

# *The* **BRISBANE BUSHWALKER**

*July 2007*



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## BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS MONTHLY NEWS

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**BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC (EST. 1948)**  
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PRICE PER ANNUM \$20.00  
(included in Club Membership fee)

**MEETINGS:** The Brisbane Bushwalkers Club meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday. All welcome.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS:** The next committee meeting to be held at 7.30pm on **Wednesday 4th July** 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 **August** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 11th July**  
*Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!*

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### 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<sup>c</sup> 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.

## Club Officials

President	Tom Cowlshaw	3856 4050	Photographic	Elaine Beller	3356 4730
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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**)

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## 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

### June

26 SNW-2A Mt Gravatt Lookout Night Walk Ros Firster &  
Richard Lucacz 07 3324 9018

### 27 General Meeting

29-1 MTW-6C The Steamers David Thorpe 32893773 (h)

30 SDW 5B Page's Pinnacle Jon Beer 38651808  
MDW-3B Cooran Tablelands Trail John Arundel 3369 3845

30-1 MTW - 6C Mt Maroon South Ridge Through walk Marion Darveniza 3378 4031

### July

1 SDW-2A Lake Manchester: Walk and BBQ John Arundel 3369 3845  
MDW-3B Mapleton Falls to Ubajee Lookout RESERVES ONLY John Shields

MDW-5C Mt. Greville for the Vertically Challenged Jenny Zohn 3272 2732

SDW 6C Mt Beerwah - Eastern Ridge Jon Beer 38651808  
SDW-3B Yellow Pinch Photographic Elaine Beller 3356-4730

7-8 LROG-5C NavShield 2007 Peter Lock 33511184

8 LDW-3B Albert River Circuit-O'Reilly's Eddie Chappel 32619337  
MDW-8E Mt Barney via Rocky Creek  
and Upper Logans Ridge John Hinz 3846 1432 (H/W)

### 11 Open Meeting

13-15 SBC-5C New Members Base Camp - Spicer's Gap Eugene Hedemann 3359 3114

14 LDW-3B Caves/Lower Bellbird Circuit Burgi Wagner 33250629

15 MDW-4C Greenes Falls & Love Ck to Western Window John Shields  
MDW-5C Mt Maroon for the Vertically Challenged Jenny Zohn 3272 2732  
MDW-7C Mt Bangalore Survey Anne Kemp 33712707  
MDW5C Wilsons Peak Bill & Betty Healy 3849 6446

20-22 SOCIAL Bunya Mts Burney 3869 3261

MTW - 6D Double Top, Mt Huntley and Sentinel Point Cath Carkeet 3357 5607

21 SDW-5C Mt Greville Nick Brooking 04 1972 4296

22 MDW-3B Morans Falls to Lyrebird Lookout Eddie Chappel 32619337

23 SNW-2A Toohey Forest Night Walk Ros Firster &  
Richard Lucacz 07 3324 9018

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<b>25</b>		<b>General Meeting</b>		
27-30	MTW-7D	Grand Sundown Circuit	John Hinz	3846 1432 (H/W)
28	SDW 6C	2 Glasshouse Mountains - Tiberowuccum and Tibrogargan	Jon Beer	38651808
29	SDW-2A	Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Tibrogargan	John Shields	
<b>August</b>				
3-5	LDW-6D	Mt Barney for the Vertically Challenged	Jenny Zohn	3272 2732
5	SDW-3B	Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Ngungun	John SHIELDS	
<b>8</b>		<b>Open Meeting</b>		
12	MDW 5C	Wilson's Peak	Jon Beer	38651808
15	MDW 6C	Spicer's Peak	Jon Beer	38651808
17-19	MBC-5C	Rimfall Base Camp	Dawn Glancy, Lynsey Moore	3343 8854
<b>22</b>		<b>General Meeting</b>		
	MBC-6C	Girraween National Park	David McAully	32544432
26	MDW-3C	Western Window & Greenes Falls TO BE RESCHEDULED	John Shields	32646565
28	FSTW-4B	Total Lunar Eclipse	Peter Lock	33511184
31-2	FSTW-5C	Mt MAY to Mt MAROON	Jason Watson	07 32193807
<b>September</b>				
7-9	MTW-6C	The Steamers for the Vertically Challenged	Jenny Zohn	32722732
12		Open Meeting		
21-23	MBC-5C	Mt Castle & The Ampitheatre	John Dwyer	3844 9213 (a/h)
<b>26</b>		<b>General Meeting</b>		
<b>December/January</b>				
22-10	L 7D	Tasmania's South Coast	Joe Iriondo	3394 0105



## Coming Trips

### **MT GRAVATT LOOKOUT NIGHT WALK**

Night Walk Tue 26 Jun

LEADER: Ros Firster &  
Richard Lucacz 07 3324 9018

EMAIL: rosfirster@hotmail.com

GRADE: SNW-2A

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Torch, water & a smile

DEPART: 6:30pm QE11 Hospital carpark; Cnr  
Kessels & Troughton Rds

You asked for something a little different. This will be a 2 hour walk through the university campus and Toohey Forest culminating in the Mt Gravatt Lookout & wonderful views over the city. We plan a faster pace - so a little more exercise after a day at the "office". This will co-incide with a waxing moon (a couple of days before Full), making for a enjoyable night walking experience. And of course we will finish with coffee locally.

### **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 carrybag

COST: \$9 camping + fuel

DEPART: 8pm Aratula after dinner.

CAR KMS: 400km

MAP: Mt. Superbus.

This activity is full.

### **PAGE'S PINNACLE**

Day Walk Sat 30 Jun

LEADER: Jon Beer 38651808

GRADE: SDW 5B

LIMIT: 12 (including leader)

DEPART: 7:30am Fairfield Gardens carpark

CAR KMS: 170?

