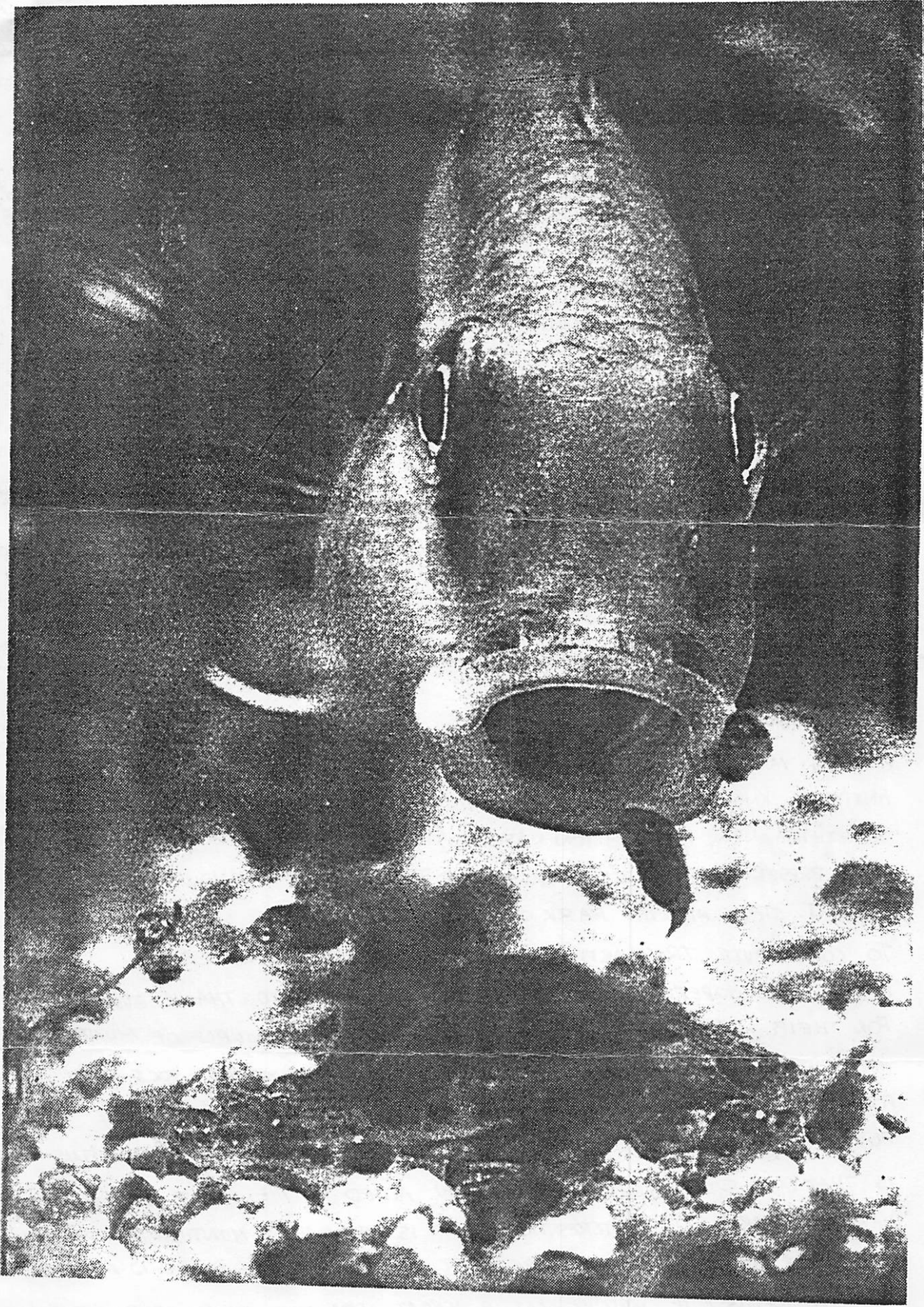


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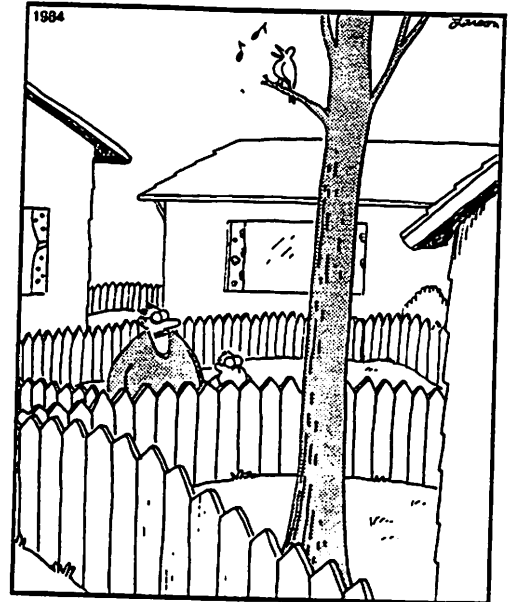


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"And now, Randy, by use of song, the male sparrow will stake out his territory...an instinct common in the lower animals."

