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BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS MONTHLY NEWS



BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC (EST. 1948)
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MEETINGS: The Brisbane Bushwalkers Club meets every 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm at the Newmarket Memorial Hall, cnr Enoggera Rd. & Ashgrove Ave., Newmarket. Except for December when the only meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday. All welcome.

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

MAGAZINE: Pre-trip descriptions are submitted via the leaders page on the web site. Any articles from members, especially post-trip reports, are welcome. The editor reserves the right to edit articles to fit available space. The preferred method for article submission is email; for other methods please discuss with editor.

Deadline for the May magazine is the Open Meeting on Wednesday 11th April.

BBW WEB SITE & EMAIL

BBW web site: www.bbw.org.au
 email editor@bbw.org.au
outings@bbw.org.au

BBW is an affiliated member of Bushwalking Qld whose website is: www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au

FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

To encourage members to maintain a current First Aid certificate, the Club will organise courses for Full members (not Probationary members) for half price for those who attend.

Cover Photograph

Gheerulla Falls (Mapleton) after much rain
 Photo: Bernie Ryan

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.

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

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.

LIBRARY

Available on the library table at all meetings:

- For sale: Long sleeve shirts \$25, Short sleeve shirts \$20, Fleece Jackets \$35, Fleece Vests \$30, Hats \$13, Caps \$10. These articles have the club logo embroidered on them.
- Car stickers and cloth badges: all \$3.00
- Long, wide bandages to be used in the unlikely event of a snake bite \$10.00
- Maps and Rasters: free loan to leaders
- Free loan to members:- Books, Magazines, DVDs and CDs. Come and browse the selection.

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

Club Officials

President	Cheryl Curtis	3801 1311	Photographic	Gary Curtis	3801 1311
Vice President	Bill Gale	3355 6023	Librarian	Nada Campbell	0414 724 489
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Safety & Training	Hilton Kane	0447 397 743	Editors	Eugene Hedemann	3359 3114
Membership	Dennis Fishlock	3284 0551		Jenny Zohn	3272 2732
Social		<i>position vacant</i>	Contact Officers	Tom Cowlshaw	3856 4050
Equipment	Catherine Lowry	0430 450 569 (Not during business hours)	Family Co-ordinator		<i>position vacant</i>

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

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

Note for Leaders when grading a walk: *The brief descriptions below are to help members match their ability to an activity. Do not use for grading as errors can result. To grade your walk consult the Standard List of Graded Walks.*

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 or minor creek crossings.
- 4 Rough, unformed track or open terrain, with obstacles such as rock or root intrusions or minor creek crossings.
- 5 Rough or rocky terrain that may require use of hands, and/or creek crossings.
- 6 Steep, rough or rocky terrain requiring use of hands, and/or major creek crossings.
- 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.
- 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 via the club website, or by phoning or emailing the leader. (Some leaders only accept phone or email nominations.) 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 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 \$5.30 per person per night. (The leader will provide details.) NSW National Parks also charge \$7 per vehicle per day.

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

PROGRAM

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

March

26	SNW-2A	Toohey Forest Monday night walk	Graham Olive	32775279
28	Meeting	Stove Wars Episode 3 - Picnic Pete		
29	SNW 3B	Mt Coot-tha weekly night walk	Graham Olive, Ken Rubie	32775279
30-1	MTW-5C	The Steamers	Lynsey Moore	
31	SDW4B	Glasshouse Mountains Suite	Hilton Kane	
	MINIMAX 3B	Iron Bark Gully	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 0419577360
31-1	MTW-3C	Echo Point Through Walk	Joan Davey	0415 139 646

April

1	SDW - 5C	May/Maroon - Golden Stairs Circuit	Jim Lydon	04 3191 3264
	MDW-5C	The Cougals	Nick Brooking	3262 5244
	MDW5C	SURVEY Love Ck Falls / Mt . D'aguilar	John Shields	07-32646565
	SDW7D	Glasshouse Mts - 3 peaks	Hilton Kane	
2	SNW-2A	Toohey Forest Monday night walk	Graham Olive	3277 5279
2-10	MTW5C	Oxley Wild Rivers NP (TWO WALKS)	John Mitchell	32819751
4-17	MTW -5C	Fiordland - South Island New Zealand	Ken Rubie	
6-10	SURVEY	Mt MacArthur Central QLD	Dennis Fishlock/Chris Hall,	32840551, 0419577360
7	MDW-5D	Mt Samson from Samford Valley	Kelvin Taylor	32693726
	LDW-7D	Mt.Barney Savages Ridge	Tom Bishton	
8	SDW-5B	Love Creek Falls for Newbies	Kelvin Taylor	32693726
	MDW-5C	Lincoln Bomber Wreck	John Stevens	0431 929 466
11	Meeting	BBW Auction Night - Tom Cowlshaw		
14	MDW 8D	Logans Ridge Mt Barney	Annette Miller	
	MINIMAXS4A	White Rock for New Members	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
14-15	FIRST AID	St John Ambulance Apply First Aid Course & Recertification	Hilton Kane	
15	MDW - 5C	Mount Barney - Two Portals	Jim Lydon	04 3191 3264
	MDW-7D	Mt Maroon - South Ridge	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
	XLDW-4C	Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk Stage 3 - Gheerulla Circuit	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]
20-22	MTW-6D	Mt Doubletop, Mt Huntley	David Sydes	33184085
21	ABS-S5C	Kinnanes Falls Abseil	Chrissy Dott/Tom Bishton	0411 312 241
	MDW-6C	Sth Kobbie Valley Crossing	Kelvin Taylor	32693726
22	MDW 4C	BellBird Grove Walk	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 0419577360
	MDW-4C	Tabletop Mountain	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]
	LDW-7D	Mt Barney - SE Ridge	Tom Bishton	
	MDW5C	Greenes Falls & love Ck Falls	John Shields	32646565
25	Meeting			
25	MDW-5D	Mt Bangalora	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
27-29	BC3/5C	Mt Glorious Base Camp	John Shields, Geof Hinds	32646565
	SOCIAL	Springbrook	Burney	0422386080
28	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	MDW-6D	Wednesday Ck	Lou & Marion Darveniza	3378 4031
29	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat	3274 2777 wk.
	LDW - 5D	Mistake Mountains - Foot, Little Flaggy Falls	Jim Lydon	04 3191 3264
	MDW 4C	Glasshouse Mtns Mt Tibbuwuccum Mt Cooe	Dennis Fishlock	32840551 0419577360
	MDW-6C	Mt Byron via Byron Gorge	Kelvin Taylor	32693726

