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The Brisbane Bushwalkers Quarterly News is a selection of articles that have been posted on the Brisbane Bushwalkers web site over the past few months. This newsletter will be published quarterly - or thereabouts - depending on the number of articles that are posted.

<p style="text-align: center;">MEETINGS</p> <p>CLUB MEETING: 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.</p> <p>COMMITTEE MEETING: Committee meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm at 228 Stafford Rd. Stafford. (cnr Gamelin Cres). All members are welcome to attend. (Check for December and January in case meetings are rescheduled.)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">EQUIPMENT HIRE</p> <p>The following equipment is available for club activities. The charge <i>between meetings</i> per item is:</p> <table style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr><td>Foam mat</td><td style="text-align: right;">\$2.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Self inflating mat</td><td style="text-align: right;">\$5.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Stove</td><td style="text-align: right;">\$5.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Tent or Pack</td><td style="text-align: right;">\$10.00</td></tr> </table> <p><i>Members can hire up to 4 items at one time for a maximum charge of \$10 per person.</i></p> <p>All equipment may be booked for hire by emailing the Equipment Officer. Pre-booking will ensure availability.</p> <p>PLB: The Club has several PLBs which Leaders may borrow, at no cost, for approved club activities only.</p>	Foam mat	\$2.00	Self inflating mat	\$5.00	Stove	\$5.00	Tent or Pack	\$10.00
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<p style="text-align: center;">MEMBERSHIP FEES</p> <p><u>Full Members:</u> Singles \$40 per annum Couples \$60 per annum</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Annual membership falls due 28th February.</p> <p><u>Probationary Members:</u> Singles \$20 per 6 month</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LIBRARY</p> <p>Free loan to members:- Books, Magazines, DVDs, CDs</p> <p>Free loan to leaders:- Maps and Rasters</p> <p>Duration of loan:- 2 weeks for Maps, 4 weeks for all other items. If unable to return items on time please put them in the mail.</p> <p>For Sale:- Snake bandages: \$10.00 Car stickers and badges: 3.00 Club T shirts, jackets, vests</p>								
<p style="text-align: center;">FIRST AID CERTIFICATES</p> <p>To encourage members to maintain a current First Aid certificate, the Club will organise courses for Full members (not Probationary members). The Club will refund 50% of cost upon completion.</p>									
<p style="text-align: center;">COVER PHOTOGRAPH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kobble Falls walkers on a misty day by Greg Shepherd, November 2017</p>									

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PREPARING FOR AN ACTIVITY

Information on the types of activities, their grading scales and the types of equipment you may need can all be found on the website at these places:

Activities the Club Undertakes

Brisbane Bushwalkers Club offers a wide range of activities for members' enjoyment. The main club activities are day walks, through walks and base camps. These are ...

See full article at website: <https://www.brisbanebushwalkers.org.au/club-activities>

Activity Grading System

Brisbane Bushwalkers conducts activities over a wide range of skill levels. Consequently, we have evolved a grading and classification system which is designed to be ...

See full article at website: <https://www.brisbanebushwalkers.org.au/gradings>

Recommended Equipment

Initially we recommend you spend little or no money until you discover which activities you enjoy. Discussion with experienced members will reveal the "pros and cons ..."

See full article at website: <https://www.brisbanebushwalkers.org.au/equipment>

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Committee Members for 2017/2018

Posted by Chris Hall on Thursday, 26th of October, 2017

What a great AGM last night at the Newmarket Hall. Congratulations to the incoming Committee members - please support them in their roles.

Position	Person
President	Chris Hall
Vice President	Stephen Simpson
Secretary	Lucy Guzman
Treasurer	Tom Cowlshaw
Outings	Ross Ernst
Social	Anna-Lena Moore
Technology	Julie Van Dore
Membership	Peter Lock
Safety & Training	Andy Mauger
Library	Alison Green
Equipment	Jenny Howell (& Steve Cockburn)
Photographic	Angie Sobyra (& Ian Poynten)



Committee members for 2017/18 - L to R - Tom Cowlshaw, Jenny Howell, Chris Hall, Julie Van Dore, Anna-Lena Moore, Stephen Simpson, Ross Ernst, Alison Green, Angie Sobyra (not pictured Lucy Guzman, Peter Lock, Andy Mauger)

2018 Fundraising activities on the Bushwalking Queensland Inc. calendar

Posted by Chris Hall on Wednesday, 8th of November, 2017

Hi all,

Just a note to highlights some key activities that Bushwalking Queensland Inc are running in the coming year of 2018. Bushwalking Queensland Inc. is the peak body that represents the interests of bushwalkers and members of affiliated bushwalking clubs in the state of Queensland, Australia. BWQ is also a member of the national organisation Bushwalking Australia Inc..



Mar 17-18 2018 - Diabetes Qld fundraising trek

Happy Feet Bushwalk - Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk

- 17/03/2018 - Gheerulla Circuit of Sunshine Coast Hinterland Great Walk - 5km/10km/15km/25km events. (See website for further details.)
- 18/03/2018 - Delicia Road Conservation Park to Flaxton Mill Road, via Mapleton Falls and Baxter Falls.
- Requirement for leader/s for each of the legs, although the 25km leaders could lead all lengths as they are will potentially be forming part of the one group anyway.
- All participants will make own accommodation arrangements, so will need to make available transport for the participants to and from the accommodation to the start and finish points etc.
- Diabetes Qld will be organising fruit and other food and water. So will possibly be setting up a refreshment stand at Sam Kelly Road and possibly also at the second Delicia Road Crossing.
- This the plan being developed at this stage and will let you know of firm arrangements.

Mar 25 2018

BWQ Open Day - Ashgrove Library

- This event has proved a hit by those in attendance with all matters and issues involving bushwalking, latest technology, its use for bushwalking, and updates on BWQ and other clubs' activities.
- Good get-together between Pilgrimages.
- Morning tea and lunch provided with tea and coffee
- Our Pilgrimage archivist will be able to update on the progress of the compilation of the nearly 50 years of Pilgrimages.

July 13-15 2018 - Bushwalking Qld Inc. /Friends of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail Inc. fundraiser for Diabetes Qld.

