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MONTHLY CIRCULAR OF THE BRISBANE CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY



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

Nonthly 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 Charlootte Street (entrance nearest Edward St). From Charlotte Street the door is near a white statue. If the door is locked please ring the bell. <u>Visitors are always welcome</u>.

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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 1/2 litre of water.

ATTENTION:

ALL persons, adult or child, membee or visitor, undertake all activities of the Club at ther <u>own risk</u>. 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.

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December 1984:

2 1/2 7/9	Collation Deadline Social - Christmas Party Lightning Falls - Leader: John Carter	TW
17 26	Monthly Meeting Christmas Walk - Mt Glorious - Leader: Peggy Rutter	DW
January	<u>1985</u> :	
4/6 11 13	Boonoo-Boonoo Slide Night Judging Map Reading Day	TW -
20	Reynolds Gorge	DW
21 26/28	Monthly Meeting Australia Day W/E - Sundown National Park	TW/BC
Februar	<u>y:</u>	
2/3 FMR 9 10	Sylvester's Lookout - YHA Search Organization Little King's Movement	
17 .	Choo-Choo Trip	DW
	Monthly Meeting Booloumba Gorge	ON
March:		
3 16/17 18 23	Lower Portals Running Creek Monthly Meeting Bush Dance	DW TW/BC
23 24 31	Tibrogargan - IMR Knapps Peak	- DW
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April: 5/8	Easter - Private Trip	
13/14	Long Creek	ON
15 25 26/28	Monthly Meeting ANZAC Day - Taylor Range Mt. Barney	DW TW/BC
May:		
4/6	Labour Day Weekend - Warrumbungles	BC
11/12 19 2 0	FMR Training - Springbrook - BBW Flinders Peak Monthly Meeting	DW
June:		
1/2 8/10	Mt. Huntley Queen's Birthday Weekend - Richmond Gap to	ON
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17 29/30	Monthly Meeting Mt Michael	TW

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July:

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

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

Legend:

TW	Throughwalk	BC	Basecamp
	Overnighter	DW	Daywalk

PAST OUTINGS

GRADYS CR EK - THROUGHWALK - 9/11 November 1984 Leader : Greg Endicott

All five of us left the city on time and three hours later arrived at the camping ground after a jolting ride over Simes Road. To our surprise, the forest tops were a welcome sight, and site.

Then up bri ht and early, a guick breakfast and slow cup of tea,

and then off via a grand tour of the whole area. Mow for business Half an hour down the track and we were into it, someone must have fallen in, we all did at sometime. This creek is a typical Rainforest o one-full of rocks and boulders. Lush green rainforest down to the waters edge, filtered sun, and to our advantage not one sign of rain. After a series of Cascades, the party came accross 'the landslide'. This entails a climb up the side of the ridge to get above the

trouble, followed by a nervous trek accross the slips, a dodge along some cliff tops, then a perilous trip down a tree trunk bake to the creek, all in fifty-five minutes!

Plenty of rock-hopping before and after lunch. Coming across the first big falls, the troops contoured right, and repeated the experience of the morning, only to find more but smaller falls bebelow.

Throughout the day, Crayfish(including the lamington Blue) were seen, and some were captured on film. Camp was struck at 5.15pm on a flat forest covered shelf by the creek. This pleasant spot will be long remembered by all of us for its solitued, fireflies, soft bed and sound of gentle running water. A top spot:

All rose to a clear, fine morning. Eager to start, the ob made haste. Our part of the creek was beginning to widen, and straighten out, so more sun beat down on us, as well as reflect up from the rocks. Thus a hot muggy day ensured! And what, two hours after commencement, another fall though this time with a long narrown pond below. So it was yet again 'lets contour to the right over the ridge'.

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By now the rocks were bigger, and I might say harder, the day hotter, and the rockhopping boring(Iguess not all those falls into the water were from exhaustion). A good sign, the first Eucalyptus on the ridge above the creek. At 4.00pm we left the creek, climbed the ridge and sighted the first sign of man - a large square survey peg! Hello suburbia, Goodbye Gradys Creek. Thank you for reading the above, I'm writing while watching 'A Touch of Class' onTV with a purring cat on my lap. OUTINGS RAMBLING

Extract from The Australian 10/10/84 THE EVEREST SPIRIT

The deaths of the two Australian Climbers as they made their final assult on the summit of Mt.Everest this week raise again the question - Why? What drove them to risk their lives climbing what is no more than a large lump of rick and ice? And what has, after all, already been climbed? What possible use is it all?

