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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 2nd May** is at Tom Cowlshaw's at 116 Alderley Ave. Alderley. Ph: 3856 4050. All members are welcome to attend.

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

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

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

DEADLINE for the **June** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 9th May**
Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!

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"Summer Creek Falls Ascent" by Lou Darveniza

EQUIPMENT HIRE

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

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

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

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

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

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

LIBRARY

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

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual membership falls due 31st January. Fees include magazine subscription.

Full Members: Singles \$48.00 per annum
Couples \$76.00 per annum

Probationary Members:
Nomination fee \$30.00 per 6mth



FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

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

Club Officials

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ABBREVIATIONS & GRADING

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

ACTIVITY ABSeil; Base Camp; Day Walk; Through Walk; Easy Through Walk; Night Walk; SOcial Activity; KaYaK; CYCle; Safety & Training; Federation Mountain Rescue; ROGain.

FAMILY Family — Family Group conditions; contact Leader

TERRAIN GRADING — 1 to 9

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

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

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

INFORMATION FOR WALKERS

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

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

TRANSPORT COSTS: Passengers are asked to pay a contribution to the driver for their share of car expenses. These may vary depending on several factors, but for the average car you should expect to contribute 9c/km per person. Trips needing 4WD or extra space for gear tend to cost more. If you are unhappy with the contribution amount, you are always free to take your own vehicle.

CAMPING FEES: National Park or State Forest camping fees are \$4.50 per person per night. (The leader will provide details.) NSW National Parks also charge \$7 per vehicle per day.

ALWAYS TAKE: Membership Card; Food & Water*; First Aid Kit; Sunscreen; Torch; Whistle; Paper/pencil; Warm Clothing; Raincoat; Sun Hat. Don't forget a change of clothing & shoes for after the walk.

*Water allowance, where noted, is the minimum the leader recommends.

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

PROGRAM

Gradings approximate only (subject to trip leaders' survey)

Members are responsible for ensuring they are capable of doing the walks for which they nominate.

April

25		General Meeting		
	MDW-6D	Mt Barney for slow pokes	Peter Lock	3351 1184
	MDW5C	Mt Maroon for fast pokes	Greg Long	3841 1720
27-29	MBC-4B	New Members Base Camp - Girraween NP	Eugene Hedemann	3359 3114
	MTW-4B	Girraween	Ryan Langley	
	STW-5C	Goomburra	David McAully	3862 3504
28	MDW-2A	Bribie Island, Southern Tip	Kay Byrne	3397 1021
	LDW-3B	Coomera Circuit	Kevin & Leanne Pinter	3273 3517
	SDW-5C	Mt Greville	Nick Brooking	
	LDW-6D	Mt Ernest Traverse	Margaret Moran	3398 2404
28-29	MTW-2B	Moreton Island	Elaine Beller	3356 4730
29	LDW-3B	Illinbah Circuit	Mary Comer	3844 6231
	MDW-6C	Mt Maroon Cave Route	John Dwyer	3844 9213 (a/h)
30	SNW-2A	Toohey Forest Night Walk	Ros Firster & Richard Lukacz	3324 9018

May

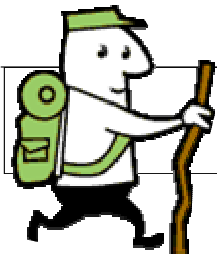
1	MDW - 6C	Stoney Creek - Bellthorpe State Forest	Ralph Chetham	3353 5571
4-7	STW - 5C	Cataract River (survey)	Cath Carkeet	3357 5607
5-7	XLTW-5C	Green Mountains to Border Ranges and Reverse	Ray Glancy, John Dwyer, Lynsey Moore,	
	FSTW-4B	Girraween Tunnel of Doom and Celestial Palace	David Sydes	3343 8854
			Siobhan Mouncey	3393 0382
6	XLDW -3C	Shipstern Circuit	Burgi Wagner	3325 0629
9		Open Meeting		
12	SDW-5C	Flinders Peak	Mary Comer	3844 6231
13	MDW-3B	Daves Creek Circuit	Mary Comer	3844 6231
	MDW-5C	Western Window & Greenes Falls	John Shields	3264 6565
	SOCDW-1A	Mothers Day Classic	Dawn Hendrick	3277 1842
15	MDW-5C	Oaky Creek - Mt Mee State Forest	John Hinz	3846 1432 (H/W)
18-20	SOCIAL	Stacey's at the Gap	Burney	3269 9383
19	MDW-6D	Mt Maroon - South Ridge	Sven & Helene	32731187

PROGRAM

ALWAYS TAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

Refer to previous page for a list of the minimum items required to take on a Day Walk

	MDW4C	Wagawn Lookout via Bushrangers Cave	Bill & Betty Healy	3849 6446
20	LDW-4C	Sunshine Coast Great Walk Gheerulla Circuit	Eddie Chappel	3261 9337
22	MDW-8D	Isolated Peak via the southern shoulder	John Hinz	3846 1432 (H/W)
23		General Meeting		
25-27	LBC-7E	Mt Barney for First Timers Weekend	Drew O'Brien Lynsey Moore	3856 3336 3366 6135
	MTW-6C	The Steamers	David Thorpe	3289 3773 (h)
26	MDW-6C	South Kobbie Creek via knoll 560	Kevin & Leanne Pinter	3273 3517
27	SDW-4C MDW-5C	Mt D'Aguilar Lizard Point	John Shields John Dwyer	3264 6565 3844 9213
June				
2	SDW-2B	Lake Manchester	Dawn Hendrick	3277 1842
2-3	MTW - 5C MTW-5C	The Steamers Upper Portals	Ryan Langley Jenie Maloney	3209 7703
3	MDW-5C	Mt Superbus & Lincoln Bomber	John Dwyer	3844 9213
8-11	MBC-6C STW-8E	Goomburra Fifth Annual Barney Four Day Classic	David McAully John Hinz	3862 3504 3846 1432 (H/W)
9-11	MTW-2B XTW-4C TW	Cooloola NP (Northern) Cooloola Wilderness Trail Fraser Island - Middle Circuit	Elaine Beller Paul Cech Jenny Zohn	3356 4730
10	SDW-3B LDW-7D	Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Ngungun Lost World and Albert River	john shields Anne Kemp	3264 6565 33712707
15-17	MTW-6C	The Steamers	David Thorpe	3289 3773 (h)
17	MDW-6D	Wilsons Peak via Kinnanes Falls	John Dwyer	3844 9213
24	MDW-4C SOCIAL	Lepidozamia Track 560&474 Brisbane Jazz Club	John Shields Burney	3264 6565 3269 9383
29-1	MTW-6C	The Steamers	David Thorpe	3289 3773 (h)



