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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 3rd February** is at Tom Cowlishaw's at 47 Samford Road. 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. Pre-trips will be given first priority, then other articles in order of receipt (subject to available space). The editor reserves the right to edit or reject articles where necessary. The preferred method for article submission is email; for other methods please discuss with editor.

DEADLINE for the **March** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 10th February**. Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!

BBW website

www.bbw.org.au

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BBW is an affiliated member of Bushwalking Qld whose website is:

www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au

Cover Photograph

At the top of Bull Ant Spur after a wet trip to Stairway Falls (Lamington National Park)

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° 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.

Club Officials

President	Tom Hulse	3351 2190
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Family Co-ordinato	r Marion Crowther	3351 7832

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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

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

ACTIVITY ABSeil; Base Camp; Day Walk; Through Walk; Easy Through Walk; Night Walk; SOCial Activity;

KaYaK; CYCle; Safety & Training; Federation Mountain Rescue; ROGaine.

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 \$5.00 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 (fleecy 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.

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

Janua 26	LDW-7D SOC	LOST WORLD / Mt RAZORBACK New Farm Park	Paul Horwath Nada Campbell	0266760526
	KYK	Oxley Ck (Kayak) Burney Sta	arkey & Peter Hunt Pe	eter 33513642
27	Meeting	Dame, etc	into y at 1 otor 1 and 1 o	3.0. 000 .00 .2
28 29-31 30	SNW- 3C BC-2B/5C MDW-3B 0266760526	Mt Cootha Weekly Night Walk Camp Constable Base Camp, Mt Glorious Davies Creek Circuit	Ken Rubie and Malo Ray Glancy Paul Horwath / Nada	3343 8854
	MNW-3B FSOC + FSN	Mt. Mitchell by Moonlight Moon Walk (FAMILY)	Jenny Zohn Marion Crowther	33517832
31	LDW 3C LDW-3B SDW-5C SDW3B MDW4C	Shipstern Circuit Warrie Circuit Re-Opened England Creek MINIMAXS Mt Coot-tha for New Members Annies Ck & Greenes Falls	Mary Comer Eddie Chappel David Sydes Barry Collins John Shields	3844 6231 32619337 33184085 3876 9779 32646565
Febru	ıarv			
2 4	MDW-5C SNW- 3C LTW 3C & 5	Mt Cootha Weekly Night Walk New Zealand - Abel Tasman & Heaphy Tra		olm Crabtree
6	MDW-5D	South Kobble Creek	Kurt Wagner	0412 007 360 3325 0629
6-7 6-5 7	MINIMAX 3B LTW-3C LTW-5/6D MDW 3C	Iron Bark Gully Dennis Rat-a-Tat / Lamington NP NZ Sth Is: Travers Sabine, Rees Dart & me	Fishlock 32840551 Barry Collins	0419577360 3876 9779 3366 6135
'	SDW-5C	Mowburra Creek Waterfall		0419377300
	MDW5C	Love Ck The Source	John Shields	32646565
7-6	LTW 5/6C/D	New Zealand - Dusky Sound, Takitimu Mo		
40	Maatina	1st Timers in New Zealand - Ruth Palss	Tom McAlister	38512978
10 11	Meeting 1st Timers in New Zealand - Ruth Palsson SNW- 3C Mt Cootha Weekly Night Walk Ken Rubie and Malcolm Crabtree			
12	SOCIAL	Concert for Sacha with Katie Noonan "Sou		omi orabiroo
			Catherine Lowry & F	
	BC 4/5C	Mt Glorious Base Camp	John Shields	32646565
13	LDW-7D MDW4B (UPP	Charraboomba caves via shipstern cliffs pa MiniMax to Lyrebird Lookout, Moonlight Cr		0266760526 3359 7447
	SURVEY MDW	London Creek Walk Dennis F		0419577360
14	MDW-6C	Obi Obi Gorge	Julie Moore	3353 5641
	LDW-7D	Charraboomba caves via shipstern cliffs pa	art 2 Paul Horwath	0266760526
44.04	MINIMAXS	Tamborine Mt for New Members	Eddie Chappel	32619337
14-31	LIW	Tasmania - Penguin to Cockle Creek	Ray Glancy	3343 8854
16		Equipment Show at Globe Trekker (20% o	Picnic Pete	3351 1184
18	SNW-3C	Mt Cootha Weekly Night Walk	Ken Rubie and Malo	
	19-21 MBC4A S&T Navigation and Leader Training Base Camp Mt Glorious Barracks			
•			Barry Collins	3876 9779
20	MDW 3B	Illingbah Circuit 4th Version	Mary Comer	3844 6231
	MDW3C	Mt Coot-tha from The Gap C	Christine & Tony Everett	3300 2947

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21	MDW-6D MDW5C KYK	Mt Superbus south west spur and water Love and Cedar Creek Coochin Ck (Kayak)	K P	ohn Stevens Gurt Wagner Peter Hunt	0431 929 466 3325 0629 33513642
23 24	SNW2C Meeting	West End Hills	J	oan Davey	0415 139 646
	MINIMAXS	Mt Coot-tha for New Members -MINIMAX			0070 4004
25	SNW- 3C	Mt Cootha Weekly Night Walk		Marion Darveniza (en Rubie and Mal	
26	SOC	37 Mollison St West End		lada Campbell	com Grabuoc
26-28	B MBC-5D	Best of Lamington Swimming Holes - Bla			
27	LDW-7D	Charraboomba CAVES via shipstern clif		David Sydes 3 Paul Horwath	33184085 0266760526
				y Dott & Peter Hur	
28	MDW4C		is Fishl		0419577360
	MDW5C EXDW-3C	Love Ck Loop Mt Mitchell & Bare Rock- Cunningham's		ohn Shields	32646565 32619337
	LXDW-30	Wit Witterleif & Dare 1.00k- Guillingham's	Cap L	dule Chappei	32019331
Marc	h				
3	MDW-6C	Byron Gorge & Stevens Ck		Marion Darveniza	
5-7	SURVEY BC			shlock 32840551	
6	MDW-7C	Booloumba Creek Ruth Palsson		7447 between 5:3	•
7	MDW3C	Mt Coot-tha from The Gap		tine & Tony Evere	
,	LDW-3C MDW-7C	Toolona Creek Circuit Summer Creek plus up the Falls		oan Davey & Marion Darveniz	0415 139 646 a 3378 4031
	MINIMAXS	Tamborine Mt for New Members		Eddie Chappel	32619337
10	Meeting	Nature Photography - Michael Snedic			
13	MDW-6D	West Canungra waterfall climb Stage 2		Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MINIMAXS	Mt Coot-tha for New Members - MINIMA		9 Marian Damiani	2270 4024
12 1/	LTW-3C	Albert River Through Walk		& Marion Darveni: Deniz Clarke	0412 007 360
13-12	MDW 4B			shlock 32840551	
17	LDW-6D			Marion Darveniza	
20	MDW 4C	Northbrook Creek via Eagles Nest		Mary Comer	3844 6231
	MTW5C	South Bald Rock		ohn Mitchell	32819751
21	MDW5C	Greenes Falls &love Ck Falls		ohn Shields	32646565
	XLDW-4C	Sunshine Coast Great Walk Gheerulla C	Circuit		
	Bernie Ryan 33255616 [not on walk day please			alk day please]	
23	MDW-7C	Summer Creek plus up the falls	Lou 8	& Marion Darveniza	a 3378 4031
24	Meeting				
	WORK N WAL	Mi Glorious Base Camp[QPWS Volunte	ers on	lv 1 .lohn Shields	32646565
27	SDW 5C	Mt Greville		ohn Mitchell	32819751
28	MDW 3B		s Fishlo		
	LDW 7D	Castle Crag via Python Rock		Paul Horwath	0266760526

REMINDER MEMBERSHIP FEES for Full Members DUE BY January 31 2010



.....Coming Trips.....

LOST WORLD / MT RAZORBACK

Day Walk Tue 26 Jan LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: LDW-7D

LIMIT: 7 BRING: page 3

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens MAP: Lamington & Tyalgum

The Lost World (Mt Razorback) is an area that spears into the Wilderness section of Lamington National Park with Mt Worendo the headwaters of the Albert River Black Canyon all being accessible from this route. The plan is to leave our cars at the Lost World Guest House and walk back down the road till we pick up a track, and make our way to the RAZORs edge. this is a SURVEY walk, it will be hard and you will have to be fit, hope you can make it this Australia day, could not think of a better way to spend it. No list at meeting.

OXLEY CK (KAYAK)

Day Kayak Tue 26 Jan LEADER: Burney Starkey & Peter HuntPeter

33513642

MOBILE: Burney 0422386080

EMAIL: burnicestarkey@hotmail.com & pe-

terjameshunt@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: KYK LIMIT: 15

BRING: Page 3, Kayak, Paddle, PFD

DEPART: 8:00am End of Cliveden Av, Corinda Oxley Creek runs into the Graceville reach of the Brisbane River. This is a tidal mangrove creek that although running through a suburban area looks like unspoilt wilderness. It offers quiet paddling in a narrow corridor of green mangroves, and looks at its best when paddled at the top of the tide. The tide times are 6am high of 2.12 and a low of 0.81 at 12.32 which allows us to paddle with the tide in both directions. Access upstream is from the far end of Cliveden Avenue, Corinda (UBD 198R7), with a 100 metre walk over a grassed park to a pontoon. It is 7 kilometres down to the pontoon at Simpson's Playground, Graceville, next to the Brisbane River which will be our lunch stop. The ramp/pontoon is along the river a little from the playground, where Oxley Creek joins the Brisbane River. There are BBQ's listed in the facilities guide. Over midway there is a pontoon in the Oxley Common where there are

toilets and we will have morning Tea. River and estuary kayaks are best (sea kayaks are OK) and can be hired from Goodtime, Rosco or other places found on the net. Racks can usually be hired with the kayak. Please attach a flag to your kayak or wear appropriately symboled clothing in honour of Australia Day.