Editors Note

HI EVERYONE!!! IT'S GREAT TO SEE SO MANY KEEN NEW MEMBERS AND SO MANY WALKS GOING ON BUT DON'T FORGET TO LET ANTHONY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON. IF ANYONE'S INTERESTED IN DOING SOMETHING NEW, FORT LYTON NATIONAL PARK NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PRESERVE THE FORT'S HERITAGE. IF THIS IS SOMETHING YOU'D LIKE TO DO CONTACT STAFF AT THE PARK ON 393 4647. IF YOU WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TRIP ARTICLES FOR THE HEY-BOB THE EASTER BREAK WILL HOPEFULLY PROVE INSPIRING. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR WELL-WISHES AND HELP OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS ALSO, WE'VE BEEN HAVING TROUBLE GETTING THE CLUBS & SOCS ROOM FOR MEETINGS BECAUSE THE FACIST CHESS CLUB HAVE PIPPED US TO THE POST SO IF WE'RE NOT THERE WE'LL BE IN THE ZZZ RM. GOOD-NEWS IS THAT AN EXTRA 8740 HA HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE GREAT SANDY NATIONAL PARK. (THIS INTERESTING FACT IS FROM THIS MONTHS NPA NEWS- WHICH WE HAVE DECIDED WILL BE KEPT IN THE LIBRARY ON A 12 MONTH ROTATION BASIS). IF YOU'VE GOT A GREAT IDEA FOR A TRIP OR FUN THING TO DO THEN LET US KNOW. HAVE A GREAT EASTER & EXHILLERATING WALKING!

LYNNE.

PS. GLAD TO BE BACK!!!

NOTE FROM THE CLUB LIBRARIAN

I DO NOT APPRECIATE PEOPLE WHO ARE SO DESPERATE TO OBTAIN MAPS, CLIMBING GEAR AND INFORMATION ABOUT WALKS, THAT THEY "Break and Enter" MY ROOM WHEN I AM NOT HOME. NEXT TIME THIS HAPPENS, I WILL CALL THE COPS AND HAVE A FEW NASTY WORDS TO SAY.

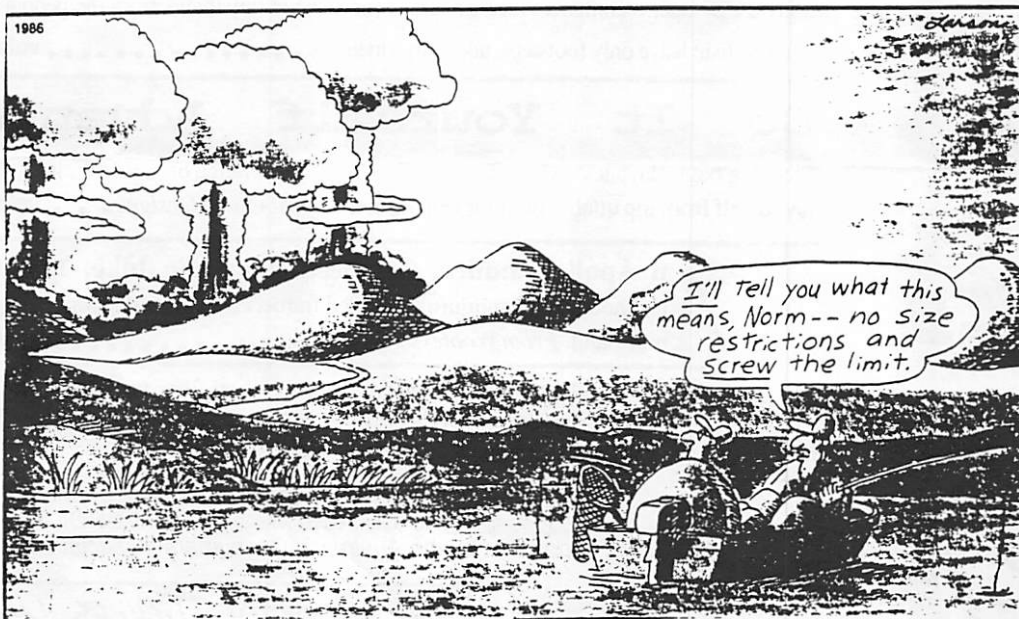
If you want anything from the Club Library or would like to come visit for a browse through its shelves, then please ring first, OR just call in but DON'T BREAK IN if I'm not there !!!!!

By the way, please return any books or maps you have used promptly, so that others can use them. Give me a call if you pass on any material to another member so I can keep track of where it is.

Michael Bowman

TORRE DISCOUNT

The gear shop near the RE Toowong, have offered a 10% discount to genuine UQBWC members. Here's where the card comes in. Use it to prove yourself on your next gearfreaking expedition.



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THE BOOK OF TICKETS WILL BE AT THE MAY MEETING OR SEE \$2/TICKET. LYNNE.

ABSEILING / ROCKCLIMBING TRAINING DAYS

I can remember back to my first rockclimbing training day with the UQ Bushwalking Club back in 1989. There was Don Roberts and probably Mal, Rob, Brendan, Alan, and various other unrecognisable faces all of whom I'd never met before. And all these strangers were assuming that I would trust them to teach me how to step off the Kangaroo Point cliffs BACKWARDS !

Having used a simple sling to abseil with years earlier, I was of course bemused by the loops and buckles of the Club's harnesses. I was equally bemused by the terminology that the obviously experienced climbers threw around when referring to the colourful gear.