MAP: Mudgeeraba 1:25000 topographic

NOMINATE: Direct to leader please, and if leaving a message include all details or nomination may not be accepted.

Page's Pinnacle is located in the Gold Coast hinterland near Springbrook. The walk begins on an old forestry road which initially goes down to cross a creek before climbing towards the pinnacle. At an 'obvious' point we leave the road crossing open eucalypt country to the start of the ascent. There is a short rocky razorback to negotiate (hence the 5 grading), but this is not too

technical. Most of the climb to the top is gradual in open country. Along the way we get good views up to Lamington and down to the coast. After a leisurely lunch we return via the same route.

### **COORAN TABLELANDS TRAIL**

Day Walk Sat 30 Jun

LEADER: John Arundel 3369 3845

MOBILE: 0438 768 416

EMAIL: jarun1@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW-3B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Always take, p.3; 3L min. water

COST: Petrol contribution

DEPART: 7am Alderley Carpark

CAR KMS: 220

This walk is one of a number prepared by the Noosa Shire Council for hikers. Travel is north via the Bruce Highway to Pomona, then Cooran. This walk starts at the Tablelands Lookout, about six kilometres north-east of Cooran, in the Noosa Hinterland. The track descends through grazing land - onto Ewart's Rd - then Upper Pinbarren Rd which rises quite steeply in places and onto the return track through the Woondum State Forest. This latter track leads back to the Lookout, which has toilets, etc. There are sweeping views from the Lookout extends from the Glasshouse Mountains, across to Noosa and the lakes and up towards Double Island Point. The walk is about 12km. and takes 4-5 hours, depending on the pace of the group. Coffee afterwards at Cooran

### **MT MAROON SOUTH RIDGE T' WALK**

Through Walk Sat 30 Jun - Sun 1 Jul

LEADER: Marion Darveniza 3378 4031

EMAIL: Lmdarven@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MTW - 6C

LIMIT: 8

BRING: Usual through walk gear, party food

COST: \$4.50 camp fee + car pooling costs

DEPART: 7am TBA

CAR KMS: 210km

MAP: Maroon 1:25 000

We will climb Mt Maroon via the South ridge, lunch on top then descend via Maroon Ck to camp at Paddy's Plain. On Sunday morning with a light day pack, we will explore a tributary of Maroon Ck, return to Paddy's plain for a late lunch, then follow Paddy's gully to the falls. From there it is a short walk to Mt Barney Ck, then along the creek back to the cars. Since there is a good rock scramble towards the top of Mt Maroon, it is advisable to take a fairly light pack. Water will have to be carried until an hour or so after lunch on Saturday.



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**LAKE MANCHESTER: WALK AND BBQ**

Day Walk Sun 1 Jul  
LEADER: John Arundel 3369 3845  
MOBILE: 0438 768 416  
EMAIL: jarun1@bigpond.net.au  
GRADE: SDW-2A  
LIMIT: 14  
BRING: Always take, p.3; 2L water; + your own BBQ dinner  
DEPART: 2pm Assemble near Hall/Ranger's House off Lake Manchester Rd  
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park 1:30000

The Lake used to be the main water source for Brisbane in a by-gone era. Walk begins in picnic area, at southern end of the lake; we use walking tracks on the south-west side of the Lake. Walk for 2-3 hours, depending on pace of the group. Probably birdlife on the lake, if there is any water left. Afterwards, BBQ in the picnic area. Finish up about 6pm-7pm. For newer members who wish to know what Club walking is like; and older members who wish to be reminded. Remember: bring your own BBQ food, etc.

**MAPLETON FALLS TO UBAJEE LOOKOUT**

Day Walk - Reserves ONLY 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 Aspley [Aust Post sign]  
CAR KMS: 200km  
MAP: Sunshine Coast hinterland Grt Walk  
This activity is full.

**MT. GREVILLE FOR THE VERTICALLY CHALLENGED**

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  
This activity is full.

**MT BEERWAH - EASTERN RIDGE**

Day Walk Sat 7 Jul  
LEADER: Jon Beer 38651808  
GRADE: SDW 6C  
LIMIT: 12 (including leader)  
DEPART: 7:30am Alderly carpark.  
CAR KMS: 130?  
MAP: Glasshouse Mountains 1:25000 topo.  
NOMINATE: Direct to leader please, if leaving a message include all details

Mt Beerwah is the highest of the Glasshouse Mountains located north of Brisbane. We commence the walk at the base of the slabs on the northern side going around the mountain to the commencement of the ridge. This is an excellent ascent route of this ancient volcanic remnant, with good rock scrambling skills required. Some interesting features are encountered on the way up, which we will 'explore'. Great views can be had from the top of the surrounding area and down to the coast. After lunching at (or near) the summit we return via the 'tourist' route.

**YELLOW PINCH PHOTOGRAPHIC**

Photographic Day Walk Sat 7 Jul  
LEADER: Elaine Beller 3356-4730  
MOBILE: 0417-069-366  
EMAIL: embeller@gmail.com  
GRADE: SDW-3B  
LIMIT: 12  
BRING: usual day walk gear, camera, tripod (if avail.), morning tea to share, lunch  
COST: car pooling cost  
DEPART: 9am Fairfield Gardens carpark  
Our guest photographer on this walk is Ian Marlow, and the theme is landscapes. Note the late start from Fairfield Gardens car park! We will car pool to the Yellow Pinch day use area, near Mt Barney where we begin with a shared morning tea whilst looking at Ian's prize-winning photos, and discuss photographic techniques for landscapes. Then we'll walk along the creek, and back over Yellow Pinch. Unless the weather is bad, we'll probably stay quite late in the day to get some afternoon and sunset photos of Mt Barney, so be prepared for a late return to Brisbane.

