



JILALAN

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 Post Office Box 151, North Quay, Brisbane, 4000, and 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 Street). 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 9pm at the earliest.

EQUIPMENT FOR 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.

CALENDAR

JUNE:

31/1	Federation clean-up	
7/9	Teviot Gap/Cunningham Gap (Leader: Ken McCarron)	TW
14	Boat Cruise	
14	Bush Dance	
16	Monthly Meeting	
22	Mt. Gillies (Leader: Anne Hayes)	DW
28	Moonlight Bowls	

JULY:

5/6	Acacia Plateau (Leader: Nathan Tobin)	TW
12/13	FMR B/C	
14	Monthly Meeting	
23	Glasshouse Mountains	DW

AUGUST:

2/3	Beau Brummel/Mt. Castle (Leader: Justin Tobin)	TW
13	Barney Mass (Leader: John Carter)	ON/DW
17	Dreamworld (Social)	
18	Monthly Meeting	
24	Mt. Ernest (Leader: Geoffrey Egert)	DW

SEPTEMBER:

6/7	Illimbah/Lahey's Tabletop (Leader: Nathan Tobin)	TW
13/14	Pilgrimage (Gold Coast)	BC
15	Monthly Meeting	
21	Running Creek Falls (Leader: Ken McCarron)	DW
28/29	Retreat	

OCTOBER:

4/5	Girraween (Leader: John Carter)	TW
18/19	Stairway Falls, O'Reilly's (Leader: Steve Arthur)	ON
20	Monthly Meeting	
24/26	Stradbroke social	

NOVEMBER:

2	Coochie Mudlo (Leader: Ros Rennie)	$\frac{1}{2}$ DW
15/16	Cooloola (Leader: Nathan Tobin)	TW
17	Monthly Meeting	
22/23	Tweed Pinnacle	ON

DECEMBER:

6/7	Burleigh Heads (Social),	$\frac{1}{2}$ DW
15	Monthly Meeting	
21	Bribie Island	DW

LEGEND:

