



# THE LOGAN AND BEAUDESERT BUSHWALKERS



## AUGUST 2007 NEWSLETTER

### August Meeting Report

- 17 persons at the meeting - WOW – great to see a great roll up.
- Planning of walks for August / September 2007.
- Discussion about other trips away. See planned walks.

Please remember, if you haven't yet paid your membership, it was voted at the June AGM to increase annual fees by \$5..

Therefore, yearly membership for the 2007 / 2008 are as follows:

- o **Family: \$45.00**
- o **Single: \$35.00**

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 9 October 2007** at the Community Centre, Wharf Street, Logan Village, - 7.30 pm. Cuppa afterwards. *Members and visitors are welcome*

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**MOST IMPORTANT NOTE:** Some walks may be changed at last minute due to weather or other conditions. PLEASE ensure you contact coordinator before your chosen walk

**PILGRIMAGE 2007** we are co-hosts at Kalbar August 25 – 27<sup>th</sup>

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### WALK GRADINGS

Grade	DESCRIPTION
†1– 1½	Suitable for beginners with a basic level of fitness.
†2– 2½	Also suitable for beginners with a good basic level of fitness (some walks include steep hill-climbs and rock hopping).
†3– 3½	Requiring good levels of fitness and agility, usually involving scrambling and navigational problems.
†4– 4½	<u>ALWAYS</u> requiring high levels of fitness and agility with good navigational and scrambling skills.
5 +	HARD WORK- skill required

**BALLOON RIDE – ARE YOU KEEN?** Unfortunately, the 11 August balloon ride was called off on the morning, due to too much wind.

Therefore, another date is being coordinated by **Ken (3802 1977)**. **Stay in touch.**

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### CLUB COMMITTEE

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### FIRST AID COURSE

It was decided unanimously at the August Meeting to make a small reimbursement to the 9 Club Members who obtained their Senior Certificate at the First Aid Course held recently. All you have to do - is provide a photocopy of your Certificate to receive a \$50 reimbursement.

**PLEASE NOTIFY THE WALK CO-ORDINATOR BY THE THURSDAY BEFORE ANY WEEKEND WALK YOU ARE GOING TO ATTEND.**

IF YOU HAVEN'T RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP THEN THIS MAY BE THE LAST NEWSLETTER YOU RECEIVE – SO !!!!! A COPY OF THE MEMBERSHIP / INFORMATION SHEET IS ATTACHED FOR USE IF YOU NEED IT.

**GET YOUR CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER OFF RIGHT NOW.**

## SUNDAY WALKERS FUTURE WALKS & EVENTS

Some walks will not be open to new or non-members subject to fitness levels. This is at that walk coordinators discretion.

**19 August – Wilson's Peak** - Malcolm to coordinate (ph 0421 118 686 or 3287 4934). Meet at Springleigh Park, Boonah at 7.00am

**25 / 26 / 27 August – Pilgrimage – Kalbar Showground**

**2 September – Shipstern (track walk) – Grade 2** - 19 kilometres - this track walk combines rainforest and palm groves, with open eucalypt forest, wildflower vegetation and excellent lookouts over the Numinbah Valley. (Robin Laban to coordinate – Phone 0415 535 718 or 3805 3300), meet at Binna Burra upper car park at 7.00am

**SATURDAY, 8 September** – Abseil training – meet at Kangaroo Point Cliffs at 7.00am Robin Laban to coordinate – (phone 0415 535 718)

**9 September – Mt Lindesay** – Grade 5 – This is a very difficult climb to the top, using ropes and abseiling (experience required) meet at Rathdowney at 7.00am (Dave Nickson to coordinate – phone 3287 3312).

