

The **BRISBANE BUSHWALKER**

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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 7th April** is at Tom Cowlshaw'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 **April** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 14th April**.
Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!

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www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au

Cover Photograph
Concentration on a MiniMax - Enroute to Castle Crag (by Ruth Palsson)

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

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

PLB: The Club has several PLBs which Leaders may borrow, at no cost, for approved club activities only. Extended loan periods will need to be arranged with the Equipment Officer.

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

LIBRARY

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

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Fees include magazine subscription.
Full Members: Singles \$40 per annum
Couples \$60 per annum
Annual membership falls due 31st January.
Probationary Members:
Singles \$25 per 6month
Couples \$40 per 6 month

FIRST AID CERTIFICATES



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ABBREVIATIONS & GRADING

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

ACTIVITY 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 (fleece jacket minimum, thermals if you have them); raincoat. Don't forget a change of clothing & shoes for after the walk and money for car pooling & coffee.

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

PROGRAM

ALWAYS TAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

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

March

24	Meeting	Bushwalking & Camping Auction		
25	MDW6C	WILSONS PEAK via The Verandah	Brian Randle	32662932
	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
26-28	WORKNWALK	Mt Glorious Base Camp[QPWS Volunteers only]	John Shields	32646565
27	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	SDW 5C	Mt Greville	John Mitchell	32819751
27-28	MBC5/6D	Christmas Creek Base Camp	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
	MTW-6D	Lizard Point	Ryan Langley	
28	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	MDW 3B	Somerset Trail	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 419577360
	SDW 5C	Mt Greville	K.Rosbrook	0401221403
	LDW 7D	Castle Crag via Python Rock	Paul Horwath	0266760526
30	FSOC + FSN	FAMILY Easter Egg Hunt and Full Moon Walk	Marion Crowther, Picnic Pete	33517832

April

1	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
1-5	MTW-7D	Sundown National Park Circuit	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
3	MDW-7D	Coomera Gorge	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MDW7CPHOTO	"Easter Egg Rock"	Chrissy Dott	
4	MDW-5C	Lincoln Wreck	Barry Collins	3876 9779 [NOT on walk day]
5-10	LTW5C	Oxley Wild Rivers NP	John Mitchell	32819751
6	SNW2C	West End Hills	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
8	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
10	ABS-MDW9E	Short Leaning Ridge - Mt Barney	Lynley Murtagh	3165 3031
	SDW-6C	North and Middle Kobbler Creeks	John Stevens	0431 929 466
	CYCLE	Toombul to Woody Point Cycle	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
10-11	MBC-5C	Xmas Creek Base Camp	Paul Horwath	0266760526
11	MDW 4-6C	Northbrook Ck The Source	John Shields	07-32646565
	MDW 4C	GlassHouse Mountains Mt Tibboowuccum/ Mt cooe	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 0419577360
	MDW 5C	Stinson Memorial & Point Lookout	Carleton Nothling	0409 516 652
	SDW3APHOTO	Mt Glorious "Nature Photography Walk"	Chrissy Dott	
	SOC	Bicycle Ride Toombul to Sandgate	Nada Campbell	
14	Meeting	Snow Trip 2009 - Peter Lock		
	SDW3A	Mt Matheson Trail, Spicers Gap	John Mitchell	32819751
15	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
17	M5C	Pt. Lookout via an unnamed creek	Ray Glancy	3343 8854
	MDW-7D	Mt Maroon Cave Route	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MDW3C	Mt Coot-tha from The Gap	Christine Everett	3300 2947
	MINIMAXS4A	White Rock for New Members	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
18	ABSDW-5C	Kinnanes Falls Abseil	Anne Kemp, Greg Long	3371 2707
	MDW 3B	Somerset Trail- Mt Mee	Bill Gale	33556023
	LDW 3C	Warrie Circuit	Mary Comer	3844 6231
	MDW 4C	Iron Bark Gully	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 0419577360
	MDW-6D	Mt Maroon - South Ridge	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
	MDW5C	SOUTH KOBBLER CK The Source	John Shields	32646565
	SOCIAL	The Boo	Burney	0422386080
	CYC	Alderley to Nudgee Beach	Ken Rubie	
20	MDW-5D	Lizard Point	Barry Collins	3876 9779 [NOT on walk day]
	SNW2C	West End Hills	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
22	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
23	SOC	Dinner at Tomato Brothers	Nada Campbell	

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23-26	BC3/5C	Mt Glorious Base Camp [long weekend]	John Shields	32646565
	XLTW 3C	Gold Coast Hinterland Great Walk	Greg Kuss.	0408 806310
	FSTW4B	Girraween and the Tunnel of Doom	Picnic Pete	3351 1184
	MTW - 5B	Girraween National Park	Cath Carkeet	3357 5607
	MTW-6D	Southern Lamington - Survey	David Sydes	33184085
24	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	MDW 4B	Illingbah Circuit 4th Version	Mary Comer	3844 6231
	LDW 7D	Mt Ernest caves via organ pipes	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	SURVEY	Byron Creek North End	Dennis Fishlock 32840551	0419577360
24-26	LTW5C	Washpool/Gibraltar Walk	John Mitchell	32819751
25	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	LDW-3C	Toolona Creek Circuit	Marge Henry	3856 5757
	MDW-5C	Larapinta Falls	Tom Bishton	
	MDW-5D	Point Pure	John Stevens	0431 929 466
28	Meeting			
29	SNW- 3C	Mt Coot-tha Weekly Thursday Night Walk	Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie	
30-3	MTW - 6D	Spicer's Gap to Teviot Gap	Lynley Murtagh	3165 3031
	MTW-6D	Teviot Gap to Spicers Gap	David Sydes	33184085
May				
1	LDW-7D	WEST SIDE ISOLATED PEAK via TOMS TUM	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MDW3BPHOTO	Twin Falls Springbrook "Photographic Walk"	Chrissy Dott	
	MINIMAX 3B	Iron Bark Gully	Dennis Fishlock 32840551	0419577360
1-2	MTW-5C	Flaggy Creek Area thru walk	John Stevens	0431 929 466 evenings only
1-3	LTW5C	Washpool/Gibraltar Walk	John Mitchell	32819751
2	MDW 5D	Lizard Point	Carleton Nothling	0409 516 652
	MDW4C	Glasshouse Mtns [mt Cooe/ Mt Tibrogargen/ Mt Tibrowocum]	John Shields	32646565
8	MDW-8C	Mt Ernest Via the Organ Pipes	Lynley Murtagh	3165 3031
	MDW-8D	Logans Ridge	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MDW5C	Mt Maroon	Joan Davey	3881 27 67
8-9	S&T	First Aid Course	Barry Collins	3876 9779
9	MDW-8D	Mezzanine Ridge - Mt Barney NP	Paul Horwath	0266760526
	MDW5B	London Creek North Branch	Dennis Fishlock 32840551	0419577360
	MDW5C	Love Ck Loop	John Shields	32646565
12	Meeting			

ADVANCE NOTICE

14-16	May	Point Pure (from Goomburra)	Cath Carkeet	3357 5607
15-16	May	South Bald Rock	John Mitchell	32819751
22-23	May	Rat-a-tat	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
4-6	June	Navigation and Leader Training Base Camp	Mt Glorious Barracks	Barry Collins
5-6	June	Echo Point Through Walk	Joan Davey	0415 139 646
11-13	June	The Steamers	Paul Horwath	0266760526
11-14	June	Eighth Annual Barney Four Day Classic	John Hinz	3846 1432 H/W
12-14	June	Sunshine Coast Great Walk (southern section)		Ken Rubie
25-27	June	Mt Glorious Base Camp	John Shields	32646565
26-27	June	4WD Training - Levuka NSW	Ken Rubie	
2-4	July	Mt Barney for First Timers Weekend	Lynsey Moore; Brian Randle	
2-4	July	Christmas in July	Nada Campbell	
2-4	July	NavShield 2010	Picnic Pete	3351 1184
18-26	September	Snow 2010	Picnic Pete, Andrew Hunt	3351 1184
20-24	September	Washpool/Gibraltar Walk	John Mitchell	32819751
26-3	September	FAMILY Snow 2010	Marion Crowther, Peter Lock	33517832



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

SUMMER CREEK PLUS UP THE FALLS

Day Walk Tue 23 Mar
This activity is full.

WEST END HILLS

Social Night Walk Tue 23 Mar
This activity is full.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 25 Mar
LEADER: Malcolm Crabtree & Ken Rubie 0410 408 620 & 0448 448 598
EMAIL: crabtreeapple@hotmail.com
GRADE: SNW- 3C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Page 3 inc. torch and water
DEPART: 6:30pm Carpark 50 metre West of Summit Cafe - Mt Coot-tha

The 'Mt Coot-tha Weekly 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, located 50 metres before the Summit Cafe on Mt Coot-tha, leading back towards the western side of the mountain. The walks will be approximately 1.5 hours in duration (maximum 2 hours) 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 including the appropriate hiking footwear, torch and drinking water. At the end of the walk, please join us for a coffee at the Summit Cafe for those who wish to reward their efforts and enjoy the scenic 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 either of the walk leaders.

PARTY TIME

Party Fri 26 Mar
This activity is full.

MI GLORIOUS BASE CAMP [QPWS VOLUNTEERS ONLY]

Base Camp Fri 26 - Sun 28 Mar

LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: WORKNWALK
BRING: tools, work clothes, gloves, eye protection etc

The usual work and fun with the other volunteers

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training Sat 27 Mar
This activity is full.

MT GREVILLE

Day Walk Sat 27 Mar
This activity is full.

CHRISTMAS CREEK BASE CAMP

Work 'n Walk Sat 27 - Sun 28 Mar
This activity is full.