**ALBERT RIVER CIRCUIT-O'REILLY'S**

Daywalk Sun 8 Jul  
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337  
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com  
GRADE: LDW-3B  
LIMIT: 14  
BRING: As per p.3 +2lt Water  
COST: Petrol Money \$20  
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens  
DISTANCE: 20.6 km  
NOMINATE: Phone, email or at meetings  
This is a graded walking track in the O'Reilly's section of the Lamington NP. It has some of the most spectacular scenery of all the tourist tracks in the park. The walk commences at the O'Reilly's resort & heads out along the border track. It passes through rainforest, has many waterfalls & has an excellent view from Echo Point lookout. It is an excellent walk for those new to the club & who wish to do a walk as an introduction.

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**MT BARNEY VIA ROCKY CREEK  
AND UPPER 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: 5am Fairfield Gardens car park  
MAP: Mt Lindesay 1:25000  
NOMINATE: No List - contact 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 Ck. Part way up Rocky Ck 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 SE 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 unforeseen 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.

**NEW MEMBERS BASE CAMP - SPICER'S GAP**

Base camp Fri 13 - Sun 15 Jul  
LEADER: Eugene Hedemann 3359 3114  
EMAIL: eugene.hedemann@gmail.com  
GRADE: SBC-5C  
LIMIT: 22 probationary, 8 full members  
BRING: Base camp gear, chair, warm clothes, stove, tent, food for weekend, 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 250km  
MAP: Cunninghams Gap 1:25000, 9341-11  
NOMINATE: Phone or email only

Spicer's Gap is a pleasant NP campsite in the Main Range at the foot of Spicer's Peak. There are toilets but no showers. There are fireplaces but strictly BYO firewood. Some tank water is available but I suggest you bring your own drinking water. 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 and/or send you road directions. Sat. morning at 8am we will have talks on safety, ethics, etc. For those who would like a reasonably challenging walk, Lynsey Moore will take a group up Spicer's Peak. For the others, we will do an easy circuit taking in Governor's Chair and Mt Mathieson. 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 and then a walk up Mt Greville with lunch on top. (Note: Mt Greville is a reasonably short day walk but there is a 600m ascent.) 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 and be prepared to participate in all activities as your assistance will be valuable to the group.

**CAVES/LOWER BELLBIRD CIRCUIT**

Day Walk Sat 14 Jul  
LEADER: Burgi Wagner 33250629  
EMAIL: burgi@wagner.id.au  
GRADE: LDW-3B  
LIMIT: 12 incl. leader  
BRING: see Mag page 3 + warm gear  
COST: petrol contribution  
DEPART: 7:30am Fairfield Gardens carpark  
CAR KMS: 210km  
MAP: Lamington

The walk from Binna Burra down to the Caves and further on to the Info Centre provides an excellent view into the Coomera Valley. After about 500m on the road we then turn into the Lower Bellbird Circuit and walk below the Bellbird cliffs to the Lower Ballanjui Falls where we will have lunch. After lunch we head back up to the escarpment along the Shipstern track taking in some excellent views to Shipstern and over the Kurraragin Valley. This approx. 16km walk is suitable for new members who like walking in the rainforest and do not mind a longish uphill after lunch. Please note the later starting time!

**GREENES FALLS and LOVE CREEK  
TO WESTERN WINDOW**

Day Walk Sun 15 Jul  
LEADER: John Shields  
GRADE: MDW-4C  
LIMIT: 15/  
BRING: page3items/2l water



COST: fuel contribution  
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro shop centre  
[Westpac sign]  
CAR KMS: 70km  
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park  
NOMINATE: ONLINE 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 CHALLENGED**

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 Carpark  
This activity is full.

#### **MT BANGALORE SURVEY**

Day Walk Sun 15 Jul  
LEADER: Anne Kemp 33712707  
EMAIL: anneikemp@hotmail.com  
GRADE: MDW-7C  
LIMIT: 6  
BRING: usual day walk gear  
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens  
MAP: Teviot 1:25000

NOMINATE: Contact leader by phone/email.  
Mt Bangalore is in Main Range NP. This will be a survey as it is several years since my last visit. We will approach Mt Bangalore from the Mt Bell saddle after a fairly steep up out of the gorge. The day will involve several scrambles with some moderate exposure. Our descent will follow one of the steep grassy ridges back to the cars. From Bangalore the views are quite spectacular with lots of sheer cliffs.

#### **WILSONS PEAK**

Day Walk Sun 15 Jul  
LEADER: Bill & Betty Healy 3849 6446  
GRADE: MDW5C  
LIMIT: 8  
BRING: 2lt water, membership card. See "always take p.3 mag.  
COST: 230 kms @ 9c km.  
DEPART: 7:30am Fairfield Gardens carpark

CAR KMS: 230  
NOMINATE: Contact leader directly by phone or nominate on website-give all info-car, no of passengers, ph number, suburb, membership status (F or P).

Wilson's Peak is located in the Main Range at Teviot Gap, South East of Boonah. We shall ascend via the "short route". We will re-group at Boonah & convoy from there to Teviot Gap. Crossing farmland we find a somewhat overgrown track which takes us into rainforest and up into a saddle with some great views to Lizard Point, Mts Greville, May & Maroon and Moogerah and Maroon Dams. Also, as a bonus we often see Wedgies up here. There's a small cliffbreak to negotiate but nothing difficult. We will be walking at a leisurely pace with plenty of rest stops. Lunch on top and back the way we came to our refreshment stop at Boonah. Suitable as a first off-track walk for members who have completed several longer track walks, are reasonably fit and don't mind a steep up and down.

