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Brisbane Bushwalkers Newsletter

October 2022

The Club has officially received "The Boot" in readiness for hosting the 2023 Pilgrimage. This event is scheduled for September and will be the culmination of the celebrations planned for the Club's 75th Anniversary. More on the activities planned for this significant Club milestone can be found further down.

The committee has recently updated the Club's Privacy Policy. We draw members attention to the following "A member's email address, phone number and carpooling information (if provided) will be displayed on the Club's Activities Calendar to facilitate communication between members regarding Club activities and business. No member may disclose another member's personal or contact information to a non-member or third party".

To view the policy in full go to BBW Privacy Statement

The Club's AGM will be held on October 26th when a new committee is formed. Bushwalkers are resourceful and enthusiastic, please consider nominating for

a committee position as your talent is vital in maintaining BBW as a flourishing entity. You can nominate for Committee positions by completing a <u>nomination</u> form.

The Club's Financial Statements for the year ending 2022 will be available on the website shortly. Signed copies of these statements can be viewed at the AGM.

<u>View the 2022 Activities Calendar:</u>
https://www.brisbanebushwalkers.org.au/calendar



Don Carlson from Toowoomba Bushwalkers passes on The Boot to Tom Vaughan - Diane Van

Meeting Calendar

12 October

2022 Photographic competition

26 October

Annual General Meeting

9 November

The South Coast Track - The Movie by Gareth Thomas

23 November

New members sign-on and club business meeting 75th Anniversary Organising Group

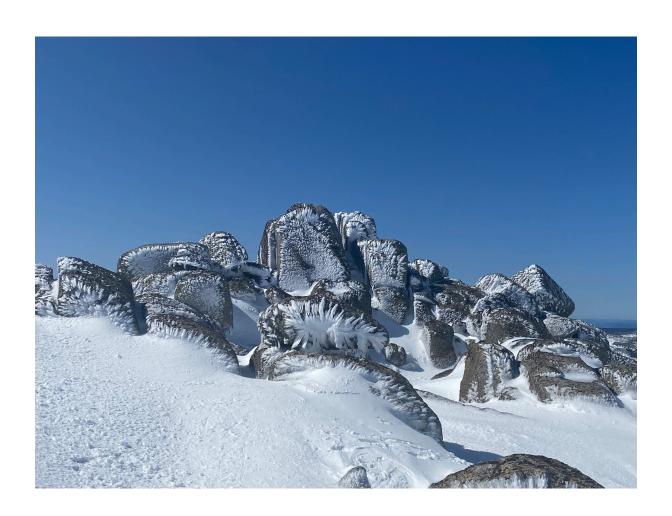
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The Hohe Tauern National Park, Austria by Peter Jackson

Presentation meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month commencing at 7:40 pm, with refreshments served.

The club accepts new member applications on the 4th Wednesday of the month.

If you have recently been on a walk and would like to share your photos and the experience please contact vicepresident@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au



Track Closures

D"Aguilar National Park

Mill rainforest walking track in Mt Mee is currently closed due to storm damage until 31/12/2022.

Lamington Binna Burra section

Closed walking tracks- Illinbah circuit and Gwongoorool Pool Track. Bellbird Circuit track is now open.

Remote and bush camping sites closed at Illinbah and Darlington.

Main Range National Park

Lookout Rd, Goomburra closed between 13/12/2022-24/10/2022. Gap Creek Falls circuit closed until 30/10/2022.

Conondale Range

Bouloomba Day Use Area may be closed for some time. Conondale Range Great Walk car park within the Day Use Area.

Glass House Mountains

Beerwah closed due to rockfall until 30/10/2022.

