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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 June is** at Tom Cowlishaw'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 <u>clearly printed</u> 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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Cover Photograph
"Ralph Chetham's 75th on Mt Barney"
by Cheryl Curtis

EQUIPMENT HIRE

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

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

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 certificate to the Treasurer.

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ABBREVIATIONS & GRADING

DISTANCE **S**hort — Under 10 km per day

> Medium — 10 to 15 km per day — 15 to 20 km per day Long **EX**tra Long — Over 20 km per day

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

ACTIVITY

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

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

FAMILY Family — Family Group conditions; contact Leader

TERRAIN GRADING — 1 to 9

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

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

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

INFORMATION FOR WALKERS

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

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

TRANSPORT COSTS: Passengers are asked to pay a contribution to the driver for their share of car expenses. 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.

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.

May				
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 38563336 (Drew)	
	MTW-6C	The Steamers	33666135 (Lynsey) David Thorpe 32893773 (h)	
27	SDW-4C MDW-5C	Mt D'Aguilar Lizard Point	John Shields 3264 6565 John Dwyer 3844 9213	
June				
2	SDW-4C	Lake Manchester	Dawn Hendrick 3277 1842	
2-3	EASY MTW - 5C	Maryborough The Steamers	Jo Swain 38574884 Ryan Langley	
	MTW-5C	Upper Portals	Jenie Maloney 3209 7703	
3	MDW-5C	Mt Superbus & Lincoln Bomber	John Dwyer 3844 9213	
8-10	MBC-5C	Mallee Ridge/Slip Rock Survey	Sue Rogerson 3891 1684	
8-11	MBC-6C STW-8E	Goomburra Fifth Annual Barney Four Day Classic	David McAully 38623504 John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)	
9-11	MTW-2B XTW-4C TW	Cooloola NP (Northern) Cooloola Wilderness Trail Fraser Island - Middle Circuit	Elaine Beller 3356 4730 Paul Cech 0403 290770 Jenny Zohn	
10	SDW-3B MDW-5C LDW-7D	Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Ngungun Mt Greville Lost World and Albert River	John Shields 32646565 Bill & Betty Healy 3849 6446 Anne Kemp 33712707	
15-17	MTW-6C	The Steamers	David Thorpe 32893773 (h)	
17	MDW-6D	Wilsons Peak via Kinnanes Falls	John Dwyer 3844 9213	
21	CYC	Toombul to Boondall	Peter Lock 33511184	
29-1	MTW-6C	The Steamers	David Thorpe 32893773 (h)	

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

July					
1	MDW-3B MDW-5C	Mapleton Falls to Ubajee Lookout Mt. Greville for the Vertically Challenged	John Shield Jenny Zohn		
7-8	LROG-5C	NavShield 2007	Peter Lock	33511184	
8	MDW-8E	Mt Barney via Rocky Creek / Upper Logans Ridge	John Hinz	3846 1432 (H/W)	
15	MDW-5C MDW-5C	Greenes Falls & Love Ck to Western Window Mt Maroon for the Vertically Challenged	John Shields Jenny Zohn 3272 2732		
20-22	D-22 SOCIAL Bunya Mts E		Burney	32699383	
27-30	MTW-7D	Grand Sundown Circuit	John Hinz	3846 1432 (H/W)	
29	SDW-2A	Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Tibrogargen	John Shield	S	
August					
3-5	LDW-6D	Mt Barney for the Vertically Challenged	Jenny Zohn	3272 2732	
12	SDW-3B	Glasshouse Mtns—Mt Ngungun	John Shields		
17-19	9 M44BC	Rimfall Base Camp	Dawn Gland 3343 8854	sy, Lynsey Moore	
24-26		Pilgrimage 2007	Various		
•	ember MDW-5C	Snow	Peter Lock	3351 1184	
December					
7-9	SOCIAL	Christmas at Midginbil Hill, Uki	Burney	3269 9383	



Coming Trips

ISOLATED PEAK VIA THE SOUTHERN SHOULDER

Day Walk Tue 22 May

LEADER: John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)

