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MEETINGS: The Brisbane Bushwalkers Club meets every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Newmarket Memorial Hall, cnr Enoggera Rd. & Ashgrove Ave., Newmarket. Except for December when the only meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday. All welcome.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: The next committee meeting to be held at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 4th February** is at Tom Cowlshaw's at 47 Samford Rd. Alderley. Ph: 3856 4050. All members are welcome to attend.

MAGAZINE: *It is preferred that leaders submit pre-trip descriptions via the leaders page on the web site.*

Articles may also be submitted by e-mail or CD (RTF format). Typed or clearly printed copy is acceptable. Articles may be given to the Editors at any meeting, or mailed to: Editor, Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc. GPO Box 1949 Brisbane 4001 or Fax 3274 6782.

Pre-trips will be given first priority, then articles in order of receipt (subject to available space). The editor reserves the right to edit or reject copy where necessary.

DEADLINE for the **March** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 11th February**
Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!

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'On top of Bald Rock' (Boonoo Boonoo Base Camp) Anna Bransden

EQUIPMENT HIRE

The following equipment is available **for club activities**. The charge *between meetings* per item is:

Foam mat..... \$2.00
Self inflating mat \$5.00
Stove..... \$5.00
Tent or Pack..... \$10.00

EPIRB: An EPIRB is available for loan on club activities. The EPIRB is free of charge to leaders.

GPS: A GPS is available for loan on club activities. The GPS is free of charge.

There is a \$20 per item deposit. Refundable upon return of equipment in good condition.

*All equipment may be booked for hire by phoning the Equipment Officer.
Pre-booking will ensure availability.*

LIBRARY

Books, Maps and Magazines are available for loan between meetings. A fee of 50^c per item is required. Late fees do apply.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Fees include magazine subscription.

Full Members: Singles \$40 per annum
Couples \$60 per annum

Annual membership falls due 31st January.

Probationary Members:
Singles \$25 per 6month
Couples \$40 per 6 month

FIRST AID CERTIFICATES



BBW will refund 50% of the cost of a recognised First Aid certification course for full members. Show the receipt and give a photocopy of the certificate to the Treasurer.

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ABBREVIATIONS & GRADING

DISTANCE Short — Under 10 km per day
Medium — 10 to 15 km per day
Long — 15 to 20 km per day
EXtra Long — Over 20 km per day

ACTIVITY **AB**Seil; **B**ase Camp; **D**ay Walk; **T**hrough Walk; **E**asy Through Walk; **N**ight Walk; **S**OCial Activity; **KaYaK**; **CY**Cle; **S**afety & **T**raining; **F**ederation **M**ountain **R**escue; **RO**Gaine.

FAMILY Family — Family Group conditions; contact Leader

TERRAIN GRADING — 1 to 9

- 1 Path with smooth surface and low gradient.
- 2 Well-formed path or graded track with some minor obstacles.
- 3 Graded track, with obstacles such as rock or root intrusions, fallen debris, or creek crossings.
- 4 Rough, unformed track or open terrain, with obstacles such as rock or root intrusions, fallen debris, or creek crossings.
- 5 Rough or rocky terrain that may require use of hands, and/or creek rock hopping that requires small to moderate steps. Fallen debris possible.
- 6 Steep, rough or rocky terrain requiring use of hands, and/or creek rock hopping requiring moderate to large steps or jumps. Fallen debris possible.
- 7 Climb or descend steep rock, using hand or foot holds. May be some exposure. Good upper body strength required.
- 8 Climb or descend near vertical rock with exposure, using widely spaced or small hand or foot holds. Climbing skills may be required. Good upper body strength required.
- 9 Sustained climbing or descent of vertical or near vertical rock with exposure, using widely spaced or small hand or foot holds. Advanced climbing skills may be required. Good upper body strength required.

FITNESS & ENDURANCE GRADING — A to E (Note: Walking times do not include breaks.)

- A** Basic — Generally suitable for new bushwalkers. Up to four hours of walking and possibly minor hills. Slower pace with frequent breaks.
- B** Easy — About five hours of walking and up to 300m of elevation gain/loss per day.
- C** Moderate — About six hours of walking and up to 600m of elevation gain/loss per day. Agility required.
- D** High — High fitness, endurance and agility required. Up to eight hours of walking and about 1000m of elevation gain/loss per day.
- E** Challenging — Very high fitness, endurance and agility required. Up to or more than twelve hours of walking and greater than 1000m of elevation gain/loss per day.

INFORMATION FOR WALKERS

The Members Handbook has a complete list of Club Guidelines (also available from the library or download from the BBW website)

- Nominate for an activity on the clipboard list at the meetings. Walkers must be financial at the time of nominating.
- Walkers are responsible for ensuring they are capable of doing the activity for which they nominate. Read the Grading descriptions on this page. If you are uncertain, consult the walk leader.
- If you are unable to attend meetings contact the leader (who keeps the list).
- If you are unable to attend the activity you must contact the leader to cancel so that others on the waiting list may go.
- Concerned relatives can ring the Contact Officer for information if the activity is exceptionally late.

TRANSPORT COSTS: Passengers are asked to pay a contribution to the driver for their share of car expenses. Each passenger should expect to contribute 10-15 cents per km. Large cars and 4WDs obviously cost more to run than small cars. If there are 3 or more passengers then 10c/km is probably a reasonable contribution. If you are unhappy with the contribution amount, you are always free to take your own vehicle.

CAMPING FEES: National Park or State Forest camping fees are \$4.85 per person per night. (The leader will provide details.) NSW National Parks also charge \$7 per vehicle per day.

ALWAYS TAKE: Membership Card; lunch, snacks, spare food; water (at least 2 or 3 litres); first aid kit; hat & sunscreen; torch; whistle; pencil & paper; warm clothing (fleece jacket minimum, thermals if you have them); raincoat. Don't forget a change of clothing & shoes for after the walk and money for car pooling & coffee.

Example — **FSDW-3B**
Family (**F**)
Short Day Walk (**SDW**)
Graded track with obstacles (**3**)
Easy (**B**)

PROGRAM

ALWAYS TAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

Refer to Page 3 for a list of the minimum items required to take on a Day Walk

January

26 MDW-5C Nixon Creek Marion Darveniza 3378 4031

28 Meeting

31 MDW-4/5B Mt Coot-tha Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
SDW3B Cainbale Falls Peter Hunt 3351 3642

February

1 MDW-4B Piper Commanche wreck & Mt D'Aguilar Track John Shields 3264 6565
MDW-4C Larapinta Falls Nick Brooking 3262 5244
MDW-6C Cedar & Love Creeks from the bottom Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
MDW3C Jolly's Lookout Dennis Fishlock 32840551 0419577360
LDW4C Coomera Circuit Kay Byrne 3397 1021

3 LDW-6D Around Mt Bangalora Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
SOCIAL Himalayan Cafe Peter Hunt 3351 3642

7 SOCIAL The Old Museum, Cine Retro Burney 0422386080

7-8 STW-9E Mt Barney - Logan's Ridge by Moonlight Richard Walton 3878 7321

8 MDW-4C Larapinta Falls John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MDW-6C Best of Byron Gorge Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
SDW5B Northbrook Gorge Janine Hope 3397 7706
(S)ROG2A Bardon Metrogaine Kay Byrne 3397 1021

10 MDW-7D Coomera Gorge Marion Darveniza 3378 4031

11 Meeting - Musculoskeletal well-being

14 SDW-3B Stairway Falls Mary Comer 3844 6231
LDW-3B Wedding Tree Ray Glancy 3343 8854
SDW-4C Picnic Point and Table Top Toowoomba Greg Kuss. 37208245
MDW2B Great Warringa Pool Wander Jim Bartlett

15 MDW-3B Somerset Trail Eddie Chappel 32619337
MDW-5C Oakey Creek South Branch Don Rose 3298 6001
MDW5B Love CK-The Source John Shields 32646565

20-22 MBC-3C Lamington for New Members Picnic Pete 3351 1184
BC Mt Glorious WORK 'n WORK QPWS VOLUNTEERS ONLY

21 MDW-4/5B Mt Coot-tha John Shields 32646565
Marion Darveniza 3378 4031

22 MDW-5C England Creek Right Branch John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
BIRD Bribie Island Burney 0422386080

25 Meeting - Light-weight bushwalking

27-1 LBC-5C Green Mountains Base Camp Lynsey Moore / Ray Glancy
3366 6135 (L) / 33438854 (R)

