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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 1st October** is at Tom Cowlshaw's at 47 Samford Rd. 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 **October** magazine is the Open Meeting **Wednesday 8th October**
Pre-trip descriptions for all activities please!

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"On the Verandah - near Wilsons Peak"
by Tom Hulse

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^c 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

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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; 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. Each passenger should expect to contribute 10-15 cents per km. Large cars and 4WDs obviously cost more to run than small cars. If there are 3 or more passengers then 10c/km is probably a reasonable contribution. If you are unhappy with the contribution amount, you are always free to take your own vehicle.

CAMPING FEES: National Park or State Forest camping fees are \$4.85 per person per night. (The leader will provide details.) NSW National Parks also charge \$7 per vehicle per day.

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

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

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

PROGRAM

ALWAYS TAKE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD WITH YOU

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

September

23 MDW-5C Mt Maroon Wendy Spiry 3353 3927

24 Meeting - Storm Danger Presentation

26-28 MTW-7D Barney Gorge Through Walk Lou & Marion Darveniza
27-28 LTW-6C Stinson Stretcher Track Through Walk Ray Glancy 3343 8854

28 SDW-5C Flinders Peak Eddie Chappel 32619337

October

4 SDW 5C? Springbrook Pinnacle - Survey Jon Beer 3865 1808
MDW-2B Mt. Cordeaux/Bare Rock for Under 40s Deniz & Adam Clarke 0412 007 360
LDW-3B Aracuria Lookout Wendy Spiry 3353 3927

5 MDW 4C Border Gate to Binna Burra Mary Comer 3844 6231
SDW-1A Bird Watching Walk And Breakfast Ray Glancy 3343 8854
MDW-4C Greene's & Love Ck Falls John Shields 32646565
MDW-6C Mt Maroon - Caves Route Kevin & Leanne Pinter
32733517
MDW3B Leader Training - Daves Creek Circuit Kay Byrne 3397 1021

7 SOCIAL Piaf - Grey St South Brisbane Peter Hunt 33513642

8 Meeting - Photographic Competition

10-12 MBC-5B Girraween Janine Hope & Peter Hunt 33977706 & 33513642

11 MDW-5C The Cougals Don Rose
SDW3B Spicers Gap Greg Long 3841 1720

12 MDW-4C Glasshouse Mtns-Mt Cooee [SURVEY] John Shields 32646565
MDW5C Mt Maroon Explorer John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)

17-19 MBC-3B NEW MEMBERS BASE CAMP - Brisbane Forest Park Ray Glancy 3343 8854
LBC-5D Bald Rock Sortie Greg Kuss. 37208245

18 ABS-7C Redcliffs Abseil Anne Kemp, Greg Long 3371 2707

19 SDW-5C Mt Greville Kevin & Leanne Pinter 32733517
SDW5A Mt Matheson Janine Hope 3397 7706

22 General Meeting and AGM

25 MDW -5C Lizard Point Mary Comer 3844 6231
MDW 5C Mt Bell and Mt Bangalore Jon Beer 3865 1808
LDW-3B Coomera Circuit Greg Long 3841 1720

26 MDW-4C Northbrook Mtn John Shields 32646565
MDW-6C Lost World & Albert River Circuit Paul Gorell 3882-2489
MDW4B Cainbale Falls John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)

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November

1	MDW-6C	Spicer's Peak	Lynsey Moore	3366 6135
2	LDW 3C	Binna Burra to O`Reillys	Mary Comer	3844 6231
8	M4BDW	Lower Portals / Barney Creek camp site	Greg Long	3841 1720
9	LDW-3C	Illinbah Circuit from the Northern Park Boundary	Eddie Chappel	32619337

12 Meeting - Carnarvon Great Walk

14-16	MBC-3/4C	Under 40s Mt Glorious Base Camp	Deniz and Adam Clarke	0412 007 360
	MBC-5C	Rimfall Base Camp	Ray and Dawn Glancy	3343 8854
	KYK	Moreton Island	Jenny Zohn	
22	MDW-3C	Noosa NP and Sunshine Beach	Greg Kuss.	37208245
	MDW-6C	Morans Creek	David Sydes	33184085
23	MDW-2A	Morella and Maiala Track Walks	Deniz Clarke	0412 007 360

26 Meeting -

29	MABS-6C	Back Creek Abseil	Anne Kemp, Danny Mullins	3371 2707
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December

12-14	FBC3C	Mt Glorious Family Base Camp	John Shields	32646565
20	MDW-6D	Black Canyon	David Sydes	33184085
27-26	LTW-6D	Tasmania 4 Walks	Julie Moore	3353 5641

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

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



Coming Trips

MT MAROON

Day Walk Tue 23 Sep
LEADER: Wendy Spiry 3353 3927
MOBILE: 0409890513
EMAIL: aspiry@powerup.com.au
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: See always take P3 of mag
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 200 km
MAP: Maroon

Mt Maroon is a prominent peak of 967m height in the Mt Barney National Park. We will be doing the normal "tourist" route up the north east ridge and having lunch on the top. This is a beautiful mountain and the route we will be taking gives us great views of the mountain itself. The views from the top are really spectacular. We will descend the same way we came up. We do make an elevation gain of 600m so reasonable fitness is required.

BARNEY GORGE THROUGH WALK

Through Walk Fri 26 - Sun 28 Sep
LEADER: Lou & Marion Darveniza
EMAIL: louandmarion@gmail.com
GRADE: MTW-7D
LIMIT: 6
BRING: Usual through walk gear, party food
COST: \$9.70 camp fees +fuel costs
CAR KMS: 210 km
MAP: Mt Lindsay 1:25 000

This activity is full.

STINSON STRETCHER TRACK THROUGH WALK

Through Walk Sat 27 - Sun 28 Sep
LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854
MOBILE: 0419 719 480
EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: LTW-6C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: usual through walk gear, must take P3 in magazine, gaiters, scunge gloves
COST: \$5 camp fee + Car contribution
DEPART: 6am 24 Morialta Street, Mansfield
MEMBERSHIP CARD: You must bring your Membership card on this walk

On February 19th, 1937, the 3-engined Stinson aircraft City of Brisbane' departed for Sydney and

crashed in the Lamington National Park. Anecdotal accounts of its route led authorities to believe that it had crashed out to sea east of Lismore or off the coast north of Sydney. Because of the cyclonic conditions that prevailed at this time, communications with the Lamington Plateau and O'Reilly's Guesthouse were disconnected leaving Bernard O'Reilly, who operated the guesthouse with his wife, significant repair work after the cyclone passed. It was a week after the disappearance of the Stinson that Bernard O'Reilly discovered that the Stinson was missing. He believed that it had traveled on its usual route and believed that it must have crashed in the Lamington area. He took his horse as far as the horse could manage, sent the horse home, and continued on foot to where he believed the plane may have crashed. He climbed a tree, saw a burnt tree 5 ridges across and through an astonishing piece of bush navigation found the 2 survivors 11 days after the crash. He descended the ridge down to Christmas Creek, raised the alarm and assisted in the rescue of these 2 men. This walk is intended to show how difficult it must have been for O'Reilly and the other rescuers to ensure the survival of these 2 men. We will retrace O'Reilly's footsteps up Christmas Creek, having morning tea at Westray's Grave (1 crash survivor who died trying to get help), up a steep ridge and then proceed to the wreck site for a late lunch. After lunch it is on to Point Lookout to set up camp and take in the great views over the Scenic Rim and Mt Warning. Sunday sees us exiting back to Stinson Memorial Park via the Stretcher Track which is nearly invisible today. We will be battling the usual rainforest vines so gloves and long gaiters/pants are necessary. The Stretcher Track is reasonably flat but is approximately 13 kms which makes the day quite long and we will all be pleased to see the cars. After a clean up, and if time permits, we will have coffee at Beaudesert RSL late Sunday.