EMAIL: johnhinz@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MDW-8D

LIMIT: 8 including leader BRING: Refer below for details

DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens car park

MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000

Isolated Peak is a 919 metre high peak that is part of the Barney Massif, but gives very different views to those obtained from the usual viewpoint at East Peak. While considerably lower than East Peak, its small summit is very close to Leaning Peak, and some other very spectacular features. The great views you get as a result make it one of my favorite bushwalking destinations. For this walk we will leave from the Lower Portals car park, diverging from the main track shortly after crossing Rocky Creek. We will reach the bottom of the north-east ridge shortly afterwards, and after following this some distance, will cross a gully or two to reach our destination ridge. This climbs very steeply over several rock pinnacles to arrive at the flat southern shoulder of Isolated Peak. A short airy traverse over a slab and a brief climb will see us at our lunch spot on top of Isolated Peak. The trip back to the car park will see us descend the steep northern side of the Peak before reaching a gully that will bring us back to welcome level ground. Please note that part of this walk is unsurveyed. Some of the scrambling required on this walk is at the upper end of the difficulty scale, so you should have done a number of off-track walks previously and be a competent scrambler, not afraid of heights. All attendees on this walk must have sufficient suitable clothing and equipment to safely spend a night in the open in the event of unforseen adverse circumstances. Please read my article in the June 2006 magazine for recommendations. Ask me for a copy if you do not have access to it. On the day I reserve the right to refuse walkers who are inadequately equipped.

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) 0409 725843 (L)

EMAIL: moorealjac@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: LBC-7E

MOBILE:

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 if needing

transport)

CAR KMS: Approx.200 km

MAP: Mt Lindesay (1:25000)

This activity is full.

THE STEAMERS

Through Walk Fri 25 - Sun 27 May

LEADER: David Thorpe 32893773 (h)

MOBILE: 33617642 (w)

EMAIL: david.thorpe@lion-nathan.com.au

GRADE: MTW-6C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Warm gear / small carry bag.

COST: \$9 camping + fuel

DEPART: 8:00pm Aratula after dinner

CAR KMS: 400km approx. MAP: Mt.Superbus

This is a classic cold winter through walk in the Main Range National Park. We start on Fri. night with dinner at Aratula then head off to our first night campsite. Sat.morning we start with some steep ups which gets us to the Funnel and Mast for morning tea then up to the Stern to see the view of the Steamers shown by Ian Marlow on our website. After lunch we climb Mt.Steamer for views of the area then descend to the Steamer Saddle for our second night's camping. On Sunday morning we follow the Main Range north to Davies Ridge where we drop our packs and with morning tea (plus for a 4 hour walk) in hand climb to Lower Panorama Pt. then up to Panorama Pt. for great views of the area. We return to the packs for lunch then walk down Davies Ridge to the cars .Four wheel drive access is needed. Not suitable for a first time through walk.

MT D'AGUILAR

Day Walk Sun 27 May

LEADER: John Shields 3264 6565 EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: SDW-4C LIMIT: 15

BRING: Page 3 day pack; card;2litres water

COST: fuel contribution [\$8.00]

DEPART: 7am Albany Creek Centro Shopping

Centre UBD108 F16 [Westpac sign]

CAR KMS: 80

MAP: Brisbane Forest Park

SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PRE-

FERRED

We car pool at Albany Ck and drive up the range, past Mt Glorious and park at Mt Tennison Woods. This walk is approx. 9km return and does have some hilly sections. As usual we do not rush hills but take our time at a comfortable pace for the individual. The first section follows an old logging track then we get on to a barely visible track with a steady up grade till we reach the trig point at the summit .We return to an old loading bay. This is our lunch spot. We walk all the way in shade through rain forest with groves of Lepidozamia [Cycads] and wild ginger along with a relic of the old logging days and a Bower bird bower as well numerous other birdlife. weather will not stop this walk as we are under a thick canopy. An interesting diversion down a side track with a short bumslide and a short scramble up a dry creek has been added to the previous route. Suitable for new walkers and includes a coffee stop at Samford on the way home.

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

This activity is full.

LAKE MANCHESTER

Day Walk Sat 2 Jun

LEADER: Dawn Hendrick 3277 1842 (new)

MOBILE: 0428 197 268

EMAIL: dawn_hendrick@hotmail.com

GRADE: SDW-4C

LIMIT: 16

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

ing 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. There is reconstruction work happening on the dam wall so the path now climbs steeply over the hill at the side. Once over the top we then follow the track 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 more 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.

MARYBOROUGH

Food Preparation For RogaineSat 2 - Sun 3 Jun

LEADER: Jo Swain 38574884

EMAIL: joanneswain@hotmail.com

GRADE: EASY LIMIT: no limit

BRING: Camping gear, warm clothes

COST: nil

Volunteers are required to assist in the feeding of the hungry hordes at the "Something about Mary" Rogaine. No cooking experience necessary but ability to follow instructions would be good. Jo Swain will be directing operations and Team Big Girls will be providing assistance and entertainment. If you are looking for something a little different come along and experience the excitement.

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

Through Walk 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

This activity is full.