Krab	= Karabiner
Rapp (to rappel)	= to abseil
Juma, Prussik	= Technique to come up the rope again
Static	= an abseiling rope (taut)
Dynamic	= a climbing rope (stretchy)

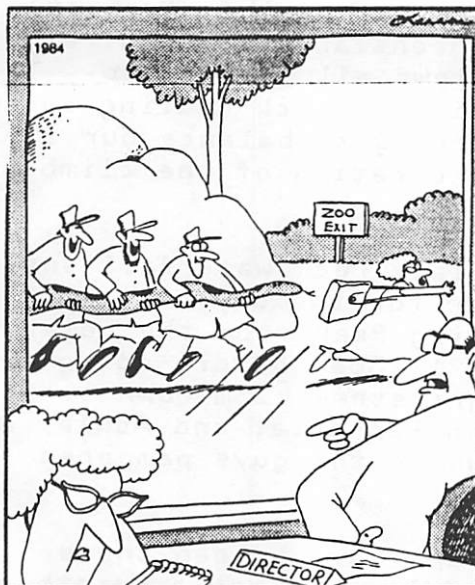
But after a morning spent accustomising myself with the techniques and jargon, I knew I could believe these guys when they said that it's safe and it's fun.

Come along to the next training day and try it yourself. The last two mornings have attracted large groups of trainees, and after 2-3 abseils each we have set up a few low-graded rockclimbs to see how much talent there is among the new members !

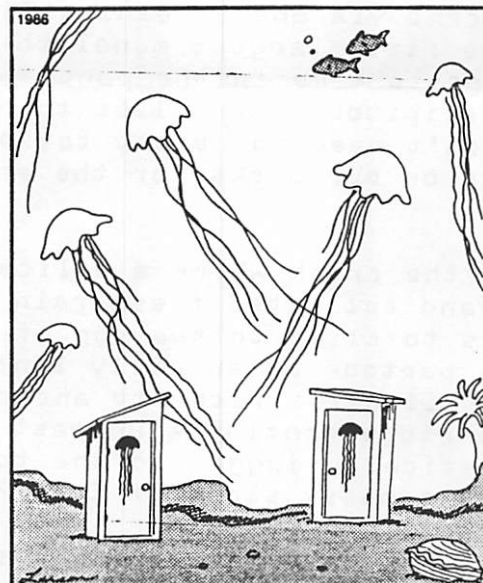
Thanks are due to Michael Bowman, Vaughn Andrews, Rohan Hamden and Malcolm Haskins for their willing organisation and careful instruction on these days.

Janice Porter

P.S. The Kangaroo Point cliffs will be closed due to construction work at their base during the five months from 20th April, 1992. Ring Michael for a possible change in venue of the next training day.



"Take another memo, Miss Wilkens... I want to see all reptile personnel in my office first thing tomorrow morning!"



Only they know the difference.

WEST PEAK OF MT. BARNEY
via SHORT LEANING RIDGE

Walkers : Malcolm Haskins, Rohan Hamden, Ashley Troth, Janice Porter

We headed off on Friday night in Ashley's little yellow Mazda, and after considerable conflicting views about which direction would be the quickest route to Mt. Barney, we arrived in the Lower Portals carpark via Rathdowney, a few back streets in Sherwood, and an urgent food stop in Beaudesert.

The 3 other groups camping at the carpark which we circumnavigated expressed intrigue at our intention of walking in one and a half hours by moonlight to camp at the Lower Portals that night. This avoided walking along that infamously monotonous track by day and gave us more time the next day to conquer West Peak.

The story of Mal's snake encounter has been grossly exaggerated by now but it did demonstrate his unique dancing ability. He was walking inattentatively behind Rohan and Janice, and all of a sudden executed the most superb leaping triple twist with a half piroette when a snake, probably frightened by Mal's Petzel torch, got caught up around his foot in its efforts to slither unseen across the track.

On Saturday morning, we were woken early by an orchestra of cicadas, and investigated the Portals. This area is a large creek with steep rocky banks and boulders in the middle which at this point is impassable to bushwalkers except by swimming through or walking around the gorge on a track at the top.

Before setting off at 6:30 am, we asked the loving couple in the tent at the Lower Portals if we had disturbed their "sleep" when we arrived last night at 11 pm, and the girl swore that we hadn't !

We rockhopped up Barney Creek which had a decent flow of water running in it since Cyclone Fran had started 2 days before. Mt. Barney tends to create its own weather patterns, so we had packed raincoats, etc just in case the cyclonic rain and wind attempted to destroy our plans of ascending the hallowed mountain.

The ascent via Short Leaning Ridge is one of the steepest routes up the fifth largest monolith in Queensland and requires numerous stops to take in the panoramic views all the way up. There are a few precipitous rock slabs to negotiate - pack hauling is an option we didn't need to resort to, preferring to balance our 15-20kg weekend packs on our backs for the entire duration of the climbing sections.

We left the creek where a delicate black rock waterfall enters on the left and collected fresh rain water for the day. It took in total 5 hours to climb to the top of Leaning Peak from the Lower Portals. We partook of an early lunch at 11:30am before doing the mandatory abseil off a ricketty ancient grasstree, 25m down to the saddle. The ridge continues up past North Pinnacle, and Ashley and Janice energetically jogged to the top, while the guys pampered themselves on a mossy slope of East Peak.