TW Throughwalk
BC Base Camp

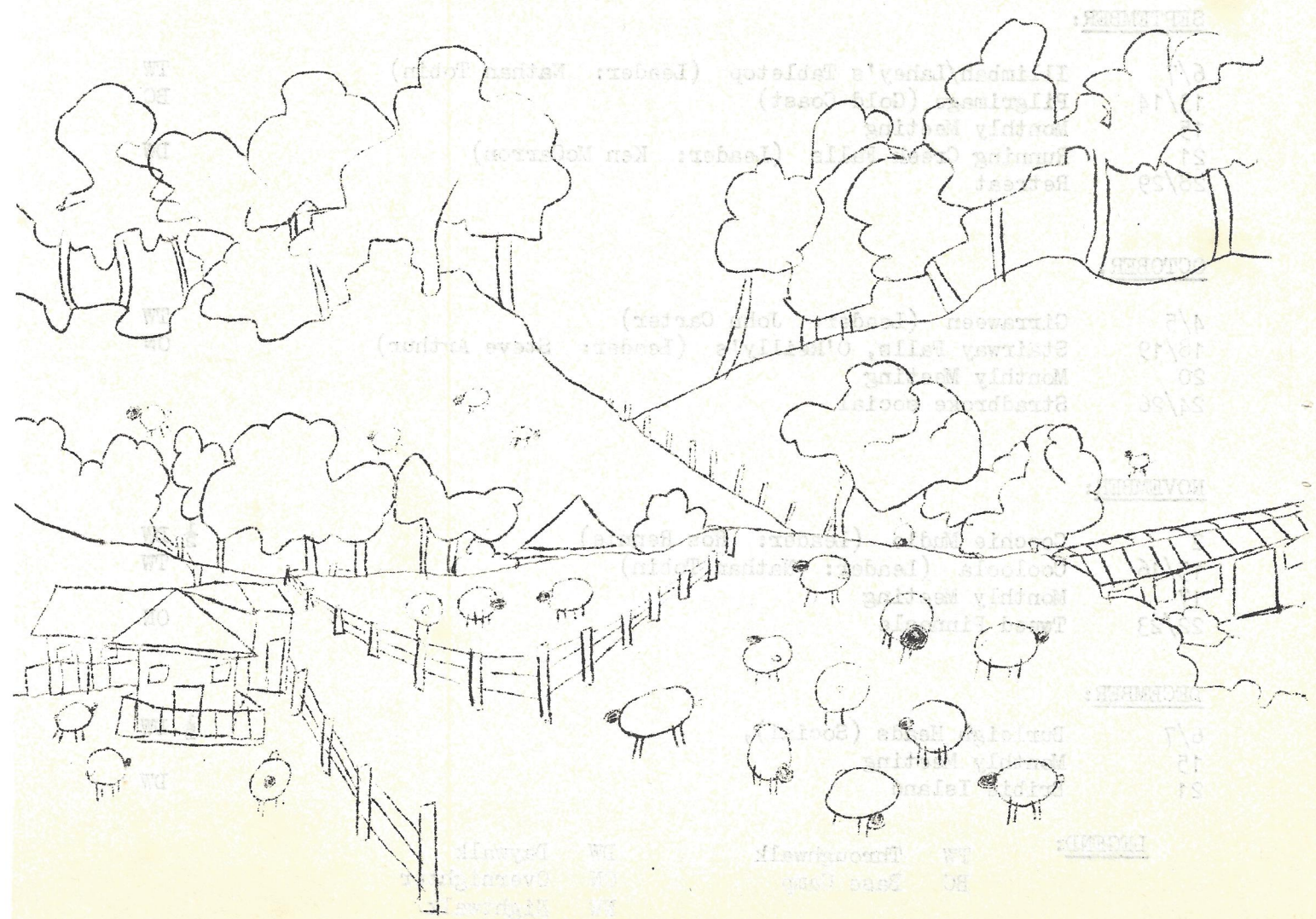
DW Daywalk
ON Overnighter
NW Nightwalk

22nd June

Discover Mt Gitties

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
21/6	10.00	Recreation clean-up
21/6	11.00	Levitt Gap/Cumtongham Gap (Leader: Ken McGarron)
21/6	12.00	Rest
21/6	13.00	Bus to Trossachs
21/6	14.00	Monthly Meeting
21/6	15.00	Mr. Gillies (Leader: Anne Harvey)
21/6	16.00	Monthly Meeting
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COMING OUTINGS

MT. GILLIES - DAYWALK

Date : 22nd June, 1986
 Leader : Anne Hayes
 Cost : \$8.00
 Meeting Time : 7.45am (leaving on time)
 Meeting Place : Behind St. Stephen's Cathedral in Charlotte Street
 Emergency Officer : M. Hayes (345 2936)

Mt. Gillies is situated due east of the Mt. Barney massif. It is a series of low rocky knolls covered in green eucalypt forest, mainly ironbark. The walk will go through grassy foothills but most of the time we will be ambling over rocky outcrops.

This is an easy walk with excellent views of Mt. Barney, Mt. Lindsay and Mt. Maroon.

If we are lucky, we may see some brush-tail rock wallabies.

Nominations to me at the meeting for a great day.

... Anne

ACACIA PLATEAU - THROUGHWALK

Date : 4/6th July
 Leader : Nathan Tobin (209 3149)
 Cost : \$13.00
 Meeting Time : 7.15pm, Friday, 4th July
 Meeting Place : Inside St. Stephen's Cathedral grounds, Charlotte Street
 Emergency Officer : Yolanda Apelt (343 4625)

Acacia Plateau is a great walk from Boonah border-gate to Killarney border-gate following the border fence all the way.

After camping at the border-gate Friday night, on the Saturday we will follow the fence up to the base of Wilsons Peak which we will climb to the cliff face. There we will drop packs and climb Wilsons Peak for lunch - great views from here. (This climb up Wilsons Peak is the hardest part of the walk and, though quite steep, is done slowly so should be no great problem for anybody at all). After lunch, we will continue around Wilsons back to the fence which we will follow down (quite steep going down) and along to Condamine border-gate where water can be picked up from the Gate Keeper - afternoon tea here.

