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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 6th March, is at Tom Cowlishaw'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 **April** magazine is the Open Meeting on Wednesday 13th March.

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

BBW Photographic Competition - HC, Katia Strounina Bushwalk category

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

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ABBREVIATIONS & GRADING

DISTANCE Short — Under 10 km per day

Medium — 10 to 15 km per day

Long — 15 to 20 km per day

EXtra Long — Over 20 km per day

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

ACTIVITY ABSeil: Ba

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

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 \$5.45 per person per night. (The leader will provide details.) Many NSW National Parks also charge \$7 per vehicle per day.

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

PROGRAM

ALWAYS TAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

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

Febru	ıarv		
25	SNW-2A	Toohey Forest Monday night walk	Graham Olive
26	TRNG	Kangaroo Point - Weight bearing training	Chris Hall
		River Walk-Steve's Walk	
26	SNW-2B		Joan Davey
27	I DW OC	General Meeting	laba Mitaball
27	LDW 3C	Ships Stern Binna Burra	John Mitchell
28	TRNG	Kangaroo Point - Core training	Mike Eden
28	SNW 3B	Mt Coot-tha Thursday night walk	Graham Olive
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2	MDW-3C	Green Mountains - Tooloona Creek Circuit	Kendall Rubie
	MDW-3C	Summer Creek Falls	
2			Lynley Murtagh Keith Rosbrook
2	3-KYK	Graceville to Jindalee Kayak	
2	LDW-3C	Shipstern Circuit	Marge Henry
2-3	MTW-4C	South Bald Rock	John Mitchell
3	MDW-7C	Summer Creek Falls	Lou & Marion Darveniza
3	Social	Chocolate High Tea	Keith Rosbrook
3	MDW-8D	Logans Ridge SLOW	Kelvin Taylor
5	SNW2C	West End Hills	Joan Davey
6	MDW-8D	Mezzanine Ridge (Mt Barney)	Annette Miller
9	MDW-5C	England Creek right branch upper	Kelvin Taylor
9	MINIMAXS3E	BMt Gravatt for New members	Chris Hall
9	MDW-3A	Jolly's Lookout to Boombana	Dawn Glancy/Barbara Odgers
10	LDW-3C	Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk Stage 2 - F	laxton to Gheerulla Bernie Ryan
10	LDW-6D	Around Mt Bangalora	Lou & Marion Darveniza
10	MDW3B	Under 40s Noosa NP	Keith Rosbrook
10	SDW - 6B	Bellthorpe - Mountford Ck Descent	Jim Lydon
10	LDW-3B	Caves/Lower Bellbird Circuit	Joan Davey
13	MEETING	Peru, Patagonia & Iguazu Falls, South America	
16	EXDW-3C	Mt Mitchell & Bare Rock- Cunningham's Gap	Kendall Rubie
16	MDW - 5C	Northbrook Mountain and Gorge Circuit	Arthur Walton
16	LDW-3B	Toolona Creek Circuit	Marge Henry
17	MDW-2A	Daves Creek Circuit	Diana Norkaitis
19	Social	NAPLES -Dinner Night	Burgi Wagner
	Survey	Lamington Falls Source Survey	Chris Hall
23	SDW 6C	Muscat & Baileys Creeks	Arthur Walton
		•	John Granat
23	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	
24	LDW-4C	Mount Joyce	Bernie Ryan
24	MDW 7C	Love and "Cedar Tree" Creek Circuit	Annette Miller
24	MDW-3B	Mt Mitchell	Marion Archbald
24	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat
27	MEETING	General Meeting	
31	MDW-8D	Isolated Peak via Eagles Ridge	Kelvin Taylor
31-17	LTW 4D	Trek to Everest Base Camp - Nepal	Arthur Walton
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7	XLDW-3C	Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk Stage 3 - G	•
7	MDW-7D	Mt Maroon - Southern Waterfall route	Lou & Marion Darveniza
10	MEETING	Tour du Mt Blanc & Tour des Muverans - Euger	
	MTW 6D	Point Pure	Annette Miller
	MBC-6C/5C	Moran's Creek, Stairway Falls	David Sydes
13	MDW-4C	Mt Zahel	Mary Comer
13	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat

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13	ABS	Abseil Experience Day - Kangaroo Pt Cliffs	Chrissy Dott
14	SDW-5C	Mt May	Keith Rosbrook
14	S83S&T	Kangaroo Point Nursery Cliffs	John Granat
20	5-KYK	Coochin Crk to Caloundra Kayak	Keith Rosbrook
20-21	I MTW-6C	Basket Swamp Ck/Cataract River	Lou & Marion Darveniza
21	SURVEY	Mount Joyce via western ridge SURVEY	Bernie Ryan
24	MEETING	General Meeting	·
25-28	3 M TW 3C	Moreton Island North Through Walk	Gregory Kuss
25-28	3 SBC-4B	Mt Kaputar NP	Mervyn Henderson
25-28	3 KYK	Noosa River Kayak	Jenny Zohn
26-28	3 MTW-5C	The Steamers	David Sydes
27	MINIMAXM3	BDaisy Hill for New members	Chris Hall
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May 4-5	LTW-3C	Rat-a-tat	Mary Comor
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May

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5	LDW-4C	Lake Manchester and the knoll	Bernie Ryan
5	Cycle	Scarborough	Alan Cooper
7	SOCIAL	Otello (Dinner & Movie)	Peter Hunt
8	MEETING		
10-12	MTW-6D	Mt Doubletop, Mt Huntley	David Sydes
11	MDW-7D	Mt Ernest via organ pipes	Keith Rosbrook
12	SDW-5C	Mt Maroon	Keith Rosbrook
17-19	SBC4C	Springbrook	Peter Hunt
17-19	MTW 6D	Steamers/Lower Panorama (Survey)	Annette Miller
18-19	MTW- 5C	Traverse - Mt May to Mt Maroon	Keith Rosbrook
22	MEETING	General Meeting	
24-26	MBC - 7D	Mt Barney	Burgi Wagner
26	SURVEY	Gold Creek Reservoir Catchment SURVEY	Bernie Ryan