LIZARD POINT

Throughwalk Sat 27 - Sun 28 Mar
LEADER: Ryan Langley
EMAIL: rrlaust@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: MTW-6D
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual TW gear
COST: Camp fee + fuel
DEPART: 6pm Pre-arranged
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000

Lizard Point is south of Cunningham's Gap, in the Main Range National Park. Car pooling is pre-arranged and we leave Brisbane around 6pm on the Friday night, driving through Cunningham's Gap and camping the night near the start of the walk (the campsite has no facilities). On Saturday there is a steep up at the start of the day to the Steamers, and we will get great views of the Steamers during the day. We continue to Lizard Point, which has fantastic views, and if it all goes to plan we should have dinner under moonlight on the Point. Water is near the campsite. On Sunday we return via the Lincoln wreck. Good fitness is required, due to the elevation gained on day 1. Also come prepared for a little heat or rain, as you can never predict the weather in the Main Range. I will modify the walk if it looks like rain. 4WD's are required, so let me know when nominating if you have a 4WD. Please nominate by email.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training Sun 28 Mar
This activity is full.

SOMERSET TRAIL

Day Walk Sun 28 Mar
This activity is full.

MT GREVILLE

Day Walk Sun 28 Mar
LEADER: K.Rosbrook 0401221403
GRADE: SDW 5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: As pg 3 (2 litres water)
COST: \$20.00 car contribution
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210km

Mt Greville is an isolated peak near Aratula approx 770m high. This short walk involves a steep ascent via Waterfall Gorge. The uphill walk is well worth it as morning tea will be enjoyed on the rock slabs with a stunning view overlooking Lake Moogerah and many other mountains. The ascent from there to the summit is off track with reasonably good fitness required. Lunch at the summit has more great views. After lunch we have a steep decent via Palm Gorge which has interesting palms and rock features. The walk requires good aerobic fitness for the steep ascent going up and agility for the steep decent. Please nominate on-line as NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

CASTLE CRAG VIA PYTHON ROCK

Day Walk Sun 28 Mar
This activity is full.

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT AND FULL MOON WALK

Night Walk & Soc Tue 30 Mar
LEADER: Marion Crowther, Picnic Pete
33517832

MOBILE: 0417081002
EMAIL: marion2008@mjcstk.id.au
GRADE: FSOC + FSN
LIMIT: 20 walkers
BRING: Dinner, head torch, walking shoes + picnic blanket
COST: \$2 per child for eggs
DEPART: 5pm North side of Shorncliffe Pier

Just in time for Easter there is a Full Moon (of course). The plan is to arrive at the Shorncliffe Pier area at 5pm. Moonrise is at 5:36pm so it will still be daylight but this gives us a chance to cook sausages on the free gas bbqs or eat our take-aways before gazing in wonder as the moonshine shimmers off the water and builds a stairway to the sky. After we've eaten dinner and gazed skyward for a while we will wander down a short distance to the playground area where the kids can hunt around the pirate ship for the "well hidden" easter eggs. These will be provided - just bring your \$2/child to cover the cost please. When

we've hunted enough we'll head off on a short walk around the cliffs by moonlight. (approx 7/7:30pm start) This is a fun walk for children and adults alike and due to the tides at the full moon we can walk all the way around the cliffs without getting our feet wet. If there are any really little kids who need to get home to bed they can head off before we go for the walk. Please nominate online and ensure you list all the children you are bringing and their ages. NO LIST AT MEETINGS. This is a FAMILY ACTIVITY - only members of the family group may selfnominate for this activity.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 1 Apr
See walk description for 25 March.

SUNDOWN NATIONAL PARK CIRCUIT

Through Walk Thu 1 - Mon 5 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW-7D
LIMIT: 6
BRING: Light Through walk gear, party food
COST: camping fees + car pooling
DEPART: 5:30pm
CAR KMS: 600 km (approx)
MAP: Mt Donaldson and Sundown 1:25000
Sundown National Park is located south-west of Stanthorpe and it is a spectacular rocky and relatively arid environment. Thursday night we will camp at the National Park Broadwater camp ground by the cars. Next day, after crossing the Severn River, we will travel up McAllisters Creek and camp fairly high up. On Day 2 we climb Mt. Donaldson then descend back to the Severn River to camp. On Day 3 we will go up the spectacular Blue Gorge and aim to camp close to the source of Ooline Creek. Day 4 will involve coming down Ooline creek with it's many waterfalls back to the cars. A good level of scrambling ability is needed for this trip. There are many serious sections.

COOMERA GORGE

Day Walk Sat 3 Apr
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: MDW-7D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day walking gear, 3L water,
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210
MAP: Beechmont 1:25000
This walk out of Binna Burra starts by following

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

LINCOLN WRECK

Day Walk Sun 4 Apr
This activity is full.

OXLEY WILD RIVERS NP

Through Walk Mon 5 - Sat 10 Apr
This activity is full.

WEST END HILLS

Night Walk Tue 6 Apr
This activity is full.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 8 Apr
See walk description for 25 March.

SHORT LEANING RIDGE - MT BARNEY

Abseil Day Walk Sat 10 Apr
LEADER: Lynley Murtagh 3165 3031
MOBILE: 0414 631 115
EMAIL: lynleymurtagh@gmail.com
GRADE: ABS-MDW9E
LIMIT: 5
BRING: Usual day walk gear & sense of adventure
COST: Camping Fees Mt Barney Lodge
DEPART: 6.00 am Lower Portals Carpark
CAR KMS: 220
MAP: Mt Barney

Short Leaning is probably the most technical thing you will do on Barney without a rope. There are some technical sections with serious air beneath you. Ascent via Short Leaning, descent via North Ridge. Note that we need to abseil off Leaning Pk, so you need to be BBW ABS certified. Our traverse over Leaning, and down North Ridge will make this a long day. We will depart the lower portals car park at 0600 Saturday. We will camp at Mt Barney lodge on Friday night for an early start on Saturday - and Saturday Night if

you wish to avoid Brisbane for as long as possible. Camping is optional both nights, but certainly highly recommended Friday night if you think you are going to get to the start on time. Please nominate direct to leader via email supplying: hm phone, mob phone, email, car, passengers, suburb, m'ship & camping requirements + abseil gear hire requirements. Transport will be pre-arranged. NO LIST AT MEETINGS

NORTH AND MIDDLE KOBBLE CREEKS

Day Walk Sat 10 Apr
LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466
EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com
GRADE: SDW-6C
LIMIT: 8 including leader
BRING: Normal day gear
DEPART: 6:30am Alderley
CAR KMS: 70 kms
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park

This is a cut down version of the walk I led in August 2009. I have modified it to turn it into a half-a-day walk so that we will come out before lunch. We will walk up Middle Kobble Creek, scramble up 2 waterfalls and follow North Kobble creek valley back down to our starting point. Middle Kobble Creek is a very pleasant creek, well worth the visit. The 2 waterfalls we will scramble up are great fun. You will need confidence on rock and use your hands to get up. No list at the meeting. Please nominate on line. You will need to have done at least one 5C graded walk and have some off track walking experience before nominating for this walk. If you have not walked with me previously, please email me a list of 5C+ graded club walks you've done in the last 3 months with the date they were on.

TOOMBUL TO WOODY POINT CYCLE

Cycle Sat 10 Apr
LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646
MOBILE: 0415 139 646
EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au
GRADE: CYCLE
LIMIT: 10
BRING: water, repair kit \$ for brekky
COST: Breakfast
DEPART: 6am Macca's sign Toombul Car Park
MAP: BCC cycle maps 1&3

This is a 65klm bicycle ride from Toombul Shopping Centre to Woody Point across the old Hornbrook Bridge before they cut it into two fishing platforms. The bridge was opened on the 4th October 1935 and later this year when the new bridge is opened the old one will be no more. So join me in this historical ride. The ride will take us from Toombul through the Boondall Wetlands onto Shorncliffe, Sandgate & Brighton across the

bridge to Woody Point. We will have a bite to eat at the Masala Pt Cafe opposite the jetty overlooking the water and mountains. On our return journey once over the bridge we will ride along the Deagon Deviation and back through the Boondall Wetlands and onto Toombul. Most of the ride is on bikeways and it is reasonably flat riding. You will need to be a regular rider to be able to complete the 65kml journey.

XMAS CREEK BASE CAMP

Base Camp Sat 10 - Sun 11 Apr

LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

GRADE: MBC-5C

LIMIT: 30

BRING: Base camp gear and walking gear

COST: Car contribution plus camp fees

CAR KMS: 100k

There will be a number of walks on this weekend including Larapinta Falls and Neglected Mountain. The weather should be warm by this time of year. Can't wait for this one, it's going to be a party. Hope to see you there. Camp fees are 5 dollars per person per night. NO LIST AT MEETING

NORTHBROOK CK THE SOURCE

Day Walk Sun 11 Apr

LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only

EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW 4-6C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 3 lit water

COST: \$12CAR CONTRIBUTION

DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping centre UBD108F16 Westpac sign

CAR KMS: 80 Km return

MAP: BFP

NO LIST AT MEETING

ON LINE BOOKINGS

Arrive at the meeting place by 6-45 am to depart at 7am sharp. We drive to BFP Mt Glorious and park near a beehive site adjacent the Gravel Pit on the left past Alex Rd. The walk starts from the cars down a gully to the source of the creek and we follow it down over waterfalls and cascades to the bottom of the gorge. The steep terrain can require bumsliding and rock scrambling in places. The creek is followed through beautiful rocky palm lined gorges with magic waterholes and falls until we exit via a tributary on the left then onto a ridge up to the Gravel pit and back to the cars. FITNESS IS IMPORTANT AS IS SCRAMBLING ABILITY.

GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS MT TIBBOOWUC-CUM/ MT COOEE

Day Walk Sun 11 Apr

This activity is full.

STINSON MEMORIAL & POINT LOOKOUT

Mdw 5C Sun 11 Apr

This activity is full.

BICYCLE RIDE TOOMBUL TO SANDGATE

Bicycle Ride Sun 11 Apr

This activity is full.

MT MATHESON TRAIL, SPICERS GAP

Day Walk Wed 14 Apr

This activity is full.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 15 Apr

See walk description for 25 March.

