



**Brisbane**  
**Bushwalkers**

*Established 1948. Still Walking Strong.*

# **Brisbane Bushwalkers**

## **Newsletter**

### **March 2023**

Looking at our Club's Activity calendar over the next few months, is a reminder of how fortunate we are to be able to enjoy the world around us. The activities on offer range from a trip to Nepal led by Simon Leigh, a cycle trip on the Brisbane Valley Rail trail led by Helen Barge and two Grandparent Basecamp weekends where kids big and small can camp and enjoy time in the bush. Whilst we are all out enjoying what nature has on offer don't forget to take photos. The club runs a Facebook and Instagram account to promote and share the joy of engaging in outdoor activities. Content for these accounts, and for this newsletter is drawn from member contributions. Whilst we have some great material to share (take a look at the shot below!), we are always on the look out for more. Social media material depicting a face, requires permission from the person/people who appear. The photographer can be credited by name, a pseudonym, an Instagram handle or as anonymous. Please forward your photos to [socialmedia@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au](mailto:socialmedia@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au)

If members have any queries in relation to loading photos onto the website

please email [newsletters@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au](mailto:newsletters@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au)

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*Tibrogargan Trojan & Zeitgeist - Matt D*

## Meeting Calendar

**12 April**

The Grampians Peak Trail in Victoria by Cath Carkeet

**26 April**

Club business meeting and New members Introduction

**10 May**

Walks in Turkey, Armenia and Georgia by Ray Clancy

**24 May**

Club business meeting and New members Introduction. *Please note - no Libraries service available on this night.*

**14 June**

Bush Walkers and Weed Spotting by Dominic Hyde, Mt Nebo & Mt Glorious Environmental Protection Assoc

**28 June**

Club business meeting and New members Introduction

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)



*Christmas Creek - Arend Stoffberg*

## Track Closures

### D'Aguilar National Park

Temporary Closure to car park and trailhead for upgrade of the Boombana visitor site Jan 32 - May 2023

Thylogale trail remains open between Jollys lookout & Sth Boundary Road but will be closed between South Boundary road and Boombana.

### Main Range National Park

As a result of maintenance, Gap Creek Falls track in Main Range National Park

will remain closed. For your safety, please proceed with caution along all park access roads, driving to the conditions. It is recommended to access unsealed roads by 4WD's.

Lookout Road in Goomburra Section of Main Range National Park will be closed to traffic from Monday 27th February to Thursday 6th April 2023, for repair works to culverts and resurfacing.

Lookout Road is closed to public access for the duration of the works and this includes all walking tracks listed below:

Araucaria Falls track

Winder track

Mount Castle lookout track

Sylvesters lookout track

North Branch track

Alternative walks remaining open include- Dalrymple circuit, Cascades circuit and Ridge track.

The Head Road over Teviot Range, managed by the Scenic Rim Regional Council, is currently closed until further notice, affecting access to sections of Main Range National Park.

Southern access to the following locations will be affected:

Lizard South remote bush camp

Mount Superbus - North Peak remote bush camp

Mount Superbus - South Peak remote bush camp

## Conondale Range

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

## Springbrook

Gold Coast Hinterland Great Walk - the closure applies to the Springbrook section between Apple Tree Park and Purling Brook Falls/Settlement camping area (due to closure of Purling Brook Falls circuit

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>



*Christmas Creek - Arend Stoffberg*

## **Health & Safety - medical disclosure**

Members are reminded of their responsibility as stated in the BBW Members Handbook to advise the leader and/or another walker of any relevant medical conditions and location of possible emergency treatments. The leader will keep this information confidential. It is in a member's best interests to do this, so that the leader, other walkers, and medical or emergency responders can appropriately assist them in the event of an incident.

Members should let the leader know if they are carrying any

medication or an EpiPen, and where to find these in their pack. Notes on this medication and the medical condition should also be included. Members can advise the leader via email prior to the walk, or on the day, prior to the commencement of the walk.



*Stevens Creek & Byron Gorge - Matt D*

## **BBW75 Platinum Boot Weekends**

**1980-1990 Gibraltar/Washpool 28 April -1 May**

Mulligans campground is the location of this base camp, located in the Northern Tablelands of NSW. A Gibraltar Washpool base camp and

through walk was led by John Vaughan and Russell Fraser in April 1982.

### 1980 Christmas Creek 26-28 May

A Christmas Creek base camp and through walk was led by Narelle Rutherford and Ian Cowan in June 1972. The location of this base camp will be the Stinson Memorial Park. This base camp will incorporate a New Members Induction.

[Watch for nominations here](#)

### 1960-1970 Mt Barney 16-18 June

A base camp at Waterfall Creek, in the shadows of Mt May led by Warren Johnson was held in July of 1965. The location of this base camp will be at Mt May Waterfall Creek campground.

