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CATHOLIC BUSHWALKING CLUB

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Monthly Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at the Catholic Centre, Edward Street, City commencing at 7.30 pm. Car parking is available behind the Cathedral. Use the second gate in Charlotte Street and drive around between the buildings to the Cathedral rear.

Visitors are always welcome.

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EMERGENCY OFFICER

Where a party is overdue the onus is on parents to telephone the Emergency Officer. The Emergency officer is listed under each trip. Please do not ring before 9.00 p.m. at the earliest.

CLUB CALENDARNOVEMBER

2	SKATING	SOCIAL
5	NEW MEMBERS AFTERNOON	
13	WILSON'S PEAK	DW
13	CRICKET MATCH	SOCIAL
21	MONTHLY MEETING	
25/27	ALBERT RIVER	BC/TW

DECEMBER

4	NORTHBROOK CREEK	DW
10	CHRISTMAS PARTY	SOCIAL
16/18	SEVERN RIVER	TW
25/27	CROWS NEST	BC

JANUARY

8	LOGAN'S GORGE	DW
14/15	BOAT TRIP	SOCIAL
16	MONTHLY MEETING	
21/22	TWEED PINNACLE	ON
24	FMR MEETING	
27/30	CATARACT RIVER	TW/BC

FEBRUARY

5	COUGALS	DW
10/12	NORTH COAST MOUNTAINS	ROVING BC
17/19	CLUB HUT WORKING BEE	BC
25/26	MONTSERRAT LOOKOUT & BARNEY CREEK	ON
28	FMR MEETING	

MARCH

5	MT. GREVILLE	DW
17/19	COOLOOLA	TW/BC
21	CLIFF RESCUE TRAINING NIGHT 7.30 PM KANGAROO POINT	
23/27	BLACKDOWN TABLELAND	BC
28	FMR MEETING	

LEGEND

TW	THROUGHWALK
DW	DAYWALK
BC	BASECAMP
ON	OVERNIGHT

EDITORIAL

Christmas once again draws itself to us. It is a time of great joy and peace among men. So let us in the spirit of Christmas go forth and enthuse the club with this spirit, after all isn't bushwalking a form of joy and peace. I hope every one has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Congratulations to John Carter for his story 'Barney 150 years' getting published in the YHA magazine and I apologize to him for not saying that he wrote the 'Downs Discovered'.

Articles and information for the January circular are to be given to Russ Nelson. He will be doing the January circular while I am away on holidays.

FEATURE FOR DECEMBER

Feature for December is the CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION '77. The club members slides will be judged at the meeting by Mr. Bill Smit. The four catagories are:-

1. Scenic -- club trips.
2. Scenic -- holiday trips.
3. Nature.
4. People.

Each winner will receive a small gift and the best slide winner will receive a voucher to the value of a roll of film, to be chosen at Herbert Smalls in the Valley.

HIRE OF EQUIPMENT

After the next meeting Jan will look after the equipment while Val is on holidays till the next February meeting. So don't forget.

POSITION VACANT

The position of Safety & Training Officer is still vacant, so if you are interested in filling this position nominate at the next meeting.

"THE ROCK"by JOHN HOOD.

As one approaches Ayers Rock, through the shimmering haze of Australias "Red Centre" ones first impression of this monarch of the desert is its sheer enormity. It lays like a gargantuan scone thrust from the undulating emptiness of the desert and scattered scrub.

Situated approximately 300 km south-east of Alice Springs in Central Australia, Ayers Rock was first discovered and named by William Gosse in 1872. It is 8.8 km in circumference, 3.6km long and 2.4 km wide. It's height above ground level is 348 metres and above sea level 867 metres. The formation plunges to a minimum depth of 2000 metres and possibly to a maximum of 3000 metres. Ayers Rock is a insolberg consisting of ankure outcrop in a large plain. It was formed in pre-historic times from the sedimentary deposits of some once great mountain chain many kilometres away when much of Central Australia was an inland sea.