June

7-10 M TW 3C	Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk	Gregory Kuss
7-10 MTW-6D	Main Range - Teviot to Spicers	Richard Walton
8-10 MTW - 6D	Spicer's Gap to Teviot Gap	Lynley Murtagh
12	Meeting	
21-23 MTW-5C	The Steamers	David Sydes
26	General Meeting	·

Advance Notice

7-17 July	Kings Canyon and Uluru	Kendall Rubie
12-14 July	Byron Bay Base Camp	Bernie Ryan
21-25 July	Larapinta Trail Central Australia	Kendall Řubie
28 Jul - 10 Aug	Central Australian Deserts	Kendall Rubie
6-15 Sep	Cooloola and Fraser Island Great Walk.	Gregory Kuss
13-15 Sep	Bunya Mountains Base Camp	Bernie Ryan
12-13 Oct	Girraween National Park	Chrissy Dott, Peter Hunt

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

A reminder to all Full Members that annual membership fees are due by 31st January 2013. Single membership: \$40.00 per annum Couples: \$60 per annum.



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



TOOHEY FOREST MONDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Mon 25 Feb

LEADER: Graham Olive 32775279

GRADE: SNW-2A LIMIT: 10+

BRING: Page 3 items Torch, water.

MEET: Car park behind McDONALDS Salis-

bury. Cnr Toohey Rd, Orange Grove

Rd & Evans Rd

DEPART: 6:30pm

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 a Twany Frogmouth. 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.

KANGAROO POINT - WEIGHT BEARING TRAINING

Training Tue 26 Feb LEADER: Chris Hall 0498051811

GRADE: TRNG

BRING: Jogging gear plus weighted backpack

(normal walking gear isn't necessary as there are toilets and water foun-

tains throughout)

MEET: Rotunda on River Terrace (southern

end of KP cliffs)

DEPART: 6pm

This session is for those walkers looking to improve their pack carrying fitness. Whilst we do walk along the beautiful Brisbane River, the primary aim is a fitness session for walking. The session includes a weighted back pack (between 5-15 kilos), stairs, bridging, lunges, stretching etc.. Car parking is available in the streets opposite and give yourself a little extra travel time given that this starts around peak hour.

RIVER WALK-STEVE"S WALK

Training Walk Tue 26 Feb LEADER: Joan Davey 0415 139 646

GRADE: SNW-2B

LIMIT: 20

BRING: Water Money for Coffee. Backpack if

wanting weight to carry. Some walkers also have dinner at the ship inn and they give us a 20% discount

MEET: Ship Inn Southbank

DEPART: 6pm

We will meet at the Ship Inn of South Bank (Stairs opposite the Inn) as per the West End Hills Walks. We will then cross a few bridges and head along the river walk ways doing mostly flat but reasonable paced walking. We might do a few stairs at Kangaroo Point but this is optional .We will walk for approx 1.30 hrs. We will keep together and whilst there are often lots of people using the areas, we will take it easy and not rush. You will need a reasonable level of fitness and if you are preparing for a big walk, this one might help, especially if you carry a weighted pack. I'm not super fit at the moment so we will pace it so we keep together as I will not want to spread out the group. If you have any questions feel free to call or email. We will have a coffee or drink afterwards at the Ship Inn. There is usually plenty of parking on the streets but factor in heavy traffic and peak hour times.

SHIPS STERN BINNA BURRA

Day Walk Wed 27 Feb LEADER: John Mitchell 32819751

GRADE: LDW 3C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Page 3 Items

COST: \$20

MEET: Fairfields Gardens

DEPART: 6:30am CAR KMS: 200kms

This is a long Day Walk almost 20kms.(6/7hrs of walking.) So be prepared. On the other hand, it is a great walk with creeks, rainforest, waterfalls, great lookouts etc etc. The walk starts near the lodge entrance and drops off down to Nixon Creek with a few lookouts on the way (Yangahai and Koolanbiba). After following Nixon ck for a short way, we start going uphill. On reaching the next lookout (Kooloobano) at the top, we have great views of the Numinbah Valley and time for lunch. Lookouts (Millenbah and Nyoongai) a little further on give views to Mt Warning. We join the upper section of Nixon Ck. We walk past the track to Davies Ck and then join the Border Track. The good news is we have 2.5kms to go, which usually gives everyone second wind and a little burst of energy.

KANGAROO POINT - CORE TRAINING

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Training Thu 28 Feb LEADER: Mike Eden 0457687811

GRADE: TRNG

BRING: Exercise gear

MEET: Cafe on River Terrace (northern end

of KP cliffs)

DEPART: 6pm

This session is for those looking to improve their aerobic and core fitness (it is not a walk but a training session).

MT COOT-THA THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Thu 28 Feb LEADER: Graham Olive 32775279

GRADE: SNW 3B LIMIT: 20+

BRING: page 3 plus torch and water

MEET: carpark west of Kuta Cafe Mt Coot-

tha

DEPART: 6:30pm

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 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 terrain of the walk will involve walking on loose surfaces with moderate and in some places, steep inclines. Participants will need a moderate level of fitness suitable for hill walking. Participants will need the Page 3 items as well as the appropriate hiking footwear, torch and drinking water. 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. For further information please contact the walk leaders. By the way, these walks don't count toward full membership.

GREEN MOUNTAINS - TOOLOONA CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sat 2 Mar LEADER: Kendall Rubie 0448448598

This activity is full.

SUMMER CREEK FALLS

Day Walk Sat 2 Mar

LEADER: Lynley Murtagh

This activity is full.

GRACEVILLE TO JINDALEE KAYAK

Kyk Sat 2 Mar LEADER: Keith Rosbrook 0401221403

GRADE: 3-KYK

LIMIT: 14

BRING: Kayak, water, p3 gear, waterproof

bags

COST: undefined

MEET: Cnr Graville Ave & Nadine st

DEPART: 9:30am CAR KMS: 25

This is a beginners kayak - be reasonably fit and able to sit for periods of time and you'll be fine. Start time is 9:30 to allow ppl to pick up kayaks from the hire places and make it to the meeting point. The PLAN :: This will be set up as a car shuffle between Sea scouts pontoon at Graceville and the Jindalee boat ramp. Morning Tea at the Sherwood Forest park pontoon. Then carry on to Jindalee. Overall km - 12km full day with the tide carrying us. Should be done by 2pm. For those people with their own Kayak, the return journey is possible as the tide will turn at 3pm for the trip back.