MT COOTHA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 28 Jan LEADER: Ken Rubie and Malcolm Crabtree MOBILE: 0448448598 or 0410408620

GRADE: SNW-3C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Page 3 plus torch and water
DEPART: 6:30pm Carpark West of Summit

Cafe - Mt Cootha

The Mt Cootha Thursday night walks are exercise walks to assist people to improve their bushwalking fitness and to learn techniques for night time walking. The walks will commence at 6.30pm sharp from the car park below the Summit Cafe on Mt Cootha, leading back towards the western side of the mountain. The walks will be approximately 1.5 hours in duration, on marked tracks and fire trails, involving the descent and ascent of the mountain at a reasonable walking pace. In places the terrain of the walk will involve walking on loose surfaces with moderate and in some places, steep inclines. Participants will need a moderate level of fitness suitable for hill walking. Participants will need the Page 3 items as well as requiring the appropriate hiking footwear, torch and drinking water. At the end of the walk we will have coffee at the Summit Cafe for those who wish to reward their efforts and enjoy the sights of Brisbane at night. Bookings will not be taken for these walks so people intending to walk need to arrive at the start point in sufficient time for the walk commencement at 6.30 sharp. For further information please contact the walk leader

CAMP CONSTABLE BASE CAMP, MT GLORI-OUS

Base Camp Fri 29 - Sun 31 Jan LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854

MOBILE: 0419 719 480

EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: BC-2B/5C

LIMIT: 25

BRING: Base Camp gear, Page 3

COST: \$10 per night per person permanent

tents, \$7 per night per person own

tent supplied

MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30000

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A large group of club members are doing various walks in Tasmania in February and March and we are having a final get together before the canoe goes over the falls and we would love your company before the ship sets sail. Camp Constable at Mt Glorious is an unremarkable building from the main road but what a gem hides behind the building that faces the road. Terraced grassy slopes await your tent but if you would prefer an upmarket tent with a balcony!! out the back these are available for approximately 20 to 25 people. The cost for the permanent tents is \$20 per person for the weekend and if you have an aversion to snoring you can bring your own tent for \$14 per person for the weekend and set it up as far away from the chain saws as you see fit. Camp Constable has separate male and female shower/ toilet blocks with 5 showers and toilets in each. There is also a huge undercover eating area with a fully equipped kitchen including crockery and cutlery, fridge, freezer, microwave. The walks planned for the weekend include some relatively gentle track walks and also the possibility of visiting the helicopter rescue sites that Lynsey Moore and Bill Gale have made famous in the club. The offtrack walks will be around the 5C mark.

DAVIES CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sat 30 Jan LEADER: Paul Horwath / Nada Campbell 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: MDW-3B

LIMIT: 15 BRING: page 3

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

Davies Creek circuit is an interesting walk from Binna Burra. We walk through rainforest, eucalypt forest and open heath land. We could make a side trip to Upper Ballanjui Falls before rejoining the Border Track on our way back to Binna Burra. Come along for a pleasant day out. No list a meeting.

MOON WALK (FAMILY)

Picnic + Night Walk Sat 30 Jan LEADER: Marion Crowther 33517832

MOBILE: 0417081002

EMAIL: marion2008@mjcskk.id.au

GRADE: FSOC + FSN

LIMIT: 30

BRING: bbg/picnic food or money to buy

DEPART: 5:30pm Shorncliff Pier

MAP: Consult UBD

Hi Moon Buffs. I've done this little adventure before and had great fun. There are bbqs near the Shorncliff Pier or a take away shop at the top of the cliff for fish and chips if you prefer. We will start with the social bbq and watch the moonrise over the water and wonder in awe at the moonlit stairway to the heavens before heading off on a short adventure around the cliff-front for those who are interested. At this time of the moon cycle the tide is low after sunset and we can go all the way around the cliff face before reaching another park and walking back along the road. This trip can be made a bit shorter by scrambling up the cliffy slopes and back to the road before the park is reached. Whatever takes our fancy on the night. NO LIST AT MEETINGS

SHIPSTERN CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 31 Jan LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231

MOBILE: 0427446000

EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: LDW 3C LIMIT: 15

BRING: Usual day walk gear

COST: \$20

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Lamington NP

This walk starts from Binna Burra in Lamington NP. It is a popular 19km circuit but we will walk the extra 25 minutes return to Lower Ballanjui Falls for morning tea. The track travels through an interesting mix of vegetation from rainforest, open forest and a section along the top of a cliff overlooking the Numinbah Valley. You will have the option of taking a short side track up steps to Charraboonba Rock where there are great views. The walk is suitable for new members who have reasonable fitness.

WARRIE CIRCUIT RE-OPENED

Day Walk Sun 31 Jan LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337

MOBILE: 0432733847

EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com

GRADE: LDW-3B LIMIT: 14

BRING: See Mag Page 3, 2 litres water

COST: Petrol Money \$20
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This activity is full.

ENGLAND CREEK

Day Walk Sun 31 Jan LEADER: David Sydes 33184085

MOBILE: 0419871100

EMAIL: david.sydes@pivit.net.au

GRADE: SDW-5C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Usual day walk COST: \$10 petrol

DEPART: 7:30am Alderley

This activity is full.

MINIMAXS MT COOT-THA FOR NEW MEM-BERS

Minimaxs Sun 31 Jan LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779

MOBILE: 0410 703 041

EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk

GRADE: SDW3B LIMIT: 5 + 10

BRING: Usual day walk gear - refer p3 'must

take' stuff

DEPART: 9am Mt Coot-tha summit carpark MAP: Sunmap Brisbane Forest Park

1:30000

This walk is intended to introduce new members to bush walking, and to Brisbane Bushwalking Club in particular. It is an ideal option for your first walk with the club. We will have a yomp around some walking tracks, stopping occasionally to discuss clothing, safety and environmental impact. There will be a small sample of off track walking to give an appreciation of the club's grading system. Please meet at the roundabout end of the car park that you come to just before the Summit Restaurant at the top of Mt Coot-tha. Be there about 15 minutes before the departure time. Bring your pack, and your lunch. Even though this walk will be short and close to the cars, please bring whatever gear you would normally take on a full day walk, because checking out each other's gear is part of the fun. When nominating please include both your email address and Mobile number. Upon completion of our activities we'll wander up to the Summit cafe for refreshments prior to heading off home. Leaders thinking of running MinIMaxS walks are very welcome to come along and join in as observers and/or assistants. Looking forward to your company.

ANNIES CK & GREENES FALLS

Day Walk Sun 31 Jan LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW4C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water COST: \$12 CAR CONTRIBUTION

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping cen-

tre UBD108 F16, Westpac sign

CAR KMS: 80 return MAP: BFP

NO LIST AT MEETING

SELF SERVE ON LINE BOOKINGS

Arrive at the depart place at 6.45 to depart

promptly at 7am.Driving to Mt Glorious we park at Alex Rd to enter the NP. Descending down the ridge to Annies Ck we ascend to the plateau and over and down to Love Ck Falls for smoko. Back up another ridge to the rock cairn we go west along a track to its end then offtrack down the slope to Annies Ck . Following this downstream we reach the junction with another stream and head up the ridge to the cars. Clean up and off for coffee on the way home. A not difficult walk with variations of terrain and forests. A good introduction to off track and not demanding.

LARAPINTA FALLS - THE TOP

Survey Tue 2 Feb LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779 [NOT on

walk day please]

MOBILE: 0410 703 041

EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk

GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Usual page 3 'must take' gear..
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220km

MAP: Lamington 1:25000

GAITERS/CAMERAS: Gaiters essential-LOTS of

snakes around at present

This activity is full.

MT COOTHA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 4 Feb See activity description for 28 Jan.

NEW ZEALAND - ABEL TASMAN & HEAPHY TRACKS - UNDER 40S

Throughwalk Fri 5 - Wed 10 Feb LEADER: Adam & Deniz Clarke0412 007 360

EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com

GRADE: LTW 3C & 5

LIMIT: 8

This activity is full.

SOUTH KOBBLE CREEK

Day Walk Sat 6 Feb LEADER: Kurt Wagner 3325 0629

MOBILE: 0413272085

EMAIL: burgi@wagner.id.au

GRADE: MDW-5D

LIMIT: 12

BRING: usual gear

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck. Shopping Center

CAR KMS: 84

We start at Tennison Woods car park, follow the forestry road up to 560 and from there down into South Kobble creek. We stop for morning tea at a small pool good for swimming. Then we follow the creek up to the end and walk out to the cars. Most of the walk is in a pleasant rainforest set-

ting. Some waterfalls need to be circumvented and require a bit of rock scrambling and steep up hill walking, the rest is mainly rock hopping.

IRON BARK GULLY

Training Day Sat 6 Feb LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: MINIMAX 3B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day Pack as per page 3/3lt water DEPART: 8am Iron Bark Gully Picnic Grounds

UBD MAP 117 F17

NOMINATION LIST:Self Serve online/club meet-

ings Suitable for New Members

MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 minutes

before departure time

This walk is intended to introduce new members to bush walking, and to the BBW Club in particular. The minimax is a good option for your first walk, we will be mainly walking on track and stopping at regular intervals to discuss a number of topics such as clothing, safety and environmental impact. There will be a sample of off track walking to get an appreciation of the clubs grading system. Bring your Pack, Morning Tea and Lunch, please bring what ever gear you would take on a full day walk, as checking each others gear will be done. The Minimax is your qualifying walk for FULL MEMBERSHIP, this includes all current probationary members who have not done a Minimax. Register directly on line or at the club meetings on the registration clip board.

RAT-A-TAT / LAMINGTON NP

Throughwalk Sat 6 - Sun 7 Feb LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779

MOBILE: 0410 703 041

EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk

GRADE: LTW-3C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: P3 'always take' stuff + Throughwalk

gear

COST: \$5.00 camp fee to leader + car fuel.

DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220km

MAP: HEMA Lamington NP 1:25000 EXTRAS: Pre dinz nibblies/libations

This activity is full.

NZ STH IS: TRAVERS SABINE, REES DART & MORE

Through Walk Sat 6 Feb - Fri 5 Mar LEADER: Lynsey Moore 3366 6135 EMAIL: moorealjac@optushome.com.au

GRADE: LTW-5/6D

LIMIT: 6

This activity is full.