Deciding not to bother doing East Peak (having been there before), we contoured around to Barney Saddle. We met a triathlete

who had just run up Logan's Ridge in 1 hour 40 minutes - phew ! The Saddle is the site of a previous UQBWC exploit - the construction of a hut (various designs were built in 1950's and 60's). The saddle features a delightfully cold stream that flows down out of the rainforest called Rum Jungle, and on through Barney Gorge to join the creek between the Upper and Lower Portals. The hut is no longer there, and there is no camping allowed, so we filled our water bottles and trekked on up the obvious track and rocky slabs for 45 minutes to get to the top of West Peak by 5pm. The clouds were piling in to Barney Gorge over the saddle and soon our view of East Peak (approx 1359m) was clagged in, and the small campsite on the top of West Peak (approx 1362m) took on a magical atmosphere as the sun set in a haze over the Main Range on the western horizon.

After constructing our bivvies with various contents of Janice's first aid kit ("you never know what might come up !", an Historical quote which Janice may never live down. Ed) and the Outward Bound style "vege-balls", we pitched in to make an enormous dinner. We had a scrumptious mix of noodles and pizza ingredients followed by Rohan's very own lumpy mix of chocolate instant pudding and instant custard, polished off with chocolate Quik by candlelight. The temperature dropped to less than 10°C but we slept well with full and contented stomachs.

On Sunday morning we awoke to Mal's cough - soon appeased by a cup of Janice's lemon herbal infusion tea. We missed the sunrise because the peak was still enshrouded in dense, white wet cloud, and we were soon on our way down Midget Ridge. By the time we reached Bippoh Peak about half way down, the clouds had nearly lifted enough to look out and see Leaning Peak. This is on the opposite side of the gorge which we had almost descended into earlier due to the lack of visibility. Waiting for a photo opportunity we charcoaled on war paint and started wondering if anyone would recognise us if Michael Bowman and his group of day walkers were at the Upper Portals when we arrived. P.S. We didn't meet them.

We finished off the descent of Mt. Barney with a fun 20m overhanging abseil into the creek, which Malcolm enjoyed so much he had to do twice. We ate what remained of Rohan's scroggin and Janice's rambutans for lunch and were off for a quick jaunt upstrem to see and swim through the Upper Portals. With the volume of water there, we had some trouble climbing up the waterfalls so Ash and Janice accepted a few prods in the right direction. On the way back, we all did "The Jump" off a 10m high rock. The first person had never done it before. The second person was a hero and did a somersault (guess who!). The third person was keen but her body a bit more hesitant until "Yes !", squinting up her face and holding her nose tight..... The fourth person did it by the seat of her pants, ouch!

The final rockhop with relatively light packs down to the Lower Portals was done before dark, and we jumped off the big rock and floated our packs through the Portals as the moon rose for our walk out.

P.S. The new owner of the Beaudesert hamburger shop stayed open until 10pm to feed four ridiculously hungry people.

JP and RH.

Trip Organisation

A reminder on trip organisation for new and existing members:

Always check with the nominated trip leader by the Wednesday evening before the trip date to ensure a place in the party.

When confirming your participation with the trip leader, please advise them whether you can bring a vehicle (and number of passenger spaces available) or whether you will require a lift.

Due to safety, transport limitations, or environmental restrictions trip leaders may place a number limit on trips, so you may need to contact the trip leader early if you wish to go.

Check with your trip leader as to what gear is required for the trip and what the expected costs will be (eg. camping fees, petrol, bakery and pizza stops).

Remember to take on day trips: Lunch, drinking water, sunscreen, hat, suitable shoes/boots, togs (you never know when you'll need them), raincoat (ditto !), camera, spareclothes, back pack, etc.

Medical emergencies: Inform the trip leader if there is a risk of you suffering asthma, migraine, hypoglycaemia, sprains, etc. Please bring your own usual medication, support bandages, glucose, etc and tell someone if your condition is deteriorating during the trip.

Stay with the group at all times and tell the trip leader yourself if you want to do something in addition to what is planned.

Be conservation-minded, and encourage it in others. Obey National Parks rules, and pick up any rubbish you see and carry it out.

Campers should carry a plastic shovel for sanitation purposes. Hygiene areas should be 150m away from designated campsites and 50m from a water course. It is important to cover human waste with soil to help prevent the spread of disease to fauna, and because future use of campsites may depend on it.

Trip leaders should be familiar with the area and advise their party of any particular hazards (eg stinging nettles, slippery rocks) as they arise. Always consider the safety of the party before all else.

Trip leaders should take: First aid kit, contact person's phone number, pen and paper, emergency warm clothing and rations.

At the hitching post, trip leaders should write up trip safety form: List of participants and home phone numbers

What cars are going and rego numbers

Departure time

Expected destination and exact route

Estimated time of return (early or late)

and drop this into Rob Stevens' mailbox on your way out of St Lucia.

Bushwalking Gear Hire

The club has a range of gear for hire to FINANCIAL club members, who have been on at least one club trip, or who are about to go on their first trip with the club.

A refundable deposit is required for gear hired for private (non-club) trips. The deposit will be about 10% of the replacement cost of the equipment. No deposit will be charged for hire on club trips.

Remember that priority will be given to people hiring gear for club trips, over private trips.

The gear resides at my (Rob Stevens) place at 7/14 Bishop St, St. Lucia. Ph. 371 6462 after 5:30pm weekdays to check on gear availability.

When hiring equipment...

- * Hire gear by the Wednesday *before* your trip.
- * PAY for the gear when you pick it up. A receipt will be issued.
- * Return gear by the Wednesday *after* your trip.
- * Please return the gear in the condition you hired it in (or better).