Coming Trips

MT BARNEY FOR SLOW POKES

Day Walk Wed 25 Apr
LEADER: Peter Lock 33511184
MOBILE: 0419 496 837
EMAIL: peter2007@lock.id.au
GRADE: MDW-6D
LIMIT: 10
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens car park
CAR KMS: 250Km
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000

We will walk up Mt Barney via South East Ridge and descend via Barney Saddle and South Ridge. These are two of the least technically challenging routes up the mountain. However there is still a climb of 1100m, with some steep and loose sections, and a little exposure. Expect a long day requiring some sustained exertion. Slow walkers and Barney first-timers are invited to attend today, as we will not be in a rush. We will take our time to enjoy the views and explore a little, and get back to the cars around 7pm. That means we will finish the walk in the dark, and miss the club meeting. Don't forget to bring plenty of food, water, a torch, thermals and rain coat.

MT MAROON FOR FAST POKES

Day Walk Wed 25 Apr
LEADER: Greg Long 38411720
MOBILE: 0409474152
EMAIL: longmg@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens car park

Mt Maroon is a prominent peak located in the Border Ranges; it has magnificent views of Mt Barney from the top. The walk starts at the end of Cotswold Rd and follows a reasonably obvious track up the north east ridge. This route is often called the 'tourist track' by experienced walkers, but you still need reasonable fitness as it is a fairly constant up and we well endeavour to elevate our heart rate on this walk. There is a bit of scrambling as we ascend via a small gully, but no scunge. We'll have lunch on top and return by the same route. The walk is suitable for people who have done some harder track walks and would like something a little bit more challenging. This is a scones and cream walk.

NEW MEMBERS BASE CAMP - GIRRAWEE NP

Base Camp Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Eugene Hedemann 3359 3114
EMAIL: ehedemann@telstra.com
GRADE: MBC-4B
LIMIT: 22 probationary, 8 full members
BRING: Base camp gear, chair, warm clothes, stove, tent, food for week-end, usual day walk gear, water (6-10L each).
COST: \$9 per person camping fees + petrol
DEPART: Email or phone leader at least one week before to pre-arrange car pooling
CAR KMS: approx 520km
MAP: Girraween and Bald Rock National Parks (HEMA)

NOMINATION: Phone or email only
Before nominating for this activity, please be aware that campsites will be pre-booked & pre-paid. If you nominate & then cancel too late for a replacement to be found, I will still expect payment from you. Girraween NP is approximately 3 hours from Brisbane located south of Stanthorpe in an area with fabulous granite outcrops. For those who get there before me, please camp at the distant (southern) end of the Castle Rock campground so we can all be in reasonable proximity. There are toilets and showers - but they have been turning off the hot water when water levels get low. There are fireplaces but strictly BYO firewood. Water is available but they suggest boil it first or BYO. Be prepared for either warm or cold weather as it can vary no matter what time of year. As always, sensible car pooling is recommended. I intend to email a spreadsheet with contact details to everyone so you can organise your own car pooling. Please email or phone me at least one week before the camp so I can include you on the car pool spreadsheet. Sat morning at 8am we will have talks on safety, ethics, etc. We will then do a medium distance walk with a small amount of off-track & a few uphill bits returning via Mt Norman. Climbing to the top of Mt Norman will be an option. Sat night will be drinks, nibbles and social around a campfire if we all bring a bit of firewood. Sun will be some more information talks & a walk up the first Pyramid. We should be packed and heading home by mid afternoon. Please note that ALL the activities on the weekend are mandatory for probationary members who are using this base camp to become full members. You should be capable of doing the walks on both days. If you need information about equipment please contact me or talk

to the Equipment Officer at the meetings. Full members please note the limits & be prepared to participate in all activities as your assistance will be valuable to the group.

GIRRAWEEEN

Through walk Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr

LEADER: Ryan Langley
EMAIL: rrlaust@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: MTW-4B
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual TW Gear
COST: \$9
DEPART: 6:00pm Pre-arranged
MAP: Girraween 1:33000

Girraween National Park is located approximately three hours west of Brisbane. We will drive out Friday night departing Brisbane at 6.00pm, meeting for dinner along the way. We will commence the through walk Saturday morning and return to the campground Sunday afternoon, and will explore the eastern section of the park. The terrain at Girraween is predominantly flat, however the area has very large granite boulders, which we will climb without packs to enjoy some great views of the park. The area is open eucalypt forest, and there is plenty of bird life and kangaroos. There is an extensive track network, but there will also be a small amount of off-track walking. Nominations be email please.

GOOMBURRA

Through Walk Fri 27 - Sun 29 Apr

LEADER: David McAully 38623504
MOBILE: 0418794421
EMAIL: Davemcaully@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: STW-5C
LIMIT: 6
BRING: Warm clothes
COST: \$9 camp fees
DEPART: 7:30pm BP Aratula
CAR KMS: 380
MAP: Townson & Glen Rock 1:25000

We will meet at the BP Aratula at 7:30pm on Friday night before driving up through Cunninghams Gap and onto the Goomburra Section of Main Range National Park. We will camp at Manna Gum on Friday night. On Saturday a short drive to Sylvesters Lookout car park where we start the walk along the eastern escarpment to Laidley Falls. After dropping our through packs and putting up tents, we will visit Hole in the Wall and then cross the razorback ridge before the final climb to the summit of Mt Castle for lunch (day Pack required). The razorback ridge is exposed so you need to be OK with heights. Laidley Falls camp site is small but offers some great views of

the escarpment. On Sunday the plan is that we are back at the cars for lunch. This is a short walk suitable for members who are starting out through walking.

BRIBIE ISLAND, SOUTHERN TIP

Day Walk Sat 28 Apr

LEADER: Kay Byrne 33971021
MOBILE: 0429924726
EMAIL: kby515152bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW-2A
LIMIT: 16
BRING: Usual day walk gear p.3
DEPART: 7:30am Alderley Car park

This beach walk will begin at McMahan St, Bribie Is. after leaving most of the cars at our end point at Bongaree. We start walking along a 4WD track through Wallum Heathland to reach the picnic ground and World War 2 bunker north of Woorim Beach. After morning tea we will walk south along the beach past Woorim and Skirmish Pt for views of Moreton Is. We will have the opportunity to spot sea birds and dolphins while resting in the shade of banksia and casurina while the more intrepid may enjoy a dip in the sheltered waters of Woody Bay at lunchtime. We will continue past Bald Pt along Red Beach to Buckley's Hole and the bird hide before emerging from the beach at Bongaree and the lively Bribie Is. cafe precinct for afternoon tea. This walk is a flat walk on sand, most of which will be firm except for the 4WD tracks. It will be necessary to wear sand shoes for the tracks but the beach can be done barefoot. This walk would be suitable for beginners who have reasonable fitness and anyone who enjoys beach walks, bird watching or if you have never seen what beautiful Bribie has to offer.