PT. LOOKOUT VIA AN UNNAMED CREEK

Day Walk Survey Sat 17 Apr

LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854

MOBILE: 0419719480

EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: M5C

LIMIT: 6

BRING: Usual day walk gear + change of socks

DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 220 kms

MAP: Lamington (supplied)

If you have been up to Pt. Lookout by the usual track and would like something different why not come with me up the creek which is the water-source for the Pt. Lookout campsite. It will be steep with the probability of waterfalls as we progress up. There will be approx. 2kms of creek rockhopping so you will need to be fit and comfortable on rocks. My reason for doing this survey is to hopefully find a water source closer to Pt. Lookout as I plan to put on a throughwalk to the Stinson/Stretcher Track later in the year. So come along if you are game and we might even think up a name for the creek. We might even visit the Stinson wrecksite on the return down the track.

MT MAROON CAVE ROUTE

Day Walk Sat 17 Apr

LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526

MOBILE: 0429509334

EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au

GRADE: MDW-7D

LIMIT: 7

DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Maroon 1:25000
Mt Maroon is located in Mt Barney NP south southwest of Brisbane off the Boonah-Rathdowney road. This walk starts at the usual place for Mt Maroon walks but quickly departs from the normal route. Once 'off track' we locate a ridge to the lower set of cliffs. From here we follow around until directly under "the cave". From the cave we get interesting views of surrounding country as we enjoy our morning tea. Following this break we descend out of the cave then contour/climb around the mountain until on a rocky spur which takes us up to the northern rim. From here the going is more open and views abound. Depending on how we are traveling for time we'll either stop somewhere here for lunch or we may go all the way to the main summit. Descent is via the 'tourist track'. NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

MT COOT-THA FROM THE GAP

Day Walk Sat 17 Apr
LEADER: Christine Everett 3300 2947
MOBILE: 0416 006559 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 also 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 Powerful 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.

WHITE ROCK FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimaxs Sat 17 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com

GRADE: MINIMAXS4A
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk gear, 2L water
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Bundamba 1:25000
White Rock Conservation Park is very close to Redbank Plains - see UBD p255. White Rock and the surrounding cliffs are of sandstone, riddled with small caves and White Rock itself is climbed by a gully giving interesting views. The scramble to the top is fairly easy and we will put a tape in place for that. This is a fairly short walk. Being a MINIMAXS, we will be discussing, safety, clothing, club protocol, minimal environmental impact, first aid, etc. We expect to be back at the cars early in the afternoon (most likely by lunch time) There is very little elevation gain - we will probably deviate off the track to explore some cliffs, but mostly we will be on a track of some sort. Ipswich City Council has a brochure on their website: www.ipswich.qld.gov.au/documents/health/paperbark_flats_bushwalkingguide_web.pdf. Bring morning tea, lunch and the "always take" items on page 3 of the magazine. We will aim to have lunch in the picnic shelter by the cars.

KINNANES FALLS ABSEIL

Abseil Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
This activity is full.

SOMERSET TRAIL- MT MEE

Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
LEADER: Bill Gale 33556023
MOBILE: 0409613905
EMAIL: fregata@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW 3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Page3 items, 2 l. water
COST: \$12 Car share
DEPART: 7am Alderley
MAP: Sunmap - Mt Byron

This walk is located at Mt Mee, north of Brisbane. The trail is 13 km long & starts at the Gantry day use area at the end of Sellin Rd, Mt Mee. The Gantry is the remains of an old sawmill. The trail passes through scribbly gum forest, rainforest & dry open forest. We will have lunch at Somerset Lookout from where there are great views over Somerset Dam. On return to the Gantry, we will take a short walk through a grove of Piccabeen palms, before heading off for coffee and cake. THIS IS SUITABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH A REASONABLE LEVEL OF FITNESS.

WARRIE CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
This activity is full.

IRON BARK GULLY

Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551
0419577360
EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au
GRADE: MDW 4C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack as per Page 3/3ltr water
COST: Car Cost \$12 Per Person
DEPART: 6:30am Alderley
CAR KMS: 60Kms
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park
NOMINATION LIST: Online/Email Leader
MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 Minutes
before Departure Time

This walk is located in the Samford State Forest, the start of the walk commences from the Iron-Bark Gully Picnic grounds, the vegetation is a mix of wet/dry eucalypt forest, the bird life is abundant as well it is the home of the POWERFUL OWL. We commence the walk on a pad for a short distance and then go off track working our way up a ridge and coming back out on a fire trail, we will enter another fire trail and ascend another ridge which we will walk along and come out beside mailmans track, this is where we will stop for morning tea. We will then start ascending and descending gullies and ridges walking at a steady pace you will get an appreciation for walking in the Australian Bush without lantana and wait-a-while to contend with. As we climb the top of a small summit no greater than 300m elevation we will get the opportunity to view across Morton Bay from Sandgate to Bribie Island, on one of the summits we will stop for lunch. We will walk to Summit HP206 then descend down a ridge back into Lomandra picnic grounds, walk through it and back to Iron Barkgully to our parked cars. THIS WALK IS ALSO SUITABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH A REASONABLE LEVEL OF FITNESS.

MT MAROON - SOUTH RIDGE

Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-6D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual Day Walk Gear, 2-3 L water
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210
MAP: Maroon 1:25 000

This is a great way to climb Mt Maroon (965m) particularly for those who enjoy going up rock. The views are excellent on the way up as well as from the summit. After an early lunch on the summit, we will descend through a small gorge and

follow a slabby creek (sometimes called Maroon Ck) down to Paddy's plains. We will have afternoon tea there, then continue around the mountain back to the cars. It is a fairly long day, hence the early start and the need for extra sustenance in the afternoon.

SOUTH KOBBLE CK THE SOURCE

Day Walk Sun 18 Apr
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW5C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 3 lit water
COST: \$14 car contribution
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping centre UBD108F16 Westpac sign
CAR KMS: 84 KM return
MAP: BFP
NO LIST AT MEETING
ONLINE BOOKINGS PREFERRED

Arrive at the depart place at 6.45 to leave promptly at 7am. Parking at Tenison Woods Mtn. We follow the foot trail out towards the big log and turn off down an old snigging track and drop off the southern side near the bottom into a dry creek which joins up with Sth Kobble Ck. Following it up stream we begin the ascent up the rock ledges and bypasses up to the track back to the cars. The ascent will take a couple of hours and as well as having many flat sections the "ups " are approached at a casual rate with rests. A picturesque creek walk with rock hopping and some scrambling. Suitable for those interested in creek following. Reasonable fitness is recommended.

ALDERLEY TO NUDGEER BEACH

Bike Ride Sun 18 Apr
LEADER: Ken Rubie
MOBILE: 0448448598
GRADE: CYC
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Bike, Water, Repair Tools
DEPART: 7am Refer to Trip Description Below
This is a bike ride will follow Kedron Brook to Nudgeer Beach return. Rating: Approx. 40kms distance, mainly bike paths, can be hot with head winds. Quicker Pace. The ride will commence at 7:00 AM to approx. 12:00 includes coffee stop at Nudgeer Beach. The meeting place will be Car park at the playground, Shand St Alderley - UBD Map 139, Ref D8The ride is suitable for all types of bikes but you will need to bring water, repair tools etc to meet your own needs. NB. I will be waking in Tasmania until 15 March 2010 and will respond to bookings after this date.

LIZARD POINT

Daywalk Tue 20 Apr
LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779 [NOT on
walk day please]
MOBILE: 0410 703 041
EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk
GRADE: MDW-5D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 220km
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000

Lizard Point is a scenic spot offering panoramic views of the peaks of the Main Range and Mt Barney. Most of the walk is in rainforest. After leaving the cars at Teviot Gap we ascend one of the spurs of Mt Superbus along the site of the old rabbit fence. The track is steep and slippery and involves some scrambling. Once on top we follow the escarpment north to the summit of Mt Roberts, then on to Lizard Point where we will have lunch. We return via the same route. The walk is suitable for fit and experienced walkers. This will be a reasonably quick pace to ensure a leisurely Lizard lunch while we absorb the awesome views. If we haven't walked together before, please contact me with details of previous club grade 4C/5C walks recently completed. NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

WEST END HILLS

Night Walk Tue 20 Apr
LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646
MOBILE: 0415 139 646
EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au
GRADE: SNW2C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: water, money for coffee
COST: coffee/drink
DEPART: 6pm Ship Inn Southbank

We will walk around West End/Highgate Hill up & down some of the hills for about 1-1/2 hours for a some 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 walk at a fairly brisk pace and 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 WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 22 Apr
See walk description for 25 March.

DINNER AT TOMATO BROTHERS

Social Fri 23 Apr
See details on page 27.

MT GLORIOUS BASE CAMP [LONG WEEK-END]

Base Camp Fri 23 - Mon 26 Apr
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: BC3/5C
LIMIT: 20 [2 leaders]
BRING: base camping gear/ day walk gear
COST: \$18 camp fee[3nights]
CAR KMS: EMAIL ADDRESS REQUIRED IN
COMMENTS COLUMN IF NO LAND-
LINE SUPPLIED

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. Bernie Ryan will be leading 3 grade walks and John will lead some 4 & 5 grade 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 and open fire. Please bring firewood if you can. 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 and ready to walk by 8a.m. with smoko and lunch in their day pack. Bring nibbles and the beverage of your choice. 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. NO LIST OUT AT MEETINGS--ONLINE BOOKINGS OR EMAIL OR PHONE LEADER. ALL BEDS RESERVED

GOLD COAST HINTERLAND GREAT WALK

Through Walk Fri 23 - Mon 26 Apr
This activity is full.

GIRRAWEEEN AND THE TUNNEL OF DOOM

Through Walk Fri 23 - Mon 26 Apr

LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184

MOBILE: 0419496837

EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au

GRADE: FSTW4B

LIMIT: 12

COST: \$20

DEPART: Friday Arvo

CAR KMS: 480km

This is a reasonably straight forward through walk aimed at 6-12 year olds. We'll drive to Girraween on Friday night and camp with the cars. On Saturday we'll walk about 5km to a camp site south of Mt Norman, but on the way we'll drop packs to explore Turtle Rock. Sunday's walk will be day packs only as we explore the Tunnel of Doom and some other interesting bits close to our campsite. On Monday we'll walk out the other track, also about 5km, to a car waiting at the other end. We will spend some time at the Underground River on the way. The walk is not very hilly, and mostly on track and rock slabs. The fun of Girraween is to frequently drop the heavy packs and explore the many interesting rocky outcrops, caves and tunnels. Participants can do this at their own level. On this trip we will camp 2 nights in the same place so we can have a really good look at the features south of Mt Norman, including the Tunnel of Doom.