BVRT 25/50/100 km walk - Toogoolawah to Wulkuraka

- Awaiting confirmation that the section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail from Toogoolawah to Yimbun tunnel will be open.
- 13/07/2017 - Start at Toogoolawah and walk to Yimbun Tunnel, return to Toogoolawah then on to Esk - 40km
- 14/07/2017 - Esk to Wanora - 35km with 50km walkers joining at Coominya
- 15/07/2017 - Borallon to Wulkuraka - 25km walkers also starting with the full group - 25km
- Held in conjunction with Friends of Brisbane Valley Rail Trail, Lowood Lions, Fernvale Lions, and Rosewood Lions.
- Diabetes Qld to set up displays etc. in the towns as walkers arrive and while in towns and after they depart.
- Hopefully engage a local business to provide transport to convey walkers between accommodations and starts/finishes

Sep 28 - 1 Oct 2018 - Glasshouse Bushwalkers Club Inc./Sunshine Coast Bushwalkers Club Inc.

Pilgrimage - Jimna Base Camp, School Road, Jimna

- Details to be confirmed - will advise of website in due course

Oct 11-17 2018 - Diabetes Qld fundraising trek

Great Ocean Road Walk

- Details to come.
- I will be one of the leaders.

It has also been suggested to Diabetes Qld of having an overnight walk challenge as the next step for the walkers previously been on a fundraiser and others that may be interested, or have 5 days out a Carnarvon Gorge doing various walks each day. With over \$40,000 raised from the events this year the impetus is on to continue in 2018. Diabetes Qld is also arranging for Bushwalking Qld affiliated club members a discount on registration to participation these fundraisers.

For more information please watch the BWQ website at <http://www.bushwalkingqueensland.org.au/index.php>

Activities Calendar Sync Improvements & Instructions

Posted by Shaun Johnston on Sunday, 12th of November, 2017

Dear members

A feature of our website that is useful, but not too well-known, is the Activity Calendar sync feature. This feature allows members to sync the schedule of activities that they have nominated and been accepted for, to their Google Calendar, Outlook Calendar, or other sync-enabled calendar app.

For those who already use the feature, you may be pleased to know that we have made a couple of small improvements.

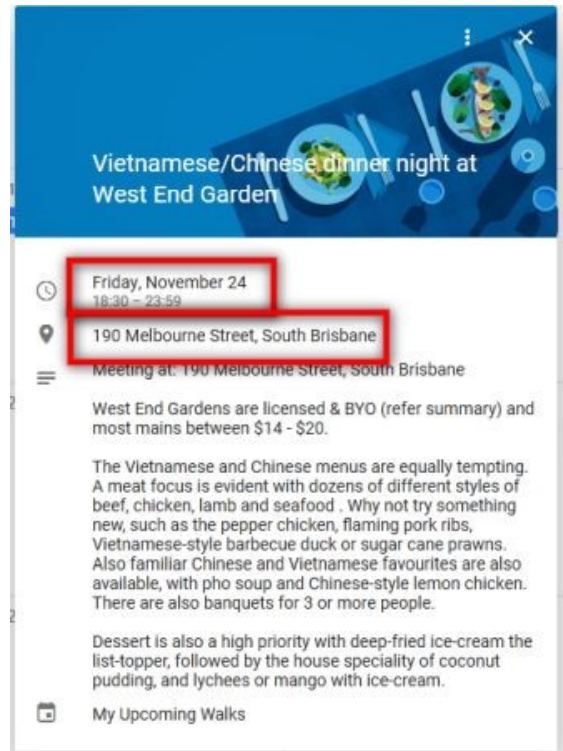
- The start time of synced events now matches the Meet Time of the Activity. Now you can set your alarms automatically!
- The location of synced events is now set to the meeting point of the Activity. Now you don't need to log back into the website to find out where you need to meet.

For those who do not know about or know how to use the feature, we have added a small page with instructions for syncing using Google Calendar, Outlook.com, or the Outlook desktop app. The page is currently linked at the top of the Activities Calendar, and here is a direct link:

[Adding your Activities Calendar to your Google or Outlook Calendar](#)

We hope you find this feature, including our new tweaks, useful.

Shaun, Web Administrator



Activity Synced to Google Calendar

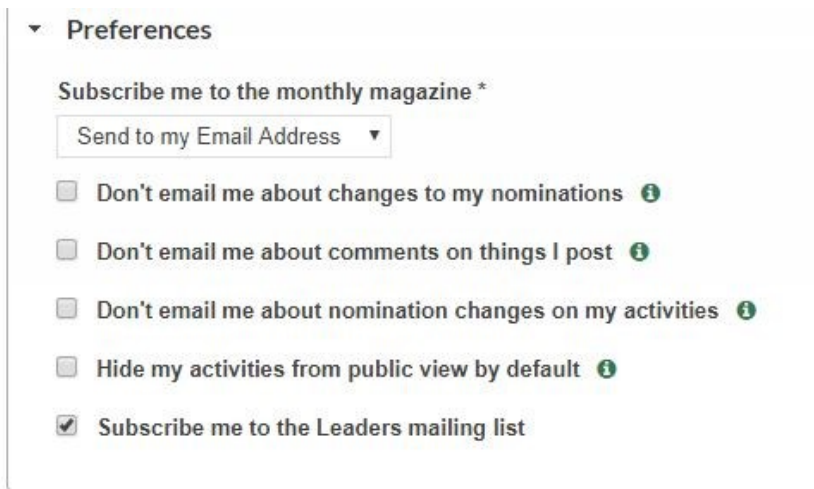
A note about email preferences

Posted by Julie Van Dore on Sunday, 24th of September, 2017

Hi Everyone,

We understand that not everyone received the link to the quarterly magazine that went out a few weeks ago. Please take a moment to double-check your email preferences.

While logged in, if you click your name on the upper right, you can select *Account Details*. From there, expand *Preferences*. You will see something like this.



Check your settings.

Note that regardless of these settings, you will receive communications from the Secretary in regards to the AGM and similar communications.

Scenic Rim Trail - responses from bushwalking clubs to the proposal

Posted by Chris Hall on Saturday, 21st of October, 2017

As part of the public consultation process for the proposed Scenic Rim Trail offered by Gainsdale Pty Ltd (Spicers), bushwalking clubs were given the opportunity to provide comment. BBW advertised this to members previously and no doubt some of you provided your own comments directly via the public portal provided.

