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CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB

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The Club's address is P O Box 151, North Quay, Brisbane 4000 and the the telephone contact number is listed in the white pages Telephone Directory under 'B'.

Monthly meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at the Catholic Centre, Edward Street, City, beginning at 7.30pm. To enter the Catholic Centre use the rear entrance. This is reached by entering the grounds of St Stephen's Cathedral via Charlotte Street (entrance nearest Edward St). From Charlotte Street the door is near a white statue. If the door is locked please ring the bell. Visitors are always welcome.

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EMERGENCY OFFICER: Where a trip is overdue, parents may telephone the Emergency Officer (as specified for each trip). Please do not ring before 9.00pm at the earliest.

EQUIPMENT OF EVERY TRIP: On every trip run by the Club all walkers, both members and visitors, are expected to take the following minimum equipment:-

torch; first aid kit; parka or raincoat;
and at least $\frac{1}{2}$ litre of water.

ATTENTION:

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. It is repeated that all persons undertake all activities entirely at their own risk.

JILALANNovember 1984:

4 Mt Frazer - Churchbank Weir
 Leader - Barney Tobin
 9/11 Grady's Creek - Leader: Greg Endicott
 18 Family BBQ
 19 Monthly Meeting
 24/25 Retreat

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 TW

December 1984:

2 Collation Deadline
 1/2 Social - Christmas Party
 7/9 Lightning Falls - Leader: John Carter
 17 Monthly Meeting
 26 Christmas Walk - Mt Glorious - Leader ?

TW
 DW

January 1985:

4/6 Boonoo-Boonoo
 20 Reynolds Gorge
 21 Monthly Meeting
 26/28 Australia Day W/E - Sundown National Park

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 DW
 TW/BC

February:

2/3 FMR Sylvester's Lookout - YHA
 10 Choo-Choo Trip
 16/17 Social
 18 Monthly Meeting
 23/24 Booloumba Gorge

DW
 ON

March:

3 Lower Portals
 16/17 Running Creek
 18 Monthly Meeting
 23 Bush Dance
 24 Tibrogargen - FMR
 31 Knapps Peak

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 TW/BC
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April:

5/8 Easter - Private Trip
 13/14 Long Creek
 15 Monthly Meeting
 25 Anzac Day - Taylor Range
 26/28 Mt Barney

ON
 DW
 TW/BC

May:

4/6 Labour Day Weekend - Warrumbungles
 11/12 FMR Training - Springbrook - BBW
 19 Flinders Peak
 20 Monthly Meeting

BC
 DW

June:

1/2 Mt Huntly
 8/10 Queen's Birthday Weekend - Richmond Gap to
 Numinbah
 17 Monthly Meeting
 29/30 Mt Michael

ON
 TW
 TW

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6/7	FMR Weekend	
13/14	Beau Brummel	DW
17	Monthly Meeting	
26/28	Ramparts	TW

August:

4	Mt May	DW
14	Barney Mass - 25th Anniversary	
19	Monthly Meeting	
24/25	Clunie to Lindsay	ON

Legend:

TW	Throughwalk	BC	Basecamp
ON	Overnighter	DW	Daywalk

COMING OUTINGSLightning Falls - Throughwalk

LEADER : John Carter (please nominate to Justin 260 5065)
 EMERGENCY OFFICER: Barney Tobin - 260 5065
 DATE : 7/9 December 1984
 COST : \$12
 LOCATION: South of Beaudesert, Lamington N.P.
 MEETING TIME: 7.15PM Friday 7th at the Cathedral

Lightning and Thunder Falls are nestled in the dark recesses of Black Canyon, in the headwaters of the Albert River. These twin falls are located in a rainforest valley of Lamington N.P. The aim of this walk is to rock hop up the north branch of Albert River from open grazing country. On the way a compulsory swim is enjoyed at Red Rock Gorge (an air mattress will be supplied - of course, a portage fee will be charged).