FLINDERS PEAK

Day Walk Sun 28 Sep
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337
MOBILE: 0432733847
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com
GRADE: SDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: As per Mag. 2 litres water
DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This activity is full.

SPRINGBROOK PINNACLE - SURVEY

Day Walk Sat 4 Oct
LEADER: Jon Beer 3865 1808
GRADE: SDW 5C?
LIMIT: 8
BRING: gaiters, and scunge gloves could be useful too

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 200?

MAP: Springbrook 1:25000 topographic

NOMINATE: Direct to leader please

Springbrook Pinnacle is located in the Springbrook NP on the Gold Coast hinterland. This feature is usually accessed from the Warriie Circuit track walk as a sidetrip. We'll be accessing it from the valley via Austinville Road not far from the recent Pilgrimage. In fact this walk is a 'copy' of one of the Pilgrimage walks, but is still a survey as I've not done this walk previously. From the end of the road we walks up a steepish ridge to Mt Fairview where we should get great views of the surrounding area and our destination. We follow the ridge from here to the pinnacle negotiating any obstacles along the way. Those who wish to can climb the pinnacle but this is not compulsory. Lunch will be had near the base and then we return via the same route. I imagine by reading the description that the Gold Coast bushies had on the Pilgrimage program and from their grading that this will be a relatively short walk with some rock scrambling skills required.

MT. CORDEAUX/BARE ROCK FOR UNDER 40S

Day Walk Sat 4 Oct
LEADER: Deniz & Adam Clarke 0412 007 360
EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com
GRADE: MDW-2B
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Usual day walk gear

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

This is a 12km walk from Cunninghams Gap. We walk through rain forest to Mt Cordeaux where we will probably have morning tea. Then continuing gently uphill we will take a short side track to Morgans Lookout before we get to Bare Rock for lunch. We return via the same route. We have a variety of vegetation, views and the remains of mining ventures. It is a walk suitable for new members.

ARACURIA LOOKOUT

Day Walk Sat 4 Oct
LEADER: Wendy Spiry 3353 3927
MOBILE: 0409890513
EMAIL: aspiry@powerup.com.au
GRADE: LDW-3B
LIMIT: 15

BRING: See "always take" P3 of mag

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: approx 200km

This is a 17km day walk on track which begins and finishes at the car park at Binna Burra. We walk through beautiful rainforest and if we're lucky we could see a spectacular display of orchids at either Orchid Bower lookout or Aracuria Lookout a little further on. That's the idea of doing this walk at this time of the year. This walk is suitable for new members but because of the length of the walk reasonable fitness is required.

BORDER GATE TO BINNA BURRA

Car Swap Sun 5 Oct

LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231

MOBILE: 0427446000

EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW 4C

LIMIT: 24

BRING: Usual day walk gear

DEPART: 7am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Lamington NP

Eddie Chappel is leading this walk with me. One of us will start at the car park at Binna Burra in Lamington NP and follow the Border Track to Mt Hobwee where we will meet the group who started walking at the Border Gate in the Numinbah Valley. From the border fence the track goes into the wonderful and huge Bushrangers Caves. From there it is a scramble up a steep earthy bank, hanging onto tree roots and then a rough rocky track through rainforest to the track system at Wagawn. From here this group will follow the track to Mt Hobwee for lunch and swapping car keys. If you indicate that you can drive please be aware that from the Binna Burra junction in the Numinbah Valley someone else will drive your vehicle to the start of the walk. Please bring an extra set of car keys just incase we do not meet on the track ! This can happen ! If you have done a number of track walks with the club and want something a little more demanding this walk may suit you. NB This walk has been changed from Sat 4 Oct to Sun 5 Oct.

BIRD WATCHING WALK AND BREAKFAST

Day Walk Sun 5 Oct

LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854

MOBILE: 0419 719 480

EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au

GRADE: SDW-1A

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Binoculars, Usual day walk gear, 1 litre water, short gaiters, chair, plate, knife, fork, teaspoon, cup, glass

COST: Breakfast cost approx. \$3.50 per person

DEPART: 6am F R Catterson Park, Mansfield Place, Mansfield UBD Map 201 R4 & UBD Map 202 A4

CAR KMS: Own transport

MAP: Not available

This walk will hopefully discover some birds in their breeding plumage - binoculars are a must - We meander alongside Bulimba Creek down from the picnic ground and follow the creek along the river flats. We will return to the picnic ground via another track on the river flats. There will be expert birders on hand - also bird books available as we determine what bird we are looking at. This walk does not count towards full membership. Breakfast (between 8.30 and 9.00 a.m.) will be juice following by croissant with bacon and egg and coffee/tea. Come along if you want a relaxing walk and are interested in birds.

GREENE'S & LOVE CK FALLS

Day Walk Sun 5 Oct

LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565

MOBILE: 0447 824 988 [on walk day only]

EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au

GRADE: MDW-4C

LIMIT: 15

BRING: usual P3 day pack/min 2 litre water

COST: \$12 FUEL

DEPART: 7:00am UBD MAP108 F16 Albany Ck Centro Shopping Centre

CAR KMS: 40

MAP: BFP

SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PREFERRED

NO LIST AT MEETINGS CONTACT

LEADER DIRECT

From Maiala Pk we take the tourist track via Rainforest Walk and Cypress Grove to Greene's Falls. From here we follow a foot pad uphill past the stone cairn and gnurled gum down the ridge to Love Ck . A short down stream stroll brings us to Love Ck Falls. A short break then back upstream to turn off into Annies Ck and up the track and cascades to where the creek levels. This will be our lunch break before taking a track uphill and over to Greenes Falls. A shorter more direct track will be taken back to the cars. This is a new variation of how I usually walk in this area and while the section up the cascades is challenging a fair degree of fitness is expected. While graded 4 it is a high 4 because of the cascade section. The usual coffee stop at Samford Bakery will be enjoyed on the way home.

MT MAROON - CAVES ROUTE

Day Walk Sun 5 Oct

LEADER: Kevin & Leanne Pinter 32733517

EMAIL: kevinleanne@primusononline.com.au

GRADE: MDW-6C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Usual day walk gear

DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Maroon 1:25000

Mt Maroon is located in Mt Barney NP south southwest of Brisbane off the Boonah-Rathdowney road. This walk starts at the usual place for Mt Maroon walks but quickly departs from the normal route. Once 'off track' we traverse a gully or 2 before ascending a spur to the cliffs. Here we contour until directly under the cave. From the cave we get interesting views of surrounding country as we enjoy our morning tea. We then contour/climb around the mountain and ascend to the northern rim. The going is now more open and views abound. We will continue to the main summit and stop for lunch. Descent is via the 'tourist track'. If you are not certain of your ability to do this walk at a reasonable pace please contact the leaders before nominating. Please nominate via the website (or contact leaders). NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

LEADER TRAINING - DAVES CREEK CIRCUIT

Training Sun 5 Oct

LEADER: Kay Byrne 3397 1021

EMAIL: kby51515@bigpond.net.au

GRADE: MDW3B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Guide for Leaders; map and compass

DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens

MAP: Beechmont 1:25 000

This leader training day is open to any member who is interested in leading walks. Experienced leaders will assist by giving short, informal talks during the day. Members can bring their own map and compass, or draw them from the equipment officer or librarian. Knowledge of navigation is not a pre-requisite. Topics covered will include club insurance, leader ethos, walk planning, walk surveys and walk promotion, and advice about leading a walk. The training programme will be sent to nominees by email or by other arrangements. You will need to obtain a copy of the Club's Guide for Leaders from the librarian. We start and finish the walk at Binna Burra. It is not a long or difficult walk - the emphasis will be on training.