SHIPSTERN CIRCUIT

Day walk Sat 2 Mar LEADER: Marge Henry 0413 337 530

GRADE: LDW-3C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: See "Always take" P3
COST: \$20 car contribution
MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 6.30am CAR KMS: 210kms rtn

This is a track walk of approx. 20km in the Binna Burra region of Lamington NP. As we leave Binna Burra and make our way down into the valley, great views of Egg Rock, Turtle Rock and the Numinbah Valley can be enjoyed. A short side trip and morning tea at Lower Ballanjui Falls. Then through rain forest as we make our way along Nixon Creek for a short distance before ascending to Ship's Stern for lunch and more great views. The afternoon has us completing the circuit through open forest and rainforest along the Ship's Stern Range. This walk is suitable for all if you are happy with 20kms.

SOUTH BALD ROCK

Through Walk Sat 2 -- Sun 3 Mar LEADER: John Mitchell 32819751

GRADE: MTW-4C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Normal TW Gear

COST: camp \$5.47 Car fee \$7 Petrol \$55

MEET: tba **DEPART:** 7am CAR KMS: 550kms MAP: Girraween

This walk is one of the best short through walks, and is especially suitable for first time through walkers. We start from Brisbane and head to Stanthorpe for early morning tea/late breakfast. From there we head out to the Mt Lindsay Highway, and head to Bald Rock NP camp ground. We exercise our legs by climbing Bald Rock to enjoy the 360 degree views and to overview where we walk. We have lunch back at the carpark, before heading off with our packs. We take the loop track which in part follows Racecourse Ck until we reach South Bald Rock. 8/9kms. Light permitting we have time to climb/explore the rock, before returning for nibbles/drinks. We camp here. There is water available from the creek. Boil/treat. The next morning we return via the Border Track and climb West Bald Rock on the way. We return to our cars in time for lunch before returning home to Brisbane. Three places will be keep for first time through walkers, until one week before the walk. Please indicate in comments column if you are a first time through walker. Gear is available for hire from the club. Do not spend money on gear. Beg, hire, borrow or steal. Please contact me or other club members re gear if you have any questions. I have already paid for the first three acceptances for the walk.

SUMMER CREEK FALLS

Sun 3 Mar Day Walk LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza 3378 4031 This activity is full.

LOGANS RIDGE SLOW

Day walk Sun 3 Mar LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 0403176972

GRADE: MDW-8D

7 LIMIT: COST: \$20

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 6am

Logans Ridge is one of the more spectacular ascents of Barney with lots of splendid vistas along the way. It's a steep ascent and it's good to stop occasionally, turn around and have a look. Very nice. Return via SE Ridge. Note "SLOW". It's not actually slow, but more a pace that the average fit walker can maintain without too much difficulty. We will take between 4 and 5 hours for the up part, meaning that you don't need to be super fit to do this walk. however its still over 1,000 metres of up so you will need to be a regular higher grade walker. Note the "8" designation. There are some seriously steep bits that require

good upper body strength and good rock scrambling skills plus there is considerable exposure. You MUST have a history 7C walks or higher and be known to me personally. A true Barney classic.

WEST END HILLS

Night Walk Tue 5 Mar 0415 139 646 LEADER: Joan Davey

GRADE: SNW₂C LIMIT: 10

BRING: water, money for coffee some walkers

have dinner at the Ship Inn after they

give us 20% discount.

MEET: Ship Inn Southbank

DEPART: 6pm

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. This is not a social walk it is a training walk, there is no stopping for the 1-1/2 hours you do need to be able to push yourself that little extra. We leave at 6pm sharp so please give yourself plenty of time for traffic & parking.

MEZZANINE RIDGE (MT BARNEY)

Day Walk Wed 6 Mar 0418 791 841 LEADER: Annette Miller This activity is full.

ENGLAND CREEK RIGHT BRANCH UPPER

Dav walk Sat 9 Mar LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 0403176972 This activity is full.

MT GRAVATT FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimaxs Sat 9 Mar LEADER: Chris Hall 0498051811

GRADE: MINIMAXS3B

LIMIT:

BRING: Usual day walk gear including the P3

items, 2 L water

MEET: Gertrude Petty Place, Mt Gravatt

Outlook Drive

DEPART: 7am

CAR KMS: 11 Klm from GPO

This trip is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the club. We will meet at the starting point at Gertrude Petty Place car park on Mount Gravatt Outlook Drive (starts as Shire Road). Mt Gravatt. The walk starts and finishes at the base of Mt Gravatt at Gertrude Petty Place car park (map link below). We follow established dirt tracks around the mountain, over to Toohey Forest and back to the lookout at Mt Gravatt. The

walk is only around 10 klms, with a few ups and downs and a little off track just to give you some idea of other terrain gradings.

JOLLY'S LOOKOUT TO BOOMBANA

Day Walk Sat 9 Mar

LEADER: Dawn Glancy/Barbara Odgers

0435584016

GRADE: MDW-3A

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Usual daywalk gear, 2 lt water, morn-

ing tea. Lunch to be left in car. WARM CLOTHING for lunch area which is

exposed to winds.

COST: \$5

MEET: Park & Ride, Cnr Illowra & Water-

works Rd, The Gap. (opp. Settlement

Rd intersection)

DEPART: 7.30 am

MAP: Brisbane Forest Map

This is combination of three beautiful track walks totalling 10.6km. We car pool at the Park & Ride Bus facility and drive up to Jolly's Lookout. From here we do the Thylogale Walking Track from Jolly's Lookout to Boombana and then the Rainforest Track Circuit then back to Jolly's Lookout and the Egernia Circuit, We will walk through open eucalypt woodlands and some rainforest beside creek beds. If we are quiet we should see a good variety of birdlife. Lunch will be at Jolly's Lookout. THIS WALK WILL BE AT A SLOW PACE. If you find it difficult to walk at a slow pace please do not nominate as you will be disappointed at the slow pace of this walk.

SUNSHINE COAST HINTERLAND GREAT WALK STAGE 2 - FLAXTON TO GHEERULLA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 10 Mar LEADER: Bernie Ryan 0432 907275

This activity is full.