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28 S&T KAYAK Mooloolaba Peter Hunt & Kay Byrne 33513642 & 33971021
MDW-3B Wishing Tree & West Cliff Mary Comer 3844 6231

March

1 MDW-7D Coomera Gorge Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
7 MDW-6C Summer Creek Elaine Beller 0417069366
7-14 LTW3C Blue Mountains Kay Byrne 3397 1021
8 MDW-3B Mt. Cordeaux/Bare Rock Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360
LDW-6D Around Mt Bangalora Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
11 Meeting
14 SOCIAL Chocolate High Tea Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360
15 MDW-3B Kin Kin Countryside Trail Eddie Chappel 32619337
MDW2B Noosa National Park Bill Gale 33556023
25 Meeting
29 MDW-5C Lincoln Wreck Peter James 0412886880

April

5 SOCIAL Moreton Bay Day Sail Burney 0422386080
9-13 MTW-3C Fraser Island Elaine Beller 0417069366
24-26 MBC-6C/8C Lost World/Mt Widgee Ray Glancy 3343 8854

May

1-4 LBC-3/5C Under 40s Base Camp - Green Mountains Deniz & Adam Clarke 0412 007 360
2-10 KYK Chandler River Paddle Picnic Pete 3351 1184
3 MDW-8D Mezzanine Ridge Mt Barney - Survey Peter James 0412886880
10 SDW-5C Mt Greville Adam Clarke 0417 790 276
29-31 LBC-7D Mt Barney for First Timers Weekend Lynsey Moore, Brian Randle
3366 6135 (L) 32662932

July

3-5 SOCIAL Xmas in July, Dairy Flats Burney 0422386080

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

BBW walk leaders will need to see your membership card at the start of all walks, so PLEASE have it with you! You may be refused participation in an activity if you cannot prove your membership status.



Coming Trips

NIXON CREEK

Day Walk Mon 26 Jan
 LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
 EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
 GRADE: MDW-5C
 LIMIT: 12
 BRING: Usual day walk gear.
 DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
 CAR KMS: 210km
 MAP: Beechmont 1:25000

This walk in Lamington National Park is primarily a rock-hopping walk along a beautiful rainforest creek with areas of Piccabeen palms and two interesting waterfalls which we will climb around. From the Binna Burra Information Centre we use an old road to take us near the junction of Egg Rock & Nixon Creeks, followed by a pleasant rock hop up Nixon Creek to Bohgaban Falls for lunch and a swim. We then make our way further up Nixon Creek until it crosses the Shipstern track, where we depart the creek and follow graded tracks back to the cars. A reasonable level of fitness and rock-hopping ability is required. If the rocks are dangerously wet the alternative will be one of the Binna Burra track walks.

MT COOT-THA

Day Walk Sat 31 Jan
 LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
 EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
 GRADE: MDW-4/5B
 LIMIT: 12
 BRING: Always take P3, 2L water
 DEPART: 7am Carpark below Summit cafe, Mt Coot-tha - just up from roundabout - UBD p158 D18
 MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30 000

This trip will follow some tracks, some fire trails, wander up some rocky creeks plus a bit of cross country (off track). It will be very suitable for those who want to try off track walking through moderately rough country without being under pressure. Most of the walk will be terrain Grade 4, but the creeks will involve easy rock hopping (grade 5) and maybe a scramble up one of the falls if the rock is not greasy (alternative track exists. New walkers very welcome. It should be a fairly short day - finish early to mid afternoon. Coffee at the Summit cafe

CAINBABLE FALLS

Day Walk Sat 31 Jan
 LEADER: Peter Hunt 33513642

EMAIL: peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au
 GRADE: SDW3B
 LIMIT: 15
 BRING: See page 3
 DEPART: 8:00am Fairfield Gardens
 MAP: Lamington National Park

The walk is designed to provide opportunity to those who wish to experience a walk that is at a lower grade which is on a track worn through the forest rather than a maintained, graded track. If you do not mind walking on uneven ground this walk is suitable for you. It is suitable for your first walk as it is short, with gently & low rises and the track is good. Being a shorter walk there will also be sufficient time to look at the scenery and take advantage of the photo opportunities that are available. We follow the worn track through rainforest visiting a small attractive waterfall along the way. Plus there are all of the other attractions of a rainforest just waiting for your enjoyment. As we come into open forest, near the top of Cainbale Falls, we experience excellent views down the valley. Views will be there for our enjoyment all the way along the escarpment. The finish will be along a four wheel drive road with another good view of Lamington Plateau. There are no big ups or downs just gentle undulations.

PIPER COMMANCHE WRECK & MT D'AGUILAR TRACK

Day Walk Sun 1 Feb
 LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
 MOBILE: 0447824988 [walk day only]
 EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
 GRADE: MDW-4B
 LIMIT: 15
 BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water
 COST: Petrol contribution \$12
 DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro Shopping Centre [Westpac Sign] UBD 108F16
 CAR KMS: 84 KM return
 MAP: BFP
 NOMINATE: Self-serve online preferred
 NO LIST OUT AT MEETINGS /
 SPEAK TO LEADER

PLEASE PRINT EMAIL ADDRESS IN COMMENTS COLUMN WHEN BOOKING ONLINE. Leaving promptly at 7AM we drive to Tenison Woods Mtn where we leave the cars. Traveling along the Mt D'Aguilar Track we have smoko at the big log. Following the ridge past the bower birds lovenest and the decaying jinker, we drop down a ridge to the wreck. Following a rest/photo stop we proceed on a gradual climb up to the top of a peak to have lunch in the cool breeze. Off

again and change of direction takes us over to the old Trig Point to follow the track back to the cars. A WELL DESERVED COFFEE STOP AT SAMFORD ON THE WAY HOME WILL BE OUR REWARD. This is a walk suitable for newer walkers wanting to try some "off track" walking in the dry rainforest.

LARAPINTA FALLS

Day Walk Sun 1 Feb
LEADER: Nick Brooking 3262 5244
MOBILE: 04 1972 4296
EMAIL: brooking@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-4C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual DW gear + togs
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington 1:25000

Larapinta Falls is on the Southern Branch of Christmas Creek in the south part of Lamington National Park. The walk follows a track to Westray's Grave, a beautiful but sad place in the rainforest. From the gravesite we follow the creek upstream. You are bound to get wet feet as we rock hop along the creek. The Falls are impressive and there is a nice pool at the bottom, we'll have lunch there and enjoy a refreshing dip. If you are ready to go off-track and are confident on wet rocks, this walk is for you. We'll go - rain or shine.

CEDAR & LOVE CREEKS FROM THE BOTTOM

Day Walk Sun 1 Feb
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Day walk gear, 3L water
DEPART: 7am Alderley
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30 000

Going up Cedar Creek from the bottom, and then doing the Cedar/Love Ck circuit makes for a longer day (approx 1.5 hrs longer), but the rewards are in the form of excellent swims plus a great pool just by the cars ensuring clean, cool bodies for the trip home. The trip requires good rockhopping skills and confidence in getting up and down a number of steep rocky sections. The creeks are lovely and we will be in shade most of the day. Love Ck Falls are the highest in Brisbane Forest Park and if time we will deviate to the largest Red Cedar tree in the park.

JOLLY'S LOOKOUT

Day Walk Sun 1 Feb
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551
0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au
GRADE: MDW3C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack as per page 3/2lt water
COST: Petrol cost \$12 per person
DEPART: 7am Albany Creek Shopping Centre [Westpac Sign] UBD 108 F16
CAR KMS: 100kms
MAP: Lake Manchester ED1 1971
NOMINATION LIST: Self online/club meetings
Suitable for New Members

Jolly's Lookout is located in the Brisbane Forest Park as part of the D'Aguilar range, to get there we will travel on the Mt Nebo road. The scenic views at Jolly's Lookout are spectacular on a clear day where you can see across the Brisbane valley to the coast line. The first stage of this walk will be done on track, Egernia circuit Thylogale track and Pitta circuit, at Boombana Park is where we will stop for smoko, there are also toilets. There is a significant assortment of vegetation to be seen such as, strangler figs, eucalypt varieties, rainforest tree species, native grape vines, ferns to name a few, the variety of bird life is in abundance the terrain is quite varied. The second stage of the walk we will return along Thylogale track to where we cross an internal forestry road which we will walk along for a short distance then we will enter a forestry fire trail, along the trail we will stop for lunch. This trail will present to us a variety of vegetation and terrain to walk through, the fire trail will bring us back on to Mt Nebo road, we will have a short walk back to our cars. This will be the completion of the walk, we will then treat ourselves to a well deserved coffee/cake/cold drink at the Samford bakery to finish off a pleasant day

COOMERA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 1 Feb
LEADER: Kay Byrne 3397 1021
MOBILE: 0429924726 (walk day only)
EMAIL: kby51515@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: LDW4C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk, 2lt water
COST: Petrol \$21 per passenger
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210kms
MAP: Lamington National park Hema 1:35,000

This is a beautiful track walk of approximately 17.5km in the Lamington NP leaving from Binna Burra. This walk passes beautiful waterfalls crosses several creeks and passes several spectacular sights along the way, so bring your camera. We are walking in cool rainforest much cooler than in Brisbane. There are several creek

crossings, so you may get wet feet. New Members are very welcome, so come along for a lovely day out. Please read: "always take" under information for walkers in the magazine.