The urge that drove the Australian Climbers to the pinnacle of the world is the same urge that has sent men to the moon, to the depths of the oceans, the limits of the poles. One day it will send men to the stars. It is a manifestation of the same restless spirit that opened up this vast country; that drives, in other guises, mundane office workers to spend their holidays risking life and limb on dizzying white water rivers, or exploring our wilderness parks.

The Mount Everest spirit is part of the human condition the urge to explore, to make known the unknown, to see a human foot upon the impossible, to plant a flag on the edge of the universe. The love of adventure is an integral part of mankind.

At the closing of the calender year, as wedread the above article, surely we would be thinking of our achievements, exploring those hidden creeks conquering our own peaks, standing alone but still with friends to gaze accross the Scenic Rim, how incredibly beautiful it is! Non of the great dizzy heights of Everest, but no less the same enjoyment. The thrill of the unknown explored!

I think we could say we are part of the Everest spirit. The spirit as we sit in the office, gazing out the window, thoughts will turn to the bush. And set the feet itching for the weekend and another trip. The spirit that will take us walking in 1985 and beyond.

COMING OUTINGS

MT. GLORIOUS - Daywalk DATE : 26th December,1984 LEADER : Peggy Rutter Ph. 3597517 COST : FREE - NO DRIVER REIMBURSEMENTS EMERGENCY OFFICER: JANINE LUCAS 3432365 MEETING TIME: 8.30am Wednesday Morning MEETING PLACE: Charlotte St, Behind Cathderal

Will you be suffering the Boxing Day blues! Post Christmas Day depression! Starting to become bored and looking for something to do! Well, Feggy is leading our Christmas walk and its sure to get rid of all the above symptons. December 1984

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Mt. Glorious on the D'Aguilar Range, northwest of Brisbane, is cool rainforest paradise, with running creeks to swim in and rockhop along. Unusual vegation to explore. An easy and carefree daywalk suitable for ALL members, visitors and family. With time for a BBQ lunch. To take this opportunity of seeing this part of the Brisbane Forest Park see Paggy at the meeting, where more details will be given.

BOONOO-BOONOO - Throughwalk 4-6th January 1985 : DATE 260 5065(H) Justin Tobin LEADER 8 COST \$15 0 EMERGENCY OFFICER: Barney Tobin 260 5065(H) LOCATION : East of Stanthorpe MEETING TIME : 7.15pm Friday Night Cathdral - Charlotte St Entrance MEETING PLACE :

Leaving the Cathedral on Friday night drive to Undercliffe Falls, Where, early Saturday Morning, our first throughwalk for 1985 begins. Following the Undercliffe Falls, into Bookookoorara Creek, flowing through a rugged gorge- Boulder Gorge- very impressive indeed, This creek with its Granite features, and glossy river flats, is a very interesting and enjoyable days' walk to the junction with the Boonoo-Boonoo river. Here you will find a beautiful, tranquil place to pitch your tent and relax around the camp fire.

Sunday morning up early to follow the Boonoo-Boonoo Falls. A quite impressive drop, with a chance to swim and explore below the falls as well as on top of the falls. Its a very enjoyable two day walk, classified as meduim and a great way to walk into 1985.

See me at the meeting.

Justin Tobin

REYNOLDS (FORGE	- Daywalk
DATE	:	20th January 1985
LEADER	: 413	Justin Tobin 260 5065(H)
COST		\$8.00 ***********************************
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EMERGENCY		ER: Dave Mort 351 6093
LOCATION	°.	East of Aratula
MEETING T	IME :	7.30pm Charlotte St Behind Cathedral

Between little Mt Edwards and Mt Edwards flows the Reynolds Creek, Forming Reynolds Gorge, a series of sloping rock slabs running to the waters edge on the eastern side. Following the creek through the gorge upstream to Moogerah Dam accross the Dam Wall to follow the flooded track system to the top of Mt. Edwards. To finish this easy daywalk we will LiLo back to the Cars. So DONT FORGET your LILO as well as Suntan cream and First Aid Kit.