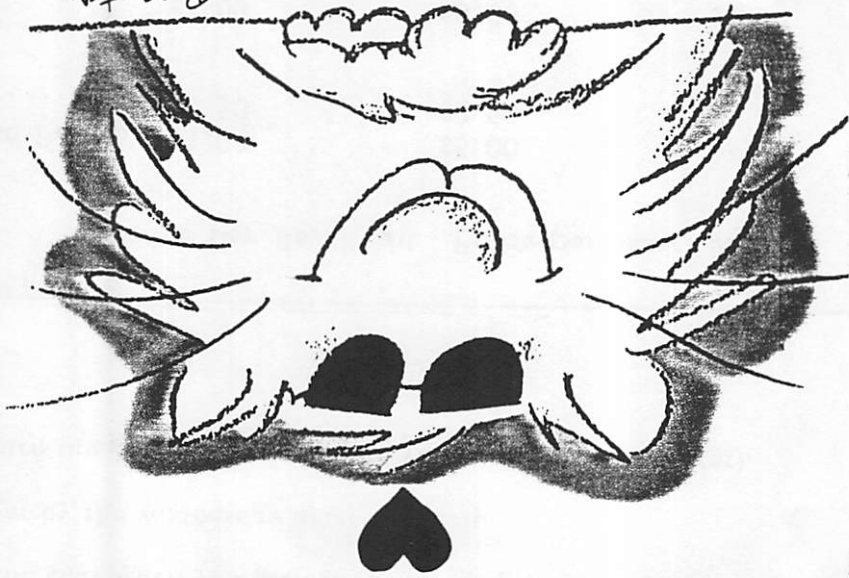
Hiring rates :

Item	Price per Day/Night	Price per Week	Deposit
RUCKSACKS			
'Lowe' Weekend Packs..	\$1.00	\$5.00	\$35
Day Packs.....	\$0.50	\$2.50	\$7
SLEEPING BAGS			
2-3 Season.....	\$1.00	\$5.00	\$15
4 Season.....	\$2.00	\$10.00	\$40
SLEEPING MATS.....	\$0.75	\$4.00 (dependent on use)	\$1.50
STOVES			
Camping Gaz (Butane)..	\$0.50	\$ N/A	\$4
Trangia (Meth. Spirit)	\$0.50	\$ N/A	\$3
TENTS (with Groundsheet)			
Outer Fly only.....	\$0.50	\$2.50	\$6
Inner + Outer.....	\$1.00	\$5.00	\$8
SNOW TENTS			
Ultimate.....	\$1.50	\$6.00	\$40
Black Ice Meridian....	\$2.00	\$8.00	\$50
Macpac Olympus.....	\$ N/A	\$20.00	\$70
ROCK CLIMBING GEAR.....	\$ Please ask		

On A Personal Note

* Neil Pritchard is taking 6 months to explore the 'top end'. This is a great opportunity to see the Cape and the numerous places of interest in the North. If you are interested in joining him for any part of this epic adventure give him a call plans at this stage are flexible. (3002540)

* Kirsten & Toivo have the following advice for club members



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you don't follow the marked tracks on the map carefully, you can end up in strange places!
On the 14th of March we ended up in the church
Kirstin Heiland - Zoete
Toivo Zoete

* Congratulations go to Kirsten & Toivo on their recent marriage.

Action man dies in 300m fall on mountain

A QUEENSLAND University graduate killed in a tragic accident at a notorious danger spot in New Zealand's highest mountains was an action man with a heart of gold, distraught friends said yesterday.

Mark Jensen was one of the State's best martial arts experts as well as a rally driver, dirt-bike rider and white-water rafter.

But the quietly spoken physics graduate was also "dependable, game and giving" his karate club secretary Mr Kim Tvede said, weeping openly for his disciple.

"He did all those things



Mountain victim
Mark Jensen

but he taught the younger kids after school and if anyone needed a hand he was there for them.

"He had so much to give. We're old guys now and we've watched him grow. I've known him since 1979 — we bounced him off walls when he was 15 and we thought: 'Well, what can we do with him now?'"

Mr Jensen, 24, died on Friday evening after slipping on a bluff just below the top of 3036m Mt Aspiring, New Zealand's fourth-highest peak in the treacherous Southern Alps.

Police in Dunedin said Jensen had slipped on ice on the way down from the summit and fell 300m to his death.

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Action man dies in mountain tragedy

From Page One

JENSEN'S climbing companion, Mr Vaughan Andrews, of Brisbane, looked on helplessly as his mate slid over the brink.

"He would have died instantly," said Sgt Phil McDoall.

"It's a very bad spot. As they come off the top of the mountain it slopes very gently but suddenly becomes very steep."

Mr Jensen's mother, Mrs Janet Marchete, last night was too upset to speak. But friends at the house the climber shared in Toowong described him as quiet but jovial.

They said Jensen — a keen mountaineer — had graduated in 1990 and was looking for work.

"At least he got to the summit," said his mate, Gavin Monro, 24.

The tragedy follows medical stu-

dent James Scott's Himalayan saga. Both were martial artists and knew each other through training.

"They're all arousal seekers — that's one of the reasons people pursue adventure-based sports," said fellow club member Mr Bob Bingham.

Mr Tvede said Mark was a probationary third-degree black belt with a spartan attitude to life.