AROUND MT BANGALORA

Day Walk Tue 3 Feb
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: LDW-6D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Daywalk gear waterproofed.
DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 230
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000, Teviot
1:25000

This is a longish day and the early start is to try to beat the heat for the climb up a saddle between Mt Bell & Mt Bangalora with great views of the Main Range. Then we drop down a valley and into Reynolds Gorge. Reynolds Gorge is the highlight of the trip. Going through the gorge involves sliding, climbing down and jumping into the pools with the certainty of being wet for nearly 1.5 hours, so wearing a thermal top is recommended. A second gorge will be checked out from above and then we return to the cars by continuing around the mountain. NO LIST AT MEETINGS - contact leader directly

MT BARNEY - LOGAN'S RIDGE BY MOONLIGHT

Through Walk Sat 7 - Sun 8 Feb
LEADER: Richard Walton 3878 7321
MOBILE: 0421 228 466
EMAIL: richard@jaliso.com.au
GRADE: STW-9E
LIMIT: 6
BRING: as little as possible - see below
COST: \$4.85 camping
DEPART: 5:30pm Yellow Pinch
CAR KMS: 200
MAP: Mt Lindsay
TRANSPORT: prearranged - will need to leave Brisbane by 1530hrs (3:30 PM!!!)
IMPORTANT: Note the depart time is 1730 hrs (5:30 PM!!!!)

This activity is full.

LARAPINTA FALLS

Day Walk Sun 8 Feb
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MOBILE: 0408077491
EMAIL: bbw@mountainmojo.info
GRADE: MDW-4C
LIMIT: 8

BRING: Usual Gear as per Mag.
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington 1:25000

This activity is full.

BEST OF BYRON GORGE

Day Walk Sun 8 Feb
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear. 3L water
DEPART: 7am Alderley
CAR KMS: 120 km
MAP: Mt Byron 1:25000

This trip combines many favourite elements - rock slabs, waterfalls, rock hopping, rock scrambling, huge overhanging cliffs, caves, swimming, interesting vegetation changes, some scunge and isolation. This trip is in the Mt Mee State forest and is ideal for this time of the year.

NORTHBROOK GORGE

Day Walk Sun 8 Feb
LEADER: Janine Hope 3397 7706
MOBILE: 0417707663
EMAIL: j_hope@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: SDW5B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 7am Alderley

This is a walk with 5 compulsory swim throughs requiring waterproofing of your pack and the desire to get wet! We drive to Wivenhoe Lookout at Mt Glorious and, prior to starting the walk, arrange a car shuffle for our return to the lookout at the end. The first part of the walk is a very steep off track scramble downhill for about an hour, followed by morning tea at the bottom and then about an hours rock hopping down the creek. At the first of the swim throughs, we will stop to get organised for the swim. You can decide whether to change here or just proceed to get wet and then change into dry clothes after the last swim before we stop for lunch. Because all the swim throughs are relatively close together you might consider a pair of light sandals or aqua shoes for the bits in between. After lunch it is a fairly short distance to where the cars have been pre-parked for the car shuffle back to the lookout and on to coffee. You will need to be confident in rock hopping and scrambling down steep sections, and also feel ok about getting completely wet with all gear. It really is a beautiful gorge and the swimming holes are delightful. Please register on line only.

BARDON METROGAIN

Rogaine Sun 8 Feb
LEADER: Kay Byrne 3397 1021
MOBILE: 0429924726 (walk day only)
EMAIL: kby51515@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: (S)ROG2A
LIMIT: Groups of 2-5 people (20total)
BRING: 2ltrs water, pack with snack food, hat,
sunscreen, Compass
COST: \$20/\$25 Member or non member of
Qld Rogaine Association
DEPART: 9:45am Purtell Park, off Lorward Ave
or Carwoola St Bardon
MAP: Supplied

To test the many hours of navigation training I've attended, I decided to put myself up against some real experts and joined the Qld Rogaine Association. My first event is a 5 hr Metrogaine at Bardon. I need at least 1 more team member to enter and if more people are interested we can form more teams to represent BBW. Rogaining is the sport of cross country navigation and a fun way to practice navigation skills. The rogaine we are entering will start at 10am and finish at 5pm. We will be navigating the suburb of Bardon, so if we get really lost we can always ring a cab!!! Come along and join me for a real hoot of an afternoon. Team Nominations must be in at the QRA by 4th February.

COOMERA GORGE

Day Walk Tue 10 Feb
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-7D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day walking gear, 3L water,
COST: carpooling
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210
MAP: Beechmont 1:25000

This walk out of Binna Burra starts by following the Coomera Circuit track for about an hour, then dropping down into the river through a number of cliff breaks. People need to be confident about down climbing using rock/roots/grass or trees as handholds. The meandery route is exposed in places, crossing under & over waterfalls, so people need to be comfortable with exposure. Once at Coomera River, we will rock hop and/or wade up past more waterfalls to the base of the Coomera Falls where there is a marvelous pool. The return is the same way. Fantastic scenery guaranteed. If you do not want to get your boots wet, then take a pair of joggers to change into at the river & pick up your boots on the way back. (Can also leave a water bottle there). Please contact leader directly - NO LIST AT MEETINGS

STAIRWAY FALLS

Day Walk Sat 14 Feb
LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231
MOBILE: 0427446000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: SDW-3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day walk gear & swimmers
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens car park
MAP: Lamington NP

This activity is full.

WEDDING TREE

Day Walk Sat 14 Feb
LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854
MOBILE: 0419 719 480
EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: LDW-3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: usual Page 3 gear, lunch, morning
tea, minimum 2 litres water
COST: Vehicle Contribution approx \$25
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 220 kms
MAP: Beechmont

This is a walk planned for Valentine's Day and the romantically inclined. It is approximately 18 kilometres long and will take us past enchanting waterfalls, Picnic Rock and all the beautiful areas of the Tooloona Gorge. We can expect to see a large number of waterfalls, possibly the Lamington Spiny Crayfish and the birds of the rainforest. Morning tea will be at Picnic Rock, lunch will be at Wanungra Lookout and then the highlight of the day on the way back to Green Mountains Carpark will be the Wedding Tree, a place where numerous weddings with a rainforest theme are held. This Ancient Antarctic Beech has a lovely arch making the perfect backdrop to the theme of Valentines Day. Unofficially I'm told that it's permissible to propose marriage within 50 metres of this tree though I'm unable to confirm this. For those who are not romantically inclined, this walk also goes by the name of the Tooloona Creek Circuit with all the usual rainforest attractions.

**PICNIC POINT AND TABLE TOP
TOOWOOMBA**

Day Walk Sat 14 Feb
LEADER: Greg Kuss. 07 37208245
EMAIL: gregorydk@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: SDW-4C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Day Walk gear
COST: transport+afternoon tea
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 250
MAP: not required

This activity is full.