GIRRAWEEEN

Base Camp Fri 10 - Sun 12 Oct

LEADER: Janine Hope & Peter Hunt 33977706 & 33513642

EMAIL: peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MBC-5B

LIMIT: 15

BRING: Page 3 & BBQ & salad or Nibbles

COST: NP camp fees & fuel
MAP: Girraween NP

This activity is full.

THE COUGALS

Day Walk Sat 11 Oct
LEADER: Don Rose
MOBILE: 0409 20 7763
EMAIL: donrose@y7mail.com
GRADE: MDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Always Take on Pg3, at least 2L water
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: Approx 240km
MAP: Sunmap 1:25,000 Springbrook
NOMINATE: Direct to Leader

The Cougals are twin peaks in the Springbrook National Park on the NSW border. We'll park the cars at the end of The Garden of Eden Rd, follow the track beside the border fence up a steep ridge through some lantana at the start. We get good views as we climb. Then we enter rainforest and eventually it gets steep and rocky. When we reach a cliff line there is an interesting cave, which we'll have a look at: make sure you bring your torches. A bit of a scramble up an easy cliff break through spear lilies to the summit of East Cougal with more great views. Then over the saddle to West Cougal, it's a bit rougher and a little more scrambling. We will return via the same route. Currumbin for coffee. This is a good walk for new members who have climbed a couple of mountains on tracks and are now ready to go off-track.

SPICERS GAP

Day Walk Sat 11 Oct
LEADER: Greg Long 3841 1720
MOBILE: 0408 264 763
EMAIL: longmg@netspace.net.au
GRADE: SDW-3B
LIMIT: 14
BRING: Bring Usual day walk gear, + 2lt water, morning tea, hat, sunscreen, insect repellent. LUNCH TO BE LEFT IN CARS
DEPART: 7:30am sharp Redbank Station Car Park
CAR KMS: 170 km
NOMINATE: Preferred nomination by website or email

We will car pool from Redbank Station to the Pioneer Graves picnic area at Spicers Gap. We then walk up the road, passing through a bell-bird grove with whip birds too. We will admire the fantastic view from the Governor's Chair Lookout,

which overlooks the Fassifern Valley and Lake Moogerah. The walk then continues as the Heritage Trail with examples of the road building techniques used by the pioneers who carted wool over the range at this point in the 19th Century. Information Boards along the way tell the story. The Trail then continues to Mt Matheson, which overlooks the Cunningham Highway as it climbs between Mt Cordeaux and Mt Mitchell. We return to cars at the picnic site for lunch. Those who have the afternoon free can head back to Flavours at Boonah for cake and coffee at their leisure. Access to Spicers Gap is via an excellent dry weather gravel road. This road will close in wet weather. If rain is forecast please call leader to discuss alternative plans.

GLASSHOUSE MTNS-MT COOEE [SURVEY]

Day Walk Sun 12 Oct
LEADER: John Shields 07-32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988[on walk day only]
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW-4C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack [as page3] 2litre WATER
COST: \$12 FUEL
DEPART: 7:00am Aspley Pick 'n' Pay (Aust Post sign)
CAR KMS: 80
MAP: Glass House Mtns
SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PREFERRED
NO LIST AT MEETINGS CONTACT LEADER DIRECT

A survey walk to find a way off-track up Mt Cooe from the south to view Mt Tibrogargen from the east. We may even see mountain climbers scaling the east face. Once this is achieved we will descend the north slope and then decide our next move. We have several alternatives and will make a group decision which way to go depending on whatever. Once the excursion is completed a stop off at Vecchio's for coffee will be in order. Whilst it is rated 4, I am sure it is more a 3 but I am not one to mislead the innocent. TRUST ME ?????

MT MAROON EXPLORER

Day Walk Sun 12 Oct
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MOBILE: 0408 077 491
EMAIL: john@mountainmojo.info
GRADE: MDW5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Usual Day Walk Gear
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: Approx 240
MAP: Maroon 1:25000

There is a lot to explore on top of Mt Maroon. We will go up the well worn tourist route but then quickly leave the track after we get to the saddle. After exploring the northern escarpment we will head across the 'crater' to the gorge. After walking the top part of the gorge we then climb to the summit and go on to the southern escarpment. Depending on energy and interest levels we'll either find a more interesting way back to the saddle or follow the tourist route back to the cars. Reasonable fitness is required. NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

NEW MEMBERS BASE CAMP - BRISBANE FOREST PARK

New Members Base Camp Fri 17 - Sun 19 Oct
LEADER: Ray Glancy 3343 8854
MOBILE: 0419 719 480
EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: MBC-3B
LIMIT: 25
BRING: Base camp gear, tent, sleeping bag etc. PLUS 'Must take Page 3'
COST: \$11 per person
DEPART: tba
CAR KMS: tba
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park
MEMBERSHIP CARD: A current Membership Card must be carried on this activity

This activity is full.

BALD ROCK SORTIE

Base Camp Fri 17 - Sun 19 Oct
LEADER: Greg Kuss. 07 37208245
EMAIL: gregorydk@optusnet.com.au
GRADE: LBC-5D
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Base camp, Day walk gear, food and drink for happy hour.
COST: ~\$45+ petrol contrib
DEPART: 6pm prearranged
MAP: Hema Girraween and Bald Rock, and topographic.

Bald Rock is the largest exposed granite rock in Australia. The N.P. is across the boarder near Stanthorpe. Transport prearranged. We regroup at Caltex Roadhouse Warwick for dinner. Camping in the camping area Fri and Sat nights. We start our hike early Sat morning. We will visit, Bald Rock, little Bald Rock, South Bald Rock, West Bald Rock and Middle Rock. Most of the day will be on fire trails, but we venture off to visit the rocky outcrops and encounter some scunge and rocky minor scrambles. We travel at a medium pace to cover the distance. Saturday evening food and drinks encouraged for happy hour. Sunday we pack up early and drive to Girraween

N.P. via a short cut (if I can find it). We do the Sphinx and Turtle Rock track walk with some minor scramble up Turtle Rock. Sunday arve if enough interest is shown we will visit the Bramble Patch 15k S of Stanthorpe for berry icecream, coffee and wine tasting; if not, afternoon tea Warwick roadhouse. Endurance will be required for this weekend with early starts and long days. Mostly on tracks. Punctuality expected. Great photography in this area, monochrome, and Spring wild flowers, plus views.

REDCLIFFS ABSEIL

Day Walk Abseil Sat 18 Oct
LEADER: Anne Kemp, Greg Long 3371 2707
MOBILE: 0411327704
EMAIL: anneikemp@hotmail.com
GRADE: ABS-7C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: Abseil equipment and usual DW gear
COST: \$10 rope hire, \$10 harness and hardware hire if required. Petrol.
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Murphys Creek 1:25000
WALK LIST: No list at meetings. Please phone or email leader.

