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Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club

MONTHLY CIRCULAR

UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF OUR LADY OF THE WAY
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Monthly General Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month in the Temperance Hall, Canberra Hotel (Edward St. entrance). The next meeting will be held on Monday 20th July at 7.30p.m. Visitors welcome.

CLUB CALENDAR

19th July, 1970	Mt. Samson	Daywalk
20th July, 1970	Monthly General Meeting	
31st July/2nd Aug.1970	The Steamers	Base Camp/ Throughwalk
7/9th August, 1970	Club Hut	Safety & Training
11/12th August,1970	Barney Mass	Base Camp
15th August, 1970	Social	Horse Riding
21/23rd August, 1970	Booloumba Creek	Club Retreat
28/30th August, 1970	O'Reilly's	Base Camp
11/13th Sept., 1970	Barney Pilgrimage	Base Camp/ Throughwalk
19th Sept., 1970	Social	
25/26th Sept., 1970	Mt. Moon	Overnight D/W
9/11th October,1970	Goomburra Valley	Base Camp
15th November, 1970	Beau Brummell	Daywalk

OFFICE BEARERS

CHAPLAIN	Rev. Fr. M. Keohane, O.M.I.	
PRESIDENT	Vacant	
VICE PRESIDENT	Kathleen Vingoe	486178
GENERAL SECRETARY	Denise Thompson	
OUTINGS SECRETARY	Gavin Clancy	485391
TREASURER	Terry Panton	781646
SOCIAL SECRETARY	Chris Sweeney	974674
S. & T. OFFICER	John Graham	

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Brian Hanvin	572488	Rita Dittman	
Brian McMahon	913532	Greg Gilby	487675

NOTE: Where a party is overdue, the onus is on parents to telephone the Emergency Officer if they are concerned over their son/daughter's safety. Please do not ring before 9.00p.m. at the earliest.

It is hoped to publish the membership list for 1970/71 next month and you are reminded that if your subscription is not paid beforehand you name will not be included in the mailing list for the circular after this month.

Mike Laherty's resignation as President was received at the June General Meeting and an election will be held this month. The following nominations for the position have been received:

Nominee	Nominator	Seconder
John Graham	Michael Laherty	Rita Dittman
Kathleen Vingoe	Denise Thompson	Kath Graham
Terry Panton	Brian Hanvin	Brian McMahon

COMING EVENTS IN DETAIL:

SUNDAY, 19th JULY - DAYWALK - MT. SAMSON
Leader - Lyn Boatwright Fare $2.00
Transport from North Quay (Behind Trittons) at 9.00a.m.
Nominations close on Wednesday 15th July, 1970.(Please ring Outings Secretary if you wish to nominate).
Emergency Officer- Michael Laherty (97-6303)

Mt. Samson, which rises to a height of 2,257 feet, is an ideal point from which to obtain panoramic views of Brisbane and its environs, from the bay to the Ranges. You probably have noticed Mt. Samson on a clear day looking towards Samford as it is a double peaked mountain which stands out on the horizon. The surrounding area contains a number of smaller peaks such as Mt. Kobble and Mt. O'Reilly which help to form a varied landscape.

Water requirements? Depending on how much you either want or think you want, between 1 and 4 pints should be ample. (Remember that one pint equals 2½ cups of water. This is not a difficult walk but a rewarding one all the same.

WEEKEND 31st/2nd AUGUST, 1970 - BASE CAMP/THROUGHWALK - to THE STEAMERS: FARE $5.00

Leaders - Judith Cushing (basecamp)
(throughwalk)
Transport from North Quay (behind Trittons) at 7.00p.m.
Emergency Officer Michael Laherty (97-6303

Emu Creek rises on the western side of the Great Divide near Mts. Roberts (4,365ft.), Huntley (4,175ft.), and Asplenium (4,214 ft.). The Steamers are a very interesting series of peaks with high cliffs which rise from a heavily forested ridge. Mt. Steamer (3,175 ft.) is the highest peak. When you view them from surrounding peaks you can easily see why different parts are known as "The Prow","The Funnel", and "The Mast".

(THE STEAMERS, Cont.

Conn's Plains (3,925ft.) - well known to the Condamine Gorge throughwalkers of over twelve months ago-is a bald topped mountain reminiscent of the Bunya Mountains. Warm clothes are essential for this weekend as it has been known to snow on Conn's Plains. There is a large State Timber Reserve close by and timber roads are numerous in the area. The wreck of the lincoln bomber which crashed on Mt. Superbus (4,525ft.) in 1955 can still be seen, just below the summit, from Conn's Plains.

SAFETY & TRAININS WEEKEND 7/9th AUGUST - CLUB HUT MT. BARNEY

A Safety & Training weekend will be held on the 7/9th August, 1970. Nominations should be sent to the Outings Secretary in the normal way.

Anyone attending should bring their First Aid Kit, Water Bottles and a short length of rope (about 10 - 20 feet).