#### **XMAS IN JULY AT THE BUNYAS**

Base Camp Fri 20 - Sun 22 Jul  
LEADER: Burney 32699383  
MOBILE: 0422386080  
GRADE: SOCIAL  
LIMIT: 23  
BRING: Chair, day walk gear, Xmas outfit, requested 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  
This activity is full.

#### **DOUBLE TOP, MT HUNTLEY & SENTINEL PT**

Throughwalk Fri 20 - Sun 22 Jul  
LEADER: Cath Carkeet 3357 5607  
GRADE: MTW - 6D  
LIMIT: 6  
BRING: Usual TW gear, water for Fri night & Saturday, containers for 6L water  
COST: \$4.50 camping fee + petrol  
DEPART: 7:30pm Friday night BP Aratula  
CAR KMS: 350  
MAP: Cunningham's Gap & Mt Superbus 1:25000

This is a throughwalk in the Main Range NP, accessed from its western side. The plan is to camp Friday night in the upper reaches of Swan Ck. Saturday we climb Double Top, then head south along the Main Range track to the summit of Mt Huntley for Saturday night. This features an interesting rainforest razorback, a steep climb up Mt Huntley and the Huntley cliff break which is a

bit tricky. From the Mt Huntley campsite, it's about a 20-25 min descent to water, so you should pick up water for the evening and the next day capacity for about 6lt is required. Sunday we descend Mt Huntley via its south-western ridge, then drop packs and climb to Sentinel Point for lunch and great views. We take an old 4WD track to descend back to the cars. Like all Main Range walks, this features impressive views, lots of up and down and a variety of terrain from rainforest to open forest with grass trees. Drivers of 4WD who are able to provide transport into Swan Ck are especially welcome!

### **MT GREVILLE**

Day Walk Sat 21 Jul  
LEADER: Nick Brooking 04 1972 4296  
EMAIL: brooking@bigpond.com  
GRADE: SDW-5C  
LIMIT: 12  
BRING: Usual Day Walk gear. 2lt Water  
COST: \$19 Fuel  
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens carpark  
CAR KMS: 210Kms  
NOMINATE: NO LIST - CONTACT LEADER via  
EMAIL OR MOBILE

Mt Greville is an isolated peak near Aratula. It has open eucalypt forest, heath, cliffs, great views and a couple of interesting gorges. 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.

### **MORANS FALLS TO LYREBIRD LOOKOUT**

Day Walk Sun 22 Jul  
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337  
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com  
GRADE: MDW-3B  
LIMIT: 14  
BRING: As per mag, 2 lt water  
COST: Petrol Money \$20  
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens  
NOMINATE: Phone, Email or at meeting

This is a 12km walk in the O'Reilly's section of the Lamington NP. The walk is along the western edge of the escarpment & provides several excellent views toward the west. We will also see Balancing Rock, Moran's falls, Lyrebird Lookout, Moonlight Craig, Orchid Grotto & Lost World. It is a very interesting easy walk. The walk is an excellent introduction for new members who may be unfamiliar with the Lamington NP.

### **TOOHEY FOREST NIGHT WALK**

Night Walk Mon 23 Jul  
LEADER: Ros Firster &  
Richard Lucacz 07 3324 9018  
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. 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.

### **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 Thursday 26 July  
MAP: Mt Donaldson and Sundown 1:25000  
NOMINATE: No List - contact leader directly  
Sundown NP 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 it's most interesting features. We will have dinner in Warwick before overnighing at the NP Broadwater camp ground. Day One will see us rock hopping up McAllisters Ck, 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 Ck 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 NP.

### **2 GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS - TIBEROOWUCCUM AND TIBROGARGAN**

Day Walk Sat 28 Jul  
LEADER: Jon Beer 38651808

GRADE: SDW 6C  
LIMIT: 12 (including leader)  
DEPART: 7am Alderly shopping centre carpark  
CAR KMS: 130?  
MAP: Glasshouse Mountains 1:25000 topo.  
NOMINATE: Direct to me please, and if leaving a message include all details or nomination may not be accepted.

The Glasshouse Mountains located north of Brisbane offer many walking opportunities, especially climbing them. We'll do a warm-up 'mountain' - Tiberowuccum, before the main event Tibrogargan. These two 'mountains' are pretty close to each other so we won't have to drive far between them. Tiberowooocum offers a relatively short climb with some rock near the top, but the summit isn't very big. Our second climb will be up Tibrogargan via the conventional route. As this is a very used 'track' it is quite eroded in parts so due care must be shown when ascending. The top of 'Tibro' being very open offers all round views. After lunching at the summit we'll (carefully) descend via the same route. If you've been to Tibrogargan but never climbed it then this is a good opportunity.

#### **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  
NOMINATE: ONLINE 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 Tibrogargan. 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 CHALLENGED**

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

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 5 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  
NOMINATE: ON LINE PREFERRED  
NOTE: Walk rescheduled from 12th AUG

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.

#### **WILSON'S PEAK**

Day Walk Sun 12 Aug  
LEADER: Jon Beer 38651808  
GRADE: MDW 5C  
LIMIT: 12 (including leader)  
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens carpark  
CAR KMS: 240?  
MAP: Wilson's Peak 1:25000  
NOMINATE: Direct to leader please, if leaving a message include all details or nomination may not be accepted.

Wilson's Peak is located in the southern main range near Boonah south of Brisbane. The walk will start at Teviot gap and will take the form of a circuit initially by walking along the road roughly west. We begin our climb in rainforest on the border fence gradually climbing to the cliffs where

a little detour has to be taken to get back on the ridge. A cliff break takes us onto the final summit climb. Lunch on top with a 'window' view will be followed by our descent back to below the cliff break where we will then follow the old fence line through rainforest then open country, and paddocks back to the cars.