This is an abseil for people who have completed the two day BBW abseil training at Kangaroo Point. Redcliffs is a short section of beautiful sandstone cliffs in the Helidon Hills (north west of Gatton) which offers an extensive range of opportunities to practice much longer drops or experience a range of overhangs. The walk in is short so we'll have plenty of time to try different routes. Please let me know if you need to hire club equipment or need more information.

MT GREVILLE

Day Walk Sun 19 Oct
LEADER: Kevin & Leanne Pinter 32733517
EMAIL: kevinleanne@primusononline.com.au
GRADE: SDW-5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Day walk gear
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Mt Alford 1:25000

Mt Greville is a beautiful isolated peak east of Aratula. We will ascend via Waterfall gorge and descend Palm Gorge. At the top of Waterfall gorge is a great spot for morning tea, and then on to the summit for lunch. There are spectacular views of Lake Moogerah and the main range from both spots. This is a good introduction to 'off track' walking but you need to have done a few harder track walks previously. Please nominate via the website (or contact leaders). NO LIST AT MEETINGS.

MT MATHESON

Day Walk Sun 19 Oct
LEADER: Janine Hope 3397 7706
MOBILE: 0417707663
EMAIL: j_hope@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: SDW5A
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 8:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 170 km

We will leave Fairfield Gardens at the later time of 8am and have coffee at Aratula. From here we will proceed to the Pioneer picnic area at Spicers Gap. This is a relatively easy walk requiring basic fitness but there is a little scrambling over a rocky steepish section. The views from Governor's Chair are magnificent and we will stop for lunch there. After lunch the walk continues as the Heritage Trail and there are some interesting features of early pioneering days. Back at the carpark we can visit grave sites of early settlers in the area. The road in is a dirt road but it is acceptable for 2 wheel drive vehicles. Website nominations preferred.

LIZARD POINT

Day Walk Sat 25 Oct
LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231
MOBILE: 0427446000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: MDW -5C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Mt. Superbus 1:25000

This activity is full.

MT BELL AND MT BANGALORE

Day Walk Sat 25 Oct
LEADER: Jon Beer 3865 1808
GRADE: MDW 5C
LIMIT: 8
BRING: plenty of water in case its hot??!!?
DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 230?
MAP: Mt Superbus and Teviot 1:25000 topographic

NOMINATE: direct to leader please

Mt Bell and Mt Bangalore form part of the Main Range near Boonah southwest of Brisbane. Mt Bangalore is more of an eastern ridge/peak, than part of the range but is adjoined to Mt Bell. We start by leaving one vehicle at the finish of the walk near Mt Bangalore off the Head Road, before driving up the range to start the walk at Teviot Gap. From there we walk in along the old road crossing one branch of Teviot Brook, not

long after which we leave the road and go down to the creek. We will have time to stop briefly at the top of both branches of Teviot Brook (before they drop down over the escarpment) before heading up Mt Bell. In very pretty rainforest until we reach the summit, we'll then break out into open country and views of the nearby Main Range peaks. Following the ridge down we come to a narrow but not too technical get-down into the saddle with Mt Bangalore. It is then a gentle climb to the higher area of this open country mountain. After lunch we'll descend not far from the top down an initially very steep slope back to our vehicle left earlier in the day.

COOMERA CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sat 25 Oct
LEADER: Greg Long 3841 1720
MOBILE: 0408 264 763
EMAIL: longmg@netspace.net.au
GRADE: LDW-3B
LIMIT: 14
BRING: Usual day walk gear, 2L water + member card + togs
COST: \$19 (210km)
DEPART: 7:00am sharp Eight Mile Plains Bus Station Car Park behind the toilets
NOMINATE: Preferred nomination by website or email

The Coomera Circuit is a very scenic 17.5km walk beginning from the Binna Burra carpark. We begin on the Border Track before branching off on the Coomera circuit. We pass through rainforest and giant brush box until we get to the brilliant view of the Coomera falls. The gorge itself has a depth of 160m. The circuit crosses the river several times before rejoining the Border Track. We will find a nice lunch spot at one of the many waterfalls and have a swim. The walk is suitable for beginners with reasonable fitness.

NORTHBROOK MTN

Day Walk Sun 26 Oct
LEADER: John Shields 32646565
MOBILE: 0447824988[on walk day only]
EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
GRADE: MDW-4C
LIMIT: 15
BRING: Day Pack [as page3] 2litre WATER
COST: \$12 fuel
DEPART: 7am Albany Ck Centro Shopping Centre
CAR KMS: 40
MAP: BFP

NO LIST AT MEETINGS

ON LINE BOOKINGS PREFERRED

The forest is entered via Lawton Rd and down to the track which leads up to the crest at a leisurely

pace and then enjoy smoko and the views. We then follow the rocky ridge with many rock orchids which should still be flowering from peak to peak. We reach the highest point and have smoko no.2. Descending down an old snigging track we get back on the road for a short walk to the track leading out to Eaglehawks Nest which we ascend to have lunch and views down Northbrook Ck. A leisurely walk back to the cars and return to the coffee stop at Samford before heading home. Reasonable fitness is required.

LOST WORLD & ALBERT RIVER CIRCUIT

Day Walk Sun 26 Oct
LEADER: Paul Gorell 3882-2489
MOBILE: 0422-091-300
EMAIL: gorell@powerup.com.au
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Always Take - Page 3
DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: Approx. 250km

As Ray's walk in August is full, I thought there may be others who'd like to do this fantastic walk. Lost World is part of the southern section of Lamington NP. We'll access it from the Kerry Valley south of Beaudesert. The initial ascent to the ridge is fairly steep and slow. Sections of the razorback are narrow and exposed and require good balance. There are spectacular views all along the razorback. We will have morning tea at the waterfall campsite. We'll then traverse the top of Lost World before dropping steeply into the Worendo Saddle for lunch. To return, we'll descend south into the right branch of the Albert River and rock hop back to the cars. This is a strenuous and longish day requiring good stamina and we'll need to maintain a fairly brisk pace to exit in daylight. This walk is not suitable for those who are nervous about heights. Please note the 6.30am departure. Please nominate via the web site or phone leader. No list at meetings.

CAINBABLE FALLS

Day Walk Sun 26 Oct
LEADER: John Dwyer 3844 9213 (a/h)
MOBILE: 0408077491
EMAIL: john@mountainmojo.info
GRADE: MDW4B
LIMIT: 12
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 220
MAP: Hillview 1:25000

These falls are usually dry but are in an attractive part of the Lamington National Park (near O'Reillys) not often visited. The walk follows a ridge through a Hoop Pine forest, past some

large Gympie Gympie trees and then down to Cainbale Creek and onto the falls. We should see some orchids in bloom at the falls lookout. We will also visit Belson's Lookout and Kerry Lookout. It is about a 45 minute walk from Kerry Lookout along Duck Creek Road to complete the circuit. Some magnificent grass trees grow along this section of the road. There is only about 300 meters of altitude gain on this walk and about 4 kms is off track or on a rough track.

SPICER'S PEAK

Day Walk Sat 1 Nov
LEADER: Lynsey Moore 3366 6135
MOBILE: 0409 725843
EMAIL: moorealjac@optushome.com.au
GRADE: MDW-6C
LIMIT: 10
BRING: Usual day walk gear, + 3lt water
DEPART: 6:00am Fairfield Gardens
CAR KMS: 210
MAP: Cunninghams Gap

Parking the cars at the Governor's Chair car park at Spicer's Gap, we will initially follow a fenceline through open forest. As we ascend the route becomes more open & steeper with some rock scrambling and exposure but rewarded with fabulous views north along the main range. Nearing the summit (& morning tea) we will avoid a cliffline via a gully in rainforest. From here we will cross to the west summit again through moss festooned rainforest, keeping to the right to pick up a spur that takes us down emerging from the rainforest at an outcrop for lunch. We will continue a short way down the spur to a fence. From there we will take a bearing on Mt Mitchell & follow that through open forest to a road, which we will then follow to the west carpark on the Mt Mathieson Circuit & then back along the circuit track to the cars. In all around 700m of 'up'. Then to the customary coffee stop at Aratula. ALSO because it is late in the season I want to get an early start to ensure we have most of the climb finished before the day warms up.

