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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 P O 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 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 $\frac{1}{2}$ litre of water.

ATTENTION!

ALL persons, adult or child, member or visitor, undertake all activities of the Club at their <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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COMING OUTINGS

COOCHIN CREEK - GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS: Overnighter Date : 20/21 October 1984 Leader : Geoff Dower (H) 371 2382 (W)229 5011 Emergency Officer: Margaret Anderson (H)398 2187 Cost : \$8.00 Meeting Time : 7.15pm Saturda, night Meeting Place: Charlotte Street (at rear of -Cathedral)

We will depart Brisbane on Saturday night at 7.15pm and drive up the four lane Bruce Highway as far as Beerburrum. Here we turn off to a nearby forestry outlook and picnic area which is our camp site for the night. Toilets and water are provided at this site.

An early start on Sunday morning will see us drive south a short distance through pine forest plantations to the base of the twin peaks of Mt Timpuhudla (commonly known as "The Twins"). The walk begins through fairly open country as we approach the saddle between the two peaks. There are a few difficult patches of thick low shrub, but we will avoid these as much as possible. From the saddle we veer around to the northern face to scale the west mountain and then return to the saddle to begin climbing the eastern peak. Good views can be enjoyed from the top of both mountains.

The next leg of our journey takes us north to Mt Ngungun (prounced nung-un). As this mountain is a national park, there is a good walking track provided to the top. The track is steep in sections, but is not overly difficult, and the views from the rocky plateau at the top make the climb well worth it. We will have lunch at a mice shady spot half way up the eastern side of the mountain where the slope levels out.

After lunch we head towards Mt Tibberoowuccum, our last mountain for the day. It is tucked in behind to the west of the better known Mt Tibrogargan. This mountain provides a relatively easy finish as most of the walking is through open forest and up an easy sloped ridge to the top. It will then be back to the cars to return to Brisbane.

This walk is of an easy to medium standard, depending on your walking experience. It will be a reasonably full day of walking with plenty of variety to be offered. Please nominate to me at the October monthly meeting for this walk.

N.B. A minimum of 2 litres of water per person and a sun hat and cream should be taken on this walk.

Geoff Dower

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MT FRAZER - CHURCHBANK WEIR - Daywalk Date : 4 November 1984 Leader : Barney Tobin - (H)260 5065 (W) 205 2405 Emergency Officer: Justin Tobin - (H)260 5065 Cost : \$8.00 Meeting Time: 7.45em Meeting Place: Challotte Street (at rear of Cathedral)

Mt Frazer, west of Aratula, is probably the easiest walk of the year. After a goodie stop at Aratula, we will continue along the road to the start of the walk. After leaving the cars at the road we will start the walk up a four wheel drive track which will take us to the start of the climb; this is a short but steep climb. Once on top great views of the Little Liverpool Range can be seen, with a rare chance of seeing Mt Castle from the track in all its rugged beauty.

Since this is such a short walk, we tim to have lunch at Moogerah Dam with a swim also. Please bring two litres of water and a cut lunch. So nominate to me at the meeting.

Barney Tobin

GRADY'S CREEK - Throughwalk Date : 3/11 November 1984 Leader : Greg Endicott (H)351 4092 (W)33 9611 Emergency (fficer: David Mort (H)351 6093 Cost : \$12,00 Meeting Time: 7.15pm Meeting Place: Charlotte Street (at rear of Cathedral)

A moderately easy walk with water flowing all the way and you walking in, on, or along the creek. This area is one often visited, but viewing it from this perspective is rare - in fact this is our first time there. You will be going along a pretty rainforest lined creek starting out small, ie "young and wild", with rock slabs, boulders and getting into cascades, straightening into the pools and ponds of "maturity", and going on to become an "old man" creek with rocks, a changing vegetation and supported by the road.

Voted a cool rainforest walk for summer.

Greg Endicott

John Carter

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PAST OUTINGS

PILGRIMMAGE - GOOMBURRA STATE FOREST - 7/9 September 1984

The weather for theweek previous and for the whole pilgrimmage weekend was glorious. The creek were low and easily passable. Only one vehicle had trouble with the road and that was the Toowoomba Wreck-air truck bringing in super loos. One toilet was in a dilapidated state on arrival. This was our only small set back for the whole weekend. I'm sure we can thank the Club patroness, Our Lady of the Way, for our safe and enjoyable weekend.