MALLEE RIDGE / SLIP ROCK SURVEY

Base Camp Fri 8 - Sun 10 Jun

LEADER: Sue Rogerson 3891 1684

MOBILE: 0400 784 745

EMAIL: bbwwalks@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: MBC-5C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Base camping gear

COST: \$4.50 per night camping + \$40

DEPART: 7pm To be arranged

The plan is to meet at Aratula BP at 7pm on Friday night before travelling to Girraween. On Saturday, we leave Castle Rock camping ground and head towards Turtle Rock. From Turtle Rock it's across country following the ridgeline to Mallee Ridge and then onto Mt Norman and back to the campground. Sunday we make our way up the Pyramid track and turn off at the creek and follow it up before traversing across to Slip Rock. Hopefully we will come down another creek to the road. Anyone with navigation skills is welcome because I will be testing mine. A lot of these walks well be off track and the grading is an estimate. Camping this time of year in Girraween requires a 4 season sleeping bag and they have also turned off the hot water to the showers (cold water showers are still available - hev). I will arrange car pooling on Monday 4th. Please confirm bookings by Friday 1st of June.

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

GOOMBURRA BASE CAMP:

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

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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 Dalyrmple 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 reguired. 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 contribu-

tion

DEPART: 6am car pooling pre-arranged

CAR KMS: 480km

This activity is full.

COOLOOLA WILDERNESS TRAIL

Through 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 car keys (this avoids a substantial car shuffle). Please contact me for more details

FRASER ISLAND - MIDDLE CIRCUIT

Through Walk 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

This activity is full.

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 PRE-

FERRED

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 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.

MT GREVILLE

Day Walk Sun 10 Jun

LEADER: Bill & Betty Healy 3849 6446

GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Membership card, see always take

section page 3 mag.

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 210

Mt Greville is on the Spicers Gap Rd, this side of Cunninghams Gap. The preferred ascent is up Waterfall Gorge to morning tea on the slabs overlooking Moogerah Dam. Lunch is at the top (770M) & the descent via Palm Gorge which is always cool & shady. Suitable as a first off track walk for newer members who have completed several longer track walks, are reasonably fit and don't mind a steep up and down.

LOST WORLD AND ALBERT RIVER

Day Walk Sun 10 Jun

LEADER: Anne Kemp 33712707

EMAIL: anneikemp@hotmail.com

GRADE: LDW-7D

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Usual day walk gear

DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens Car park MAP: Lamington & Tyalgum 1:25000

We will access Lost World (part of the southern section of Lamington NP) from Kerry Valley south of Beaudesert. After the initial steep ascent onto the ridge we'll follow the sometimes narrow and exposed razorback to the waterfall campsite for morning tea. We'll then traverse the top of Lost World before dropping steeply into the Worendo saddle for lunch. The return will be a steep descent south into the right branch of the Albert River followed by a couple of hours rock hopping back to the cars. This is a long and strenuous day requiring good stamina. We'll need to maintain a fairly brisk pace to exit in daylight. The views in all directions are quite spectacular. Please phone me if unsure about the difficulty. Don't forget the 6AM departure.

THE STEAMERS

Through Walk Fri 15 - Sun 17 Jun

LEADER: David Thorpe 32893773 (h)

MOBILE: 33617642 (w)

EMAIL: david.thorpe@lion-nathan.com.au

GRADE: MTW-6C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Warm gear / small carrybag

COST: \$9 camping + fuel

DEPART: 8:00pm Aratula after dinner.

CAR KMS: 400km MAP: Mt Superbus

This activity is full.

WILSONS PEAK VIA KINNANES FALLS

Day Walk Sun 17 Jun

LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213

MOBILE: 0408 077 491

EMAIL: jgdwyer@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW-6D

LIMIT: 12 (including leader)
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Superbus, Teviot & Wilsons Peak

1:25000

Wilson's Peak is located at the southern end of

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the Main Range National Park, near Teviot Gap, southwest of Boonah. We start by parking near a creek below the Verandah and then follow a track up to Kinnanes Falls - via the Verandah. The Verandah is a ledge across a cliff face and is exposed. Once on the main ridge leading to Wilsons Peak we move along a track through scrub, then rainforest, with occasional breaks in the vegetation providing views to the surrounding mountains. There is a small cliff break to negotiate near the top, but nothing difficult. We have lunch on Wilsons Peak. We will come back along the rabbit fence and pick up a ridge that brings us to a cliff line with great views. We then drop back into the creek above the falls. Please note the 6:00am departure to ensure we have plenty of daylight at the end of the walk. The walk is not technically difficult but you will need to be reasonably fit to negotiate some steep slopes.

TOOMBUL TO BOONDALL

Night Cycle Thu 21 Jun

LEADER: peter Lock 33511184

MOBILE: 0419496837

EMAIL: peter2007@lock.id.au

GRADE: CYC LIMIT: 16

BRING: Bike with lights, helmet

DEPART: 6:30pm Toombul Shopping Centre

This ride will be about 30km, almost entirely level, and almost entirely on bike tracks. We'll start at Toombul shopping centre and follow the bike track around to the wetlands, then to the entertainment centre, then to Boondall Station. We return the same way. No coffee shops on this track, so bring a muesli bar to nibble at the wetlands lookout. Meet in the Toombul shopping centre overflow car park, on the south side of the creek. Please be ready to ride by 6:30pm.