Afterwards, we will follow the fence into rainforest and up two short rises where we will camp just before the rainforest ends. On the Sunday, we will do a short climb up onto Acacia Plateau itself; then a beautiful stroll along the flat top with beautiful views of Condamine Valley and surrounding areas. We pass a forestry camp along the way where water is normally available and continue along Acacia Plateau before dropping down to Killarney border-gate and home - quite steep going down.

This walk is a medium walk for the majority of walkers, bearing in mind the climb up Wilsons Peak. I'm sure most people in the club are capable of making it. If you are not sure, talk to Geoffrey Egert, Tim Apelt or myself. Bring 2 litres of water for Friday night and Saturday morning, 2 litres for Saturday and a spare water container for water which can be picked up at the border-gate for Saturday night and Sunday.

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Also, wear shoes with very good tread as you will need them.

Hope to see you there don't hesitate nominate to Nathan.

P.S. We will be going to mass on our way home.

Would anybody who is not going on this walk and who is available either Friday night and/or Sunday afternoon to drive down and drop the walkers off or pick us up, see me please? Your help would be most appreciated.

... Nathan (209 3149)

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PAST OUTINGS

MT. GLORIOUS - HALF DAYWALK

Leader: Yolanda Apelt

Mother's Day arrived with a torrent of not chrysanthemums but rain. The thirty-one nominations gradually dwindled down to seventeen brave walkers not frightened of getting a little wet. By one o'clock, meeting time, the sun had come out and patches of blue sky could be seen. We arrived at Mt. Glorious, parked in the picnic ground and were ready to face 6 long kilometres of treacherous graded track. At this point, some comments were passed about the leader's long, woollen, green patterned socks. A quick explanation was given so as not to waste valuable walking time. These were special leech repellent socks, i.e., any leech seeing them would quickly 'run' the other way. Ah, yes, the track was muddy and slippery. A few faltered but nevertheless the troops ventured ever onward. At last Greene's Falls were reached, gushing with water thanks to the previous week's rainfall. On the return trip, we followed a track taking us through Cypress Grove.

The walk ended at 4pm and just as we stepped out from the rainforest, down came the rain. There was a quick dash to the cars, a short journey down the road and the troops were soon seated in a warm, cosy cafe ordering Devonshire Teas. When we had had our fill we made our way back down the misty mountain road towards Brisbane. Thanks go to Tim Apelt for not creating a scene over the leech found on his leg whilst in the cafe. Thanks also, Tim, for preventing an embarrassing scene by so gallantly removing one leech from a hysterical Roslyn Rennie. Thanks go to Sue Hicks for ringing me at 8.30pm that night to inform me that her leech was five times the size of Ros' leech. Thanks go to my long, woollen, green patterned socks. They worked splendidly. A special thank you to Anna, Anne, Barney, Dana, Geoffrey, John, Julie, Oliver and his three children, Pauline, Ros, Sue, Therese and Tim for coming along and enjoying the afternoon with me.

... Yolanda

NEW ENGLAND NATIONAL PARK - BASECAMP

Leader: Cathy McHugh

On the May long weekend, a small group of five braved the weather and headed off to the New England National Park, east of Armidale.

After a long drive and a cuppa with the YHA Bushies in Tenterfield, we camped the night at Glencoe. The next morning we went through Armidale to New England National Park, stopping on the way to admire a couple of waterfalls through the clouds.

On arriving at New England, the troops' morale suffered a setback - the place was saturated, cold, and in the middle of a raincloud. However, we were lucky enough to be able to get Tom's Cabin for the night. We did a lot of the track walks around the area on Saturday afternoon and Sunday and, although there were no views, the scenery was lovely and very pretty. The highlight of one of the walks was seeing two lyrebirds up close.

On Sunday afternoon, we headed for Cathedral Rock National Park and a camp that was out of the raincloud at last. Monday morning was spent doing a walk to Cathedral Rock which gave good views of the area.

It is a long way to go for a weekend but I think all those who went considered it worth the effort and a great weekend. Thanks to Steve, Ken, Eugene and Mike.

