he went for a quick walk up to the first peaks of Tom's Tum, with the usual spectacular views of Barney's peaks. We returned to the hut to find Don, Robyn and Carolyn just about to leave for home, having spent a few hours at the hut and the Lower Portals. Unfortunately, one of the li-los objected to such treatment and that night was less obliging in staying inflated than it used to be.

On Sunday morning Paul, Mike and I walked out to the car park and drove to Rathdowney for mass. Afterwards the Evans continued home and I returned to the hut. John Brunott joined me there early in the afternoon and stayed until Monday morning. The walk didn't eventuate on Monday morning so I did stuff around the hut and generally relaxed.

Thanks to all who came and made it such an enjoyable long week-end (and contributed to the goodies we had to eat).
Iain

Reflections of a Pre-outing Mt Mistake

Mt Mistake National Park which lies atop a truncated one thousand-metre plateau has for me as air of mystery. Its name, the limited access, awkward walking conditions and navigational challenges adds to its appeal. After an absence of many years, a chance to visit the park again for a pre-outing was an opportunity not to be missed.

So with Justin, Terry and Alan Cox we attempted to climb the actual Mt Mistake peak via its defined northeast ridge. Different maps had identified two nearby peaks (970m and 1,052m) as the real Mt Mistake - so we planned to do both, to be sure (to be sure). Access was via a property on Shinglehut Creek. After a friendly chat with the owner, Barbara it was up the long dry ridge, which was well covered by iron barks, grass trees, wattles and kangaroo grass.

There are two distinct knolls on the ridge and as we climbed them we had enjoyed a great vista. Linking them was a great razorback, which fell away on both sides. The views were quite clear and the Laidley valley was a patchwork of properties. Mt Zahel, Beau Brummel, Kangaroo Mountain, Lowe and the imposing Mt Castle appeared very close.

Climbing onto the plateau towards M1 we crossed a barrier of scunge which was quite moderate compared to past experiences. The rainforest was quite open with good-sized rainforest trees with buttresses. There was a faint track (from pigs probably) at times to follow and after another hour we climbed a slope to M2 for well-deserved break in the cool mountain air. Through the dense tree cover the Mistake plateau lay westwards. Another time!

We retraced our steps back to the ridge. Massive cliffs are on most sides. Our descent in the afternoon light was steady in the strong westerly winds that had sprung

up. Barbara offered us a cuppa on her imposing verandah, as we discussed the drought. A great day for all of us. We noted that there was a pleasant little campground on the Townson Road for future walks.

John



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.

Federation web site address is:

<http://www.geocities.com/qfbwc/index.htm>

The email address is

qfbwc@yahoo.com.au

FEDERATION MOUNTAIN RESCUE

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Doreen Shelton Memorial Cleanup Sunday, 13th October 2002

BOSQ has the responsibility for organising the Doreen Shelton Memorial Cleanup this year.

The Cleanup will be on just this one day and will be in Brisbane Forest Park. A choice of 3 activities will be offered so as to suit a range of interests and abilities:

1. Removal of old fencing.
2. Commencement of surveying for the proposed approx. 40 km long distance BFP walking trail. Most participants will need to be proficient at using a GPS but there is scope for other people who would report on terrain conditions etc.
3. Track maintenance (vegetation clearing, re-benching, replacement of toe-stones) at Maiala.

Please promote the Cleanup Day to Club members and give an indication to Federation at qfbwcc@yahoo.com.au of how many people are likely to attend each of the 3 activities. BOSQ need to advise BFP a week or so prior to the day of the approximate number of participants in each activity so that they can plan the number of supervisors, amount of gear etc.

Not all of the fine detail for these activities has been worked out by BFP yet. This includes the rendezvous points and what gear, if any, participants will need to bring with them. We will pass on this info to you when it is to hand.

Thanks and regards Richard Kolarski
on behalf of Neil Douglas of BOSQ

M.B.S

The Club seems to be using lots of different means of transport on walks lately, e.g. buses, trains and taxis. But who was the leader seen guiding people into a LIFT on a recent day walk.

How safe is the Red Hill church car park??
Ask Maxine after coming home from the

Barney Mass to find her car not only unlocked, but she had forgotten to close the door as well!!!

Which leader signed a walker up under false pretences recently? As well as thinking the walk started somewhere else, she firmly believed coffee shops would appear at regular intervals and a five star restaurant had been booked for lunch. Ah well, at least the chauffeur arrived to carry her home to Scarborough leaving the others to catch a council bus home.

Understatement of the year award - "I think we're in a bit of trouble here" - Mark Deegan (ask Majella and Desley for the story after they've stopped shaking).

Quickest exit from a car award - Desley who was very glad to hold on to the Samford Catholic Church front fence.

"I thought guideposts were harder than that" award - Majella who checked the car for damage after Mark reversed over a guidepost to stop an out of control car, found none and picked up the lightweight plastic post.

Ω A THOUGHT TO PONDER.....Ω

The Atheist's Story.

An atheist was walking through the woods, admiring all the "accidents" that evolution had created. "What majestic trees! What powerful rivers! What beautiful animals" he said to himself. As he was walking

alongside the river he heard a rustling in the trees behind him. Turning to look, he saw a seven foot (over two meters if you are into metrics) grizzly bear charge towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path. He looked again and the bear was closing. Somehow, he ran even faster. He looked again and the bear was closer. His heart was pounding and he tried to run faster. He tripped and fell to the ground, he rolled over to pick himself up but the bear was right over him, reaching for him with it's left paw and raising it's right paw to strike him.

At that instant the atheist cried, "Oh, my God!..." Time stopped. The bear froze. The forest fell silent. Even the river stopped flowing. As a bright light shone upon the man, a voice came out of the sky "You deny my existence for all these years, teach others that I do not exist and even credit creation to a cosmic accident. Do you expect me to help you? Am I to count you as a believer?"

The atheist looked directly into the light, "It would be hypocritical to ask to be a Christian after all these years, but perhaps you could make the bear a Christian?" "Very well" said the voice. The light went out. The river ran. The sounds of the forest resumed... and then the bear dropped his right paw, brought both paws together and bowed it's head and spoke "Lord, for this food which I am about to receive, I am truly thankful".

A note from the Editor

Please forward your magazine articles by the **1st of the month**. You may forward your articles to either:

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"The God of my rock; in him will I trust.
He is my shield and the horn of my
salvation, my high tower, and my refuge,
my Saviour; thou savest me from
violence." 2 Samuel 22:3

Yours in Christ Louise

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