COOMERA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sat 28 Apr

LEADER: Kevin & Leanne Pinter 32733517
EMAIL: kpinter7@primusonline.com.au
GRADE: LDW-3B
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Always take, p3, 2L water
COST: fuel contribution
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens car park
CAR KMS: 200km approx
MAP: Hema Lamington NP

Coomera Circuit is an 18km (approx) graded track walk at Binna Burra in Lamington National Park. The track passes through an interesting range of vegetation including giant box forest and rainforest. There are excellent views of both Coomera Falls and Yarrabilgong Falls. The circuit continues along Coomera Gorge crossing the creek several times before rejoining the border

track and returning to Binna Burra. Come along for an enjoyable day in a particularly beautiful section of Lamington. Please contact the Leaders (email preferred) if rain is forecast as the walk may be cancelled.

MT GREVILLE

Day Walk Sat 28 Apr
LEADER: Nick Brooking
MOBILE: 04 1972 4296
EMAIL: brooking@bigpond.com
GRADE: SDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual Day Walk gear & 2lts of Water (Min)
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210Kms
NO WALK NOMINATION LIST - CONTACT LEADER DIRECTLY.

Mt Greville is an isolated peak near Aratula. It has open eucalypt forest, heath, cliffs, great views and a couple of gorges with palms to keep us cool. We'll go up Palm Gorge, which will tire us out, have morning tea and continue up the south-east ridge to the summit. Then we descend a little and head left under the cliffs to a superb lookout over the north cliffs for lunch. Then down Waterfall Gorge and back to the cars. Off to Aratula for coffee. It will not be a long day. This is a good introduction to off track walking for new members, but you must have reasonable fitness to get up (and down) a 770m mountain. I work out of town, so please contact me via email or on my mobile phone.

MT ERNEST TRAVERSE

Day Walk Sat 28 Apr
LEADER: Margaret Moran 33982404
MOBILE: 0403293689
EMAIL: n/a
GRADE: LDW-6D
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual day gear 3l water, gloves
DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: approx 200kms return
MAP: Mt Lindesay

We leave Fairfield carpark and drive to Yellow Pinch at Mt Barney. From there we walk for about 1hr. before we begin the ascent on Mt Ernest. Once on the top there are then many ups and downs and rock scrambles along this fabulous traverse until we reach the steep ridge which leads us down to the road and a 1.5hr stroll back to Yellow Pinch. The views on top on a clear day are wonderful. Mts Barney and Lindsey look superb. Morning tea and lunch spots will be chosen

along the way. This is a long day. PLEASE take note of and adhere to the ALWAYS TAKE section on p3 of the mag. There will NOT be a walk list at the meetings. Please contact me if you would like to nominate for this walk.

MORETON ISLAND

Through Walk Sat 28 - Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Elaine Beller 3356 4730
MOBILE: 0417069366
EMAIL: embeller@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW-2B
LIMIT: 10
BRING: usual through walk gear
COST: \$4.50 camp fee, \$45 ferry, \$5 secure parking
DEPART: 8am 8:30am MiCat, 14 Howard Smith Dve, Lytton
This activity is full.

ILLINBAH CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: Mary Comer 38446231
MOBILE: 0427446000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: LDW-3B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk gear & swimmers
COST: Petrol money
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens Car Park
MAP: Lamington NP

This 17km graded track walk starts near the Information Centre at Binna Burra in Lamington NP. We descend into the Coomera Gorge then follow the river upstream with 12 creek crossings. Unless there has been recent rain there should not be any problem with the crossings. Before coming back up the hill there will be a chance to have a swim in the beautiful Gwongoorool Pool and see the resident eel. This walk offers a mixture of vegetation. It is suitable for newer members to the club who have reasonable fitness. NB PLEASE BOOK FOR THIS WALK BY PHONING BURGI WAGNER on 33250629 as I will be out of Brisbane until a few days before the walk.

MT MAROON CAVE ROUTE

Day Walk Sun 29 Apr
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MOBILE: 0408 077 491
EMAIL: jgdwyer@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 8 (including leader)
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Maroon 1:25000
This activity is full.

TOOHEY FOREST NIGHT WALK

Night Walk Mon 30 Apr
LEADER: Ros Firster & Richard Lukacz 07
33249018
MOBILE: rosfirster@hotmail.com
GRADE: SNW-2A
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Torch, water & a smile
DEPART: 6:30pm QE11 Hospital carpark;
Cnr Kessels & Troughton Rds

Due to popular demand, we are putting this on again... & again! This will be a 1.5-2 hour walk through the university and Toohey Forest. A pleasant way to get a little exercise after a hard day at the grindstone. As I have done this previously we will take a different route each time. Mystery Walk in Toohey Forest!!! We will finish with coffee locally.

STONEY CREEK - BELLTHORPE STATE FOREST

Day Walk Tue 1 May
LEADER: Ralph Chetham 3353 5571
GRADE: MDW - 6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Always take P3 + 3L water
DEPART: 6:30am Alderley
MAP: Bellthorpe 1:25 000, Neurum 1:25
000

Bellthorpe State Forest is not far from Woodford and the trip will start from the Stoney Ck Day Use area. The plan is to go up Stoney Creek and one of its tributaries. This trip is partly exploratory. There is a good pool near where the cars are parked for those brave enough

CATARACT RIVER (SURVEY)

Throughwalk Fri 4 - Mon 7 May
LEADER: Cath Carkeet 3357 5607
GRADE: STW - 5C
LIMIT: 6
BRING: usual throughwalk gear, water until
Saturday morning tea
DEPART: 8pm Friday night, Caltex Warwick
CAR KMS: 640

This is a throughwalk in northern NSW. Some of the group who tried to survey this last year are making another attempt. It's a long drive but a great walk along a slabby creek. Friday night we will camp by the cars at Boorook creek on private property. Saturday we descend via Boorook ck and Falls to Cataract River, our lunch spot a large pool for swimming. Our camp spot is a sandy beach by the river where we camp Saturday and Sunday nights. Sunday, we do a side trip to the gorge and Monday we take a side creek to visit some old mine ruins before returning to the

cars. This walk offers very scenic river walking with some rock-hopping and scrambling. Plenty of options for swimming and relaxing by the river