**SATURDAY 15 September 2007 – Cunningham to Spicers Peak – Mt Doubletop – Swan Knoll and down to camp overnight at Lemon Tree Flat (Grade 3.5)**

**SUNDAY 16 September 2007 – Lemon Tree Flat to Mt Huntley and return (Grade 2.5)** Marion to coordinate (Ph: 3805 3300 or 0415 535 718). Robin Laban will drop off the walkers just a few kilometres past Cunningham's Gap and drive around to meet us at Lemon Tree Flat. We ascend Spicers Peak from the western side.

**23 September 2007 – Mt Edwards – (possible abseil)** – Grade 1.5 – is the easiest of the Moogerah peaks (*but remember, it's still an uphill climb*) (Malcolm Hill to coordinate – meet at Springleigh Park, Boonah at 8.00am)

**30 September 2007 – North Ridge, Mt Barney** Grade 4.5 – An under-

rated ascent route, the ridge running directly east from North Peak. There are patches of thick scrub, and several rocky sections need to be bypassed low on the south side, but there are also good views in the upper section – (Julie Shera to coordinate- phone 5546 0381).

**Weekend – 13 & 14 October – camping & bushwalking at Girraween**



### DAY- WALK ESSENTIALS

make sure these are in your pack !!!!!  
every week... every walk

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|----------------------|--------------------|
| • hat                | • food             |
| • sunscreen          | • 1–2 L of water   |
| • raincoat           | • paper & pencil   |
| • jumper             | • map & compass    |
| • lighter or matches | • insect repellent |
| • whistle            | • torch            |
| • watch              |                    |
| • first-aid kit      |                    |
| • togs               |                    |

#### *From the office of the PRESIDENT*

Once again we hear of walks where some got so far ahead they lost contact with the group. Group walks need each person to keep others in sight ahead or behind – its too easy to lose the track if you don't know where to turn at forks etc.

#### Handy Hints:

What should you have in your BACKPACK?

**A raincoat** (preferably lightweight) should always be in your pack. You never know when you may need it, otherwise you may just find yourself suffering from hypothermia!! You may only wear it once in the year, but if it's not in your pack when you need it, that's too bad! **Don't learn the hard way.**

**Long sleeved warm top** (and pants – optional). Thermal gear weighs next to

nothing and is excellent to always carry in your pack and can be purchased from any reputable camping or bushwalking store.

**Hat** – wide brim is best, but any hat is better than no hat at all. A hat with a cord, is best for windy days, or if you're scrub bashing – cord keeps you from losing it.

**Sunglasses** – essential protection for eyes – eye poke injuries statistically being the most prevalent injury suffered by bushwalkers. If you wear prescription glasses for distance, it is recommended they be worn as good vision means less chance of misjudging your footing and falling over etc.

**First Aid Kit** essentials:

- Pressure bandage – for snakebite
- Painkillers
- **Anti-histamine** – for allergic reaction to bites or stings etc.
- **Tweezers with rubber band** – for removing ticks
- **Band-aids** – in case of blisters, or minor cuts and scratches.
- **Insect Repellent** (cream or spray). Repellent is good sprayed on before dressing in the morning (ie.under your clothes) to help ward off ticks at the times of the year ticks are prevalent.
- **Sunscreen** – recommended especially on walks where there is little shade or overcast days.
- **Spare set of clothes in the car** – to change into after walk, if needed.
- **Extra food** on long walks, in case unforeseen circumstances dictate spending longer in the bush than anticipated. This can be sachets of tuna, snacks foods etc that are less perishable (and can be kept indefinitely in your pack should the need arise to use it).
- **Mobile phone** - Even if you don't have reception, text messages and the emergency calls number can be used in case of an emergency.

As with all of these items, the secret is "light-weight". The trap to avoid, is keeping your pack "light-weight" by leaving essential items out.

## WALK REPORTS

**Saturday 23 June 2007**

**MT MITCHELL**

1160 METRES

**By Robyn Smith**

Due to colder weather conditions, we decided to meet later than usual, so 7.30am at Jimboomba for a car grouping, which was a record turn up of 15, so 3 cars of 5 worked well. A 9.00am start at Cunninghams Gap. The walk up is 5.1 klms, we actually left at 9.20am & arrived at the top of the eastern peak 2 hours later.