FLAXTON / UBAJEE WALK

Daywalk Sun 7 Feb LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: MDW 3C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day Pack as per page 3/3lt water

COST: Car Cost \$15 Per Person

DEPART: 5:00am Aspley Hypermarket [Aust

Post Sign] UBD 119 J4

CAR KMS: 160km

MAP: Gheerulla map

NOMINATION LIST:Self Serve online/club meet-

ings. Suitable for New Members

MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 minutes

before departure time

This activity is full.

MOWBURRA CREEK WATERFALL

Day Walk Sun 7 Feb LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466

EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com

GRADE: SDW-5C

LIMIT: 8 including leader BRING: usual day gear

DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens Shopping

CAR KMS: 240 kms

MAP: Mt. Barney 1:25,000 Department of

Forestry, Edition 4

: Mt Lindesay 1:25,000, Mt Maroon

1:25,000

This walk starts from Cleared Ridge and follows the creek that drains the narrow valley between Mowburra Peak and Montserrat Lookout. Mowburra Creek is a very pleasant shady creek, with plenty of small cascades. The creek bed offers no difficulty except for the fact that rocks may be wet. The only steep section is a short scramble through vegetation to reach an overgrown forestry track that leads to the top of the waterfall. As we will only go as far as the waterfall, we will have plenty of time to cover the distance. We will come back down along the forestry road and along old cattle pads. This is an off track walk. You will need to have done at least one 4C graded walk and have some creek walking experience before nominating this walk. This walk has been put on the program so that walkers who do not come on my harder walks can still get into this area of Mt Barney National park. If you have not walked with me previously, please email me a list of the club walks you've done in the last 2 months with the date they were on. We will need a second 4WD car to get to cleared ridge. Please specify when you nominate whether your car is a

4WD one. No list at the meeting. Please nominate on line. Any query? please send me an email.

LOVE CK THE SOURCE

Day Walk Sun 7 Feb LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW5C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water COST: \$12CAR CONTRIBUTION

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping cen-

tre UBD 108 F16, Westpac sign

CAR KMS: 84 KM return

MAP: BFP

NO LIST AT MEETING

SELF SERVE ON LINE BOOKINGS

Arrive at meeting place at 6.45 to depart promptly at 7am. Parking at Tenison Woods Mtn. We drop straight into the gully which is the start of Love Ck which we follow to find the first signs of running water . This we follow through the palm lined rainforest rising up each side. A little rock hopping and creek crossing with minimal drop in altitude and no really difficult terrain. Smoko in a picturesque grove along the creek. Proceeding further down stream we turn off into a tributary which will ascend to the top of the ridge and pick up the Mt D'Aquilar Track which will take us back to the cars. This ascent involves following the watercourse up hill over the occasional rock ledge but nothing too difficult .Very pretty country and plenty of photo opportunities. The plan is to be back to the cars by 3pm so we can clean up and spoil ourselves with coffee and homemade cake at Olleys. Only rated 5 because of the rock hopping. An ideal walk for a member wanting to try off track with getting too adventurous.

NEW ZEALAND - DUSKY SOUND, TAKITIMU MOUNTAINS AND HUMP RIDGE

TW Sun 7 Feb - Sat 6 Mar LEADER: Tom McAlister 38512978

MOBILE: 0417078561

EMAIL: tmca5323@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: LTW 5/6C/D

LIMIT: 4
This activity is full.

MT COOTHA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 11 Feb See activity description for 28 Jan.

MT GLORIOUS BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 12 - Sun 14 Feb LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: BC 4/5C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: base camping gear/ day walk gear

COST: \$12 camp fee[2 nights]

MAP: BFP

Email address required if no landline supplied. No list at meetings. Self

Serve online bookings

This base camp is aimed at the newer and older club members to experience camping, meet fellow club members both new and old and do a variety of walks. We camp in the D'Aguilar National Park and use the old Forestry Barracks and its facilities which are away from the public situated in a grassy clearing surrounded by rainforest. The emphasis is on camping although there are a few beds in the Barracks for those walkers who so desire or you could bring a camp stretcher and camp in the truck shed. Discuss with leader before the camp as to availability. Tents can be hired from BBW. This is upmarket camping with hot shower, septic toilet, well equipped kitchen [M/W;FRIDGE;STOVE; CUT-LERY; CROCKERY etc] and open fire. The fire can be used for cooking but mainly we sit around it at night and socialise. Please bring firewood if you can. This is one of the very few places in QLD National Parks where a campfire is permitted. Plenty of grassy campsites and camper trailers are welcome. The water supply is tank water so if this is a problem then bring your own drinking water. We arrive Friday afternoon/night and most are there by 9p.m.and usually hit the sack early to be up ,breakfasted and ready to walk by 8a.m. with smoko and lunch in their day pack .A short talk by the leader, introductions all round and we are off walking planning to get back mid to late afternoon at the latest. Time to have a coffee ,clean up and ready for happy hour around the campfire. Bring nibblies and the beverage of your choice. Consumption of beer, wine etc in moderation is acceptable in keeping with BBW behaviour standards. More socialising after dinner and if required general discussion on BBW and walking in general. The level of walks will be decided after group discussion and we try to keep within your comfort zone. HOW TO GET THERE. Brisbane Forest Park is conveniently close to Brisbane and you head for Mt Glorious via Samford or The Gap. Pass through the village to Maiala Park to a Pine Rivers display board on the left. Travel a further 700metres and past Western Window Lookout is a closed National Park gate on the left with a BBW sign. This gate is to be kept closed at all times except when driving through. Travel 200metres through the rainforest and you arrive at the barracks. No camping is permitted on the helipad. A shorter walk is conducted on Sunday morning to bring us back just after lunch with tents dry and ready to pack up and leave mid afternoon. ONLINE BOOKINGS OR EMAIL OR PHONE LEADER.

CHARRABOOMBA CAVES VIA SHIPSTERN CLIFFS PART 1

Day Walk Sat 13 Feb LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: LDW-7D

LIMIT: 9 BRING: page 3

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens

we will head of from binna burra bottom car park , head up the creek to shipstern cliffs then follow the land around to the caves , these caves are all new to me . so this will be part one of this survey, no list at meeting please

MINIMAX TO LYREBIRD LOOKOUT, MOONLIGHT CRAG AND MORANS FALLS

Minimax Sat 13 Feb LEADER: Ruth Palsson 3359 7447

MOBILE: 0427776584

EMAIL: mum@tweak.net.au

GRADE: MDW4B (UPP

LIMIT: 5 + 10 BRING: Page 3 stuff

DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220 km

SWIMMING:If it is hot we will have a cool off at

the top of Morans Falls

You have joined a bushwalking club so come bushwalking! We will be walking the Lyrebird Lookout, Moonlight Crag and Morans Falls circuit in the Green Mountains section of Lamington National Park. We will experience several different terrains from roads, board walks, graded tracks and a foot pad. Although most of the walk is on a good footpad, there is no scunge or lawyer vine. We will stop occasionally to discuss clothing, safety, environmental impact etc. As it is a Mini-Max walk, its main purpose is to introduce new members to bush walking, and to Brisbane Bushwalking Club in particular, but it is also a lovely walk with great views and several vegetation changes. It is a good option for your first walk with the club. There will be time to stop and look at things. If you are new to the club, then you are encouraged to attend a minimax walk such as this as soon as possible after joining. Members who are not new to the club are also welcome on this activity. Only 5 places on this walk are available for online nomination, until after the last meeting before the walk. 10 places are reserved for nomination in the kitchen at club meetings.

LONDON CREEK WALK

Survey Dw Sat 13 Feb LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: SURVEY MDW

LIMIT: 6

BRING: Day Pack as per page 3/3lt water DEPART: 5:00am Aspley Hypermarket [Aust

Post Sign] UBD 119 J4

MAP: Landsborough

This activity is full.

OBI OBI GORGE

Day Walk Sun 14 Feb LEADER: Julie Moore 3353 5641

MOBILE: 0402722871

EMAIL: anymoore@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MDW-6C LIMIT: 12

BRING: Usual day walk gear - see also page

3 "Always take". Packs will need to

be waterproofed.

DEPART: 7am Aspley Hypermarket, meet Post

Office end Albany Creek Rd

CAR KMS: 230

This is a lovely summer "Classic Walk". After dropping a car off near the Dam we go to Kondalilla Falls car park and start the walk on the track walk. Along the way we will swim in waterholes, rock hop, walk on a little track and probably do some scrub bashing. The walk varies according to the water level of the day. We will cross both Skene and Obi Obi Creeks several times and finish the day with a 100m swim through just before Baroon Pocket Dam. Don't forget to waterproof your pack. This is partially a survey for me but we have at least one participant who knows it well and some good navigators - can't get lost!! A fun day.

CHARRABOOMBA CAVES VIA SHIPSTERN CLIFFS PART 2

Ldw Sun 14 Feb LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: LDW-7D

LIMIT: 9 BRING: page 3

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens

we will head of from binna burra bottom car park, head up the creek to shipstern cliffs then follow the land around to the caves, these caves are all new to me. so this will be part two of this survey,

no list at meeting please

TAMBORINE MT FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimaxs Sun 14 Feb LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337

MOBILE: 0432733847

EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com

GRADE: MINIMAXS LIMIT: 5 + 10

BRING: See Page 3 mag + 2 litres water

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

We will be walking a couple of the tracks in the Tamborine Mountain area including Witches Falls which was the first National Park in Queensland. This walk is intended to introduce new members to bush walking, and to Brisbane Bushwalking Club in particular. And it's a good chance to make some new friends. It is a good option for your first walk with the club. We will have a stroll around some walking tracks, and stop occasionally to discuss clothing, safety and environmental impact. There will be a small sample of off track walking to give an appreciation of the club's grading system. After leaving Fairfield Gardens we will meet at the car park at Witches Falls (UBD Gold Coast section Map 13 ref L18). Be at Fairfield Gardens about 15 minutes before the departure time. Bring your pack, and your lunch. Even though this walk will be short and close to the cars, please bring what ever gear you would normally take on a full day walk, because checking out each other's gear is part of the fun.

TASMANIA - PENGUIN TO COCKLE CREEK

Through Walk Sun 14 Feb - Wed 31 Mar LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854

GRADE: LTW

LIMIT: 8 to 10 (for the easier sections) BRING: usual through walk gear etc.

