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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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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.

# MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month, top floor (3rd) of the Catholic Centre. Entry is via the back door of the Catholic Centre, Charlotte St. Enter from Elizabeth or Charlotte St. Door opens at 7.30pm

Visitors are always welcome.

POSTAL ADDRESS

The Club's postal address is: P.O. Box 151, North Quay, 4002.

### OUTINGS

All walks leave from the Catholic Centre, back entrance, Charlotte St.

The club will organise transport for the walk. Walkers are responsible for travel to and from the Catholic Centre.

To go on a walk, you must contact the trip leader in advance.

All persons are to bring on all trips, a first aid kit, torch, parka and at least 2 litres of water.

For further information, or to go on a walk, contact the leader of the walk concerned, or the acting Outings Secretary (Phil Murray) on 208 3687 (H).

## SOCIALS

Phone the Social Secretary, Graham Walters on 396 3131 (H).

# GENERAL INFORMATION

Phone the President, Paul McDonald on 288 5179 (H) 837 2540 (W), or contact any of the Committee members.

# EMERGENCY OFFICER

If, within the hour prior to an outing's departure, you cannot make it, or are running late, phone the number shown. If a trip is delayed getting home, your family etc. may ring this number after 9pm.

# EQUIPMENT HIRE

The club has some packs and tents for hire to visitors and newer members. The cost of hire is \$10.00 per weekend, with a \$20.00 deposit. A late return fee will be charged at the rate of \$10.00 for each Club walk that goes out until it is returned. The borrower is responsible for collecting and returning the equipment, as well as making good any damage.

Phone Anthony Dolan 350 2034 (H) for details.

# COMING WALKS

# TOOLOONA CIRCUIT - Daywalk

DATE:

Sunday 25th February

LEADER:

Liz Little - Ph. 356 4874

COST:

\$10.00

DEPARTURE TIME: DEPARTURE POINT:

7.00am

Charlotte St.

Behind the Cathedral

EMERGENCY OFFICER:

Phil Murray 208 3687.

LOCATION:

O'Reilly's

Tooloona is a graded track walk up at O'Reilly's. The total distance is 19km. which is about 6-7 hours walking. There are a few creek crossings, stepping from rock to rock. Overall, this is a comparatively easy trip and is suitable for first time walkers. If you like rainforest, streams and water falls, scenic views, and feeding crimson rosellas - this trip is for you. But make sure you bring along your raincoat just in case.

Liz

# BYRON BAY - . Base camp

DATE:

2/3/4 March

LEADER:

Anthony Dolan

Ph. 350 2034

COST: \$25

DEPARTURE TIME:

7.30pm (Friday Night)

DEPARTURE POINT:

Charlotte St. Behind the Cathedral

EMERGENCY OFFICER:

Nathan Tobin 202 2690

This is a nice easy trip for first time walkers. We will be camping at one of the commercial camping grounds that has hot showers to wash off the salt and sand. On Saturday, there is a 15km. beach walk from Tallows Beach down to Lennox Head. There will be plenty of time for swimming so bring your togs. On Sunday, we will do the tourist walk up over the Cape (Cape Byron i.e.). If time permits, we will also tackle Mt Chincogan which is a small HILL just north of Mullimbimby Every year there is a race from Mullimbimby up to Chincogan. We hope to follow in the runners' steps but at a slower pace.

Anthony

# EGG ROCK - Daywalk

DATE:

Sunday 11th March

LEADER:

Mike Wood

COST:

\$10

DEPARTURE TIME:

9.00am (A late start so you can get plenty of sleep after

the Bushdance.)

DEPARTURE POINT:

Charlotte St. Behind the Cathedral

EMERGENCY OFFICER:

Phil Murray 208 3687

LOCATION:

Binna Burra

Egg Rock is the big bump of bare rock that protudes through (is that tautology?) the rainforest in the valley just below Binna Burra. Apparently, getting to the top is just a steep zig - zag walk. Getting down is a different story - you need to ABSEIL. As long a s you have been abseiling before you will be right.

Mike.

### EDITORIAL

" A special place , a home of your heart, somewhere you can return in your thoughts or with your physical presence, for a moment of peace and prayer." These words

by Edward Walsh, for me, sum up my years of bushwalking.

How fortunate to have the bush to escape the front pages of newspapers that are screaming murders, a world at war, chaos here, there, and everywhere. The city push getting too much, people getting to you - no worries, just pack the pack and head for the scrub, many places to rest the body and replenish the soul.

