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BUNDABERG BUSHWALKING CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS: -

I spent most of the time between the last newsletter and this one fulfilling a bucket list item - a trip to the Cape. 6200 km in 16 days, but totally worth it. I know just about anyone reading this has either been, or is planning to go, so you won't be surprised to hear me tell you it is definitely worth the effort. Going so early in the season meant the roads were amazingly good!

Just a reminder about membership renewals - paying is only half the job. We do need you to complete the forms (paper or online). You'll know if you've done everything right because we'll contact you with your membership card.

Thank you to everyone who came to the planning meeting and especially those that put their hand up to lead an activity. You are the reason that we have a club. And we have a great schedule for the next 6 months, so I hope everyone gets the chance to get out there.

Happy walking,
Lucinda

WALK REPORTS:

Saturday 6th June. - Mt Perry Summit Walk, Queensland Day,

Celebrating Queensland Day on a crisp morning with the temperature around 9 degrees, a group of twelve met to do the Mt Perry Summit Walk. After the heart pumping start, where a family of five emus were spotted in the valley, we all enjoyed the winding track through the rain forest. As the cooler weather continued, we were grateful for the occasional burst of sunshine, the valley views from the cliff lookout, and finally the open forest trail as it headed to the summit.

A big shelter and table and seating greeted us and was a comfortable location for refreshments. While the view to the east and west was obscured by the forest, we could see small glimpses of Mt Rawdon Gold Mine. The eight kilometres return downhill was manageable, but some with knee issues felt the impact of the last steep downhill to the cars. The day was completed with coffee and food from Mt Perry Shop. For those able to stay on, a visit to the Copper Mine Smelter Site, a look inside the Men's Shed Tram and a visit to Normanby Lookout topped off a memorable day to celebrate how beautiful Queensland is and the outdoors is the best way to experience it.

A big thank you to the Mt Perry Community Development Board crew who are maintaining the track. **Moira**

Sunday 14th June – Strikey Boulder -

To start with we had a good number registered to attend but unfortunately that dwindled as the day got closer, but it was greatly appreciated that the persons did notify me prior. Our group of 6 departed on time and though not expecting anyone to meet us in Biggenden we went via the park to make sure. No one was there that looked like a bushwalker so we continued out to the Mt Walsh picnic area. Several cars were in the carpark, indicating some people had an earlier start to the summit. After donning gaiters and getting the gps set to retrace previous steps, we departed. It didn't take long to remove the extra layers that were countering the chilly breeze. A little way into the walk we decided to vary the planned route and follow what appeared to be an old forest track. The track was a bit clearer of hazards but probably made for a steeper climb rather than follow the contour. This deviation meant a few more stops to admire the view (alias, catch your breath) and eventually we returned to the designated trail taking the easier route. We had a longer break to recharge before the final ascent to the boulder. Surprisingly the boulder doesn't stand out in the bush, it is getting overgrown, but it can be seen from google earth. One intrepid hiker climbed to the top, but the rest were satisfied to sit in the shelter of the boulder out of the breeze and enjoy morning tea.

Moira had provided the history on the boulder, so we reviewed that information before retracing our steps back to the car and this time we followed the designated route. Peter had taken a deviation through the bush and we got back to the picnic area before him. When he emerged, he was bearing the evidence of the bush beating Peter encountered and some minor first aid was required. Everyone had brought their lunch as the leader specified except the leader.....(though she had over packed morning tea so didn't starve). We had lunch in the picnic area while continuing to admire the majestic Mt Walsh summit. Thank you to those that joined me - it was a great walk and I didn't lose anyone! **Allison**

Sunday 14th June – Kalina Creek - A beautiful late afternoon, mild, sun shining and 4 walkers checked up on the progress of the new public green space "Charlotte's Wood" at Innes Park/Bargara Headlands Estate. Charlotte's Wood is ca 50 ha of park on the site of a former quarry, it is a work in progress and was formally opened this year. There were dog walkers and families with small kids around, enjoying themselves.