Both the BBW and the Bushwalking Queensland (BWQ) also provided responses to this proposal. BBW offered comment to specific questions provided by Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service (QPWS) and BWQ tabled a response to the entire proposal, on behalf of all bushwalking clubs. Both of these responses are provided here at the links below (which can also be found in the Documents section in the Member Services area of the BBW website):

[BWQ response to the Scenic Rim Trail](#)

[BBW response to the Scenic Rim Trail](#)

It is understood that National Parks Association of QLD (NPAQ) have also provided a response which can be seen on their Facebook page. Various people from all these organisations also had the opportunity to attend the Open Day held at Cunninghams Gap on Saturday 14th October 2017.

Club Presentation 8th November: Scenic Rim Trail Ben O'Hara

Ben O'Hara of Gainsdale will share about the Scenic rim Trail proposal. The proposed action is to establish a multi-day walk from the Turner Family's Thornton View Nature Refuge, traverse the Main Range National Park and Gondwana Rainforests of Australia World Heritage Area, and link-up with Spicers Peak Nature Reserve.

Update: Posted by Chris Hall on Tuesday, 21st of November

Following on from the presentation by Ben O'Hara, Gainsdale (aka Spicers) at the club on Wednesday 8th November 2017, please find the additional information that Ben said he would provide members. These documents give a clearer and concise description of the proposed trail.

These documents can be downloaded from the website via the links (and can also be found in the Documents section in Member Services area of the BBW website):

- [SRT Six Day Walk Newsletter](#) (provide an overview of the trail)
- [SRT Master Map Landmarks](#) (a map of the SRT and dwellings)
- [SRT Map of Trail Sections and Walking Classes](#)



Cunninghams Gap

A Positive Result from a security audit of our web site!

Posted by Julie Van Dore on Wednesday, 25th of October, 2017

In 2017 BBW engaged Ted Cooper as an outside consultant to assess the security of the BBW web site.

While we knew that our Web Administrator Shaun Johnston had done an excellent job of building our site, we wanted confirmation and a "second opinion" from an outside expert.

Mr. Cooper assessed these areas:

- Security from external access (including Firewall and admin access)
- Structure and protection of software and data files
- Web server which delivers content
- Email delivery
- Backups of software and data
- Periodic testing
- Other best practices

In each area, Mr. Cooper notes that the BBW Web Administrator has followed Best Current Practices in setting up the server and services that run the site. An attacker would be unlikely to currently compromise the server or running services.

Mr. Cooper made some suggestions which would provide further protections. The Web Administrator and the Technology Officer will review the suggestions in light of their costs (to site usability, time) to benefits.

If members are interested in reading the assessment, please contact the Technology Officer directly.

Downloading past issues of the Brisbane Bushwalker Magazine

The last paper issue of the Brisbane Bushwalker Monthly News was April 2017. Its replacement is a quarterly electronic document in PDF format. This quarterly magazine is downloadable and able to be printed by members as they wish and it will also form a permanent record for the club. Items are taken from the BBW website News and Trip Report postings.

The first issue in the new format was "May-August 2007". The intention is that members will receive an email advising of each new magazine with a link that enables easy downloading from the BBW website. Alternatively, a magazine can be downloaded from the BBW website by navigating to: **Home -> Member Services -> Magazines**

As well as the new Quarterly news magazines, the website also has historical copies of Monthly magazines back to 2005.

The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu at the top with 'Brisbane Bushwalkers' and a 'MENU' button. Below the menu is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Magazines'. The main heading is 'Magazines'. Underneath, there is a 'Filter Results' button and a dropdown menu for the year '2017'. This dropdown is expanded to show four magazine covers: 'The Brisbane Bushwalker' for May-Aug 2017, March 2017, and January 2017. Below the covers is a vertical list of years from 2016 down to 2005, each with a right-pointing arrow.

Valediction to Graham Jurott

Posted by Chris Hall on Wednesday, 18th of October, 2017

The following tribute was penned by Ron Farmer a Life Member of BBW. I (Chris Hall) had the honour of attending the funeral of Graham Jurott last Friday 13th October 2017 along with Ron, Tom Cowlshaw, Mary Comer, Alan Hobson and many other friends and relatives.

Recently, Graham Jurott passed away suddenly a few days shy of his 88th birthday.

He enjoyed exploring in the bush from a young age. Much of the bushland he loved so much then is now part of the inner suburbs of the Greater Brisbane Area.

When the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club, (BBW), was formed in 1948 he became a foundation member and enjoyed its emphasis on adventure bushwalking. He participated in its first walk, led by Bert Salmon. This walk went from a tram terminus at Salisbury to another one at Holland Park, traversing mainly through undulating bushland, a part of which survives as Toohey Forest and the Mt Gravatt Reserve. He was also present on the Stradbroke Island long distance trip from Dunwich to Point Lookout towards the end of BBW's first summer season and was an active through-walker for many years. Not surprisingly, he was on the major exploration of Carnarvon Gorge conducted by BBW members in 1950 and is the author of the book *Bush Walkers in the Gorge 1950*, which recounts the quality survey, photographic and exploratory work done at that time.

His wife to be, Esther, joined the club soon after it started and they were married in 1954. Their honeymoon was to Melbourne, travelling there and back by motorbike, which was a shared joy for them from the beginning. Thus began an enduring relationship which lasted up until Graham's recent passing. Their enthusiasm for motorbike riding gave them the ability, in an era before cars were commonplace, to get to many otherwise difficult-to-access areas and so enjoy their love of riding, camping and walking, all in one excursion.

Graham became an Honorary Ranger under the Forestry Act in 1952 and later a warden of aboriginal relics under the then Aboriginal Relics Preservation Act. Later he would become an Honorary Protector under the Nature Conservation Act of 1974. Much work was done with others in National Parks and other Conservation areas in this capacity.

Graham and Esther worked in the photographic business for many years.

Later they continued their professional photography employment at the Medical Faculty, University of Queensland. This conscientious work frequently involved an extended working week and a dedication to the nuances of high grade professional photography in innovative, demanding, clinical and research circumstances. Their contributions have been valued and acknowledged by their colleagues. From time to time Graham was drafted to other photographic duties for the University and, always a pioneer, was an early adopter of digital technology. They also acted as wedding photographers in their own time.