The B.C.B.C. has been a good friend. Like so many others, it has been the start of a journey into discovering the magic that is bushwalking. A journey that began for some in the Fifties, was continued by others into the Sixties, Seventies, and Eighties, ans is continued by you now in the Ninties and beyond. May this spirit always be there to make it strong and continue to grow.

As Kathleen Mansfield said, "How hard it is to escape from places. however carefully one goes they hold you - you leave little bits of yourself fluttering on the fences - little rags and shreds of your very life." May most of yours be in the bush.

Justin

# PAST OUTINGS

# ISOLATED PEAK - Overnighter

An overnighter to remember. The wonderful sensation of warm summer air blowing through your hair on the car trip down to the Club Hut got the trip off to a lovely start. The walk into the Hut was a bit slower than usual as one of our team held us up as he/she was still recovering from the Christmas parties.

My spirits were revived by our mistake-free navigation from the track down to the Hut. A

quick cup of tea then off to sleep.

Morning broke to a very iffy day. It was very cloudy with a strong hint of rain but it made for ideal walking conditions for this time of the year. We finally got walking at 8.30am (that's 7.30 real time) . I think I would prefer "Real Time" - at least that was one thing Joh was right about.

We made slow but steady progress up the ridge with 5 minute rest breaks every 15 minutes, with the occassional extra breaks for botanical observations. To notice the long, fruited Bloodwood, Kurragong, Coversticks, Matchwoods Mt Barney is a botanical wonderland. Progress up the lower slopes was much easier than usual as the October bush fires had

burnt out most of the undergrowth. The first problem was getting around the "Hanging Rock and Gully". We then pushed onto Tom's Tum ( or is it Tom's Thumb ???) I reckon it should be Tom's Thumb as when you look at it from close by, the four peaks seem to form three outstretched fingers and a bent over thumb being Tom's Thumb

Anyhow we dropped off the east of Tom's Tum and came up the gully between the middle and last fingers. We had "LITTLE LUNCH" on the last finger and planned the assault on Isolated. First we had to get down the rock slab to the gully. It was only a small rock slab but a tricky one and Ray 'Awesome' Willans displayed a technique of sliding down the rock using his skin as a brake. It was gut-wrenching to watch but he is a REEAAL bushwalker now and he didn't flinch a bit.

Until now we had had 'Awesome' views of the other ridges of Barney - Leanings and Midget's but then Mother Nature sent in the clouds and mist to provide a final challenge. How can Solution -- use the Hansel you navigate when you can't see more than 20 meters ahead? and Gretel method of marking your trail with paper ( toilet paper). We made it to the TOP. We retraced our steps back down the mountain and collected all the marchers.

At the bottom, we all had a quick dip in the Lower Portals - according to Cathy McDonnell

it is the best swimming pool in the world.

We returned to the Hut, collected our gear, and trudged our ways back to the cars. Thanks to those who came - Kate Bethel, Phil Crupi, Anthony Dolan, Graham Walters, Ray Willans, John Donovan, Steve Sheridan, Cathy McDonnell. Phil.

# MT COOT-THA Daywalk

Traditionally, the Club always does a walk on Boxing Day in order to exchange Christmas stories and to work off all that turkey and Christmas pudding. This year ( or last year ) we started from Simpson's Falls and made our way to the Summit. We then proceeded to Mt Coo-tha Lookout but not without walking the old gold mine circuit on the way. From the Lookout, we made our way back to Simpson's Falls via J.C. Slaughter Falls. We then relaxed for the rest of the afternoon with a barbeque. It was a great day. Thanks to those who attended - Carmel Harvey, Monica McCarron, John Ghezzi, and Phil Crupi.

Graham.

# MT HOBWEE - Daywalk

Binna Burra.

On the pre-outing, this walk, which promised so much in the way of spectacular views to Mt Warning and the Coast, actually delivered very little, due to rain and total cloud cover over the 1175m peak, Mt Hobwee. It was with renewed hope that I set out from the Cathedral with another 18 walkers bound for Binna Burra. At 10 am, after a round of introductions, the walk got underway. We followed the Border Track for 1.9 km. then turned onto the Coomera Circuit Track which we followed through pretty rainforest and open eucalypt forest to the spectacular Coomera Falls which drop nearly 70m. into the Coomera Gorge. A break for morning tea and the crew got underway again around 11.30am. Following the Coomera River, we were treated to kilometers of waterfalls and cascades - a truly beautiful sight. Ross Buchanan has described the Coomera Circuit as the best "waterfall circuit in the southern half of Queensland". By 1.30pm., after a slow outbound leg, ( perhaps soaking up the beautiful scenery had something to do with this) we reached the turn-off to Green Mountains and Mt Hobwee. Here, the party was split and those not wishing to push onto Mt Hobwee completed the Coomera Circuit and returned to Binna Burra. Ed, Bernadette, Phil, Geoff, Ray, Anthony, and myself pushed on for the final climb to Mt Hobwee, reaching the peak about 2.15pm. Unfortunately, the clouds once again obliterated the views. However, as we enjoyed a quick lunch, a sudden change in the heavens was observed. Like the proverbial Parting of the Waters, the clouds momentarily separated to reveal a hazy vista, a brief glimpse of what might have been, before regathering once more to conceal that elusive view. We completed the walk by returning via the Araucaria Circuit and Border Tracks to Binna Burra. By 5.00pm we were packed and heading for home. I'd like to thank all those who participated in the walk, extending my thanks to Veronica, Graham, and Phil for driving, and Justin for volunteering to lead the 2nd party back to