I try to go there at least once a year to see the changes and where and what kind of new plants have gone in. Trees and bushes have grown since last year and are providing now a habitat for different bird species, a lot of LLBs, but we could identify mistletoe bird, red backed black fairy wren and some honey eaters. At the plantings there are a huge number of fig trees and we found a bush with pretty pink berries, perfect for this year's photo competition. And rocks along the path have been decorated with colourful mosaics, mainly depicting butterflies. Beautiful. After walking the main path, smoothly concreted, up and back, we continued on to the coast along Kalina creek and made it to the yarning circle on the coastal pathway. As the sun was going down and it was getting dark, we went back to the cars; but next time I really have to allow more time to get at least to the whale look out. – **Angela**

Sunday 28th June – Barolin Reserve - Sadly, not many takers, so it was Mary and me. But it was a beautiful day, birds singing and Roos everywhere. We walked to Nielson Beach via the Stevensen St entrance, had coffee at the Beach Mill in the Life saver building, looking out on the sun and the sea and the beach and the waves.... A perfect Sunday morning. Second leg of the walk was directly behind the coast, first we had to cross the sports field where some sort of school sport carnival for kids was going on, we tried to be invisible, then crossing the turtle trail into Barolin reserve again. Back on the west side of the creek to look at the very old grey gum tree, crossing the creek (nobody got wet feet) and to the cars. Home by 11:30 - a nice Sunday morning outing. **Angela**

June 30th – July 4th. Cooloola Wilderness Trail - Three trekkers embarked on the 3day 30.7klm Cooloola Wilderness Trail. The Sunshine Coast had been experiencing a lot of wet weather the previous week so we knew the bogs and creek crossings would be full. It rained the first day, (an easy two and a half hour), then we had glorious sunny weather the rest of the trip. The fungi were plentiful and very colourful. The bogs were ankle deep and creek crossings varied in depth from calf to upper thigh - crystal clear but icy. It meant our shoes and socks were nice and clean at the end of each day. The camp sites were each beside stunning waterholes. When we finished at Harry's Hut we were the only campers. There were day kayaks, both sightseeing and fishermen. The tour boat also joined us on the last day. We had to fend off the goannas and scrub turkeys before our pick up turned up with hot coffee, biscuits and cake. (Thank you Edward). The walk is a great introduction to multi day camping and great preparation for tackling the Great Walks. **Glenda**

FUTURE WALKS AND OUTINGS:

Saturday 11th July.- Social – Riverview. – Meet at Thabeben S/S to leave at **9am** for a pleasant morning at Riverview. Please ring **Barry (0403 736 420)**

Sunday 12th July – Cordalba State Forest.- Medium S2b – Medium walk approx.. 8.5km along old and current forestry tracks. The Terrain is undulating with a few short steep gullies so a walking pole will come in handy. 4wd or high clearance vehicle for a short distance once we enter the reserve. Bring morning tea and lunch. Meet at Coles Kensington Carpark at **8am.** or elsewhere by arrangement. Please ring **Mary (0414 190 566)**

Monday 13th July – North Botanical Gardens. – Meet at the Chapel entrance for an afternoon walk around the Botanical Gardens at **4PM.** Text only to **Angela (0447 226 854).**

Saturday 18th – 19th July – Overnight camp at St Mary's S/Forest. Medium with pack. Mt Benarige is hard. **Day 1.** 18.6km. 8am meet at carpark. From cnr of Glenbar and Thinoomba Rds St Mary. Drive 10.5km up gravel Thinoomba Rd. At crossroads turn right. Overnight carpark is 200mtrs. Pack on walk to Mt Benarige base. Pack off for summit and return. Carry food and water. Continue walk stopping at a derelict bridge, then an operational bridge made of logs. More forest and gravel road to camp-site. Pit toilet. Fresh water in containers. 242mtr altitude difference.

Day 2. 20.35km. Quiet Road walking to a long firebreak beside Myrtle Creek. Emerge on St Marys Rd and cross Benarige Creek bridge. Under the powerlines and through the shady forest to your car. 54mtr altitude difference. To register phone **Marlene (0424 711 098)**

Sunday 26th July - Waterfall Creek. –Mt Walsh NP - Hard

This is a 6 km return walk up the creek. Rock-hopping, and a small amount of scrub bashing in places depending on the height of the water. We will walk up to a small waterfall and return the same way. Depart Coles Kensington at **7am**. Contact **Lucinda (0421 011 181)** to register.

Sunday 26th July – The Hummock - Explore. - S1a - Depart Quay St carpark (Bundy Social Club end but not near the club) at **8.30** or meet at Heathwood Park **9am**. We will walk down to the Maureen Schmitt Park and explore the tracks before heading back up the hill, return to Heathwood Park for morning tea and then climb the boardwalk to the lookout (exertion required). From there for those interested we will follow the road to Anthony's Rest and return to the park. Day pack required. Estimate 3km walking. Please register to **Allison (0448 846 084)**

Sunday 2nd August – Mt Perry Summit. Meet at North S/S at **7.am** for a medium walk in Mt Perry summit. Medium rated to climb, but steep. Please text only to **Angela (0447 226 854)**.