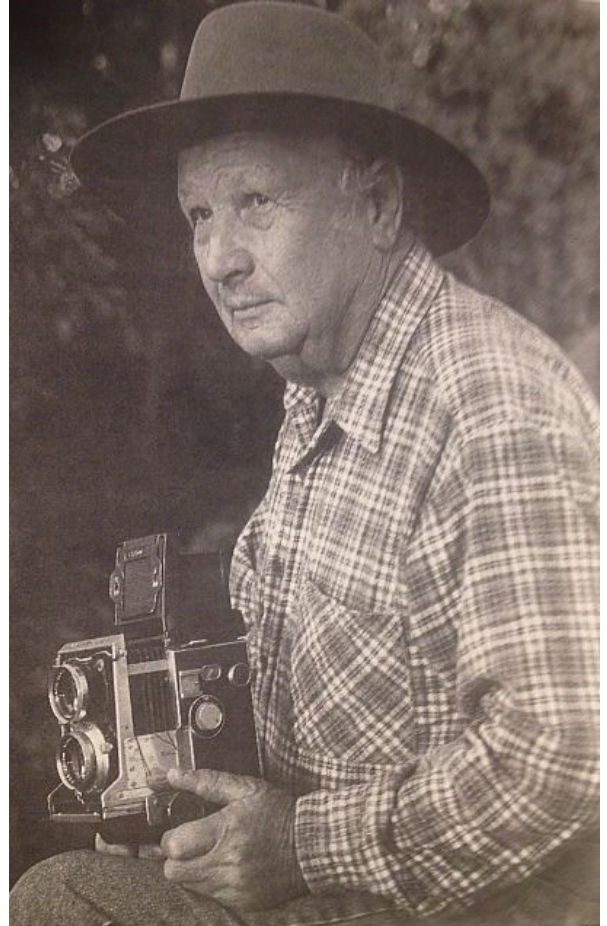
For many years Graham was involved in some of Brisbane's foremost camera clubs not only as a member but serving on committees also.

Graham assisted Grahame Walsh, the well known archaeologist and recorder of aboriginal art, in the field, and helping Walsh with his extensive photographic collection of aboriginal art.

Graham and Esther led an active life together especially with their growing family. As their children became older they had joined the fledgling Family Bushwalkers Club, as did many of their BBW contemporaries. They seem to have enjoyed these years.

Both Graham and Esther continued their commitment to BBW and for a quarter of a century served, sometimes with the help of others, as Contact Officers for BBW. But their involvement was more wide-ranging than just as Contact Officers. Graham had been a club Safety and Training Officer and continued as a long time judge of the club's annual photographic competition. In this role he willingly imparted some of his extensive photographic knowledge to younger generations.

Graham participated as a club representative, and also an early President, of the then Queensland Federation of Bushwalking Clubs, now Bushwalking Queensland. Later Graham, Esther, and club colleagues contributed directly and indirectly to the



Graham Jurott - photo from the book '*Bushwalkers in the Gorge 1950*'



Esther and Graham Jurott - photo from the book 'Brisbane Bushwalkers Club 1948 - 1998'

bushwalkers' Search and Rescue organisation, which after some rapid changes, finally became the Federation Mountain Rescue, which continues to the present. They served as Contact Officers for this group as well. As with many other organisations, both these bushwalker peak bodies and their member clubs, played their part in the volunteer response effort during and after the major 1974 Brisbane flood. Graham and Esther were again playing a pivotal role in the centre of bushwalker communications.

In the mid 1970s both Graham and Esther were awarded Honorary Life membership for their sterling contribution to the affairs of BBW. Graham's last participation in the club's affairs was as a supporter at the recent award ceremony of its newest Honorary Life Member.

It was always a pleasure for their friends to drop around and see them or to help celebrate a special birthday or other unique occasion. It was a delight for these friends and acquaintances to share reminiscences, mainly at their long-time family home, or be the beneficiaries of wise counsel when it was directly sought.

Graham and Esther, after some vicissitudes, returned to their motorbike riding in their well earned retirement and undertook other volunteer work. Chief among the later was their contribution to the Norman Creek catchment restoration group which continued enthusiastically for many years.

They bore the difficulties of life with good grace and quite admirable fortitude.

At Graham's suggestion in the early 2000's an informal picnic group for "retired" bushwalkers was created and is still active.

In recent years, as Esther's health declined Graham was her principal carer until this was no longer possible and Esther moved into a nearby aged care facility. Graham remained attentive and concerned about her quality of care always.

To those bushwalkers who were fortunate to know him personally, his balanced dedication to whatever activity he was involved in, helpfulness, loyalty, generosity and thoughtful kindness will be sincerely missed.

Ron Farmer

Payment with no name = donation to the Club

Posted by Lucy Guzman on Tuesday, 19th of September, 2017

Thanks to all those who pay their membership fees and activity contributions to the Club's account by bank transfer; however, your payment is considered a donation to the Club if there is no name.

Please keep the following in mind:

- Enter your name and purpose in the *Transaction Reference* or in the *Payee Reference* field.
e.g. JohnSmithMbshp, JeanJohsonXMas
- Same process if the payment relates to a couple. Do your best to enter both names in the field.
e.g. F&R_TaylorXMas

If both names do not fit and the payment relates to:

- **Membership fees**, send details via email to the Registrar
- **Contribution to an activity**, send details via email to the Treasurer

Additional information can be found on the Membership pages: *Membership renewal* and *Ordinary membership*

If in doubt, send us an email:

Registrar: Anna Bransden - Registrar@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au
Treasurer: Lucy Guzman - Treasurer@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au

Trip Report: Moreton Island Basecamp

Posted by Chris Hall on Tuesday, 21st of November, 2017

This report has been lodged by Michele Cottrell about the Moreton Island Basecamp held from Friday 14th April to Monday 17th April, 2017. Photograph contributions courtesy of Julie Van Dore.

Some stats about MI:

- 13 km at its widest
- 37 km at its longest
- 186 km² in area
- 58 km from Brisbane
- 95% is National Park
- Highest rainfall in the local area (The Cape: 1500mm/yr)
- 3rd largest sand island in the world
- Mt Tempest, at 280m, is reputedly the highest, stabilised, coastal sandhill in the world



We used a bush camp near Blue Lagoon, run by Alan Genninges from Moreton Experience. Kitchen & eating area under cover. Milk, butter, tea & coffee all supplied. Limited refrigeration mainly for perishables like meat. We could put drinks in the fridge of a morning ready for a coldie at the end of the day!