GIRRAWEEEN NATIONAL PARK

Throughwalk Fri 23 - Mon 26 Apr

LEADER: Cath Carkeet 3357 5607

EMAIL: cmcarkeet@gmail.com

GRADE: MTW - 5B

LIMIT: 6

BRING: Usual throughwalk gear, warm clothing, small day pack

COST: \$15 camping fee + car contribution

DEPART: 8pm Friday night, Caltex Warwick.
Transport pre-arranged

CAR KMS: 520

MAP: Girraween and Bald Rock (Hema Maps) 1:33000

Girraween National Park is located south of Stanthorpe in the Granite belt near the Queensland NSW border. We camp Friday night at Castle Rock camping ground. We start walking Saturday from the Underground Creek and have the option of visiting some of the features of Girraween such as the Aztec Temples, the Round House, Twin Peaks. We'll camp by Racecourse creek on Saturday night (and probably Sunday

night as well so bring a day pack for side trips). Sunday we'll head to South Bald Rock and I'll try to find the way through the cave system beneath the rock (torches required). We'll then take in West Bald Rock (and maybe Middle) before returning to camp. Monday we'll take a different route back to Underground creek and see more features along the way. The terrain is fairly open, some walking will be on fire trails with some cross-country navigation. Most of the climbing is done without packs. Some of the scrambling is tricky, particularly the ascent of Middle Bald Rock, however I have not factored this into the walk grading as it's an optional side trip.

SOUTHERN LAMINGTON - SURVEY

Through Walk Fri 23 - Mon 26 Apr

LEADER: David Sydes 33184085

MOBILE: 0419871100

EMAIL: david.sydes@pivit.net.au

GRADE: MTW-6D

LIMIT: 6

BRING: usual throughwalk gear, 3l water

COST: \$15 camp fee, plus car contribution

DEPART: 5pm TBA

This is a survey walk, not for the faint hearted. We'll be starting from Rimfall cottages on Saturday morning after camping by the cars overnight, and we'll head straight up Mt Gipps, then along the border to Tweed Trig, north to Pt Lookout, down the Stretcher track, drop south into England Creek, then follow Running Creek back down to Rimfall Camp sites somewhere along the way to Tweed Trig (maybe where Black Snake Ridge joins the ridge), also at Pt Lookout. According to Bushwalking in Southern Qld, water is accessible (near Black Snake Ridge), and there's water 30 mins from Pt Lookout. I have walked from Richmond Gap to Tweed Trig about 30 years ago the first bit is relatively straight forward, because we follow the old rabbit fence through to near Black Snake Ridge. The second half is a bit navigationally complex I recall, may be a bit of bush-bashing involved. I haven't done the bit into England Creek before (how hard can it be?) Are you up for an adventure? Let me know if you're interested, I'd like to keep the party size to six or less

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training Sat 24 Apr

LEADER: John Granat 3274 2777 wk.

MOBILE: 0409620047

EMAIL: johngranat@gmail.com

GRADE: S83S&T

LIMIT: 6

BRING: Morning tea, usual day walk gear

COST: \$20

DEPART: 7:30am 12.30pm

This activity is day 1 of a consecutive 2 day beginner's abseil course. Members must successfully complete this day before progressing to day 2. The training will be conducted by members of BBW. Please note that you will be required to contribute \$20 towards the cost of the training, which includes issue of instructional handouts and use of club ropes and equipment. The day consists of learning essential rope techniques; knots etc. and use them to perform safe abseils down an 8 metre cliff face. Please nominate online, e-mail or phone. No list at meetings.

ILLINGBAH CIRCUIT 4TH VERSION

Day Walk Sat 24 Apr
LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231
MOBILE: 0427446000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW 4B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day walk gear & swimmers
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington NP

This is a repeat of the walk we were hoping to do in February but there was too much water coming down the Coomera River. Hopefully those of you who were listed will be free on this day. As stated previously we are not actually walking the whole circuit. We will start at the bottom of the usual circuit by walking through a paddock to the Old Cedar Road (which is now a trail). Once we reach the river we will walk upstream with 12 crossings to Gwongoorool Pool. Here we can have a swim and lunch before returning the way we came rather than the usual route of going up the hill. Apart from the start and finish of the walk it is all in the beautiful rainforest of Lamington NP.

MT ERNEST CAVES VIA ORGAN PIPES

Daywalk Sat 24 Apr
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: LDW 7D
LIMIT: 7
DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 250
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000 topographic
NOMINATE: direct to leader please.

Mt Ernest is located in the Mt Barney National Park south southwest of Brisbane near Rathdowney. Mt Ernest is the 'long' massif located almost directly south of Mt Barney. We access this walk from Yellowpinch day use area following the road in to a point where we take a low spur onto what I call the "horseshoe ridge". Features of this walk include several ups and downs, some

rock features where scrambling is required, great views over to the nearby Mt Lindesay and not far away either, Mt Barney. The walk is very much equivalent to a Mt Barney walk because even though we don't reach the lofty heights of Barney we do climb overall somewhere in the vicinity of 1000 metres + in the day, and it is a full day's walking. So come along if you would like to learn this walk or just for the experience. no list at meeting please

BYRON CREEK NORTH END

Day Walk Sat 24 Apr
This activity is full.

WASHPOOL/GIBRALTAR WALK

Through Walk Sat 24 - Mon 26 Apr
This activity is full.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training Sun 25 Apr
LEADER: John Granat 3274 2777 wk.
MOBILE: 0409620047
EMAIL: johngranat@gmail.com
GRADE: S83S&T
LIMIT: 6
BRING: Morning tea, usual day walk gear
COST: \$20
DEPART: 7:30am 12.30pm

This activity is day 2 of a consecutive 2 day beginner's abseil course. Members must successfully complete this day before progressing to club abseil trips. The training will be conducted by members of BBW. Please note that you will be required to contribute \$20 towards the cost of the training, which includes the use of club ropes and equipment. The day consists of learning more essential rope techniques; knots, passing over a knot joining two ropes etc. to perform safe abseils down an 8 metre cliff face. Please nominate online, e-mail or phone. No list at meetings.

TOOLONA CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 25 Apr
This activity is full.

LARAPINTA FALLS

Day Walk Sun 25 Apr
LEADER: Tom Bishton
MOBILE: 0406900051
EMAIL: tbishton23@hotmail.com
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual page 3 'must take' gear, 2-3L Water, Swimmers
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 220
MAP: Lamington 1:25000

RESCHEDULED FROM 6TH MARCH. Larapinta Falls is located on the south branch of Christmas Creek in Lamington National Park. We take the Mount Lindesay Highway through Beaudesert, turning off at Christmas Creek Road, through Hillview and past Stinson Memorial Park to the end of the road. The road crosses the creek several times and therefore 4WD vehicles may be handy. We follow a track beside the creek up to Westray's Grave, which is located in a very pretty spot beside the creek, and where we will have morning tea. To reach the falls we head further east up the creek for another hour or so. There is no established track for this section of the walk so you need to be confident in your off track walking ability and creek rock hopping (this is definitely a 'hands on/feet wet' walk). Upon reaching this impressive place we will stop for lunch. There will also be a chance to swim in the pool beneath the falls. We will then retrace our steps back to the cars. This walk is suitable for newer members fit enough for a few hours of rock hopping and basic off track navigation. Please nominate online or direct to leader. No list at meetings.

POINT PURE

Day Walk Sun 25 Apr
LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466
EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com
GRADE: MDW-5D
LIMIT: 8 including leaders
BRING: Usual day walk gear. gloves, gaiters, long pants and long sleeves strongly recommended
DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 350kms
MAP: Glen Rock 9342-23

This is a mostly off track walk involving walking through trackless rainforest as well as currently overgrown cattle pads. We'll access Point Pure from the Goomburra side going down one spur and coming back up another one. We'll have lunch at Point Pure enjoying the stunning view over the Blackfellow Creek Valley and surrounding area. This is unique opportunity for walkers who don't do thru walks to visit a place usually reserved to thru walkers. There will be no list at the meeting. Please nominate on line. You will need to have done at least one 5D or 6C graded walk before nominating for this walk. If you have not walked with me previously, please email me the details of any list 5D or 6C graded club walks you've done in the last 3 months with the date they were on.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 29 Apr
See walk description for 25 March.

SPICER'S GAP TO TEVIOT GAP

Throughwalk Fri 30 Apr - Mon 3 May
LEADER: Lynley Murtagh 3165 3031
MOBILE: 0414631115
EMAIL: lynleymurtagh@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW - 6D
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual TW gear, warm clothing, 3L water + capacity for 6L
COST: \$15.00 camping fee + car contribution
DEPART: 6pm Transport will be pre-arranged
CAR KMS: 360 km (approx)
MAP: Cunningham's Gap & Mt Superbus 1:25000

NOMINATE: Direct to leader, no list at meetings
This is a great classic throughwalk in the Main Range, the Great Dividing range, where we take 3 days to traverse a series of major peaks of the scenic rim. The walk is quite strenuous and can vary considerably in bad weather. You will need a high level of fitness to complete the walk as there are a lot of ups and downs. You will need to be confident at rock scrambling with a through pack on, as well as experienced at off track walking. We will camp Thursday night at Spicer's Gap. We are lucky enough to have a group going in the opposite direction so we are able to swap keys on the track. This means we don't have a long car shuffle on Friday night. Our first day is the longest and will require an early start. It involves the ascent of Spicer's Peak, Doubletop, and the long up to the campsite at Mt Huntley. There is also a cliff break to be negotiated before we get to the camp site. We camp Saturday night on Mt Huntley. Day 2 we climb Mt Asplenium and Panorama Point and camp at Steamer saddle. Day 3 involves climbing Mt Steamer first thing in the morning, Lizard Point and Mt Roberts. Each day involves walking along the Main Range escarpment, offering spectacular views but also some arduous ascents/descents. The cliff breaks require confidence in scrambling. Like all Main Range walks, this features impressive views, lots of up and down and a variety of terrain from rainforest to open forest with grass trees. The walk is suitable for fit and experienced throughwalkers. We will need to keep up a good pace, especially on the first day. The water is only available at the campsites so the capacity to carry extra will be needed. There is no list at meetings. Please nominate directly to Leader. Camping fees will be required upon nomination being accepted.