GREEN MOUNTAINS TO BORDER RANGES AND REVERSE

Through Walk Sat 5 - Mon 7 May
LEADER: Ray Glancy, John Dwyer, Lynsey
Moore, David Sydes 3343 8854
MOBILE: 0419 719 480
EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: XLTW-5C
LIMIT: 16 (including leaders)
BRING: Usual through walk equipment includ-
ing cold weather gear, capacity for 4
litres water total - I will explain, party
food for 2 nights (please be conser-
vative), long gaiters or long trousers,
scunge gloves, compass, camera
strongly suggested
COST: \$9 camp fees PAYABLE ON NOMI-
NATION, car and vehicle contribution
- approx \$26
DEPART: 5am 24 Morialta Street, Mansfield -
carpooling intended
CAR KMS: 220 to 280 kms
MAP: Lamington, Tyalgum, Bray's Creek
(NSW)

Last year, 2006, Julia Wain, Lynsey Moore, Greg Long and I led this 2 way classic rainforest, es-
carpment hugging walk which follows the border
between New South Wales and Queensland over
the May long weekend. It was the second time I
had done this walk and found it as enjoyable as
the first time so I'm offering it again on the May
long weekend this year Saturday 5th to Monday
7th May. Who the other leaders will be hasn't
been finalised yet but some of last year's leaders
have expressed an interest in doing it again. It is
a walk especially suited to members looking to do
a longer through walk requiring some navigation
skills. If this is you, read on. One group will
leave Green Mountains on Saturday morning and
the other group will leave Border Ranges. On
Saturday and Sunday nights, we will camp at
Point Lookout or Rat-a-Tat campsites. Which
campsite you sleep at on which night will be de-
termined by the direction you travel. Both these
campsites rank very highly as examples of rain-
forest sites with great views over Mt Warning
from Pt Lookout and Rat-a-Tat site being at the
headwaters of the Albert River and having glow-
worms directly at the site. We will group together
and leave Brisbane at 5 am sharp and travel to
Jimboomba where we will swap vehicles. This is
to ensure that owner/drivers collect their own car
at the end of the walk therefore, you need to

BRING AN EXTRA SET OF CAR KEYS, this is VERY IMPORTANT. At approximately lunch-time on Sunday, the two groups should meet and car keys will be returned to their owner. Please be aware that if you take your car someone else will need to drive it to the starting point. As National Parks place a limit of 8 per campsite per night nominations for this walk will ONLY be accepted with the payment of \$9.00 camping fees. Please be aware of this when you nominate. Also, New South Wales Parks and Wildlife charge a vehicle access fee of \$7.00 per day per vehicle. This cost will be split amongst the group.

GIRRAWEE TUNNEL OF DOOM AND CELESTIAL PALACE

Through Walk Sat 5 - Mon 7 May
 LEADER: Siobhan Mouncey 3393 0382
 MOBILE: 0428 930382
 EMAIL: pmouncey@ozemail.com.au
 GRADE: FSTW-4B
 LIMIT: 10
 COST: \$15
 CAR KMS: 480km
 MAP: Girraween

The Tunnel of Doom is a passage between two huge granite outcrops, around 4m wide, 50m deep and 200m long. It is covered with large chunks of granite, which we will scramble over, around and under. We expect to find enclosed spaces, darkness, dirt and water. (It's the kind of place your mum wouldn't let you go.) This little bit of the walk should really be graded 7 for the scrambling, but we'll have plenty of time so there will be no rush. The rest of the walk will be quite easy and leisurely. We'll explore the western slopes of Mt Norman, the underground river, the pyramid, and spend a night in the Celestial Palace - a very comfortable and majestic camping cave. We will depart on Friday afternoon, and return on Monday afternoon.

SHIPSTERN CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 6 May
 LEADER: Burgi Wagner 3325 0629
 MOBILE: 0428 851 222
 EMAIL: burgi@wagner.id.au
 GRADE: XLDW -3C
 LIMIT: 12
 BRING: see ALWAYS BRING magazine page 3 2l water min.
 COST: approx \$15
 DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens Shopping Centre
 CAR KMS: 210 km
 Shipstern Circuit is situated in the Binna Burra

section of Lamington National Park. This walk leads from the escarpment through rainforest down to Nixon Creek and the Lower Ballanjui Falls where we will have Morning Tea. For a short time the track follows the creek downstream then crosses Nixon Creek and leads up gradually through open eucalyptus forest to Shipstern, our lunch spot. After lunch we complete the second half of the walk along the ridge with great views into the Numimbah Valley and to Mt. Warning returning to Binna Burra along the Border track on the last section of the walk. This walk is approx. 21km including the side tracks to the Lower Ballanjui Falls and Charraboomba Rock.

FLINDERS PEAK

Day Walk Sat 12 May
 LEADER: Mary Comer 38446231
 MOBILE: 0427446000
 EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
 GRADE: SDW-5C
 LIMIT: 15
 BRING: Usual day walk gear & afternoon tea to share

COST: Petrol money
 DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens Car Park
 Flinders Peak is an isolated peak of 679m in the Ipswich area. It is only 1 hours drive from Fairfield. The 6km track is mostly well defined with some short significant "ups" and rocky sections. The views in all directions are magnificent. We will have lunch at the summit near the communications tower. I would expect to be back at the cars about 2.30 where we can share some nice food and drinks (that you will bring!) in the pleasant picnic area. This is a good walk for anyone who wants to progress from graded track walks to something a little more demanding. The pace will be fairly slow. NB AS I WILL BE AWAY FROM BRISBANE UNTIL APPROX APRIL 26 WOULD YOU PLEASE BOOK BY PHONING BURGI WAGNER on 33250629

DAVES CREEK CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 13 May
 LEADER: Mary Comer 38446231
 MOBILE: 0427446000
 EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
 GRADE: MDW-3B
 LIMIT: 15
 BRING: Usual day walk gear
 COST: Petrol money
 DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens Car Park
 MAP: Lamington NP
 This is a beautiful 12km graded track walk in the Binna Burra section of Lamington NP. It com-

bines rainforest and heathland with good views to the southern end of the Numinbah Valley, Springbrook and the coast beyond. A short side track leads to Molongolee Cave. We will have lunch on Surprise Rock then complete the circuit back to the cars. Hopefully the new kiosk will be open for us to have coffee there. This walk is most suitable for new club members. NB I WILL BE AWAY FROM BRISBANE UNTIL APPROX 26 APRIL SO PLEASE EITHER BOOK AT A MEETING OR CONTACT ME AFTER THE 26th.