AROUND MT BANGALORA

Day Walk Sun 10 Mar LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 This activity is full.

UNDER 40S NOOSA NP

Day Walk Sun 10 Mar

LEADER: Keith Rosbrook

GRADE: MDW3B LIMIT: 15

BRING: Day walk gear, swimmers, towel &

coffee money

COST: \$28 car contribution

MEET: Alderley DEPART: 7am

MAP: www.epa.qld.gov.au

KMS: 280 return

For under 40s members, a day of walking & swimming at Noosa National Park. We start at the southern end of the National Park entrance. where we will park the cars on a side road. We will walk to Alexandria Bay on the Tanglewood track and then get some sand between our toes on the beach. Morning tea will be at Hell's Gate, which has great views of the coast in both directions. We will then walk along the coastal track and stop for lunch under the trees at Tea Tree Bay. And a swim for those who feel like a dip! After lunch, we walk along the coastal track to the park entrance and then along the boardwalk to Hastings Street for a gelati with a short walk back to the cars along a gently undulating path. This is an easy walk, on sandy, rocky and board tracks, through some lush rainforest and more open coastal vegetation, with sheoaks and pandanus. The coastal track has spectacular views of the rocky foreshore, Noosa River Entrance and Northern beaches, with whales, dolphins, surfboard riders and fishing boats out to sea. Walking or running shoes are appropriate footwear.

BELLTHORPE - MOUNTFORD CK DESCENT

Day walk Sun 10 Mar LEADER: Jim Lydon 04 3191 3264

GRADE: SDW - 6B
LIMIT: 15 + Reserves
BRING: P3 Kit + 2L Water
COST: Suggest \$20 Carpool

MEET: Alderley
DEPART: 7.00 am
CAR KMS: 2 x 85 = 170 km

MAP: Bellthorpe 9444-31, Neurum 9444-32,

1:25,000 Topographics

Length = 3.5 km: Up = 0 m: Down = 345 m The walk explores the Mountford Creek catchment. It begins on the watershed at the very top of the catchment, and descends rarely visited Mountford Creek, to emerge from the rainforest at the Stony Creek Road crossing, on the edge of cultivation. It is a short summer time creek walk, cool in hot weather. It is all "off track" and descends in full shade on rock. It is very pretty with many rock/ water features, and has a moderate gradient, descending 345 m in 3.5 km. The beginning and end sections are gentle; the center portion steepens up with much easy scrambling to enjoy, but without any challenging waterfalls to negotiate. We position our shuttle car at the bottom of the descent (70,940 26,220), and continue on up Stony Creek Road to the trail head at (69,150 28,430) where we park the cars. A short rainforest track takes us to the saddle at (69,400 28,370) which marks the very top of the catchment. From here we commence the descent. After Morning

Tea we continue down Mountford Creek past many more rock pools, which are potential early Lunch spots; else we can continue on to our vehicles and out to civilisation for Lunch. Coffee and cake at Woodford.

CAVES/LOWER BELLBIRD CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 10 Mar LEADER: Joan Davev 0415 139 646

GRADE: LDW-3B

LIMIT: 12

BRING: page 3 items, 3 litres water, camera

COST: \$20

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 7:00am MAP: Lamington

This lovely walk is in the Binna Burra section of Lamington NP. It combines two of the shorter, but very scenic trails, the Caves and Lower Bellbird walks. The walk follows spectacular cliff lines. passes through rainforest and open forest, and by interesting caves. The walk from Binna Burra down to the Caves and further on to the Information Centre provides an excellent view into the Coomera Valley including the Coomera River. After about 500m on the road we then turn into the Lower Bellbird Circuit and walk below the Bellbird cliffs to the Lower Ballanjui Falls where we will have lunch. After lunch we head back up to the escarpment along the Shipstern track taking in some excellent views to Shipstern Bluff and over the Kurraragin Valley including Turtle Rock and Egg Rock. This 16km walk is suitable for those who like walking in the rainforest and do not mind a longish uphill after lunch.

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

Day Walk Sat 16 Mar LEADER: Kendall Rubie 0448448598

GRADE: EXDW-3C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: see page 3 mag, 2 litres water

COST: \$20

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 6:30am

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

ell is up all the way so GOOD FITNESS IS RE-QUIRED but otherwise it is suitable for new members.

NORTHBROOK MOUNTAIN AND GORGE CIR-CUIT

Day Walk Sat 16 Mar LEADER: Arthur Walton 0418 730 541

This activity is full.

TOOLONA CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sat 16 Mar LEADER: Marge Henry 0413 337 530 This activity is full.

DAVES CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 17 Mar LEADER: Diana Norkaitis 0408700520 This activity is full.

LAMINGTON FALLS SOURCE SURVEY

Survey Fri 22 -- Sat 23 Mar LEADER: Chris Hall 0498051811 This activity is full.

MUSCAT & BAILEYS CREEKS

Day Walk Sat 23 Mar LEADER: Arthur Walton 0418 730 541 This activity is full.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training For Beginners Sat 23 Mar LEADER: John Granat 0409620047

GRADE: S83S&T

LIMIT: 6

BRING: Morning tea, usual day walk gear

COST: \$30 MEET: 7.30am DEPART: 12.30pm

Please note! This course is targeted to those who wish to go bush abseiling with the club & if they're not sure a full course is for them, then perhaps try the "Abseil pre-School" experience day in April. This beginners course is a two day course. Nominate for both Saturday and Sunday. 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 \$30 (per day per person) 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. Meet at the top southern end of Kangaroo Point cliffs 50 metres south of the rotunda stairway. Please nominate online, e-mail or

phone. No list at meetings.

MOUNT JOYCE

Day Walk Sun 24 Mar LEADER: Bernie Ryan 0432 907275

This activity is full.

LOVE AND "CEDAR TREE" CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 24 Mar LEADER: Annette Miller 0418 791 841

This activity is full.