May

1	SOCIAL	Himalayan Cafe	Peter Hunt	
4-7	FSTW-4B	Celestial Palace - Girraween NP	Picnic Pete	3351 1184
	MTW-6D	Teviot Gap to Spicers Gap and reverse	David Sydes	33184085

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5	MINIMAX 3B	Iron Bark Gully	Dennis Fishlock	32840551	0419577360
5-7	M TW 3C	Moreton Island	Greg Kuss.		0408 806310
6	LDW-3C	Lake Manchester including 'the knoll'	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]	
	MDW-5D	Mt Mistake	John Stevens		0431 929 466
	MDW5C	Love Ck Loop	John Shields		32646565
12	MDW-7D	Mt Barney	Picnic Pete		3351 1184
13	MDW - 5C	Barney/Ballow - Montserrat Circuit	Jim Lydon		04 3191 3264
	MDW 4C	Manorina Walk	Dennis Fishlock	32840551	0419577360
	MDW-4C	Northbrook Mtn	John Shields		32646565
18-20	MBC-4B S&T	Navigation and Leader Training Base Camp	Mt Glorious Barracks		Hilton Kane
19	MDW - 5C	Bangalora - Double Slabby	Chris Hall, Anne Kemp		0422005927
19-20	MTW-3C	Rat-a-tat	Mary Comer		3844 6231
20	MDW-3C	Redwood Park & Jubilee Park	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]	
	MDW-6C	A Creek Route on Mt Maroon	Lou & Marion Darveniza		3378 4031
25-27	W 'N' W	Mt Glorious Base Camp [QPWS Volunteers only]	John Shields		32646565
26-27	LTW-4B	Moreton Island	Elaine Beller		0450 614300
27	MDW - 5C	Barney/Ballow - Paddys Peak Circuit	Jim Lydon, Barry Collins		04 3191 3264

June

3	MDW4C	Glasshouse Mtns [Mt Cooee/ Mt Tibtogargen/ Mt Tibrowocum]	John Shields		32646565
	XLDW-3C	Mt Mitchell & Bare Rock - Cunningham's Gap	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]	
8-11	STW-8E	Tenth Annual Barney Four Day Classic	John Hinz		3846 1432 H/W
9-11	MBC3C	Kwiambal National Park Base Camp	Ken Rubie		
9-12	M TW 3C	Fraser Island. Southern Lakes and Eurong Resort.	Greg Kuss.		0408 806310
10	MDW - 5C	Bangalora - Double Slabby	Jim Lydon		04 3191 3264
17	SURVEY	Mt Joyce Escape Recreation Park Stage 2 SURVEY	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]	
21	SDW7BPHOTO	Tibrogargan Solstice Sunrise	Hilton Kane		
22-24	MBC-5C	Rimfall Base Camp	Ray and Dawn Glancy		3343 8854
	BC3/5C	Mt Glorious Base Camp	John Shields, Geof Hinds		32646565
24	MDW - 5C	May/Maroon - Paddys Perambulation	Jim Lydon		04 3191 3264
29-1	LBC-7D	Mt Barney for Old Timers Weekend	Lynsey Moore		3366 6135



Advance Notice

13-15 July	Byron Bay Base Camp	Bernie Ryan	33255616 [not on walk day]		
20-22 July	Dairy Flats	Burney			0422386080
24-26 Aug	Mt Glorious Base Camp	John Shields, Geof Hinds			32646565
7-9 Sept	Navigation & Leader Training Base Camp, Mt Glorious Barracks	Hilton Kane			
7-9 Sept	2012 Pilgrimage	Redland Bushwalkers			
7-12 Sept	Yuraygir Coastal Walk	Greg Kuss.			0408 806310
8-9 Sept	St John Ambulance Apply First Aid Course & Recertification	Hilton Kane			

DEPARTURE TIME

Walkers, please be at the meeting point 10-15 mins before the departure time so that car pooling can be organised. Actual departure will be EXACTLY at the stated departure time.



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

TOOHEY FOREST MONDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Mon 26 Mar
LEADER: Graham Olive 32775279
EMAIL: gol91084@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: SNW-2A
LIMIT: 10+
BRING: Page 3 items Torch, water.
DEPART: 6:30pm Car park behind
McDONALDS Salisbury. Cnr Toohey
Rd, Orange Grove Rd & Evans Rd
MAP: BCC Toohey Forest track map

Toohey Forest is located just 10km south of Brisbane's CBD. There are extensive walking tracks through open eucalypt forest and heath. We start this two hour night walk from the car park behind the Mcdonalds restaurant in Salisbury. This walk will be on both sealed and dirt tracks with some short hills. There are lots of tracks so a different route each time. If we are lucky we might see an owl or two. Bookings will not be taken for these walks so people intending to walk need to arrive at the start point in sufficient time, to register their name for the walk commencement at 6.30 sharp. By the way, these walks don't count toward full membership.

MT COOT-THA WEEKLY NIGHT WALK

Short Night Walk Thu 29 Mar
LEADER: Graham Olive, Ken Rubie32775279
MOBILE: Ken 0448448598
EMAIL: gol91084@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: SNW 3B
LIMIT: 20+
BRING: page 3 plus torch and water
COST: money for coffee
DEPART: 6:30pm carpark west of Kuta Cafe Mt Coot-tha
MAP: BCC Mt Coot-tha track map
MUST: Read trip description

The Mt Coot-tha Thursday night walks are exercise walks to assist people with improving their bushwalking fitness and to learn techniques for night-time walking. The walks will commence at 6.30pm sharp from the 1st carpark you enter on the western side of the lookout on Mt Coot-tha. The walks will be approximately 2 hours in duration, on fire trails and marked tracks, with obstacles such as rock or root intrusions, fallen debris, and some, usually dry, creek crossings on some of the tracks. The walks will also involve the descent and ascent of the mountain at a reasonable walking pace with up to 520 metres gained and lost over the length of the walk. In places the ter-

rain of the walk will involve walking on loose surfaces with moderate and in some places, steep inclines. Participants will need a moderate level of fitness suitable for hill walking. Participants will need the Page 3 items as well as the appropriate hiking footwear, torch and drinking water. At the end of the walk we will have coffee at the Kuta Cafe for those who wish to reward their efforts and enjoy the sights of Brisbane at night. Bookings will not be taken for these walks so people intending to walk need to arrive at the start point in sufficient time for the walk commencement at 6.30 sharp. For further information please contact the walk leader. By the way, these walks don't count toward full membership.