Depending on the progress of the party, camp that day will be made in river (rather rocky!) or on the ridge above the falls. The climb out of the gorge is, to say the least, steep. The walk on Sunday involves following the track to O'Reilly's via Echo Point. We continue on past Pat and Lukes' Bluffs and descend into the valley via the Commando Track.

This is a medium to hard throughwalk with plenty of rock hopping on the Saturday plus a steep climb. Maximum number is 10 (campsite may be limited). The usual gear is required. Make sure your sleeping bag is made waterproof. If there is wet weather on the weekend, the creek walk may be altered to a ridge walk in the locality (eg Lost World, Mt Widgee).

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MT PANORAMA - Daywalk - 30 September 1984
Leader : Tony Young

We left the Cathedral at 8.00am. There were nine of us, a good number, and what a great day it was. We started walking at about 10.30am. We reached the first steep climb at about 11.45am. Occasionally we stopped to admire the views of Moogerah Dam, Mt Moon, Mt Greville, Main Range and the Scenic Rim. We lunched about 3/4 of the way up the first ridge. Here we munched on short bread biscuits and drank billy tea.

On the way back to the cars we stopped at a running creek to quench our thirst, and some of us were keen to go for a dabble in the water. It was terrific weather and there were no complaints. Everyone seemed to delight in spending a day out in the bush, away from the city.

Thanks to all who came, namely:- Eugene Behan, Karen Donnelly, Geoff Egert, Karen Sinclair, Justin Tobin, Barney Tobin, Pat Lawton, Geoff Dower.

GIRRAWEEEN - Basecamp - 5/7 October 1984
Leader: Barney Tobin

Well, this was the Claytons Basecamp - "the basecamp that you have when you're not having a basecamp".

Saturday dawned after a night of heavy rain, and it was still raining so it was decided to hold an impromptu basecamp for four people.

After seeing the throughwalkers off, and having had a cuppa, we went down to see the Ranger to let him know we were still at the Mt Castle camping ground. After leaving the Ranger we headed along the graded track system to Castle Rock and, even though early in the season, it was good to see some wildflowers along the track. Once at Castle Rock, consisting of granite as most of Girraween National Park is, the rock was very slippery and quite dangerous, therefore the decision was made not to climb to the top, although one of the party did but reported back that nothing could be seen because of low cloud cover.

Continuing on the track to Sphinx Rock, we explored this and tried to see across to Mt Norman, but could barely see it because of the cloud cover. We then went on to Turtle Rock for morning tea, but we did not climb the rock. We then headed back to camp for lunch.

After lunch we decided to climb the Pyramids. After following the graded track we headed up the granite rock slab which was quite steep and slippery, but once on top the views over the rest of the park were quite spectacular.

On Sunday we decided to visit the Eye of the Needle - Mt Norman. This was quite an easy stroll along graded track until we got to the granite rock which once again was slippery. Upon reaching the Eye of the Needle, we had a

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look from the track as it was fairly high up. We then headed on to the base of Mt Norman, though no one took the chance to climb it.

We then headed back to camp to boil the billy and wait for the throughwalkers.

I would like to thank the 3 people who kept me company on this basecamp, and trust you enjoyed the walking. Thank you Karen, Anne-Marie and Ken.

Barney Tobin

Girraween National Park - Throughwalk - 5/7 October 1984
Leader - Justin Tobin

With fifteen people at the Cathedral, at 7 o'clock the Girraween T/W was finally underway; With a short goodie stop at Warwick before reaching the National Park at about 11 o'clock. Tents were soon pitched and most people going to bed while the others enjoyed a cup of tea. The other four showed up to bring the number to 19.