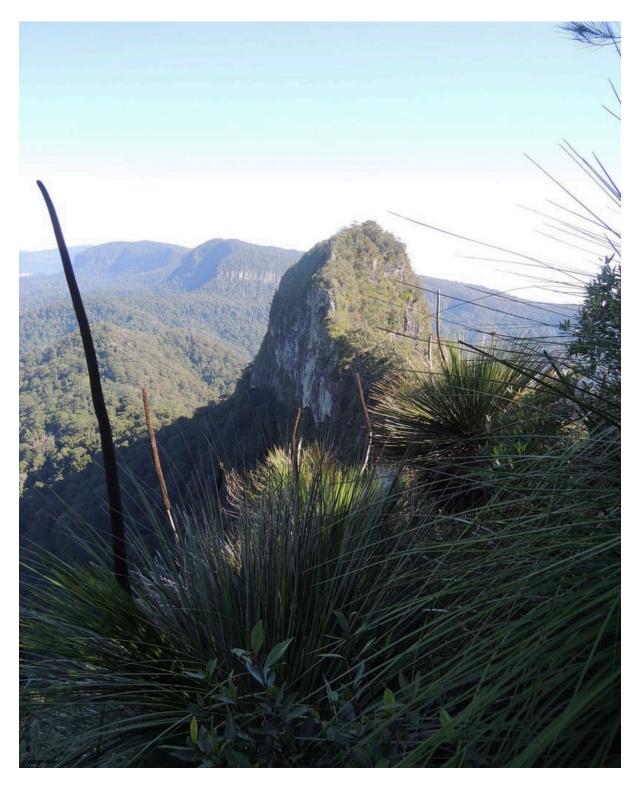
Springbrook

Purling Brook Falls, Warringa Pools, Warrie Circuit including Great walk 27/09/2022-10/10/2022.

Leaders should check the NP website for alerts.

https://parks.des.qld.gov.au/park-alerts

https://www.seqwater.com.au/recreation-and-safety-notices



Grass trees - Greg Kuss

BBW 75th Anniversary celebrations

A number of events will be held throughout 2023 to celebrate the Club's 75 years in action. Commencing in January will be the first of a series of "Platinum Boot Weekends" to be held monthly. These

weekends will incorporate Base Camps, Day Walks, Through Walks and New Member Inductions. Later in the year a Commemorative booklet will be released in conjunction with a Commemorative walk and function.

The organising committee is still in need of helpers, especially anyone with composition and editing skills to assist in compiling content for the booklet.

Katie, Linda, Dwan and Caroline



Sunset on South Bald Rock - Andrew Christie

Safety, Training and Dancing

New Members Induction - October 8

Mt Gravatt lookout - Christopher Stewart. The New Member Induction is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club.

Jane Austin Ball - October 8

Imagine yourself transported to the world of Jane Austen, to a splendid

ballroom alight with elegant ladies and handsome gentlemen. Experience the dances popular in Jane's day - the very same dances that were enjoyed in early colonial Australia. Live music by Phillip's Dog, the only ensemble in the world specialising in early Australian colonial dance music.

New Members Induction - October 30

Bellbird Grove- Mark Houghton. The New Member Induction is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club.



Lake Rhona, Tasmania - Katie Lee

More on Fungi and Mushrooms

Following up from the interesting presentation by Tammy from the Queensland

Mycological society, are further tips for avid fungi enthusiasts. The best way to photograph fungi and mushrooms is to capture them in situ, if possible capture the underside of the cap and provide a sense of scale. The library desk has further information on the correct technique to photograph fungi for identification.

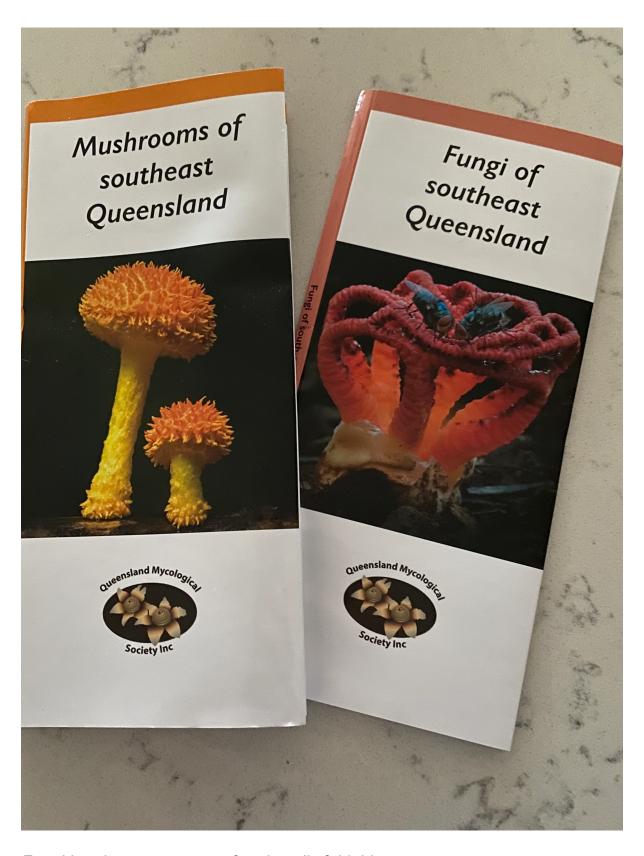
Tammy suggested downloading the iNaturalist app as a great resource to share and observe your observations of nature. "Observations submitted here are added to the global iNaturalist database and shared with the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) and the Global Biodiversity Information Facility to help scientists find and use your data". https://inaturalist.ala.org.au/

The Queensland Mycological society runs forays in the forest from January to June each year. To get in touch with them go to their <u>website</u> or their <u>Facebook</u> page

To enjoy fungi at home Tammy suggested growing your own crop by purchasing mushroom kits from suppliers such as Aussi Mushroom supplies https://aussiemushroomsupplies.com.au or Little Acre Mushrooms at West End https://littleacre.com.au

A further fungi site of interest is the <u>The Australian and New Zealand Fungus</u> identification page.

