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**January - February 2019 Edition**



**COMING EVENTS CALENDAR** - Descriptions are on pages 2 & 3

Date	Day	Event	Type	Grade	Leader	Time	Cost
19 Jan 19	<b>Saturday</b>	BBQ & Moonlight walk, BVRT Fernvale to Wanora	Soc	S33	Russell	4:30pm	\$5
<b>03 Feb 19</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			<b>Ian</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	
10 Feb 19	Sunday	Warrie Circuit, Springbrook	DW	L34	Barbara	7:00am	\$20
17 Feb 19	Sunday	Lake Samsonvale	HD	S33	Annette	7:00am	\$10
24 Feb 19	Sunday	Springbrook to Numinbah	DW	S44	Russell	7:00am	\$20
<b>03 Mar 19</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			<b>Ian</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	
10 Mar 19	Sunday	Tincha Tamba Wetlands & Freshwater NP	HD	S33	Annette	7:00am	\$10
17 Mar 19	Sunday	Mt. Greville	DW	S44	John	7:00am	\$10
24 Mar 19	Sunday	Plunkett Conservation Park	DW	M44	Russell	7:00am	\$15
31 Mar 19	Sunday	Redcliffe to Petrie	BK		Dave	7:00am	\$10
<b>07 Apr 19</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Meeting</b>			<b>Ian</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	
13 Apr 19	<b>Saturday</b>	Walks Planning					
14 Apr 19	Sunday	Mt. Maroon	DW	M45	John	7:00am	\$15
21 Apr 19	Sunday	Easter - Bunyaville Regional Park	HD	S33	Ian	7:00am	\$10
28 Apr 19	Sunday	Nerang National Park	DW	M33	<b>Required</b>	7:00am	\$20

**Please Note:**

Our walk leaders only lead walks that are within his or her ability and experience but are *not formally trained* or qualified in Bushcraft.

The Coming Events Calendar is **subject to change at any time without notice**. People wishing to participate in any listed event **must contact the nominated Leader beforehand** in order to answer any queries you may have regarding that particular event, and to ensure you are contacted in case of last minute changes. This is also a good time to let the leader know if you have any special requirements.

Walks usually depart from the park at the intersection of South and Nicholas Streets, Ipswich, opposite the Civic Centre, *unless noted otherwise in the event descriptions*. The departure or commencement time of any event shall be as noted in the respective event description. For information regarding meetings please refer to the **Meeting Venue** details on the last page.

**How to join the club:**

Most people choose to come on an easy walk first. Use the calendar of events above with descriptions on pages 2 and 3 to choose a walk suitable for you and contact the leader whose number appears with the description. Have a chat to them about any questions you have and let them know you would like to go. There is a membership form on the website, you can bring that to your first walk.

**EVENT TYPE and**

TYPE	
BC	Base Camp
DW	Day Walk
S&T	Safety & Training
SOC	Social Activity
TW	Through Walk
HD	Half Day
BK	Bike Ride

**GRADING CODES**

DISTANCE (Letter code)	S	Short (less than 10 km per day)
	M	Medium (10 - 15 km per day)
	L	Long (15 - 20 km per day)
	X	Extra-long (greater than 20 km per day)
GRADE TERRAIN (1st number code)	1-3	Graded or open terrain. No scrub.
	4-7	Bush. Minor scrub rainforest, rock, creek, rock hopping, scrambling.
	8-10	Bush. As above + thick scrub, major rock, scrambling using hands, technical.
FITNESS (2nd number code)	1-3	Easy. Suitable for beginners.
	4-7	Medium. Reasonable fitness required.
	8-10	Hard. Strenuous. Fit walkers only.

**Note:** Grade **M 3 3** is recommended for first time walkers.

**ESSENTIAL ITEMS FOR DAY WALKS**

* Back pack	* Sturdy walking shoes or boots, and socks
* Two to three litres of water	* Rainproof jacket, jumper
* Small First aid kit	* Personal toiletries
* Hat	* Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea
* Torch and Whistle	

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR DAY WALKS**

* Sunscreen	* Shorts and light long-sleeved shirt are recommended
* Insect repellent	* High energy snacks such as chocolates or raisins
	* A change of clothes for the trip home

**Walk Cost**

We pool vehicles to minimise cost. The cost associated with each walk is based on each vehicle having the driver and at least two passengers. The passengers pay walk costs. If there are more than two passengers per vehicle the walk cost will usually be reduced; this is at the discretion of the leader. Walk fees and driver reimbursements are usually organised by the walk leader at a café stop on the way home after the walk.

**COMING EVENT DESCRIPTIONS**

Date	Day	Event	Type	Grade	Time	Cost
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19 Jan 19	Saturday	<b>BBQ &amp; Moonlight walk, BVRT Fernvale to Wanora</b>	Soc	S33	4:30pm	\$5
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Departs Ipswich 4:30pm

Leader: Russell Ph. 3282 5534

We will have our BYO BBQ in the park opposite the Fernvale Bakery. Then we will walk a 10km section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail from Fernvale to Wanora, followed by a BYO supper at Petar's at Wanora. Bring a good torch for spotting wildlife.