WESTERN WINDOW & GREENES FALLS

Day Walk Sun 13 May
LEADER: John Shields 32646565
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 15/20 [reserves listed]
BRING: page3items/2l water
COST: fuel contribution
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shopping centre [Westpac sign]
CAR KMS: 70km
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park
SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS
PREFERRED

This walk is for new walkers and those who prefer a steadier pace with time to stop for a breather or view an item of interest. A moderate standard of fitness is required and most of the walk is in rainforest with part graded track and part along a feint foot pad. We are fortunate on this walk that we can change it around each time which makes it a different walk so that each time we do it we would not be doing a repeat of a previous walk. After the walk we stop off for coffee and cake at the Samford bakery. NB---We have upgraded the rating of this walk because additions to it include three sections which include both uphill and downhill scrambling on a small scale. If you would like to try your hand at scrambling and rock hopping on a small scale before committing your self to a much higher rated walk then this is the walk for you.

MOTHERS DAY CLASSIC

Social Day Walk Sun 13 May
LEADER: Dawn Hendrick 3277 1842 (new)
MOBILE: 0428 197 268
EMAIL: dawn_hendrick@hotmail.com
GRADE: SOCDW-1A
BRING: BBW T Shirt, hat, sneakers, water bottle and plenty of enthusiasm
COST: \$23 for adults
DEPART: 6:15am South Bank Forecourt

This is a very special event which is run every year on Mothers Day. The Classic Walk or Run is

held in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Hobart. All funds raised go to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. The walk is 8 km along a route beside the Brisbane River and starts at 8:10am. Prior to the walk starting there are also 4 and 8 km running events, but the final event and most enjoyable one is the walk. The whole thing is over by 10:30am allowing plenty of time for participants to be somewhere else by lunchtime! Alternatively you can enjoy a leisurely brunch with the group from BBW at one of South Banks many cafes. Registrations are completed on the Mothers Day Classic website at <http://www.mothersdayclassic.org> Registrations close on the website on the 2nd May - after that you have to register on the day and the queues are usually LONG!

STACEY'S AT THE GAP

Base Camp Fri 18 - Sun 20 May
LEADER: Burney 32699383
MOBILE: 0422386080
GRADE: SOCIAL
LIMIT: 40
BRING: Glad rags and mask, BYO drinks, day walk gear, warm clothing, lunches and morning-teas.
COST: \$100 for catering & accommodation paid by April 11th

CAR KMS: 210km

BURNEYS 50TH BIRTHDAY BASH:

Please join in for a weekend away and help me cope with turning 50!! (No presents, pls) Kamp Stacey is now open as "Stacey's at the Gap". It's location is a 2.5klms passed Cunningham's Gap on the right (direction Warwick). We arrive Fri. night to a simple meal of Curry and Rice This will be available in the dining hall, where there is also a wood fire and couches. Each hut has a bar fridge and heater, single beds with linen, towels and pillows provided. A simple warm breakfast for sat. morning is included but you'll need to bring morning tea and lunches for your walks. There will be 3 possibilities over the weekend: Mt Mitchell and Mt Cordeux as easy trackwalks or an off-track ascent of Mt. Cordeaux. Saturday's soiree will commence with predinner hors d'oeuvres (provided) then a main course and cake. Please come dressed to party and a mask would be fun!! (Mine is body length to cover the wrinkles.) There's room to dance, so be there!! Sunday will be a light breakfast and possibly an easy walk before departing. Please notify me ASAP if there are special dietary requirements.

MT MAROON - SOUTH RIDGE

Day Walk Sat 19 May
LEADER: Sven & Helene 32731187
MOBILE: 0413 850180
EMAIL: snilsson@iprimus.com.au
GRADE: MDW-6D
LIMIT: 9 (including leaders)
COST: Car cost
DEPART: 6:30am Calamvale Hotel
MAP: Maroon 1:25 000

The south ridge of Mt Maroon is in my way of thinking a more interesting route up to the summit. After parking the cars we will follow an old disused vehicle track to the base of a spur leading to the top of Mt Maroon. We will have an early lunch on the summit, and then we will descend through a small gorge and follow a creek on the southwest side down to Paddy's plains. From there we will skirt around the base of the mountain along tracks and a creek back to the starting point. It is a great trip a bit longer than most, but worth every bit of it. Allow some extra snacks and water for mid afternoon. Most likely driving home in the dark so allow a full day. MEET AT CALAMVALE HOTEL, corner of Beaudesert Rd. and Compton Rd.

**WAGAWN LOOKOUT VIA
BUSHRANGERS CAVE**

Day Walk Sat 19 May
LEADER: Bill & Betty Healy 3849 6446
GRADE: MDW4C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear (page 3 mag.)
scunge gloves, 2L water
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210K return
MAP: Tyalgum

We will approach Wagawn Lookout at Lamington from the Numimbah Valley and follow the border fence to Bushrangers Cave. Then uphill along an ungraded, usually overgrown track, contour below the cliffs through green, wet and wonderful rainforest. (not so wet these days) and great views of Springbrook, Numimbah Valley, Tweed Valley & Mt Warning. Some scrambling is necessary so gaiters & scunge gloves are advisable (though not essential). Parking is limited so car pooling is essential.

**SUNSHINE COAST GREAT WALK
GHEERULLA CIRCUIT**

Day Walk Sun 20 May
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com
GRADE: LDW-4C
LIMIT: 14

BRING: As per Mag page 3, 3 Litres Water
COST: Petrol Money \$20
DEPART: 7am Aspley Hypermarket Aust Post Sign

MAP: Sunshine Coast Great Walk
This walk is the final section of the Sunshine Coast Great Walk. It is about 20 Km long. We join the track where it meets Delicia Rd at Mapleton. The walk goes from this point along Gheerulla Bluff which provides excellent views of the surrounding countryside & down the Mary Valley. The walk then descends down into Gheerulla Creek which we will follow back up to the beginning of the walk. Some other features we will see are Gheerulla Falls(if there has been rain)& Thilba Thalba walkers Camp. Please nominate by Phone, E-Mail or at Meetings.