BINNA BURRA TO O'REILLYS

Car Swap Sun 2 Nov
LEADER: Mary Comer 3844 6231
MOBILE: 0427446000
EMAIL: mco71878@bigpond.net.au
GRADE: LDW 3C
LIMIT: 30
BRING: Usual day walk gear
DEPART: 6am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington NP

This activity is full.

ILLINBAH CIRCUIT FROM THE NORTHERN PARK BOUNDARY

Day Walk Sun 9 Nov
LEADER: Eddie Chappel 32619337
MOBILE: 0432733847
EMAIL: edwin.chappel@bigpond.com
GRADE: LDW-3C
LIMIT: 12
BRING: As per Mag, 2 Litres water
DEPART: 7:00am Fairfield Gardens
MAP: Lamington National park

Illinbah Circuit is a 17 km walk in the Lamington National Park. We will start this walk from the farm houses beside the Coomera River outside of the northern boundary of the park. We will walk into the circuit & then walk the entire circuit. There are quite a number of creek crossings on this walk so it is certain that everyone will get their feet wet. Some confidence with creek crossings is desirable. The creek on this walk is very beautiful. As it is November we should be able to have a swim at Gwongoorool pool & probably at one other location. Because we are starting the walk from the creek itself we do not have to do the hard slog up the ridge at the end of the walk which is familiar to Illinbah Circuit walkers in the past. This walk would suit new members. Please nominate by home phone, e-mail or at meetings.

UNDER 40S MT GLORIOUS BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 14 - Sun 16 Nov
LEADER: Deniz and Adam Clarke
0412 007 360

EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com
GRADE: MBC-3/4C
LIMIT: 25
BRING: Base camp gear, tent, sleeping bag etc. PLUS 'Must take Page 3'
COST: \$11 per person
MAP: Brisbane Forest Park
MEMBERSHIP CARD: A current Membership

Card must be carried on this activity
For those young at heart, we have been offered exclusive weekend use of the Barracks at Mt Glorious. The walks will be decided by group discussion and there is scope for a variety of different walks, especially if other leaders attend. Members are required to arrive Friday night so we can start walking 8am Saturday morning. The Sunday walks will be finished by lunchtime. The Barracks includes hot shower, septic toilet and electric kitchen. Please bring 10 litres of water for drinking if you are not comfortable with tank water. The gate to the barracks is 700m on the left past the Maijala Picnic area. Gate to be kept closed at all times, except when driving through it. Tent area is quite flat, no tents on the helipad please. Contact leader if you require further in-

formation. Email bookings preferred.

RIMFALL BASE CAMP

Base Camp Fri 14 - Sun 16 Nov
LEADER: Ray and Dawn Glancy 3343 8854
MOBILE: 0418 778 369
EMAIL: rayanddawnglancy@yahoo.com.au
GRADE: MBC-5C
LIMIT: 20
BRING: Linen, food, daywalk gear, 4WD (if you have one), pooled dinner Saturday night (to be pre-arranged)
COST: \$38 per person for 2 nights accommodation PAYABLE ON NOMINATING + car contribution (if pooling)

CAR KMS: approx 220 km

MAP: Lamington

MEMBERSHIP CARD: A current Membership

Card must be carried on this activity
PEOPLE WHO HAVE A 4 WHEEL DRIVE WILL GET PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT. This is a relaxed base camp on 1200 ha cattle property next to Lamington NP. We stay in 3 cottages which have fully equipped kitchens (fridge, stove, also a microwaves). 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. For those who have done Running Ck Falls a number of times, there may be the possibility of a harder walk - possibly Black Snake Ridge or up England Creek - this will be decided on Friday night. A dinner will be pre-organised for Saturday night so let me know your specialty (nibbles, main course, dessert). Sunday we will do another walk or 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. Sunday lunch will be leftovers from Saturday night, and then a quick clean up of the cottages and head off home. 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 ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE A 4 WHEEL DRIVE.

MORETON ISLAND

Base Camp/kayak Fri 14 - Sun 16 Nov
LEADER: Jenny Zohn
GRADE: KYK
LIMIT: reasonably open
BRING: Basecamp & Kayak Gear, Night

Lights, Party food, Extra Water, Snorkeling.

COST: TBA

DEPART: 6pm 14 Howard Smith Dve, Lytton

NOMINATE: Online bookings. No list at meeting
The Plan is to catch the ferry to Tangalooma Wrecks on Fri Night and paddle north up the beach and set up base camp. Sat we will paddle to Bulwar and return. Sun will see us paddle back to the wrecks for snorkeling and a further paddle to Tangalooma Resort and return before the Ferry arrives to take us back to Bne. Its a full moon mid-week so the light should be good for the night paddle. Sea Kayaks are recommended, your nightlights & PDF are compulsory and additional lights are advised. Paddlers should be competent in basic skills, inc wet entry and small surf launch. This trip is not suited for first time paddlers. You will need to book your own ferry/camping spot after being accepted. Please include email address in nomination. I will send further details closer to the date.

NOOSA NP AND SUNSHINE BEACH

Day Walk Sat 22 Nov

LEADER: Greg Kuss. 07 37208245

EMAIL: gregorydk@optusnet.com.au

GRADE: MDW-3C

LIMIT: 12

BRING: Day pack, Dress: smart hiking/beach wear

COST: \$12+ petrol contrib.

DEPART: 7:00am Alderley

MAP: QPWS Noosa National Park

This activity is full.

MORANS CREEK

Day Walk Sat 22 Nov

LEADER: David Sydes 33184085

MOBILE: 0419871100

EMAIL: david.sydes@isofthealth.com

GRADE: MDW-6C

LIMIT: 10

BRING: Usual day walk gear, gaiters

DEPART: 5:30am Fairfield Gardens

CAR KMS: 200

Earlier this year, we discovered that after many years of being inaccessible due to scunge and fallen logs, Moran's Creek has been washed out, and is a delightful place to discover. In March we entered the creek via Lukes Bluff and the Com-mando track - this time, we'll access via Castle Crag. We will follow the track to Moran's falls, then out to Castle Crag for a spectacular morning tea. From here, we will drop down a steep slope to the northern side of Castle Crag, then walk down the ridge which separates Moran's Creek

from the North branch of the Albert River. There is a bit of scunge (lantana) here, but nothing too serious. We'll then drop into Moran's Creek, which is an extremely attractive creek, with cascades, waterfalls, and several swimming opportunities. We'll rock hop up the creek to the base of the falls, stopping to swim and marvel at the scenery as the mood takes us. The exit is via the old track and stairway alongside Moran's falls, and we will follow the graded track back to the road and the cars. You'll need to be prepared for a long day (note the 5:30am start - expect about 7 hours walking), and be reasonably competent at rockhopping - there are some fairly large boulders to be negotiated in the upper reaches of the creek. You WILL get wet feet, but it's an experience not to be missed !!