THE STEAMERS

Through Walk Fri 29 Jun - Sun 1 Jul

LEADER: David Thorpe 32893773 (h)

MOBILE: 33617642 (w)

EMAIL: david.thorpe@lion-nathan.com.au

GRADE: MTW-6C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Warm gear / small carry bag

COST: \$9 camping + fuel

DEPART: 8:00pm Aratula after dinner.

CAR KMS: 400km

MAP: Mt. Superbus.

MAPLETON FALLS TO UBAJEE LOOKOUT

Day Walk Sun 1 Jul

LEADER: John Shields GRADE: MDW-3B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: 2lt water; card; day walk gear p.

COST: FUEL

DEPART: 7am PICK 'n'PAY Hypermarket As-

pley [Aust Post sign]

CAR KMS: 200km

MAP: Sunshine Coast hinterland Great

Walk

SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PRE-

FERRED

We will walk the part of the Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk from Mapleton Falls through to Ubagee Lookout. Starting in lush rainforest we then traverse some open eucalypt forest to the lookout and finish back in rainforest. The 14km return will be taken at an easy pace to stop and absorb the surrounds or take a photo. Carry smoko and lunch with you. The usual coffee stop will be made at Glasshouse on the way home.

MT. GREVILLE FOR THE VERTICALLY CHAL-LENGED

Day Walk Sun 1 Jul

LEADER: Jenny Zohn 3272 2732

GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Usual p.3 +3lt water

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens Carpark

CAR KMS: 210

MAP: Mt. Alford 1:2500

Mt.Greville is an isolated peak not far from Aratula. The climb to the summit is only about 600m up from the car park. We will ascend via Waterfall Gorge and have morning tea on the slabs overlooking Lake Moogerah and continue climbing to the summit for lunch and views of the main range. We will descend via Palm Gorge. This is an interesting off track walk with lots of variety. Reasonable fitness is required for the walk. However we will be doing it at a moderate pace suited to walkers who struggle with the ups. Please do not nominate if you prefer a brisk pace. Preference given to folk in training for Mt. Barney for the Vertically Challenged.

This activity is full.

NAVSHIELD 2007

Rogaine Sat 7 - Sun 8 Jul

LEADER: Peter Lock 33511184

MOBILE: 0419496837

EMAIL: peter2007@lock.id.au

GRADE: LROG-5C

LIMIT: 12

COST: Approx \$40 entry fee CAR KMS: approx 2000km

The 19th annual NSW Wilderness Rescue Association Navigation Shield is a fabulous social experience, with nearly 1000 people in the base camp. Many organisations (including BBW) enter several teams, some using the event as a training opportunity, and some being more serious about competition. This will be the 4th year the BBW has entered teams. We will leave Brisbane Friday morning to arrive at the base camp Friday night. The competition is from 8am to 7:30pm on Saturday, including 1.5 hours of darkness. We stay at the base camp again Saturday night and head for home on Sunday. The location is secret, but not too far from Sydney. A rogaine competition involves walking off track through the bush, and using a map and compass to find control points that have been placed by the organisers. There are some more details on the internet at http://bwrs.org.au/navshield/ index.html

MT BARNEY VIA ROCKY CREEK AND UP-PER LOGANS RIDGE

Day Walk Sun 8 Jul

LEADER: John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)

EMAIL: johnhinz@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MDW-8E

LIMIT: 8 including leader BRING: Refer below for details

DEPART: 5:00am Fairfield Gardens car park

MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000

NOMINATIONS: No Walk Nomination List - con-

tact leader directly

This walk involves an interesting alternative route to reach the summit of the East Peak of Mt Barney. After leaving our cars at Yellow Pinch we will walk to the base of Logans Ridge, then to Rocky Creek. Part way up Rocky Creek we will follow a slabby tributary to the left. At a suitable point, we will veer from this and pick up the top part of Logans Ridge to reach the Summit. After admiring the views our descent route will be South-East Ridge. Please note that part of this walk is unsurveyed. Some of the scrambling required on this walk is at the upper end of the

difficulty scale, so you should have done a number of off-track walks previously and be a competent scrambler, not afraid of heights. All attendees on this walk must have sufficient suitable clothing and equipment to safely spend a night in the open in the event of unforseen adverse circumstances. Please read my article in the June 2006 magazine for recommendations. Ask me for a copy if you do not have access to it. On the day I reserve the right to refuse walkers who are inadequately equipped.