... Cathy

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SCENIC RIM WALK

As mentioned at the last meeting, there will be another Scenic Rim Walk organised by the Q.N.P.W.S. Below is the intended itinerary. Members may be interested in doing sections of the walk, or the entire trip.

August 16 - Day 1	Mt. Beau Brummel to Kangaroo Mountain
2	Kangaroo Mountain to Silvester's Lookout
3	Silvester's Lookout to Cunningham's Gap
4	Cunningham's Gap to Mt. Double Top
5	Mt. Double Top to Panorama Point
6	Panorama Point to Lizard Point, plus The Steamers
7	Lizard Point to Teviot Gap, plus Lincoln Wreck
8	Teviot Gap to Mt. Clunie
9	Mt. Clunie to Mt. Ballow
10	Mt. Ballow to Mt. Lindesay
11	Mt. Lindesay to Mt. Tanya
12	Mt. Tanya to Richmond Gap
13	Richmond Gap to Tweed Trig
14	Tweed Trig to Mt. Worendo
15	Mt. Worendo to Binna Burra
16	Binna Burra to Springbrook
17 & 18	Springbrook to Burleigh Heads
or 17 & 18	Springbrook to Point Danger

It is planned to finish the walk on Tuesday, 2nd September. The timetable may change slightly. If you are interested, see Ken or John.

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ST. HELENA BOAT CRUISE - 14th June

Cost : \$11.00
From : Manly Jetty
Time : 9.45am

Come cruise Moreton Bay and enjoy a part of Brisbane's history as well. We will depart Manly Jetty and travel by ferry to St. Helena. Here, a tour of the ruins and a brief history of the island will be given. After this, we will have 3 hours to ourselves for lunch and those who wish, can have a swim. So, bring an esky for your lunch and a hat for the sun.

P.S. Bring some insect repellent!

MOONLIGHT BOWLS - 28th June

Where : Exhibition Lanes
Time : 9pm

Come along for this fun night and mix with fellow members. Moonlight bowls is held at a ten-pin bowling alley and the only lights on are the ones over the pins. More details at the June meeting or phone me.

... Ken McCarron

BUSH DANCE - 14th June

Where : Samsonvale Hall
Time : 7/7.30pm
Cost : \$5.00 (includes supper)
Band : "RANTAN"

Directions - Starting from the Normanby Fiveways, travel along Kelvin Grove Road, Enoggera Road, Samford Road to Samford. Continue along the Samford-Dayboro Road until you come to Winn Road, which is on your right. (There will be a "Bush Dance" sign). Turn right into Winn Road and keep going (a short distance only) until you see another "Bush Dance" sign outside the hall which is also on your right.

See, or ring, me for any details.

... Ken

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PAST SOCIAL

ANNUAL MASS AND DINNER:

Thanks to Father Moynihan for celebrating our Annual Mass with us and for giving an inspiring sermon on the dynamism of Church. Afterwards, twenty hungry persons left for the Casablanca Restaurant. Unfortunately, that restaurant didn't score well on the Bushwalkers' Rating Scale. After the main meal, some headed to a cafe at Red Hill for dessert.

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THINKING CATHOLIC

Ecology and Divine Creation

"Protecting the world's environment is part of the natural order, and those who damage it are showing contempt for the Divine nature of created things, Pope John Paul said.

Speaking at a weekly general audience in St. Peter's Square, the Pope continued a series of talks on the mystery of Creation, connecting it with environmental destruction.

The Pope cautioned against a modern mentality, marked by scientific progress that treats resources as separate from God's plan. 'A false notion of the autonomy of created things contends that material reality does not depend on God, and that people can use it as if it had no relation to its Creator,' the Pope said.

This false view denies the very truth of Creation, and it underlies the problems of ecological destruction and the threats to our natural environment, he added.

The Pope tied environmental destruction to an 'egoism' that is 'anti-community' in nature. The arbitrary and harmful use of resources, he said, also 'violates the natural laws and order, ignoring or showing contempt for the finality' of Creation.