Many Club men were able to arrive early on Friday to help collect copious amounts of firewood, set up tents and rope off camping areas. Most guest club membersstarted arriving . after 9.00pm. Abundant BCBC members arrived at 10.30pm. Hot drinks and the comfort of a warm fire were offered to people, but most people wanted an early night so they could appreciate Saturday's walk without the discomfort of being overtired.

Judging from feedback, everyc: enjoyed the walk they nominated for. The choices were: family ½ day walk, leader Geoff Dower; nature study 1. Mark Daly; Boar's Head 1. Michael Rae; Mt Castle 1. Russ Nelson; Mt Hennessy 1. John Carter; Bald Rock 1. Peter Dore; Blackfellows Falls 1. Geoff Egert and Tim Apelt; creek to Sylvester's Lookout 1. Gary Logan.

Saturday night's tall tale contest was great fun for both the audience and the contestants. It was won by I.C.B.W.C., therefore they retain the boot. They had written a long narrative poem similar to Banjo Patterson style, spoken by the President of the club, Chris Dower. After a short sing-a-long, people enjoyed a light supper of J.L. cookies and M.D. & Co spuds, potatoes, spuds and potatoes and spuds and some more potatoes.

Sunday is traditionally a light hearted and friendly day. Yolanda, with an experienced game loving team, divided people into four teams, approximately 24 members per team. Several games for the unwitting teams were played. This was novel as it allowed some insignificant whimpy team to win. For once the best team had to suffer second place (red). They took it rather well considering this had never happened to them before. Games finished at midday.

People had a quick lunch then broke camp. Thank you to everyone that lent a hand before or during the pilgrimmage. This is a brief account of a top weekond. As 38 members from the club attended the occasion, I feel sure most people already know all the details.

(Guess who)

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PILGRIMMAGE WALK - HOLE IN THE WALL/BOARS HEAD

Eighteen of us left the Pilgrimmage site to Sylvester's Lookout at 8.45am. We proceeded to Sylvester's Lookout, with Greg Endicott being tail-end Charlie. Arrived Sylvester's Lookout fifteen minutes later after parking the cars at 9.15. At Sylvester's Lookout there were views of the Ramparts where Feter Dore was leading a walk, and open sevanas where farmers were burning off which spoiled the view.

We then went right to Eugene Lookout; arrived ten minutes later, when four of our walkers decided to turn back, one complaining of not feeling well. The other three were a mother and her children who was worried because her children were finding it difficult to keep up.

Then we turned right again to Garry's Lookout; arrived 10.08. Then made our way to Peggy's Lookout. Half an hour later we arrived and had morning tea with beautiful views to the right of the Liverpool, Mistake and Great Dividing Ranges. We also could see Mt Castle where Russ Nelson was leading a walk. There were some of his walkers on Boar's Head who waved back to us. In front of us was Moogerah Dam. Then we went S/E to Laidley Falls and arrived at Hole in the Wall at 11.10. We had lunch at Boar's Head. Then we made our way back, some going over the Razorback. Thanks to the walkers who made it an enjoyable day.

Michael Rae

PILGRIMMAGE WALK - MT HENNESSY

This walk was offered as a long medium daywalk through mainly open eucalypt forest (gums and stringbark). This ridge walk along the Great Divide was a new walking area. Representatives from YHA, Sunshine Coast and Ipswich Catholic (Jean and Brian) Bushies were game enough to accompany Justin and myself.

Commencing from the Mt Castle Lookout carpark, an old forestry road is followed westwards. It offers a path through the scunge. Within a short period the rainforest is left behind. Some rather large stringybarks grow tall by the road. Where the old road ends there is a good view of Blackfellow's Falls across the valley.

The ridge undulates, providing climbs to break the monotony. As the day progressed, other notable features appeared, such as Point Pure. The Ampitheatro and Clen Rock. All are found on the western component of Mt Mistake Range, which is not seen from the usual areas we visit. Views of Dalrymple valley were also seen.

We passed a new born calf, which had an air of confusion, in a saddle. An old caravan en route was a bit of a surprise. The panorama is rather limited from Mt Hennessy, but it was appreciated on the way. After a cuppa at lunch, we followed the same route for two hours. Contouring to the south we struck a ridge that brought us to Dalrymple Creek. From here it was follow the road to Goomburra camping ground. All who went enjoyed this pleasant stroll.