SUNDAY MAIL, 15 March

*It is with great respect
that we remember
MARK JANSSÉN
who
died in New Zealand
doing what he loved
on 13 March, 1992.*

*Mark's outdoors
exploits were
always of the
"epic" type,
and he leaves
many friends
in UQ BWC.*

Dear UQBWCer,

Turn off Studs and pay attention! This is serious.

A few weeks ago Brisbane newspapers reported a scheme to employ Queensland's unemployed on projects in the state's national parks.

The National Parks and Wildlife Service plan to spend about \$10 million on upgrading facilities in this way.

Whether or not this is likely to have any appreciable effect on lowering the state's unemployment levels is a question which does not concern UQBWC. What does concern us all is the effect this plan will have on the quality of our national parks.

Many club members - and bushwalkers outside the club - are alarmed parts of the scheme will seriously threaten the wilderness quality of some of SEQ's most rugged and beautiful areas.

Of particular concern is a proposal to spend \$400 000 on a high-grade track, with huts and other facilities, along the scenic rim from the border to Mt Beau Brummel.

For those readers who have only a sketchy knowledge of SEQ's geography, the scenic rim is an arc of parks and relatively undisturbed land beginning at the Gold Coast hinterland and ending north of Cunningham's Gap, west of Ipswich. Parts of the scenic rim are ordinary but some parts form the LAST remaining true wilderness in SEQ, i.e. the last wild areas within several hundred kilometres of Brisbane.

These places bear little or no signs of human interference. The plan put forward by the NPWS and the environment Minister, Pat Comben, will radically, irrevocably change all of this.

Many bushwalkers I have spoken to do NOT believe it would be elitist to leave these last wilderness areas undisturbed because there are already plenty of walking tracks, rainforest canopy walks, kiosks etc etc for people unable or unwilling to walk in virgin bush. No more are needed in the first place, and in the second place many additional tracks can be built in much less sensitive areas.

There are literally hundreds of walking tracks in SEQ already. But there is only one major wilderness area left, the Mt Ballow/Mt Barney area, and the proposed scenic rim track will destroy it.

We need to hold onto this last wild place. It is the only place for hundreds of kilometres around which we have not tamed. It is the only place left anywhere near Brisbane where you can truly leave the twentieth century and be alone and in peace. There is no such other place left.

You may never visit a wilderness, but would you be happy to live in a world where it is not possible to do so, because there is no wilderness left.

People are fighting to save the world's last wildernesses - Antarctica, the Amazon, the Asian Jungles. It is now your turn to fight to save a much smaller but no less beautiful wilderness in your backyard.

The environment Minister has proposed the same plan before and he was beaten. We can beat him again, but not without your help.

All you have to do is write one letter, protesting the scenic rim trail, to him and one to the NPWS. It would take you half an hour.

If you don't even have 30 minutes to spare, you could fill out the form letter enclosed. This would take you just five minutes.

Please do SOMETHING. There comes a time when we have to put something back.

P.S. IN YOUR LETTER ASK TO BE SENT ALL AVAILABLE DOCUMENTATION ON THE PLAN. THIS IS AN EASY & EFFECTIVE WAY TO ANNOY NPWS - IT MAY EVEN BE BY ITSELF ENOUGH TO MAKE NPWS RE-CONSIDER.

Dear Mr Comben, it is with great interest that I read the proposed plan to spend \$10 million upgrading national park facilities using unemployed volunteers.

I would appreciate your department sending me detailed copies of all proposals as I only have basic information on the plan.

While I applaud the ingenuity of the plan and the obvious concern it shows for the plight of the unemployed, there is one aspect of the plan to which I am opposed. This is the proposal to build a walking trail, with huts and other facilities, along the scenic rim.

I feel for many reasons this plan is ill-conceived. I have listed the reasons below.

- 1) A scenic rim trail will destroy the wilderness quality of south-east Queensland's last true remaining wilderness, the Mt Ballow/Mt Barney area.
- 2) There are literally hundreds of walking tracks around south-east Queensland already, but there is only this one area which remains free of graded tracks. Therefore I feel it would not be unduly selfish to preserve the one remaining wilderness as a wilderness.
- 3) Existing tracks are not over-crowded, demonstrating there is no public demand for more tracks. As well, existing tracks already cover the entire range and many of the most beautiful areas.
- 4) Huts are not necessary in sub-tropical south-east Queensland. No one has ever died of hypothermia here, unlike in Tasmania. Also, huts in such a climate will rapidly become a health risk due to vermin, particularly rats and mice. Serious problems are occurring now, even in cold climates.
- 5) Huts are extremely expensive to maintain.
- 6) Most parts of the scenic rim are dangerous - the area is vastly more rugged than other areas like Lamington national park. Any trail would have to constantly be maintained in superb condition because failure to do so would leave the NPWS open to costly legal action for negligence.
- 7) Because the scenic rim is rugged and fire-prone, a trail will lead to a large increase in the number of injuries, deaths and fires. Even now, when few people visit the area, deaths have occurred and only two years ago Mt Barney was devastated by a huge fire. Any scenic rim trail would be likely to result in bad publicity and costly fire-control measures.

To conclude, I believe a scenic rim trail would have have unacceptable environmental, safety and public relations costs for the NPWS and for the public. I would like to stress, however, the overall proposal to upgrade national park facilities using unemployed volunteers is an excellent idea and reflects the innovative and energetic approach of the Minister and the Department.