Tuesday 4th August - Meeting Bundaberg State High School. - Meet at the gates in Maryborough St. The meeting will start at **5.30.pm**. All members and visitors are welcome.

Saturday 8th August - Social – The Hummock. Meet at Riverside Carpark Quay St to leave at **9.am**. for another of Barry's social mornings. Please ring **Barry (0403 736 420)**

Friday 7th – 9th August - Mini-Pilgrimage weekend – Binna Burra Lodge: -

Sunday 9th August – St Marys – 5 Bridges. This is a 12klm circuit walk. **Medium.** Meet at Thabeban S/S **7am**. or **8.30** Corner Glenbar Rd & Thinoomba Rd West. Briefly walk the national trail. Turn right at the massive log and head down for a series of four bridges in differing states of disrepair. A forest track takes us to the final bridge and onto the national trail to complete the circuit to our cars. For more information and register **Marlene (0424 711 098)**

Monday 10th August – 19th August - Paddle and Hiking trip. Blackdown etc. Winter paddling and hiking trip. **Day 1** depart for Blackland Tableland national park. Need to book 2 nights: enjoy walks and hopefully plenty of wildflowers. **Day 3** travel south to Cania for 3 nights stay at Cania Gorge Tourist retreat. Several walks are available as well as a picturesque dam to paddle. **Day 6** brings an easy drive to Wuruma dam via Monto where free camping and toilets are available but no showers. No booking is required. **Day 8** travel south via Eidsvold and Mundubbera to Lake Boondooma outside Proston where a caravan park with all facilities is available. There will also be opportunities to visit various places of interest along the way. If you would like to register and for more information. Please phone **Mary (0414 190 566)**

Sunday 16th August – Queens Park – (easy) – Meet at Queens Park Hope St (near Mater hosp) at **8.30am** to walk to River cruise café and return. Please phone **Verli (4152 8885)**

Saturday 22nd August – Vera Scarth Johnson Walk. – Easy/medium walk through Banksia trees alongside the salt flats to look at the wildflowers. Meet at Thabeban S/S **3.30pm**. **Text only to Angela (0447 226 854).**

Sunday 23rd August -Mt Doongul – M2C I have led this walk a couple of times for the club. We start at Musket Flat on the National Trail. Initially the trail is flat and gradually climbs through spotted gum country, we leave the trail on the Mt Doongul road. The last 300 metres is steep. There are good views from the summit of musket flat and Seaview Range to the west. We descend steeply on a track and travel off track before crossing under powerlines to link up with the National Trail and return to the cars. Walk grade is **M2C**. Some off track walking and some steep sections. Bring food and water. Meet **Woocoo car park 8.30**. I would allow 6 hours for walk. Contact **Richard (0414345782)**

Friday 28th August –Talk about Hiking: Maryborough Library - 127-129 Bazaar St
1pm to 2pm. - No booking required. - Complementary tea, coffee and biscuits.

A PowerPoint presentation taking the audience through my Hiking life with loads of photos. Taking in Multi Day hiking and day hikes. What places are available to try to find walks? How do I get my inspiration to venture to new places? Who will help me? Who do I show these walks to? -Please phone Marlene Luce for more information - **(0424 711 098)**

Friday 28th August – Moonlight – Kellys Beach. –S1a Full moon walk from Neilson Park to Kellys Beach and return in time to enjoy the moon drumming circle. Depart Riverside carpark Quay St at **4PM**. Please phone to register **Allison (0448 846 084)**

Sunday 30th August. – Double Sloping Hummock – L25 – Medium level of fitness required no offtrack, out and back walk following rough road to summit. Dirt road access. Depart North S/S **7.30am**. Please phone **Allison (0448 846 084)**

Monday 31st - August – Wednesday 2nd September -Upper Noosa River overnight kayak- MEDIUM/HARD. Depart Bundaberg **6.30 am** - Arrive Harry's Hut around noon. Afternoon Kayak up river to campsite 4 and stay overnight. **Tuesday 1st September -** Spend day doing a 14km (6hr) walk to Cooloola Sand Patch (big dune on near coast) - Stay overnight camp site 4. - **Wed 2 September** - Pickup. Paddle upstream for several hours, have lunch. Paddle back downstream to Harry's Hut; drive home. (I will book campsites at camp site 4). **You will need to: -** byo - kayak, tent, food, water, weather protection clothing, life jacket. Be able to transport your gear on/in your kayak. Camp site 4 - stay overnight there. More information **phone Paula (0490 330 542)**

Tuesday 1st September - Meeting Bundaberg State High School. - Meet at the gates in Maryborough St. The meeting will start at **5.30pm**. All members and visitors are welcome.