GREAT WARRINGA POOL WANDER

Day Walk Sat 14 Feb

LEADER: Jim Bartlett
MOBILE: 0418 199 381
EMAIL: jamesbartlett46@hotmail.com
GRADE: MDW2B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: USUAL DAY WALK GEAR
(SWIMMERS) + 2L WATER
DEPART: 7:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 200KM (approx)
MAP: Great Walk (Gold Coast Hinterland
GREAT WARRINGA POOL WANDER

This is a varied and beautiful final section of the Great Walk (Gold Coast Hinterland). The walk starts at Apple Tree Park Springbook and drops down into the catchment area of Little Nerang Dam. It then follows the west branch of Little Nerang Creek up a narrow gorge with cascades and pools until the morning tea and optional swim at Warringa Pool. The track then climbs up past the impressive Purlingbrook Falls to the Settlement Campground and a pre arranged car shuffle. There will be the further afternoon option of the short Twin Falls Circuit. This is a variation of the usual Springbook walk which is always rewarding and interesting. Come along for a great day. Online bookings preferred. Happy Trails

SOMERSET TRAIL

Day Walk Sun 15 Feb

LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337
MOBILE: 0432733847
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-3B
LIMIT: 14
BRING: As per mag page 3, 2 litres water
DEPART: 7am Alderley Shopping Centre

This activity is full.

Oakey Creek South Branch

Day Walk Sun 15 Feb

LEADER: Don Rose 3298 6001
MOBILE: 0409 20 7763
EMAIL: donrose@y7mail.com
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day gear Page 3
DEPART: 7am Tadpoles Childcare Centre,
Corbett St Samford
CAR KMS: 105
MAP: Mt Byron 1:25,000

NOMINATIONS: Direct to Leader, No List at meeting

This walk starts along the Somerset Trail, approximately 2 kms from the ranger's office. We follow the Somerset Trail for another 2 kms, then walk along a few logging roads until we reach the state forest boundary. We then head down a spur and the cascades until we reach Oakey Creek South Branch. From here we follow the creek back up to the cars, there are some pretty sections with a couple of waterholes and a swim. There is a lot of rock hopping. This walk is a SURVEY, that I have tagged along on once before. The meeting place for the walk will be at SAMFORD, adjacent to the roundabout.

LOVE CK - THE SOURCE

Day Walk Sun 15 Feb

LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 [walk day only]
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW5B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: usual day pack as page3 / 2L water
COST: Petrol contribution \$12
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro Shopping
Centre [Westpac Sign] UBD 108F16
CAR KMS: 84 Km return
MAP: BFP;

SELFSERVE ONLINE PREFERRED
NO LIST OUT AT MEETINGS

Departing promptly at 7am we drive up to Tenison Woods Mtn. and walk out towards Mt D'Aguiar and have smoko at the big log. Next we work down the ridge and pick up a dry tributary which takes us down to Love Ck. From here we follow the creek upstream until we reach the source which is only a short way back to the cars. A good offtrack walk with a variety of forests and ground surfaces. Not difficult but reasonable fitness required. OK for newer walkers. "Trust me". Coffee stop at Samford on the way home. ONLINE BOOKINGS TO LEAVE EMAIL ADDRESS IN COMMENTS COLUMN

LAMINGTON FOR NEW MEMBERS

New Members Weekend Fri 20 - Sun 22 Feb

LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184
MOBILE: 0419 496 837
EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au
GRADE: MBC-3C
LIMIT: 25
BRING: Tent, mattress, sleeping bag
COST: \$15 + transport
CAR KMS: 220km

This is a new members weekend, which probationary members can use to qualify for ordinary membership of the club. It involves a base camp

from Friday night to Sunday afternoon at Green Mountains. (Next to the O'Reilley's resort.) There will be discussions and presentations interspersed through the weekend on topics relevant to bush walking and to our club in particular. And this is a great opportunity to make some new friends. Ordinary members are also welcome to attend, subject to campground capacity. There will be a grade 3 walk each day, visiting some of the creeks and waterfalls of the Lamington National Park. Be prepared for a swim, as the weather may be warm. Our campsite has showers, toilets and water provided. Please try to arrive at camp between 4pm and 9pm. (If you are early, try the forest tops walk.) Nomination instructions and further details are on the club web site, or contact the leader.

MT GLORIOUS WORK 'N WORK QPWS VOLUNTEERS ONLY

Basecamp Fri 20 - Sun 22 Feb
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 [walk day only]
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: WHATEVER
BRING: GLOVES; EYE PROTECTION; LONG PANTS AND SLEEVES
COST: CAMPING FEES
QPWS VOLUNTEERS ONLY

Well fellow volunteers it is on again with more lantana and weed clearing to be enjoyed along with your mates. We are going to open up the view to the valley wider and we do not anticipate it to be as hard going as the last camp. There will be 4 new volunteers in our group so the ear bashing will get spread more. Attendees for Saturday only are OK. Hope you can make it.

MT COOT-THA

Day Walk Sat 21 Feb
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-4/5B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Always take P3, 2L water
DEPART: 7am Carpark below Summit cafe, Mt Coot-tha - just up from roundabout - UBD p158 D18
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30 000

This trip will follow some tracks, some fire trails, wander up some rocky creeks plus a bit of cross country (off track). It will be very suitable for those who want to try off track walking through moderately rough country without being under pressure. Most of the walk will be terrain Grade 4, but the creeks will involve easy rock hopping (grade 5) and maybe a scramble up one of the falls if the rock is not greasy (alternative track

exists. New walkers very welcome. It should be a fairly short day - finish early to mid afternoon. Coffee at the Summit cafe.

ENGLAND CREEK RIGHT BRANCH

Day Walk Sun 22 Feb
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MOBILE: 0408077491
EMAIL: bbw@mountainmojo.info
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual Gear as per Mag.
DEPART: 7:00am Alderley
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30000

This activity is full.

BRIBIE ISLAND

Day Walk/drive Sun 22 Feb
LEADER: Burney 0422386080
EMAIL: burnicestartkey@hotmail.com
GRADE: BIRD
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Bino's, bird book, Scope if you can, Insect repellent, sunscreen, morning tea and lunch, chair
DEPART: 7am Buckley's Hole, Bongaree
MAP: UBD map 63 E4
BIRD WATCHING ON BRIBIE:

This activity is full.

GREEN MOUNTAINS BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 27 Feb - Sun 1 Mar
LEADER: Lynsey Moore / Ray Glancy 3366 6135 (L) / 33438854 (R)
MOBILE: 0419 719480 (R) / 0409 725843 (L)
EMAIL: moorealjac@optushome.com.au
GRADE: LBC-5C
LIMIT: 20
BRING: Base camp gear + P3 What to bring for walks
COST: \$10 per person camp fees
DEPART: Meet Green Mountains Camp Ground Friday night
CAR KMS: 220 kms
MAP: Beechmont (1:25000)

Green Mountain campground is 110 kms south of Brisbane in the Lamington National Park. This is the "O'Reilly's" section renowned for its lush subtropical rainforest, pristine creeks, spectacular waterfalls, prolific birdlife and snapping crayfish. We will meet at the camp ground on Friday night - we will be easy to spot with a tarpaulin & tables set up for those who may wish to have their Friday evening meal at the campground. AND the campground has hot showers. Saturday will see 2 walks to choose from: the first & more difficult

(hence the walk grading) will take in both branches of Canungra Creek. We will descend Bull Ant Spur, cross the E branch & climb over "middle ridge" down to Fountain Falls on the W branch. From there it is a magnificent rock hop down to the junction with the E branch; then back up the E branch (more sedately) via Stairway Falls to Bullant Spur again, primed for the slog home. The second walk will depend on the group but will be one of the track walks on offer (perhaps the wonderful Toolona Ck circuit) & most probably be graded LDW-3B - whichever is chosen, it will offer great samples of Lamington's treasures. Then all back to camp to clean up for a usual base camp festivity. On Sunday, we will democratically select a track walk not chosen the previous day. And we plan to be back at camp in plenty of time to pack up for the return to Brisbane. You will need to provide breakfast, morning tea & lunch for 2 days & whatever you require for Friday night. We will be contacting those coming, closer to the date about what to bring for the Saturday evening festivity.

MOOLOOLABA

Day Kayak Sat 28 Feb
LEADER: Peter Hunt & Kay Byrne 33513642 & 33971021
EMAIL: peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: S&T KAYAK
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Kayak, paddle, PFD, money
DEPART: 8:30am Mooloolaba

This is an opportunity to learn some sea kayaking skills without any cost for the training. Included in the skills list is paddle strokes, beach launching & landing, deep water rescue, handling basic sea conditions. Mooloolaba is a reasonably protected beach from which to learn these skills. I do not have any qualifications so all that I can provide is knowledge, no certificate. Please bring your own kayak as you will need it when we launch into the sea. Either an estuary or sea style of kayak is suitable. No other options please. You can hire either of these from such places as Rosco Canoe & Kayak, Windsor, Goodtime, Woolloongabba and other options in the yellow pages. You can hire roof racks with the kayak if needed. Include your e-mail address with your nomination so that I can e-mail the details for the meeting place at Mooloolaba. Please do not launch your kayak as we will be covering some theory first. Also, bring some money for a fish and chip lunch from one of the many places in the area.