TEVIOT GAP TO SPICERS GAP

Through Walk Fri 30 Apr - Mon 3 May
LEADER: David Sydes 33184085
MOBILE: 0419871100
EMAIL: david.sydes@pivit.net.au
GRADE: MTW-6D
LIMIT: 8
BRING: usual throughwalk gear, water containers, 3l water
COST: \$10 camp fee, petrol
DEPART: 6pm TBA
CAR KMS: 300

MAP: Cunninghams Gap, Mt Superbus
This is a classic through walk traversing mountainous terrain between Teviot Gap and Spicers Gap. Like all Main Range walks, this features impressive views, lots of up and down and a variety of terrain from rainforest to open forest with grass trees. The walk is suitable for fit and experienced throughwalkers. Each day involves walking along the Main Range escarpment, offering spectacular views, and occasional cliff breaks which require confidence in scrambling. We will camp Friday night at Teviot Gap, having exchanged cars and keys with Lynley's group who are doing the walk in the opposite direction. On Saturday morning, we'll take a variation on the usual route to Mt Roberts, crossing Teviot Falls and climbing over Mt Bell on the way to Mt Roberts. We'll have lunch and spectacular views at Lizard Point, and then head to our campsite at Mt Steamer saddle - water available here. On Sunday, we'll climb Panorama Point, Mt Asplenium and Mt Huntley (hopefully meeting the other group somewhere along the way), and we'll camp at Huntley saddle. Day 3 will see us conquering Mt Doubletop and Spicer's Peak before a steep descent to the cars at Spicer's Gap. I will contact participants closer to the date to arrange carpooling, departure times etc. Nominate to leader please, no list at meetings.

WEST SIDE ISOLATED PEAK VIA TOMS TUM

Day Walk Sat 1 May
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: LDW-7D
LIMIT: 7
BRING: 4lt.water, Page3
DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 200k
MAP: Mt.Lindesay 1:25 000

We will park at the Lower Portals car park and follow the track towards Lower Portals for about 45min, then we head up a ridge to the right, the normal way is to the left, but i will be doing this

walk from other side which will take us to Toms Tum for morning tea. The views from here are spectacular. We are now on Eagles Ridge which will eventually leads us to Isolated Peak for lunch. We then drop down in a North Easterly direction which takes us back to the cars. Te walk has a lot of exposed rock might have to use tape in some spots, some rock climbing will be involved. NO LIST AT THE MEETING

IRON BARK GULLY

Training Day Sat 1 May
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551
0419577360
EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au
GRADE: MINIMAX 3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack as per Page 3/3ltr water
DEPART: 8am Iron Bark Gully Picnic Grounds
UBD MAP 117 F17

NOMINATION LIST: Online/Club Meetings
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, equipment safety and environmental impact. There will be a sample of off track walking to get a 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 we will discuss some of your items. The Minimax is your qualifying walk for FULL MEMBERSHIP, this includes all current probationary members who have not done a Minimax. Register directly online or at the Club Meetings on the registration board on the table with the New Members Officer.

FLAGGY CREEK AREA THRU WALK

Thru Walk Sat 1 - Sun 2 May
LEADER: John Stevens0431 929 466 evenings only
EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com
GRADE: MTW-5C
LIMIT: 8 including leader
BRING: usual thru walk gear
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 245 kms
MAP: Glen Rock 9342-23 1:25,000

This is a very scenic thru walk in Glen Rock Regional Park, south of Gatton. We mostly follow cattle pads along ridge tops. The vegetation is generally grassland and light eucalyptus forest. On Saturday, we walk up Blackfellow Creek Valley and up a steep spur that brings us to our

camp site, on a grassy plateau at an altitude of about 950 metres. Our altitude gain on the day is about 550 metres. Our camp site overlooks the Blackfellow Creek Valley and the Main Range. On Sunday, we initially contour around the summit area to by-pass a large patch of scruffy rain-forest. Once back on the ridge, we follow the ridge line westwards until we reach Glen Rock. From there we can look over the entire walk we've done. From Glen Rock, it is only a short, steep walk down back to the cars, sections of which are along quite a narrow spur. Gaiters are recommended and, since it is a walk with great views, so are cameras. No list at the meeting. Please nominate on line. This is an off track walk. You will need to have recently done at least some 5C graded day walks with the club before nominating for this walk. If you have not walked with me previously, please email me what 5C+ graded club walks you've done in the last 3 months. Any query? please send me an email.

WASHPOOL/GIBRALTAR WALK

Through Walk Sat 1 - Mon 3 May
This activity is full.

LIZARD POINT

MDW- 5d Sun 2 May
This activity is full.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS [MT COOEE/ MT TIBROGARGEN/ MT TIBROWOCCUM]

Day Walk Sun 2 May
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988[on walk day only]
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW4C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water
COST: \$12CAR CONTRIBUTION
DEPART: 7am HYPERMARKET Pick n PAY
Aspley UBD MAP119 J4
CAR KMS: 80 return
NO LIST AT MEETINGS ON LINE
PREFERRED

We approach Mt COOEE first and this is our first walk on it this year. A lookout was cleared on the survey so that we can enjoy the breeze and the view to the east and the ocean while we have smoko. A descent down to a firetrail and over to the track around the base of Mt TIBROGARGEN hoping that we view mountain climbers in action. This includes a little off track. A brief walk over to Mt TIBROWOCCUM where we have lunch at the peak and enjoy the panoramic views and more breezes. A walk suitable for new walkers with varying surfaces and conditions and a bit of up and down. Not an over demanding walk but more

than an all track walk and some variety. It will give walkers a taste of what to expect on higher graded walks should they intend to try them.

MT ERNEST VIA THE ORGAN PIPES

Day Walk Sat 8 May
LEADER: Lynley Murtagh 3165 3031
MOBILE: 0414631115
EMAIL: lynleymurtagh@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-8C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: a minimum of 3 litres of water, thermals, fleece, first aid kit, whistle, torch,

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
This is a walk for those who are not faint hearted. For the first couple of hours this is a gently up excursion leaving Yellow Pinch Carpark and following the South Ridge track, crossing the causeway until we reach Campsite 9 on the left hand side of the track. At this point we cross Cronan Creek and follow the obvious ridges to the base of the Organ Pipes. Smoko will be at a knoll 714691 with great views of Barney and the area south of Barney. At the base of the Organ Pipes, the level of difficulty rises significantly with loose rock and some uncertain hand and footholds. With care, we scale a steep razorback ultimately arriving at a gully just below the peak of Mt Ernest. When we arrive at the top of the gully, we will continue on to Mt Ernest and we'll have our lunch with views over the razorback we've just scaled. After lunch, we will head further along Mt Ernest and head toward the long ridge for our descent and back towards Yellow Pinch. Due to the fact that there is very significant exposure on the razorback, nominees will only be accepted if they have comfortably completed some of the more exposed routes up Mt Barney such as Mezzanine, Logans etc. Please do not plan to nominate unless you are comfortable with what's been described earlier. If you want to discuss this walk with me, please ring me. We might be staying down at Mt Barney on Saturday night to do another walk up Mt Barney on the Sunday so if this happens I will organise transport accordingly.

LOGANS RIDGE

Day Walk Sat 8 May
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: MDW-8D
LIMIT: 7
BRING: 4lt water, page 3
DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 200km
MAP: Mt.Lindesay 1:25000

We will park at Mt. Barney Lodge, walk across the road and start walking steeply uphill almost immediately, this is what Logans Ridge is all about as it is a very direct route to the top of East Peak. We will be on top for lunch by 11 am. This is very quick way up but it is not for the feint hearted , exposed rock all the way may use tape in some spots. you will have to be a bit of a rock climber NO LIST AT MEETING

MT MAROON

Day Walk Sat 8 May
This activity is full.

FIRST AID COURSE

Training Sat 8 - Sun 9 May
LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779
MOBILE: 0410 703 041
EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk
LIMIT: 20
BRING: Lunch / Spirit of Adventure
COST: \$120.00/person
DEPART: 8:00am Finish time TBA

This is the first of several First Aid Courses that we will schedule for 2010. The course will be run over both days of the weekend 8/9 May inclusive. Our very own Peter Mrzyglocki, St John's Ambulance Instructor, will run the course, which will include areas of interest specific to bushwalking activities. It will be a very informative and enjoyable weekend, at the end of which we'll all be just that much better equipped to enjoy safe and enjoyable forays 'out there'. Further details will be posted at this site, in the club magazine and advised at meetings as they become available.

MEZZANINE RIDGE - MT BARNEY NP

Day Walk Sun 9 May
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: MDW-8D
LIMIT: 8
DEPART: 5am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 250
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000 topographic
NOMINATE: direct to leader please

Mezzanine Ridge is the 'intermediary' ridge that lies between South and Southeast ridges on Mt Barney. It is one of the most exposed ridges on the mountain as the main 'feature' the razorback does have at various points a drop of 200m on each side. The walk is definitely NOT for people who are "vertically challenged" - i.e. people who are "challenged" by big vertical drops on a very narrow ridge. Above the razorback the ridge has some less exposed sections and a few more serious 'scrambly bits'. The views along the way of

both West and East peaks are extraordinary. East peak will be our lunch destination followed by descent down SE ridge or possibly South ridge.