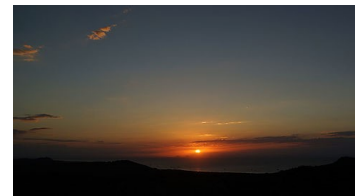
Canvas marques with stretchers. Some of us took our own tents, camping nearby.

A friendly camp skink loves mushrooms and grapes. It does, however, do its best to avoid the carpet python that keeps the vermin away J.

Travel to MI was via the MICat ferry, arriving at the Wrecks, □1.5 hours from the Port of Brisbane

Day 1

On arrival at the Blue Lagoon campsite, we set up our beds/tents and then sat down for some lunch. In the afternoon and we were dropped at Combyuro Point to start our walk along the northern beaches with a swim at Champagne Falls. After being picked up, we drove up to Cape Moreton lighthouse and took in the views and the setting sun.



Day 2

We headed south to the Little Sandhills and some tobogganing fun! We then walked across the Little Sandhills, north along the western side and then climbed up the Big Sandhills.

Alan met us, in the distance, after we walked over a very artistic landscape. He led us back to the trusty 4WD.

Day 3

We headed to Cape Moreton and made our way to a lovely beach for a swim and to look at the local area.

Day 4

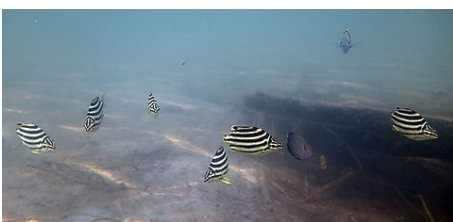
We had a short drive and walk to the bottom of the Mt Tempest track. A short, strenuous walk had us onto of the highest point of Moreton Island (with good mobile reception). Great views! We then descended and walked the start of the Telegraph Track with some spectacular displays of banksias and other flora and fauna.



Day 5

We walked towards Blue Lagoon and then around the edge of the lagoon. We then followed a track and part of the Bulwer Road and then walked a short distance through tall grasses to find Honeyeater Lake. Many of us took a quick dip. On the return trip, some walkers returned the same way and some followed the sand road to the beach and then back to the camp.

After packing up, we headed to The Wrecks and lazed around until the MICat arrived and took us back to Brissie.



Alan's bush camp, 4WD transport around the island and local knowledge, made for 5 days of great walks (about 38km) with a minimal amount of gear needed! The total cost for the weekend was \$320 – MICat fares, transport and use of the bush camp.

[If anyone is interested, MIPC also offers minimal cost weekends in exchange for weeding on MI. (They have some generous donors :)) No need to be a MIPC member :)

Costs (includes a trip to the Cape): Free for 9 hours weeding. Groups usually pay the \$40 MI Cat fare.

Thanks to the BBW members who joined me and contributed photos!

Please note that the **2018 Easter Basecamp to Moreton Island** is already on the calendar from Friday, March 30th, 2018 to Tuesday, April 3rd, 2018.

Brisbane Bushwalkers Club - Committee Reports 2017

President – Chris Hall

What a year and a privilege it has been to serve as President for this fantastic bushwalking club. In this role you really get to see all the great work that Committee members do as well as the extraordinary efforts of those helping in non-committee roles. So thank you to all those people who lead walks; introduce new members to the club; kit out members with gear for walks; survey new walks; create social events; put on photographic competitions; perform the administrative and financial tasks; train our members in leadership, first aid, navigation and abseiling; liaise with national parks and other clubs; manage our great new website; provide library services; manage outings and activities; publish our magazine; and the list goes on.

Brisbane Bushwalkers Club has been in operation since 1948 and fast approaches its 70th anniversary. Just because it is an old club doesn't mean that it is slowing down or isn't adapting to change, in fact it's just like an ageing bushwalker, it is getting stronger and adapting to its environment like never before. Other Committee members will highlight some of these changes during the past year in their reports but some of the ones that come to my mind, are as follows.

Our transition from the old website to the new website last year has been relatively painless and still continues. We will continue to bed down and improve our new website. In particular you will see the website being re-organised into a more user friendly way and graphically enhanced.

Our liaison with Queensland Parks & Wildlife Service (QPWS) remains strong. Members co-ordinated via Federation Mountain Rescue and Bushwalking Qld, to assist in search and rescue efforts for a lost man in Lamington National Park, along with track assessments following the impacts of ex-Cyclone Debbie earlier this year. We had a hiccup with the QPWS and the use of the Mt Glorious Barracks but this has now resolved and a stronger bond and redefining of obligations of both parties has ensured the continued use of this facility. Talks have also been had directly with Rangers and our role in track and campsite monitoring is highly valued and something which I will speak further with Leaders and members about.

The BBW monthly newsletter/magazine called 'The Brisbane Bushwalker' has also made a transition from being a hard copy publication to a quarterly and monthly newsletter. The first of the quarterly newsletters for May -August 2017 is now on the website at <https://www.brisbanebushwalkers.org.au/magazines> and once we have done more work on the webpage you will also see a monthly email newsletter advising you of more recent changes, reports and articles. The Qld State Library was approached and is now digitising all older copies of this magazine back to 1982. If members have hard copies of editions prior to 1982, I would be very interested to know this and make them available for digitising (and return to you).

My thanks go to Graham Olive (outgoing Vice President) for his support and dedication to the organising of speakers at each meeting. Grahams attendance at club meetings and input at Committee meetings is also gratefully acknowledged. David Sydes steps down as Outings officer this year and has put in a solid effort in other roles on the Committee over the past 5 years. David's walk and club knowledge is invaluable as has been his advice and support of the club over this time. Both of these fine gentlemen join a long list of dedicated people who have served on the Committee over the past 69 years.

Finally I want to say that one of the best things I like about this club is its ability to network, integrate, socialise, teach others and work as a team. I encourage all members to walk regularly, experience base camps and through walks, try an activity that is different, step out of your comfort zone, say hello to a stranger and pass on your bushwalking knowledge to others. In closing, a quote from a French philosopher Albert Camus comes to mind "Don't walk behind me; I may not lead. Don't walk in front of me; I may not follow. Just walk beside me and be my friend."

Outings – David Sydes

A significant factor in the success of our club is the great variety and quantity of activities put on by our enthusiastic leaders. There are always at least six walks on every weekend, and usually more than this.