Fungi and mushroom identification brochures are available from the library table at \$5 per brochure.

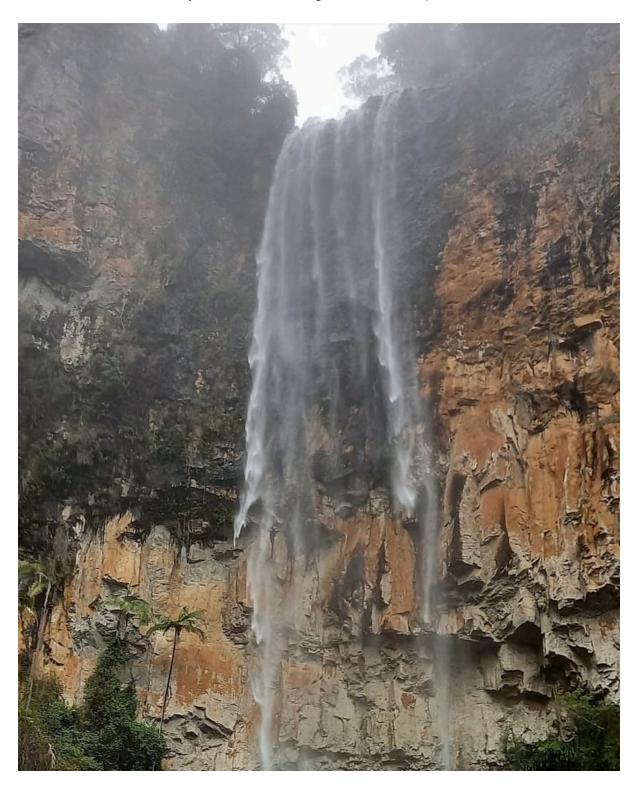


Fungi brochures- waterproof and easily foldable

Photographic competition

Entries for the photographic competition have now closed and the winners will

be announced on 12 October at the monthly meeting. The response has been fantastic and we wish all 246 entries, submitted by 43 members, the best of luck, including the member who submitted photos of their beloved pooch! Remember to vote for your favorite image in the <u>"Peoples Choice award"</u>



Purling Brook falls - Gareth Thomas

Handy hints for new members

Getting on walks is a priority of new members once they have completed their NMI. The following tips will help maximize your walk opportunities and keep leaders happy.

- Check the activity calendar frequently as in daily, not weekly
- Look ahead at least 4 weeks as leaders post walks with 1 to 4 weeks advance notice
- If a walk is suitable, nominate as soon as your are sure you can commit to the walk and put it in your calendar. Some leaders send out reminders, others don't
- Leaders understand "life happens" and do not expect you to attend if you
 are unwell. However, withdrawing from a walk with little or no notice, not
 contacting the leader, and doing this frequently is not good practice
- Opportunities often arise for Reserves to be included on walks, so it is worth putting your name down even if a walk is full. Once again requiring a commitment from you
- Be mindful BBW is run solely by volunteers.



Sunrise at Little Ramsay Bay (Hinchinbrook Island) - Cath Carkeet

New Leader Graduates

Congratulations and a grateful "Thank you" to the following members who have recently completed the BBW Leader Training weekend.

It is only through the efforts of members like these, stepping up to give back to the Club, that BBW is able to continue offering activities on the calendar. Please give them your support as they start this new phase of their BBW leadership:

- Linda Morrissy(Moss)
- Imas Prahara
- Graeme Harper
- Stephan Bohnen
- Allison Riding
- Michael Pick

If you want to know more about the Leader Training, contact the Safety and

Training Secretary (Gerry Burton), and keep an eye on the Activities calendar for the next training weekend.