COST: to be confirmed

This is a collection of 6 or 7 individual walks linked by planned food drops and organised bus shuttles. The intention is to walk from the top of Tasmania at Penguin and to arrive at Cockle Creek on the very south of Tasmania. All the walks are on tracks of varying quality. My preference is for people who wish to do the entire trip but I recognise that not everyone can get this length of time off work. There will be costs involved including the National Parks \$150 fee for walking the Overland Track and various food drop, shuttle buses and other National Park fees. These will be determined hopefully by the end of August, 2009. Please consider your options and contact me AT THE BEGINNING OF JULY, 2009. Following is the description of the walks I plan to do. Penguin to Cradle Mountain In February and March this walk is at its peak - the

weather is at its most benign, the days are long, the Gorge and River are at their lowest. This is planned as a 6 day walk 2 of which will be hard but not overlong. The advantage of this walk is that it offers good views, interesting terrain including narrow gorges. For one night the plan is to camp' in bunkhouse style accommodation and on another day we should be able to visit the Gunns Plains Caves. In BBW terms, this walk would be graded about 5C.Overland Track What more needs to be said about a World famous icon this walk offers stunning views, mountains to climb but a relatively gentle gradient sloping down from Marion's Lookout at the Cradle Mountain end to Cynthia Bay at the Lake St Clair end. We should take about 8 days including a diversion to Pine Valley with walks up to the Labyrinth and the Acropolis 2 features that should be on everyone's TO DO list. The grade would be a low 5C. Frenchmans Cap The usual walk to Frenchmans Cap is an out and back walk but I plan to do a circuit back up to the Lyell Highway which will add a couple of days but also increase the level of difficulty to an upper 5C to take into account the significant off-track areas after Frenchmans Cap. The attraction of Frenchmans Cap is the possibility of standing on one of the highest peaks in Western Tasmania with the chance to see all the way to the West Coast. After passing Frenchmans Cap, we will be crossing significant streams with significant elevation loss (steep downs) for the balance of the walk which should take approximately 5 days. King Billy Ranges? Port Davey Track There's only one word to describe the Port Davey Track MUD Lodden Plains are not known as Sodden Lodden Plains for no reason though this is not an excuse for not going on this particular track. The walking is relatively gentle and no doubt the company will be great and your reward will be bunkhouse accommodation when we arrive at Melaleuca. The trip should be about 5 days and with a grade of about 4C. South West Cape Circuit We leave Melaleuca and for a short period follow the South Coast Track then divert towards South West Cape and some stunning ocean views where we will be in some of the most remote areas in Tasmania. We will be doing a circuit which takes us up along the coast. The walk should take about 6 days and would be graded as an upper 5C. South Coast Track This walk is the one walk I have always wanted to do again as I did it in fine weather with a great bunch of people and the only thing I can guarantee this time are great people the weather is up to God. You can expect stunning ocean views from both mountain tops and beach walking where the feeling of remoteness is only matched by the beauty of nature. The Iron Bound

Range will test your fitness but, if the weather is fine, will reward you with the memories to last a lifetime. The walk is planned to take 9 days and would be graded as 5C only because of the Iron Bounds.

EQUIPMENT SHOW AT GLOBE TREKKER (20% OFF ON THE NIGHT)

Retail Therapy Tue 16 Feb LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184

MOBILE: 0419496837 EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au

LIMIT: 40

BRING: Shopping List

DEPART: 6:30pm Globe Trekker ADDRESS: 142 Albert St Brisbane

SHOP PHONE: 3221 4476

Learn all about bush walking gear at the Globe Trekker shop. Doors open at 6:30pm. There will be a short sit-down presentation at about 6:45pm, aimed at our newer members. We will discuss warm clothes and boots, and have a look at some of the gear you might need for through walking. Then there will be plenty of time to browse around and ask questions of shop staff and club members. There is no obligation to buy anything. But if you do the price will be reduced by 20% when you show your membership card. (GPS, Watches, PLB not reduced. Some conditions and limits.) This is for BBW members and their invited guests only. The shop will not be open to the public. Please nominate online, or on the clipboard, so we know how many will be coming. As with all walks, please notify the leader if you need to cancel.

MT COOTHA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 18 Feb See activity description for 28 Jan.

NAVIGATION AND LEADER TRAINING BASE CAMP MT GLORIOUS BARRACKS

Navigation And Leader TrainingFri 19 - Sun 21 Feb

LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779

MOBILE: 0410 703 041

EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk

GRADE: MBC4A S&T

LIMIT: 20

BRING: Day walking gear, food, water if you

don't like tank water, compass

COST: \$6.00pp/pn

DEPART: meet at the Barracks on Friday eve-

ning.

MAP: Maps will be supplied, please bring

your compass

This activity is full.

ILLINGBAH CIRCUIT 4TH VERSION

Day Walk Sat 20 Feb LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231

MOBILE: 0427446000

EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW 3B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Usual day walk gear & swimmers

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This activity is full.

MT COOT-THA FROM THE GAP

Day Walk Sat 20 Feb LEADER: Christine & Tony Everett3300 2947

MOBILE: 0416 066 508 walk day only EMAIL: tramping@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MDW3C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: "always take" Page 3

DEPART: 6:30am Dead end of Paten Road,

The Gap UBD 158 C4

MAP: Mt Coot-tha Forest track map

This walk does involve some longer uphill and downhill sections so if you are a new member with a reasonable level of fitness, or you have done a few walks and would like to assess yourself on a different terrain then this walk could be just the one for you. The track has small rolling rocks underfoot, some exposed roots, rocks and steps. Heading from The Gap we will follow the walking tracks to the Grey Gum picnic area. Toilets and picnic tables here make it a good place for a short break before heading off to the Powerfull Owl Trail. We'll take a turn off onto another track and eventually find ourselves heading into the Simpson Falls picnic area for morning tea and then it is back to The Gap on various tracks. We will cover about 13km and with a couple of stops we'll be out for about 5 hours and home in time for lunch. No list at meetings. Nominate online and remember to enter your email address and landline phone number please.

MT SUPERBUS SOUTH WEST SPUR AND WATERFALL

Day Walk Sun 21 Feb LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466

EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com

GRADE: MDW-6D

LIMIT: 8 including leader

BRING: usual day gear, at least 3 litres of

water, gaiters, gloves, long sleeves

recommended

DEPART: 5:45am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220 kms

MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25,000

This off track walk starts from Teviot Gap and initially follows the old rabbit fence line towards

Mt Superbus. Once at the T junction, we turn left and walk for about 2 hours through rainforest. This is followed by a 35 minute descent down a steep gully that brings us close to our lunch spot, a rock slab at the top of a waterfall. In the afternoon, we first walk through more open rainforest before we start our ascent of Mt Superbus. This involves a hard slog, up a steep slope, that brings us to a low cliff as we near the top. There is some scruffy vegetation in this area as well. Once on top, we walk across Mt Superbus summit area before descending back down to Teviot Gap the way we came up. This is a great walk for a hot day as we are under cover all day and there is plenty of fresh, clean water at the waterfall. This walk involves over 1,000 metres altitude gain. It is a reasonably long day out and we need to keep the group moving along. Stops will be kept to a minimum. No list at the meetings. Please nominate on-line. I will only accept walkers who have walked with me previously and whom I trust can handle this walk comfortably. Any query? please send me an email.

LOVE AND CEDAR CREEK

Sun 21 Feb Day Walk Kurt Wagner LEADER: 3325 0629

MOBILE: 0413272085 EMAIL: kurt@wagner.id.au

GRADE: MDW5C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: usual gear

7am Albany Creek Shopping Centre DEPART:

CAR KMS: 85 return

A beautiful off track walk in the Brisbane Forest Park. Starting at Alex Road, we walk down in the lush rainforest and follow the creeks down to the junction of Love and Cedar and then up and back out to the cars. This is a classic walk and has a bit of everything for everybody, rock hopping, scrambling, steep up and down hill and best of all it is the most beautiful rainforest walk in the Brisbane Forest Park.

COOCHIN CK (KAYAK)

Day Kayak Sun 21 Feb LEADER: Peter Hunt 33513642 peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au EMAIL:

GRADE: **KYK** LIMIT: 12

Page 3, Kayak, Paddle, PFD **BRING:** 8:30am Coochin Day Use Area DEPART:

Coochin Creek to Bribie is suitable for an introductory sea kayak day paddle. We paddle along Coochin Creek, cross Pumistone Passage at a very narrow place and paddle along Bribie Island. This is all in protected waters with the only influence being from winds if they occur. The pace

will be slow with a good number of stops for swims and food. All of this makes it suitable for the inexperienced paddler and a pleasant paddle for the experienced. Please waterproof your lunch, morning tea and all other items in your kayak. The location is in the Glass House Mountains area. Turn right off the Bruce Highway (M1) into Roys Road and follow it to the day use area. Please wait here until everyone has arrived so that we can move along the road to the boat launching area. Estuary and sea kayaks are suitable and can be hired from Rosco Canoes, Goodtime and others that are on the internet. Racks and tie downs can usually be hired with the kayak. Be sure to get a PFD and paddle with the kayak. Experienced kayakers are welcome to use their TK1 kayak if they desire. If you can carry two kayaks on your car please record this in the comments area to allow for car pooling, from Brisbane, opportunities to be considered.

WEST END HILLS

Social Night Walk Tue 23 Feb 0415 139 646 LEADER: Joan Davey

0415 139 646 MOBILE:

EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au

GRADE: SNW2C LIMIT:

water, money for coffee **BRING:**

COST: coffee

DEPART: 6pm Ship Inn Southbank

CAR KMS: 0

We will walk around West End/Highgate Hill up & down some of the hills for about 1-1/2 hours for a little fitness training. Anyone training for that big walk very welcome. We will have a coffee/drink after at The Ship Inn after the walk. You do need to have reasonable fitness for this walk as we do find as many hills as we can. We leave at 6pm sharp so please give yourself plenty of time for traffic & parking.