MORELLA AND MAIALA TRACK WALKS

Day Walk Sun 23 Nov

LEADER: Deniz Clarke 0412 007 360

EMAIL: denizclarke@gmail.com

GRADE: MDW-2A

LIMIT: 15

BRING: membership card, the usual magazine page 3 must take.

COST: Nil - own transport

DEPART: 7:30am Park and Ride area, corner Illowra & Waterworks Road, The Gap UBD Ref 137 P20 (we will do a car shuffle from here to avoid taking too many cars up the hill).

These are two short track walks (total 10.2km) in the Brisbane Forest Park Area. The first walk starts from the Manorina car parking area, the walk climbs gently through initially a rainforest area, then out onto more open eucalypt forest ending at some granite boulders, which is the Mt Nebo Lookout. From here there is an uninterrupted view down Samford Valley to Moreton Bay in the distance which we can enjoy during morning tea. We will then drive up to the Summit of Mt Glorious and park at the Maiala Picnic area. The Maiala Circuit track starts from here and we follow it for 1.5km and cross an unsealed road then descend to Greene's Falls. Much of this walk is on boards and there is a viewing platform over the Falls. We return to the Circuit Track via a loop, which passes through a grove of native cypress. The 2.5km return track passes through areas of vines and many palm trees, ferns and strangler figs. Last time, we finished early and had lunch at the coffee shop nearby - we'll make a decision on the day.

BACK CREEK ABSEIL

Abseil Day Walk Sat 29 Nov

LEADER: Anne Kemp, Danny Mullins

MOBILE: 0411327704
 EMAIL: anneikemp@hotmail.com
 GRADE: MABS-6C
 LIMIT: 7
 BRING: Abseil equipment Waterproofing and usual day walk gear
 COST: \$10 rope hire, \$10 harness and hardware hire if required. Petrol.
 DEPART: 6:30am Fairfield Gardens
 MAP: Canungra 1:25000
 WALK LIST: No list at Meetings. Please phone or email leader.

Back Creek is located at Beechmont south of Canungra. This walk will involve five abseils at least one of which will be into deep water so packs must be waterproofed. We'll be rock hopping and scrambling downstream between abseils. The return route has steep up sections and is fairly strenuous. This really is an excellent day in a beautiful environment to practice skills (overhangs/water). Participants will need to have completed the two day BBW training at Kangaroo Point. Please contact me if you need more information or wish to hire club equipment. Please note the earlier departure time.

MT GLORIOUS FAMILY BASE CAMP

Family Base Camp Fri 12 - Sun 14 Dec
 LEADER: John Shields 32646565
 MOBILE: 0447 824 988 [on walk day only]
 EMAIL: johnshields@netspace.net.au
 GRADE: FBC3C
 LIMIT: 10 families
 BRING: daywalk pack /base camp gear
 COST: \$5-50 pp/pn camping fees plus \$ 2 Insurance
 MAP: BFP
 SELF SERVE NOMINATIONS PREFERRED
 NO LIST AT MEETINGS CONTACT LEADER DIRECT

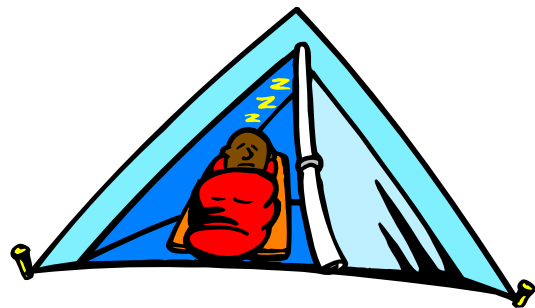
I have been advised that it is permissible to take my two grandsons on a family base camp so I have booked the Mt Glorious Barracks for the first weekend of the state school Xmas holidays which is 12-14 Dec. Families and other grandparents with their grandkids are invited to join us. Two bedrooms are available on a first in basis. The large garage can also be used if you have stretchers. The water supply is tank water so some may wish to bring their own drinking water. Facilities include hot shower; septic toilet; electric kitchen with fridge and the camping area is grassy. No camping permitted on the helipad. There is a campfire so if you can bring firewood it will help. It can also be used for cooking. Any suggestions for children's entertainment will be

appreciated. Bushwalks will be arranged when we arrive. so you can request. I will be walking with my boys on the Saturday. The gate is 700m past the Pine Shire information board which is opposite the Maiala Park picnic ground and must be kept closed at all times except when driving through it. I will arrive after lunch on the Friday to unlock and set up the fire. The \$2-00 Insurance applies to children. Single campers are also welcome.

TASMANIA 4 WALKS

Through Walk Sat 27 Dec - Mon 26 Jan
 LEADER: Julie Moore 3353 5641
 MOBILE: 0402722871
 EMAIL: anymoore@optusnet.com.au
 GRADE: LTW-6D
 LIMIT: 8
 BRING: Full TW gear
 COST: ?\$1000
 DEPART: TBA
 CAR KMS: Flight

The plan is to walk the Overland Track, then the South Coast Track, followed by Maria Island and Freycinet Island. The South Coast is the most challenging of these but all require good fitness and previous TW experience. The weather maybe cold wet & windy or as last years travelers found the Islands were very hot for walking in January. The scenery should be spectacular at all destinations. It is possible that there will be different walkers on some sections. We will have a day in Hobart between the first 3 walks. Please contact me for further information.



PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Entries are now invited for the 2008 Competition

There are 3 Categories

- Pictorial:** Photographs of any broad natural scene. Pictorial photographs can include eg: creeks, seascapes, waterfalls, mountains, rocky outcrops, clouds, etc.
- Nature:** Photographs depicting flora or fauna, excluding domestic animals. This category should also exclude evidence of man. Examples of nature photographs are birds, animals, native flowers, forest, fungi, reptiles, insects etc.
- Club Character:** Photographs showing one or more people participating in a bushwalking type of activity.

- CONDITIONS -

- Photographs must have been taken during the past 12 months on a bushwalking related activity.
- Entries must be on 'Digital Media' images CD-ROM as JPG files. These may be produced from a digital camera, or a scanned image of a print or slide.
- All entries are to be marked with your name and the category, each image filename should consist of your name, category and photograph number e.g. Joe_Walker_pictorial_1.jpg.
- There is a limit of 10 entries per person.
- Entries attract a fee of 50c each.

The Grand Champion will be selected from one of the winning entries
Photographs will be selected from amongst all entries to appear on the club's monthly magazines
The winning entries will be displayed as the feature at the 22nd October General Meeting

Closing date -

All entries must be submitted to the Photographic Officer
(Joe Iriondo) by the September Meeting (24th September 2008)

- Competition Presentation Night -

October Open Meeting 8th October 2008

All entries will be on display

Enquiries to Joe Iriondo
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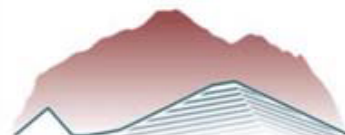


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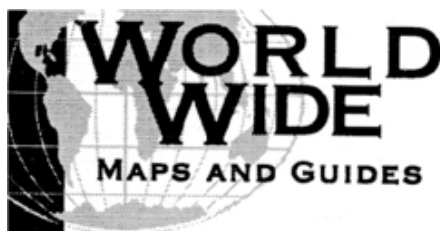
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NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

NOMINATION FOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2008

Nominations are called for all positions on the Management Committee for the 2009 club year. All nominations must be in writing from fully qualified financial members. The form must have the consent of the member nominated and the signature of a nominator and a seconder. Nominations close 9pm on 8 October 2008 (Open night). Nominations, must be given to the returning officer. David Thorpe.