THE STEAMERS

Through Walk Fri 30 Mar - Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: Lynsey Moore
This activity is full.

GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS SUITE

Day Walk Sat 31 Mar
LEADER: Hilton Kane
MOBILE: 0447397743
EMAIL: hilton.kane@gmail.com
GRADE: SDW4B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Page 3 items
COST: \$12 car-pooling
DEPART: 7:30am Alderley
CAR KMS: 120
MAP: Glasshouse Mountains 1:25,000

Autumn is a great time to walk the peaks of the Glasshouse Mountains. There is plenty of steep terrain to work up your fitness in a location just 60km from Alderley. If you are just starting out and are uncertain about walking up and down hills, then this is for you. We begin with the path to the lookout on Beerburum (280m), allowing you to gauge your uphill ability. Then it's over to Ngungun (253m) where the uphill push is rewarded with a 360 degree panorama of the Glasshouse Mountains region. After lunch, we will head over to the Tibrogargan circuit - around, not up this one. NB If you have not walked up hills before, this is an opportunity to do so with some company for conversation as we go. If you regularly grab at handrails on stairs, I would strongly recommend a trekking pole or long walking stick to assist, particularly on the descents. The pace will be beginner friendly, but as swift as the group can manage.

IRON BARK GULLY

Training Day Sat 31 Mar
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock 32840551
0419577360
EMAIL: fyshies@bigpond.com.au
GRADE: MINIMAXS 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: Self Serve Online/Email
Leader

MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minimum 15 Minutes
before Departure Time

This walk is intended to introduce new members to bush walking and to the BBW club in particular. The MinimaxS is a good option for your first walk, we will be mainly walking on a track and stopping at regular intervals to discuss a number of topics such as Clothing, Equipment, Safety and First Aid and Environmental Impact to name a few. There will be a sample of OFF TRACK to get an appreciation of the clubs walk grading system, bring your day pack, morning tea and lunch, please bring what ever gear you would take on a day walk, also bring a change of cloths to change into at the end of the walk. Register directly on the web site or at the club meetings on the registration boards with the New Membership Officer.

ECHO POINT THROUGH WALK

Through Walk Sat 31 Mar - Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646
This activity is full.

MAY/MAROON - GOLDEN STAIRS CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: Jim Lydon 04 3191 3264
This activity is full.

THE COUGALS

Day Walk Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: Nick Brooking 3262 5244
MOBILE: 04 1972 4296
EMAIL: brooking@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Day Walk Gear, at least 2l water
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: Approx 200km
MAP: Sunmap 1:25,000 Springbrook
The Cougals are twin peaks in the Springbrook National Park on the NSW border. We'll park the cars at the end of The Garden of Eden Rd, follow the track beside the border fence, through some lantana at the start, following a ridge. We get good views as we climb. Then we enter rainforest and eventually it gets steep and rocky. When we

reach a cliff line there is an interesting cave, which we'll have a look at: make sure you bring your torches. A bit of a scramble up an easy cliff break through spear lilies to the summit of East Cougal with more great views. Then over the saddle to West Cougal, it's a bit rougher and a little more scrambling. We will return via the same route. Currumbin for coffee. This is a good walk for new members who are have climbed a couple of mountains on tracks and are now ready to go off-track.

SURVEY LOVE CK FALLS / MT. D'AGUILAR

Survey Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
This activity is full.

GLASSHOUSE MTS - 3 PEAKS

Day Walk Sun 1 Apr
LEADER: Hilton Kane
MOBILE: 0447397743
EMAIL: hilton.kane@gmail.com
GRADE: SDW7D
LIMIT: 5
BRING: Page 3 items
COST: Own transport to/from GHM
DEPART: 7am Marshs Rd carpark, via Barrs Rd
MAP: Glasshouse Mountains 1:25,000
Although this is not a long walk by distance, please take note of the 7D grading. This outing is a strong warm-up activity for those intending to climb Mt. Barney in the weeks ahead. We will walk and scramble, or scramble and walk, to the summits of Tibrogargan, Tibberooowuccum and Ngungun. This triumvirate gives us a combined ascent/descent of about 800 metres in the day, including some Grade 7 scrambling on Tibrogargan, all of which should give participants a good indication of their skill and fitness levels before heading off to Mt. Barney's remote locales.

OXLEY WILD RIVERS NP (TWO WALKS)

Through Walk Mon 2 - Tue 10 Apr
LEADER: John Mitchell 32819751
EMAIL: mitchbbw@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW5C
LIMIT: 8
COST: \$140
DEPART: 5:30am tba
CAR KMS: 1150kms
Oxley Wild Rivers NP is a system of rivers and gorges, which feed from the New England tableland into the Mcleay River. This walk is part of that system east of Armidale. The walk is listed as a nine day walk, in two parts. YOU CAN OPT TO DO THE WHOLE WALK OR PART ONE OR PART TWO, depending on your time constraints. The walks follow rivers and therefore there are

NO MOUNTAINS TO CONQUER. The walk follows old 4wd drive tracks, horse pads and old river beds. There are many river crossings most around knee height under normal conditions. There is plenty of time to count daises, swim, photograph and fish etc. Pace is slow, my pace. Wild horses, cattle ,dingoes, birds etc. Day one Drive through Armidale and have lunch at West Kunderung . Walk up Mcleay to the Apsley Junction and do a food drop for those doing both sections of the walk. Continue up the Apsley for 1-2 hours and camp. Day two 5-6hrs walking continue upstream and camp for two nights. Day three With day gear only explore further upstream, have lunch and return to camp. Day four Walk downstream 4-5 hrs and camp. Day five Walk back to the Junction. **I WILL TAKE THOSE GOING HOME BACK TO THE HOMESTEAD AND COLLECT ANY WALKERS DOING THE SECOND PART OF THE WALK.** Continuing walkers pick up their food supply at the drop. Walk another 2 hrs up the Mcleay and camp. Day six 4-5hrs Continue upstream Mcleay and then head up Chandler River to camp for two nights. Day seven 4-5 hrs Day gear only explore upsteam for lunch and then back to camp. Day eight 4-5 hrs Down the Chandler and the Mcleay camp. Day nine 2-3hrs to homestead and head home. If you any questions, the best way to contact me is by email as I will be wandering around over the next few weeks. Please indicate in the comments column which sections you wish to do: Whole walk? OR Part ONE ? Or Part TWO ?