MT COOT-THA FOR NEW MEMBERS -**MINIMAXS**

Minimaxs Wed 24 Feb Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 LEADER: MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only louandmarion@gmail.com

EMAIL:

GRADE: MINIMAXS 5 + 10LIMIT:

Usual Day walk gear - refer page 3 **BRING:**

plus 2 litres water

DEPART: 6:30am Gold Mine Picnic area UBD

page 157 P13

MAP: Brisbane forest Park 1:30 000

A MINIMAXS walk is an introductory/training walk designed for new members to the club. Partaking in one is necessary to qualify for full membership

and we encourage new members to do one very soon after joining. An alternative is to attend a New Members Weekend (held less often). We will be walking on a variety of tracks, formed and some caused by use, going up a rocky creek or two and stopping periodically to discuss club protocols, clothing, safety, environmental impact and the club's grading system. The creek parts are graded Terrain 5, but the pace will be determined by the party and an alternative exists. Bring your daypack, morning tea, lunch and water. Even though the walk is not long and no part of the Mt Coot-tha area is considered REMOTE, bring whatever gear you would bring on a full day walk as we will be discussing the "Always Take" list. Mt Coot-tha has some surprisingly lovely country, so close to the city, easy to get to and excellent for introducing people to bushwalking and BBW. Meet at the Gold Mine Picnic Area UBD Page 157, ref P13, fairly close to Channel 9, 10 minutes before departure time. We should finish not too long after lunch enabling time for Coffee (at the Summit Cafe) and getting home easily before the bushwalking meeting that night. The early start is to allow people to get across Brisbane before the traffic gets horrendous. We will be in New Zealand until 17 Feb. Email will only be checked about once a week, so acknowledging an online nomination may take some time. Please be patient - you will be accepted. Looking forward to walking with you.

MT COOTHA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 25 Feb See activity description for 28 Jan.

37 MOLLISON ST WEST END

Dinner Fri 26 Feb

LEADER: Nada Campbell MOBILE: 0414724489

EMAIL: nadacampbell@y7mail.com

GRADE: SOC LIMIT: 20

COST: approx. \$40

DEPART: 7pm
This activity is full.

BEST OF LAMINGTON SWIMMING HOLES -BLACK CANYON & FOUNTAIN FALLS

Base Camp Fri 26 - Sun 28 Feb

LEADER: David Sydes 33184085

MOBILE: 0419871100

EMAIL: david.sydes@pivit.net.au

GRADE: MBC-5D

LIMIT: 10
BRING: Base Camp + Day Walk gear + party

food to share

COST: \$20 petrol + camp fee

DEPART: 6pm TBA, car pooling to be arranged CAR KMS: 200km

Come along for a weekend exploring the less accessible parts of Lamington National Park these swimming holes will take your breath away!! We'll be base camping at Green Mountains - please book your own camp sites on the EPA website www.epa.qld.gov.au. On Saturday we'll go to Black Canyon, on Sunday to Fountain Falls. Black Canyon is a spectacular feature of the Albert River in Lamington National Park, and features a pair of waterfalls (Lightning and Thunder falls) which drop into a wonderful swimming hole at the top of the box canyon. Participants need to be comfortable with both scrambling and rockhopping for this walk. Leaving camp on Saturday morning at 6am, we'll follow the Albert River circuit track from Green Mountains for a couple of hours. We will drop off the track and scramble down a steep slope (with possibly loose rocks) into the canyon. We will then rock hop up the creek to the head of the canyon for lunch and the coldest swim you'll have this year! If we have wet weather, we may need to consider alternative walks (e.g. Moran's Creek), as the rock hopping will be too slow and dangerous in slippery conditions. We return via the same route. In true bushwalking fashion, we'll party hard on Saturday night, not caring that we have another early start the next day. On Sunday, we'll head down Bull Ant spur to Blue Pool on West Canungra creek, and follow a partly taped track via the Middle Ridge traverse to Fountain Falls (East Canungra Creek) for an early lunch and another swim. We'll return the way we came, stopping for a last swim at Blue Pool before the steep climb back up Bull Ant spur.

CHARRABOOMBA CAVES VIA SHIPSTERN CLIFFS PART 3

Day Walk Sat 27 Feb LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: LDW-7D

LIMIT: 9 BRING: page 3

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens

we will head of from binna burra bottom car park , head up the creek to shipstern cliffs then follow the land around to the caves , these caves are all new to me . so this will be part 3 of this survey, no list at meeting.

MAROON BY MOONLIGHT (PHOTO)

Day / Evening Walk Sat 27 Feb LEADER: Chrissy Dott & Peter Hunt33513642 EMAIL: christinadott@gmail.com & peter-

jameshunt@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: PHOTOMDW5C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: See below

1:00pm To be advised DEPART:

Calling all moon & photography lovers. As Sunday is full moon & most people work on Mondays, will be leading a "night before full moon" walk up Mt Maroon. Plan is to start the walk in the afternoon & due to the heat, make our way to the summit with a reasonably slowish pace. Once on the summit, there will be time to take lots of piccies, in between shared nibblies. Hopefully the sky will be cloudless to enjoy a beautiful sunset, followed by great moon images. As it's the night before full moon, the moon will have already risen, but will still create great "risen" shots. In between great moon illumination shots over the valley, the Maroon "cratered dimple" & the majestic surrounding peaks of Barney, Ernest & Lindsay, we'll also enjoy dinner up there. Once we've taken in our fill of moon & illumination shots, we'll slowly make our way back to the cars, using the soft glow from the moonlight & our torches. As there is some scrambling involved (esp the gulley), confidence in scrambling is a must & as it's still a mountain, reasonable fitness as well. Please check with us if you're not sure about the grading or nominating. What to bring section -Page 3 items (incl torch with fresh batteries), nibblies to share, dinner (stove & gas), mozzie repellent & 3L+ water - person dependant (extra for dinner/tea/coffee etc), as no water available on mountain, camera, tripod & sense of fun & adventure.

BELLBIRD GROVE WALK

Day Walk Sun 28 Feb 32840551

LEADER: Dennis Fishlock

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: MDW4C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day Pack as per page 3/3lt water

COST: Car Cost \$12 Per Person

DEPART: 5:30am Alderley Shopping Centre

CAR KMS: 80Kms

MAP: Brisbane Forest Park

NOMINATION LIST:Self Serve online/club meet-

ings Suitable for New Members

MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 minutes

before departure time

This is another very close walk from our front door, Bellbird Grove is located on the Mt Nebo road 3kms past Brisbane Forest Park Head Quarters and information Centre. Bellbird Park is a well laid out picnic grounds with plenty of car parking, table settings and 2 amenities blocks.

The walk will start on a designated track, which we will walk for approximately 1km where we will cross a creek we will then enter a fire trail travel along for a distance and come to a junction, at this stage we will go off track and work our way up a ridge through medium dense eucalypts and come back out onto a forestry road walk along to a y junction, here we will stop for morning tea. We will then move off onto a lower fire trail to a specific point and go off track ascending a reasonably steep ridge which is worth the effort to get the city views, as we work our way through numerous grass trees and stands of eucalypt trees the views even become better. We then arrive at our lunch spot the top of Clear Mountain, yes more picnic grounds including table settings and amenity block [this is being spoilt] and 180 degrees views across the city, but we have to do some serious walking over a variety of terrain. After lunch we will work our way down another fire trail and go off track descending back down to Bellbird Park Picnic grounds, change into some fresh cloth's [BRING A CHANGE ALONG] and head off for afternoon tea back at Blackwood road coffee shops. THIS WALK IS ALSO SUIT-ABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH A GOOD LEVEL OF FITNESS REQUIRED.

LOVE CK LOOP

Day Walk Sun 28 Feb LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW5C LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water

COST: \$14 car contribution

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping cen-

tre UBD 108 F16, Westpac sign

CAR KMS: 84 KM return

BFP MAP:

NO LIST AT MEETING

SELF SERVE ON LINE BOOKINGS

Arrive at the meeting place at 6.45 to depart promptly at 7am. Driving through Mt Glorious we park at Tenison Woods Mtn and follow the track out along the ridge to the big log where we head off track and pick up a creek bed which soon becomes a trickle which becomes larger heading down to join up with Love Ck. Following this down stream we then turn off and proceed to follow another tributary up hill to meet up with the Mt D track to return to the cars and off for coffee at Olleys coffee and honey shop. The country that we cover is beautiful palm and rainforest along the creeks involving creek crossing and rockhopping .The way is open and a few rock ledges are scrambled when ascending. More picturesque than difficult.

MT MITCHELL & BARE ROCK- CUNNING-HAM'S GAP

Day Walk Sun 28 Feb LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337

MOBILE: 0432733847 Day of walk only EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com

GRADE: EXDW-3C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: see page 3 mag, 2 litres water DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens

We will walk both the Mt Mitchell & Bare Rock tracks in the one day. The combined distance is 22.6km. Mt Mitchell is on one side of the Cunningham Highway at Cunningham's Gap & Bare Rock is on the other. The Mt Mitchell track ends at the summit which is a knife-edge ridge above a sheer cliff. Bare rock is on the north side of the highway, it detours west of Mt Cordeaux & crosses a rocky saddle north of the peak. There are spectacular views over the northern section of the national park as there are from Mt Mitchell. The walk is on track but the distance is VERY LONG & Mt Mitchell is up all the way so GOOD FITNESS IS REQUIRED but otherwise it is suitable for new members.

BYRON GORGE & STEVENS CK

Day Walk Wed 3 Mar LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only

louandmarion@gmail.com

GRADE: MDW-6C

LIMIT: 12

EMAIL:

BRING: Usual day walk gear. 3L water

DEPART: 6:30am 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 starting from the Gantry Picnic Area and is ideal for this time of the year.

SHIRLEY STRACHAN MEMORIAL WALK

Base Camp Fri 5 - Sun 7 Mar LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551

0.440.5770.00

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: SURVEY BC

LIMIT: 17

BRING: Base Camp Gear/Day Pack 3ltr Wa-

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DEPART: 11am Self Drive To Base Camp

CAR KMS: 120Kms

MAP: Neurum This activity is full.

BOOLOUMBA CREEK

Day Walk Sat 6 Mar LEADER: Ruth Palsson 3359 7447 between

5:30pm to 9:30pm

MOBILE: 0427 776 584

EMAIL: mum@tweak.net.au

GRADE: MDW-7C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Page 3 stuff plus overnight gear if

camping. Also have your pack wa-

terproofed.