**10 Feb 19 Sunday Warrie Circuit, Springbrook****DW L34 7:00am \$20**

Departs Ipswich 7:00am

Leader: Barbara Ph. 0439 327 899

This walk is in Springbrook National Park and is one of the longest and most interesting walks on the plateau. This outstanding walk provides an excellent insight into the area's varying terrain and vegetation. It has plenty of waterfalls and attractive rainforest, as well as some unusual features such as split boulders. The track (named with the Aboriginal word 'Warrie', meaning 'rushing water') crosses several creeks and gullies. The track reaches the 'Meeting of the Waters' where all watercourses draining The Canyon meet, then climbs up the western side of the gorge. The moist and shady conditions at the base of Goomoolahra Falls provide an ideal habitat for the giant spear lilies *Doryanthes palmeri*. This succulent herb is one of only two members of the *Doryanthiaceae* plant family, which is endemic to Australia.

**17 Feb 19 Sunday Lake Samsonvale****HD S33 7:00am \$10**

Departs Ipswich 7:00am

Leader: Annette Ph. 0410 560 741

A 10km walk along the shoreline of Lake Samsonvale from Bullocky Rest. The walk is done as a circuit, returning part of the way along Winn and Forgan Roads.

**24 Feb 19 Sunday Springbrook to Numinbah****DW S44 7:00am \$20**

Departs Ipswich 7:00am

Leader: Russell Ph. 3282 5534

This is a section of the Gold Coast Great Walk from O'Reilly's to Springbrook and is 7km - all on graded tracks. The track descends through a grove of cycads that cling to the steep slopes of the ridge. These are an ancient plant form - ancestors of the living cycads predating the dinosaurs. Fossil records indicate that the ancestral plants existed almost 300 million years ago. The next 1.5 km of track, which descends the rhyolite cliff line, is steep with over 900 steps to negotiate before reaching Waterfall Creek, a great amphitheatre walled by spectacular white cliffs. The cliffs are the result of a thick rhyolite flow from the ancient volcano. Then over a ridge to Numinbah township. As this is a short walk and mostly downhill it should allow us time to head to the beach for a swim.

**CONTACTS**

<b>Ipswich Bushwalkers Inc. - 2018-19 Club Executive Members</b>		
<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone / e-mail</b>
President	Ian	3424 5033
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Website Editor	Darryn	3282 9554 a/h
Outings Officer	Russell	3282 5534

**CLUB NOTICES**

The club subscribes to **Wild** and **Great Walks** magazines. These are available for members to borrow, either by coming to a meeting or by contacting Russell by phone or email to make other arrangements.

**First Aid Certificate**

The Club subsidises members wishing to obtain their First Aid Certificate as follows:

75% subsidy: for members who have led more than one walk (i.e. a minimum of two walks).

50% subsidy: all club members.

**MEMBERSHIP FEES** (Effective 1 July 2018)

**Introductory** (3 months) – available only once per financial year.....\$5.00 p/p

**General**.....\$20.00

**Student** (full time > 18 Years).....\$20.00

**Family** (this Membership Class defines Fees only).....\$10+\$10.00 p/p

## **PROCEDURE FOR USING THE EMERGENCY PHONE**

1. The Walk Leader is to leave the Emergency Phone with a Responsible Person in Ipswich.
2. The Walk Leader texts the Emergency Phone before leaving Ipswich and advises the destination and the number of walkers.
3. The Walk Leader texts the Emergency Phone after returning to Ipswich, or if it is getting late, prior to arrival back in Ipswich.
4. If the Responsible Person has not heard from the Walk Leader by 10:00pm on the day of the walk, he/she will:
  - i. Attempt to contact the Walk Leader. If unsuccessful:-
  - ii. Contact the Police to advise that walkers are overdue and provide details. Do not wait past 11:00pm to contact Police;
  - iii. Obtain a contact name and telephone number from the Police to be able to advise them of any messages which may be received from the walkers;
  - iv. Liaise with Police as necessary or nominate someone else to do it.
5. With the agreement of the walkers on any particular walk, item 4 may be varied by the Walk Leader. The revised arrangements must be conveyed to the Responsible Person before that walk departs Ipswich.
6. Walk participants should advise anyone who might be concerned about you returning late, to call the Emergency Phone if you have not contacted them by 8:00pm.
7. The Emergency Phone No. is - **0490 505 256**

## **MEETING VENUE**

Club meetings are usually held on the first Sunday of the month, February to December inclusive. Meetings commence at 7:00pm. The meetings are held in former Local Councillor Kylie Stoneman's meeting room, South Station Road, Booval, behind the newsagent in the Friendly Care Chemist complex.

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