GREENES FALLS & LOVE CK TO WESTERN WINDOW

Day Walk Sun 15 Jul

LEADER: John Shields GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 15/

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 ONLINE NOMINA-

TIONS PREFERRED

This walk is more demanding than my normal track [with a little offtrack] walks. Here we follow the track and board walk to Greenes Falls. Offtrack to the north where we ascend to the plateau then down the ridge to Love Ck Falls for smoko. Upstream a few hundred metres where we then ascend a series of cascades and waterfalls and up a ridge to Alex Rd , over to the Western Window track and back to the cars. The usual ritual of "Coffee at Samford" will be observed after the walk. The ascend and descend sections will require a fair level of fitness so contact me if you would like to know more.

MT MAROON FOR THE VERTICALLY CHAL-LENGED

Day Walk Sun 15 Jul

LEADER: Jenny Zohn 3272 2732

GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Usual p.3 + 3lt Water

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens Car park

Mt Maroon is a 965m peak in the Mt Barney NP, accessed from the Boonah-Rathdowney Rd. The walk starts with a steep climb up the NE ridge after which we contour to join a steep gully with some loose rocks. It is then a scramble up to the saddle and a gentle climb over more

rocks to the summit with brilliant views of Mt Barney and the peaks of the Scenic Rim. We return via the same route. Reasonable fitness is required for the walk as we gain over 600m in elevation. However we will be doing it at a moderate pace suited to walkers who struggle with the ups. Please do not nominate if you prefer a brisk pace. Preference given to walkers in training for Mt. Barney for the vertically challenged.

BUNYA MTS

Base Camp Fri 20 - Sun 22 Jul

LEADER: Burney 32699383

MOBILE: 0422386080 GRADE: SOCIAL LIMIT: 23

BRING: day walk gear, Xmas outfit, re-

quested Xmas dish, warm clothing,

food for all other meals

COST: \$45 p.p. + \$ towards meat

DEPART: please organise own transport or

speak to leader

CAR KMS: 480 km

XMAS IN JULY AT THE BUNYAS:

This activity is full.

GRAND SUNDOWN CIRCUIT

Through Walk Fri 27 - Mon 30 Jul

LEADER: John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)

EMAIL: johnhinz@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MTW-7D

LIMIT: 8 including leader

BRING: Light Through walk gear, party food COST: \$18 pp camping fees + car expenses DEPART: 5:30pm Brisbane on Thursday night

26 July

MAP: Mt Donaldson and Sundown 1:25000

NOMINATIONS:No Walk Nomination List - con-

tact leader directly

Sundown National Park is located south of Stanthorpe in the Granite Belt, and it's rocky and relatively arid environment is very different to other areas we normally walk in. This walk will see us cover some of its most interesting features. We will have dinner in Warwick before overnighting at the National Park Broadwater camp ground. Day One will see us rock hopping up McAllisters Creek, and picking up water high in the creek prior to camping on Mt. Donaldson. On Saturday we will descend to the Severn River near Rats Castle, a high pinnacle on a ridge top overlooking the river. The next day we will ascend the many small waterfalls in Blue Gorge, one of the most spectacular parts of the park. A good level

of scrambling ability will be required today, before we make camp on the northern escarpment. On our final day we will descend Ooline Creek back to the Severn River and the cars. Come along if you're looking for a challenge and are an experienced through walker. Please note that some of this walk is unsurveyed. In the event of particularly dry conditions this walk may be changed to a similar standard walk at Gibraltar Range National Park.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS - MT TIBROGARGEN

Day Walk Sun 29 Jul

LEADER: John Shields GRADE: SDW-2A

LIMIT: 15 [reserves accepted]
BRING: usual p.3 + 2 lt water
COST: \$10 petrol contribution

DEPART: 7am Aspley hypermarket [Aust Post

SIGN]

CAR KMS: 100

MAP: Glasshouse Mtns

SELF SERVE ONLINE NOMINA-

TIONS PREFERRED

This is an easy walk for new members and those who prefer a slower pace. We follow Tibrogargan and Trachite circuits which are around [NOT UP] Mt Tibrogargen. The walk is only 9km with smoko and lunch on the walk. The lunch spot has great views and we may see mountain climbers in action and possibly the peregrine falcon. Both these tracks are new with the Trachyte track still being built but easily trafficable. Coffee stop on the way home. Should you have to cancel please advise leader so that reserves can be notified. An interesting section of off track has been added to this walk.

MT BARNEY FOR THE VERTICALLY CHAL-LENGED

Day Walk/social Fri 3 - Sun 5 Aug

LEADER: Jenny Zohn 3272 2732

GRADE: LDW-6D LIMIT: 10 inc.leader

BRING: Usual p.3 +3lt water, overnight gear

for Hut

COST: TBA + petrol contribution

MEET: 7pm Beaudesert RSL for dinner

MEALS: The usual + see notes

This activity is full.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS - MT NGUNGUN

Day Walk Sun 12 Aug

LEADER: John Shields 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 PRE-

FERRED

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 eniov the walk.