Showers at the start, but not long before we peeled off as it was still quite steamy, along the way we noticed that a fire had been through here recently, the smell of burnt grass etc, was very strong with a little rain on it. This is usually packed with beautiful vegetation but a lot of rocks were very exposed, with not much undergrowth on the ground, but still ample black boy plants and birds nest palms, and stag-horns growing from precarious high positions. There was still plenty of lush rainforest left to enjoy along with grass-trees and we were inspired by stunning views from all directions.

A very quick lunch break as wind started to kick up and was cold, so with all layers of clothing back on, we headed back down, it rained all the way, light showers at first, but got more constant as we walked on. Although it's only 5.1 klms each way, it's always a good workout with about six sets of steps up at the top half, just as you think you're nearly there, there's another set of steps just to make it interesting and make you puff even more. It only took 1 hour 20 minutes to get back to the car park, where we took off our muddy boots and wet raincoats and headed home with the car heaters on for a while, but amazingly enough, it wasn't raining once we got off the mountain.

What I can say about mountain starting with an "M" (Mitchell)? – "It's My Favourite" – unlike others starting with "M" I stay away from them, but this one I have done three times and I am sure I will be back.

We thank the drivers: Betty, Sue, Ron. And the company of all the walkers was much enjoyed, Heather, Sonja, Marie R, Ian, Sue, Karen, Betty, Robyn, Dulcie, Barry, Liz, Ron, Carole and Frank, and welcome to our visitor, Maxine.

I would also like to congratulate all the recipients of their Senior First Aid Certificates which were gained over two full Sundays, recently, Sue, Myra, Denise, Marie R, Robyn, Betty, Heather, Carole and Frank. Thanks to Sue for organising this.

## CONGRATULATIONS:

Carol and Frank have a new Granddaughter, and recently went to Hobart to meet her.

Ditto – Heather's second son now happily married at Tallebudgera Beach and honeymooned in Fiji – best wishes for their future.

Thanks to Marie R. for organising Club T-Shirts.

CU somewhere in the GR8 Outdoors.

Robyn.

## EGG ROCK 20 May 2007 By Robin Watt

We had seven walkers meet at Canungra at 7am for this short but surprisingly gruelling walk/climb. Our walkers for the day were Julie, Andrew, Johnno, Paul, Herbert, Steve and Robin W. We now drove up to the Information Centre a few kilometres down from Binna Burra. Julie took the brand spanker Forester whilst the rest went up in the mighty Fords of Andrew and Herbert.

I didn't take times on this walk, so if times are ever needed, refer to the November newsletter of 2004. We set off down the road from the Information Centre and turned right onto the Lower Bellbird Circuit following this down to the fork where we went left and down, down, ever so far down most of the way until we hit Egg Rock Creek. We did a left turn here and rock hopped up to the creek for ten minutes to a point where we could see slabby rock and knew this was our climb start point. We had a short pull up through the bush and then Paul and I went up very gingerly over the slabby rock. Paul got to the top OK, but I had problems with mossy rock and got Paul to tie off the rope to a tree and I used this as an aid. We tied our fifty feet rope to three trees and threw it down to the others but it was short, so Johnno came up and tried his snatch strap on as well. Then Johnno came up and joined Paul and I and between the three of us, we were able to belay all the other walkers up safely.

We now worked our way up to the ramp and along the base of the rocky face until we came to the North East face where our ascent began. The views down Numinbah Valley over the prison farm were great with lots of lush green grass. Turtle Rock and Ships Stern looked great on the Eastern side. It was a case of choose the best route you could up here with some of the rock being a bit unstable. Johnno gave Julie a hand with a short snatch strap which made the going for her a lot easier and less stressful. Once on top we still had good views and took an early lunch. Now for the descent which I thought went very well with some going down forward and some climbing backwards. When we

reached the bottom of the ramp, Herbert and I tried to find an easier way down the slabby rock but only found steep drops.