Citing the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, the Pope said that when people fail to make the connection between the world's resources and the Creator, they 'do incalculable damage to themselves'. On the other hand, he added, when people keep moral laws in mind, they see that there is no conflict between scientific progress and faith."

... from "The Catholic Leader"

"God has two dwellings - one in Heaven, and the other in a loving heart."

"A man asked Jesus how much He loved him, and Jesus said, "This much," and opened up His arms and died.

P R E S I D E N T ' S R E P O R T

Bushwalking is not necessarily an easy past-time but its rewards far outweigh the effort expended. We get to discover the more remote and rugged wilderness and the unpretentious friendship that goes from sharing walking in teeming rain, up steep ranges and in panoramic views and glorious sunsets. The "highs" we get cannot be matched by alcohol or heroin.

I encourage you to bring a friend along to share the "magic".

See you on the track

... Tim Apelt

HEY THERE!!! FLIGHTS TO THE SCENIC RIM

See those great mountains that you've walked so often from a different perspective. This is the best time of the year to fly - usually no haze or bushfires and little cloud. The trip this year is similar to last year. Departing from Archerfield, the plane will head S.W. to Cunningham's Gap (see J.C.'s hide-out) and turn left for views of Lake Moogerah, Mt. Barney and the club hut, Mt. Maroon, Lamington Plateau, including O'Reilly's, and then return to Archerfield. This time we've booked a four-seater Grumman Tiger which is slower than last year's six-seater. Everyone will have plenty of time for photos and for spotting all your favourite walking spots.

Every passenger gets a window seat. Each plane will have a maximum of three passengers and a minimum of two passengers. This way the cost can remain the same cheap price as last year - \$30.00 per passenger. The flight will be approximately 1½ hours.

Flight dates: Saturday, 21st June

" 28th June

" 29th June

Venue: Archerfield green terminal building via main entrance to Archerfield aerodrome (NOT Royal Queensland Aero Club as some flights last year).

Time: 7.45am SHARP for 8am departure. (Aeroplane cannot depart late as it has more commitments later in the morning).

Early morning views are best and the flight should be smooth. This offer is not confined to B.C.B.C. Invite your Dad (an early Father's Day gift), other family members, etc.

Nominate to Therese at the next meeting. Other possible flights include Brisbane by night - quite spectacular - Glasshouse Mountains, Moreton Bay Islands, etc.

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A VISITOR'S IMPRESSION OF ST. HELENA ISLAND

On the launch out from Manly, near Brisbane, St. Helena appeared to be the hilliest of the group of islands in this part of Moreton Bay. After 40 minutes, we pulled into a pretty bay and a child squealed gleefully as several dolphins arched gracefully as if to welcome us. As we landed with a gentle bump on the sandy beach, I caught the first glimpse of the haunting ruins of the old penal settlement.

Within ten minutes of landing, I had counted over a dozen different species of birds. On the mainland, it would take you all day to count as many. After a cup of tea made out of the delicious water that bubbles fresh out of the ground of this unique paradise, the guided tour commenced. The guide is a pot-bellied old salt with a long white beard and his slow melancholy voice added feeling to the tales he told of the inmates' suffering. I don't believe in ghosts and I am not one to feel the "presence", but I shall always remember the mood that pervades these ruins.

The stone with which the prisoners built the settlement was hewn by hand from sedimentary rock quarried on the island. Examined closely, it is an interesting composition of compressed coral, stones and sea-shells. The windowless buildings now stare out over lantana-lined hedgerows surrounding lush green paddocks where once the inmates toiled a 12-hour day. Their efforts in the fields and in the workshops, made this settlement completely self-sufficient in food and manufactured goods.

Early settlers brought with them a host of trees from all parts of the world, including cane which now grows over 10 metres tall. The Indian Cassius was grown outside the tiny church to provide shelter for the prisoners while the warders attended the service inside. The Bella Sombra, which is Spanish for beautiful shade, now spreads its huge green fronds over where the Superintendent's house once stood. The European Olive, now growing wildly over the island, are the descendants of the trees that produced award winning olives a century ago. Fig trees have grown out of crevices in the stonework and, in order to preserve the buildings, these trees have been poisoned - they now provide a fascinating display of natural sculpture.