Each year "The Rock" draws thousands of visitors from Australia and around the world to view and climb its almost perpendicular sides. Ayers Rock is now incorporated in the Ayers Rock - Mt. Olga National Park. The tourist are well catered for at the park with many fine motels or for the more intrepid well appointed camping grounds. The winter months are the ideal time to visit the park as in summer temperatures in the desert can reach as high as 44° C.

Although the existence of Ayers Rock has been known to the white man for only a short period of time. "The Rock" has played a significant part in the mythological beliefs and customs of the aborigines, in particular the Pitjantjatjara tribe, since the beginning of time. The many caves dotted around the base of "The Rock" bare witness to these customs and beliefs.

The Aborigines believed that in the beginning was the "Dreamtime". The earth was flat and devoid of all marks. There were neither trees nor rivers nor mountains. Then in the time of "Tjukurapa" or creation, the essence of life stirred in the land. The "Tjukurapa" people moved about the land and by their actions, and in some places their bodies, created the substance of the earth itself.

The southern face of the rock commemorates a battle between the Liru (poisonous snake) and Kunia (carpet snake) people; the campsites of Linga (the sand lizard) who searched for the boomerang of light; the death place of Metalungana (the sleeping lizard) who died in fire.

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"THE ROCK" cont.

The northern and north-westerly face holds the marks of the Mala (hare-wallaby or desert kangaroo-rat) who were the tragic victims of Kulpunva the spirit-dingo made of sticks; and of Tjinderi-tjinderiba, the willie-wag tail woman and her host of children; and of others who played their part in creation and death.

What ever the reason for visiting Ayers Rock one will not leave this place without being moved by its grandeur or awe inspired by its size and colour in particular at sunset, when the rays of sunlight shafting almost horizontally across the land from the flat circle of the sky, catch "The Rock" and make it glow unbelievably above the shadowy trees, in an unreal vision, as though the gigantic top has stored the colour from the sun itself and flung it back in defiance of the night.

COMING OUTINGSLOGAN'S GORGE - Daywalk

Date: 8th January, 1978.
 Leader: Jan Raymer 3796352
 Cost: \$3.00
 Emergency Officer: Jim Conway 3514368
 Meeting Time: 7.45am. 8.1.78 at Cnr Roma & Turbot Sts.
 Location: Near Rathdowney

Through Logan's Gorge flows Barney Creek. On this walk the principle feature will be the Gorge and the swimming in the Gorge. This is another one of those summer trips where there is lots of swimming and not too much walking. Remember to bring your li-los.

BOONOO BOONOO - Mini Throughwalk

Date: 26/27 December, 1977.
 Leader: Jan Raymer 3796352
 Cost: \$5.00
 Meeting Time: 7.45am 26/12/77 at Cnr Roma & Turbot Sts.
 Location: Near Stanthorpe
 Emergency Officer: Russ Nelson 3702170

This walk is a special Christmas walk with lots of swimming and some interesting walking. On the night of the 26th there will be a minor feast. This area is known for its interesting river country and the large boulders.

OUTINGS - IN - RETROSPECTALBERT RIVER BASECAMP - RUSS NELSON - 25/27 November.

The trip arrived at the left branch of the Albert River at about midnight. After a downpour of rain we had supper thanks to Jan. Next morning we set off at about 7 a.m. with the throughwalkers. After climbing up the Commando Track and along the Kerry Track we had morning tea at Luke's Bluff.

Then we walked back to the road then onto O'Riellys. After a quick snack we left the throughwalkers and headed for Moran's Falls. After lunch we followed this beautiful creek down to our campsite. That night we went to sleep when the sun went down.

Next morning we climbed to the top of Lost World and saw the various sights. On the decent we met a few-QIT bushies. We eventually met up with the throughwalkers at 2 p.m.

ALBERT RIVER THROUGHWALK - JAN RAYMER

Afew clouds loomed over us on Friday night as we unloaded the cars about a mile from the YHA Hostel and headed off up the 4 wheel drive track over the saddle beside Lost World. After stopping for a breath on top, we then made our way down to the left branch of the Albert River where we camped for the night surrounded by Lost World, Castle Craig and Pats Bluff.