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PILGRIMMAGE WALK - MT CASTLE

Eighteen people gathered together at the registration tent at 7.45am and there we managed to second four vehicles to take us to Sylvester's Lookout. The views from Sylvester's were spoilt to a degree by smoke from a number of fires. From there we walked north along the Main Range to the point where the Little Liverpool Range turns off the Main Range to the north-east. When we reached Laidley Falls, some of us travelled to the Hole in the Wall via a direct route over rocks, while others climbed down by the side of Laidley Falls. At the Hole in the Wall the usual photos were taken. After overcoming a rocky section, we reached Boars Head for morning tea.

From there we dropped down to an old timber track and made our final climb to the top of Mt Castle. On top we had a leisurely lunch and enjoyed good views of the northern half of the scenic rim.

Our return trip was fairly quick, and we were at camp at about 4.00pm. The clubs represented were Ipswich Catholic, Uni Bushies, YHA, Sunshine Coast, and BCBC of course.

Russ Nelson

SLIDE COMPETITION

Do you take slides?

Has anyone ever said to you, "Oh! That's a nice slide!"? Well our slide competition is for you.

Sort through your <u>favourite</u> slides and put them into the following categories:

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

20¢ a slide to cover prizes.

Bring your slides along to the next meeting and enter them in the BCBC <u>Slide Competition</u>. Who knows - you may win!

Entries close at the December meeting.

Judging - 11 January - 12 Boolingal Street Carina. Combination of judging slides and slide night.

Slides which have been previous winners will not be allowed to be entered again.

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PAST SOCIALS

HORSE RIDING WEEKEND - 15/16 September

Well Saturday morning saw us leave the Cathedral for the Peregian Rising Star Ranch. Once there we had lunch. After lunch we went down to see Bill about horses for the afternoon.

The sign on the shed said "For those experienced people we have experienced horses, for those slower people we have slower horses and for those people who have never ridden a horse we have horses that have never been ridden.

As most of us fell into the last category, we were quite pleased that Bill took the sign in jest and gave us quite manageable horses.

After we had the horses worked out we set out on a ride to the Noosa Beach and a ride along the foreshore, but after a short while Bill managed to work out that we were not the John Wayne types and decided instead of a more gentle ride through the bushland surrounding the ranch and also the Weylia Creek surrounding the ranch. It was an experience for most people who haven't ridden before to ride for such a long time (5 hours), but very beautiful to trot along through the bushland along the Weylia Creek. Halfway through the ride Bill and Colin provided us with a most refreshing cup of tea. We then continued through the bush track to the ranch.

Once back at the ranch we headed off to the Rae's residence at Noosa, where they kindly let us use their cooking and bathing facilities - most appreciated.

After leaving the Rae's residence we headed off to see the Noosa nightlife. Next morning after Mass at Coolum we spent the day at Noosa Beach, with Anne-Marie showing Steve all the highlights that are available on the beaches of Noosa.

A most enjoyable weekend. Thanks to all those who came. Also, special thanks to Mr and Mrs Rae who made our weekend a little easier with their assistance.

Barney Tobin

SPORTING SOCIAL

A successful night was had at the golf on Friday 23 September at the Mt Gravatt Putt Putt course.

Twenty-two people turned up to play and everyone took part - including the injured. Most players were soon revealing their prowess as potential golf champions, with quite a few hole-in-ones being scored. After a hectic 2 rounds of play, we were all pretty well exhausted but happy. We were even happier when we made it to the '19th' at Anne Besgrove's place for a well deserved cup of tea and goodies.

Overall it was a fun evening and thanks to all who came along on the night.

Geoff Dower

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COMING SOCIALS

FAMILY BARBEQUE - 18 November 1984

On November the 18th the Club will once again be hosting the Family Barbeque for all members' families - that means mums, dads, brothers, sisters.

The venue this year will be J C Slaughter Falls, where we have two sites booked. Hamburgers and soft drinks will be available at a nominal price, so no worries about food. Just hop in the car and come along.

After lunch there will be the usual games for everyone to participate in. Remember, the more people the better. Invitations to all families have been posted, so I hope to see you there.

Steve Arthur

SQUASH NIGHT - 26 October 1984

Friday night, the 26 October the Club has organized a squash night at the Bardon Squash Courts - 92 Coolibah Street Bardon at 7.30pm. We've played squash here a few times now, and although there are no budding champions amongst us, we've enjoyed ourselves. So even if you don't play squash, come along. Bring your togs and have a swim afterwards. Apparently they also play volley-ball on Friday nights and John said he'd show us, so this could also be an added attraction.