WISHING TREE & WEST CLIFF

Day Walk Sat 28 Feb
LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231
MOBILE: 04276000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW-3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington NP

This walk is in the O'Reillys area of Lamington NP. It is about 11kms in a variety of vegetation. We start in the rainforest behind the Guest House walking down hill to the Wishing Tree and Morans Creek. Following the creek downstream we have some open 4WD track before we get to the top of the Falls. This is where probably we will have morning tea in a clearing with good views. We then walk up the Morans Falls track to the road where there is the junction to Python Rock. After following this track we go to West Cliff where on a clear day there are good views to Main Range. From here we return via Lukes Farm and a short road walk to the cars. This is a suitable walk for new members who are unsure of their fitness for longer walks. NB I will be away in January so please nominate either before or after then. Thanks.

COOMERA GORGE

Day Walk Sun 1 Mar
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-7D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day walking gear, 3L water,
COST: carpooling
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210
MAP: Beechmont 1:25000

This walk out of Binna Burra starts by following the Coomera Circuit track for about an hour, then dropping down into the river through a number of cliff breaks. People need to be confident about down climbing using rock/roots/grass or trees as handholds. The meandery route is exposed in places, crossing under & over waterfalls, so people need to be comfortable with exposure. Once at Coomera River, we will rock hop and/or wade up past more waterfalls to the base of the Coomera Falls where there is a marvelous pool. The return is the same way. Fantastic scenery guaranteed. If you do not want to get your boots wet, then take a pair of joggers to change into at the river & pick up your boots on the way back. (Can also leave a water bottle there). CONTACT THE LEADER DIRECTLY - NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

SUMMER CREEK

Day Walk Sat 7 Mar
LEADER: Elaine Beller 0417069366
EMAIL: embeller@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual day walk gear, 3L water, waterproofed packs
COST: Carpooling
DEPART: 6am Alderley
CAR KMS: 250km
MAP: Mt Langley, Borumba Dam 1:25 000

This creek is in the Conondales, offering beautiful pools for swimming and moderate rockhopping up the creek. We drop down a grassy slope into the creek, with a small amount of lantana to avoid, then it is fairly easy rock hopping until lunch time with some superb pools for as many swims as we like! When we reach the "climb out rock", you have the choice of climbing up a short, but somewhat exposed section of rock, or swimming just a few metres around the base. If you choose to swim, your pack will need to be waterproofed. Once up the rock, we pick up a faint track back to the road and the cars, stopping for a breather to view the falls a little further upstream. Online nominations preferred, or by phone call or email. No list at meetings. (Note: If enough of the group are interested and experienced enough, there is an optional way out that involves swimming through a canyon, clambering over some large boulders and another swim to the base of the waterfall. The climb up the two sections of the waterfall requires competence climbing up steep rock, care, plus the ability to cope with exposure. If there is another experienced leader on the trip, we may be able to divide the group into 2 sections with one group taking the easier way out and the other tackling the waterfall. This will increase the terrain grading to a 7. Shoes to wear in the water are recommended. I'll be going the easier way!)

BLUE MOUNTAINS

Throughwalk Sat 7 - Sat 14 Mar
LEADER: Kay Byrne 3397 1021
EMAIL: kby51515@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: LTW3C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Through walking gear, food for 3 nights on the track
COST: Air and Train fare, camping and Accommodation
DEPART: Meeting at Katoomba

I am arranging a week in the Blue Mountains National Park, using Katoomba as a Base. There will be 3 walks, firstly a 2 day walk in the Blue Gum Forest, a day walk from Wentworth Falls to

the Valley of the Waters, and the 3 day walk called the "6ft Track" from Katoomba to the Jenolan Caves. These are all considered very spectacular walks with plenty of cliff top vistas, waterfalls, lush rainforest, open woodlands and a tour of the Jenolan caves to end. On the multi-day walks we will be camping overnight so you need to bring all your thru walking gear and food with you. We will arrange to leave other items not necessary for the walks at our base in Katoomba. We will be using public transport to get us to and from our walking destinations. I plan to fly to Sydney and catch the train to Katoomba to meet at Katoomba on Saturday 7th March. We will start walking Sunday 8th. Please ring me to nominate or if you have any questions.

MT.CORDEAUX/BARE ROCK

Day Walk Sun 8 Mar
LEADER: Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360
EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: 3L Water and all items on Page 3 of magazine
COST: Car contribution and coffee
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This activity is full.

AROUND MT BANGALORA

Day Walk Sun 8 Mar
LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: LDW-6D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Daywalk gear waterproofed.
DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 230
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000, Teviot 1:25000

This is a longish day and the early start is to try to beat the heat for the climb up a saddle between Mt Bell & Mt Bangalora with great views of the Main Range. Then we drop down a valley and into Reynolds Gorge. Reynolds Gorge is the highlight of the trip. Going through the gorge involves sliding, climbing down and jumping into the pools with the certainty of being wet for nearly 1.5 hours, so wearing a thermal top is recommended. A second gorge will be checked out from above and then we return to the cars by continuing around the mountain. NO LIST AT MEETINGS - contact leader directly

KIN KIN COUNTRYSIDE TRAIL

Day Walk Sun 15 Mar
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337

MOBILE: 0432733847
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-3B
LIMIT: 14
BRING: As per Mag page3, 2 litres water
DEPART: 7am Aspley Hypermarket near Aust
Post sign

This walk is trail 1 of the Noosa trail network. The 15 km trail starts & finishes at the Kin Kin hotel which is a 1.5 hour drive from Brisbane. Take the Pomona turn off the Bruce Highway. The trail is a relaxing rural ramble through the undulating countryside of banana crops, mango farms & rolling hills. There are a couple of sections where good views of the area and of Noosa, Lake Cootharaba, Mt Tinbeerwah etc can be obtained. I have not done this walk but it is well signposted by the Noosa Shire Council. This walk is most suitable for new members of the club. Please nominate by e-mail, by home phone or at meetings.

NOOSA NATIONAL PARK

Day Walk Sun 15 Mar
LEADER: Bill Gale 33556023
MOBILE: 0409613905
EMAIL: fregata@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW2B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day walk gear, plus towel and swimmers
DEPART: 7am Alderley
MAP: www.epa.qld.gov.au
PREFERRED NOMINATION: Website

We start near the National Park entrance, where we will park the cars on a side road. We will walk to Alexandria Bay on the Tanglewood track and then get some sand between our toes on the beach, with a possible surf if conditions are safe. Morning tea will be at Hell's Gates, which has great views of the coast in both directions. We then walk along the coastal track and stop for a swim and lunch under the trees at Granite Bay. After lunch, we walk along the coastal track to the park entrance and then along the boardwalk to Hastings Street for coffee, with a short walk back to the cars, along the boardwalk. This is an easy walk, on sandy, rocky and board tracks, through some lush rainforest and more open coastal vegetation, with sheoaks and pandanus. The coastal track has spectacular views of the rocky foreshore, Noosa River Entrance and Northern beaches, with surfboard riders and fishing boats out to sea. Hastings Street does good coffee and people may feel more comfortable in less daggy walking clothes. Sandals, Walking Shoes or Running shoes are appropriate footwear.

LINCOLN WRECK

Day Walk Sun 29 Mar
LEADER: Peter James 0412886880
EMAIL: psjames2@three.com.au
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Normal Day Walk gear
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25 000

The walk starts from Teviot Gap and follows the old rabbit fence to the top of the range. This section of the walk is quite steep and can be slippery. At the top we turn west and head towards Mt Superbus. Just after crossing Mt Superbus we'll branch south and follow an old logging road until we reach a faint track entering from the south west. At that point, we'll walk off-track and follow the ridge until we reach the Lincoln wreck. If you want to practice your off track navigation skills, please bring a map and compass. We'll have lunch in the clearing above the wreck and return by the same route. It will be a long day, but at least it is all down hill (mostly, any way) on the way back.