Saturday morning found us up at about 5.30 (well some of us). With the sun shining irregularly, we set off up the Commando Track, joining on to the Kerry Track and following it up to Luke's Bluff. The views from here were quite good and would be really spectacular on a more clear day. With the rain beginning to fall, we moved on from here up to Pat's Bluff and then on to O'Reillys where we had a goody stop at the shop. After finally dragging the troops away from the shop, we followed the graded track system for some 4 miles before branching off to the blazed trail which eventually took us down to the Albert River, after much slipping and sliding. We had a very late lunch when we reached the River before leaving our packs and rock-hopping up the creek in search of Lightning and Thunder Falls. Unfortunately it was getting late, so we about-faced and went back to our packs and continued on in search of a camping spot. To everyone's dismay, we were forced to swim through the freezing water in Red Rock Cutting. After another hour's walking we stopped to camp for the night.

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ALBERT RIVER THROUGHWALK cont.

Sunday morning dawned with the sun shining brilliantly and we continued on down the creek, stopping for a swim along the way. We eventually left the creek and made our way back up to the saddle beside Lost World where we were joined shortly thereafter by the basecampers. We made it back to the cars by 3.00.

CRICKET

By our Special Sports Correspondant.

The Advertised match with BBW was cancelled by BBW after they heard a rumour that our team was purchased by a T.V. Channel.

Our Christmas trip has been altered as eleven top walkers will be in Melbourne over this period.

After we have some practise with our colonial relations we will again challenge BBW.

EQUIPMENT

For lightweight equipment eg. (lightweight airbeds) -
See Ian Hitchenson & Co., McInroy Street, Taringa.
Monday - Friday 8.30 - 5.30 and Saturday 8.30 - 12.00.

FOR SALE!

Don't forget to buy your "Bushwalking Guide to South East Queensland". Price \$2.00, other sources \$2.80.

Also song books, car stickers and club badges for sale at next meeting.

POSITIONS VACANT

Positions are still vacant for both F.M.R. and Federation delegates. Please nominate at the next meeting.

PAST SOCIALS

SKATING

The thrills and spills were enjoyed by the younger members set of the club. Seven people were forced into the skating rink. Some determined, others not so determined. In this category were Jan, Val, Therese, John H. and John C. We called in the professionals Peter Sorensen and M.G. TOT'S to show how it's done. The rink was fairly packed making things a bit difficult for the beginners. The funniest event during the night was when M.G. TOT'S lost his two front wheels off his skates, which made things difficult to control himself and caused major collisions and bodies were scattered everywhere. To finish the night off a cup of coffee was enjoyed at John Hood's place.

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

HO! HO! MERRY CHRISTMAS! This social was away from our home base Brisbane. About 30 people converged onto Ward's farm, Beaudesert. Festivities starting 6.30 p.m.

Santa Clause alias (Pat Neiland) arrived on the scene giving us plenty of laughs to see the night through.

After a great night of fun and games we went to bed.

Next morning was another day. After breakfast we had a li-lo race on the Logan River. Winner was David Kelly.

Lunch was back at the farm.

I would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Ward for their assistance and hospitality..

Mark Tottenham.

COMING SOCIALS

JANUARY SOCIAL

This could be a Theatre night, Ten Pin Bowling or boat cruise to be decided at the December Meeting.

MARK TOTTENHAM

MORE BEAUT SCANDAL

Miss Marnie Conway was seen lately in D.J.'s auto shop buying "L" Plates. Why does she need them? Thought she already had a drivers licence.....

Val seen disappearing in Northbrook Creek.

Where were all the gentlemen at Northbrook Creek?????

Congratulations to Maree Reynolds, Pam Reid and Anne Rogers and Greg Endicott who all passed their recent examinations.

Congratulations to Anne Rogers and Jacki Van der Vegte for joining the ranks of the teachers.

Jans tent has turned up in Russels pack?????