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Custom tells us that the first Father Christmas was Saint Nicholas, that is Pope Nicholas I. I decided to hunt nicholas's biographies to find what deeds of his led to this noble title of Father Christmas.

It is said that to good bishops and priests, to religious lay-people, Nicholas was kind, gentle, humble and meek; to evil-doers he was terrible and stern. He upheld family traditions by refusing to annul marriages and excommunicating those who ignored papal authority. Even though the responsibilities of all christendom were endless he had a deep personal solitude for his own flock. He drew up a list of all poor in Rome and made sure the disabled were fed at home; the able-bodied poor were given food at the papal residence.

He came to the papal throne during Christain unrest and the church needed a strong leader . Nicholas became a subdeacon in the papal household in his youth. His talents were used to the by Leo IV and Benedict III and on the death of Benedict III in 858 Nicholas, then a deacon, was elected to the supreme pontificate.

As in any time of history, war was rampant. Nicholas demanded that Christian leaders should be less ferocious in war and were not to use torture.

After a pontificate of nine years, Nicholas died of a painfull illness. Contempories mourned his death and complimented him in their writings -Nicholas was ' patient and temperate, humble and chaste, beautiful in face and graceful in body. His speech was both learned and modest, illustrious though he was by great deeds. He was devoted to penance and the holy mysteries; the friend of widows and orphans and the champion of all the people.'

Therese Lacey

PAST SOCIALS

Family BarBecue

God once again looked after his own, providing us with magnificent weather for our family barbecue on November 18th.

People started ariving as early as 10.00am (keen little beggers weren't they!!!!) with most people ariving by lunchtime. The day started with touch footy to allow people to build up an appetite for dinner.

With Mr. Arthur Sen. doing the cooking, the people were soon tucking into a most appetising meal of steak and sausagesscomplimented by salad. After lunch it was back to touch footy and cricket for the afternoon. A most enjoyable day was had by all . I would like to thank all the people who came, especially the new members and their families, but rather disappointed not to see the older members take the opportunity to enjoy a great day.

Aspecial thanks to my Dad for his help and cooking expertise during the day.

Steven Arthur.

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SOCIALS COMING

As in the past years the January social is a wet one, this year with a difference, a day out at one of the Water Fun Parks in the Brisbane region. The date for this magnificent social is January 19th.

This is a great opportunity, not just for yourselves, but for your brothers and sisters as well, for a great day out. There will be a barbecue lunch so bring your eats with you.

For more details see me at the next meeting.

Steven Arthur

Retreat DATE: 24/25th November 1984 CONDUCTED BY: Father Michael Endicott LEADER : Geoffrey Egert

The retreat commenced at 8.30am on Saturday night with a short informed talk by Father Michael followed by some theme setting music and slides stressing the majesty of god in nature. The Overnight participants then retired early at 10.00pm.

On Sunday morning we enjoyed a late breakfast and shortly thereafter we were joined by three other participants. The first session of the retreat from 9-10.30am consisted of a short theme setting input by Father Michael with suggestions for prayer and references to scripture. There then followed a period of time for individual reflection and prayer. At 10.30am mass was celebrated in the chapel . A rather memorable feature of this mass was the baptism, confirmation and first communion of a mature young lady whose family had no previous connection with the church.

After morning tea we commenced our second session which continued throughout until lunch at 1.00pm. At 2.15pm we commenced the final hour session. Both the second and third sessions were similar in formal to the first but with the further options of a group discussion on prayer or an individual consultation with father Michael upon the mother of private prayer.

On behalf of the 11 participants, I would like to thank the Augustinians for their hospitality and Father Michael, in particular for the time and effort he put into the preparation for and the conducting of our retreat. Since my school days I have always thought of retreats as being somewhat draconian, but this retreat was structured upon very flexible lines and was suitable for any person of the christian faith. Perhaps, it can be most aptly summedup by reference to one of the quotes provided by Father Michael:

"Take advantage of moments of peace and solitude to collect the grains of the word of God and to store them in the next of your heart. In moments of confusion, when you cannot find outside yourself that peace you seek, you can retire into yourself and feel at ease with yourself and God." (St. Augustine, On Psalm 36:11)