### **SPICER'S PEAK**

Day Walk Wed 15 Aug  
LEADER: Jon Beer 38651808  
GRADE: MDW 6C  
LIMIT: 12 (including leader)  
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens carpark  
CAR KMS: 240?  
MAP: Cunningham's Gap 1:25000 topo.  
NOMINATE: Direct to leader please, if leaving a message include all details or nomination may not be accepted.

Spicer's Peak is located in the northern end of the Main Range not far from Aratula south southwest of Brisbane. The walk will take the form of a circuit walk ascending the main east peak from Governor's Chair before following along the top to the western end. Good rock scrambling skills are required for the climb up to the Peak. Most of this area is covered in rainforest but there is a good viewing point looking down the main range from the top. There are some open sections between east and west where the forest opens up giving broad views. Lunch will be at a rocky outcrop on a spur from the western 'peak' (if I can find it?). After lunch we descend the spur west in open country before 'dropping' down eventually to the Spicer's Gap road which we follow back to the cars.

### **RIMFALL BASE CAMP**

Base Camp Fri 17 - Sun 19 Aug  
LEADER: Dawn Glancy,  
Lynsey Moore 3343 8854  
EMAIL: rayanddawnlancy@yahoo.com.au  
GRADE: MBC-5C  
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 accommodation + car contribution  
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 Ck Falls with the assistance (hopefully) of 4 wheel drives to avoid a 5km 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 90mts. 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.

### **GIRRAWEE NATIONAL PARK**

Base Camp Fri 24 - Sun 26 Aug  
LEADER: David McAully 32544432  
MOBILE: 0418 794421  
EMAIL: davemcaully@inet.com.au  
GRADE: MBC-6C  
LIMIT: 15  
BRING: Usual Base camp gear  
COST: \$9 camp fees  
DEPART: 8pm Caltex Service Station, Warwick  
CAR KMS: 520  
MAP: Girraween National Park

Girraween NP is classic granite country with some spectacular features. It is south of Stanthorpe near the Qld NSW border. The wildflowers should be in bloom at this time of year and the wattles in particular are spectacular. We travel down on Friday night and set up camp at Castle Rock campground. Saturday we will be doing a circuit walk and visiting Underground River and the Aztec Temples before climbing Mt Norman, the highest peak in the park. Great views of the park are to be seen from the top. The optional climb to the summit is via a chimney. This increases the terrain grading to 6 but the rest of the walk is only a 4. We will then descend and return to camp by the track that passes Turtle Rock & Castle Rock. The amenities at the campground include hot showers which are welcome after a day's walk. Saturday dinner is a BBQ. Bring your own meat and I will arrange the salads etc. Girraween can be quite cold so bring warm clothes. Sunday we start the day with a quick climb to the top of the 1st Pyramid which again has great views of the park including Mt Norman. Then it is back to camp and pack up before heading off to visit a couple of Stanthorpe's wineries. Lunch will be at the restaurant at Hidden Ck Winery followed by desert at the Bramble Patch which offers a selection of waffles, ice-cream and an assortment of berries. Then it is off to the Heritage Winery for coffee. As you can see, Sunday is quite exhausting so make sure you have the stamina to endure it.

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**TOTAL LUNAR ECLIPSE**

Moon Watch Bivvy Tue 28 Aug  
LEADER: Peter Lock 33511184  
MOBILE: 0419 496 837  
EMAIL: peter2007@lock.id.au  
GRADE: FSTW-4B  
LIMIT: 12  
BRING: Party food, Dinner, dessert  
DEPART: 4pm

The total eclipse of the moon will occur on 28th August. We will drive to a vantage point away from the city lights with a good view to the east. (Location has not been determined yet - maybe Ngun Ngun.) We'll lay on the ground and watch the spectacle, while making our through-walk style dinner. The show starts with a full moon rising at 5:21pm, followed by sunset at 5:33pm. The eclipse begins at 5:52pm and concludes at 11:22pm. We may need to be in our sleeping bags to stay warm enough, so we may as well sleep there and come home early next morning. Bring food, moon-related stories and songs. We will be outside for several hours on a winter night, so don't underestimate your need for warm clothes.

**MT MAY TO MT MAROON**

Family Though Walk Fri 31 Aug - Sun 2 Sep  
LEADER: Jason Watson 07 32193807  
EMAIL: jlwatson@bigpond.net.au  
GRADE: FSTW-5C  
LIMIT: 8  
BRING: 2lt water, see p.3 always take  
COST: Camping fees \$4.50 + fuel  
DEPART: Transport prearranged  
MAP: Maroon 1: 25,000

We will camp Friday night at Mt May camp ground before setting off to bag the peak of Mt May. After some great views of Mt Barney and probably a spot of breast feeding, we will make our way down the standard ridge to Paddys Peak. We will probably stop there again for some more breast feeding, some lunch for us, and a short sleep before making our way to Paddys Plain. Sunday will see us travel up the back of Maroon via the creek before traversing the usually scungy northern flanks across the top before descending via the tourist route down to the cars. This day also will be accompanied by several nappy changes and occasional breast feeds. I will be conducting camp site monitoring on this walk, so if you are interested in monitoring and can put up with a baby then come along then again maybe next time.

**THE STEAMERS FOR THE VERTICALLY CHALLENGED**

Through Walk Fri 7 - Sun 9 Sep  
LEADER: Jenny Zohn 32722732  
GRADE: MTW-6C

LIMIT: 8 inc. leader  
BRING: Warm gear,  
COST: \$9 EPA+ \$20 petrol contribution  
DEPART: 8pm Aratula after dinner.  
CAR KMS: 400km  
MAP: Mt Superbus

Although this walk will be conducted at a moderate pace, it is not suitable for first timers, preference will be given to folk who like me have issues with the up's. This is a classic cold winter t'walk in the Main Range NP. We start on Fri night with dinner at Aratula then head off to our first night's campsite. Sat morning we start with some steep ups which gets us to the Funnel & Mast for morning tea then up to the Stern to see the view of the Steamers shown by Ian Marlow on our website. After lunch we climb Mt.Steamer for views of the area then descend to the Steamer Saddle for our second nights camp(water avail here). On Sun morning we follow the Main Range north to Davies Ridge where we drop our packs and continue north to climb to Lower Panorama Pt. for great views. We return to the packs for lunch then walk down Davies Ridge to the cars. 1x4WD car required by nominees.