MT BARNEY FOR FIRST TIMERS WEEKEND

Day Walk/social Weekend Fri 25 - Sun 27 May
LEADER: Drew O'Brien/Lynsey Moore
38563336(Drew)/33666135(Lynsey)

MOBILE: 0409 725843 (L)
EMAIL: moorealjac@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: LBC-7E
LIMIT: 15 (Incl Leaders)
BRING: Always take p3, + 3.5/4.5 litres of water plus torch (compulsory) for climb, food & drink for the weekend (including party food), sleeping bag & pillow (ear plugs also suggested for people allergic to zeds in the night).
COST: Approx \$60 - tba
DEPART: Own arrangements (phone Rob if needing transport)

CAR KMS: Approx.200 km
MAP: Mt Lindesay (1:25000)

It's on again, in the tradition so wonderfully established by Rob Leavy: Mt Barney for First Timers offers those who are ready to do the 1100m climb & 20k round trip of this SE Qld centre-piece, the opportunity to combine that wonderful experience with a very social weekend. Arriving Fri evening, we will be overnighing Fri and Sat nights in the bunk style accommodation of Forster's and Henry's Hut at Mt Barney Lodge. The huts have full crockery, cutlery and fridges and gas stoves. There is a separate amenities block, containing communal toilets and HOT showers. On Sat, we climb to the East Peak via the South East Ridge. After lunch on top, our descent will depend on how everyone is travelling & on prevailing conditions - it will be either down Rocky Creek between Logans & North Ridge; or down to the East-West saddle and then via South (Peasants') Ridge. Although there is not much exposure on the climb, there

LIZARD POINT

Day Walk Sun 27 May
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213
MOBILE: 0408 077 491
EMAIL: jgdwyer@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 12 including leader
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000

Lizard Point is a scenic spot offering panoramic views of the peaks of the Main Range and Mt Barney. Most of the walk is in rainforest. After leaving the cars at Teviot Gap we ascend one of the spurs of Mt Superbus along the site of the old rabbit fence. The track is steep and slippery and involves some scrambling. Once on top, we follow the escarpment north to the summit of Mt Roberts, then onto Lizard Point where we will have lunch. We return via the same route. The walk is suitable for fit and experienced walkers.

LAKE MANCHESTER

Day Walk Sat 2 Jun
LEADER: Dawn Hendrick 3277 1842 (new)
MOBILE: 0428 197 268
EMAIL: dawn_hendrick@hotmail.com
GRADE: SDW-2B
LIMIT: 16
BRING: Usual daywalk gear, 2lt water, morning tea. Lunch to be left in the car for later.
COST: own transport
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park Info Map

Lake Manchester is on the southern most boundary of Brisbane Forest Park to the west of Brisbane. The lake was formed in 1916 when the Dam wall was finished capturing Cabbage Tree Creek. There is no boating on the lake so birdlife is abundant. We will park in the recreational area (UBD p172 Q1) and walk along the track to the dam wall. We then walk beside the lake to the Log Cabin. We will have morning tea here then stroll back at a leisurely pace, stopping whenever we find a suitable spot to admire the view or to identify the many different water birds that inhabit the lake edge. There are a few steep hills on the way but we will take these slowly so that everyone gets there in the end! For those who don't have to rush off we will enjoy a picnic lunch in the recreational area which has (wood fired) BBQ facilities. Preferred nomination is by email or on the website. When nominating please include the following details (as on the nomination sheet): car, no. of passengers, phone number, suburb, membership status (full or probationary). No list at meetings.

THE STEAMERS

Through Walk Sat 2 - Sun 3 Jun
LEADER: Ryan Langley
EMAIL: rrlaust@yahoo.com.au,
GRADE: MTW - 5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Through Walking gear, light day pack
COST: car pooling + \$9 camp fee
DEPART: 6pm TBA
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25 000

The Steamers are an interesting geological feature on the west side of the Main Range. On Friday evening we will drive into Emu Ck and camp. Next day we puff up to the Funnel, deviate for a view of the Prow, traverse beside the Mast & Stern, then walk along the top of the Stern for lunch. Then it is up and over Mt Steamer to the edge of the Main Range and down to a campsite in the Steamer saddle. On Sunday after a short walk packs will be dropped & with morning tea & lunch in daypacks (plus the usual essentials - water, first aid kit, fleece, thermals, parka) head to Lower Panorama Point and Panorama Point. On returning to the packs, we then follow Davies Ridge back down to the valley and a road back to the cars

UPPER PORTALS

Throughwalk Sat 2 - Sun 3 Jun
LEADER: Jenie Maloney 3209 7703
EMAIL: jenie.maloney@racq.com.au
GRADE: MTW-5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Party food and usual gear
COST: \$4.50 Camp fee + Transport
DEPART: 7am Shailer Park
CAR KMS: 225 km @ 9c km

Saturday morning about 9am we head off from the Lower Portals car park with a one hour track walk to the Lower Portals. We will have a short break here before heading up a short but steep ridge, followed by some more ups and ridge walking before the descent down to Yamahra Creek camp site. On Sunday we will have time to explore and take photos of the rock pools. The return trip is mostly down hill. We won't be rushing so if you are looking for a laid back, social walk in the Australian bush (with a little bit of grunt for good measure) please join me.

MT SUPERBUS & LINCOLN BOMBER

Day Walk Sun 3 Jun
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213
MOBILE: 0408 077 491
EMAIL: jgdwyer@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 8 (including leader)
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Mt Superbus 1:25000

The walk starts from Teviot Gap and follows the old rabbit fence towards the top of the range. This section of the walk is quite steep. At the top we turn west and head towards Mt Superbus. Just after crossing Mt Superbus we'll branch south and follow the escarpment to a lookout to Mt Bell. From there we need to navigate to the start of a ridge that takes us all the way to the Lincoln wreck. We'll have lunch in the clearing above the wreck and return by the same route. Given the short days at this time of year we will be moving at a reasonable pace.

GOOMBURRA

Base Camp Fri 8 - Mon 11 Jun
LEADER: David McAully 38623504
MOBILE: 0418 794421
EMAIL: davemcaully@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: MBC-6C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual Base Camp gear
COST: \$13.50 camp fees
DEPART: 7:30pm BP Aratula
CAR KMS: 300

This is the Queens Birthday long weekend. On Friday night we meet at the BP Aratula before driving drive up through Cunninghams Gap and on to the Goomburra section of Main Range National Park where we set up camp. Saturday will be a day walk to Mt Castle. Early start on Saturday morning and after a short drive commence our walk along the escarpment of the Main Range with some great views to the east. After morning tea at the "Hole in the Wall" we will proceed over "Boars Head" before climbing Mt Castle. Should be some good views from the top. Then it is back to camp. Sunday will be doing a walk along Dalrymple Creek and then up along the ridge track before returning to camp. Sunday night I have planned several tasty curries for dinner. (All for a nominal amount to cover costs.) Monday will be a late start with a more leisurely walk from the camp ground. Goomburra will be particularly cold so bring along plenty of warm clothes and some wood for the campfire. Come along for a great weekend.