Saturday morning, waking to rain and dismal looks of the other walkers. A late basecamp reduced our number to fifteen and at 8.00 we were off. Driving to the Underground River track to start our two days of walking. The Underground River is a creek flowing under granite rock slabs. Some of us chose to investigate further and dropped into the creek. From here we went across to Axtec Temple for what should have been good views, but the sky was overcast and there was drizzling rain. The different slopes of the rocks were enjoyed. From here we went across country to the Wallongara - Girraween Road and smoko out of the rain in an old white hut.

Continuing across country to the border fence and Bald Rock, a huge granite boulder; climbing to the top to see most of SE Qld under cloud and still amazed at the size of the rock. After lunch it was following the border fence and old four wheel drive road to Sth Bald Rock. Arriving here about 4.00, plenty of time to pitch camp and wander up Sth Bald Rock; not as high as Bald Rock, but bigger in surface area. The troops were quite impressed with the sheer granite rock and were soon on top. Sth Bald Rock is split in two and more time is definitely needed for exploring this great hunk of granite.

Everyone was soon enjoying tea and talking around the camp fire, with the rain coming and going, and finally staying to see us to bed. Sunday morning up early to leave at 7.30 to collect water and follow the road cross country to Middle Bald Rock, then from here to the Mt Norman Picnic Ground at 10.35. A short break then the track system to Mt Norman, where we could look back to our route taken the day before. Some of the troops took the opportunity to climb Mt Norman, the highest point in the Park, for good views of the Park. The others having lunch before following the track system down to Wombat Caves to have a quick look, but there were too many of us to explore more fully. Then on to the camping

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ground and out by 2.00 to complete an easy two day walk, which I enjoyed very much. Hopefully everyone else did too.

Thank you to all those who came:

Jan and Russ Nelson, Pat Lawton, Peter Ball, Steve Arthur, Mark Daly, Peggy Rutter, Geoff Egert, John Carter, Val Pedrolini, Therese Lacey, Greg Endicott, Peter Mosurder (a visitor from Sydney) and Tony Wood.

Justin Tobin

GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS - Overnighter - 20/21 October 1984
Leader: Geoff Dower

'Wet' was the word to describe this recent walk, with plenty of rain, rain and more rain.

12 people met in Beerburrum on the Saturday night to travel the short distance to our nearby campsite at one of the local forestry lookouts. Because of the weather, some people decided to sleep in the cars, but on Sunday morning everyone was up bright and early to see the mist and rain and to enjoy an appetising cold breakfast.

We left our camp spot by 8am that morning to drive south to the Twins. The condition of the forestry roads had deteriorated somewhat, but with a bit of luck, none of the cars got bogged. We made good progress climbing the west peak of the Twins and reached its top by 9.40am. However, slippery open rock slabs and patches of loose rock made walking conditions on the east peak slightly more difficult and slowed the pace of the walk. We eventually arrived back at the cars well after midday and then made our way to Mt Ngungun. The troops decided to enjoy lunch inside the large dry cave beside the walking track halfway up this mountain. It was very pleasant to be able to stretch out for lunch without having to shelter under a raincoat.

After lunch a few of the more hardy members climbed to the top to witness what was a reasonable view given the poor weather at the time.

It was decided that because of the weather and road conditions and the time delays experienced earlier in the day, we would not climb Mt Tibberooowuccum. By 3.30pm everyone was well and truly saturated, but were still able to smile (about heading back home).

Thanks to all who came on this walk which provided a memorable and valuable experience in wet weather walking.

Geoff Dower

JILALANOUTING RAMBLING

Well, the calendar for the next six months is in the magazine. Hopefully there are a few walks here for you. Easter this year is left open for private trips. If you are organizing a trip, please advertise in the magazine as the area you are visiting might like to be visited by other members.

Leaders are also needed, so if you think you are a leader, please see me.

It is good to see so many people trying the various walks over the past few months, especially those who need to produce that extra effort to reach the top.

Justin Tobin

My apologies to Eugene for printing this article after the Glasshouse Mountains trip, but did not receive early notification of article, but since it is a very good background article and well summarised by Eugene, I take this opportunity to print the article in the magazine this month as it will be good for future reference for people. Many thanks Eugene.