COST: \$5.00 camp fee if also doing the Sun-

day walk plus petrol contribution

DEPART: 6:00am Alderley

CAR KMS: 250km

We will start walking from the Booloumba Falls carpark and walk down the new Great Walk track to Artists Cascades for the first swim and then rock hop up the creek (large boulders) to Frog Falls for the second swim then Kingfisher falls with its 5 separate falls and then through Booloumba Gorge to Booloumba Falls and the Breadknife. There are several swim throughs. The tricky climb out of the last swim through in Booloumba Gorge is now relatively easy because of a rock fall. Anyone on Lou and Marion's list for Summer Creek on Sun, 7 March has first option on this trip until 20 Jan. We will camp at Booloumba Creek camping ground in Kenilworth Forest reserve - cold showers! and flat campsites. You need to book your own campsite. I have booked site no 15 at Campground 3. This site has maps of the campgrounds:https:// www.epa.qld.gov.au/parks/iaparks/gds/

IAGDS030.do Because of the nature of this walk, you will probably need to be known personally to the me or have someone I know vouch for you. Please give me a ring first and then nominate on the website. Note: the EPA website says: The creek crossings on Booloumba Creek Rd and into the Booloumba day use area are suitable for high clearance 4WD vehicles only. This means take care on the creek crossings if you drive a 2WD. All the roads are fine.

MT COOT-THA FROM THE GAP

Day Walk Sat 6 Mar

See activity description for 28 Jan.

TOOLONA CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 7 Mar LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646

MOBILE: 0415 139 646

EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au

GRADE: LDW-3C

LIMIT:

BRING: Usual day walk gear & swimmers

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Lamington NP

This walk is 17.4kms in the O'Reillys area of Lamington NP. We leave the Border Track for Picnic Rock then visit Elabana Falls where we may have morning tea and a swim. The rest of the morning is spent walking upstream along Toolona Ck with many waterfalls and "tree gardens". There are some creek crossings but if we are smart shouldn't get wet feet. Lunch will be at Wanungara Lookout overlooking the Tweed Valley and Mt Warning. Walking along the escarpment we see many ancient Antarctic Beech trees. We complete the circuit by returning along the Border Track.

SUMMER CREEK PLUS UP THE FALLS

Day Walk Sun 7 Mar LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com

MDW-7C GRADE:

LIMIT:

Usual day walk gear, 3L water, wa-**BRING:**

terproofed packs

6am Alderley DEPART:

CAR KMS: 250km

MAP: Mt Langley, Borumba Dam 1:25 000

This activity is full.

TAMBORINE MT FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimaxs Sun 7 Mar

See activity description for 14 Feb.

WEST CANUNGRA WATERFALL CLIMB STAGE 2

Day Walk Sat 13 Mar LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

paulpaulpaul@live.com.au EMAIL:

MDW-6D **GRADE:**

LIMIT:

BRING: Usual day walk gear & swimmers

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220

MAP: Lamington NP

This walk is in the O'Reillys, Green Mountains section of Lamington NP. We descend via the graded track system to Yerralahla Pool, where we will have morning tea and our first swim. We then follow the newly reconstructed and beautiful West Canungra Creek upstream, passing many gorgeous waterfalls and tree gardens to Elabana Falls and Picnic Rock. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we will have a lovely day in a very beautiful place. as all D graded walks expect steep rough terrain use of hands, we also will be using tape to climb up waterfalls. NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

MT COOT-THA FOR NEW MEMBERS - MINI-**MAXS**

Minimaxs Sat 13 Mar LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walkn only

EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com

GRADE: MINIMAXS 5 + 10LIMIT:

BRING: Usual Day walk gear - refer page 3

plus 2 litres water

DEPART: 7am Gold Mine Picnic area UBD

page 157 P13

MAP: Brisbane forest Park 1:30 000

A MINIMAXS walk is an introductory/training walk designed for those new to the club. Partaking in one is necessary to qualify for full membership and we encourage new members to do one very soon after joining. An alternative is to attend a New Members Weekend (held less often). We will be walking on a variety of tracks, formed and some caused by use, going up a rocky creek or two and stopping periodically to discuss club protocols, clothing, safety, environmental impact and the club's grading system. The creek parts are graded Terrain 5, but the pace will be determined by the party and an alternative exists. Bring your daypack, morning tea, lunch and water. Even though the walk is not long and no part of the Mt Coot-tha area is considered REMOTE, bring whatever gear you would bring on a full day walk as we will be discussing the "Always Take" list. Mt Coot-tha has some surprisingly lovely country, so close to the city, easy to get to and excellent for introducing people to bushwalking and BBW. Meet at the Gold Mine Picnic Area UBD Page 157, ref P13, fairly close to Channel 9, 10 minutes before departure time. We should finish not too long after lunch. Bring a cup for tea/coffee afterwards - We'll provide the tea/coffee/milk/ sugar as at that time of day the Summit Cafe will be very crowded - will boil up in the picnic shelter. Looking forward to walking with you.

ALBERT RIVER THROUGH WALK

Through Walk Sat 13 - Sun 14 Mar LEADER: Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360

EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com

GRADE: LTW-3C

LIMIT: 6

BRING: usual through walk gear, nibblies and

\$4.85 camp fee + vehicle contribution COST:

DEPART: 7am TBA CAR KMS: 220 kms

MAP: Beechmont

MEMBERSHIP CARD: A current Membership Card must be carried on this activity

I am planning this as a relatively easy through walk though you will still need to carry all you require for the weekend. Saturday morning will see us head out along the Border Track and then turn down the Albert River Circuit passing many picturesque waterfalls. Morning tea and lunch will be at points along the circuit, probably at a rainforest creek or something similar. We will collect the water that we need for Saturday night and Sunday at the last major creek crossing - a short distance from Echo Point. When we get to Echo Point campsite we will have plenty of time to set up camp and we will have nibblies at Echo Point lookout. Sunday will be relatively short we will finish the Albert River circuit & maybe explore a little on our way back to Green Mountains for coffee then home. As this is all on graded track or easy trails, it is a good entry point for the harder throughwalks that some of the other leaders will plan for the winter months. No list at meetings or online nomination. Contact leader directly to nominate. I'm tramping in NZ in February so emails only please.

ENOGGERA CREEK CATCHMENT

Day Walk Sun 14 Mar LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551

0419577360

EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au

GRADE: MDW 4B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day Pack 3ltr Water
COST: Car Cost \$12 Per Person
DEPART: 6am Alderley Shopping Centre

CAR KMS: 80 kms

MAP: Brisbane Forest Park

NOMINATION LIST: Self Serve Online/Club

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MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 Minutes before Departure Time

Enoggera Catchment is in the basin of Mt Nebo which is part of Enoggera State Forest, the vegetation is open to medium dense eucalypt forest. We will start the walk from in front of Brisbane Forest Park Headquarters on a fire trail and work our way along the trail which is constantly ascending and descending the contours of the ridge. Once we reach the locked gate under the power lines we will stop for morning tea. We will continue along the trail and come out onto a forestry road called Centre Road, which we walk along for a couple hundred of metres and reenter another fire trail which we will follow and come out again under the power lines, along here we will stop for lunch. After lunch we enter the

catchment area and walk along the gentle grassy slopes working our way down to the water edge, depending how much rain has fallen up to the commencement of the walk will dictate which route we cross and walk on the high side of the catchment the track will vary from gentle to moderate ascending back towards the Brisbane Forest Park Headquarters and to our cars. We will change into some fresh clothing and head off to our well deserved afternoon tea at the Keppera Centre, THIS WALK IS SUITABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH A REASONABLE LEVEL OF FITNESS.

AROUND MT BANGALORA

Day Walk Sun 14 Mar LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only

EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com

GRADE: LDW-6D

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Daywalk gear waterproofed.
DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 230

MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000, Teviot

1:25000

This activity is full.

NORTHBROOK CREEK VIA EAGLES NEST

Day Walk Sat 20 Mar LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231

MOBILE: 0427446000

EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW 4C LIMIT: 15

BRING: Usual day walk gear + swimmers

DEPART: 7am Alderley

MAP: Brisbane Forest Park

We start this walk at Lawnton Road at Mt Glorious in Brisbane Forest Park. After walking on a forestry road for 4kms we branch off onto a distinct trail which leads us up to Eagles Nest. Here we will have morning tea. It is very steep with loose soil/gravel to Northbrook Creek. We then go downstream with several creek crossings to a lovely swimming hole at the start of the Gorge. Probably we will have lunch here then retrace our steps upstream past where we joined the creek, to a gully which takes us up to Wivenhoe Lookout where we will have left most of the vehicles. This section is a bit of a scramble with some prickly vegetation and very steep at the end. You do need to be reasonably fit for this walk and prepared to get wet feet for the many creek crossings. Hopefully the day will be clear and we will get nice views from Eagles Nest. Apart from that the walk is in the rainforest.

SOUTH BALD ROCK

Through Walk Sat 20 - Sun 21 Mar LEADER: John Mitchell 32819751

EMAIL: mitchbbw@gmail.com

GRADE: MTW5C

LIMIT: 6

BRING: normal through walk gear

COST: Camp fee \$5 Qld Car fee \$10 Petrol

\$55

DEPART: 7am tba CAR KMS: 550km

MAP: Girraween and Bald Rock National

Parks 1:33000

This walk is for beginning walkers and for older slower walkers. 1.The distances are short 2x10kms 2. No hills 3.good roads/tracks /fire trails 4. Place to test your cold gear 5. Excellent granite scenery. We travel via Stanthorpe onto the Mt Lindsay Highway and south to Bald Rock Camping area. Maybe catch one winery on the way. The walk goes around the northern End of Bald Rock and then south roughly following the Border. On arriving at South Bald Rock, camp is set up. Time to explore the rock and climb the rock to watch the sunset with a few nibbles etc. On Sunday we return the same way, and climb Bald Rock to have lunch before heading home. The walk is around the 1000m mark and therefore, is cool to cold at all times of the year.