[Watch for nominations here](#)





*Tooloona Circuit - Nick Brooking*

## **Events + Safety and Training**

### **New Members Induction - Sunday April 9**

Chermside Hills. The New Member Induction is designed to introduce new members to bushwalking and to the Brisbane Bushwalkers Club.

[Nominate here](#)

### **Mt Glorious Basecamp Working Bee - Sunday April 15-16**

The intent of these weekends is to do some maintenance work on National Parks tracks. On Saturday afternoon, after the work is

completed, club members are welcome to camp at the Barracks and enjoy a social evening. The Barracks has a fully equipped kitchen and bathroom. [Nominate here](#)

## **New Members Induction - Saturday April 22**

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

[Nominate here](#)

## **Navigation Training and New Member Induction weekend - April 28-May 1**

This weekend is held in the Reedy Creek area of Mt Byron - This weekend is suitable for navigators of all skill levels and for those wishing to camp in a beautiful area on private property. [Nominate here](#)

## **Mt Glorious Barracks Grandparents weekend - May 19-21.**

These weekends provide an opportunity for grandparents to introduce their grandchildren to the pleasures of being in the bush in a safe and secure environment. [Nominate here](#)

## **Christmas Creek Grandparents weekend - May 26-28**

This weekend base camp will take advantage of the Lost World Guesthouse facilities to introduce grandchildren, nieces, nephews and orphans to the southern area of Lamington National Park. [Nominate here](#)

[Activities calendar](#)



*Tibrogargan Trojan & Zeitgeist - Tina Luong*

## Contact Officers

The Club has designated Emergency Contact Officers whose numbers are listed on the website under [Resources/Club Contacts](#). Make your family and friends aware of these Contact Officers details before embarking on a walk. **All members** should also put these numbers into their phone contacts. If there is a problem or a delay returning to Brisbane, the leader or a group member will endeavour to make contact with an Officer. Although this responsibility falls primarily on the leader, there may be situations where the leader is unable to do so.

Currently the Contact Officers numbers are:

[0408 098 435](#)

[0408 793 715](#)

[0427 226 006](#)



*Crossing Yamahra Creek - Cath Carkeet*

## **Kokoda Challenge**

The 2023 Kokoda Challenge Brisbane has now been launched. This event is in its 12th Year and nominations are now open. The organisers of the event have approached the club for volunteers to assist with either track-marking on Thursday/Friday 1/2nd June 2023 or be a part of the sweep team Saturday 3rd June. For nominations and information click [here](#) or go to their [Facebook](#) page. The Event Village is at the Brookfield Recreation Reserve, Brookfield and the course is throughout the D'Aguilar National Forest.



## **Exclusive BBW K2 online offer**

Don't forget as members of Brisbane Bushwalkers you are entitled to an exclusive 10% discount on all online purchases by using the code BBWVIP.

[K2 Basecamp.](#)



*BBW75 logo - Linda McPhee*

## **Pilgrimage Update**

Registration for the Pilgrimage is now open.

Have you got your brains trust organised for the Pilgrimage Friday night Bushwalkers Trivia event? Teams of 2-6 will battle it out for intellectual fame and glory.

[BBW75 Pilgrimage](#)

Please note that to attend the Pilgrimage you must complete the registration form and follow the instructions for payment

[Registration form](#)

For the full program and registration click [here](#)



*Mt Greville abseil - Matt D*

**BWQ History Project**

Bushwalking Queensland is currently undertaking a project to collate historical material from Pilgrimages dating back to the 1960's when our Club hosted events at Mt Barney. This historic material can include - Pilgrimage flyers, walks programs, write-ups and particularly photographs from the pre-digital era. They are specifically interested in anything from the BBW Mt Barney Pilgrimages prior to 1970, when the Club hosted photo competitions.

The earliest Pilgrimage photo they have is a photo from a YHA Bushies member – of a YHA Bushie winning the billy boiling at the 1976 BBW-hosted Pilgrimage.

For more information please email Nancy Hodge [nbhodge@bigpond.com](mailto:nbhodge@bigpond.com)





*Bushwalkers circa 1960?- unknown photographer*

## DUE NOW Membership renewals

Have you forgotten to renew your Membership? You can still do this by making an EFT payment into the Clubs account. **If your membership is unfinancial you 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, unless

Please make your payment to:

BSB: 124-021  
Account: [1041-4419](#)  
Account Name: Brisbane Bushwalkers Club  
Reference: Your Surname & Initial eg SMITH M

[Registrar@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au](mailto:Registrar@brisbanebushwalkers.org.au)

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