Editor

Beerburrum Forest Drive

It has a spectacular 360° view. The Queensland Forestry Department's Beerburrum Forest Drive is an easy hour's drive to the heart of the Glasshouse Mountains country, with its pine and native forests and intensive agriculture on the rich volcanic soils.

On a clear day you can see south-east across Bribie Island to Moreton Island, south-west across the D'Aguilar Range, west to Jimna Range, north-west to the Conondale Range, north to the Blackall Range and east across the ten volcanic plugs of rhyolite and trachyte making up the Glasshouse mountains, to the golden beaches of Caloundra and the northern beaches along the coast. The forest park picnic facilities behind the forestry fire lookout tower are first class - two barbecues (with wood), lavatories, water, five covered picnic tables and seats. Three individual half moon shaped concrete patios on the rim of the lookout, plus there is a guide brochure from the small letter-box like receptacle beside the large forest map, which is only available near Beerburrum township.

The Department first planted exotic pines - loblolly and slash varieties both originally from south-eastern United States forests - in 1925. They are continually thinned out to prevent over-crowding until harvest at about 40 years of age when the area is replanted. The drive itself is very well signposted, so you have no fear of disappearing into one of the many firebreak tracks. But in bad weather it can change literally into impassable roads, then in the extremely dry summer conditions the forest can or could explode into a raging furious bushfire. So please be extra careful with cigarette butts. Then it's a cool drive back home down hill all the way to Brisbane, though round trip is 135km and the average rainfall is 2115mm.

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TWEED RIVER CRUISE - 13 October 1984

We left Brisbane slightly late with a full load of people (quite a shock to the organisers) for the Tweed River for the second part of our trip, a cruise along the Tweed River.

On the way down to keep the troops happy and make some money we held two raffles, one an esky of good cheer won by birthday boy, Steve McGrath, and a \$50 note won by Greg Reibinger.

Upon arriving at the Tweed we found the cruise was to start later than planned. We then went on to the Tweed Bowls Club where one of us lucky people took home \$75 more than he came with.

Once over this minor set back we bordered the tweed boat to cruise up the Tweed River by night for 90 minutes. With a full boat load we headed up to the Bohling township (Tumblegums) where we rejoined the bus for the short drive to the Murwillumbah RSL. Once at the RSL we sat down to a smorgasbord dinner which was well worth the money, with even the hardest eaters having enough to eat.

After dinner we headed off to try our luck at the pokies, with more losers than winners. After some people became disillusioned it was off to the floor show for them, while others battled on.

We left the RSL at 11.30 and, after a short stop at Coomera, we reached Brisbane about 2.30 - 3.00am. Thanks to all those who came and made it a most enjoyable, and more importantly, profitable, night. \$300 was raised for the Club. Thank you.

Steve Arthur

XMAS PARTY - BOLOUMBA CREEK STATE FOREST PARK - 1/2 December

Boloumba Creek in the Conondale Ranges outside Maleny in the hinterland of the Sunshine Coast once again is the setting for the BCBC Christmas Party. Those who went last year would still have great memories of a super weekend; swimming in crystal clear waters of Boloumba Creek, liloing over rocks, enjoying friendly games of cricket and volley ball, cooking tea and waiting with expectant excitement for Santa Claus to call from the North Pole. Yes, this year we can do it all again. Another super BCBC Xmas Party.

It's a bring your own everything affair, including all goodies you can think of. A present to put in Santa's sack of about \$2.00. Yes, Santa has got the right compass bearings. Transport is arranged privately. It is suggested drivers try and take a full car. Reimbursement for the driver is up to your passengers. The suggested amount for a full car is \$8-\$10 per person. For those cars going up Saturday morning, we will be meeting at the Daly's in 78 Richmond St, Kedron at 8.30. Those having trouble arranging transport, see me at the meeting or phone 359 7562. Most weekend will be taken at the meeting.