MT MITCHELL

Day Walk Sun 24 Mar LEADER: Marion Archbald 0435858123

GRADE: MDW-3B

LIMIT: 12
BRING: p3 items
COST: \$15

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 7:00 am

This is a 10.2km return walk from Cunningham's Gap. Mt Mitchell is a beautiful mountain and there is a graded track all the way. The track passes through a variety of vegetation including rainforest. The walk goes around the western Peak across the saddle and then up on to the East Peak, which has great views. We will have morning tea at the top and lunch at a picnic area near the cars. This walk is suitable for new members.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

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GRADE: S83S&T

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ISOLATED PEAK VIA EAGLES RIDGE

Day walk Sun 31 Mar LEADER: Kelvin Taylor 0403176972

GRADE: MDW-8D

LIMIT: 6 COST: \$20

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

DEPART: 6am

Eagles Ridge offers some of the most spectacular views of the rugged northern side of Barney. We will cross over several smaller peaks along the way, each one offering a new and better view. The last one at the base of Isolated is particularly awesome. So close to the steep northern side where we will be ascending. We will return to this peak later and take an eastward ridge back to the Lower Portals car park. PACE. We will NOT be walking fast. Fitter walkers are of course guite welcome but must be prepared to walk at the pace of the group. Isolated is only 920 metres but is very physical. You will of course need to be a fit, regular walker and you will need to be competent at scrambling. A good BBW walk history is ESSENTIAL.

TREK TO EVEREST BASE CAMP - NEPAL

Through Walk Sun 31 Mar -- Wed 17 Apr LEADER: Arthur Walton 3289 7008 This activity is full.

SUNSHINE COAST HINTERLAND GREAT WALK STAGE 3 - GHEERULLA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 7 Apr LEADER: Bernie Ryan 0432 907275

This activity is full.

MT MAROON - SOUTHERN WATERFALL ROUTE

Day Walk Sun 7 Apr LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 This activity is full.

POINT PURE

Through Walk Fri 12 -- Sun 14 Apr LEADER: Annette Miller 0418 791 841 This activity is full.

MORAN'S CREEK, STAIRWAY FALLS

Base Camp Fri 12 -- Sun 14 Apr LEADER: David Sydes 0419871100

GRADE: MBC-6C/5C LIMIT: 10 / 12

BRING: base camp + day walk gear + party

food for Saturday night

COST: \$10.90 camp fee plus petrol

DEPART: TBA CAR KMS: 220

We will be base camping at Green Mtns, walking to Moran's creek on Saturday and Stairway Falls on Sunday. You are welcome to join us for either or both these walks. If camping, you must book your own campsite at the nprsr website On Saturday, we'll walk www.nprsr.gld.gov.au along the graded track system to Castle Crag for morning tea, then steeply down (off track!) into Moran's Creek. This is a delightful creek, with plenty of refreshing pools and cascades. We'll rock hop up the creek - (you'll need to be confident on rocks) to the base of Moran's falls - towards the end, there are some significant boulders to negotiate! We will exit the creek via the old stairway beside the falls, and take the track system back to Green Mountains - in time for predinner drinks and party food to share!! If there are Day Walk showers about, the creek will be too slippery - our LEADER: backup option will be Fountain Falls, which is GRADE: rated 5C On Sunday, we'll have an easier day, LIMIT: heading down Bull Ant spur to Blue Pool, then BRING: down West Canungra Creek following a disused track to Stairway Falls. There are several creek DEPART: crossings, you WILL get wet boots (again!). We MAP: will return via the same route.

MT ZAHEL

Day walk Sat 13 Apr LEADER: Mary Comer 0427 446000 This activity is full.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training For Beginners Sat 13 Apr LEADER: John Granat 0409620047 DAY 1 of a consecutive 2 day course. See activity description for Sat 23 March.

ABSEIL EXPERIENCE DAY - KANGAROO PT **CLIFFS**

Abseil Sat 13 Apr LEADER: Chrissy Dott 0411 312 241

GRADE: **ABS** LIMIT:

BRING: Water, sunscreen, lunch if coming

earlier, snacks

COST: \$10 MEET: 1.30pm DEPART: Approx 4pm

This short afternoon session is primarily for those who want a taste of the absell experience without LIMIT: attending the 2 day course. This session won't be BRING: technically based so you won't be learning knots, different ways of abseiling, prusiking up a rope or DEPART: self rescue techniques etc but is targeted for CAR KMS: 100km those who want to have a go at abseiling without Coochin Creek to Caloundra -- We paddle along fully committing to a course. So whether you wish Coochin Creek, turn left onto the Pumistone Pas-

to get a feel for abseiling in general, face your fear of heights or tick it off your bucket list this session could be for you. You will be shown how to attach yourself onto the rope, the basic technique of abseiling & depending on time, you will perform at least 3 abseils during this session whilst on a top belay safety system at all times. We will be abseiling at the Nursery cliffs at Kangaroo Point where the cliff heights are approx 10m. Please note that attending this abseil experience session won't give you the required technical skills, so unfortunately you will NOT be able to attend any of the BBW bush abseil trips. As we will be at the cliffs in the morning as well, we will be having lunch prior to this session but feel free to pop down earlier if you wish.

MT MAY

Sun 14 Apr Keith Rosbrook 040122140

SDW-5C

12

Page 3 Gear Fairfield Gardens MEET:

7am

Mt Maroon 1:25 000

Mt May is located in Mt Barney NP south southwest of Brisbane near Boonah. It is surrounded by Mount Maroon, Mt Barney and Lake Maroon. We will start walking from the Mt. May Reserve and ascend 'straight up' from the cars and undertake a circuit around both peaks of Mt. May. There is a rock ledge to negotiate and some loose scree with a bit of exposure to reach our lunch spot on the second peak (836 Metres) with great views of Mt. Barney. The descent is via a steep rocky north east ridge which takes us to another (NW) ridge back to the cars. This walk is suitable for the reasonably fit who are ready for some off track walking.

KANGAROO POINT NURSERY CLIFFS

Abseil Training For Beginners Sun 14 Apr LEADER: John Granat 0409620047 DAY 2 of a consecutive 2 day course. See activity description for Sun 24 March.