We rejoined the others and it was decided the faster climbers would go down first. Johnno came down last and brought the rope and he must be thanked for all the help he gave on the day. We were soon at the creek and then we had the long continuous climb back up to the road which seemed to take forever and probably did. It may be nearly Winter, but we sure did some sweating on the way up here as it is one continuous climb to the cars. With the walk over, it's off the Woodcutter's Inn at Canungra for refreshments and I can strongly recommend the hot dog with the works.

Cheers,  
MOAB.

## MT TALLEBUDGERA 22 April 2007 By Robin Watt

Herbert and I met at Johnno's place at 5.50am and then left in Herbert's mighty Ford sedan for the trip down to the Tallebudgera Valley turn off. Here we met Lynne and Malcolm in the limo and Paul and his brother Eric in the U Beaut Ute at 7am. We drove to the end of the valley road (which is in the Cougals National Park). The three vehicles were greeted with a large bunch of "noise" - would be cyclists about to go for a ride. This was Eric's first walk with the club, so introductions were in order.

After a chinwag, we started our walk at 7.50am, heading up the bitumen path to the old sawmill, where we crossed the creek by varying routes. We immediately started up the prominent ridge which was a constant pull up and the humidity (which seems to have been with us on every walk lately) soon had us perspiring profusely. At 9am we reached the end of the ridge and did a right turn to follow the range along to the road. We reached the old logging road at 9.50am and had a well earned smoko before continuing at 10.05am. with a hard left turn to follow the road down into the saddle, with our objective now visible through the trees. We were soon down into the saddle then a short pull up through rainforest scattered with rocks and at 10.25am we were at the start of the solid, rocky, cliffy and hardest (in my opinion) section of the mountain climb. We broke into several parties here as we tried to find an easier

way up than the chimney we have used in the past. I decided to go up the normal difficult, rocky chimney with loose dirt now and again, just in case no other way was found. Eric followed me up and did quite well with his smaller frame being a blessing in this narrow chimney. I tied the rope to a tree for the others and next thing Johnno rolled up out of nowhere and it turned out he had found another route up. He was not impressed with me having beaten him to the punch but all was soon forgiven and we went about helping the others out of the chimney as they got to the top of the rope. The views to the coast of Mt Warning, the Cougals, Boyd's Beaut etc, are just amazing and makes all the hard work very rewarding.

The next section up the mountain is a good pull up through lots of shrubs but this time there was a well worn track and it was a piece of cake with all of us at the base of the final assault at 11am. Malcolm was soon off looking for a route up to the summit and this time we were all determined, none more so than Malcolm, who had been denied the chance on several other occasions due to either lack of time, or bad weather. Herbert was soon following Malcolm or at least trying to see which way he had gone. As we all cooled down and got our composure we got moving also at 11.15am and could see where the boys had made their way to the left at the base of the cliffy rock and made their way around to a ramp, which was fairly exposed and a bit hairy in a couple of spots. Malcolm had set the long rope up which gave us lots of confidence and we all got up safely. After the ramp there was a short steep pull up then a short walk to the summit. A sharp right turn here and then a short walk brings you to the eastern end of the mountain at 11.40am to enjoy the views all over again with even more of the northern Gold Coast now visible including the Q1 Tower. Cameras are constantly clicking on this mountain as the views are to die for.

However, what goes up must come down and we are all soon back at our packs and about to devour our lunches, when several members of the Qld Bushwalkers' Club arrive. After conferring with them about our summit climb some of their members head for the summit as well, whilst the rest join some of us in taking lunch. We later bid them good-bye, with one of their members coming back down with us for safety reasons to the base of the chimney, to rejoin a couple of their members who had decided not to go up the chimney. We made good time on the return journey and happened to run into two more members of the other club, whom we were told we might see along the way. On the way down the mountain, instead of taking the chimney I used on the way up Eric and I followed Johnno down his route, which was basically another chimney, only I found it harder and much more difficult and there is no way I will be going his way ever again!!