GREENES FALLS &LOVE CK FALLS

Daywalk Sun 21 Mar LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW5C LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 3 lit water COST: \$12CAR CONTRIBUTION

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping cen-

tre UBD 108 F16, Westpac sign

CAR KMS: 80 KM return

MAP: BFP

NO LIST AT MEETING

This walk was deferred from 21Feb. Arrive at the departure place at 6:45 to arrange cars and leave promptly at 7am. We drive to Mt Glorious and park at the end of Alex Rd to start the walk and head down the ridge to Annies Ck. Up to and across the plateau then down to Greenes Falls Lookout. Down the track to have smoko on a rocky ledge looking up the falls. Back up another longer ridge to the plateau to drop off down a ridge to Love Ck. Down stream a short way to Love Ck Falls. Here we slip down the track to get an up view of the falls. Back upstream to peel off into Annies Ck to start the ascent up the rock ledges ,through the shady palm groves to select

a beauty spot along the creek for lunch. We reach the Y junction to leave the creek and ascend the ridge and back to the cars. A clean up and change of clothes to head off to Olleys honey and coffee shop to partake of home cooked cake and coffee.

SUNSHINE COAST GREAT WALK GHEERULLA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 21 Mar LEADER: Bernie Ryan 33255616 [not on walk

day please]

MOBILE: 0432 907275 [on day only please]

EMAIL: cino1410@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: XLDW-4C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: As per Mag page 3, 3 plus litres Wa-

ter, camera, fresh clothes

COST: Petrol Money \$20

DEPART: 7am Aspley Hypermarket Aust Post

Sign

MAP: Sunshine coast Great Walk map This is stage 3 and the final section of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk. It is the northern most part of the walk and is a circuit of 21.5 kms in length. We join the track at Delicia Rd at Mapleton. The walk goes from this point up along Gheerulla Bluff which provides excellent views of the surrounding countryside & down into the Mary Valley. There are 2 good lookouts along the way. The walk then descends down into the valley and then meets Gheerulla Creek which we will follow [via track not creek bed] back up to the beginning of the walk. Some other features we will see are Gheerulla Falls [if there has been rain] & Thilba Thalba walkers Camp. I am looking for walkers with a GOOD level of fitness. The walk will be at a constant pace however there will be opportunities to take photographs. NO LIST AT MEETINGS.SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PLEASE.

SUMMER CREEK PLUS UP THE FALLS

Day Walk
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031
MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com

GRADE: MDW-7C

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LIMIT: 8

BRING: Usual day walk gear, 3L water, wa-

terproofed packs

DEPART: 6am Alderley

CAR KMS: 250km

MAP: Mt Langley, Borumba Dam 1:25 000

This activity is full.

TO LEAD OR NOT TO LEAD - IS THAT THE QUESTION?

Reference: Selecting BBW Activity Leaders [Schedule 13 of the club by-laws]

"How do I become a BBW Leader?"

This is a fairly straight-forward process that is covered in detail by the club by-laws. Very briefly, though, the sequence is as follows.

Indicate your desire to become a leader – in writing – to either the club Safety and Training
 Officer or Outings Officer

Committee consideration

The committee will consider each application on its individual merit, based on the criteria at Annexes A and B to Schedule 13 of the club by-laws [Checklist For Selecting Activity Leaders / Checklist For Leadership Qualities]. In particular you should note the requirement to **demonstrate competency**, skill and experience as a bushwalker.

Leader Training

Ideally a leader training activity should be attended by the applicant prior to committee approval. However, the committee may approve the application with the recommendation that the member attend a leader training activity at the earliest opportunity.

Approval

The committee meets on the first Wednesday of each month, at which time the S & T Officer will present all leader applications for committee consideration. Following approval, you will receive email notification of your leader approval, along with club website access to the leaders' area and mailing lists. The Outings Officer may also contact you concerning recommendations as to appropriate gradings for your first official walks as a leader.

Acknowledgement

You will be required to formally acknowledge your leader authorization in writing.

Baz, S & T

Increasing Your Navigation Skills

Members who would like to improve their navigation skills might like to consider the program of rogaine events offered by the Qld Rogaine Association.

Rogaining is the sport of long distance cross-country navigation, in which teams of two to five people visit as many checkpoints as they wish in a set time period. The classic rogaine is 24 hours in duration, however, there are also shorter events of 6, 8 and 12 hours. Of course you do not have to be out for the whole time. Teams may return to the Hash House as often and for as long as they wish for food, rest, sleep or socialising. Many teams enter just for a few hours of relaxed navigation practice and don't worry about the competitive aspect. It is exciting when your clever navigation actually gets you to a checkpoint.

The 2010 scheduled events for South-East Qld are as follows:

- Feb 28th 8hr Upside Down Rogaine (Glen Rock via Gatton)
- April 24th The Rogue 24hr Adventuregaine (Brisbane Forest Park)
- May 15th Training Day (Bunyaville SF via Everton Park)
- May 16th 3hr Mini Rogaine (Bunyaville SF via Everton Park)
- June 26th 6 / 12hr Rogaine (Opossum Creek via Colinton)
- July 24th 8 / 15 / 24hr Qld Championships (Mt Stanley via Linville)
- Sept 19th 6hr Cyclegaine (Old Hidden Vale via Grandchester)
- Oct 23rd 6hr Metrogaine (location TBC)

For further information visit the QRA web site at www.qldrogaine.asn.au or contact me.

Lynley Murtagh

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GPS – THE INSIDE STORY

I have had several queries from members owning handheld GPS units, specifically with regard to **converting Grid positions into Latitude and Longitude [Lat/Long] and vice versa.** *Grid* position is what we bushwalkers use to derive our location from topographical maps such as the *Sunmap* 1:25,000 scale series. *Lat/Long* is the position format that all rescue aircraft and ships will require to locate you in the event that you ever require assistance in an emergency.

Once activated, a GPS equipped Personal Locator Beacon [PLB] Lat/Long signal will be continuously transmitted to the Australian Maritime Safety Authority[AMSA] Rescue Coordination Centre [RCC] in Canberra. Search and Rescue [SAR] operations will centre on that position. However, you still need to know how to derive this information yourself from your handheld GPS unit and map.

Without delving too much into maps and charts theory, suffice to say that all *Sunmap* topographical maps are based on a **Universal Transverse Mercator [UTM] Projection**. The UTM covers the entire World in **sixty Zones numbered 0 to 60** in an easterly direction, starting at the 180 degree East/West Meridian, which is located out in the Pacific Ocean on the way to Hawaii [you may have heard this referred to as the International Dateline]. The north/south part of the UTM grid is formed by **Designators**, delineated south to north by the alphabetical letters **C to X.** Thus, **SE Queensland lies within a square formed between the UTM Grid Zone 56 and Designator J.** So what, you may ask. Well, we're going to meet up with the old 56 and J again very shortly, so please hang in there.

The following example is valid for Garmin GPS units such as the Vista HCx and 'entry level' Etrex [the 'yellow' one]. However, the logical steps will apply equally to other models and brands.

Now, for those among us who have become somewhat intellectually and technically challenged from the destruction of brain cells, resulting from continued, prolonged exposure to high altitude rarified air, the first action required is *to turn the GPS unit on!*

Now, from the Main Menu, select the **Setup** option. Scroll to and select **Units**. At first glance the choices available will appear a little overwhelming. However, to enable you to read either *Grid* or *Lat/Long* coordinates, all you need to look for are the following:

Grid Position

Select UTM UPS

Don't worry about the UPS bit. It stands for Universal Polar Stereographic and covers the Polar Regions continuation of the UTM [which would be of use to you if you were planning to take a dogsled to either the North or South Pole, but won't concern you wandering around in the rainforests of Queensland!].

While you have the Setup Units Menu open, scroll down to Map Datum and select GDA [Which stands for Geocentric Datum of Australia, the latest of which is GDA94] and select all other options to Metric. Your GPS is now configured to the same datum and units of measurement as the maps currently used by most BBW members.

When you now return to any of the GPS navigation pages [e.g. Satellite or Waypoints], you will note the position is presented as in the following example:

56 J 05**107**35 UTM 68 **688**59

[This is the Grid position of Westray's Grave as depicted on *Sunmap* Topographical Map 9541-34 Edition 2 'Lamington 'with Horizontal Datum GDA94, and derived from a Garmin Vista HCx GPS unit]. The '56, J and UTM' bits we have already discussed. The remaining figures refer to the actual Grid Reference [GR] Position, which are stripped even further into a six figure group as follows:

107 688

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Which translates as: Easting 107 Northing 688 "Simple!"

Latitude and Longitude

Go back to **Setup Units** now and scroll through until you find the options presented as follows:

hddd.ddddd * Degrees [to 5 decimal places]

hddd* mm.mmm' Degrees Minutes [to 3 decimal places]

hddd* mm'ss.s" Degrees Minutes Seconds [to 1 decimal place]

From these options, I suggest that you select the second choice of **Degrees and Minutes**. Why? Because that is the position format and accuracy that rescue aircraft pilots are able to insert into their Flight Management Computers [FMC] as fly-to waypoints. Trust me; being simple folk, they need all the help they can get! Incidentally, the rescue aircraft will also be able to 'home' to the 121.5 MHz signal transmitted by the PLB.

[PLBs and their use will be discussed in a future Footprints article].

Your GPS Location will now be presented to you like this:

S 28* 18.379'

E 153* 06.570'

Which translates as: Latitude South 28 degrees 18.4 minutes

"Simple! "

Longitude East 153 degrees 06.6 minutes

Should you care to take a helicopter ride to this position, you will find yourself hovering above Westray's Grave beside Christmas Creek.

For your information, all **Sunmap** topographical maps also include Lat/Long coordinates at each of the four corners of the map. Simple marks along all four borders enable the interpretation of Lat/Long for any position on the map.

So, there it is, in a nutshell [or more correctly, in your palm]. You are now in a position to, well, know your position.

I'd just like to add one further important comment. Should you already own a handheld GPS unit, please do not make the mistake of believing yourself to be a Navigator just because you are able to insert a few waypoints and follow some electronically presented directions. Unless you are able to back up that ability with the skills required to properly use maps and compasses, and 'read' the countryside around you, it may happen that one day both your screen and mind go blank. That wouldn't be a very comfortable feeling surrounded by rainforest, steep ground, lousy weather, marauding beasts and failing light.