COOCHIN CRK TO CALOUNDRA KAYAK

Kyk Sat 20 Apr LEADER: Keith Rosbrook 0401221403

5-KYK GRADE:

Page 3, Kayak, Paddle, PFD MEET: Coochin Crk Day use area

8am

sage at a very narrow place and paddle beside COST: Bribie Island. This is all in protected waters with the only influence being from winds if they occur. The pace will be moderate without rushing. Please waterproof your lunch, morning tea and all other items in your kayak. The location is in the Glass House Mountains area. Turn right off the Bruce Highway (M1) into Roys Road and follow it to the day use area. Please wait here until everyone has arrived so that we can move along the road to the boat launching area. (If Roys Rd closed, take the next turn - Bells Crk Rd). Estuary and sea kayaks are suitable and can be hired from Rosco Canoes, Goodtime and others that are on the internet. Racks and tie downs can usually be hired with the kayak. Be sure to get a PFD and paddle with the kayak. Experienced kayakers are welcome to use their TK1 kayak if they desire. If you can carry two kayaks on your car please record this in the comments area to allow for car pooling, from Brisbane, opportunities to be considered. Please note: This is timed to catch the tide in both directions, plus we have an 8am start, between these 2 facts we will make it to the Caloundra Power Boat club for lunch! This will still be a 30km trip on paper, so kayak choice will be important - not short and stubby, think long and streamlined. This plus the tide should add ~2km an hour to our avg speed and make this day achievable. If you are unsure of your fitness look at hiring a double Kayak for this trip; in one of these reasonable general fitness should be enough. Please contact me if you have any guestions.

BASKET SWAMP CK/CATARACT RIVER

TW Sat 20 -- Sun 21 Apr LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza3378 4031 This activity is full.

MOUNT JOYCE VIA WESTERN RIDGE SUR-VEY

Survey Sun 21 Apr LEADER: Bernie Ryan 0432 907275 This activity is full.

MORETON ISLAND NORTH THROUGH WALK

Through walk Thu 25 -- Sun 28 Apr LEADER: Gregory Kuss 0408 806310 This activity is full.

MT KAPUTAR NP

Base Camp Thu 25 -- Sun 28 Apr LEADER: Mervyn Henderson 0404570945

GRADE: SBC-4B

LIMIT: cabins full - camping only

BRING: page 3 requirements & see notes

COST: min \$55 depending on numbers

DEPART: 6 am CAR KMS: 1100 km

COST OF TRANSPORT: \$120 pp based on 3

people/vehicle

LEAVE REQUIRED: Friday 26 April Prepare to be spellbound by the grandeur of this landscape of lava terraces and volcanic plugs. Be awed by towering forests, breathtaking rock formations and stunning scenery at Mount Kaputar National Park! Mount Kaputar is located on the edge of the NSW north west slopes, centred on the Nandewar Range. The range's distinctive landform is a result of volcanic activity that occurred 17 millions years ago. The range is up to an elevation of 1,510 m. Lower elevations exhibit open eucalypt woodlands and open rocky outcrops are dominated by heathlands and the highest peaks have subalpine vegetation. The website www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NationalParks/ parkHome.aspx?id=N0038. Details of walks, etc. can be found on the website. See also the Annual Special 2013 Great Walks magazine for an article on Mt Kaputar NP. Walks close to our accommodation at Dawson Springs: 1. The Mt Kaputar, Mt Dowe, Eckfords & Bundabulla Lookouts, Mt Lindsay circuit is 8 km easy to medium walk - 4B grade. 2. Mt Kaputar Plateau walk is a 6 km medium walk - 4B grade. 3. Mt Coryah walk is a 4 km return medium walk - 4B grade. 4. Corrunbral Borawah is a 2 km return medium walk - 4A grade. 5. Euglah Rock Lookout is a 2 km return easy walk - 3A grade. And short drive away: 6. Mt Yulludunida Walk is a 4 km return hard walk -5B grade. ITINERARY: Thursday 25th: Drive to Mt Kaputar NP. Walks 4 and 5 (4 km) in the afternoon Friday 26th: Walk 1 (8 km) Saturday 27th: Walks 2, 3 and 4 (12 km) Sunday: 28th: Walk 6, or if time permits the Waa Gorge (2.5 km return) in the morning before the drive home. Access is on a 8 km dry weather road (best in 4x4s) AC-COMMODATION is at Dawson Springs. I have booked two cabins (Logan and Dickson) CAMP-ING If demand exceeds available accommodation, there are also unpowered camping areas at Dawsons Springs and Bark Hut.

NOOSA RIVER KAYAK

Kayak Thu 25 -- Sun 28 Apr

LEADER: Jenny Zohn GRADE: KYK

LIMIT: 8 I think.

BRING: camping kit & PDF, night light, water

MEET: campsite 1 MAP: noosa river

This trip is for experienced kayakers. We will launch from Elanda Pt and paddle to campsite 1

on the Thurs. Fri we will paddle to campsite 15 BRING: and return. Sat we will paddle to campsite 3, walk to the sandblow and return. Sunday paddle back COST: to Elanda Pt. and lunch at pub. The paddle across the lake can be rough, only boats with a rudder DEPART: should be used. River water is ok if treated/boiled. This camp has dock access, so naturally we will have a happy hour there and enjoy the sunset & full moon, but remember to keep it lite. Once accepted you will need to forward camp fees and I will update the booking. Anyone wanting to attend the dawn service is welcome to join us later. Weekend only paddlers welcome, preference given to 4 day.

THE STEAMERS

Fri 26 -- Sun 28 Apr Through Walk LEADER: David Sydes 0419871100

This activity is full.

DAISY HILL FOR NEW MEMBERS

Minimax Sat 27 Apr LEADER: Chris Hall 0498051811

GRADE: MINIMAXM3B

LIMIT: 15 Usual day walk gear including the P3

items, 3 L water

\$3

MEET: Fairfield Gardens

7am CAR KMS: 25 Klm

This trip is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the club. We will meet at Fairfield Gardens as we do for many of our walks details are on the website. There might be other walks on the day, so don't wander off with another group. We'll arrange the car pooling as usual at Fairfield. The walk starts and finishes at the Upper Car Park at the entrance of the Daisy Hill Conservation Park. We follow established dirt tracks around the park, into adjacent Neville Lawrie Reserve and Venman Bushland, returning back to the Upper Car Park. The walk is only around 10 klms, with a few ups and downs and a little off track just to give you some idea of other terrain gradings.