It is hoped that demonstrations on equipment, map reading, first aid and ropework can be given.

This trip will be subsidized by the club - $3.00 on the bus.

TUESDAY NIGHT/WEDNESDAY 11/12th AUGUST - BARNEY MASS.
Leader - Fare $3.00
Transport from North Quay (behind Trittons) at 7.00p.m. on Tuesday night.
Emergency Officer - Michael Laherty (97-6303)

A bushwalking highlight in its own right, this is also one of the main spiritual events of the year, and as such is a must for anyone who is able to go.

(BARNEY MASS, Cont.

Only once in its history has the Barney Mass been cancelled (in 1962 - before the building of the Club Hut).

Only once has the Mass been held, not in the saddle but at the Club Hut. (The present Outings Secretary was unable to attend on only these two occasions since becoming a Club member; it may be just coincidence - but he fully intends to attend Barney Mass this year!)

The weather for this event has ranged from balmy, almost springlike weather through overcast and wet to bitterly cold. Whatever the weather, however, it is a unique experience, enriching all who attend.

People who cannot leave Brisbane on the Tuesday night can reach the campsite if they leave about 5a.m. on Wednesday.

WEEKEND 28th/30th AUGUST - BASE CAMP - O'REILLY'S
Leader Kath Vingoe (assisted by any sub-leaders she may appoint)

More details of this hardy annual will appear in the next circular.

CLUB RETREAT - BOOLOUMBA CREEK - 21/23rd AUGUST.

It is still proposed to hold the Retreat on this weekend but as yet we do not have a Priest to conduct the retreat, so no further information can be given at this stage.

Congratulations to Vincent McMahon and John Ward who have been declared Ordinary Members.

SAFETY & TRAINING

The Club now has a First Aid Kit suitable for 20 persons. From 1st August, 1970, this First Aid Kit will be taken on every official club walk.

The S.& T. officer will give the kit to the leader before each trip departs. The leader will make sure that the kit is carried on the bus or, in the event of private transport being used, in his car. The leader must return the kit, with a list of anything used from it, to the S.& T. Officer by the Wednesday after the trip. The S.& T. Officer will then replace used items and have the kit ready for the next trip.

The leader will see it is carried on the actual walk. All members of the party must share in carrying it. If the kit is left in the bus or at the camp it can only be pointed out that some of its usefulness is lost in case of injury but it will be a lot closer than the nearest doctor.

The presence of this First Aid Kit does not mean that members do not have to carry their own personal kit. The Club First Aid Kit is designed as a supplement to personal kits, not a replacement of them.

A First Aid course is being conducted by the Queensland Ambulance Transport Brigade, 201 Ann Street, Brisbane, commencing on 19th August, 1970. The fee is $8.00 per person and the course will commence at 7.30p.m. each Wednesday and Friday night, for 8 weeks. Textbooks etc. are included in the cost.

Will anyone interested please send their names and money to the S.& T. Officer so that attendances can be arranged.

Alternatively, a course could be arranged with the Q.A.T.B. to conduct a First Aid Course for the club. To do this and make it worthwhile 30-50 people would be needed. If anyone is interested in this scheme arrangements will be made with the Q.A.T.B. as soon as the first 30 people nominate.

It would be appreciated if all nominations and money could be in by the 31st July, 1970. No money - No Nomination!

MEETING FEATURES

JULY MEETING - Tasmanian Holiday - Part 2 - Nine days in Cradle Mt. National Park - an audio visual of the trip through the park. If you were not able to go on the actual trip here's your chance to see the wonders of the park.

AUGUST MEETING - Candid Camera - Here's your chance to pull out all those censured shots of fellow members and give them to Greg Gilby (if possible at the July meeting). Greg will not be bribed - all slides submitted will be shown at the meeting.

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

The following amendment to the Constitution was made at the June General meeting.

New Section 9(vii)

"The General Meeting may, on the recommendation of a Committee resolution, authorise club funds deemed surplus to immediate requirements, to be placed on fixed deposit or otherwise with any Bank, Permanent Building Society or the Brisbane Archdiocese Development Fund for fixed terms not exceeding 6 months. Signatories shall be any two of the President, General Secretary and Treasurer."

MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTION

Excerpts from "Mountaineering" by Alan Blackhaw

"The soundest way to become an all-round mountaineer is to begin with hill walking and scrambling and later to branch out into rock climbing and snow and ice climbing. When you have a good knowledge of these, the way is open to alpine climbing and perhaps to the greater ranges outside western Europe.

The pleasures of mountaineering are, however, personal to the individual and the extent to which you specialise must depend on yourself, your tastes and ambitions. Ordinary hill walking can be tremendous fun in its own right and many would not wish to do more. For some, on the other hand, nothing less than a mastery of all forms of mountaineering in distant ranges as well as at home is sufficient."