FIORDLAND - SOUTH ISLAND NEW ZEALAND

Through Walking Wed 4 - Tue 17 Apr
LEADER: Ken Rubie
This activity is full.

MT MACARTHUR CENTRAL QLD

Base Camp Fri 6 - Tue 10 Apr
LEADER: Dennis Fishlock/Chris Hall32840551
0419577360
This activity is full.

MT SAMSON FROM SAMFORD VALLEY

Day walk Sat 7 Apr
LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 32693726
EMAIL: kelvin.taylor@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-5D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Page 3
COST: \$10 to driver
DEPART: 7am Alderley
CAR KMS: 60

We start the walk from Cedar Creek Rd and start walking up a ridge. As we rise higher we get good views from the cliff edge over the Samford Valley

below. Continuing on up over a couple of peaks and saddles we reach the top of Mt Samson. Very good views in almost all directions. We return to one of the previous peaks and head south east towards Mt Lawson. This is very nice country. Lightly wooded from here all the way back, with more great views both sides of the ridge and a nice spot on a flat rock at the top of a cliff, looking down over the valley below. From the top of Mt Lawson, even better views. Moreton Island, the City, etc. We follow an old track back down to Cedar Creek and a 15 minute road walk back to the cars. As usual, if I don't know you, email me with suitable BBW history before nominating. Walk distance 12 kms Total elevation gains 950 m. Walk time 7 hrs.

MT.BARNEY SAVAGES RIDGE

Day Walk Sat 7 Apr
LEADER: Tom Bishton
This activity is full.

LOVE CREEK FALLS FOR NEWBIES

Day walk Sun 8 Apr
LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 32693726
EMAIL: kelvin.taylor@bigpond.com
GRADE: SDW-5B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Page 3 stuff
COST: \$10 to driver
DEPART: 8am Alderley
CAR KMS: 60

This is a fairly easy, shorter creek walk, suitable for newer members. Love Creek is situated just north of Samford. We rock hop up Cedar Creek past some nice open, slabby pools and cascades, then changing to more of a rainforest creek and on up to the biggest and most impressive falls in The D'Aguilar National Park. We scramble up a steep track around the side and up to the top of the falls. Nice views down the valley from here. The creek has a gentle grade for most parts and the only part that will raise a sweat is the scramble up the side of the falls. This can be hands and knees stuff in places, using tree roots, etc to help yourself up the rather steep incline, but is not difficult or exposed. Moderate fitness should suffice. Elevation gain 260 m. Walk distance 6 kms. Walk time 4 hrs

LINCOLN BOMBER WRECK

Day Walk Sun 8 Apr
LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466
This activity is full.

LOGANS RIDGE MT BARNEY

Day Walk Sat 14 Apr
LEADER: Annette Miller

MOBILE: 0418 791 841
EMAIL: annette.c.miller@marsh.com
GRADE: MDW 8D
LIMIT: 6
BRING: Page 3
COST: \$25
DEPART: 6am Yellowpinch
CAR KMS: 250
MAP: Mt Lindesay
ELEVATION GAIN: Min. 1,000m

Logans Ridge provides the most direct route to the East Peak of Mt Barney. It has much open rock providing great views of the surrounding country, and also has several areas of exposed rock to negotiate. Good scrambling skills and confidence with moderate exposure are required, if you are nervous of heights best give this one a miss! In addition the route up is steep so a high level of fitness is required. Our descent route will be South East Ridge and we will have lunch somewhere on the way down. We will be doing this walk at a reasonably brisk pace with only minimal, short stops, so please bear this in mind before nominating. Please email me if you have not walked with me before.

WHITE ROCK FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimaxs Sat 14 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
MOBILE: 0438 481 186 on day of walk only
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MINIMAXS 4A
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk gear, 2L water
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 65km
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. Being a MINIMAXS, we will be discussing, safety, clothing, club protocol, minimal environmental impact, first aid, gradings etc. This is a fairly short walk with 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. Bring morning tea, lunch and the "always take" items on page 3 of the magazine. Hopefully we will have lunch in the picnic shelter by the cars and finish early afternoon. We will be bringing a gas stove to boil up in the picnic shelter for tea or coffee, so bring a cup - we will provide the tea, coffee, milk & sugar.

ST JOHN AMBULANCE APPLY FIRST AID COURSE & RECERTIFICATION

First Aid Training Sat 14 - Sun 15 Apr
See details on p.16

MOUNT BARNEY - TWO PORTALS

Day Walk Sun 15 Apr
LEADER: Jim Lydon 04 3191 3264
This activity is full.

MT MAROON - SOUTH RIDGE

Day Walk Sun 15 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
This activity is full.

SUNSHINE COAST HINTERLAND GREAT WALK STAGE 3 - GHEERULLA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 15 Apr
LEADER: Bernie Ryan 33255616 [not on walk day please]
This activity is full.

MT DOUBLETOP, MT HUNTLEY

Through Walk Fri 20 - Sun 22 Apr
LEADER: David Sydes 33184085
This activity is full.

KINNANES FALLS ABSEIL

Abseil Day Walk Sat 21 Apr
LEADER: Chrissy Dott/Tom Bishton 0411 312 241
This activity is full.

