



**Brisbane**  
**Bushwalkers**

*Established 1948. Still Walking Strong.*

# **Brisbane Bushwalkers**

## **Newsletter**

### **Nov-Dec 2022**

As 2022 comes to an end, the Committee would like to wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and New Year with your family and friends. The Club's Christmas party is only a couple of weeks away, and already there are some walks listed on the calendar.

With the weather heating up, leaders will be focusing more on activities in creeks, waterways and rainforests so don't let the hot weather deter you from enjoying a day out in the bush.

The first Club meeting for 2023, will be held on Wednesday 11 January when members will be able to borrow and return gear, and library books. New member applications and inductions will be conducted at the Club meeting on 25 th January.

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*Afternoon sun rays through the rain forest - Melanie Day*

# Meeting Calendar

## **14 December**

The Hohe Tauern National Park, Austria by Peter Jackson

## **11 January**

Tour de Mont Blanc by David Muncaster

## **25 January**

New members sign-on and Club business meeting

## **8 February**

Snowshoeing with the Slushpuppies- A week in Kosciusko National Park

## **8 February**

Secondhand Gear night

## **8 March**

Healthy feet for bushwalkers- by Professor Debbie Turner from QUT School of Podiatry

## **22 March**

New members sign-on and Club business meeting

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](mailto:vicepresident@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au)





*First place in the Photographic Competition "Scenery and Landscape" category  
- Scenic Rim - Deb Ostwald*

## 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

The following Bush camping sites are closed - both on track and remote off track sites between 01/12/2022 - 31/01/2023

Mount Bithongabel bush camp

Echo Point bush camp site

Illinbah bush camp site

Point Lookout remote bush camp site

Rat-a-tat remove bush camp site

Stinson remote bush campsite

Lost World - Creek remote bush camp site

Lost World- Saddle remove bush camp site

Running Creek remote bush camp site

Darlington remote bush camp site

## Tamborine NP

Joalah Lower Creek Circuit closed due to heavy rainfall until 27/01/2023

## Conondale Range

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

## Springbrook

Purling Brook Falls Circuit closed until 03/02/2023

Warringa Pool Track closed until 03/02/2023

## Wollumbin NP (formally Mt Warning NP)

To read about the future management of Wollumbin (Mount Warning) National Park [click here](#)

Leaders should check the NP website for alerts.

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

<https://www.seqwater.com.au/recreation-and-safety-notice>



*On the way to Kongma La, Nepal - Simon Leigh*

## **BBW75 Platinum Boot Weekends**

The BBW75 organising committee is pleased to announce the release of a series of "Platinum Boot Weekends". These weekend events will honor the Club's Base Camp tradition and incorporate a Base Camp, Through Walk and New Member Induction. They will represent popular walks of each decade of the club. These weekends will prove to be very popular so we remind all members to keep an eye out on the Activities Calendar and note when nominations open.

When BBW was first established in the late 1940's, car ownership was not common, so most walks were conducted in the Greater Brisbane area using trams and train branch lines. By the mid fifties with nearby bushland diminishing and a desire by members for new adventures, base camping became the most popular way to explore further afield.

Transport was still difficult so going for a whole weekend gave more time to explore areas such as the Main Range and Mt Barney to the South and the Glass House Mountains to the North.

### 2010-2020 Mt Glorious 20-22 January (FULL for weekend guests, NMI open)

The first of our Platinum Boot Weekends being held at the Mt Glorious Barracks is now full. BUT new members who have not nominated for the weekend can attend the NMI as day guests only. From at least 2013 to the present, Marion and Lou Darveniza have led Leader's Weekend Base Camps at the QPWS Mt Glorious Barracks, to survey walks in D'Aguilar NP.

[Nominate here](#)

### 2000-2010 Green Mountain 24-26 February

In February look out for nominations to open for 2000-2010 Green Mountain Base Camp in Lamington National Park. This has been a regular fixture throughout the club's history and this base camp will be held at O'Reilly's campground, Green Mountain, where a similar base camp was led by Julia Wain in February 2006.