We arrived at the vehicles at 3.05pm after a great day's walking. The day was not over though as Johnno, Herbert and I were shouted a lovely afternoon smorgasbord of heated apricot pie and ice cream and a nice big fresh mud cake, to be eased down the throat by either a hot coffee or a monstrous strawberry or chocolate milkshake. This was my first visit to Lynne's "pole" home and wasn't I impressed, first by the size and the design, then the magnificent views over the mountain we had just climbed. Then the incredible drop over the back balcony to the rainforest below. I tell you, it was nearly too much for an old bloke to handle.

Thank you Lynne and Malcolm for your hospitality and topping off another great day's bushwalking in the Great South East.

Cheers,  
MOAB.

## **WARRIE CIRCUIT(17 klms)**

( Springwood Plateau ) Sat. 4 August  
2007.

by Sue Simpson

We met at Canyon Lookout at 8.00am. It was an overcast day but the clouds didn't obstruct the view from the Lookout. From here we guessed where our path went. Carol, Frank, Heather, Marie R, Sue, Ian and his daughters Stephanie and Alex, took the path to the left walking down the steps and zigzagging down. There was a light spray of water coming over Blackfellow Falls and the same with the others.

We stopped at Boyull Creek for a snack. There was only a trickle of water flowing in the creek, which made for easy crossing and a pleasant spot to stop. We paused at the Meeting of the Waters and walked out on the rocks, once again a very small volume of water flowing. The track was very dry and quite crumbly under foot. We were surprised at how many people were running along the track, considering the condition of it.

We stopped at Ngarri-dhum Falls for lunch, a pleasant spot but no water falling just a small pool at the bottom. The afternoon cleared into a warm day. We walked up passed Goomboolahra Falls and Rainbow Falls back to the cars.

The coffee stop at the café was a must, being in such a lovely spot, thanks to all for the great company on a fine walk and well done Stephanie and Alex, we hope you enjoyed the day.

Sue.

## **MT CORDEAUX and BARE ROCK 12.4 klms**

**Saturday, 11 August 2007**

Starting point – Cunningham's Gap car park at 9.00am.

Betty, Robyn, Marie McGahan, Frank, Heather, Sue, Peter, Vivi, Gail, Ian, Marie R and Matthew and Georgie were the eager walkers today. It was a perfect day driving up to the gap the ranges stood out against the blue sky. At the car park a brisk wind greeted us, so we were soon on our way. First stop – Fassifern Valley lookout good view with signboard. The rainforest was very dry, no moisture on the track at all, no sign of any pools of water on the small waterfalls. We sat at Mt Cordeaux for a snack and admired the view; the wind had stopped so we lingered longer than usual. Marie R, Matthew and Georgie returned from here, the rest continued on. We paused at the saddle to take in the views and noticed some of the Giant Spear Lilies were coming into bud.



We went out to Morgan's Walk track, the trees obscured the view from here so we didn't stay long. We walked on up to Bare Rock for lunch. The views from here are really spectacular; it was quite warm, without any wind.



We were reluctant to leave such a perfect spot, but enjoyed the pleasant walk back down to the cars. The coffee stop at Aratula completed a perfect day, thanks everyone for your great company.

Sue.

**WESTRAY'S GRAVE  
CHRISTMAS CREEK  
Saturday, 26 May 2007  
17 klms  
by Robyn Smith**

I knew this day was going to be a bit different from the normal, as it started out that our group of 15 people were waiting at two different car parks, some at Stinson Camp Park and some higher up at the start of the track. So instead of 8am start it was more like 9am.