**MT CASTLE & THE AMPITHEATRE**

Base Camp Fri 21 - Sun 23 Sep  
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)  
MOBILE: 0408 077 491  
EMAIL: jgdwyer@bigpond.net.au  
GRADE: MBC-5C  
LIMIT: 12  
COST: 2 nights camp fee  
DEPART: 6pm To be advised  
CAR KMS: 400 (inc side trips)  
MAP: Townson & Glen Rock 1:25000

This weekend is about tracking down the still flowering (hopefully!) giant spear lily (*Doryanthes palmeri*). We will travel to Goomburra on Friday night and set up camp. On Saturday we visit Sylvesters Lookout and walk along the eastern escarpment to Laidley Falls. 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. The razorback ridge is exposed so you need to be OK with heights. On Sunday we will venture out to the western escarpment and visit the Amphitheatre and Blackfellow Falls. Sunday is an easier and shorter day but we are likely to encounter some minor scunge.

**TASMANIA'S SOUTH COAST**

Throughwalk Sat 22 Dec - Thu 10 Jan  
LEADER: Joe Iriondo 3394 0105  
MOBILE: 0438 056 354  
EMAIL: jli@mts.net.au  
GRADE: L 7D

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LIMIT: 8  
BRING: Complete through pack  
COST: \$1000  
DEPART: 8am Meet at Hobart  
CAR KMS: Flight  
MAP: Tasmania South Coast Walks  
We will walk the southern most extremity of Tasmania, the Southwest NP, a Wilderness World Heritage Area. The southern coast of Tasmania is beautiful wild and isolated and has unpredictable weather. The walk is quite difficult and we will be walking for 8 days with 2 days

break for rest or unfavourable weather. From Hobart we will travel as a group on a chartered flight to Melaleuca. We will first take a side trip to the SW Cape perhaps spending a day resting at Wilson Bight camp site. We then retrace our steps to the South Coast Track turn off and walk the 82 km southern coast of the NP to Cockle Ck. This should take us 7 days allowing for a rest day. It is expected that we will arrive at Cockle Ck on the morning of Thursday 3 January 2008 in time to catch the afternoon bus to Hobart.

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### **THE FUTURE OF MORETON BAY**

The Environmental Protection Agency is carrying out its scheduled 10-year review of the zoning plan for Moreton Bay Marine Park. This 3-stage Zoning Plan Review is the opportunity for the community to help plan the future of Moreton Bay in south-east Queensland.

You can [shape the future plan](#).

### **QUEENSLAND STATE CLIMATE STRATEGY**

Have your say on Queensland's climate plans.

ClimateSmart 2050—Queensland Climate Change Strategy is the State government's response to the climate change debate. The Queensland Government is asking for comments and feedback on the strategy and issues relating to climate change by 4 July 2007.

Comment on [ClimateSmart 2050](#)

### **POPULATION EPETITION**

A new Queensland Parliament ePetition is encouraging Queensland residents to persuade the State government that the population of south-east Queensland must be sustainably managed.

The ePetition is sponsored by Debra Henry of Thornlands who says, 'If you are concerned with the rate of population growth in SEQ and want to ensure that the SEQ region is not legally locked into non-negotiable, high growth for the next 20 years . . . then sign this on-line e-petition.'

[Find out more](#) about the online petition and the population issue in south-east Queensland.

### **QUEENSLAND HERBARIUM SEMINAR SERIES**

9 July - Recent research on vegetation thickening with Rod Fensham. 13 August - Fire, rehabilitation, restoration with Geoff Smith. Seminars are held the Queensland Herbarium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens at Mount Coot-tha.

Call +61 7 3896 for bookings and information.

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# Pilgrimage 2007

*What is it?*

**It's a big base camp for members of the various bushwalking clubs in Queensland.**

*When is it?*

**24-26 August 2007**

*Where is it?*

**Kalbar Showgrounds**

This year it is co-hosted by Queensland Bushwalkers, Ipswich Bushwalkers, Brisbane Catholic Bushwalkers and Logan and Beaudesert Bushwalkers. You're welcome to arrive and set up camp from noon on Friday. A supper of soup, cake, coffee and tea will be available from 7:00PM.

Walk registration sheets will also be available from 7:00PM.

On Saturday there will be over 20 walks ranging from very easy to quite challenging including Mt's French, Alford, Greville, Maroon, May, Fraser, Cordeaux, Castle, Moon, Mitchell and Matheson, as well as Spicers Peak, Goolman Lookout, Wilsons Peak. So there is something there for everybody.

Saturday night there is a bush band and dance. A light supper will be supplied. The theme for the night is "half and half" so dress in half formal and half bushwalking gear.

Sunday morning a Bushwalker Breakfast will be served followed by the annual Pilgrimage Games.

The showgrounds have a large hall with camp kitchen (BYO cups, plates cutlery), tables chairs, hot showers and toilet blocks. There is a large camping area for tents. Campervans and caravans can also be accommodated but there are limited powered sites available.

***What does all this cost?***

\$25 per person if your payment is received before 24/8/2007 or \$30 if you pay at the event.

***How do I register?***

You can download a registration form from

<http://au.geocities.com/qldpilgrimage> or email [qldpilgrimage@yahoo.com.au](mailto:qldpilgrimage@yahoo.com.au)

or phone 3341 7509. Fill in the form and send it with you payment to the address on the form.