"The winds and the waves are on the side of the ablest navigator. " - Anon.

Baz

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Committee

PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORT

Here's wishing all members all the best for 2010 including plenty of fun and enjoyment on BBW walks. Although many members are away at this time of year (lost track of the number going tramping in New Zealand) our first meeting was packed out with new members and current members renewing. The first half-hour of the meeting was devoted to introducing new members and that seems to work well, especially in avoiding the cramped conditions of a hot kitchen.

Last year the review and updating of the club rules and bylaws took up much of committee's time and this year I would like to see a review of the remainder of the club's documents. Not a subject that enthuses many but it is difficult to avoid some level of bureaucracy in a club our size, especially when administrating 600+ members and conducting walks where safety of members is the prime consideration. All documents can be found by clicking "Club Rules and Bylaws" on the members home web page and any comment about suggested changes, additions and deletions are welcome - just forward by email to the relevant committee member or myself.

Tom Hulse

HIRE OF EQUIPMENT AND USE OF PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS (PLB's)

BBW has equipment for hire such as through-walk packs and tents; base camp tents as well as stoves and foam and self-inflating mattresses. This equipment is for hire by any member participating in a Club activity. Equipment is not available for non Club related activities.

Personal Locator Beacons (PLBs)

- Club-owned PLBs are only to be loaned to leaders for club activities
- PLBs are available to leaders free of charge from the Equipment Officer.
- Leaders are encouraged to take a PLB on a club activity especially those that are off track and in isolated locations.

PLBs are not available to members who are not leaders. Nor are they available to leaders not undertaking Club walks which have been listed with the Outings Officer.

A leader who seeks to take a PLB on a club walk must contact the Equipment Officer.

It is inappropriate for any other member to contact the Equipment Office on the Leader's behalf.

It is also inappropriate to contact the Treasurer or any other Committee Member to borrow a PLB (or to hire an item of equipment).

This article seeks to clarify the policy of BBW. The policy and rules are available on the web site. Specific queries about PLBs may be directed to the Equipment Officer or the Safety and Training Officer.

Catherine Equipment Officer

Committee

GUEST SPEAKERS

Wed 10 Feb: 1st Timers in New Zealand - Ruth Palsson

Ruth, a club member, will speak on what you need to know when planning your first New Zealand walk.

Wed 10 March: Nature Photography - Michael Snedic

Michael Snedic is one of Australia's most accomplished nature photographers, with a special interest in native wildlife. His photos have been published in numerous publications and he is also a regular feature writer on nature photography for different magazines which include *Australian Photography*, *Wildlife Australia*, and *Wingspan (Birds Australia*). Michael has also had a feature published in the world's most prestigious wildlife magazine, *BBC Wildlife*.

Michael has had the privilege of working with Sir David Attenborough when he was working on a documentary in Lamington National Park. He is one of only a handful of people in the world to successfully photograph the displaying male Albert's Lyrebird, a feat which took seven weeks of sitting in a rainforest in a cold, cramped hide in the middle of winter.

He is the author of a 200 page coffee table book titled "Wildlife of Australia – a nature photographer's journey" which will be available for sale as autographed copies.

Cheryl

LIBRARY

Hopefully many of you are planning to improve your navigation skills as encouraged by Barry our Safety & Training person. There are two books in the library that you will probably find helpful to get you started. The first: Basic Essentials of Map & Compass by Cliff Jacobson, the second is part of a Bush Craft Handbooks series: Time & Direction by Richard Graves.

There are 20 books missing from the library. PLEASE search around at home for them. We would be delight to have them back and guarantee no late fees!

Men and the Matterhorn: Gaston Rebuffat

Nepal: The Living Heritage, Environment and Culture: Susan Holvic & PT Sherpa Kerung

Never Truly Lost: Paddy Pallin

Nordic Touring & Cross Country Skiing: Michael Brady

Pioneer Craft of Early Australia: Murry Walker

Queensland Islands: David Stranger

Snakes of Australia: G.Gow

South West Tasmania: John Chapman

Take a Walk in South East Queensland : John & Lyn Daly

The Real Paradise: Neil Macleod

The Tops to Myall's Heritage Trail: National Parks New South Wales

Trees for Australian Gardens: M.J. Morfries

World Atlas of Mountaineering: W.Noyce & I. McMorrin

Burhwalking & Mountaincraft Leadership: Handbook of Victorian B W

Everest the Hardway: Chris Bonnington or should this be by W.E. Anderson: does anyone know?

Fraser Island Natural Queensland: 1985

Great Walks: Paddy Pallin

Great South West Walk (Victoria): Portland Print Guide to Tramping & Bushwalking in New Zealand

Guide to Trekking / Tracking in Nepal : Stephen Besnuckka

And 1 DVD missing: Miracle on the Mountains

Mary

For Sale

Car roof racks

"Rhino" were used on a 1997 Toyota HiLux and would suit similar vehicles with roof guttering inside the doors. New cost \$300.00 will sell for \$150.00.

Shade House

Galvanised weld mesh, 3.6m L x 2.05m W x 1.93m H, with roof & two shelves - unassembled without door or shade cloth. New cost \$800.00 will sell for \$400.00.

Peter Hunt

Please see me at meetings or email me at peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au

KATIE NOONAN AT THE GLOBE (THE VALLEY)

7PM Friday 12th Feb- tickets \$20 & \$25 www.oztix.com.au

The proceeds from this concert have been generously donated to the Sacha Fund by Katie and the Globe Theatre.

Why not have a great night out and contribute to a worthy cause.

P.S. Sacha is the little granddaughter of Bill and Betty Healy (club members). Sacha has many serious medical conditions which require 24 hour nursing care. Sacha can be cared for at home with much medical equipment and the devotion and commitment of Mummy, Daddy and Grandma.

P.P.S. After 2 lovely weeks at home over Christmas Sacha is now back in Intensive Care at the Royal Children's with an unspecified infection.

Bill and Betty Healy

NEW MEMBERS

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

Warren Alloway	Dee Archbold	Wendy Auton	Lisa Bailey	Sally Ball
Lee Batho	Andrew Blow	Michelle Brown	Derek Catterall	Karen Catterall
Diane Cheal	Amy Chiang	Cathy Cogill	Jill Daly	Peter Day
Judy Draper	Venera Edwards	Susanne Fraser	Amench Ghafouria	n Shannon Gibbs
Kahren Giles	Barbara Hennessy	Oliver Holmes	Alison Holmes	Dean Horan
Clare Horan	Carolyn Hunter	Jo Ivin	Andrew Jaensch	Dave Judge
Rajan Khire	Maeling Lee	Neville Leishman	Susan Lowry	Elissa Milford
Susan Minter	Carla Moretti	Jane Mullins	Bridget Noble	Brandy Ream
Matthew Richards	Val Robbins	Peter Robbins	Kylie Scott	Ross Smith
Marcus Sorbello	Di Stirling	Mark Taylor	Kym Telford Meek	Richard Thew
Trevor Tighe	Steve Tozer	Andre Zitman	-	

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

Liz Allen	Valda Biezaitis	Rodney Black	Nick Burrows	Julie Dale
Sarah Dally	Krisztina Duffy	Richard Dyke	Bronwyn Henderso	n Peter Howard
Lucas Johnson	Beth Johnston	Jim Lydon	Steve Marshall	Julie McVarnock
Bernadette Nicotra	Shauna Otago	Libby Packer	Jane Searle	Carol Shekell
George Smith	Heather Taylor	Helen The	Ben Wain	

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Out & About

NEW FARM PARK

Social Tue 26 Jan

LEADER: Nada Campbell MOBILE: 0414724489

EMAIL: nadacampbell@y7mail.com

LIMIT: no limit

BRING: see description below

DEPART: 7am

Breakfast at New Farm Park. BBW's first event of the year will be held on Australia Day, Tuesday 26 January starting time: 7:00am, at the end of Brunswick Street near the ferry. The venue is on the river with lots of big shady trees and plenty of tables and benches, but you can bring your own chair or blanket if you wish. And wear your BBW shirt if you have one. Arrive early to get a good spot. Bring your own breakfast - there are BBQs if you'd like to cook a hot breakfast or bring whatever yummy goodies and drinks you'd like. Afterwards we can walk to the Botanic Gardens in the city and have a coffee or a cool drink along the way. If we're up to it, we can walk to Southbank and spend some time there then catch a CityCat back to New Farm. (CityCat fare approx. \$3.00) Please indicate in the comments section of the activities details form if you're planning to come on the group walk. You'll need your day pack with at least 2 litres of water, sunscreen, a hat and your walking shoes. Come along everyone - whether you're a new or old member - you'll catch up with old friends and make new ones.

Nada

CONCERT FOR SACHA WITH KATIE NOONAN "SOUL & JAZZ"

Charity Concert Fri 12 Feb

LEADER: Catherine Lowry & Peter Hunt

MOBILE: 0430450569

EMAIL: katlowry@hotmail.com

GRADE: SOCIAL LIMIT: Nil COST: \$25.00

DEPART: 6:45pm Globe Theatre, 220 Bruns-

wick St, Fortitude Valley

Please nominate on line and send all inquiries to Catherine at the email address provided. Sacha is the granddaughter of Bill and Betty, both long time club members who have done heaps for BBW. Sacha was born over a year ago and has considerable medical issues. Her parents have both given up work and sold their home to provide the care that she needs. This concert is one small way we can show support and provide a few extra dollars for Sacha's care. A Night of Soul and Jazz, from the Heart, a charity concert by Katie Noonan and special guests - Hannah Macklin & The Teapotter Party, Emma Dean and the incredible Edward Guglielmino & The Show. An excellent and talented line up. It is at the Globe Theatre, 220 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley. The cost is \$25.00 or \$20.00 concession. These details are on the Globe Theatre website. Please pay Catherine, by 14 January, into her bank account which will be provided once you have nominated. Please enter your email address into the comments area for this to be organised.

Catherine & Peter

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Walk leaders will need to see your membership card at the start of all walks. PLEASE have it with you! You can be refused participation in an activity if you can't prove your membership status.

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Peter Hunt's at Ferny Hills on Thursday 18th February. 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 3351 3642 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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