- This year, 429 day walks were offered (compared with 378 last year and 352 in 2015)
- 47 through walks were held (compared with 43 last year and 46 in 2015)

I'd like to thank our leaders for their willingness to share their bushwalking trips with all of us, and for making my task as Outings officer a relatively painless one.

I'd also like to express my gratitude to both Justin Shera and Ross Ernst, who stood in as Outings officer while I was away walking in the past year.

Thanks to those of you who put on MiniMaxS for all our new members, and to the many leaders who put on fitness training sessions and night walks around the city to help us all keep fit for bushwalking.

It has been my privilege to serve on the committee for a few years now, I wish the incoming committee all the best for the future.

Social – Anna Lena Moore

This has been my first year as the Social Coordinator and it has been fun!

Another very successful Tux and Tiara weekend was held in November – thanks again go to David Sydes who organised it and cooked up a storm for the 35 members who came along. And a few birds were even spotted by Julie Moore & her twitcher friends.

The Christmas Party in December was a great success! We were a lively bunch of 75 who partied on into the night. David Sydes and his helpers excelled again – the food was master chef class! The associated walks were enjoyed as well.

The Christmas in July festivities, held at Rocky Creek Scout campsite at Landsborough, was as always, loads of fun for the 50 members who came along, and the gathering around the fire pit kept us warm.

A small group also enjoyed a superb cultural experience at the Sugarspin exhibition at GOMA. It was revealing to see grown bushwalkers on the slippery slide. The installation of live finches was superb!

Lots of social activities have again been available on the BBW calendar throughout the year – evening training walks, dinner and movie nights, bike rides, grandparent weekends & other family activities – the Steam Train fun day was very special for all ages! Thanks must go to all leaders who make this possible.

A special thank you goes to leaders who opened their homes for the monthly magazine collating evenings. But now the magazine is available on the web site, collating is no more. Those evenings were a lot of fun!

A big thank you also goes to all my supper helpers without whom I couldn't have managed – thank you Shannon Bratton-Hall, Jenny Howell, Jill & John Andresen, Mary Comer, Kay Byrne, Anne Kemp and Kurt & Burgi Warner. If I have forgotten anyone, you know who you are and thanks go to you too!

Technology – Julie Van Dore

BBW has had an eventful year, technology-wise.

- A) We formed a Technology Sub-committee. This group has been extremely helpful in standardizing Locations and general advisement. Many thanks to Marge, Ian and Jon.
- B) Because of additions to the BBW web site, we were able to cease mailing out the BBW magazine. This eliminated one of BBW's biggest costs, postage and printing for the magazine.
- C) Our esteemed Web Administrator Shaun added new functionality to our site, including Location standardization, trip reports, photographs and the ability for leaders to share and see GPX traces.
- D) Shaun also did a great deal of behind-the-scenes work to keep our website up-to-date, feature-rich and secure.
- E) We engaged a consultant to assess the security of our website. His report was delivered in September 2017.
- F) We are in the process of re-organizing the non-walk content.

Membership – Peter Lock

At each meeting, the club gets around 15 new members eager to participate in bush walking and meet new friends. This year we have held 23 kitchen talks and 19 minimax walks to welcome them. It has been a bundle of fun, with so many people to meet, to hear their stories, to see how they are all different and yet all share something.

A big thank you to leaders who have joined the fun and led a minimax and to the members who have held kitchen talks. And a special thanks to our registrars, Anna, Bec and Libby who do a fantastic job keep the paperwork in order.

No doubt there will be more new members next year, and plenty of opportunity for existing members to reach out to them.

Safety & Training – Andy Mauger

It has been an exciting and enjoyable year with several leader training courses and the many new leaders in the club (21 so far). These new leaders have been quite active providing a variety of walks. It's also been great to see the vast number of experienced leaders assisting and helping new leaders get their feet on the ground.

The Remote First Aid course is always popular, which not only provides first aid certificates its interactive and fun. Unfortunately, the earlier session for 2017 had to be cancelled, as we had the challenge with the activity location and our trainers relocating. Thankfully Steve and Clare (our trainers) are settled and are keen to provide this service again. Our October session is full again with more people wanting to participate and shows the value of this course.

During the next twelve months we will have two "remote first aid" courses, as I know they are wanted by the many members in our club.

Special thanks go out to our exceptional leaders who have helped me with these courses and given up their time to provide valuable knowledge to new leaders and members. It is terrific to see that a vast number of leaders are always so keen to be involved and assist with various types of training and exercises.

Only a few reportable incidents/accidents occurred over the last twelve months, which is unfortunate although considering the type of activities we engage in, it is quite low. However, from these incidents, I was impressed with the care by others to those injured and this shows the comradeship within the interactive club we all belong.

Equipment – Jenny Howell and Elena Williams

It has been a good year in the BBW Equipment department. Jenny Howell and Elena Williams continued to share the role and were very glad as it continues to quite often be very busy – so much so that we often missed out on supper! But now our friends look out for us and bring us a plate of tasty morsels!

This year we had a number of our club PLB's batteries expire so we purchased new ones. The new PLBs are very nice and lightweight and have a battery life of 10 years which is very appealing to the outdoor enthusiast. We have had quite a few club members purchase their own PLB of this sort. If any club member is interested in purchasing their own PLB we can give you more information.

The club lends PLBs to leaders free of charge. BBW is very safety conscious and supports the borrowing of our PLBs for all of our bushwalks. The club PLBs are for club use only as they are registered in the club's name and consequently the emergency contact details are all club contacts.

Our stock of lightweight tents for through-walking remains popular. The club's single and double Tarptents – Rainbows and Moments are our most popular. We also have a Tarptent Protrail which is very lightweight. We always advise the member hiring the tent to view the YouTube clip on the Tarptent website to practice pitching before venturing out into the wilderness.

Sleeping mats are also a popular item to hire and we purchased another insulated mat with a higher R-rating – very good for those chilly nights out west or in the depths of Lamington National Park.

Our men's through packs have also been a popular item to hire.

We have a lightweight tarp available to leaders free of charge for base camps or through walks if they require shelter.

Tyvek for tent groundsheets remains popular. It is very cheap at \$5 per single size (90 x 200cm) and we can cut a size to size your needs. You will often see us grappling with it on the floor at club meetings. Many thanks to Ray Glancy who sources it for us.

We only sell a few thick garbage bags for pack liners as it seems most people use specialised dry bags now to line their packs. We have small, medium and large size \$2, \$3 and \$5 respectively.