A Bit of Bushwalking History

Members may have spotted a recent article in the Courier Mail's Qweekend supplement about Mary Comer, a long time BBW member and prolific walker. Mary's fame resulted in her receiving a letter from a past BBW member, Patricia Proud (nee Miller). The letter has some wonderful BBW history and is published below with both Mary's and Patricia's consent.

Dear Mary

It was lovely for me to read of your enjoyment of bushwalking. My father H.W. (Mick) Miller was a founding member of the Brisbane BushWalkers after my mother introduced him to the hobby she loved, spending much time with the Groom family in Binna Burra. I grew up knowing all the founding members of BBW who probably got together in each others' houses until they managed to have their own clubrooms. When I subsequently became an adult, I joined BBW and was ultimately Secretary. At that time they had clubrooms in the Temperance Building and the GPO Box No. was 1949W. Perhaps they even have the same Box No and meet in the same room!

When my brother and I were very small, we spent a lot of time in the bush, and Paddy Pallin (from Sydney) was THE name in bushwalking equipment at the time and a close friend of my father's. I remember him quite clearly. Paddy made my brother and I some special "kid-size" rucksacks (as they were always called then), which were made on a metal A-frame. With our rucksacks, we joined our parents on many occasions, carrying the little things like socks. I remember those times well.

As a young adult, I continued to spend a lot of time at Binna Burra where my mother had so many fond memories, and have walked the entire park, with the exception of the walk to O'Reillys. In those days (maybe still) you had to write ahead to O'Reillys and I just never got around to it! One of the more memorable times, I went up Mt. Hobwee and spent considerable time with the Ancient Antarctic Beech Trees, which I think have since disappeared due to a heavy storm ... maybe not. I am proud to say I have scaled many peaks in and around the Scenic Rim, including up Mt. Barney 3 times ... once up the gorge and twice up South (Peasants) ridge. Only once got up to East Peak because it was always heavily fogged in and views from there non-existent. I did not long remain in BBW, however, as there was a bit of a culture in those days of racing to the summit and boasting about it. I much preferred to enjoy the views, flora and fauna along the way, and to this day, feel so at peace in the rainforest.

My father died enjoying his bushwalking. On the Anzac Day weekend in April 1954, he was one of a party pioneering a route up the front (East) face of Mt. Tibrogargan. Previous climbs had always been from the western side. The rock was very shaley on that front face. He had made it up and went back to help someone in trouble, the ledge crumbled and he fell 170 ft. No mobile phones in those days, farms few and far between, so by the time he got help he'd lost too much blood and died. It had a profound effect on me, as well of course, as my mother and young brother. The sad irony of his fall is that, within BBW, he was the one who founded the Safety & Training division, had taught himself to navigate by the stars, and was an Honorary Forest Ranger. I think he was the original "greenie" and practiced what they now call permaculture on our small cropping farm at Eight Mile Plains which he loved and worked on outside his city job (which he hated). His ashes were scattered at Cunningham's Gap by members of BBW and, when Mum died in 1981, my brother and I scattered hers at the spot we believe our father's ashes were scattered.

These days, my husband Ken and I love to travel in our motorhome, getting off the highways and main roads and traveling on small back roads to enjoy nature and the peace and quiet. We bush-camp as we are totally self-contained, and love to sit out at night under the stars and listen to the silence. We carry a comprehensive bird book as well as one on trees. Also on board, we have 2 sets of long-handled tongs, and always do an "emu-bob" wherever we stop as our tribute to the Australian bush. This clean-up ethic is also part of the CMCA (Campervan & Motorhome Club) code of ethics. Back in the early 70's we lived and cruised on a 34ft yacht with no money, but many memories, and many friends to this day. We are so glad to have seen all that Whitsunday area when it was so remote and unknown and rarely visited. The reef is wonderful.

I'll turn 70 this year. Unfortunately all that bushwalking, roller skating and Latin American dancing have worn out my knees so that these days I have fairly limited mobility, and suffer from arthritis. What a bummer. I'm therefore so glad to see you enjoying it all as you approach your 75th birthday. Good on you.

I wish you many more walks through the bush which you obviously love.

Cheers (Mrs) Patricia Proud

PS. I still exchange Christmas cards with one of my father's b/w friends who was considerably younger than my Dad, and he wrote a book dedicating several pages to my father. His name is Graham Jurott and he lives in Greenslopes and must be getting on these days! Dad was one of a group who mapped the Carnarvon Gorge, he being one of the 5 group leaders who mapped it all. I forget which Govt. dept. commissioned BBW to do it.

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.

Post trip report:

Australian Rainforest Conservation Society and the Springbrook rainforest restoration project revisited

A waning full-moon and cloudless night greeted us as we unloaded our cars and bundled into the Lodge. With Hans playing his uke and then dinner with friends we start the weekend back at Springbrook. Saturday Dec 1st, officially summer, was a warm one! Brisbane was forecast to receive 31degrees but the Blue Star Warriors enjoyed slightly cooler climes. David Sydes, Sue Mayo, Lynsey and Anna Lena Moore, Jillian Robinson, Peter Hunt, Julie Marsden, Shirley Peadon, Hans and myself took on another grid at Warblers and removed 140 kilos of Arestia, commonly know as Blue Star. During our break Anna Lena spoilt us with a fabulous Swedish almond cake while Rhea, the volunteers coordinator, made frothy cappuccinos. Later as the temperatures climbed, the workers started to wilt but a tray of refreshing cold lemon drinks kept us going to lunchtime. Many thanks Rhea.

Lynsey Moore showed just how well he is recovering.







The "Blue Star Warriors" cool off in the shady gazebo by the pond. A job well done as we weigh and count the removed plants. Each time we visit we are contributing to saving rainforest, extending the National Park and helping to create a world heritage space.

That evening David Sydes, our Tux and Tiaras calendar boy, provided a fabulous 3 course dinner. Our annual birding social is not just about wining and dining, we do actually bird watch too! Highlights were: adult with immature whip bird which were feeding within half a meter from our boots. We had good views of Bassian Thrush and Brown Cuckoo Doves also feeding. The call of Lyrebird and the sight of Logrunners were ever present.

A return visit is planned for May with Peter Hunt facilitating the ongoing great contribution BBW is making towards maintaining our natural wonders.