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FAITH

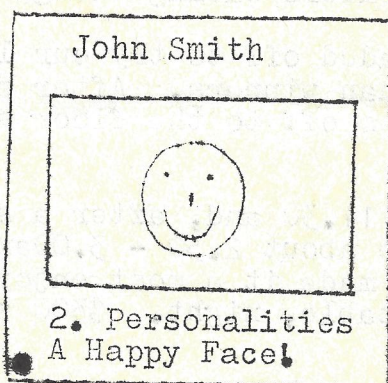
Sweeping across Germany at the end of WWII, allied forces searched farms and houses. At one abandoned house, almost a heap of rubble, searchers with torches found their way to the basement. There, on the crumbling wall a victim of the Holocaust had scratched a star of David. Beneath it in rough lettering, the message -

I believe in the sun - even when it does not shine.
I believe in love - even when it is not shown.
I believe in God - even when he does not speak.

SLIDE COMPETITION

Time is running out for you to get your favourite slides ready for judging in the BCBC slide competition.

To prepare your slides for entry, place a dot on the bottom left hand corner of the slide frame as you look at it from the right way around. Also on the slide frame, clearly print your name, the category, and a caption for the slide.



Remember that the entry fee is 20¢ a slide to cover prizes. A print of the winning slide shall be awarded as a prize for each of the following categories -

1. Beautiful Australia
2. Personalities
3. Australian Flora and Fauna
4. Far Away Places

Even if you are not entering, please come to the judging on Friday, 11 January 1985. It will be at 12 Boolingal Street, Carina, starting at 7.30pm. Please bring a plate.

Peggy Rutter will be collecting your entries at this and the December meeting.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please note the following change of addresses -

Tony Young : 71 Adelaide Street, Clayfield.

Cathy McHugh: Flat 2/171 Mitchell Street, North Ward,
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Lynne Ward : 41 Burbong Street, Chapel Hill 4069

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Oh, let me discover an island,
Untouched, and uncluttered, and pure,
A haven from all demonstrations,
From smouldering hatred, and war.
With a clear, lovely view of the heavens,
That no one may grasp and destroy
My own special Garden of Eden,
With simple and "close-to-God" joy.
Where sea-birds fly high o'er the ocean
To float on the breeze in their glee,
Then, settle to rest when they're wearied
To be rocked in the arms of the sea.
Where the "rat-race" of modern-day living,
Shares no part of this haven I've found,
Where the hope of a thousand tomorrows,
Is born in the wonders around.
Where butterflies flirt with the flowers,
And when comes the night ... way up there
The stars hang, suspended from Heaven,
Like diamonds, to touch if I'd dare.
No "keeping-up-with-the-Joneses"
That tired, worn-out game "Let's Pretend",
To be loved for one's own simple virtues,
And no "dangling strings" to a friend.
No discord, no noise of the city,
No discontent born out of greed,
Just peace, perfect peace, and fulfilment,
No crazy demands one must heed.
Oh, let me discover my island,
Where trees tower stately and tall,
To escape, in one Heaven-sent moment,
And ... just get away from it all!

Grace Burford
East Bentleigh Vic.

RETREAT - 24/25 November 1984

This year the Club's retreat will be held at the Augustinian Priory, 83 London Road, Clayfield. The retreat will be led by Father Michael Endicott, brother of a prominent member of the Club. This retreat begins at 7.30pm on Saturday, 24 November and ends at 4.00pm, Sunday 25 November. A fee of \$18 is payable and covers bed, breakfast, lunch etc. The focus of the retreat is prayer, especially private prayer. This is a rare opportunity for bushwalkers to attend a retreat which will have a bushwalking flavour about it. Nominations should be made to Geoff Egert - telephone 48 4918 (H) or 223 2712 (W).

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