LONDON CREEK NORTH BRANCH

Day Walk Sun 9 May
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551
0419577360
EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au
GRADE: MDW5B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack as per Page 3/3ltr water
COST: Car Cost \$15 Per Person
DEPART: 7am Aspley Hypermarket Front Car
Park Under Sails
CAR KMS: 120kms
MAP: Landsborough sheet 9444-21
NOMINATION LIST: Online/Email Leader
MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minium 15 Minutes
before Departure Time

This walk is located in the Peachester State Forest, the area has a prolific array of stream tributaries running into London Creek, this is the North Branch of the Creek that the walk is located in. We start the walk at the end of Mcdonalds road, walk along side a private property fence of a gazetted road and work our way down quite a steep ridge which ends at the banks of the creek, the total surround is engulfed in tropical rainforest. We will walk up stream for approximately 1 hour stopping to take in the scenic views of vegetation and the babbling water working its way over the rocks, we will return back down the stream and stop for morning tea beside the creek. From here we will continue walking down stream past our entry point there will be constantly rock hopping criss crossing the water and come across a large flat sandstone rock platform at a sharp left hand bend, this where we stop for lunch. After lunch we will work our way further down stream and come across a trail which we take leaving the creek and work our way up a gradual ridge on track back to the road and to our cars. This walk is also suitable for new members who are reasonably fit and ready to do some small rock hopping with every chance of getting your feet wet.

LOVE CK LOOP

Day Walk Sun 9 May
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 centre UBD108F16 Westpac sign
CAR KMS: 80 return
MAP: BFP
NO LIST AT MEETING
BOOK ON LINE PREFERRED

ARRIVE AT THE DEPARTURE PLACE AT 6.45 am to leave at 7am sharp. We drive to Tenison woods Mtn and enter the NP to follow the Mt D'Aguilar track out to the big log where we stop for smoko. Refreshed we go offtrack to meet up with a wet/dry tributary of Love Ck down which we rock hop /scramble to meet up with the main stream. From here we head down stream to meet another wet/dry tributary where we ascend back up similar terrain as the down hill one to get back onto the Mt D'Aguilar Track to return to the cars. These water ways are Picabeen palm groves with the babbling creeks cascading over the rocks. Really picturesque and a photographers dream. Walkers should be confident of their rock-hopping abilities and have reasonable fitness. Not over difficult but not for a first timer. Swimmers could have a dip in one of the pools in Love Ck if they wish.

RAT-A-TAT

Throughwalk Sat 22 - Sun 23 May
LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646
MOBILE: 0415 139 646
EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au
GRADE: LTW-3C
LIMIT: 8
COST: \$5 camp fee + fuel
DEPART: 6am Pre-arranged
CAR KMS: 220km
MAP: Tyalgum 1:25000

We drive to O'Reilly's at Green Mountains, where we will leave the cars in the carpark and head out along the Border Track, following the Albert River Circuit, past Lightning Falls and up to Echo Point. This is on a graded track. We then head off-track (but along a well-beaten footpad through the rainforest) a further 3.5 km to the campsite. There is some elevation gain and loss during the day, but nothing too strenuous. We should be in camp around 4pm. Being rainforest, come prepared just in case it rains. There is water at a creek very close to the campsite. The next day, we return the same way, although once back at Echo Point we can take a different graded track to the cars.

NAVIGATION AND LEADER TRAINING BASE CAMP MT GLORIOUS BARRACKS

Navigation And Leader Training Fri 4 - Sun 6 Jun
LEADER: Barry Collins 3876 9779
MOBILE: 0410 703 041
EMAIL: bazzoo340@yahoo.co.uk

GRADE: MBC4A S&T
LIMIT: 16
BRING: Day walking gear, food, water if you don't like tank water, compass
COST: \$6.00pp/pn
DEPART: We will meet at the Barracks on Friday evening.
MAP: Maps will be supplied, please bring your compass

This weekend is a combination of Navigation and Leader training, sharing information in a relaxing atmosphere of a base camp weekend. Basic Navigation training on the Saturday / Leader Training on the Sunday. The navigation exercises on the Saturday will prepare you for the Leader training walk the following day. You will learn a number of bushcraft skills, including navigation both with and without map and compass, as well as some very helpful hints for a range of different situations that may be encountered during walks. The essentials of leading a BBW walk will, of course, be covered. There will be a number of hands-on activities to develop practical skills in map reading, compass use, as well as route selection and planning. A number of BBW leaders will give presentations on leader skills and BBW club policies. We will be walking on both days to enhance our activities, with plenty of time to relax and socialize during the evenings of what will be an informative and enjoyable weekend.

ECHO POINT THROUGH WALK

Through Walk Sat 5 - Sun 6 Jun
LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646
MOBILE: 0415 139 646
EMAIL: joanyd@dodo.com.au
GRADE: MTW-3C
LIMIT: 6
BRING: usual through walk gear, nibbles, cold gear,
COST: \$5.00 camp fee + vehicle contribution
DEPART: 7am TBA
CAR KMS: 220 kms
MAP: Beechmont

I am planning this as a relatively easy through walk - though you will still need to carry all you require for the weekend (food, tent and clothing). 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 nibbles at Echo Point lookout (I think

the nicest on the track system in Lamington). Sunday will be relatively short we will finish the Albert River circuit & maybe explore a little on our way back to O'Reilly's for coffee then home. As this is all on graded track or easy trails, it is a good entry point for the harder Through Walks that some of the other leaders will plan for the winter months. It gives you an opportunity to assess your ability to plan, carry and finish a Through Walk.

THE STEAMERS

Throughwalk Fri 11 - Sun 13 Jun
LEADER: Paul Horwath 0266760526
MOBILE: 0429509334
EMAIL: paulpaulpaulpaul@live.com.au
GRADE: MTW-6C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Warm gear
COST: \$9 camping+fuel
DEPART: 8pm BP servo Aratula after dinner
CAR KMS: 400km.approx.

This is a classic cold winter throughwalk in the Main Range NP. We start on Friday night with dinner at Aratula then head off to our first night's campsite. Sat. morning we start with some steep ups which gets us to the Funnel and Mast for morning tea then up to the Stern to see the view of the Steamers shown by Ian Marlow on our website. After lunch we climb Mt. Steamer for views of the area then descend to the Steamer Saddle for our second nights camping. On Sun. morning we follow the Main Range north to Davies Ridge where we drop our packs and with morning tea and essentials in hand climb to Lower Panorama Pt. then up to Panorama Point for great views of the area. We return to the packs for lunch then walk down Davies Ridge to the cars. This is not suitable for a first time throughwalk. 4Wd access is needed.

EIGHTH ANNUAL BARNEY 4 DAY CLASSIC

Through Walk Fri 11 - Mon 14 Jun
LEADER: John Hinz 3846 1432 H/W
EMAIL: johnhinz@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: STW-8E
LIMIT: 5 including leader
BRING: Light through walk gear
COST: TBA
DEPART: 5:30pm Thursday arvo at Highgate Hill

MAP: Maroon and Mount Lindesay 1:25000

NO WALK NOMINATION LIST - CONTACT

LEADER DIRECTLY:

NO LIST AT MEETING. This is the eighth year that a hardy band of BBW walkers will be venturing into the Mt Barney area for a four day scenic tour. The route this year is still to be decided, but

rest assured that we will cover some spectacular country on the walk. Four days gives us a chance to tackle routes that it isn't possible to do on a day walk, or even a weekend walk. There is generally, but not always, quite a lot of difficult scrambling involved with long days. Therefore it is only suitable for experienced and very fit through walkers. All candidates must be approved by me. We will be leaving Brisbane on Thursday night and returning on Monday afternoon so you will need to be able to add an extra day off work to the long weekend. Come along if you're looking for a challenge.

LEVUKA NSW

Base Camp Sat 26 - Sun 27 Jun
LEADER: Ken Rubie
MOBILE: 0448448598
EMAIL: kenrubie@hotmail.com
GRADE: 4WD TRAINI
LIMIT: 8 drivers
BRING: Must have own 4wd
COST: \$50 site access/camp fees
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This is a training exercise for those drivers going to Cape York in August on the club trip. However there will be space for additional people who wish to undertake the training program. A mandatory requirement is that you must drive your own 4wd vehicle and that vehicle must have dual range capability, that is high and low range, gearing. Levuka is a private property near Urbanville in northern NSW with good camping facilities including showers and toilets. There is a small amount of bushwalking available on the property however the focus of the weekend is 4wd training. Preference will be given to those people participating in the Cape York expedition. Please contact me if you have any questions or are considering nominating for the weekend.

MT BARNEY FOR FIRST TIMERS WEEKEND

Day Walk/ Social Wkend Fri 2 - Sun 4 Jul
LEADER: Lynsey Moore; Brian Randle 3366 6135 (L); 32662932 (B)
MOBILE: 0409 725843 (L)
EMAIL: moorealjac@optushome.com.au
GRADE: LBC-7D
LIMIT: 17 (Incl Leaders)
BRING: Always take p3, + 3-4 litres of water plus torch (compulsory) for climb, food & drink for the weekend (including party food), sleeping bag & pillow (ear plugs also suggested for people allergic to zeds in the night).
COST: Approx \$65 - \$70
DEPART: Own arrangements - prefer car pooling (phone Lynsey if needing assis-

tance)

CAR KMS: Approx.200 km

MAP: Mt Lindesay (1:25000)

BBW has many fine traditions & Mt Barney for First Timers is one. This weekend offers those ready to take on the 1100m climb & 20k round trip of this SE Qld centrepiece, the opportunity to combine the outstanding Barney bushwalking experience with a relaxing social celebration. Arriving Fri evening, we will be staying in Henry's & Forester's Huts at Mt Barney Lodge. On Sat, setting out before 0600 (it's a big day), we climb East Peak via South East Ridge. This offers fabulous views back to Mt Ernst & Mt Lindesay & over to Lamington most of the way up. After lunch on top, our descent (depending on the group) will be via South (Peasants') Ridge or Rocky Creek. While there is not a lot of exposure on the climb, there are a couple of tricky and steep sections and so those who have a significant fear of heights should not nominate. (If in doubt, discuss with Brian or Lynsey.) Sat night is post-climb celebration, so bring your munchies (we will coordinate closer to the date) etc and your choice of beverage. No walks are planned for Sun but, for those with surplus energy, there is an interesting climb up Mt Gillies behind the Lodge. Check out time is 11am on Sun. The huts have full crockery, cutlery, fridges and gas stoves; plus hot showers shared with the campers. You do need to supply your own sleeping sheets, bags etc. Booking Conditions: Fitness: You must have recently climbed at least one of Mt Maroon or Mt Greville (or an equivalent) without ill-effect to your health, fitness or concerns with terrain. Accommodation Cost: Approx \$65 - \$70 (depending on numbers) per person, payable by cash or cheque made out to BBW. And please note: there can be no Sat morning arrivals - we need an early start for the big day; & you pay for both nights, as we have booked accommodation for the weekend.