After climbing to the highest part of the island and enjoying spectacular views across the whole of Moreton Bay, we walked across to the graveyards. The one for warders and their families have headstones carved by stonemasons out of granite giving every detail, whilst those for the convicts are a simple concrete cross with just their inmate's number moulded into it.

We enjoyed lunch under a she-oak with its leaves moaning in the warm breeze, and all too soon I was on the launch back to Manly looking back on the pretty island with the afternoon sun making the haunting ruins glow. Oh! St. Helena, I shall return. You beautiful melancholy gem of Moreton Bay!

... Gillian Halshaw

(Note: St. Helena Island now comes under the direction of the N.P.W.S.)

... When you argue with a fool, be sure he isn't similarly engaged ...
 ... Let the other fellow talk -- you may learn something ...
 ... Adult education will continue - as long as kids have homework ...

F. M. R.

The annual training weekend is coming up in July. I will have more details by the time of the meeting but I can tell you it is something special and there will only be a limited number of spaces. At the past two Federation Mountain Rescue weekends, a few of us have been lucky enough to get a ride in a chopper.

SO BE THERE,

OR BE SQUARE !!!

... Ken

-----m.b.s.-----
 Congratulations to Anne Hayes on coming of "age" ... we hope it's the age of Throughwalking.

Mark Daly hopes to work in Wellington to earn more money. He doesn't believe there are 70 million sheep in N.Z. and is presently trying to count them.

Is it true that since John Carter became boss of his own National Park, he shoots koalas when his supply of fresh meat is down? John recommends sauteed koala in the juice of honey ants. He gives a special commendation to stuffed black cockatoos wrapped in the bacon of wild boars. He adds that the feathers of this bird also have a variety of uses, including stuffed pillows, tourist attractions and selling them to the American Red Indians.

"Old member" wishes to quote President Tim on M.B.S.: "It doesn't have to be truthful, as long as it's interesting" - in other words, a little bit of bull goes a long way!!!

Throughwalk for everybody - Acacia Plateau, see Nathan.

We forgot Geoffrey Egert's birthday in the last magazine. He is rather reticent in revealing his age, but we have it on reliable advice that he is "not yet 50"....

Q.: How many Steve Arthur's does it take to change a light bulb?

A.: None. Real men aren't afraid of the dark.

For those Non-Believers, please note the power of the Beatles music -

"Beatles songs kept Army cadet officer alive:

Sydney. An Army cadet officer, trapped on a cliff ledge for more than 13 hours in freezing conditions, told to-day of how the songs of legendary rockers, The Beatles, kept him alive.

Captain Kenneth Silburn, 22, of the Ashfield Regional Cadet Unit in Sydney, was forced up a cliff on Saturday night after becoming trapped by the tide at a beach on Sydney's southern shores.

"I would almost definitely have fallen to my death if I hadn't kept singing," Captain Silburn said to-day. He recalled how it was at least 20 metres down to jagged rocks which were gradually disappearing under the surging waves, and the rock under his feet was beginning to crumble.

But the ordeal ended at 2am on Sunday when Captain Silburn was pulled to safety by a helicopter."

... "Telegraph"

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Sunday, April 1st, 1968. The witness is a white male, approximately 35 years old,

"That will leave them to be happy." But, alas, it didn't! This series of
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of the little car with the use of a long stream and while the up turned
route. He attempted to name his hot chocolate with the other occupants.
We then walked to the foot of Mt. Moon via the townships of Mt. Airy, N.C.