FRASER ISLAND

Through Walk Thu 9 - Mon 13 Apr
LEADER: Elaine Beller 0417069366
EMAIL: embeller@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW-3C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: usual through walk gear
COST: see trip notes
DEPART: 6pm Car pooling by arrangement
CAR KMS: 600

We will walk part of the Fraser Island Great Walk, from Dilli Village to Lake Wabby, taking a leisurely four days to do so. Hopefully we can find another person willing to take their 4WD. If so, we'll take the two cars to Rainbow Beach on Thursday night, and camp at Inskip Point. On Friday, we'll head over to the island on the barge, drive up the inland road (high tide, unfortunately!) and then the beach to Dilli Village and do a car shuffle between Dilli Village and Eurong before commencing the walk from Dilli Village. This first day (13.5km), we travel over some large sand dunes to Lake Boomanjin for a swim and lunch, then on to our first night's camp at Lake Benaroon. This is a walkers-only campsite, and the lake is well worth another dip. The full moon rises just before 6pm, so we can have nibbles and dinner beside the lake and enjoy the view. On Saturday (14km), we pass through Central Station, along the beautiful Wanggoolba creek, and over to Basin Lake for yet another swim over lunch time, before walking to Lake Mackenzie. As the sun goes down, the day trippers will all leave,

and we'll have the walkers' campsite and the lake to ourselves! On Sunday (12km), we walk through the tall trees to the Lake Wabby walkers' campsite, and set up camp with plenty of time to explore Lake Wabby and the Hammerstone sand blow. Monday morning we will walk the few kilometres down the beach to Eurong to pick up the car we've left there, then home to Brisbane in the afternoon. The total walking distance is about 50km, and does involve some ups and downs over the old sand dunes, but nothing too strenuous! The campsites and lakes are all different, and all beautiful, so come along for what should be a lovely Easter long weekend. This walk is all on a track, and is suitable as a first-time through walk provided you've done several longer track walks recently. If you need any help with packing or equipment, please ask. Note: Since this trip involves some beach driving and therefore increased fuel consumption, we will charge car contribution at the full 15c/km, even with 4 people in each car, plus share the cost of the barge (\$20pp), the vehicle permit (\$10pp) and make a contribution to the drivers having their car underbodies washed (\$10pp) - total around \$130 per person (600km car distance). The other cost is camping fees \$19.40, payable to the leader on nomination for the walk.

LOST WORLD/MT WIDGEE

Base Camp Fri 24 - Sun 26 Apr
 LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854
 MOBILE: 0419 719 480
 EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
 GRADE: MBC-6C/8C
 LIMIT: 20
 BRING: food, communal Saturday night meal, linen, day walk gear, Page 3 gear, long pants/gaiters, gloves
 COST: \$40 per person (accommodation) PAYABLE WITH NOMINATION & vehicle contribution
 DEPART: Lost World Guesthouse (Kerry Valley up from Beaudesert)
 CAR KMS: 220
 MAP: Lamington

If you're looking for a base camp with a difference, why not join me at the Lost World Guesthouse (built by Bernard O'Reilly in 1955). The Guesthouse is perfect for this type of activity with basic accommodation (toilet, shower, beds, fridge, stove, kitchen gear, crockery, cutlery etc.) The walks I have in mind are Lost World (Grade 6C) which will take people to the top of the Lost World Plateau going up a number of ridges including a razorback where Lost World gets its topographic name of Mt Razorback giving great views back to Green Mountains Plateau and then

further ahead Mt Worendo and the Albert River North and South Branch Valleys. We make our way back to the Guesthouse via Albert River. The second walk (Grade 8C) is up Mt Widgee which is significantly more difficult involving cliffs which have to be negotiated and once on top of Mt Widgee we will continue towards Mt Throakban until we meet the ridge we have chosen as our descent ridge. We will also walk back along Albert River to the Guesthouse. Please note that both these walks involve areas of significant exposure and people nominating will need a good head for height and be comfortable with some level of exposure. Please don't let this description put you off planning to do at least the Lost World as it is regularly done as a club walk and most people find that they are comfortable with the conditions once they start. I plan to do a survey of Mt Widgee in the very near future and will update these trip notes once I have completed the survey. Saturday night will be a communal meal so start thinking about what you can bring. On Sunday a short walk is planned to a cave at the base of Lost World which should only take a couple of hours, after which we will head back to the Guesthouse for lunch (Saturday night leftovers), pack up and head for home.

UNDER 40S BASE CAMP - GREEN MOUNTAINS

Under 40s Base Camp Fri 1 - Mon 4 May
 LEADER: Deniz & Adam Clarke 0412 007 360
 MOBILE: 0419 791 276
 EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com
 GRADE: LBC-3/5C
 LIMIT: 25
 BRING: Base camp gear, thermals, raingear, plenty of warm clothes as this area is noted for cold nights even in summer.
 COST: \$14.55 per person + car costs
 DEPART: Meet Green Mountains Camp Ground Friday night
 CAR KMS: 220 kms
 MAP: Beechmont Map

For those under 40 members we have a base camp during the May long weekend which is Friday to Monday (three nights of camping). Green Mountains National Park is 110 kms south of Brisbane in the Gold Coast Hinterland. The area is renowned for the beauty of its rainforest, pristine creeks and waterfalls and for these reasons features heavily in the club's walks program and magazine. Other features include prolific birdlife, pademelons around the campsite and the noted Lamington Blue Spiny Crayfish. The walks in this area are predominantly on graded tracks though many are long (17 to 22 kms). As this area is

easily accessed, we will meet at the camp ground just before the National Parks Car Park on Friday night (entry on the right). The campground has composting toilets and hot showers - fires are not permitted. We will organise two walks of different grades for Saturday and Sunday, departing approx 8am - participation in walks is the aim of this weekend. Payment of \$14.55 camp fees is required directly to leaders prior to confirming nomination for this base camp. 'Paid' will be displayed against members who are confirmed. Please contact leaders for more details.

CHANDLER RIVER PADDLE

River Through Paddle Sat 2 - Sun 10 May

LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184

MOBILE: 0419496837

EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au

GRADE: KYK

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Boat, paddle, life jacket, helmet, shoes to walk in water

COST: \$180 transport

CAR KMS: 1200km

MAP: Big Hill, Kempsey Forestry

Our paddle begins at Carters Trail on the Chandler River, and finishes 60km downstream in the Macleay River at Georges Junction. This stretch of river boasts spectacular scenery, glorious campsites, crystal clear water and easy paddling. We will see rock wallabies hopping up the cliffs above us, and brumbies crossing the river ahead, which add to the adventure feel of the trip. The river has numerous small rapids. These are not monster white water extreme sports, but they do add some excitement to the trip and will require basic river paddling skills. We'll have 5 days on the water, so the pace will be relaxed with plenty of time for morning tea and side trips.

MT BARNEY FOR FIRST TIMERS WEEKEND

Day Walk/social Weekend Fri 29 - Sun 31 May

LEADER: Lynsey Moore, Brian Randle 3366 6135 (L) 32662932

MOBILE: 0409 725843 (L)

EMAIL: moorealjac@optushome.com.au

GRADE: LBC-7D

LIMIT: 17 (Incl Leaders)

BRING: Always take p3, + 3-4 litres of water plus torch (compulsory) for climb, food & drink for the weekend (including party food), sleeping bag & pillow (ear plugs also suggested for people allergic to zeds in the night).

COST: Approx \$65 - \$70

DEPART: Own arrangements (phone Lynsey if needing transport)

CAR KMS: Approx.200 km

MAP: Mt Lindesay (1:25000)

In the tradition so wonderfully established by Rob Leavy, we are again putting on the Mt Barney for First Timers. This weekend offers those ready to take on the 1100m climb & 20k round trip of this SE Qld centrepiece, the opportunity to combine the outstanding Barney bushwalking experience with a relaxing social celebration. Arriving Fri evening, we will be staying in Henry's & For-ester's Huts at Mt Barney Lodge. The huts have full crockery, cutlery, fridges and gas stoves; & hot showers shared with the campers. You do need to supply your own sleeping sheets, bags etc. On Sat, we climb to the East Peak via the South East Ridge. This offers fabulous views back to Mt Ernst & Mt Lindesay & over to Lam-ington most of the way up. After lunch on top, our descent (depending on the group) will be via South (Peasants') Ridge or Rocky Creek. Al-though there is not much exposure on the climb, there are a couple of tricky and steep sections and so those who have a significant fear of heights should not nominate. (If in doubt, discuss with Brian or Lynsey.) Sat night is post-climb celebration, so bring your munchies (we will coor-dinate closer to the date) etc and your choice of beverages. No walks are planned for Sun but, for those with surplus energy, there is an interesting climb up Mt Gillies behind the Lodge. Check out time is 11am on Sun. Booking Conditions: Fit-ness: You must have recently climbed at least one of Mt Maroon or Mt Greville (or an equiva-lent) without ill-effects to your health, fitness or concerns with terrain. Accommodation Cost: Approx \$65 - \$70 (depending on numbers) per person, payable by cash or cheque made out to BBW. And please note: there can be no Sat morning arrivals - we need a precision start for a big day; & you pay for both nights, as we have booked accommodation for the weekend.