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## Logan Relay For Life on 28-29 July 2007

**The Logan Relay For Life is an 18 hour relay for teams of 10-15 people to be held at Gould Adams Park in Kingston on Sat 28 and Sun 29 July 2007.**

**The event starts at 3.00pm Saturday and goes through the night until 9.00am in the morning.**

**It is a great festival type event with full stage entertainment through the night including Radio MC, bands, dog shows, and movies through the evening.**

**Teams set up tents around the track, to socialise, encourage other walkers, watch the entertainment and ambience or to have a power nap.**

**Logan Relay For Life is a Cancer Council Queensland fund raiser, (such as their Daffodil Day).**

**If you are interested in registering a team or volunteering please contact:  
BBW member and Logan Relay For Life Facilities Coordinator  
Malcolm Crabtree on Ph: 0421 994 828.**

**For further information refer to 1300 65 65 85 or [www.relayforlife.org.au](http://www.relayforlife.org.au)**

# Report from Kokoda

After arriving at Port Moresby airport, I met a few of my fellow trekkers and caught the shuttle bus to our hotel. Charlie Lynn our trek leader, an ex Vietnam vet and Simon Hart his 2IC an ex navy man met us for dinner. Out of 45 trekkers there were only seven women and only three Queenslanders.

At five the next morning carrying full backpacks we set off to meet our porters and guides - 65 in total! A few ground rules were set here. Joe was our head guide and no one went ahead of Joe! Our tail-end-charlie was Amos. That was the first and last time I saw Amos as I was never at the tail but I did see Joe a lot! With my porter, Peter next to me, I started off down the hill on my great adventure across The Owen Stanley Range. The Range is the south-eastern part of the central mountain-chain in Papua New Guinea. It was named after him Captain Owen Stanley who surveyed the south coast of Papua in 1849.

It wasn't long before we came to our first river crossing, the Goldie River. It was flowing fast! Peter took both backpacks (his and mine) across the river and came back to help me across. The water was chest high for me and it was difficult to keep on my feet. Luckily, Peter had hold of my hand as I lost my footing. One of the other porters grabbed my other hand and they got me to the other side safely. We reached our first campsite at Imita Base about 4.15pm ready for a wash in an icy cold creek and a change into some dry clothes. I was in bed by about 8.00 the first night and it wasn't long before it started raining. It bucketed down and yes, the tents leaked.

Reveille was usually around 5.00 -6.00am. By the time we packed away our gear and put on our wet clothes, breakfast was ready. Every morning before we left camp, Charlie would give us a track briefing on the history of that area.

We set off for our climb up to Imita Gap, the ridgeline the Australians were ordered to defend at all costs. Imita Gap was the final obstacle between the advancing Japanese and their objective at Port Moresby. We then had a steep descent to our campsite at Ofi Creek

Next day we were off to Nauro Village via the Maguli Range climbing numerous false ridges but enjoying the spectacular views. It was a tough day on the thighs and knees and I was glad to get into camp. Neil, the first of my fellow trekkers to be airlifted out, left us then as he was having trouble breathing. Next day we had to trek through the mosquito infested Nauro swamp area to the Nauro River where the porters built a bridge from small trees bound together with vines so we could cross. It was a short day's walk into camp at Menari at 12.30. Menari was an up market town, showers but unfortunately no privacy and of course no hot water. We got a chance to do a little washing and hoped that it might dry. Our only free afternoon and it had to rain...and rain it did for the rest of the day.

We woke to a beautifully sunny day. Setting off at 7.15 we crossed the Menari airfield and down to the Vabuyavi River and another log crossing. Then we started the grinding climb up Brigade Hill for morning tea. Brigade Hill was the site of the biggest battle of the Kokoda campaign passing over uneven ground which Charlie told us was the graves of unknown soldiers.

At Efogi village we visited the museum which has a collection of Australian and Japanese weapons, ammunition, bayonets, helmets and boots. Leftovers from the war were all around us. At Efogi, the village children put on a sing sing for us then they all lined up and we all shook hands and thanked them for their hospitality. We set off down to the Kava River and another grinding climb up to Naduri Village. I didn't think that we were ever going to get there. Arriving into camp at 6.45 tired, hungry and very muddy. Dinner that night was a nice big pot of stew with fresh vegetables that the villagers had prepared for us.

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Next morning we met Ovoru Indiki, who claims that he is 102 and is an original fuzzy wuzzie angel.

Another of my fellow trekkers was airlifted out from Naduri village after a bad reaction to the malaria tablets. We trekked towards Tovovo Ridge to Tovovo Gap and through a moss forest area with more mud and then some more mud. That campsite was the worst on the track. Not a blade of grass to be seen, just nice rich thick black soil and of course rain, rain and more rain.

Our next climb was to the crest of Mt Bellamy, the highest point on the track (2190m). It was then a steep descent to the Kokoda Gap and down to Templeton's Crossing No 1 and onto camp at Eora Creek. This was the scene of utter chaos during the withdrawal. Wounded diggers were forced to crawl up the track while their mates desperately tried to buy them time against the advancing Japanese. Those who couldn't were given morphine and a gun. Next morning, we left our packs and crossed Eora Creek and climbed to the Japanese defensive position. It had dominating views over Eora Creek and campsite and we gained an appreciation of how difficult it would have been for the Australians to breach this obstacle.

Then it was a steep climb up to Alola Village and Isurava Memorial. This was the toughest day terrain wise and most people were starting to feel the heat and humidity also and the effects of walking for 8 days. To make matters worse my porter had a relapse of malaria and was struggling himself. One of the other porters took the pack from him to make it easier and we continued on very slowly. I arrived into camp about 6.30 totally exhausted. Later on that night I was told that they had to make a stretcher to carry Peter back into camp.