FIFTH ANNUAL BARNEY FOUR DAY CLASSIC

Through Walk Fri 8 - Mon 11 Jun
LEADER: John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)
EMAIL: johnhinz@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: STW-8E

LIMIT: 8 including leader
BRING: Light through walk gear
COST: \$16 pp camping fees + car expenses
DEPART: 5:30pm TBA on Thursday night
MAP: Mount Lindesay 1:25000

This is the fifth year that a hardy band of BBW walkers will be venturing into the Mt Barney area for a four-day scenic tour. On the Thursday night before the Queens Birthday long weekend we will drive to Lower Portals Car Park, after having dinner in Beaudesert. After about a one hour walk we will reach our campsite at the Lower Portals. An early start next morning will see us quickly attain the base of Eagles Ridge, the longest and one of the most spectacular ascent routes on Mt Barney. This will be a long and arduous day with some difficult scrambling but we will be well rewarded by the fantastic views. Camp tonight will be at Rum Jungle. Next day, we will descend to Mt Barney Creek via Barney Gorge. This never fails to disappoint and is one of the best creek walks in SE Queensland. On Day Three we will start climbing again to our camp on Barrabool Peak. Our route will be the west branch of Barrabool Creek. This is a very steep creek that is not travelled in very often, with difficult and possibly slippery scrambling as well as pack hauling required. On our final day we will climb the West Peak of Mt Barney, descend to Rum Jungle and then up to East Peak. We will return to the cars via Rocky Creek, concluding a very memorable walk. Come along if you're looking for a challenge and are an experienced and fit through walker. It is essential that all participants strive to keep the weight of their packs as low as possible. All walkers interested in nominating for this walk must talk to me before doing so.

COOLOOLA NP (NORTHERN)

Through Walk Sat 9 - Mon 11 Jun
LEADER: Elaine Beller 3356 4730
MOBILE: 0417069366
EMAIL: embeller@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW-2B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: usual through walk gear, nibblies to share, folding day pack
COST: \$9 camp fees plus transport contribution
DEPART: 6am car pooling pre-arranged
CAR KMS: 480km

The Queen's birthday weekend means the opportunity for a 2-day walk taking 3 days! On Saturday, we meet at Rainbow Beach and set out on the track to Freshwater campsite at the beach, taking in the lookout over the Carlo sandblow and the Bymien picnic area on the way. Sunday is a

rest day if you prefer (maybe bring a good book!), or a day walk up the beach to Double Island Point lighthouse. Monday we return on the same track, with a short detour to Poona Lake for a swim and lunch. This is suitable as a first-time through walk, as the days are not too long, it's all on a track that is relatively flat, and you can have an easy day in between the two days of carrying your pack. Please pay the leader your camp fee as soon as you can after nominating.

COOLOOLA WILDERNESS TRAIL

Thru Walk Sat 9 - Mon 11 Jun

LEADER: Paul Cech

MOBILE: 0403 290770

GRADE: XTW-4C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Thru walk provisions, party food

COST: Contact Leader

DEPART: Contact Leader

A great way to celebrate QE11's 80+ birthday. The walk is 46kms, & takes you through heathland & coastal rainforest & everything in between. Similar to what you would see on Fraser Island; but a bit more adventurous, as there are a few "wade throughs" en route. If we get a sufficient compliment, I plan to split the group into 2 (so I am looking for another leader to help out), one group walking north & the other south, meeting halfway & swapping carkeys (this avoids a substantial car shuffle). Please contact me for more details

FRASER ISLAND - MIDDLE CIRCUIT

Throughwalk Sat 9 - Mon 11 Jun

LEADER: Jenny Zohn

EMAIL: jenny.zohn@gmail.com

GRADE: TW

LIMIT: 8

BRING: TW gear,

COST: \$130 approx + change for showers

DEPART: 6pm Friday night - TBA

CAR KMS: TBA

I'm hoping to repeat a trip I did a couple of years ago. I plan to drive to Urangan Fri Night, staying in cabins overnight then catch the first ferry (6.45am) to Kingfisher bay resort on Sat morn. Walking across the island via Lake Mackenzie for lunch and camping near Lake Wabby. Sun: Lake Wabby to Central Station via the beach & Eurong. Possibly take the bus and have a swim, or lunch at the pub or a side trip to the tall tree forest. Mon: a nice walk back to Kingfisher bay via the lakes, time for a light lunch before the early

afternoon ferry(2pm) which will get us back to Bne a bit later than normal. Come along to enjoy the natural wonders to be seen on this World Heritage area walk and be prepared for some rather long days of walking on sandy tracks, Experience is required. Sorry about the vagueness of this writeup, I'll do some more research and fill in the blanks when I see the size of the response.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS-MT NGUNGUN

Day Walk Sun 10 Jun

LEADER: john shields 32646565

EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: SDW-3B

LIMIT: 15 [reserves accepted]

BRING: Usual p.3 + 2lt water

COST: fuel contribution [10c/km]

DEPART: 7am Aspley Pick 'n' Pay [Aust Post sign]

CAR KMS: 80--100

MAP: Glass House Mtns

SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PREFERRED

We will first drive to Mt Beerwah where we will take a short walk and view the lookout track then northern cliff face. Morning tea back at the cars before we drive around to Mt Ngungun. Taking our lunch with us, we will proceed up a gradually sloping graded track until we are at a lookout clearing below the summit. The track then gets steeper and rougher past the Ngungun Cave to the summit. This section will be done very very slowly and it is only a few hundred metres. The views from the summits [there are two] are 360 degrees and breathtaking. This walk is only rated 4 because of the last section. Recommended for new walkers and slow strollers. Lunch will be at the summit and we will have the usual coffee stop on the way home. We may slip up to Landsborough to walk in and go into the abandoned railway tunnel built in 1890 if we have time. Speak to me if you have any worries or doubts. Anyone having to cancel should advise leader promptly so that reserves can come and enjoy the walk.