Just when you thought it was safe to go back into the water....

In the December magazine there was a post-trip article which mentioned a "massive" eel in the pool under Purlingbrook Falls. Coincidentally, that walk leader's next walk was to Gwongoorool Pool.

The article below is an extract of an article that appeared in The Courier Mail on November 18, 2008.

Eel bites Colombian student in Gwongoorool rock pool

A GIANT rogue eel has terrorised swimmers at a Gold Coast swimming hole - but park rangers say there's nothing they can do to prevent the attacks.

The territorial eel, more than a metre long, has attacked several swimmers, including Colombian student Carolina Franco, who was bitten twice on the leg during a dip in the Gwongoorool rock pool at Binna Burra on Sunday.

The eel has become so aggressive that rangers from Lamington National Park have placed a sign on the walking trail leading to the rock pool, warning swimmers that eels inhabit the waters and have been known to attack when threatened.

Swimmers would have been hoping the recent heavy rain had forced the eel to get a wriggle on but it was easy to spot at the rock pool yesterday, patrolling the perimeter of its fiercely-guarded territory.

Ms Franco, who is studying English in Brisbane, was at Binna Burra with friends on the weekend when she decided to cool off in the popular swimming hole. She was bitten twice on the left leg and later required a tetanus shot. She said she did not see any sign warning against swimming in the pools and got the fright of her life when the eel came in for a chomp.

Her friend said rangers told them there had been several reports of the eel biting swimmers.

An Environmental Protection Agency spokesman said the eel had not given rangers the slip and no further action would be taken. "Eels are part of the natural environment at Binna Burra and we need to remember we are entering their habitat. The EPA won't be moving them out of their pool," the spokesman said.

Pat's Bushwalking Tips

Throughwalkers Theorem



The only thing I find annoying about throughwalking is that I always seem to spend lots of time rummaging around in my throughwalking pack to find an item I am looking for. It may be reassuring for walkers to know that there is a Throughwalkers Theorem that states:

"Any item that is wanted in a throughwalking pack is always at the bottom of the pack."

Any readers with mathematics or logic training will have heard of a Corollary which, in simple terms, is an inference that can be made from an existing theorem. Well, the Throughwalkers Theorem has a corollary which states:

"An item is not wanted until it has reached the bottom of your throughwalking pack."

Clever bushwalkers make use of this corollary by ensuring their first-aid kit and raincoat are always at the top of their pack.



REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS - YOUTH ENTERPRISE TRUST

“Woodstock” the home of **Youth Enterprise Trust**; is a unique property set on 300 acres bordering the Albert River, in close proximity to Mount Tamborine and other National Parks.

Youth Enterprise Trust is actively working towards making this property available for groups to use for a variety of programmes. For example:

- Outdoor education activities (i.e.: walking/hiking, map reading, raft making, farm based activities)
- Bush Craft (i.e.: cooking, fencing, stool making)
- Educational projects (i.e.: environmental, science, art etc)
- Leadership

“Woodstock” will be used to offer a menu of tailor-made programmes (facilitated by YET staff) utilising the property’s natural assets which include use of the river which surrounds the property, the wetlands area and the space itself.

These programmes will be made available for organisations/schools working (primarily) with young people and YET has ‘Kurrajong House’ which could provide accommodation for a residential programme for up to 15 clients and five staff.

“Woodstock” could also be made available as a venue for groups to run their own programme of activities. This venue is also available for the use of ongoing staff training, and other such events.

I am asking the Brisbane Bushwalkers to volunteer to undertake various roles using some of your expertise in various disciplines. These roles could include garden maintenance, permaculture, plant propagation, bush tucker gardens, vehicle and building maintenance, mountain bike track design and maintenance and indigenous links (ceremonial and local history). Programmes will be conducted with school-age children and guest lecturers/experts are needed. This area may particularly suit retirees. Volunteers are also needed for periods from a few hours per day to up to a week at a property on the southern border of Carnarvon Gorge where wilderness courses are conducted.

If you would like to talk to BBW members who have previously volunteered, please chat with Julie and Brian Moore, Peter James, Mary Comer and Paul Feeney. Any time you can offer, however small, would be appreciated. Please contact Danny Mullins, Adrian Lejeune or Jeanette McGhee on 07 5543 6899. If you wish to contact YET directly email enquiries@yet.net.au.

Danny Mullins
(Long term BBW member)

HELP NEEDED WITH CAMPSITE MONITORING

The Queensland Federation of Bushwalking Clubs (now Bushwalking Queensland Inc.) and the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service have organised a system where bushwalkers inspect and report on remote camping areas in the South-East of Qld. once or twice a year. Monitors are encouraged to run their visits as club trips to spread the message of care throughout the club.

One of our monitors has just resigned. It is imperative that we obtain volunteers for these sites before our annual meeting on the first Saturday in February.

The vacant sites are Lost World (Waterfall) and Lost World (Worendo Saddle). The most important attribute of a good site monitor is faithfulness. We need monitors who are prepared to stick at the job for five years to make the induction worthwhile.

If you are able to make such a commitment, please contact John Marshall qfbwc@yahoo.com.au as soon as possible:

The annual meeting of campsite monitors is to take place on Sat 7th February (8:30 - 12:00) so any new volunteers would be able to meet with QPWS staff and existing volunteers at this meeting. However, new volunteers would be welcome at any time.

QPWS and Federation Campsite Monitoring Program

(High priority sites only)

Lamington: High Priority Sites

Stinson	Greg & Annette Neill	YHA
Point Lookout	Greg & Annette Neill	YHA
Rat-a-tat	Barbara Makepeace	QBWC
Running Creek	Richard Kolarski	QBWC
Lost World	VACANT	
Lost World / Worendo saddle	VACANT	

Main Range: High Priority Sites

Paddys Knob	John Brunott	QBWC
Panorama Point	John Shera	Logan & Bdst
Mt Steamer saddle (& waterpoint)	Ian Marlow	BBW
Mt Superbus & Rabbit Fence Jct	John & Julie Shera	Logan & Bdst
Spicers Peak (east and west)	Anne Kemp	QBWC / BBW
Mt Huntley	Russell Baker	IBWC
Mt Doubletop	Gary Chalmers	Laidley BWC
Swan Knoll	Ben Morgan	Laidley BWC

Mt Barney: High Priority Sites

Rum Jungle	Barbara Makepeace	QBWC
Old Hut Site (& satellites)	Barbara Makepeace	QBWC
East Peak	Barbara Makepeace	QBWC
Mt Ballow (several sites)	John Brunott	QBWC
Mt Maroon	Alan & Jenny Timmins	
Mt May saddle & Paddy's Plain	filled (details unknown)	

There is also one "Low Priority" site vacant.

Lamington: Canungra Creek junction

Committee News

PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORT

Usually at this time of the year when annual subscriptions become due we experience a drop in membership before numbers start to rise again with the influx of new members. With these new members comes a request for leaders to put walks on the calendar and a need for new leaders to help also. As a club run by volunteers we are always in need of new leaders so if you have done a few walks and are willing to try out leading please get in touch with our Outings organiser Adam Clarke on 0412 007 360. The club helps with leader training.

Adam continues to look at how members nominate for walks as the online nomination system has grown in popularity and the active paper activity nomination forms at meetings have reduced considerably. Let's not forget however those that do not have access to online nomination or new members who are keen to get on their first walk before using online nomination.