RIMFALL BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 17 - Sun 19 Aug

LEADER: Dawn Glancy, Lynsey Moore 3343

8854

EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: M44BC LIMIT: 20

BRING: Linen, food, day walk gear, 4WD (if

you have one), pooled dinner Sat

night (to be pre-arranged)

COST: \$36 per person for 2 nights accom-

modation + car contribution (if pool-

ing)

CAR KMS: approx 220 kms MAP: Lamington

This is a relaxed base camp on 1200 ha cattle property next to Lamington NP. We stay in 3 cottages which are fully equipped (only 1 microwave in Rimfall cottage). On Saturday, walkers will

walk to Running Creek Falls with the assistance (hopefully) of 4 wheel drives to avoid a 5 km walk each way across the paddocks. Running Ck Falls is a delightful walk with a variety to suit most tastes, ranging from rainforest, open forest to rock hopping, before arriving at the waterfall for lunch. Running Ck Falls is one of the highest single drop falls in SE Qld at 90 mtrs. Sunday we will walk around the property, or up a creek near the cottages or do some bird watching, or just stroll around, laze around, or read a book, whatever takes your fancy. A dinner will be organised for Sat night so let me know your specialty. This will be a very relaxing weekend with plenty of time for socialising. As this base camp is very popular, EARLY PAYMENT WILL SECURE YOUR PLACE - so get in early. You can pay either Lynsey or Dawn.

PILGRIMAGE 2007

Base Camp Fri 24 - Sun 26 Aug

LEADER: various

EMAIL: gldpilgrimage@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: VARIOUS

Pilgrimage is an annual event when bushwalkers from clubs affiliated with the Queensland Federation of Bushwalking Clubs get together for a weekend of socialising and walking. This year it will be held at Kalbar Showgrounds and hosted by the Queensland Bushwalkers Club Inc. (Ipswich Bushwalkers Inc., Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Inc., FMR and Logan and Beaudesert Bushwalkers have volunteered to assist and will be the co-hosts.)Kalbar is in the Boonah Shire and just over an hour's drive from Brisbane. It is in the Fassifern Valley with the Main Range National Park and Moogerah Peaks National Parks nearby. Kalbar is a small town based on agriculture, famous for its carrots! It has a hotel, a coffee shop and a small grocery store. The showground is on the northern edge of town and has ample room for camping. A large hall with kitchen is available. For the latest information log on to http://au.geocities.com/qldpilgrimage/ pilg2007.html

SNOW

Cross Country Skiing Sun 2 - Mon 10 Sep

LEADER: Peter Lock 3351 1184

MOBILE: 0419 496 837

EMAIL: peter2007@lock.id.au

GRADE: MDW-5C

LIMIT: 20

COST: approx \$600 CAR KMS: 3000km

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 south east Queensland. 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. We will book the accommodation on 1st March, so your final decision and money are required in February. \$600 buys one week's accommodation, all meals, ski hire, daily transport to snow, and national park fee. (This does not include transport from Brisbane.) Please contact me for many more details.

Messages from Ros & Jim

Spain

If lazing away the days, eating drinking and partying are for you, then Spain doesn't disappoint. After a couple of days exploring Madrid we were happy to get out of the big city - big cities are not for us - although we discovered a taste for tapas and had a good night sampling a few bars late at night when Madrid comes alive.

We headed off to Cuenca in Castille de La Mancha about 150 km south east of Madrid. We didn't know much about it but I suspect it will become a highlight. It is a beautiful town which straddles a ravine. The old town stands atop two gorges with houses built into the cliffs (hanging houses). We walked up to the monument overlooking the city - as we didn't have a walking map it became a bushwalk and we ended up scrambling up a rocky ridge to get to the top! Driving through steep narrow cobblestoned streets proved interesting although Jim is handling it as well as any Spaniard! However on our night on the town (to taste more tapas and red wine) a huge hail storm hit just as we were leaving our hostel. It was a challenge navigating the wet, ice encrusted steep narrow lanes to say the least! Rain, rain go away - it wouldn't stop - although we made the most of breaks in the weather.

On a whim we drove through the National Park of Sierra Segura and Cazorla. It proved to be an inspiring choice. The drive through the olive We approached Cheddar Gorge in Devon with groves with mountains, lakes and small villages with whitewashed terracotta roofed houses nestled on the slopes of the mountains was awe inspiring. We drove through the park to Cazorla on hindsight we should have camped in the park as we found out later there is some great walking.