Sunday 6th September – Bingera N/P Wildflowers S1a. – About 6.5klm circuit walk mostly following old formed tracks, some inclines. Depart Thabeban S/S **7.30am**. Phone **Allison (0448 846 084)**

Sunday 6th September – Dairy Creek. – Meet North S/S **7.am**. Phone for more information. Lucinda **(0421 011 181)**

Saturday 12th September – A.G.M. – All members are invited to the A.G.M. to be held at **The Shed Baldwin Swamp**. The meeting will begin at **9.30** and a BBQ will be held afterwards. Please bring a plate to share. All members and visitors welcome.

Sunday 13th September - Mt Bererum - S3B - Meet Woocoo car park **8.45**.

Located in St Mary's SF south west of Maryborough. This walk is graded **S3B**. Suitable for beginners, there is some off track walking, it is open forest. Depending on how we are feeling on the day we can extend the length of the walk, it is under 10km return walk from the cars. Mt Bererum can be found on QTopo on the northern end of the state forest west of Thinoomba Rd. It is approximately 40 minutes from Woocoo carpark. I have not been to this mountain, I will pre walk it next month. This will be a 3-4 hour walk, bring food and water. Contact **Richard (0414345782)**.

Saturday 19th – 20th September – Overnight at Palm Valley.- HARD -

This is a fairly short walk of about 2km each way, however the first part is extremely steep as we drop down into the creek. We are hoping to see fireflies at night. Participants need to have their own gear (backpack, sleeping bag, tent etc) however I do have some gear that I can lend if anyone needs it. Further details on departure times etc will be provided closer to the date. We will need 4wd/high clearance vehicles to access this walk, however car pooling can be arranged. Contact **Lucinda (0421 011 181)** to register.

Sunday 20th September – Takilberan Creek – Meet at North S/S **7.30am**. Phone Mary **(0414 190 566)**.

Sunday 27th September - Coona Beach - Moonlight Walk. - Full moon walk, walking as far as you like. Leave Thabeban S/S **5PM**. To register phone **Allison (0448 846 084)**

Saturday 3rd October – 5th October. – Long Weekend.- A camping weekend to be confirmed. Phone Lucinda **(0421 011 181)**

Tuesday 6th October – Meeting: --Bundaberg State High School. Meet at the gates in Maryborough St. The meeting will start at **5.30.pm**. All members and visitors are welcome.

Saturday 10th October – Social – Smiths Crossing – Meet at North S/S **9.00am**. Join us in Barry's social mornings. Bring morning tea and chairs. Please phone Barry **(0403 736 420)**

Sunday 18th October – Monduran Dam – Leave North S/S at **7.30 am**. Please phone Allison **(0448 846 084)**.

Sunday 18th October – Bens Waterfall. - Hard

We access this walk from the western side of Mt Walsh NP, so 4wd/high clearance vehicles are required. If you don't have one, carpooling can be arranged depending on availability. This is a walk of about 6 km return. The first part is along a ridgeline, before we drop down (in some places very steeply) to the waterhole. Depart Coles Kensington at **7 am**. Contact **Lucinda (0421 011 181)** to register.

Monday 19th October – Meadowvale - Meet at North S/S at **4pm**. Enjoy an easy afternoon walk at Meadowvale with Angela. Text only to Angela **(0447 226 854)**.

Sunday 1st November – Red Rock – Agnes Waters. Leave North S/S **7am**. Text only to Angela **(0447 226 854)**.

Tuesday 3rd November – Meeting: Bundaberg State High School. Meet at the gates in Maryborough St. The meeting will start at **5.30.pm**. All members and visitors are welcome.

Sunday 8th November – Kinkuna. – Corner Post – Left – A 6klm walk (could get wet feet) Meet at Thabeben S/S **7am**. Text only Angela (**0447 226 854**).