"Most accidents have been due to ignorance or inexperience and could have been avoided if the victims had appreciated the hazards of hill walking and climbing better."

"(There is a) way to fair enjoyment and full achievement in all aspects of mountaineering. Judgment built on experience is the crucial factor here, because everything depends on striking the right balance between prudence and boldness, safety and danger."

"Mountaineering can well be combined with other pursuits such as ski-ing, photography, ornithology and botany."

"You are strongly recommended to get an introduction to the sport (i.e. rockclimbing) from an experienced climber, who can show you the basic skills and safety precautions. Rock climbing does not lend itself to experiments on a trial-and-error basis, and serious- even fatal-injuries can be caused by ignorance of some quite simple point."

COMING SOCIAL:

HORSE RIDING & B.R-BE-CUE!

DATE 15th August, 1970. (Saturday afternoon and night)
TIME 1.00p.m.
PRICE approx. $2.00
PLACE North Quay (opposite Trittons)

It is hoped to have the afternoon horseriding at Kingston and then have a bar-be-cue at Logan Village afterwards.

Transport will be by private vehicles. Further information will be available at the meeting.

Please give your nomination to Chris by the 10th August, so as he will know how many horses are required. Members will be required to bring along their own steak for the bar-be-cue but trimmings will provided.

All members who attended Fancy Dress Party at Jan and Maureen Weston's home are to be congratulated on the originality of their costumes. Prizes for most original went to Ned Kelly (Brian Hanvin) and Nine 'Carrot' Gold (Frankie Neiland)
Other unusual characters were a Cave Man, a Skeleton and 'Joan' Walker with her garter hanging.
The choofer was won by Garth Commerford and the Art Prize went to Thea Sanders.
Some members preferred to play cards but even they stopped for a very excellent supper.
A very enjoyable night thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Weston for providing their home for the evening and thanks to the social sub-committee.

CAPSULE COMMENTS ON PAST TRIPS

Mt. Goolman/Ivory's Rocks

7 people visited this area on Sunday 28th July. Views from the top of Goolman, although good, were slightly marred by haze. From Goolman we went to Ivory's Rocks, discovering some previously unknown caves just north of the larger Rock. Lunch and views were enjoyed from the top of the larger of the two Ivory's Rocks, after which the smaller one was visited and climbed. We then made our way back to the cars and arrived back in Brisbane at 6 o'clock after a very enjoyable day.

Mistake Range - Base Camp & Throughwalk

3 throughwalkers and 6 basecampers camped at the second windmill on Mr. Crosby's property Friday night. Saturday, Basecampers climbed Mt. Castle, wandered around the top and got views from all points. After lunch, went across the Razorback to the Hole in the Wall. Sunday morning basecampers went around to Laidley Gap. Climbed Mt. Lowe on the opposite side of the Gap to Mt. Zahel.
Saturday the throughwalkers climbed onto the top of the Mistake Range via the timbertrack from the sawmill near the entrance to Mr.Crosby's property and continued along the top towards Laidley Gap. Camp was made on a freezing Saturday night after a freezing day(coldest for fourteen years in the area) on an open ridge north of Mt. Mistake. On Sunday, the throughwalkers detoured to the left into the valley behind Laidley Gap, then through the gap and rejoined the basecampers. Both parties went around to Laidley Creek to clean up (the only water in the whole area). Mass was attended in Brisbane.

CLUB NEWS AND VIEWS:

Congratulations to Dermot O'Moore and Kathy Boyle on their recent marriage. Hope you will be able to keep on with club activities and that we will continue to see you both at many club functions.

An enjoyable dinner was had at Peppers by a large number of club members on the occasion of Paul Wijngaarden's departure for Holland and other foreign ports. Hope you have a memorable trip, Paul and hope to see you back again before too long.

Another active member the club is sorry to loose is Greg Gilbert who has been transferred to Darwin. Hope you enjoy your stay in Darwin, Greg and hope you are able to continue your bushwalking in the centre. You might be able to bring back stories of new and wonderful places for more extended trips for the club.

The Club's best wishes go to Maurice Allen who has joined the Lay Missionary Movement in South Vietnam for a period of three years. Hope to see you again before you leave at the end of July, Maurice.

Pat and Madonna off to Simpson Desert - even though they know there is nothing there? Should be an exciting slide showing coming up!

Nice to see club members Terry Boyle and Doug Anderson, who we haven't seen around very much lately, at recent club function. Hope to see you both more often in the future.

Throughwalkers on Tweed Pinnacle were enjoying the view so much they didn't want to come down! Just as well you caught up with the party, Peter. Who else could quench the party's thirst with a mouthful of water?

Congratulations to Lyn McGrath on obtaining her majority.

ADVERTISEMENT:

Graeme Lacey now at 9 Fort Lane, Milton - for paddy made gear as well as Graeme's own design packs and parkers - see Mike Laherty.