As stated in the club rules, any member may nominate for several positions but can only be elected to one position. No member can be elected to a specific position for more than two consecutive years. All positions fall vacant and they are:-

President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer
Outing Secretary	Safety & Training Officer	Membership Officer	Social Coordinator
Equipment Officer	Photographic Officer	Librarian	

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2008

The Annual General Meeting of Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc is to be held immediately after the October General Meeting on Wednesday 22nd October, 2008 at Newmarket Memorial Hall, corner Enoggera Road and Ashgrove Avenue, Newmarket, where the business of the meeting will be limited to the following:-

- Receiving Annual Reports and Financial Statements;
- Receiving the Auditors Report;
- Election of Members to the Management Committee;
- Appointment of an Auditor; and
- The Setting of Fees.

Please note: Only fully qualified financial members are eligible to vote at the AGM elections.

GUEST SPEAKERS

WEDNESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

STORM DANGER PRESENTATION - ANTHONY CORNELIUS

This will be a presentation to help walkers identify storm potential/activity on the day & how to try & stay safe especially when in remote areas. Topics include: thunderstorm forecasting & safety; using basic methods to forecast thunderstorm days; how to identify potential thunderstorm activity; identifying potential severity and staying safe when caught out in the open.

Anthony Cornelius is a Meteorologist for Weatherwatch. He has been a Meteorologist for six years and specialises in thunderstorm forecasting. Anthony has also been involved in the Australian Severe Weather Association (ASWA) and is currently the Queensland coordinator.

WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER

CARNARVON GREAT WALK

Brett Waring from Qld EPA will talk about Queensland's Great Walks with a focus on the new Great Walk in Carnarvon which is due for completion in mid 2009.

Narelle

STOVE WARS - LET THE FIRES RAGE



Five brave cooks lit the fires on 27th August to help us get some information about the performance of the various through-walk cookers. Now it is time to continue the fiery debate as to the merits of the stoves. Here is my contribution...

In the first test, we each boiled 1.5 litres of water. (That's a lot - enough for 6 cups of tea.) Even with such a large amount to boil, the differences in timings and fuel consumptions of the stoves was not very great. Just a few grams of fuel and just a few minutes between the best and the worst. If less water were being boiled, then these differences would be even less.

In the second test, we simmered the pots for a whole hour, with the stoves turned down low. This was intended to see how efficient the stove could be when cooking a meal. Again, the difference in fuel consumed between the best and the worst was very small. Those of us who cook for less than an hour will experience even smaller differences in consumption.

The differences in fuel consumption and time to boil in these tests was quite small, and not big enough to make a decision about which stove to buy. If you are trying to choose a stove, you will need to consider some other factors that might be important to you. For example, you might consider the performance in cold or windy conditions, cost, durability, size and capacity, availability of fuel, convenience, safety, stability.

The pack weights that we measured at Stove Wars are difficult to use for comparison purposes. A large proportion of the weight is due to the pots being used, and these can easily be substituted for lighter (or heavier) models. You will need to make more careful comparisons before you buy if pack weight is a significant factor for you.

Picnic Pete

		SPEED BOILING					SIMMER		
		Fuel					Fuel		
	Kit Weight	Start	Finish	Used	Cost	Time	Start	Finish	Used
Pocket Rocket	634g	449g	426g	23g	\$0.92	12:25	426g	411g	15g
Trangia	1077g	152g	121g	31g	\$0.12	17:25	142g	99g	43g
WhisperLite	1082g	500g	490g	10g	\$0.80	12:11	490g	458g	32g
Kovea	496g	374g	354g	20g	\$0.80	11:35	354g	339g	15g
Jet Boil	599g	342g	329g	13g	\$0.52	10:36	329g	301g	28g

Notes from an 'Ex' Barney Virgin - Mezzanine Ridge, Mt Barney (Aug 08)

I joined the club in Dec 07. I love a challenge and gradually worked my way through walks of various types/degree of difficulty - as you do. One walk kept jumping out at me over a 2 week period when scanning the club magazine. I finally rang John Beer –the leader of this walk to discuss it. John questioned me for about 15 minutes and he seemed satisfied that I could do the walk.

Sat 17 August arrived and four of us met at the ungodly hour of 5am at Fairfield Gardens and we were to meet the other four (who camped overnight near Mt Barney) at Yellowpinch at 7am. “Your late” cried John at the four campers when they arrived - it was 2 past 7am!. After quick introductions - Chrissie, Marissa, Lisa (the mountain goat), Richard, Phil, Rob, myself and leader John. As I was the only one who had not climbed Mt Barney (on any route), I was dubbed “the Barney Virgin”.

So we started the Mezzanine Ridge ascent and after about 2 hours my trepidation was reserved. “This is pretty straight forward” I thought. I was following Lisa (the mountain goat) who was up front when John yelled out from behind and asked me to estimate the width of the ridge that he was standing on. I estimated “about 1 meter” then turned to continue up the ridge. Then it hit me : OH MY GOD!WHOOOIEEEEE/HOLY SMOKES/GULP! as my heart rate increased and the cold sweat started to form on my brow; about 10m from me was the confronting sight of the ‘razorback’. I immediately knew the true meaning of the word ‘exposed’ and right then like the ‘razorback’ I felt very exposed! This was a very serious situation; thoughts such as “I could die here”, “is my will up to date?” entered my mind, such was the gravity of the situation. All of the above thoughts were happening inside my head and basically at that moment the walking group became very quiet.

After taking stock of the situation, I rallied the positive thoughts, “I can do this” after all I had done one solo parachute jump (over 30 yrs ago) and was not really afraid of heights per se and after all I wanted the challenge! I was determined to face my fear and now with positive thoughts heavily outnumbering the negatives, I was ready for the razorback.



I was really focused at this point and was only a few metres from the razorback and I knew I would soon be over it when I heard John yell out “Righto this seems to be a good place for morning tea break”. John had sensed the trepidation within the group. So I spent the next 15 minutes fighting the mind battles all over again! As were some of the other members of the group. I found my mind going over the Risk Assessment process I was so used to in the Engineering and Construction industry and decided that on this occasion to err on the conservative side. I decided not to follow Lisa (the mountain goat) up the razorback as I was not as confident as she was. Instead John would follow Lisa, then I, Rob and the others. I felt more confident with this arrangement as I believed John would take a more conservative route.

Morning tea break was over and we proceeded in silence up the razorback. Once on the razorback my fears seemed to vanish “it was just some rocks after all” – However on this front part of the razorback, there was one area where I found myself straddling a ‘V’ shaped rock and tightly gripping it with my thighs as I reached across to another sloping rock and with a glimpse of ‘nothingness beneath me’ used my hands/arms to haul myself to the other side. PHEW I was glad that bit was over.

Before the end of the 10hr walk, I found myself confronted about six times; four times on the way up and two times on the way down. "What's there to worry about on the way down?" Well descending via one of the South ridges involved on a few occasions stepping down from some rocks onto narrow tracks where if you overstepped by say 200mm you would be in "freefall".

Needless to say I was a very satisfied person when we got back to Yellowpinch and others in the group felt likewise. But I did not find it 'FUN' on this occasion and it certainly confirmed my respect for that environment. Afterwards however, I felt a massive weight had been lifted off my shoulders and the experience of being self reliant certainly cleared my mind and put work and personal issues into their true place/perspective. I was no longer a "Barney Virgin".