At 5am the next morning a memorial service was held at the Isurava Memorial over looking the Yodda Valley near the site of the memorial to Private Bruce Kingsbury. When the Japanese broke through the Australian positions near Isurava village, Kingsbury rushed forward firing his Bren gun. He caused a number of casualties and cleared a path through the enemy that enabled his mates to push the enemy back. He was shot dead by a sniper and was awarded the Victoria Cross for his bravery.

After breakfast we trekked down to Isurava village via Etume and Ilole creeks down the mountain through old garden areas overgrown with choko vines. Morning tea was another great spread from the villagers of fresh fruit and drinks. On to Deniki which was the scene of the first battle after the Japanese attacked Kokoda. After the Australians were forced off the Kokoda plateau they made a brave stand at Deniki. From here they sent out patrols which recaptured Kokoda for a short time but were eventually forced to withdraw to Isurava after a brief but intense battle.

At Kovello Village, the villages gave us a traditional welcome and we then continued on to Kokoda and camped in the grounds of the Kokoda hospital. Our last night in a tent and no more hills to climb! But of course our celebrations were dampened by the rain which continued most of the night. We presented donations of medical supplies and any unused medications to Sister Margaret from Kokoda Hospital.

It was then off to the Kokoda museum to inspect the monuments and memorials. We proceeded down to the Kokoda airfield to meet the chartered aircraft for our flight back over the track to Port Moresby. First priority, a HOT shower, then a few drinks! Next morning we were up at 4.00am for the Dawn Service on Anzac Day at Bomana War Cemetery. It was very moving and everything all seemed well worth all the training and effort that I had put in when I found my uncle's grave.

Despite the mud, rain and humidity and no proper shower each night walking the Kokoda Trail has to be one of the best experiences of my life and one that I will never forget.

Joan Davey

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## DIGITAL CAMERA PROBLEM

Recently I found my Canon A series camera intermittently jamming in the lens extended position & in the zoom mode.

The Canon call centre advised that the most likely fault cause was a small amount of grit jamming the lens extension system (error code was E18). I rattled, wriggled & bumped the lens a bit & all came back to normal as obviously the obstruction came free. My camera went on the forthcoming trip.

Probably just common sense, but obvious message is to be extra careful with these small extensible lens cameras in any dusty, dirty or sandy conditions. Lou Darveniza

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## HERE'S ONE FOR THE LADIES!

This listed on my gmail site and I couldn't resist sharing.....[www.whizbiz.com.au](http://www.whizbiz.com.au)

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## THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the wonderful people who joined me on my Logan's Ridge, Mt Barney walk:  
Frank, Cheryl, Lesley, Burgi and Adrienne

Anne Kemp's group who climbed up North Ridge and met up with us on top:  
Lynley, Joe and Karl, also Nick and Tom.

BRI\$IE BILL for his great poem (a bit flattering though)

Last but not least, Lou & Marion Darveniza: Lou for his tips on navigating Logans Ridge, Marion wh submitted the pre trip report etc. Unfortunately, Marion because of her accident could not make it.

Thank you, one and all for a wonderful birthday

Ralph

## NEW MEMBERS

*Wellome to the following new members during May 2007*

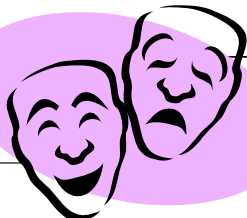
Penny Bird	Merrilyn Colussi	Suzanne Connor	Ann Crome
Kent Gordon	George Hepter	Julie Horton	Ann Isaac
Glen Johnston	Sharon Kennedy	Philip Kimmet	Andrew McLeod
Sue McLeod	Lise Morgan	Jodi Needham	Bec O'Brien
Jordo O'Brien	Peter Rogers	Louise Schollum	Mary Sherlock
Feona Studdert	Melissa Town	Leah Ward	Stephanie White
	Mary Willis	Jill Wootton	

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

Hugh Begbie	Imas Prahara
Margot Springthorpe	David Long
Kevin Stanton	

## Magazine Collating

Collating for August magazine is at Tom Cowlshaw's on Thursday 19th July 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.



## Out & About

### DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

WHEN: 6.30pm Tuesday 3 July  
WHERE: Decks, Southbank,  
in the middle of the Parklands  
CONTACT: Peter Hunt 3351 3642

Anyone for seafood? There is a good range of seafood along with the usual chicken and meat dishes available. You can even finish with dessert and coffee. All at reasonable prices and the Southbank Cinema is only a few minutes away. You are welcome to come along for the dinner only. The movie sessions are a little late and there is no obligation to join in for this part of the evening. Movies screening at the time will be discussed over dinner.

### BRISBANE JAZZ CLUB

#### PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATES

WHEN: 8.30 am Sunday JUNE 24  
1 Annie St. Kangaroo Pt.  
CONTACT: Burney 3869 3261 or 04223 86080  
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 Django 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 8.30am. Music starts at 9am and goes till 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 very 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.

## SWAP SHOP

Grab a Bargain! Bring & Buy!

Label with your name and price

Come along, get all your gear!

*DON'T MISS OUT*

Wednesday 12th September 2007

Instead of a guest speaker for the night.

### FOR SALE - NEW SILVER ROPE

I recently purchased a quantity of 12mm dia. silver rope and have two [2] lengths each twenty five metres long which is surplus to my requirements. This rope is 3 ore spiral wound polypropylene fibre which is UV RESISTANT and has a working load in excess of 2000kg. It will also float, does not absorb water, has minimum stretch, will not rot, chemical resistant, and resists mildew. Each length has an eye splice in one end and is priced at \$20-00 per length.

Enquiries to John Shields phone 07-32646565

***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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