STH KOBBLE VALLEY CROSSING

Day walk Sat 21 Apr
LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 32693726
EMAIL: kelvin.taylor@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Page 3
COST: \$15 to driver
DEPART: 7:30am Alderley
CAR KMS: 80

This is a crossing of the South Kobble Valley. We start on the range on the north side of the valley, follow a creek down into South Kobble and exit via a range on the South side. At our lowest point the creek is a steep and rugged rainforest creek with lots of interesting scrambling. Further up we pass what is the largest falls on South Kobble, which we will need to work our way around. Above this progress becomes easier as we walk through palm groves before exiting near the source. A nice rugged, rainforest creek walk. Slow progress at times in the difficult environment. You will need to be experienced at walking in rugged rocky creeks and need a BBW history of 5C or higher. Go here for pics from last walk www.kelvinsx3.bravehost.com/southkobblevalley.htm Email me before nominating if I don't know you. Walk distance 6k. Elevation gains 350m. Time 6 hrs

BELLBIRD GROVE WALK

Day Walk Sun 22 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 \$10
DEPART: 7am Alderley
CAR KMS: 80Kms
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park
NOMINATION LIST: Self Serve Online/Email
Leader

Bellbird Grove is located on the Mt Nebo road just past Brisbane Forest Park HQ, the walk will start on a designated track for about 1km, from here we will go off track for most of the day, working our way up and down ridges and gully's. After morning tea we will ascend a steep ridge which is Camp Mountain for about one and half hours as we gain height we will get good views of the city, the vegetation is a mix of native scrub which is mainly Australian gums and other native species. Once we get to the top of Camp Mountain we will stop for lunch at the picnic grounds and take in the views of the city, we will then proceed back down the mountain and go off track back to the car park. Afternoon tea at the Gap, THIS WALK IS ALSO SUITABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WANTING TO START TO DO OFF TRACK, A REASONABLE LEVEL OF FITNESS IS REQUIRED.

TABLETOP MOUNTAIN

Day Walk Sun 22 Apr
LEADER: Bernie Ryan33255616 [not on walk
day please]

This activity is full.

MT BARNEY - SE RIDGE

Day Walk Sun 22 Apr
LEADER: Tom Bishton
MOBILE: 0404025150
EMAIL: tbishton23@hotmail.com
GRADE: LDW-7D
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Day walk gear + 3-4L Water and
Torch
DEPART: 5:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 250
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000 topographic

We shall park the cars at the Yellowpinch day use area and follow a track around the base of Barney. We shall then branch off to the right towards the base of the South East Ridge. We shall ascend the South East Ridge towards the East

Peak of Mt. Barney. On the way we are rewarded with great views of Mt. Lindesey, Mt. Ernest and Mt. Barney Logan's ridge. However there will be bits of exposure on the way up and some scrambling. On the top of East Peak we shall take in the views and have lunch. We shall descend either by South East Ridge or South Ridge depending on the conditions. I shall be carrying climbing tape should it be required. As with any Barney walk good fitness and stamina is required. The walk involves around 1,100m in elevation. Please bear this in mind when nominating.

GREENES FALLS & LOVE CK FALLS

Daywalk Sun 22 Apr
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only
EMAIL: johnashields@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW5C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 3 lit water
COST: \$14CAR CONTRIBUTION
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping centreUBD108F16 Westpac sign
CAR KMS: 80 KM return
MAP: BFP
NO LIST AT MEETING

We drive to Mt Glorious and park at the end of Alex Rd to start the walk and head down the ridge to Annies Ck. Up to and across the plateau then down to Greenes Falls Lookout. Down the track to have smoko on a rocky ledge looking up the falls. Back up another longer ridge to the plateau to drop off down a ridge to Love Ck. Down stream a short way to Love Ck Falls . Here we slip down the track to get an up view of the falls. Back up-stream to peel off into Annies Ck to start the ascent up the rock ledges ,through the shady palm groves to select a beauty spot along the creek for lunch. We reach the Y junction to leave the creek and ascend the ridge and back to the cars. Then off to Olleys coffee shop.

MT BANGALORA

Day Walk Wed 25 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031
This activity is full.

MT GLORIOUS BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: John Shields, Geof [Bushy] Hinds
32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only
EMAIL: johnashields@bigpond.com
GRADE: BC3/5C
LIMIT: 20
BRING: base camping gear/ day walk gear
COST: \$13camp fee[2 nights]

MAP: BFP

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. The walks vary from 3B to 5C and will be decided after group discussion and we try to keep within your comfort zone. 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. 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, breakfasted and ready to walk by 8a.m. with smoko and lunch in their day pack. Aim to get back mid to late afternoon at the latest. Happy hour around the campfire. 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 Maijala 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. A shorter walk is conducted on SUNDAY morning to bring us back just after lunch with tents dry and ready to pack up and leave mid afternoon.--ONLINE BOOKINGS OR EMAIL OR PHONE LEADER.

SPRINGBROOK

Social Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Burney 0422386080
See details on p.19

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training For Beginners Sat 28 Apr
LEADER: John Granat 3274 2777 wk.
This activity is full.

WEDNESDAY CK

Day Walk Sat 28 Apr
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031
This activity is full.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: John Granat 3274 2777 wk.
This activity is full.

MISTAKE MOUNTAINS - FOOT, LITTLE FLAGGY FALLS

Day Walk Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Jim Lydon 04 3191 3264
This activity is full.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS MT TIBBUWUCCUM MT COOEE

Day Walk Sun 29 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 \$15
DEPART: 6:30am Aspley Hypermarket open car park in front of the sails
CAR KMS: 120 kms
MAP: Glass House Mountains
NOMINATION LIST: Self Serve Online/Email Leader

The Glass House Mountains are the remnants of active volcanoes some 27 million years ago, the vegetation is mainly open eucalypts and plantation forest, and is the home of koalas, grey kangaroos and many species of birds. We will start on a track through open forest and then go off track and work our way up a small summit being Mt Cooee, this is where we will have morning tea with 180 degrees view looking across the valley towards the south, we will then return back onto the track and walk out towards Mt Tibberoowuccum, which is again off track and climb up to the summit via a steep grass and vegetated ridge. We will have lunch taking in 360 degrees views of the Glass House Mountains. We will descend back down to the track and walk back out to our cars. Then off to Veccios for afternoon tea. THIS WALK IS ALSO SUITABLE FOR NEW MEMBERS WITH A SOUND LEVEL OF FITNESS AND OFF TRACK EXPERIENCE.