RALPH TURNS SEVENTY-FIVE

(sequel to Ralph turns 70, refer June mag 2002 and April 2007)

*Ralph Chetham, born in nineteen hundred and thirty two
Led a birthday walk, which could be done by few.
For his birthday walk this year, he went up Logan's Ridge
And if you tackle Logan's, you best be Ridgey Didge.*

*I did Ralph's walk 5 years ago, when we climbed up East Peak.
On that walk I opened my mouth, and I was heard to speak.
"When you do a walk in 5 years time put me at number one."
I said but I didn't mean it; I was only having fun.*

*Ralph kindly noted this and when 5 years was through,
He rang and invited me along, which made me feel quite blue.
"My lungs are gone, my heart beats slow, my knees are shot to hell.
I'd only get in the way, and slow you down as well."*

*"That's OK" said Ralph to Bill. "Take a pass this year,
I'll ring you for my 80 walk, of that you'll have no fear."
Just to let you know, amongst the walking folk.
We all think Ralph Chetham is just one helluva bloke.*

BRI\$\$IE BILL

TIDBITS FROM CHINA

Out of the polluted cities and rivers of China there lies a gem - Emei Shan - see it before it is too late. It is a breath of fresh air in a country of factories, concrete construction and masses of people.

Emei Shan is a holy mountain populated by Buddhist Monks. From Bao Guo you can walk to the summit of Emei Shan in about 7 hours. You can stay on top of the mountain or come back down by bus and cable car. Monasteries scatter the mountain ranges - each of them taking guests and providing good cheap (\$1 per meal) vegetarian food.

Be prepared for an early morning start as the Monks start morning prayers at 4.30am. We stayed at the HongChungPing Monastery after trekking down a beautiful gorge - only a few hours walk but the 1200 steps at the entrance to the Monastery was a workout.

The next day our guide took us through a more secluded section of the forest. We only got a taste of Emei Shan but there is plenty to explore - summit to summit walks - trekking through rural areas with crystal clear streams and Bamboo forest.

We made contact with a local guide who knows the area well and is a real character. He can make up trekking itineraries to suit any traveller.

His contact details are: Mr Zebedee, [E-mail:zebedee_china@hotmail.com](mailto:zebedee_china@hotmail.com)
Ph: (0) 13890630733 (use the 0 if calling outside the local area) Eve his daughter can also take calls
Ph: 02866933389

An unusual part of the world which many do not take the time to explore.

Take care

Ros and Jim

Committee Notices

GUEST SPEAKERS

25 APRIL

Being Anzac day, we haven't arranged a guest speaker for this night, but if anyone has a short presentation or slide show they would like to put on, just let me know.

COLD AND COSY—13TH JUNE

Picnic Pete will discuss what makes us cold in the bush, and what keeps us warm. What clothes should we carry in our day packs, through packs and snow packs? How does this high-tech clothing work? How should we use it? This is essential information for bush walkers, people who "feel the cold," and anybody going on the cross country ski trip

If there are any topics you would like to see covered at the meetings, let me know and I'll see if I can organize them. If you don't tell me what you want, you'll have to put up with what I want.

Ian Marlow

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to new members during March 2007

Colin Atkinson	Allan Boyle Paul Cantell	Liat Chung Ham
Shannon Dobson	Adrienne Dougal	Helene Dowson
Lisa Dray	Liz Franklin	Sandra Garcia-Perez
Kat Gregg	Alan Hewson	Jan King
Cynthia Knight	Iwona Kosieradzki	Barbara Leslie
Sue McCormack	Martin Nicolaus	Suzanne Pearce
Yosanta Rajapakse	Warren Riley	Joe Rutyna
Jason Short	D'Arcy Shortt	Rachel Watson
Shelley Watson	Catrina Willis	Heide Wolf-Stolte

Congratulations to the following who have been granted full membership in April:

Jennifer Webber

Vikki Cox

MAGAZINE COLLATING

Collating for June magazine is at Tom Cowlshaw's on Thursday 18th May at 7.30pm. There is only about 1½-2 hours work required – If you would like to come along for an easy social night and supper please phone 3856 4050 to book.

FOR SALE

'Thule Roofracks - very good quality and condition, suitable for most cars with roof gutters, \$100 O.N.O. Contact Arlene Rutherford 3878 3296, 0417 164606.



Out & About

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

WHEN: 6.30pm Tuesday 1 May

WHERE: Ahmet,
Shop 10/164 Grey St,
South Brisbane

CONTACT: Peter Hunt 3351 3642

Would you like a trip to Turkey? Ahmet's has a good range of authentic Turkish meals to cater for all tastes including desserts. The decor is also in a Turkish flavour to add to the experience. You are welcome to join us for dinner only. Movies screening at Southbank at the time will be discussed over dinner.

Peter

THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

GRADE SNW-1

WHEN: 6.10 sharp—don't be late.

WHERE: Good Will Bridge, Southbank side.

BRING: Membership Card, Water, \$'s

CONTACT: Jenny Zohn. No need to book.

Join us for a brisk midweek walk in our fair city, as we explore the walking tracks along the river, as well as city parks. Bring a few dollars for coffee and possible city cat fares. (S'bank to The Powerhouse, Newfarm is approx 12km return, walks will average 9k & 2-2.5hr) Occasionally another member may be substitute leader. This walk does not count towards full membership.

Jenz

Carnarvon Gorge

Hi, I am currently on my own (my wife died 4 years ago) and am interested in some company for a trip to Carnarvon Gorge some time between the 29th June and the 6th July. I have an all wheel drive station wagon and can take up to three people. I would like to see if there are interested persons willing to share the cost and driving. My contact number is 0419656377, email h.begbie@cromwell.uq.edu.au and I am happy to meet people for coffee if they want to get to know me first.

Regards, Hugh Begbie

Cross Country Skiing

Saturday 1st - Sunday 9th SEPTEMBER 2007

GRADE: MDW-5C - LIMIT: 20



This is the 2nd annual BBW snow trip! You will have a choice of cross country skiing or snow shoes, with a couple of day trips on offer each day. Either way, you can play in the snow and see some spectacular Australian wilderness quite unlike that of SE Qld. Igloo construction will be practised, and you may sleep in it if you are keen.

BBW does not have a grading system for skiing or snow shoes. The activities will be suitable for first timers and intermediate skiers, with fitness around BBW level C. We'll hire a unit (or two) for a week at Jindabyne and take day trips from Perisher, Guthega and Thredbo.

I will book accommodation on 1st May, so I need \$300 from you by 30th April. (This is a revision from the previously advertised dates.) I estimate you will spend another \$300 on food, ski hire, park entry fees and car pooling. And another \$300 on travel from and to Brisbane.

Please contact me for more details Peter Lock 3351 1184 0419 496 837 peter2007@lock.id.au

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

If you have recently changed your address, phone number (home or work) or email please advise the Membership Register Officer so that the club records can be kept up to date:
Ken Shea—email: registrar@bbw.org.au; or phone: 07 3879 6211

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