[Watch for nominations here](#)

### 1990-2000 Boonoo Boonoo 24-26 March

This Base Camp begins at the Cypress Pines campground located just inside the NSW border. A Boonoo Boonoo NP (pronounced Bunna Bunoo) base camp and through walk was led by Manfred Vijars in February 1994

[Watch for nominations here](#)





*Honeyeater - Gareth Thomas*

## **Safety, Training & more Dancing**

**BBW Christmas Party - December 2-4**

Baden Powell Scout Centre at Samford. [Nominate here](#)

**New Members Induction - December 10**

Mt Coot-tha The New Member Induction is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club.

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**New Members Induction, BBW75 Base Camp - January 21**



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### **Throughwalk Gear and Knowledge Development - February 11**

This session is aimed at members wishing to learn what gear is required to take on a Through walk. Explanations of terminology used and what is acceptable through walking practice will also be discussed, along with tips and tricks specific to through walking gear.



*Bald Rock Giraween NP - Sally-Anne Clark*

## **BBW Gear night at K2 Base Camp**

K2 Base Camp in Fortitude Valley is proud to host another gear night exclusive

to BBW Club members. During this event K2 will offer a 20% discount store-wide, with a potential for further discounts available on selected items. These events are very busy and K2 staff have limited time to spend with us. In order to save time you are invited to visit the store prior to the night, make your selection and let staff know you will return to collect the goods on the night, or place an order.

Snacks and drinks will be provided and members can nominate through the club activities calendar [here](#).



## 2022 Photographic competition

Congratulations to all members who submitted entries in this years Photographic Competition. In the six categories, plus the People's Choice



award there were twenty six award recipients. [Winners](#) photographs have been posted on the website.



*Photographic Competition First Place and Grand Champion winner - Chris Hall*

## **BBW Registrar position**

After many years of acting as the Club Registrar, Anna Bransden would like to hand over the role to another person. This is a non-Committee role which can be done from your home, and involves keeping our membership records up to date. This role could be a shared position. If you are interested in assisting the Club with this, please contact Gerry Burton, on [0408793 715](tel:0408793715) or by [email](#)





*BBW75 logo - Linda McPhee*

## **BBW75 Anniversary Celebration**

On the 15th September 1948, a constitution was presented at a meeting and The Brisbane Bushwalkers Club was officially born. We will celebrate this significant occasion by holding a cocktail party in one of the rooms on offer at the Victoria Park Function Centre on the 15 September 2023. A welcoming drink followed by “cocktail food” will be provided. We can all circulate and catch up with old friends and new while enjoying scrumptious finger foods. There will be a cash bar with reasonably priced drinks. A slide show of interesting memorabilia will be screened throughout the evening. Other entertainment will

naturally be on the menu as well. If you think you are likely to come to this event, please nominate [here](#) by early 2023 to assist our organising committee with arranging a suitable room.



*Photographic competition First Place Artistic Category - Moreton Island Champagne Pools - Ken Staib*

## **Eco Tourism proposal - Cooloola Great Walk update**

As part of the Queensland Eco Tourism Trails program, the Queensland Government is exploring ecotourism opportunities at a number of sites including in the Cooloola Great Walk area. To read more on what is proposed for this area [click here](#).





*Photographic competition Runner Up People's Choice - Hugh Gorge, Larapinta Trail - Shannon Bratton*

## **Membership renewals due in February**

Members are reminded that membership fees of \$40.00 fall due on 28th February 2023. There are a lot of fees to process in January and February, so please try and make renewal payments early. Unfinancial members may not take part in BBW activities. When making the payment, please put your surname & initial as reference. (See below) There is no need to email the Registrar informing them of payment.

Please make your payment to:

BSB: 124-021

Account: [1041-4419](#)

Account Name: Brisbane Bushwalkers Club

Reference: Your Surname & Initial eg SMITHM

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