MT BYRON VIA BYRON GORGE

Day walk Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 32693726
EMAIL: kelvin.taylor@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: page 3
COST: \$15 to driver
DEPART: 7am Alderley
CAR KMS: 160

The walk starts from the Gantry at Mt Mee. We walk down a forestry road to an unnamed creek and follow this creek downstream to what must be the biggest and best falls in this area. Seldom visited, and well worth a little detour. We continue downstream, past Steven's Creek coming in from the right and on down to Byron Gorge. We cover most of Byron Gorge on the way up before heading up a ridge towards the Mt Byron Range. Coming out at a cliff top with great views looking down over the valley below. We walk along the cliff top for a while still with the views to the left and pick up an old track which will take us to The Somerset Trail and back to the cars. Email me with a BBW history before nominating if I don't know you
Walk distance 15 kms. Elevation gains 400m.
Walk time 6 hrs

CELESTIAL PALACE - GIRRAWEEEN NP

Easy Through Walk Fri 4 - Mon 7 May

LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184

MOBILE: 0419496837

EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au

GRADE: FSTW-4B

LIMIT: 16

COST: petrol + camp fees

CAR KMS: 480km approx

MAP: Girraween

This will be an easy weekend, and perfect for first time through walkers. Friday night, we will drive most of the way to Girraween, and camp at Dalveen, 35km south of Warwick. On Saturday, we park cars in Girraween NP and walk about 3km (off track) to a large, open luxurious cave. Sunday will be a day walk exploring the boulders and rocky outcrops around the Slip Rock area. On Monday we return to the cars for a late lunch and early trip home. No tents are required in the cave, but you still need mattress and sleeping bag. We will organise sharing of some resources such as cookers and water to help ease the load. (You will need a tent at the car on Friday night.)

TEVIOT GAP TO SPICERS GAP AND REVERSE

Through Walk Fri 4 - Mon 7 May

LEADER: David Sydes 33184085

MOBILE: 0419871100

EMAIL: david.sydes@pivit.net.au

GRADE: MTW-6D

LIMIT: 8 in each direction

BRING: Usual through walk gear, warm clothing, 3L water

COST: petrol contrib + \$10.60 camp fees

DEPART: 6pm TBA - car pooling to be arranged

CAR KMS: 300km (approx)

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. David will lead the group heading from Teviot Gap to Spicer's Gap, I am looking for volunteers for leading the same walk in the opposite direction. The following notes are for David's group - We will camp Friday night at Teviot Gap, having exchanged cars and keys with the 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 car-pooling, departure times etc. Nominate to leader please, no list at meetings

IRON BARK GULLY

Training Day Sat 5 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: Self Serve Online/Email
Leader

MEETING POINT ARRIVAL: Minimum 15 Minutes
before Departure Time

This walk is intended to introduce new members to bush walking and to the BBW club in particular. The MinimaxS is a good option for your first walk, we will be mainly walking on a track and stopping at regular intervals to discuss a number of topics such as Clothing, Equipment, Safety and First Aid and Environmental Impact to name a few. There will be a sample of OFF TRACK to get an appreciation of the clubs walk grading system, bring your day pack, morning tea and lunch, please bring what ever gear you would take on a day walk, also bring a change of cloths to change into at the end of the walk. Register directly on the

web site or at the club meetings on the registration boards with the New Membership Officer.

MT MISTAKE

Day Walk Sun 6 May
LEADER: John Stevens 0431 929 466
EMAIL: johnpstevens@hotmail.com
GRADE: MDW-5D
LIMIT: 8 including leader
BRING: usual day gear
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 240 kms
MAP: Thornton 1:25,000

Mt Mistake is a prominent mountaintop jutting out of the Main Range south of Gatton. We will walk up one ridgeline and come down into the valley along another route to make it a circuit. Both routes share the final 1km section along a steep spur. This walk is entirely off track and total altitude gain is about 750 metres. The walk is in grassland and offers stunning views along the Main Range and the valleys to the east. If you have not walked with me previously, please email me which 5C+ graded club walks you've done in the last 2 months with the date they were on. No list at the meeting. Please nominate on line. Any query? please send me an email.

LOVE CK LOOP

Day Walk Sun 6 May
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988 Walkday only
EMAIL: johnshields@bigpond.com
GRADE: MDW5C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Day pack as page 3 / 2 lit water
COST: \$14CAR CONTRIBUTION
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping centre UBD108F16 Westpac sign
CAR KMS: 80 return
MAP: BFP
BOOK ON LINE PREFERRED

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 off-track 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 rockhopping abilities and have reasonable fitness. Not over difficult but not for a first timer. We walk for comfort and pleas-

ure .Swimmers could have a dip in one of the pools in Love Ck if they wish. Afternoon tea at Olleys Coffee & Honey Shop.

MT BARNEY

Day Walk Sat 12 May
LEADER: Picnic Pete 3351 1184
MOBILE: 0419 496 837
EMAIL: peter@lock.id.au
GRADE: MDW-7D
LIMIT: 12
BRING: torch, extra food, warm clothes
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 250Km \$30
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000

This Barney climb will be more leisurely than most, taking plenty of time to enjoy the view, take some photos, and remove our boots at lunch time. All this slow going will not make the mountain any smaller or the climb any shorter, so we will be WALKING OUT IN THE DARK. We will walk up via South East Ridge and descend via Barney Saddle and South Ridge. These are two of the least technically challenging routes on the mountain. However there is still a climb of 1100m, with some steep and loose sections, and a little exposure. And a decent of 1100m. Expect a long day requiring some sustained exertion. As a rough guide, expect to be walking from 8am to 7pm, and back in the city by 10pm. This walk is suitable for first-time Barney climbers who are not afraid of the dark, and don't mind getting home late. Don't forget to bring plenty of food, water, a torch, thermals and rain coat. You may make your own arrangements to camp at Mt Barney Lodge the night before and/or the night after. (I will not be camping.)

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

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

10 Years Ago

No one sends me Past Trip reports anymore.
No Committee Members send me reports anymore.
Barry Collins doesn't write Footprints anymore. (Because he's not the S&T Officer anymore.)
No one wants to sell anything anymore.
No one has any Expressions Of Interest articles for private trips anymore.
No one has any Special Announcements anymore.
No one sends me recipes anymore.

So what am I to fill these two magazine pages with? Recycled articles, of course!

"10 Years Ago" is an unashamed attempt to fill a few pages. But it might also inspire a few members to contribute some articles. 10 years ago, members did write post trip reports and, surprisingly, quite a few bushwalking-inspired poems. So, current members, put down your smart phones and tablets, tear yourself away from the laptop or Netbook, stop watching cat videos on YouTube and take inspiration from members of the past. Maybe you could even submit an article or two.