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Cunningham's Gap

As I came over Cunningham's Gap
 A skin of time peeled off the map.
 The fern's green ocean overflowed
 The hard black surface of the road
 And lapped the wheel-rims of the dray
 And the sweating bullocks where they lay,
 And washed the car out of to-day.
 A cloud of cockatoos, snow on the hill,
 Shrieked out of distance and were still.
 Cedar, sassafras, bunya pine,
 Stinging nettle and lawyer-vine
 Baffled my passage and blocked my sight
 As I swarmed the hummocks and climbed the height.
 But long months' labour through wood and waste
 Dropped from my bones as I gazed at last
 Round and round, to the rim of the sun,
 On a world of richness not yet won:
 Broad fat pastures and rolling downs,
 Wheatfields and orchards, farms and towns,
 Ghosts of the future, surged at the gate
 Of time and being, and would not wait.
 As I shouted in triumph, the Darling Downs
 Leapt into life with farms and towns;
 Wheatfields and orchards, flocks and herds,
 Grass to the bellies, woke at my words.
 The cloud of cockatoos, snow on the hill,
 Shrieked out of distance and were still,
 And the skin of time crept over the map
 As I started my car in Cunningham's Gap.

... H.M. Green (1881-1962)

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PAST OUTING - MT. MOON DAYWALK

Leader: Geoffrey Egert

Sunday, 25th May, gave birth to a warm, beautiful day. The walkers met, as usual, behind the Cathedral at 7.45am and left for Boonah soon thereafter. By the time the leader arrived at Boonah with his passengers, the incumbents of the other four vehicles were feasting upon various "goodies" and generally having a good time. "What was this?" thought I. "No doeful expressions? Had I not explained to everybody at the meeting that this could be a steep, tough walk?" I considered that this behaviour of the troops was probably only a temporary aberration and that the less fuss I made about it, the better.

We then proceeded to the foot of Mt. Moon via the township of Mt. Alford. En route, Eugene attempted to share his hot chocolate with the other occupants of the leader's car without the use of a long straw and whilst the cup remained firmly in his hands. Things even looked grimmer when this woman with a positively bucolic appearance about her, stepped out on to Karney Road and gave a tongue lashing to anybody who cared to listen. The incumbents of Dan and Sue's car seemed to get the worst of this verbal whipping. "Aha!" thought I. "That will teach them to be happy!" But, alas, it didn't! This facade of happiness continued to emit from the troops as they tracked through the

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field of lantana, walked in amongst the burrs and then up the steep slopes to Mt. Moon. Indeed, newer walkers such as Liz O'Regan, Sue Doxey, Marina Moran and Helen Margetts, all appeared to fend for themselves admirably. Further, Anna Howard - who claims to be much older than the rest of us, - was primed to achieve a personal best.

"Well," thought I, "I'll sic Timothy Apeltus and John Carterius on them. Their singing is bound to turn anybody off for life - or at least for the day." But, alas, dear reader, that didn't work either. The leader was left to suffer this calumny in silence or should I say with a dull roar because there were two other Apelti on this walk - Fran and David.

With the ascending of the final peaks, we were greeted with the wonderful views of the Scenic Rim to the west and to the south. To the east, Mt. Barney, Mt. May and Mt. Maroon stood supreme as if etched against the skyline. To the north, the sun glittered on the blue waters of Lake Moogerah.

During the lunch hour, most walkers enjoyed these views and a well deserved stop. However, Alastair and Rossi decided to investigate just how close a green snake would come to them without having their lunch nibbled by said snake. In the same break, Barnabus Tobinus decided to impress all and sundry with a general display of etiquette that will be long remembered. A china plate, cup and saucer were produced and the little finger of Barnabus was extended.

After lunch finished at 2pm, we descended Mt. Moon and arrived back at the cars by 4.30pm. After a quick snack at Boonah, we departed for Brisbane and arrived back at 6.30pm to be greeted by a very colourful fireworks display on the south bank of the Brisbane River. This latter attraction was, of course, completely planned by the leader.

I hope everybody enjoyed themselves. Those who walked were as follows: Tim Apelt, Alastair Rennie, Liz O'Regan, John Carter, Eugene Behan, Anna Howard, Sue Herron, Justin Tobin, Sue Doxey, Roslyn Rennie, Gordon Denkes, Sue Daunt, Dan Habermann, Marina Moran, Nathan Tobin, Steve Arthur, Julie Peck, Anne Hayes, Helen Margetts, Maree Callaghan, Ken McCarron, Fran Apelt and David Apelt.

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