After finding out the names of some new visitors, and putting on our raincoats, and covering our backpacks from the showers we were on our way.

It wasn't long before we had the coats off, and then the crossing of the creek commenced, groups of 4 or 6 were picking different sections to cross, as it was stepping over the rocks to rocks all the way over, and plenty of water to dodge, there was one lady who decided she was a bit hot and tried out the water a couple of times in very slippery conditions (lucky she is from a strong farming background), no injuries sustained, she even went out dancing that night Good on ya!! Dolcie.

The rest of the walk was either clambering over huge tree trunks that had fallen across the track, or bending down to go under them, and watching our feet as there were tree roots and rocks to step over constantly, also hurling ourselves up or down embankments holding onto trees / roots as all the soil was damp and slippery, rocks were slimey with moss. There were a few leeches on the way, on people's socks around the ankles, and drew a little blood (I have noticed leeches seem to like white socks so try darker socks in the future.) And always spray RID before you go into rainforests / Binna Burra etc.

Stopped for lunch at the grave-site as there is plenty of sitting rocks and space, and yes I guess he's still there (bones) being my second time there, I didn't bother to go over and read the headstone.

On the way back which was later than usual, we misplaced the track twice, due to poor signage or lack of, and debris from falling branches and palm fronds all over the place including tracks, so we had to backtrack and found the higher track which we left a piece of plastic material

attached to the tree for future walkers, but the rangers need to do a fair bit of work in there.

Crossed back over the creek with only one casualty who slipped on mud going back around the edges.

We returned back down to the camp park for thermos coffee. Must have been around 3pm as we were not home 'til 4.30pm – a fairly short walk, turned into a full day, but that was the flavour of the day, different, that's what makes every Saturday so enjoyable, especially with the company of Marie R, Marie McG, Frank, Ron, Heather, Betty, Dolcie, Karen, Roby, Moira, Sue, and welcome to new visitors Ian, Barry, Liz & Jan.

Thanks to drivers, Betty, Ron, Marie R, Heather, etc.

Written by Robin Smith

CU somewhere in the great outdoors.

**MT SONDER,  
Larapinta Trail, NT  
4 July 2007  
by Marion Laban**



View of Mt Sonder

Here's hoping I can entuse other club members to consider tackling the Larapinta Trail some day, either just parts of it, or perhaps the whole trail.

We were keen to tackle this mountain, which is approximately 16 kilometres return, but not too steep upwards, although we do climb approximately 700 metres over 8 kilometres.

We (I mean myself, John, Julie & Justin Shera) had decided to start the walk at sunrise, as the day before when walking the Pound Walk at Ormiston Gorge which happened to be during the middle of the day, the wind was blowing a gale and was quite warm and dry. We wished to get most of the climb over with before the wind got up, and it got too warm.



Heading towards Ormiston Gorge from the Pound

A car drove by our camp at 3.00am, which, as we thought, were walkers who were climbing the mountain to arrive at the summit in time to watch the sun rise. *Maybe next time for us.!*

As we started our walk, we came across a couple camped along the track, who had climbed Mt Sonder the day before, and were then going to do the rest of the Larapinta Trail over the next month or so. Turned out the gentleman was a right leg below-the-knee amputee (the same as Robin), so after we had gained a little altitude we called Robin on the two-way to encourage him to drive down from camp to chat to him.

I took heaps of photos along the way, because at that time of day, the views were glorious.

There is lots of shale like rock everywhere, and it is not hard to follow the trail, as it basically sticks to the top of the ridge all the way, travelling from west to east.



We reached a spot where we met the sunrise climbers coming down. It was a couple, and he said "only 200 more metres". That made me excited, as I thought we're almost there. You know it was the longest 200 metres I've ever done. (Turned out it was 200 metres in altitude, not length).

Anyhow, it was well worth the climb, and not that difficult, considering it was only about 2 weeks after having carpal tunnel surgery.