Editor

LAKE MANCHESTER T/W Karen McLachlan

We trekked the tracks by moonlight
All the way that we could see
We made our way to campsite
For the rain was yet to be

We woke asleep and some wet
For some forgot a few
And then trekked onward for some
Till the sweat came pouring through

It was hot and humid all day
We made camp after five
A few snakes spotted on the way
Were all before the dive

Saturday night at campsite
Was filled with party food and laughs
We enjoyed cheese, crackers and some red wine
In lovely crystal glass

We all forgot something
Hat, bra, shorts, party food or fly
We all enjoyed the weekend
And were glad we didn't let it pass by

We had fun and joy and laughter
As we walked around the track
We were listening to Mike about Disneyland
As we made our way back

We had a swim and BBO and relax
When we got to Peter's place
We were glad to take off our packs
As the smiles told on our face

If you're thinking about a throughwalk
And wonder what it would be
Then why not try to sign
Your way onto one to see

It was hard and hot and heavy
As Mike whistled and chewed our ears
I survived my first throughwalk
In over 17 years.

from April 2002

ALPACA MUFFINS

Following a walk to Toolona Creek Circuit a few weeks ago we stopped at the Alpaca Farm for coffee. Most of us tucked into these delicious savoury muffins, when I announced I had the recipe at home I was hounded to put it in the magazine - so here it is.

5 eggs, 2 med zucchini grated, 1 onion grated, 5 rashers of bacon, ¼ cup oil, 1 med carrot grated, 1½ cups grated cheese, 1 cup self raising flour, salt and pepper.

Combine all ingredients well, spoon into muffin trays. Cook in a moderate oven 20 25 mins

Thanks Candy

from April 2002

BALLOW CREEK

Water and light caress, dancing fast then slow,
the nymph of the creek seducing all In her flow.
An eel darts, glides then hovers, broad tail weaving,
as it shimmers and sways to her gentle leading.
She tumbles and chatters over rock and fall,
nurturing companions, some timid, some tall;
 tiny red crays, defensive, scuttling;
 huge red slugs, immobile, glistening;
giant stinging trees, trunks three metres wide;
each nourished, reliant, as if mother and child.
She murmurs, then titters, now whispers and sighs,
 enchanting her guests, enriching their lives.
She welcomes intruders there to breathe deep,
 sustenance for life, outside Ballow Creek

Peter James
from Jan 2002

NUMINBAH TICK GATE **LEADER JOHN HINZ**

Yet another survey walk in an area not often visited, well not by our club anyway. This was a circuit walk from Natural Arch to the Numinbah border gate via the Springbrook plateau. An early start from Newmarket saw us walking after a short car shuttle (to the border gate) before 8 am. There is an old bush track that goes from this area all the way up to the repeater station at Springbrook, which after a little looking we found. The intended route was up this track to the plateau and along the escarpment, then 'dropping' down near a waterfall before contouring back (under the waterfall) towards the border. All of this went fine with a few minor hiccups to the waterfall and lunch. Along the way the vegetation, initially rain forest, changed as we reached the plateau (with views to Mt Warning as well) to more open grass tree country and then rain forest again.

According to instructions given to our illustrious leader the 'get down' was a "short" distance back along the escarpment. After much searching for this on both sides of the waterfall we rationalised that we should abort, and make our way back basically the way we came. Curiously following tape in that general direction led us to the way down, not at all close to the waterfall. We then persevered going under the waterfall and to the taped route near the border. If we thought we'd had plenty of fun already we were mistaken. The route, well marked contours through steep rain forest country around (and) down and over a lot of loose rocks. An hour or so of this is almost tolerable, two and a half hours became tedious and tiring. The border fence was reached with much relief and not too long after, the border gate (in daylight!). A reasonably challenging walk with good navigation required (until you reach the tapes - pink and orange!), and a lot of fun 'riding' on some of the rock screes.

Thanks to the great company of the others and to John for putting this outing on.

Jon
from Jan 2002

ST JOHN AMBULANCE - APPLY FIRST AID COURSE & RECERTIFICATION

Sat 14 - Sun 15 Apr

LEADER: Hilton Kane

MOBILE: 0447397743

LIMIT: 12

COST: \$140 each (\$70 for Full Members)



This Apply First Aid Course (previously called Senior First Aid) will be conducted at the St John Ambulance HQ in The Valley on the weekend of Sat/Sun 14/15A April 2012. Full members need only pay half the cost of the course directly to the Club Treasurer at the earliest opportunity. Probationary members pay the full rate (see p2 of the magazine for the policy on First Aid fees). Please note that a Recertification Course for those whose certifications are approaching expiry (3 years) will be run concurrently. The cost is the same for both courses.

BBW's own Peter Mrzyglocki will once again be providing his expert and entertaining tutelage as our St John Ambulance First Aid Instructor/Facilitator.

The Club will advise SJA of the names of all BBW participants. Individual members should contact SJA to advise which course is applicable to them i.e. Initial Apply First Aid or Recertification [for certificate presentation purposes]. Whereas the Club will be paying the course costs for all members attending directly to SJA, please be certain that you are able to attend before nominating on-line.

Hilton



Gheerulla Falls (Mapleton) in normal conditions. Compare this pic with the cover pic taken last week after lots of rain. Photo: Bernie Ryan



Pat's Bushwalking Tips

(Sillier Than Usual Edition)

- It is easier to walk downhill than uphill.
- Not all leeches are friendly.
- For the enjoyment of yourself and your fellow bushwalkers, try to avoid walking when its raining.
- Dry boots are more comfortable than wet boots.
- Light packs are better than heavy packs.
- Its better not to leave your walking pole behind when you stop for a break.
- Its important to have a loud whistle for emergency situations. But for OH&S compliance, don't forget to pack ear muffs for the rest of the group.
- Lantana is the root of all evil.

Guest Speakers

Wednesday 28 March Stove Wars Episode 3 - Picnic Pete

Some club members will be demonstrating their various models of through-walking stoves. Each stove will be doing what it does best. We will see a variety of recipes and cooking styles.

I am looking for volunteers to bring their stove and cook something. Please phone me if you are interested.