Saturday 14th November – Social – Elliott Heads. Leave Thabeban S/S at **9.00am**. Bring chair and morning tea. Please ring **Barry (0403 736 420)**

Sunday 22nd November – Elliott River. – easy/medium. Leave Coles Kensington carpark. **8.00am**. Please phone Mary (**0414 190 566**)

Sunday 29th November – Burnett Downs - easy walk. Leave North S/S **8am**. Text only to Angela (**0447 226 854**).

Tuesday 1st December: - Meeting Bundaberg State High School: - - Meet at the gates in Maryborough St. The meeting will start at **5.30.pm**. All members and visitors are welcome.

Saturday 5th December: Xmas Break up party – Shelter Shed Baldwin Swamp. -
Come along to the breakup party and BBQ. and don't forget the photo competition. The 2026 category is "**PINK**" the list of categories is in the information below the advertised walks.

Saturday 12th December – Final Social for year: - Gorman Park - Burnett Heads -
Celebrate the last social of the year with a Xmas style party. Wear your Xmas shirts and smiles and enjoy the morning. Phone Barry (**0403 736 420**)

2026 ANNUAL PHOTO COMPETITION

The annual photo competition will take place at the Christmas breakup party.

Photos must be taken during the current year and on club walks or outings.

Categories: Landscape, Wildlife, Funny, Flora, Macro and People (one or more persons)

There is also an additional category of Free Choice. This may be a photo of any subject taken in any year. The new category for **2026** will be the colour "**PINK**". One 6 x 4 photo per person per category. Cash prizes for the winners in each category.

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Walk Gradings

Max Kilometres per day	Terrain	Fitness
S. up to 10 kilometres	1. Graded track	a. Unfit beginners
M. 10-15 kilometres	2. Tracks, steeper sections, open terrain	b. Fit beginners
L. 15-20 kilometres	3. Off track, minor scrub, creek/rock hopping, minimal navigation	c. Fitness and/or agility required
X. Over 20 kilometres	4. Scrambling, thick rainforest, hard navigation	d. Good fitness and agility a must
	5. Technical rock ability, abseil	e. Strenuous. Experienced, very fit walkers only

Membership Cards

Over the last few years, the leaders have had some difficulties knowing who is actually a member when filling in the walk sheets at a walk. We know that no one is intentionally claiming to be a member when they aren't, but a lot of people can't remember if they have re-joined this year or not.

Therefore, we are trialling having membership "cards" again. Over the next few weeks, if you have paid your membership for 2026, you will receive a membership certificate either by email or text. Please keep a copy of this handy for walking - I recommend taking a photo on your phone. You can even add it to your Google Wallet or iPhone wallet so it is easy to access when asked by a leader at a walk.

If you don't have email or text, Mary will get you a physical one.

As I'm sure you can all appreciate, we need to make sure that people are recorded correctly as members or guests for insurance purposes. If you can't show your membership card to a leader on a walk, you will have to pay \$5 to join that walk as a guest.

Hopefully, this is a simple solution to the problem, but we welcome feedback from leaders or walkers and will review the procedure for next year. Thank you all for your cooperation.

Reminder About Walk Procedures

As we start a new year and a new walking season, we welcome any new members and use this opportunity to remind everyone of the procedures for walking with the club. First, you must register for a walk/activity with the walk leader. Please don't email the club or message us on Facebook, as our emails and Facebook are not necessarily monitored by the leader for that activity. Same goes for asking any questions about the walk, such as difficulty or what time you'll be back - talk directly to the walk leader.

Always read the walk description carefully and talk to the walk leader if you have any questions or concerns about the walk, especially for harder walks. If you are new to the club, the leader will need to ask you questions about your equipment and experience - don't be offended! This is just to ensure the walk is right for you.

- Register early - if there is a lot of interest for a walk, the leader will cut off registrations to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment.
- Check the Member's Handbook on our website for details of what you should bring with you on a walk (including a first aid kit), details on convoy procedures for driving, expectations for monetary contributions for car pooling and other matters.
- Remember that the leaders, committee and all club workers are volunteers. We love bushwalking and want you to love it too.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2026

Membership fees for **January – December**. You need to complete a registration form, otherwise your registration is not complete. The link to register is below, and is also available on our website and Facebook page. Link - <https://forms.gle/fj2cSo55pgvUSsFc6>

If you don't want to register online, we still need you to complete a registration form, otherwise your registration is not complete. You can fill in a physical registration form by:

- Printing one off our website
- Contacting Lucinda or Mary to have one emailed to you
- Contacting Lucinda to find a time to meet her at her office in the CBD to fill in a form.