Top of Sonder

We completed the walk around midday, returning to camp to tell Robin of our climb and have our lunch.

Anyhow, hope you enjoy the pickies. Perhaps we'll try Mt Ziel next time. It's not far from Mt Sonder, is the tallest mountain in the Northern Territory, doesn't have a sign-posted track like Mt Sonder, but it is in the National Park, and the walking is not unlike Mt Sonder.

Marion.

## **FUTURE WALKS & EVENTS - SATURDAY WALKERS**

**19 August – Palm Grove, Mt Tamborine** - – Phone Sue on 5546 8781 for details of meeting time etc.

**August 25 to 27 – Pilgrimage – Kalbar Showground.**

**September 1 – Python Rock / Pat's Bluff (Grade 1.5 – Half Day)**

(1) Python Rock overlooks Castle Crag and Lost World.

(2) Pat's Bluff leads off Python Rock track to a great lookout for overlooking the Great Dividing Range. **Meet at Python Rock (Green Mountain) car**

**park for a 9.00am start. Phone Marie to arrange car-pooling 3297 5204.**

**September 8 – City Walk – Phone Marie for further details (3297 5204).**

**Saturday, 8 September** – Abseil training – meet at Kangaroo Point Cliffs at 7.00am **Robin Laban to coordinate – ( phone 0415 535 718)**

**September 15 – Orchid Bower and Araucaria Track (Gr 1.5 to 2) 17.8kms** This walk leaves the Hobwee Circuit at the 6.25km point and leads out to a lookout with views that take in Springbrook and Numinbah Valley. We retrace our footsteps back to the car park. **Meet at Binna Burra car park for 8am start. Phone Marie McG. To arrange car-pooling 3297 5527.**

**September 22 – Lake Manchester Reserve via Ipswich** **Phone Marie R for more details – 3297 5204.**

**September 29 – Illinbah Circuit (Gr 2 – 16.6km)** This walk will be done in a clock-wise direction to avoid the steep ascent at the end of the day. Red Cedars were logged in this area before 1915, some evidence can still be seen; large cedars have grown since this time – some being over 90 years old.

The track crosses the Coomera River 12 times, take a spare pair of socks to change into after the last crossing. **Meet at the Information Centre (Lower car park) Binna Burra for an 8am start. Phone Sue to arrange car-pooling 5546 8781.**

**October 7 – (1) Caves Track (Gr. 1.5 – 5km return) (2) Gwongoorool Pool Track (Gr. 1.5 – 6 km return)** Caves Track – Starting at the Information Centre this interesting track leads up to the Binna Burra Lodge Road, returning via the same route. Gwongoorool Pool Track – This track leads to the pool and back to the car park. **Meet at Binna Burra information centre (Lower car park) for 8am start. Phone Marie R to arrange car-pooling 3297 5204.**

**Weekend – 13 & 14 October – camping & bushwalking at Girraween**

**Walk Softly**

**Take only a photo**

**Leave only your footprints**

**Kill only your time**

**Attention All Members ! !**

**Pilgrimage 2007 is happening August 25 -27<sup>th</sup> at the Kalbar showground.** We are in charge of the Sunday morning breakfast, so contact Marie R to volunteer to help out!

## **CLUB SHIRTS**

The Saturday walkers are organising club shirts to wear when walking with other clubs or wear on our weekly walks. Details below:

**Style** - Polo with pocket

**Colour** - Bottle green (Gold logo above pocket)

**Size** - From small upwards (Men's sizing)

**Cost** - \$18.80

*Call Marie for more details – 3297 5204.*

**NEW PHOTO PAGE** *Photos from the club's New Zealand trip earlier this year, will be on-line from a link from our webpage .....we were finding it difficult to upload direct to our website so we have set up a "MY SPACE" site just for photos. ALSO the Kokoda trip last year and other recent Highlights etc will be also be available on the "MY SPACE" site in near future.*