Cookers were borrowed a few times mainly by the new through-walker.

Equipment is usually returned on time. The cost of hiring equipment is per fortnight between meetings so accumulates when late. Equipment is often reserved so its return on time is important. We give the borrower a return slip with the due date to reinforce the club's terms.

I, Elena Williams, am having a break and stepping down as Co-Equipment officer and Steve Cockburn is replacing me. Steve and Jenny will make a great team and I am sure their expertise and experience will answer all your bushwalking equipment needs. I wish them well.

Photographic – Denise Libien

My first year as the photographic officer got off to a slow start as I was injured and unable to walk/work until March 2017. By April I was back on the trail and organized a base camp/kayak/walk to Harry's Hut in the Noosa Everglades. With its amazing water reflections, the area is a photographer's paradise. About 8 of us went and it turned out to be a great weekend with lots of photo opportunities.

Currently I am working diligently on the 2017 photo competition which will take place on Wednesday October 11th. I have set up shared files on our Dropbox account with a judge who is currently reviewing the photos. I have also found five sponsors who have provided various gifts for entrants. If needed, I will use additional monies provided by the club to purchase other gifts for competition winners. I look forward to the event!

Non-Committee Reports

Website Administrator – Shaun Johnston

This year was an eventful one for BBW on the web, with the launch of our new website and Facebook page in August 2016.

Since the launch of the new website, the technology subcommittee has been hard at work identifying ways we can make your online experience better. This has resulted in the introduction of the member dashboard with your upcoming walks and newly added walks at your fingertips, integration of personalised walk calendars with calendar services such as Google Calendar and Outlook, trip report, GPS trace and photo album creation, the beginnings of a "walk location encyclopaedia", and a number of other small features. The website has been visited around 100,000 times by about 20,000 new visitors in the last year, and about 460 of these new visitors have proceeded to complete an online member application form. Every day the website serves about 200 members and visitors, and from the time the new website went live until the end of September 2017, it facilitated over 8,000 accepted walk nominations.

The club's Facebook Page has served to complement the website as great way for people to become acquainted with the club and ask us questions about membership and other topics. The page is gaining traction, with approximately 700 followers as of October 2017.

In the coming year, we have some big plans for the website, including a visual and informational face-lift, putting more information in the "walk location encyclopaedia", more social features, and working to make members' experiences on the website even more productive and vibrant, and hopefully entertaining!

With all this in mind, I would like to gratefully acknowledge the huge contribution that Peter Lock and Gary Curtis made by bringing the previous version of the website to the club. It served us very well for a number of years, and I can vouch for the effort that would have gone into its formulation and execution. Thank you Peter and Gary. I would also like to thank all those who were involved in bringing the new website to fruition. In particular I would like to thank David Sydes and Marge Henry for their input and testing assistance, and current and past members of the technology subcommittee.

**BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.


In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 2 to 9:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc. as at 31 August 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc. will be able to pay its debts when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:



President



Treasurer

Date: 23rd September 2017

**BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

Special Purpose Financial Report

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BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
INCOME STATEMENT
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
Operating Surplus		9,262.83	(2,731.39)
Income Tax Attributable to Operating Surplus	1(c)	-	-
Operating Surplus after Income Tax		9,262.83	(2,731.39)
Accumulated Surplus' at Beginning of Financial Year		76,853.41	79,584.80
Accumulated Surplus' at the End Of The Financial Year		86,116.24	76,853.41

BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Cash Assets	2	13,461.89	13,949.28
Investments Deposits	3	70,819.00	60,000.00
Other Assets	4	4,721.00	5,073.26
Inventories	5	299.99	1,045.85
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		89,301.88	80,068.39
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		3,624.45	3,263.33
TOTAL ASSETS		92,926.33	83,331.72
CURRENT LIABILITIES:			
Overpaid Member Subscriptions		490.00	-
Sundry Creditors		185.00	48.22
Barracks		2,920.09	2,598.09
Membership Fees Paid in Advance	6	3,215.00	3,832.00
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,810.09	6,478.31
TOTAL LIABILITIES		6,810.09	6,478.31
NET ASSETS		86,116.24	76,853.41
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Accumulated Surplus		76,853.41	79,584.80
Net Surplus		9,262.83	(2,731.39)
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		86,116.24	76,853.41

Notes to and forming part of the statements are included on pages 5 to 8

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BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	2017	2016
		\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from Members		43,696.00	33,877.00
Interest Received		1,635.71	1,913.36
Payments to Suppliers		(33,842.21)	(35,499.04)
Other Assets		1,098.11	-
Overpaid Member Subscriptions		490.00	-
NET CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	8b	13,077.61	291.32
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for Equipment		(2,746.00)	(1,264.00)
NET CASH (USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(2,746.00)	(1,264.00)
Net Increase in Cash Held		10,331.61	(972.68)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		73,949.28	74,921.96
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	8a	84,280.89	73,949.28

Notes to and forming part of the statements are included on pages 5 to 8
BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

Note 1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland (1981). The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report is also prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(a) Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured at cost less any accumulated depreciation.

The depreciable amount of all plant and equipment is depreciated over the useful lives of the assets to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

(b) Inventories

Stock of shirts, Snake bandages and other memorabilia is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

(c) Income Tax

Under Division 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 a non-profit organisation is exempt from income tax if they are established for the encouragement of a game or sport.

During 2008 we successfully appealed to the Australian Tax Office that as an incorporated body we complied with the principle activities for a club to be exempt from income tax. Accordingly, we were refunded income tax paid in prior years relating to the non mutual earnings of the club.

(d) Insurance

The club maintains Directors & Officers Liability General Insurance for its members and their guests. The insurance has various limits, restrictions and conditions imposed, it expires 30 June 2018. The premium is paid annual in advance and is brought to account as an expense in the year to which the insurance coverage relates.

Property & Management Liability

This policy requires a disclaimer to have been signed by its members as participants and for risk management procedures to be maintained and reviewed annually. It is not a personal accident policy and concerns insuring the leaders and management of the club and its officers.

BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Note 7 Plant & Equipment		
Packs & Tents at cost	6,174.25	6,174.25
Accumulated depreciation	(5,383.98)	(4,087.04)
	<u>790.37</u>	<u>2,087.21</u>
New Members Equipment at cost	139.00	139.00
Accumulated depreciation	(138.00)	(138.00)
	<u>1.00</u>	<u>1.00</u>
Abseiling & Safety Equipment at cost	9,529.31	6,976.81
Accumulated depreciation	(7,750.72)	(6,976.81)
	<u>1,978.59</u>	<u>-</u>
Photographic Projector at cost	5,944.10	5,944.10
Accumulated depreciation	(5,944.10)	(5,944.10)
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Public Address Equipment at cost	1,459.00	1,459.00
Accumulated depreciation	(1,458.00)	(1,295.11)
	<u>1.00</u>	<u>163.89</u>
Library Equipment at cost	2,022.42	2,022.42
Accumulated depreciation	(1,420.05)	(1,217.63)
	<u>602.37</u>	<u>804.79</u>
Social Equipment at cost	608.50	415.00
Accumulated depreciation	(434.33)	(415.00)
	<u>144.17</u>	<u>-</u>
Computer Equipment at cost	1,826.90	1,826.90
Accumulated depreciation	(1,718.95)	(1,619.45)
	<u>107.95</u>	<u>207.45</u>
Total Plant & Equipment	<u>3,625.45</u>	<u>3,263.34</u>

BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Note 2 Cash Assets		
Cash on Hand	100.00	100.00
Cash at Bank	13,361.89	13,819.28
Undeposited Funds	-	30.00
	<u>13,461.89</u>	<u>13,949.28</u>
Note 3 Investment Deposits		
Term Deposit	70,819.00	60,000.00
	<u>70,819.00</u>	<u>60,000.00</u>
Note 4 Other Assets		
Key Deposits	60.00	60.00
Prepaid Insurance	4,461.00	4,431.76
Prepaid Printing	-	581.50
Deposits Paid	200.00	-
	<u>4,721.00</u>	<u>5,073.26</u>
Note 5 Inventories		
Inventories	299.99	1,045.85
	<u>299.99</u>	<u>1,045.85</u>
Note 6 Membership Fees paid in advance		
Prepaid New Member Nominations	2,482.00	3,696.00
Prepaid Re-Nominations	733.00	136.00
	<u>3,215.00</u>	<u>3,832.00</u>

i) The Club's annual subscription is determined at the Annual General Meeting and is for a financial year ending 31 August (Rule 31). By Law 2 requires the annual subscriptions to be paid by 31 January next.

ii) Nomination Fees paid by probationary members are apportioned over the six month period from when they are paid. As a result, there is a prepaid portion carried forward as recorded in the balance sheet. This is a basic concept of accounting principles to match revenue with the expenses incurred in the reporting of the results for the financial year.

iii) Effective from September 1, 2017 for income recognition purposes and to comply with the new AASB 15 standard, nomination fees are accrued on a quarterly basis.

BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

2017 2016
 \$ \$

Note 8 – Cash Flow Information

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the Financial Year as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to related items in the Balance Sheet as follows:

Cash on Hand	100.00	100.00
Cash at Bank	13,361.89	13,819.28
Undeposited Funds	-	30.00
Investment Deposits	70,819.00	60,000.00
	<u>84,280.89</u>	<u>73,949.28</u>

(b) Reconciliation of net cash provided by (used in) Operating activities to net surplus

Net Surplus	9,262.83	(2,731.39)
Depreciation	2,384.89	2,300.90
(Increase) / Decrease in Prepayments	(617.00)	(569.36)
(Increase) / Decrease in Inventories	-	(605.85)
Increase / (Decrease) in Prepaid Membership Fees	-	829.00
Increase / (Decrease) in Creditors	458.78	1,068.02
	<u>11,489.50</u>	<u>291.32</u>

Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC
DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
INCOME		
MAGAZINE		
Subscriptions	7,736.00	7,850.67
Subscriptions	13,342.00	9,981.33
Interest Received	1,635.71	1,913.36
Donations	215.00	30.00
Nominations	7,763.00	8,506.00
Re-Nomination	2,672.00	2,072.00
Visitors Subscriptions	139.00	-
Fees	683.00	560.00
EQUIPMENT HIRE		
Badges & Shirts Sales	1,145.00	4,048.00
LIBRARY SALES		
First Aid/CPR/Vertical Rescue	4,170.00	-
SAFETY & TRAINING		
Photographic	-	-
Christmas Party Sales	3,325.00	-
Christmas In July Party	1,560.00	-
Ice Breaker	946.00	-
SOCIAL		
TOTAL INCOME	<u>45,331.71</u>	<u>34,961.36</u>
ADMINISTRATION		
Equipment Purchase	127.69	-
Filing Fees	-	49.95
General Administration	430.70	-
Rent	1,200.00	1,200.00
Stationery	103.33	96.66
Web Hosting Expense	36.00	640.09
Journals & Magazines	554.29	-
COST OF SALES		
Library, Badges and Shirts	2,833.86	3,811.82
Library Maintenance	-	197.65
Equipment	2,384.89	2,300.90
Equipment Maintenance	-	-
Labels & Stationery	-	-
Postage	1,989.88	3,307.16
Printing	4,021.50	6,729.71
Membership Handbooks	-	-
Guide for Leader Books	-	-
Bushwalkers Insurance Scheme	5,323.97	5,365.35
Photographic Competition Expense	308.60	383.85
First Aid Course & Subsidies	4,665.00	6,750.00
Training Courses & Subsidies	3,600.00	2,982.80
Social Activities Exp Inc Suppers	8,489.17	3,619.32
Barracks Expenses	-	257.49
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>36,068.88</u>	<u>37,692.75</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	<u>9,262.83</u>	<u>(2,731.39)</u>

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC**

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc, which comprises the balance sheet as at 31 August 2017, and the income statement, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, which form part of the financial report, are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland 1981 and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, as described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act Queensland 1981. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
BRISBANE BUSHWALKERS CLUB INC**


Basis for Qualified Auditor's Opinion

The association's income included receipts from donations, fund raising proceeds etc over which it is not practicable to establish control until their initial entry in the association's records. It was not practicable to extend our audit testing, nor to adopt alternative auditing procedures to verify the completeness of receipts. Our audit relating to donations, fund raising proceeds etc was, therefore, limited to the amounts recorded.

Auditor's Opinion

Subject to the foregoing, in our opinion, the financial report of Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc presents fairly, in all material respects the financial position of Brisbane Bushwalkers Club Inc as at 31 August 2017 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.


HAM & PARTNERS


Partner

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