SNOW 2010

Sat 18 - Sun 26 Sep

LEADER: Picnic Pete, Andrew Hunt3351 1184

EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au

COST: approx \$800 includes travel and food

The 3rd annual BBW snow trip will see us staying Jindabyne flats for a week, with various day trips

to the snow each day. Snow shoes are the easiest way to get around on snow, and a natural progression for bush walkers who want to explore a different kind of Australian wilderness. The week's walking programme will get slightly more challenging each day, culminating in trips such as Mt Kozzy, Blue Lake and Cootapatamba Hut. There will be the option of spending a night in a snow cave or igloo. Come to the club meeting on 14th April to see the photos from 2009, and there are more details on the internet at www.picnicpete.com/snowtrip

FAMILY SNOW 2010

Multiple Dw Sun 26 Sep - Sun 3 Oct

LEADER: Marion Crowther, Peter Lock

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MOBILE: 0417081002

EMAIL: marion2008@mjcskk.id.au

GRADE: FAMILY FUN

LIMIT: 20

BRING: Bush Walking Gear ++

COST: \$800-\$1000pp

CAR KMS: 3000+day trips

This is the family version of the "Trip to the Snow". Again we'll be staying at Jindabyne flats for a week. The week will involve having fun in the snow. This may involve skis, snow shoes or propping up the local cafe bar as your heart desires. To stay with us in the accommodation, you do not need to be a BBW member but to participate in any of the activities you do. This will allow Mum or Dad to come if they're not a member (but hey, for an extra \$20 or so they could join and have some fun with us!!!). This is not a downhill resort style trip. On the first day we plan to practice on skis and snow shoes not far from home and see where everyone's strengths lie. From Day 2 onwards we'll probably split up a bit and do things to match the abilities and desires of the various crew. We'll definitely build a snow man, a snow cave and attempt an igloo. Some cross country skiing should be possible and some snow bush walking on the snow shoes will be on. Above all, we plan to have fun! Night games and concerts will be included - bring your portable instrument/s and board games if you'd like. More info can be found at www.picnicpete.com/snowtrip - check it out.

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.

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A CUNNING PLAN

It's the middle of Winter, a High Pressure system is situated right across the continent, and the weather is as expected accordingly; an awesome, azure sky, with a couple of fair weather cumulus clouds drifting past on their easterly track across the Tasman; visibility unlimited. It doesn't really concern you that a minor hiccup at the meeting place resulted in a twenty minute delay to your planned departure time.

The members of your relatively inexperienced group are in very high spirits as you depart the morning tea stop to climb higher along the ridge towards your goal, the wreckage of an aircraft that crashed fifty-five years ago on the westerly slopes of the massif before you. You haven't led this walk before, although you did visit it about a year ago in the company of another experienced Club leader. At the time, you made a few track notes along the way, looked at the map every now and then, and took a few great photographs.

Last night you did your homework - sort of, anyway. You re-read your sketchy notes from last year; you also had a 'bit of a look' at your map to ascertain the route to take, as best as you could recall it anyway. As an afterthought, you retrieve your handheld GPS unit from the shelf where it has lain untouched for several months. It was getting a bit late so you checked that your pack was in order and went to bed shortly thereafter.

Leaving the 'established' footpad at the appropriate time, you strike off through the scrub to pick up the ridge running all the way to the wreck site. Although the bush is denser now, in fact a lot thicker than you recall it being last year, you turn left at an appropriate time onto what you expect is the ridge running all the way to the wreck site. At this time you retrieve your GPS from the depths of your pack, eventually working out how to turn it on! Blank screen! Flat batteries! Bugger!. However, less than an hour later, with a little route finding required along the way, you arrive at your goal. Smiles all around! The group is ecstatic as they start exploring the area, snapping away with their digital cameras and generally enjoying the moment.

But you're not sharing the feeling of general euphoria; you've become somewhat stressed thinking about your return through the dense scrub. Now you're wishing that you'd spent a lot more time preparing for this activity. You're now very aware of your navigational limitations, realizing that you only chanced upon that ridge an hour or so northeast of you now.

So, while your group explores the wreckage, you take out your map and compass, and you do now what you should have done during the planning phase of your walk some weeks back. You plan the walk's return properly. You measure the departure bearing, note the enroute features, and work out distances and approximate times to required turning points. You are feeling a lot happier within yourself now, but something is still niggling at you, as you eventually depart about an hour behind schedule.

The sky through the trees appears to have become cloudier, and the sun is heading for the western horizon. Then it hits you like a sledgehammer! It's going to be dark and gloomy in the rainforest during the descent to the trailhead! All your new found navigational confidence starts to erode as the realization that you may be exposing your group to unnecessary risk sets in. Under renewed pressure now, you start to hurry the mob along. You're not smiling and joking now, and neither is the group! They've sensed your nervousness, and start asking questions: 'Why the rush?'; 'Is everything ok?'; 'Why are we still in the Bush?'; 'Do you know where we are?'; 'Are we lost?'; 'How long back to the cars?'...not the happy campers they were less than an hour ago!

Well, happily this hypothetical motley mob did make it home, but not without difficulty. Many lessons were learnt by this leader and added to the 'trailer' gathering experience behind him. Lots of bad decisions were taken, and a few good ones appeared too. The stresses imposed on the leader and his group compounded from the outset, and were primarily the result of poor planning and inadequate preparation.

During the weeks leading up to the walk our fearless leader could have availed himself of a plethora of information had he taken the time to research the trip more thoroughly.

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Timely contact with more experienced leaders may have provided him with more up to date track notes and actual conditions. He may even have had an offer to 'walk the walk' again with a navigator of repute from within the Club leadership, prior to heading off ignorantly into the wilderness at the head of a group of new chums.

Proper use of map and compass before the walk would have prevented a lot of the stress that arose. He may also have realized that his was not the latest edition of the map required, and upon which the summit to be crossed that day was incorrectly marked! Laying out the intended route, measuring appropriate grid bearings and converting them to magnetic, measuring distances and making intelligent estimations of expected times would have provided this stressed soul with a much better idea of the task before him. Ah, the luxurious feeling of a thoroughly researched and accurately prepared plan!

Looking further into the trip, the late departure from the meeting place should have been a trigger for change and flexibility along the way. He should have recalled that the reason for the dawn departure from Brisbane was to help prevent a dawn arrival back in town the following day! Notwithstanding that the days are shorter in Winter, almost too late did he remember that during the descent to the cars down the eastern side of the escarpment, the sun will have disappeared early behind the mountain to the west, with a steep and slippery descent before him in the dark. Not good!

However, the day ended without mishap, although there are most certainly some walkers who will not trust their mortal souls to this individual ever again. Hopefully, though, our hero will have taken the experience on board, had a good look within himself and re-examined his level of expertise [or lack thereof] and personal limitations. He will no doubt apply himself more thoroughly to the task through adequate planning and preparation, and a renewed awareness for his duty of care. He will most certainly have a keener appreciation now for the privilege of responsibility that he enjoys as a BBW leader.

Food for thought.

Barry Collins
Safety and Training

Campfires- A Hot Topic

While to have or not to have a campfire is a hot environmental topic, there is another side to consider. I came across this Campfire Safety presentation and while many in BBW will be familiar with the guidelines if it prevents one burn the presentation will be worth it.

Firefighters from the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS) and Doctors from the Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) Burns Unit have joined forces to develop a statewide safety campaign that aims to see a reduction in the number of children admitted to hospital with campfire-related burns. The 20-slide QFRS campfire safety presentation has been designed for community groups and educators to use in teaching members and students about campfire safety.

The link to the powerpoint version of the QFRS campfire safety presentation is

http://www.fire.qld.gov.au/communitysafety/freesafetydownloads/pdf/campfire_safety.pdf

Siobhan Mouncey

NOTICE TO MEMBERS - Members Handbook

Please note that the Members Handbook has recently been revised. Revision 8 February 2010 can be viewed and downloaded from the Members Section of the Club website under Rules and Bylaws - Documents and Forms - Schedule 5 - Members Handbook.

Amendments made were mostly editorial.

Barry Collins
Safety & Training

Committee

PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY COMMITTEE REPORT

Abseiling has been popular in the club for many years and thanks go to John Granat for his efforts in organising and promoting this popular activity. At the last committee meeting John outlined plans for the replacement of rope and other gear which is worn or has reached a use-by date and the club has allocated \$1000 for this purpose. The replaced gear is not available for purchase or giveaway due to safety considerations and will be destroyed or in the case of ropes cut into small sections.

The member's handbook has had a revision - no major changes but general 'housekeeping' - and the new issue is available on the website. The Guide for Leaders is also being revised and a new issue available soon.

Committee has decided not to award newer leaders with discount certificates provided by one retailer. This has not been an easy decision, but a desire to keep the club free of any specific commercial arrangement was a major reason. Leaders of course are the lifeblood of BBW and this in no way reflects on their standing in the club. After a reminder from a member we will return to our previous practice of saying thanks to new leaders in the mag and at meetings.

Tom Hulse

LIBRARY

Club caps have now been added to the library table. They are cotton, bottle green with a tan peak and the boot embroidered in gold at the front. One size fits all with a velcro strap to adjust the size. They cost \$10 each.

Also there are now updated catalogues for books, CD's, Videos, DVD's, Australian maps and some NZ maps which have recently been donated to the club. The NZ maps are not laminated so I ask that if they are to be taken on a walk would the leader would please get this done. The club will reimburse you if you have a receipt, but I would like to see first if they will be used before I go to the expense of having them all done. These new catalogues are available at the library table and will be put on the web site by Gary when he is free to do so.