Ken Niemeyer

# THE IRISH PIG

Anonymous

T'was an evening in November,
As I very well remember,
I was rolling down the street in drunken pride,
But my knees were all aflutter,
So I landed in the gutter,
And a pig came up and lay down by my side.

Yes, I lay there in the gutter,
Thinking thoughts I could not utter
When a colleen passing by did softly say,
"Ye can tell a man that boozes
By the company he chooses" At that the pig got up and walked away.

February 1990

TRAINING DAY

18th-

March MT GREVILLE -- F.M.R. TRAINING DAY

(Federated Mountain Rescue)

LEADER:

351 4092 Greg Endicott Ph.

COST:

\$10.00 7.30am

DEPARTURE TIME: DEPARTURE PLACE:

Charlotte St. Behind the Cathedral.

This is not a traditional daywalk but a training day to brush up on Search and Rescue techniques. There could also be some abseiling and prussicking (climbing back up the rope) practice on the gorge. It should be an interesting and educational day. All you need to bring is your lunch and water and F.M.R. will provide the equipment.

Ed. Note: F.M.R. has this down as a Rescue Leader Day.

# COMING SOCIALS

FEDERATION BUSHDANCE - Mt Cotton

SATURDAY 10th MARCH

WHERE:

Mt Cotton Hall, Mt Cotton Road Mt Cotton.

(The Hall is across the road from the Mt Cotton State School.)

A3 Ref. Map 58 U.B.D.

COST:

\$8 - \$10

CONTACT:

Anthony Dolan

Ph 350 2034.

This Bushdance is a VERY POPULAR item on the calendars of all the Bushwalking Clubs in South East Queensland. All profits and proceeds from the door takings of the dance go towards the FEDERATATION OF BUSHWALKING CLUBS, an association that exists for the good of all walking clubs and all walkers. The dance has been held at Rosewood over the past few years but this year there has been a CHANGE OF VENUE - see above for details. At this time, there is no information as to the band for the evening, but if previous years have been any indication, it will be another GOOD ONE. Supper is usually provided courtesy of Federation Committee members. This is a WONDERFUL Social and a chance to mix and mingle with walkers from LOTS OF DIFFERENT CLUBS. You will probably see many of the same faces at the Bushdance as you will see at the Federation's Pilgramage later in the year. SEE YOU ALL THERE -- THE FEDERATION IS WORKING FOR YOU :::

### USEFUL VESSEL

what we keep It's not we share, but what Not what we have but what we spare, clasp but Not what we what lose, we but Not what we hide use, what we A vessel He will make οf you, Ιf smal1 or great, will surely do joy and peace will always fill The one who's yielded His Will. to

# 1989

Many people took the hint when the Magazine came to print.

The first to assist was Donna the typist

To put words on paper - it was a bit of a caper.

Articles here, articles there - Donna made it with time to spare.

Other people showed their care -- with the work they did share.

Mary helped -- Veronica too. Without them Justin would

Be in a bit of a blue.

Off to the print shop for a one week stop.

Then home to stamped, folded, and stapled (That's Collation)

For this I thank Susan and Nathan.

One more stop and that's the mail -- Here ends another tale.

The Club wishes Graham's Dad a successful recovery and our prayers are with you.

# M.B.S.

What's This ? - John D. asking for rests ?

Which mystery man is sending flowers to pretty ladies in the Club ?

Ray Willans seen doing a 'Harry Butler' on a recent trip.

Pat, Jonas, and Christine off to New Zealand for holidays soon -- have fun.

Yes it was a pretty red bow tie.

### - HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW HEAVENS THE QUIZ FEATURE

Are the following statements true or false ?