Yours sincerely

Obi Obi Gorge Li-lo Trip

28th March 1992

Despite the unheard-of start time for a walk (6:00am), a total of 18 people turned up at the hitching posts with a variety of inflatable Li-los, rafts, mattresses etc, ready for anything (well, almost...). Maleny was covered in fog when we arrived: we hoped a fine, hot day would follow (it did).

A minor navigation problem led to our arrival at the wrong side of the newly-constructed Barron's Pocket Dam. Neal made the comment that we could Li-lo *across* the dam to the spillway about one kilometre away! Needless to say, we eventually found the correct access road to the spillway, near the township of Kondalilla.

Obi Obi Creek was in full flow - perfect for lilo-ing down, as the dam upstream was letting out a good quantity of brownish frothy water. Not put off by the roar of the water, we plunged into the rapids and soon came to the first major cataract. Apart from Mathew getting stuck and almost drowning, no major problems were encountered, and we were soon floating in calm water across the first of many long, deep pools. These allowed us to recover and reduce adrenalin levels prior to the next rapids, which were never more than a minute or two ahead of us. Early on, Les decided to become a human Li-lo, and bump his way downstream, supported only by his wetsuit. This practice was soon abandoned.

Almost from the start, Mal discovered that puncture repairs using polyfilla don't work: his Lilo went down on him(!), but luckily we had a spare.

Several times, a lone Li-lo would be seen floating across a pool downstream of some rapids, its owner nowhere to be seen. Someone's daypack overtook me going down a long set of small cascades. I grabbed for it and missed - it passed by, to go to its fate.

We soon became experts at the fine art of staying on top of our Li-lo's through rapids, and the rapids themselves became more Li-lo friendly: not as many stoppers at the bottom of rapids, and less big drops onto submerged rocks.

The water level was such that after the first few rapids, we did not have to stop and investigate the route ahead - almost guaranteed perfect conditions for Lilo-ing ensued: uninterrupted fast travel down rapids and across pools all day.

The appearance of Kondalilla Ck on our right marked the end of the Li-lo part of the trip, and we packed up our water gear, becoming more conventional-looking bushwalkers for the rock-hop up Kondalilla Ck to the base of the falls. The creek is a very specky example of a Piccabeen palm forest, would have been more impressive if not for the washed-down litter from the popular Kondalilla Falls picnic area. We were brought back to "civilization" on arrival at the Falls circuit track, complete with the usual daytrippers.

A relaxed late afternoon was spent (literally) at a nearby devonshire tea shop, where we confused their ordering system by putting in too many requests for Devonshire tea all at once.

All up, one of the best day trips we've done for a long time.

Trip List

17th April -> 28th June

22 - 26 April: Main Range Traverse: A classic walk. The traverse goes between Spicers Gap and Teviot Gap, a distance of about 20km, over a series of rainforest-covered peaks, connected by some interesting ridges. The walk requires cars to be left at both the start and end of the walk, so this year, two groups will do the traverse, starting at opposite ends of the walk. When the two groups meet halfway (hopefully), the drivers will swap carkeys, so that at the end of the walk, the transport back to 'civilization' is the other group's cars.

Leader: Anthony Smith (300 3488) - group #1
Janice Porter (371 0591) - group #2

Grade: Moderate

Bring: Water containers to hold up to four litres, Gear and food for four days, good walking boots.

26 April: Check with Rob Stevens for the latest ideas for walks on this weekend...

Leader: Rob Stevens (371 6462).

2 - 4 May: Yuragir National Park. This coastal national park is in Northern NSW, near Balina, and combines good beaches with extensive coastal wetlands. Good photo opportunities in the right conditions!

Leader: Anthony Smith (300 3488)

Grade: Easy

Bring: Gear and food for 3 days, containers to carry up to four litres of water.

3 May: Combined Club Party trip: This is a first: Getting together with the Chocolate Appreciation Society can't be all bad, especially if they bring and carry OUR chocolate! The walk will head out from O'Reilly's to Castle Crag and then to Lyrebird Lookout for a decadent party lunch. (**\$3 FOR YOUR CHOCOLATE**)

Leader: Janice Porter (371 0591)

Grade: Easy

Bring: Party-type food for lunch.

6 May: Monthly Meeting. Starts at 7.00 pm, in the **4 - 777 Rm.** -meeting room. Slides of past and upcoming trips, cakes and tea will be served. A guest speaker on Bush Tucker (The Bush Tucker Man???) may put in an appearance. - *If we can find one!*

- 9 - 10 May: Girraween National Park. A great trip to this high-level granite plateau. The walk will include side-trips up Mt. Norman, Bald Rock and South Bald Rock.
- Leader:** Michael Bowman (371 8622)
- Grade:** Easy - Moderate.
- Bring:** Weekend trip gear, some warm clothes as it gets cold up there, containers for up to 3 litres of water.
- 13 May: Club Dinner: At a venue yet to be finalised (probably Ghengis Khan's Mogul "eatery") 7:30pm. Cost \$13-\$18. Contact the organiser : Don Roberts (371 4865)
- 16 - 17 May: Mt. Warning: An exploration of the standard and less-standard routes up and around this impressive northern NSW peak. Ask the leader for his exact itinerary.
- Leader:** Malcolm Haskins (371 2586) - Leave a message.
- Grade:** Moderate - Some rockclimbing
- Bring:** ask the leader.
- 23 - 24 May: Paddy's Plain: A trip to a little-visited area of SE Queensland, near Mt May and Mt Maroon. An easy weekend trip with lots of exploration into rainforested gorges and open ridges. Check with the leader for exact details.
- Leader:** Paul Hill (379 5710)
- Grade:** Easy
- Bring:** Gear and food for a weekend trip.
- 30 May: Training Day: Another training day to improve your abseiling and rock-climbing skill at Kangaroo Point. Starts at 9:00 am, at the base of the cliffs.
KANGAROO POINT CLOSED FOR 5 MONTHS DURING ESPLANADE CONST.
Leader: Michael Bowman (371 8622) → CANCELLED!!!
- 31 May: Mt Mitchell via Spicers Gap: This is the 'other' way up Mt Mitchell, and involves some spectacular ascents up quite steep ridges. Needless to say, superb views. If we have time, a quick ascent up Mt Cordeaux (on the other side of the gap) will be in order.
- Leader:** Rob Stevens (371 6462)
- Grade:** Moderate
- Bring:** Strong shoes, two litres of water.