For more information and nominations see Justin at the meeting or phone 260 5065.

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The Club is indebted to Marg of the Toowoomba Bushwalkers Club who, at the recent Pilgrimmage, supplied us with a copy of the "Bushwalkers' Prayer" which appears hereunder.

THE BUSHWALKERS! PRAYER

Father, You have created the world, every ray of light, every flower, every view of the bush, makes us aware of your hand.

The early morning fresh with dew or enveloping fog, the call of the magpie, the gusty wind does not deter us. Let our love of nature teach us to respect all living things. Give us Lord a fine porception that makes us reverent before all creatures. Through the senses you gave us, we have come to know and love the bush. We look upon the mountains and valleys with awesome wonder. We listen to the gurgling waterfall, the birds in the air; smell the fragrance of the wildflowers, and wonder at their fragile beauty. We caress the age old rocks as we clamber among them, and sharpen our senses with our love of bushwalking. Lord make us one with the great outdoors. Preserve in us an alert soul, enthusiastic and youthful, which will never grow tired of hearing the song of nature. Let nature be for us a beautiful temple, which in every detail proclaims to us Your Presence.

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HOW TO RUIN YOUR CLUB

Don't attend meetings. If you attend - then come late. When you attend, sit and talk to the person next to you. Never accept office. It's much easier to criticise, than do anything. If asked by the President for your opinion, just tell him/her you have nothing to say, and then, after the meeting tell everyone how things should have been done.

meeting tell everyone how things should have been done. Hold back your annual dues as long as you possibly can. In short, do nothing more than is absolutely necessary.

> Judy Regan, Mt Gravatt ITC

WHAT'S IN A NAME

I'm sure each of us has looked at a map and noticed the name of a particular peak, or river, and queried its meaning as to why it was 'christened' with that particular nomenclature. For example there are probably some members who have had sleepless nights pondering the naming of Montserrat Lookout. You may now rest in peace.

For those of you (horror!) who cannot instantly recall the location of this Lookout, it is situated on an off-shoot of the Ballow Range and is a couple of hundred metres above Grace's Hut. From this vantage point, a superb panorama of Mt Barney can be enjoyed with all peaks in view.

Montserrat is derived from the words Mons Serratus, meaning "saw edged mountains". Quite apt! Originally this name was given to a mountain range in Spain, which is very rugged, being 12km long and over 1,000 metres inheight. It is located 45kms from Barcelona. However, there is something different with this mountain range.

It is a site of a shrine to Our Lady, which is built high on this mountain range. The Abbey dedicated to Our Lady of Montserrat is a popular destination by pilgrims, who can reach it by several routes. Our Lady has been venerated here since the 9th Century and a wooden statue of the Madonna and Child is dated from that time. The monks here live by the Rule of St. Benedict. At one stage, upon 13 peaks small hermitages were built to house hermit monks. This ceased in the 19th Century.

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John Carter

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RESCUE CALLOUT LIST

Our Club keeps track of your skills and resources. These need not only be bushwalking orientated, as a lot of backroom jobs are required.

On a rescue, there are required, for example, drivers, writers, fire watchers. I have been on many-a-rescue and can assure you that a cup of tea and some braised steak and onions in front of a smiling face is about the best thing a rescuer can meet when coming out of the bush.

Do not be afraid to put your name down on the list - you are needed. We will go through the list and delete you if in our opinion you are not up to standard - and usually that will only be in walking.

So, for the details:

There are several distinct organisations in a rescue.

- Stay in town: To man phones, either at Police Headquarters, or at your home.
- Stay at the basecamp: To man the base organisation ie: fill out registration sheets, keep a radio log of all messages, look after the phone, co-ordinate people, parties and the like, carry out messages.
- Stay at the basecamp: Do the driving, either your car or someone else's.
- Go on a walk: As a radio relay, ie climb a hill and sit there working the radio.
- Go on a walk: Just a day walk or two or combe and brush searches.

Go on a walk: Throughwalking.

Note: My best walks have been rescue throughwalks.

If you have no transport, we can arrange.

If you have any questions, talk to me anywhere, anytime. Give it a serious thought. This is the bushwalkers insurance, thus our insurance. If we look for them, they will look for us. It is important.

Greg Endicott

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