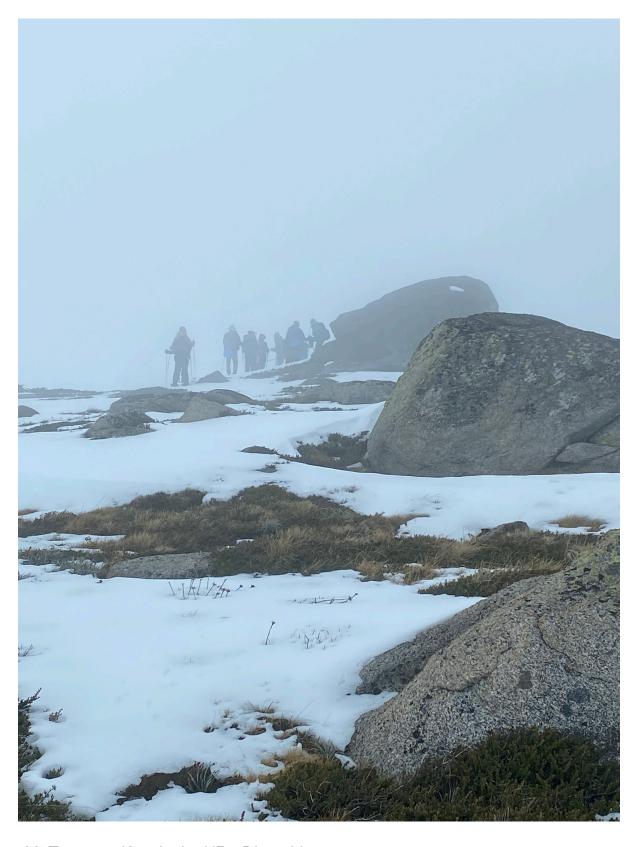
training@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au



The September Leaders weekend - Gerry Burton

Snowy Mountains Snow Shoe trip

Many Club members recently returned from the Kosciusko National Park snow shoe trip hosted by Peter and Anna Lock. This trip provided members with the experience of walking in alpine conditions using snow shoes. Day walks included a variety of terrains with varying weather conditions, including a complete white out during the ascent to Mt Twynam. This gave an opportunity for the navigation enthusiasts to really test their skills and deliver 18 people safety to the summit. Thanks to Jasmine King also for her organisational skills during these trips.



Mt Twynam, Kosciusko NP - Diane Van

Call For Club Presentations in 2023

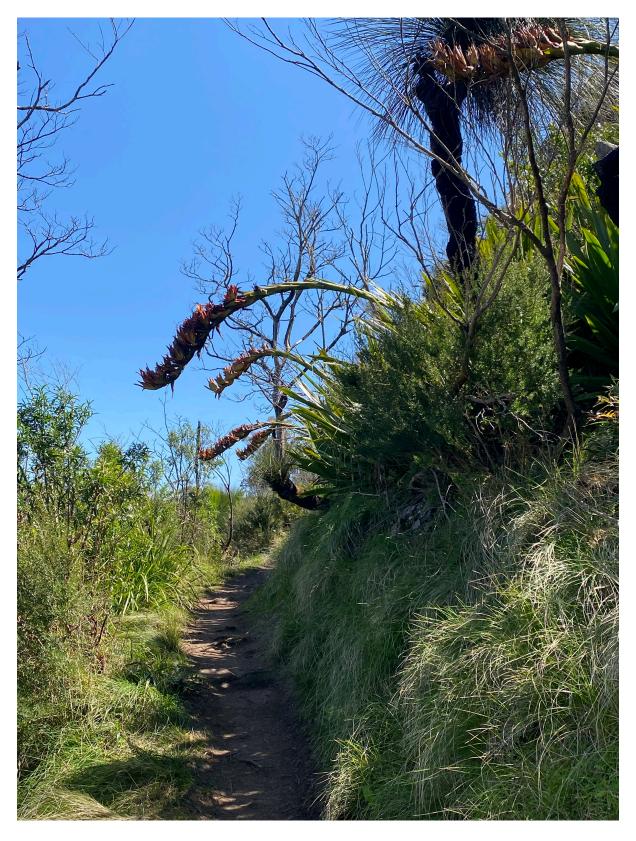
Have you been on a great walk recently?

Peter Jackson, the Club's Vice President, is currently looking for Club members who have been on a memorable walk/hike and would like to make a presentation to the ICub. The walk can be local around south-east Queensland, inter-state or even overseas. It can be any grade, doesn't need to be a Club walk; but an experience that you feel is worthy of telling the wider Club community about.

The second Wednesday of each month is allocated to Club presentations at the Newmarket Memorial Hall. Presentations of 15 to 20 minutes duration is about average, up to a maximum of 30 minutes.

Email Peter if you are interested in making a Presentation with which month in 2023 would suit you. If you want to discuss things please call Peter on <u>0418</u> 305 344.

vicepresident@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au



2022 Spear Lilly show, Mt Cordeaux - Diane Van

Draft Mt Coot-tha Mountain Bike Concept Plan

The Brisbane City Council has released the draft of the Mt Coot-tha Reserve Mountain Bike Concept Plan. Feedback is invited via an online survey up until 30 October 2022. Mt Coot-tha is a popular training area for Club members and any changes could be of interest to members and potentially impact training activities.

You are invited to provide feedback via the project webpage.

Your club, your newsletter

Let us know so we can let our community know

If you would like to share photos, walking news or any other appropriate content please email newsletters@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au









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