Join the Eco-Warriors.

Burnice Starkey

Upcoming Rogaine Events

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

• Sat 16 Mar Training Day, 8am-1pm - Bunyaville State Forest (Brisbane)

• Sun 17 Mar 3hr "Bunya Dash" Mini Rogaine - Bunyaville State Forest (Brisbane)

Sat 27 Apr The Rogue 8 / 24hr Adventuregaine - Borumba Dam (via Imbil)

Sat 25 May 8hr Rogaine location TBA

Sat 20 July 3 / 6hr Cyclegaine location TBA

Training Day: Sat 16th March

To be held at Bunyaville State Forest just 12km from Brisbane CBD. 8am Start to 1pm Finish.

The program is aimed at both novice and semi-experienced rogainers. The day will be adapted to the number of participants, and their level of navigation experience. The day will consist of both theory and hands on exercises. Topics to be covered include Navigation, Course Planning, Nutrition and lots more.

The training day will run from 8am until about 1pm. Then you can come the next day (Sunday 17th March) to test your skills in the Bunyaville 3hr Mini-Rogaine!

Cost is only \$5 per person if you register before 13th March.

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

NEW MEMBERS

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

Bette Andrews Gladys Averdick Kelly Barker Nilesh Bokil **Debbie Caelers** Carmel Carver Jamie Brooking Heather Clarke Debra Cooper Lauren Cooper Raymond Dipple Julianne Downes Deborah Dwyer Ros Elliott Zoe Falson Jenneke Foottit Bradley Fox Alison Green Maxine Hacking Darelle Harvey lynell hocken Rebecca Hocken Leeanne Hopgood Mary Humphrey Rene Huysamen Stephen Ings Martine Jellema Natasha Kapper Margaret King Kisla Kerr Neville King Thom Kotis Gavin Lee Takuya Matsuo Adelen Matthewman Brigid McCarthy Kaylene McGill Dianne Lea McGill Fiona McKeague Cathy Miller Josh Molloy Cathy Pascoe Gabrielle Pearce Daniella Pozzolungo Margaret Pukallus Elizabeth Senior Arlene Stanovitch Carol Treasure Chase Tucker Jennifer walker Anika Wilkins Sophie Watson Lorine Wilkinson Emma Williamson Jennifer Yee

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

Matthew Albury Peter Auliff Christie Board Wade Chang David Huggins John Palm Annette Palm Hansen Sun Sally Tatarynowicz Gwynne Thomas Brendan Walsh



Committee News

Email List Moderation

The club's email lists will now be subject to moderation, which will introduce a minimal delay between posting an email to the list and the email being received by leaders.

This was agreed to at committee's February meeting.

The moderator's rules will be available for distribution shortly.

Regards

Tom Hulse

BBW Secretary

Guest Speakers

Wednesday 13 Mar Peru, Patagonia & Iguazu Falls, South America - Mary Comer & Marge Henry

Last October, Mary Comer & Marge Henry went to Peru to walk the Inca Trail (4 days) to Machu Picchu and then flew down to Patagonia to do a 4 day trek in the Torres Del Paine National Park. Mary then went on to the Iguazu Falls bordering Argentina & Brazil. Photos will be shown with a bit of a spiel.

Wednesday 10 Apr Tour du Mt Blanc & Tour des Muverans - Eugene Hedemann

Two walks in the French and Swiss Alps with some fellow BBW members:

- Tour du Mt Blanc is a 10 day walk around the Mt Blanc massif. Being one of Europe's most popular walks, we weren't alone, but when you have slogged up yet another 2600m mountain pass you don't mind sharing the views.
- Tour des Muverans is a more isolated 4 day walk in the Swiss Alps. Again, up and over several high passes, the last one being most memorable as we tramped through falling snow while trying to find the path.

For Sale

For any members who would like to sell their second-hand bushwalking equipment:-

Just email a brief description of the item to the editor's mailbox (**editor@bbw.org.au**) and include a price, phone no. and/or email address. You may wish to include your suburb so that seller and purchaser can decide whether meeting up at some time other than a club meeting is viable.

Hugh Fyson 3855 8031 or 0431 971 173 (Gaythorne) Email: mhfyson@iinet.net.au

- **Gloves**, Ironclad Heavy Utility, size M. Never used because too small for me. Were \$42 from Bunnings, \$15.
- Walking shoes, Scarpa Stratos, stone colour, size 42. Top quality shoes with Vibram soles, suede leather uppers, Goretex layer. Used for 3 day walks only. A bit too small for me. Were \$220, sell for \$80.

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Out & About

CHOCOLATE HIGH TEA

Sunday 3 March

LEADER: Keith Rosbrook

0401221403

LIMIT: 40 COST: \$49

MEET: Stamford Plaza in the City

TIME: 3pm

Chocolate High Tea at the Stamford Plaza... This has a fair selection of savouries, a huge selection of chocolate and unlimited hot tea to soothe. Do

Not Miss!

Bookings are essential.

NAPLES - Dinner Night

Tuesday 19 March 0413 272 085

LEADER: Burgi Wagner

LIMIT: 14

COST: approx \$20 TIME: 6:30pm

ADDRESS: 19 Days Rd GRANGE

Naples is a family owned and operated reataurant providing traditional Napolitan dishes made with true passion and style; their pizzas voted as 'Brisbane's best Pizza' by B105. We can choose from a selection of pizzas, pastas, soups, meat

dishes and desserts.

Keith The restaurant is BYO, corkage \$1 per person.

Burgi



OTELLO (DINNER & MOVIE)

Tue 7 May

LEADER: Peter Hunt 0431652083

MEET: 180 Oxford St, Bulimba

TIME: 6:30pm

Otello's is an authentic Italian restaurant with all categories included to result in a good range from which to choose in each course. The challenge is which dish to try as they all sound so delicious. Movies screening at the time will be discussed over dinner. You are welcome to come for dinner only, if you wish, as the movie times are a little late.

Peter

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Marge & Don Henry's at Kelvin Grove on Thursday 21st March at 6:30pm. There is only about 1 1/2 hours work required. If you would like to help and enjoy an easy social night with dinner please phone 3856 5757 to confirm.



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



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