You can return a form by:

- Posting it to PO Box 696, Bundaberg QLD 4670
- Scanning/photographing it and emailing it to info@bundabergbushwalkers.com
- Bringing it to a monthly meeting
- Dropping it into Lucinda's office at 7/53 Woongarra Street, Bundaberg, at any time.
- In **January**, your membership will be **\$25** for January to December. This is a small increase – the membership fees haven't risen in over a decade, so this is just to help offset our increased costs.
- Even if you have been a member for years, you will need to fill in a membership application form **EVERY YEAR**. This can either be done online (the link will be sent in June), or in paper form (available from Mary, Lucinda, or our website). Note this includes your date of birth. This is required for insurance purposes.

2026 Fees:

(1) Membership fees – \$25 per adult. \$5 if under 18 (for one or more children from the same family)

Please do not send cash through the mail. You can pay your membership fees at the Monthly meeting, or by **EFT BSB 645 646**, Account Number **107969998** quoting your surname as the reference.

Please note that in 2026, the membership fees will be \$25 for January to December.

(2) Walk fees – \$5.00 per visitor. Free for Members.

(3) Postal Address - P.O. Box 696 Bundaberg. Qld. 4670

General:

Visitors attending a walk are temporary members for the walk, upon signing the acknowledgement of risk and obligations until the walk outing is completed. We recommend a minimum of one walk be completed before you apply for membership. Membership application is mandatory before participation in the third walk.

Tips for Members/Guests:

- Most importantly, if you are interested in joining in an activity PLEASE call the Leader. They are best person to answer any questions, explain what you need to do/bring.
- You cannot register for a walk by responding to Facebook or by emailing the Club. You need to communicate this with the leader directly.
- Please read the walk description and difficulty rating carefully.
- Our website has a copy of the Member's Handbook on it – please have a read of this. Please take the pack requirements seriously, especially for medium and hard off track walks.
- All activities have some limitations on numbers – either due to National Park numbers or the preference of the leader.
- For hard walks, don't be fooled by the distance. 10 klm can take 2 hours or 8 hours depending on difficulty. The walk description and the Leader will give you information on what to expect. Most of our medium and hard walks are off track, this is very different walking to formed tracks or National Parks tracks. The Leader will give you details, if in doubt, start with an easier walk.

- All persons take part in outings on the understanding that they do so entirely at their own risk. They agree that the responsibility, which they take for their own safety, is the same that they would apply if they were on their own organised outing.

Car Pooling Arrangements:

On day walks, car loads are generally arranged at the nominated departure point with passengers contributing to petrol costs etc. Suggested basic contributions for passengers are:- **10-20kms \$5/person, 20-50kms \$8/person, 50-100kms \$10/person**

100-200kms \$15/person, 200-250kms \$20/person, 250-300kms \$25/person

It would be appreciated if any contributions to the newsletter (*and they are always welcome*) could be received by the editor several days before the meeting.

Email address for newsletter items is: joyham@westnet.com.au

The club email address is info@bundabergbushwalkers.com

Contact Code A few reminders for all walkers

- Please contact walk leaders **at least one week before a walk**. If you leave it till Thursday or Friday night you may be disappointed to find that the walk has been cancelled, due to apparent lack of interest. Also dates, details etc can & do change. Leaders give their time to organise walks and need to know if they are committed to lead a walk.
- Arrive at the meeting point 10 minutes before the set time. Our times are departure times and we try to be punctual. Late walkers can be left behind!
- Read the walk description and note the rating. If you are unsure of your abilities, please discuss this with the leader before nominating. Neither you nor other walkers will have a good day if your fitness is not of a suitable standard.
- Do you have a health problem that may affect your performance on a walk? It is important that you inform the leader of this and discuss the matter.
- If you have commitments after a walk please discuss this with the leader before commencing a walk. Leaders cannot guarantee the time of return, due to weather, terrain & the expertise of walkers.

Walk Recce Costs

Just a reminder to anyone carrying out recce's for walks. Funds are available to cover expenses (fuel etc.). Please submit a claim (mileage travelled) to the treasurer.

First Aid In an attempt to encourage more members to become First Aid proficient, the Club will pay a 50% fee subsidy to those members who attend and complete a recognised First Aid or CPR course.

Members will be emailed a copy of the newsletter. If you are not a member you will be able to access the newsletter via our website.

The Newsletter is also available at the Bundaberg Library.