We continue to participate in Bushwalking Queensland Inc. (used to be called Qld Bushwalking Federation) who in turn are affiliated with Bushwalking Australia. We have two reps on the BQI committee and Ray Glancy is walks organiser for the 2009 BQI Pilgrimage at Lake Maroon. Issues at the State level include Adventure Activity Standards (one for bushwalking) being developed by Outdoor Queensland for the State Government and National Walk Gratings currently being worked on in Victoria. There are also concerns about the small budget for Qld. Parks and Wildlife track maintenance and the ceasing of maintenance of the Wagawn track. It will also be removed from park maps.

Tom Hulse

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The first new members weekend for the year was at Mt Glorious. We walked and swam up Northbrook Gorge, and then visited Love Creek Falls and walked up Annies Creek. These were grade 5 walks, which is unusual for a new members weekend, but the team handled them well. My gratitude goes to John Shields who maintains the hut and campsite for us, and led the Sunday walk. Also to Paul Cech, Bill Gale and Helen Sitcheff who also helped with talks and welcoming the new members. New members weekends are a great venue to meet some new friends as well as consolidating the information in the members handbook.

My apologies to the new members who joined on 14th January and did not receive a Members Handbook. I understand that some members who joined in 2008 also missed out. Could you please visit the club website and download a copy? It contains a lot of detail about the club operation that you may need to know, such as our walk grading scheme and the meeting places for our walks. There is a link to it on the new members page at <http://bbw.org.au/new-members.htm>. You can pick up a hard copy at the next meeting if you like.

I think we will need a lot of new members weekends this year. Probably more than I want to organise myself. If you are interested in helping out by organising a camp, then I would love to hear from you and I will give you lots of help!

Picnic Pete
Membership Officer

GUEST SPEAKERS

WEDNESDAY 25 FEBRUARY—LIGHT-WEIGHT BUSHWALKING

(Rescheduled from 10th December)

Presentation from Greg Toman on his light-weight bushwalking experiences. Greg is from Multi-Sport Imports which has a range of GoLite equipment such as tents and packs that are specifically targeted at those who want to go light-weight to make their bushwalking more enjoyable.

Narelle

\$\$\$ ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES \$\$\$

A reminder to all **Full Members** that annual membership fees are due by 31st January 2009.

Single membership: \$40.00 per annum Couples: \$60 per annum.

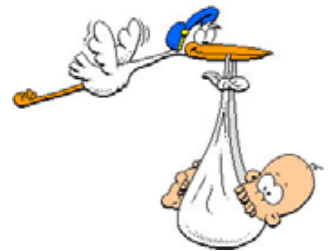
WHEELBARROW WANTED FOR QPWS VOLUNTEERS

The QPWS Volunteers at the Mt Glorious Barracks are looking for a wheelbarrow to use in their work at the Barracks. At the top of our wish list is a tradesman size barrow but we would be grateful for any wheelbarrow in working order or needing only minor repair.

Contact John Shields by email johnshields@netspace.net.au
or phone 3264 6565.

BIRTH NOTICE

Carmen and John Hinz are pleased to announce the birth of Ryan Patrick on 4 December 2008. He weighed 3.6 kg and is a little brother to Jack, now aged two.



FOR SALE

- * 2 Cotton Sleeping Bag Liners - very good condition - \$10 each.
- * 2 Pairs men's hiking boots - Size 7 - \$20 pair donation to club funds. Bring hiking socks to meeting to trial suitability.

Catherine (Equipment Officer)
Phone 0430 450 569

FOR SALE

'Keen' brand hiking boots

Condition: Excellent. Worn once only.

Size: EU 38.5, US8. UN5.5, CM25. Colour: Green

Bought from: Mountain Designs shop at DFO in August 08. (\$279.95 reduced to \$149.00)

My size is usually 8, however in Keen boots I take size 8.5, hence the reason for selling.

Selling price: \$75 ono

Carol Lockwood

Phone 0402 226 539 (after 25 Jan)

Email: c.lockwood@hotmail.com



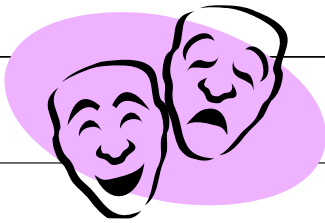
NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following New Members who joined during the last month:

Patty Andronowich	Paige Baden	Marcus Biggs	Dylan Bowker	Niki Briscoe
Dean Burwell	Phaedra Burwell	Nada Campbell	Angela Cockburn	Caroline Crawford
Athie Dahl	Christine Dawson	Wayne Donaldson	Glen Duffy	Mark Evenegger
Vivien Farrell	Stuart Forsyth	Leanne Forsyth	Kerry Frankcombe	Ian Fredericks
Della Gaydon	Andrew Gaydon	Alison Gillespie	Cathy Guerney	Eve Guerney
Stephen Hartley	Marian Hegarty	Ian Hitchcock	Marcia Hoffmann	David Hopkins
Sophie Hopkins	Jennie Jackson	Kathryn King	Charl Kleinhans	Shelley Kleinhans
Jeffrey Lee	Min Li	Ross Linegar	Steve Marshall	Reg Mason
Alison Mather	Robby McBride	Karen McCallum	Pamela McCombe	Kirsty McKenzie
Claire McSwain	Jenni Meehan	Joanne Moroney	Stephen Morris	Pol O Scelbhin
Megan O'Donohue	Karin O'Neill	Stuart O'Rourke	Hitash Patel	Jenniffer Petty
Louis Phillips	Jeanette Pohlman	Adele Pratter	Vivienne Rayner	Tariq Riaz
Cheyne Sandercoe	Russel Sky	Leighton Smith	Glen Smith	Adriana Solorzano
Kane Spooner	Maria Twomey	Katherine Webber	Diana Webster	Hellen Wyatt
Steve Wyatt	Koji Yamasaki			

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

Rose Axon	Wayne Beal	Ben Blanche	Robert Charles	Jonathan Luthje
Nicky Peberdy	Ken Rubie			



Out & About

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

HIMALAYAN CAFE

WHEN: Tue 3rd Feb, 6:30pm
WHERE: HIMALAYAN CAFE,
640 Brunswick St New Farm
CONTACT: Peter Hunt 3351 3642
EMAIL: peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au

Come along and help start 2009's dinner & movie nights with a popular and interesting venue. There is a wide range of authentic Himalayan meals from which to choose and they are all delicious. There is something to suit all tastes. Movies screening at the Palace Centro will be discussed over dinner. You are welcome to join us for dinner only as the movie times can be a little late.

Peter

CHOCOLATE HIGH TEA

WHEN: Sat 14 Mar, 3pm
WHERE: Meet at Lobby, Stamford Plaza Brisbane
LEADER: Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360
EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com
LIMIT: 15
COST: Approx \$35

Join me for a decadent chocolate buffet offering an array of classic and modern cakes, pastries and sandwiches overlooking the Brisbane River. Large range of teas available, or coffee! Please include email address with nominations or email denizclarke@gmail.com. I'm in NZ in February and will not respond to emails until March.

Deniz

THE OLD MUSEUM, CINE RETRO

SHOWCASE EVENING FILM

WHEN: Sat 7 Feb, 6:30pm
WHERE: Gregory Terrace gate entrance,
Bowen Hills
LEADER: Burney 0422386080
EMAIL: burnicestarkey@hotmail.com
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Picnic dinner, wine, chair
COST: \$14 + \$ for coffee

This activity is full. Contact leader for reserve list.

A Cine Retro Showcase Evening featuring The Film: Mildred Pierce (1945) Starring: Joan Crawford earning her 1st Oscar is a gripping portrayal brimming with rage and betrayal, melodrama and music. Preceded by a selection of period 35mm ads, newsreels and a cartoon! It's more than a movie night so bring along a picnic dinner and wine to share before the screening. Seating is table style. Please ensure I know how many places to hold. A comfortable camp chair for the movie viewing which starts at 7.30pm \$ for coffee and home-made delights for supper at interval. With the feature film at 8.30pm. See www.cineretro.org for more details.

Burney

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Christine and Tony Everett's at The Gap on Thursday 19th February at 7:00 pm. There is only about 1 1/2 hours work required. If you would like to come along for an easy social night with take-away dinner please phone 3300 2947 to confirm.



For your Bushwalking Safety
NEVER WALK ALONE...
ALWAYS TELL SOMEONE...
WALK WITH A CLUB.

If you have recently changed your address, phone number (home or work) or email please advise the Membership Register Officer so that the club records can be kept up to date:
Shirley Peadon—email: registrar@bbw.org.au; or phone: 07 3892 4641

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