Wednesday 11 April BBW Auction Night - Tom Cowlshaw

NEW MEMBERS

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

Chris Adams	Kim Alexander	Laura Back	Michaela Beaumont
Maura Carroll	Anna Clarke	Mary Creagh	Helen Creagh
John Creagh	Louise Croft	Rosa Dubach	Maureen Duggan
Laura Duhig	Judith Fisher	Frank Flinders	Jennifer Flinders
Colin Green	Simon Hughes	Iwona Kemp	Nanette Lamont
Bob Loveday	Heather Loveday	Brett Makin	John Martin
Liz McConachy	Margaret Morgan	Heidi Reed	Claire Reeler
Caroline Reeler	Natash Reeler	Maxwell Reeler	Elena Romanova
Natalie Smith	Tanja Versteegh	Susanne Walker	Peter Weir
Anna Wong Soo	Catherine Yelland		

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

Jim Craigen	Tony Crompton	Jarrah Gard	Kathy Myers
Vicky O'Brien	Shannon O'Brien	Chris Parry	Renate Provost
Bob Reilly			



Upcoming Rogaine Events

Bushwalkers who would like to practice or improve their navigation skills might like to try out some of the rogain events offered by the Queensland Rogaine Association.

- Sat 31 March Training Day (Bunyaville SF via Everton Park)
- Sun 1 April 3 hr Mini Rogaine (Bunyaville SF via Everton Park)
- Sat 28 April 6 hr and 12hr Adventureaine (Mt Joyce)
- Sat 2 June 8/15/24 hr Rogaine (near Esk)

For further information and more event dates visit the QRA web site at www.qldrogaine.asn.au

BRISBANE BUSHWALKER'S AUCTION NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, 11 APRIL

AUCTIONEER: Tom Cowlshaw

- Here is your chance to get rid of the clutter in your home for \$\$\$
- Yes, the club will sell it by auction at no cost to you.
- Bring your gear labelled with your name, reserve price and a brief description.
- All items will sell, be given away, or returned in a fast, furious sale with a load of fun.
- Time limit: one hour.
- The club is also going to unload all its surplus equipment.
- Suitable items: Any bushwalking type gear (eg. tents, packs, stoves, boots, pots.)

Sellers

Max of 5 items per member; in good condition and/or working order.

Email Bill Gale at galeart@bigpond.net.au before 1st April, with the following details:

- Brief description
- Condition
- Recommended Retail Price
- Reserve price (optional)

The Reserve Price should be realistic for a secondhand item. As a guide, items in excellent condition can be expected to realize no more than half recommended retail price.

Sellers will be advised of acceptance of items by email, with a lot number assigned, so that items can be tagged accordingly.

- **Be early, as entries will be limited to 75 items**
- **Please don't leave it to the last day to email Bill !!!**

The tagged items should be brought to the auction on the night by no later than 7.15 PM.

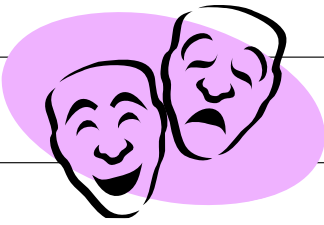
- **ITEMS WITHOUT LOT NUMBERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON THE NIGHT.**

Sellers will need to be prepared to stay with their items at the tables provided during the inspection period, hold them up, in turn, when requested by the Auctioneer, make a note of names of the highest bidders and, at the end of the auction, accept payment or negotiate with the highest bidders for items which did not reach the reserve. That need not stop sellers from bidding on other peoples' stuff.

Bidders

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

- Both buyers and sellers will need to bring cash, in small denominations, to pay for successful bids or give change.



Out & About

DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT

HIMALAYAN CAFE

Tue 1 May

LEADER: Peter Hunt 0431652083
EMAIL: peterhunt007@gmail.com
WHEN: 6:30pm
640 Brunswick St New Farm

New Farm's 'Himalayan Cafe' is a wonderfully authentic Nepalese and Tibetan restaurant that serves a tasty range of traditional cuisine in a relaxed setting. Sit inside on cushions by the Himalayan prayer wheel or on the tables and chairs in the outside dining area.

In keeping with Nepalese culture there is a massive range of vegetarian dishes on the menu, as well as beautifully fresh seafood and premium meat dishes in generous portions. Try the creamy sherpa chicken curry or the wonderfully tender goat stew.

The Palace Centro Cinema is close by for those who wish to see a movie after dinner (optional). Bookings are essential for this popular restaurant so please nominate early to be included.

NB - I will be on holidays until 12 April so consider yourself accepted & I will formalise upon my return.

Peter

SEEDS AND WEEDS SPRINGBROOK

Social Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Burney 0422386080
EMAIL: burnicestarkey@hotmail.com
LIMIT: 15
BRING : Sheets & towels, a share meal, gloves, daypack+ page 3 gear
COST: \$20 pppn

I'd like to do at least 3 visits to Springbrook again this year to continue our volunteers work with Dr Aila Keto. Remember it's easy work just sitting on soft ground digging out regrowth or cutting seeding tops off plants. 4hrs gardening and the rest of the weekend to walk, bird or just enjoy the lodge facilities.

We have self-contained rooms with ensuites and balcony views. If we have a group of strong walkers there maybe some survey walks exploring virgin rainforest on what was once private property. But I'll need walk leaders for the other activities. We normally have a delicious communal dinner on Sat night around the fireplace. I will need 5 people bringing Starters, 5 for Mains and 5 for Desserts. When nominating please write your dinner contribution in the COMMENTS box. Bring all other meals for the weekend. We have a well appointed kitchen with crockery, cutlery, glassware, pans and utensils. Fridge, stove, microwave and electric kettle make for an easy base camp and light packing.

Directions: Follow the Pacific Highway south to Mudgeeraba. Continue along the GoldCoast Springbrook Rd through Austinville. Ascend range to Springbrook National Park area pass Purlingbrook Falls. Follow signs toward the Best Ever Lookout. The Lodge is at 317 Repeater Station Rd off Springbrook Rd. Look for the red BBW sign. It's a steep driveway down to the carpark (limited car space). Steep stairs down to lodge, wear a head torch if arriving at night.

Burney

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Marge & Don Henry's at Kelvin Grove on Thursday 19th April. There is only about 1 1/2 hours work required. If you would like to come along for an easy social night and dinner please phone 0413 337 530 to confirm.



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



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Shirley Peadon - email: registrar@bbw.org.au or phone: 07 3892 4641

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