- All the stars are suns.
- 2. There is no gravity above the top of the atmosphere.
- 3. A shooting star is a star that has been dislodged from its usual position in the sky.
- 4. A total solar eclipse can only happen at the time of the full moon.
- 5. Auroras or polar lights are caused by electrified particles sent out by the sun.
- The Star of Bethlem is now believed to have been Halley's Comet.
- Meteorites usually fall during violent thunderstorms. 7.
- The dark regions of Mars are old sea beds filled with vegetation.
- The Earth is closer to the Sun in January than July.
- 10. On a really clear night, you can see about three million stars with the naked eye.
- 11. The only month which can lack a New Moon is February.
- 12. Beethoven, Chopin, Goethe and Ibsen are to be found on the Planet Mercury.

Answers in future Magazines.

# Calendar

FEBRUARY	19 25	MEETING TOOLOONA CIRCUIT	(LIZ LITTLE)	D/W
MARCH	2/3/4 10 11 18 19 25 30/1	BYRON BAY FEDERATION BUSHDANCE EGG ROCK MT GREVILLE MEETING LINDSAY TO CLIFFLINE RAMPARTS	(ANTHONY DOLAN)  (MIKE WOOD) (GREG ENDICOTT)  (DAN O'LEARY) (CHRISTINE WALKER)	B/c SOCIAL D/W FMR MEETING D/W T/W
APRIL  NB/NB	8 13/14 16 2 1 1 20 20 5 5 - 22 23 24	MEETING MEETING MEETING MT COOT-THA Night Navig	(PHIL MURRAY)  Letter Brack = 4th MONDAY gation.	ORIENTEERING B/C D/W D/W MEETING
MAY	28/29 4/7 13 21 27	MT. MAY - MT. MAROON  COOLOOLA WILDERNESS TRAIL NEGLECTED MOUNTAIN MEETING CASTLE CRAG		O/N T/W D/W MEETING D/W
JUNE	2/3 8/11 18 24	MT.GUYMER MAIN RANGE TEVIOT GAP MEETING BEAU BRUMMEL / GRASS TREE KNOB	(BRETT MARTIN) (RUSS NELSON) (GEOFF EGERT)	O/N T/W B/C MEETING D/W
JULY	1 6/8	KARAWATHA ACACIA PLATEAU		ORIENTEERING T/W

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{\mathrm{D/W}}$  - A Daywalk is exactly as described - a walk taking one day.

<sup>0/</sup>N - An Overnighter is a walk where for reasons such as travelling time, we leave Brisbane at night, travel to the star of the walk and camp there. Next morning we start walking and return that night.

B/C -A Basecamp is similar to an Overnighter but the stay involves the whole weekend, (F,S,S.) and a number of different walks are done.

T/W - A Throughwalk involves being dropped off on a Friday night at the start of a walk. The next day the walk starts and concludes at a different spot on Sunday. It involves carrying all your own gear for the whole weekend.

	Nominations for	Committee - 199	00	
POSITION	NOMINEE	NOMINATED BY:	SECONDED BY:	ACCEPTED BY:
President	Paul McDonald	Andy Pitkin	Paul Russell	Paul McDonald
President	Nathan Tobin	Ray Willans	Veronica Tobin	Nathan Tobin
Vice Pres	Monica McGarron	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Monica McCarron
General Sec	Christine Walker	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Christine Walker
Outing Sec	Phil Murray	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Phil Murray
Treasurer	Anthony Dolan	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Anthony Dolan
Treasurer	Justin Tobin	John Carter	Terry Sheehan	Justin Tobin
Safety& Training	Graham Walters	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Graham Walters
General Committee (3 Positions to be filled)	Bernadette Kent John Brack	Paul McDonald Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	Bernadette Kent
to be lilled)	Ken Niemeyer	Paul McDonald	Paul Russell	John Brack Ken Niemeyer

Social Sec....

THERE HAVE BEEN NO NOMINATIONS FOR THIS POSITION

Russell Nelson Phil Murray Greg Endicott Russell Nelson

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MEMBERSHIP

FEES DUE

NOW.

Dear Member,

Once again it is time to pay the fees. This year the membership fees will remain the same.

You can assist the club greatly by paying your fees as early as possible. This enables the club to make the best use of our funds.

Should you wish not to continue Club membership please contact the treasurer so it can be arranged that your cessation of membership is not an unfinancial one.

TREASURER SUE HERRON.

FEES ARE AS FOLLOWS.	\$ 18.00 Full Membership \$ 21.00 Married \$ 12.00 Associate \$ 9.00 Over 500 KM.
SURNAME	
CHRISTIAN NAMES	
HOME ADDRESS	
	POSTCODE
POSTAL ADDRESS	
	POSTCODE
PHONE (HOME)	(WORK)
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