Cazorla was lovely but not a good base for walk-

Finding accommodation is proving interesting. Even if we book, we have to find the place - and with tourist information centres closed and Spanish street signs leading us in all directions there have been some frustrations but we have always managed to find the place and have a good laugh afterwards. In desperation in Cazorla we found a car park which indïcated "libre" which we interpreted as free parking - we hot footed it down to the car park when we found out from the hostel that it only meant that car spaces were available (not free - very expensive in fact!)!

Granada proved a nightmare to negotiate - we arrived right in the middle of the Labour day holidays - one of the busiest times of the year. It took us two hours to get out of the city. We headed to the hills to the Sierra Nevada (Pico Veleta is the highest mountain in Spain at approx. 3500 metres). However it has limited walking opportunities and is set up for skiing only. We have decided to head for the warm southern beaches around Marbella and stay put for a few days. We'll explore Gibraltar and Ronda while we are hobnobbing with the rich and famous!

Devon

anticipation - the brochures descibed it as "stunning". Alas it was not stunning but overtaken by tacky tourist operators trying to separate us from our money and could hardly be defined as a gorge at all. With that experience in mind we drove to the twin towns of Lynton/Lynmouth

Messages from Ros & Jim

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in Exmoor National Park (described as having "breathtaking coastal views") with trepidation. For once the tourist hype was spot on. This area is truly spectacular. The towns sit amidst green rolling hills and crystal clear streams reminiscent of Switzerland with rugged coastline as a backdrop. We based ourselves in the Youth Hostel in Lynton and did some day walks around the area. Plenty of options and plenty of variety. It is an area we have promised to return to explore further. The coast forms part of the South Coast Track which starts in Minehead and finishes in Poole - 630 miles of beautiful scenery, which passes through the best that Devon and Cornwall has to offer. For the energetic with plenty of time, the track can be walked in full or you can walk sections by taking public transport between the areas you want to walk.

For variety we headed to Dartmoor National Park in Devon - the high moorlands - very open heath country. We stayed in a delightful Bed and Breakfast on a farm outside a little village called Moreton-Hampstead and did some day walks from there. As we walked we could picture the Hounds of the Baskervilles bounding across the windswept moors. Once more this area offers a variety of walks from day walks to the longer Dartmoor trail which winds its way through the national park. There are plenty of Tors (large boulders) to climb and the remains of many medieval settlements to explore.

We were impressed by Devon - aided no doubt by the unseasonably warm weather in England in April. For once the national parks lived up to the superlatives in the tourist brochures.

Take care! The Greying Global Nomads

Affording One's Addiction

Let's face it, bushwalking is addictive, but as with all addictions, it comes at a cost. New walkers may be overwhelmed at the cost of the gear needed. While the club hires out tents, packs, stoves etc that enables people to try before making purchases, the outlay for suitable clothing etc may seem prohibitive.

Sometimes shirts, shorts, trousers in outdoor fabrics (synthetic, moisture wicking, quick drying) can be bought cheaply. Fleece jackets are also available cheaply – though the fabric may pill – often it doesn't. Moisture wicking is more important for a shirt/top than for shorts, but quick drying is essential – so don't wear cotton!

If you are into sewing or have a partner/mother/aunt/sister/brother who can, it is possible to make a lot of stuff – light weight tarps, drawstring bags of mesh or silnylon, fleece, even wind proof fleece clothes, beanies, neck gaiters etc and even thermals.

One website worth looking at is that of Outdoor Wilderness Fabrics Inc - in Idaho, USA

www.owfinc.com

They are a friendly company to deal with and their fabrics are good quality.

Marion Darveniza

Committee Reports

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we enter the winter season for walking the demand for more trips rises and this is when members who have been around for a while should consider giving a hand to help lead some trips. It's good fun and adds to your enjoyment of being part of an interesting and healthy club. Why not talk it over at the next meeting with Lynsey our Outings Secretary.

As it is uncertain whether the incorporation of Queensland Federation of Bushwalking Clubs will be finalized in time for this year's insurance, the committee of BBW has decided to accept an offer from Bushwalking Australia to take out our cover directly through them. This is the same policy as we would have if we went through QFBC. We solicited alternative cover but it provided significant financial incentive for change and by staying in the Bushwalking Australia scheme we help keep the premiums for the clubs considerably lower. This decision addresses our concerns about the incorporation of Federation without adversely affecting the other bushwalking clubs in Queensland.

Our thanks to Anne Kemp for standing in for our Safety and Training Officer who will be taking some holidays. Commiserations to those who can't get on the socials. It shows just how good the socials that Burney and her team organise are. You have to be quick and nominate early!