Because it was such an awesome experience, I would like to do this walk annually. It is not hard to guess what my new computer screensaver photo is.

Peter Mrzyglocki

LARAPINTA LARRIKINS

If you read the last mag you will know that Ian Marlow gave an exciting and enticing description of the Larapinta Trail. Ian's description was so apt and covered most aspects of "one of the best walks ever" I am not going to try to compete and I don't have any more adjectives. I hesitate to say it was "the best walk" as that is a big call but I am tempted. The vastness, the colours and the feel of being in an ancient land. The gorges, wide sandy river beds with wonderful Ghost Gums, the mountain ranges. It was marvelous to sleep under the stars and contemplate the heavens as you fell asleep.

Ian & Co. apparently studied flowers but we studied the birds! Our group included keen birdo's and had some very exciting moments finding Dusky Grasswren's, Painted Finches, a Crested Bellbird and Ray is even rightfully claiming a Grey Falcon! (That's big in a birdo's world).

As the measure of the walk experience is not just where you go but who you go with, I would say this adventure rated highly with the A+ team. Sadly Chris had to leave us after 5 days with a back injury and then we were 8! Ray G, Leslie T, Tom Mc, David T, Renate, Elaine, and Brian. The fitter, faster and stronger at times carried gear or water for the slow and maimed (my feet!) and supported "the Tail"! I sincerely wish to thank you all for a memorable holiday with lots of "warm fuzzies".

Food for Thought - Larapinta Trail in Day Walks:

An Adelaide group we would meet on the track most days had hired a bus and completed the trail by doing day walks. Some days they would do two sections doing 30kms/day on several days but with a day pack. They had a rest day every fourth day - end result they also covered it in 17 days. They were associated with a pensioner's club, the majority being in their 60's and many in there 70's and had an A and B group according to fitness levels. Their base was Glen Helen Resort campsite for a week and then Alice Springs caravan park. They were supported with a cook but this wouldn't be essential. I throw this in to show it would be possible for a group to walk the trail if you felt you weren't up to 16 days with a throughpack. You could hire a minibus from Brisbane or Alice.

I support Ian and would encourage you all to "go do it" --- it was so good.

Julie Moore

HOUSE SITTER WANTED

November 1st - 22nd (approx)
December 27th - January 26th (approx)

Brian & Julie Moore would like to go away again and Gemma (cat) needs company! Is someone interested in house minding a modern 3 bedroom house backing on to Bunyaville Forest (Everton Hills) for either or both these periods. The cat is good natured and can be left for 1-3 days if needed.

Please contact us on 33535641 or 0402722871

Nepal Australia Friendship Association

“Build A Home In One Night” Concert

NAFA (Nepal Australia Friendship Association) is having a concert to raise funds to build a home for disadvantaged children in Nepal. The aim is to raise \$30,000.

Date: Saturday 11 October, 7.30-pm

Venue: Morris Hall, Churchie
Oaklands Dr, East Brisbane

Concert features

Katie and Maggie Noonan

Slava Grigoryan

William Barton

Alex Rainieri

Southern Cross Soloists

Brisbane Chamber Choir

And more

Tickets \$50 per adult, \$25 for pensioners, children and students

Contact: Mike 3369 6839 or 0447 41969 (all hrs)

Karen 3850 7600 (office hrs)

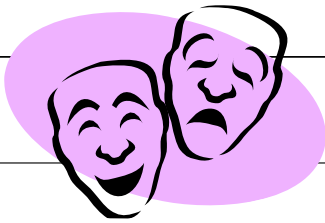
For more information on NAFA activities www.nepalaust.org

Pat's Bushwalking Tips

Here are a few more tips, mostly about throughwalking. In the past a couple of my suggestions have been a bit silly. These are all sensible.



- Many bushwalkers enjoy swimming in creeks and waterholes and may, on occasion, be challenged with swimming through a deep, water-filled gorge to explore whatever is beyond it. If you are a bit concerned about getting a cramp when swimming in very cold water, then you might like to take an empty water bladder that you can blow up and hang on to for buoyancy. It shouldn't be used as a Personal Flotation Device for a non-swimmer, but for a competent swimmer it may add a measure of security.
- If you are camping in a Qld National Park you are not permitted to have a fire. If you suffer with freezing cold feet as you are huddled around the candle lantern, you should carry a Sigg water bottle as one of your water containers. This can be filled with hot water in the evening to make a hot water bottle. Slip that into your sleep sheet before going to bed and your feet will be warm and toasty within minutes. Also a touch of ginger essential oil on the base of the feet works well for warming them.
- On cold winter walks, you should keep your gas bottle or metho container warm during the night. Put it in your sleeping bag with you and your stove will be easy to light in the morning. If you want to take photos of the frost glistening on the tents as the sun rises, your camera will work better if the batteries have been kept warm. In fact, any number of things can be warmed in your sleeping bag for more efficient operation. You should consider buying a double sleeping bag to accommodate all these extra items.
- Clinical trials have proven that for hot rum toddies, lemon Tang tastes better than pineapple Tang.
- Another tip for those walking for more than a day or two. If, like me, you want to keep your boots looking nice, you can use “Wet Ones” to clean them. Some frivolous people who carry more Wet Ones than they really need may choose to use fresh ones but I find my boots come up quite nicely when I use the ‘used’ ones. This helps to keep my spirits up and follows the throughwalking principle of everything having two purposes.



Out & About

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

WHEN: Tue 7th Oct, 6:30pm
 WHERE: PIAF
 182 Grey St, South Brisbane
 CONTACT: Peter Hunt 3351 3642
 EMAIL: peterjameshunt@optusnet.com.au

This is a new restaurant to the area so no one that I know has experienced it first hand. On the web it is advertised as an Asian / French type of restaurant. The reports on the web say that the food and service are very good and the prices are reasonable. Please join me for the adventure. Movies screening will be discussed over dinner. You are welcome to come for dinner only as the movie times are a little late.

Peter

THURSDAY NIGHT WALK

GRADE SNW-1
 WHEN: 6.10 sharp - don't be late.
 WHERE: Good Will Bridge, Southbank side.
 BRING: Membership Card, Water, \$'s
 CONTACT: Jenny Zohn. No need to book.

Join us for a 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 9km & 2-2.5hr) Occasionally another member may be substitute leader. This walk does not count towards full membership.

Jenz

NEW MEMBERS

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

Jill Andresen	John Andresen	Carol Barker	Peter Beutel
Solene Bourdais	Rebecca Bruce	Margie Cohn	Jennie Croker
Owen Davies	Julie Davies	Julie Dawson	Des Galligan
Cyril Garneau	Craig Gibbons	Mark Gibbs	Deb Gillespie
Cliff Hayden	Jamie Hayes	Bob Hearle	Cassius Holland
Leanne Jays	Mahin Karimi Khouzan	Shannon Keys	Jenny Klover
Bev Large	Julie McVarnock	Lyn Miskin	Sherri Ottway
Joy Porter	Anne Potter	Jane Sammons	Chris Stache
Suzanne Stevens	Mel Timmins	Adam Tozer	Ken Wilkinson
Vicki Zillmann			

Congratulations to the following who have been granted Full Membership:

Carolyn Bartsch	Karlene Booker	Hayden Godwin	Peter Mrzyglocki
Rob Pilbeam			

Magazine Collating

Magazine collating is at Anne Kemp's on Thursday 16th October at Auchenflower at 6:30pm. There is only about 1½ hours work required. If you would like to come along for an easy social night and supper please phone 3371 2707 to confirm.



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

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