One particularly good book which has just been donated, and is not in the new catalogue, is Bush-walking and Mountaincraft Leadership. Although it is an old book people and the bush haven't changed. It has excellent information for new and old leaders alike, ie something for us all to think about ! Information will back up Barry's Footprints articles - which I do encourage you to read.

To start learning navigation, or reinforcing what you may have learnt at the Navigation Days, there are various very easy to follow books on the subject.

Mary Comer

Snow Show

At the 14th April club meeting, Picnic Pete will be showing a 12 minute DVD made at last year's club snow trip. The movie shows some of the fun that we had in 2009, and is a good introduction to the fun we will be having in 2010. (Many thanks to the contributing photographers, and to Joy Atkinson for producing the DVD.)

The 3rd Brisbane Bush walkers snow trip will see us staying in flats at Jindabyne for a week, with various day trips to the snow each day. Snow shoes are the easiest way to get around on snow, and a natural progression for bush walkers who want to explore a different kind of Australian wilderness. The week's walking programme will get slightly more challenging each day, culminating in trips such as Mt Kozzy, Blue Lake and Cootapatamba Hut. For the through walkers, there will be the option of spending a night in a snow cave or igloo!

You will not need previous experience with the snow, as snow shoes are easy to learn and we have catered for a longer and a shorter walk each day.

There will be a chance to try cross country skiing as well. The skis will allow you get around much

faster and easier than snow shoes, but only after you learn how to work them!

Also this year we will have a family trip to the snow, in the following week. It will be run in a similar way, but with greater emphasis towards the requirements of children and families. More snow men, more snow fights, more penguin slides, less mountain top views.

The trips are in the September school holidays. The details are at www.picnicpete.com/snowtrip and on the club website.

Peter Lock

NEW LEADERS

Congratulations to the following new Leaders who have been approved in recent months:

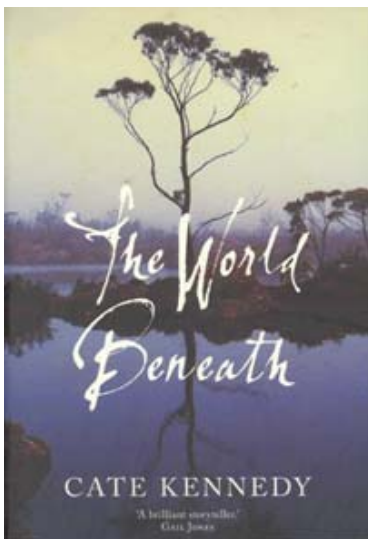
Steve Cockburn
Chrissy Dott

Lutz Fehling
Hilton Kane

Paul Joselyn
Marge Henry

Rodney Black

Andy Helm



The World Beneath by Cate Kennedy (2009)

It's not often you find a work of fiction which focuses on a bushwalking location. This novel does and I would recommend it on a number of levels, not just as most of the story unfolds on the Overland Track in Tasmania.

The book tells the story of an estranged and arguably dysfunctional family. Sandy and Rich met during the 1980s protesting against the Franklin Dam in Tasmania. They had a child, Sophie, whom Sandy has raised on her own as Rich left when Sophie was a baby.

Rich is bored with his job, his interest is in wilderness photography and reminiscing about the Franklin protests. Sandy is a New Age hippie, who also reminisces about the Franklin protests. Sophie is now 15 years old and a cool, cynical "goth". After years of very little contact with his daughter, Rich now wants to redress the balance by

taking Sophie to walk the Overland Track, as an opportunity to bond with her.

It is interesting to read a story set in a location with which many bushwalkers will be familiar - the huts, the climbs, the mud, the duckboards. It is also interesting to observe how these inexperienced walkers tackle their task - their preparations, their selection of inappropriate clothing. I squirmed at the reactions of a couple of the experienced walkers on the track - "I can't believe you didn't bring gaiters." "Have I been so patronising?"

Aside from the bushwalking interest, the novel is an excellent account of the interactions between the family members. The point of view switches from one to the other throughout the book so that the reader gets the perspective of each character - and I found them all convincing.

Another attraction is the use of humour. While Rich and Sophie are in Tasmania, Sandy goes to a sort of health retreat to discover her "inner goddess". I found this account particularly amusing.

I would recommend this book - not just for its interesting setting but for its observations about the "wilderness industry" - where the natural landscape is something to conquer - and its portrayal of the characters and their interactions.

Cath Carkeet

BRISBANE BUSHWALKER'S AUCTION NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, 24 MARCH 2010

AUCTIONEER: The illustrious Mr Terry Maloney

Members are invited to attend an Auction Night to be held on Wednesday, 24 March 2010. This is an opportunity for members to sell unwanted, but still useable, bushwalking and camping gear.

Sellers and Bidders are requested to bring small notes and change on the night. (Preferably in Australian currency. This is not an opportunity to offload those Nepalese Rupees you have left over from your last trip.)

Sellers

Sellers of items must place their name and item description on item on the night.

Sellers to advise their name, item description and Reserve Price to Catherine Lowry by email or telephone (katlowry@hotmail.com; 3364 4397 office, or 0430 450 569 mobile – no later than Monday, 22 March 2010.

Sellers to arrive no later than 7.15pm on the night

Bidders

If you are in the market for boots, please bring thick socks.

Volunteers

We require three volunteers on the night – please contact Catherine.

Based on previous occasions, this will be a fun-filled night with lots of laughter.

Catherine Lowry & Cheryl Curtis

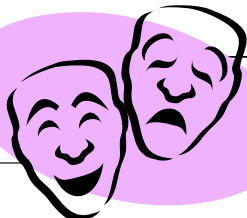
NEW MEMBERS

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

Ais Aishuia	Deb Allan	Daren Azzopardi	Lisa Bamforth	Ben Clemett
Anna Donaldson	Antonio Ferreira	Rito Da Silva	Kerry Frances	Karl Haggard
Michael Hilkemeijer	Ross Hoffman	Suzy Hudson	Kim Julkumen	Christina Kim
Jacob Ko	Liz Law	Arjen Lentz	Justin Logan	Teena Magrath
Penny McInnes	Tristan Mott	Stefanie Myers	Bob Newey	Michael Pick
Susan Powell	Gavin Randall	Eddie Shaw	Sarah Sheridan	Anne Sleat
Joe Stockman	Elisha Swift	Eve Tink	Pat Todhunter	Albena Vassileva
Juha Vuolle	Vanessa Whitehead			

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

John Andresen	Jill Andresen	Trish Aroney	Con Aroney	Sonia Bosnjak
Mark Broughton	Col Davis	Peter Day	Susanne Fraser	Robyn Hargreaves
Julie McVarnock	Erin Moore	John Park	Susan Wootton	David Wootton



Out & About

DINNER AT TOMATO BROTHERS

WHEN: 7pm, Fri 23 April
LEADER: Nada Campbell
MOBILE: 0414724489
EMAIL: nadacampbell@y7mail.com
LIMIT: 26
COST: \$20 to \$30
WHERE: 75 Kedron Brook Rd, Wilston

Be quick to book for dinner at the very popular Tomato Brothers at 75 Kedron Brook Road, Wilston. Take a look at the Tomato Brothers' menu of gourmet pizzas, pasta, salads and desserts and you'll see why you'll need to get in early. <http://tomatobrothers.com.au/TomBro/wilston/MenuWilston.pdf> We have places for 26 people. Dress is smart/casual. Meals are at very good prices ... and with no corkage charges we don't have to spend much to have a great evening. ps. this gives you opportunity to get to know people with in the club and enjoy are great evening.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Christmas In July Fri 2 - Sun 4 Jul
LEADER: Nada Campbell
MOBILE: 0414724489
EMAIL: nadacampbell@y7mail.com
GRADE: SOC
LIMIT: 60
BRING: see details below
COST: \$65 per person
DEPART: 3pm
CAR KMS: organise your own transport
MAP: UBD 105 D6, 1874 Mount Glorious Road, Mount Glorious

Christmas in July Weekend at Mt Glorious. Don't miss out on our biggest event of 2010 - enjoy Christmas in July on beautiful Mt Glorious, from Friday 2nd July to Sunday 4th July. Experienced team leaders will conduct walks for differing fitness levels through the magnificent forests of Mt Glorious, or nearby, on Saturday and Sunday.

Look out for details of the walks the leaders will provide, and nominate online. Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Members can invite their 'non-member partners'. to join us for the weekend and enjoy the social gatherings on Friday night and at Saturday evening's dinner / dance. We'll have a fabulous dinner on Saturday night and then kick up our heels to the music of a live Bush Band. Bring your own food for the weekend, but for Saturday evening's dinner, we will ask everyone to bring a dish to share. Closer to the weekend, a list will be provided to attendees who can nominate which dish they'd like to bring. Registration is available for a total of 60 people only at the well-appointed Camp Constable, Mt Glorious. Although partners cannot join the organised walks, they can 'do their own thing' - take short walks, have a chat and a coffee at the coffee shop around the corner, or take the chance to relax in the peaceful bush environment. The Camp has a double-storey hall, with a recreation hall upstairs and a dining room and kitchen downstairs. Crockery, cutlery, pots and pans are provided and a walk-in cold room is available for food storage. If you'd like to celebrate Christmas in July using your favourite wine glass, bring it along, and you could even wear something Christmassy. The comfortable accommodation facilities offered by Camp Constable are: two dormitories with comfortable double-bunk beds (1 dormitory for females, 1 dormitory for males); and there's plenty of camping space for anyone who would like to bring their own tent and camp over the weekend. Everyone needs to bring their own bed linen - sleeping bags, sheets, blankets and pillows. There are separate hot showers and toilets for women and for men. The accommodation and entertainment is \$65 per person. The cost for people want to camp will be \$50 per person for the weekend. To ensure you don't miss out, nominate your interest to attend online. Please send your cheque to BBW's Treasurer, or pay by cash at one of the Club's meetings, held every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Registration cannot be confirmed until payment is received. Please come along to have a great time and support your Club.

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Eugene Hedemann's at Stafford Heights on Thursday 22nd April at 7:00pm. 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 3359 3114 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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