Tom

OUTINGS OFFICER'S REPORT

First of all, a big thank you to leaders for the growing number of activities on the calendar - it is as I would expect, now we are now well into Autumn. Plenty of through walks, particularly with the long weekend season. And isn't it good to see some family walks appearing. We just had another New Members camp (where wet weather gear was well tested), with the next planned for July. But I am a bit pushy - I want more! It's good to see some walks such as to Black Canyon, Oakey Creek, Flinders Peak, Mt Castle, Lost World & Sundown appearing; but there are still some areas that haven't been on the calendar for a while - Mt May, Mt Moon, Spicer's Peak, Glen Rock, Mt Castle, Paradise Creek, Toonumbah Forest, to name a few. I do look forward to the middle half of the year, when we are offered the Main Range walks (Steamers, Lizard Point, Mt Superbus, etc); the multiple ascents of Barney; the wintry chills at Goomburra & the wattle ablaze on a Girraween August weekend.

This years Pilgrimage is being organised jointly by the Qld Bushwalkers, Ipswich Bushwalkers, Brisbane Catholic Bushwalkers & the Logan & Beaudesert Bushwalkers. It will be held over the weekend 24-26 August at the Kalbar Showgrounds. The proximity to the Main Range & the many wonderful small peaks in the surrounds offers a great variety of weekend's walking including Maroon, May, Wilson's, Spicer's, Greville, Cordeaux, Moon, Mitchell, Castle & more. The list will be on the tables if you wish to nominate. More on that score in the coming weeks.

And a small reminder: in nominating for walks, it is always a good idea to re-confirm with the leader that your name has been included. Sometimes there maybe more than 1 list (possible with web nominations plus hard copy lists—generally my fault - but I think I have that one sorted with leaders now); messages left on telephones if unanswered could mean your message didn't reach its destination; & in any event it's always good to double check the departure time & place. We like to keep the number of walkers below 15 (& even less on more difficult walks) to minimise our impact both to the environment & to other walkers who may be in the area. So an unexpected turn-up at the meeting place may compromise the leader. They work hard & give freely of their time in organising the walk. So please be considerate of this.

Lynsey

Committee Notices

GUEST SPEAKERS

ROGAINING – 23 May

Rogaining is the sport of long distance navigation and the Queensland Rogaine Association organizes several events each year. It is a great way to walk in areas that you are unlikely to visit otherwise and to improve you navigational skills. You participate in teams of from 2 to 5 people and can do as much or as little as you like. Tonight we have a member from QRA to talk about what's involved, why you should do it and how to get involved.

The Queensland championships are on the weekend of 2-3 June at Maryborough and a 4hr/8hr event scheduled for 30June. If you would like to try rogaining "at an easy pace" on 30 June, contact lan Marlow on 3207-1750 or at a club meeting.

COLD AND COSY – 13 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 bushwalkers, people who "feel the cold", and anybody going on the cross country ski trip.

Ian Marlow

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to new members during April 2007

Allan Boyle Paul Cantell Fran Cheverton Liat Chung Ham

Helene Dowson James Fearnley Liz Franklin Kat Gregg

Sue McCormack Keith McKendry Jan O'Grady Gael Paul

Suzanne Pearce Don Rose Jacqui Rumley Joe Rutyna

Michelle Stark

Congratulations to the following who have recently been granted full membership:

Catherine Simpson Keith Rosbrook Ashley Needham Karl Umlauff

Linda Houldey

MAGAZINE COLLATING

Collating for July magazine is at Lynsey Moore's at The Gap on Thursday 21st June 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 3366 6135 to book.

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Out & About

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

WHEN: 6.30pm Tuesday 5 June

WHERE: Thai Pochana,

180 Oxford Street, Bulimba

CONTACT: Peter Hunt 3351 3642

Experience supports that this is one of the best Thai restaurants in Brisbane. There is a wide range of authentic Thai dishes from which to choose and they all sound so delicious. You are welcome to come along for the dinner only as the movie sessions are a little late. Movies screening will be discussed over dinner.

BRISBANE JAZZ CLUB

WHEN: Sunday 24 Jun

8:30am 1 Annie St. Kangaroo Pt.

CONTACT: Burney 32699383 or 0422386080

LIMIT: 10 COST: \$20

This is a regular hit on the last Sunday morning of the month. Come and listen to gypsy/ Manouche music in the style of Diango

Reinhardt and Stephane Grappeli. Enjoy a hot cooked breakfast and fruit while watching the river traffic and tapping your foot to some wonderful tunes. Meet at the entrance at 8.30 am. Music starts at 9am and goes to 11.30 or so. Come by car, kayak, cycle or take the Holman St. ferry.

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

Gear Sale

Wednesday 12th September 2007

Grab a bargain
Bring and buy
Label with your name and price
Instead of a speaker for the night
Come along, get all your gear!

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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