- 3 June:** Monthly Meeting: There will be another tea and cakes meeting starting at 7:00 pm in the Clubs and Societies meeting room. The trip list over the semester break will be finalised at this point.
- 7 June:** Eagle's Ridge, Mt Barney: A good way to forget swat-vac blues is to head up Mt Barney. The only true 'mountain' in southeast Queensland. The ascent will be via Eagle's Ridge ('...the premier route on Mt Barney...'), descending via the easiest route available. A head for heights is probably a good thing, as is a grippy pair of shoes.
- Leader:** Rob Stevens (371 6462)
- Grade:** Hard - Rockclimbing experience needed.
- Bring:** 3 litres of water, strong boots (preferably), a torch, warm clothing, space blanket, etc!
- 14 June:** Love Creek: This is a rainforested creek in Brisbane Forest Park, near Mt Glorious. It has the advantage of being rarely visited, so it contains almost pristine piccabeen palm forests. The walk ends with good views from Love Ck Falls (surprisingly high). An excellent, moderately easy daywalk.
- Leader:** Anthony Smith (300 3488)
- Grade:** Moderate - Easy
- Bring:** Lunch and a camera.
- 21 June:** Mystery Trip: Find out about this walk by turning up at the hitching posts!
- Leader:** Brendan O'Malley (378 0238)
- Grade:** ???
- Bring:** Whatever you think will be needed!
- 28 June:** Mt Lindesay: This is a very spectacular peak seen even from Brisbane. The peak contains some beautiful rainforest, and some appalling cliff lines which have to be climbed. A head for heights is essential, as is a sense of humor, for, on gaining the summit, there is no view! Ropes will be used on this walk, to speed up the descent.
- Leader:** Janice Porter (371 0591)
- Grade:** Hard - some rock-scrambling experience needed
- Bring:** 3 - 4 litres of water, strong boots, and a harness if you have one.

MEMBERS ¹³⁴

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Best	Chris	200 Kitchener Rd	Kedron	4031 359049
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Haskins	Malcolm	Cromwell College		371258
Hill	Paul	31 McCaul St	Taringa	379571
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Holmes	Andrew	1-80 Durham St	St.Lucia	4067 371251
Holmes	Rebecca	19 The Esplanade	St.Lucia	4067 371941
Hutchins	Cheryl	8-116 Clarence Rd	Indooroopilly	4068
Keenan	Anne	42 Armstrong Tce	Paddington	4064 367223
Kidston	Jamie	107 Harts Rd	Indooroopilly	4068 371977
Krueger	Vanessa	70 Marland St	Kenmore	4069 378981
Lanser	Julie	International House		
Wells	Sam	5 Apera Ct	Kenmore	4069
Westphal	Hildegard	5-34 Mitre St	St.Lucia	4067 371196
Whiteman	Carrie	Union College		371130
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Wilkinson	Sarah	416 Upper Brookfield Rd	U'Brookfield	4069 374127
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Wilson	Cameron	5-17 Armadale St	St.Lucia	4067 371234
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Yartz	Kristen	Union College		
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Leontjew	Nicholas	27	Ottawa St	Westlake	4074	376809
Lodge	Bernadette	85	Jephoson St	Toowong	4067	371059
Losiah	Mishelb	7	Brisbane St	Kingston	4114	209386
Loughrey	Tonia	29	Fairway Outlook	Arana Hills	4054	361462
Lui	Josephine	29	Hillside Tce	St.Lucia	4067	371492
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Macdonald	Kathleen		Womans College			871854
Macdonald	Tim	8	Prospect Tce	Hamilton	4007	286122
Marland	Sarah		Cromwell College			
Martin	Sarah	20	Gilgandra St	Indooroopilly	4068	870218
McAlister	Liz	31	Granville St	West End	4010	844736
McAlister	Ruth	50	Dan St	Graceville	4057	379521
McCallum	Fiona	23	Vista Ave		4121	394459
McCluskey	Phil	260	Sir Fred Schonell Dr	St.Lucia	4067	371623
McDonnel	Denise	39	Coolong St	Mt Garvatt	4122	349570
McGlone	Laura		St.Johns College			871835
McMurtrie	Scott	4	Osric St	Yeronga	4104	846024
O'Connell	Tracey	47	Macquarie Sr	Petrie	4502	285415
O'Malley	Brendan	22	Crotty St	Indooroopilly	4068	378023
Palaszczck	Annastac	6-67	Macquarie St	St.Lucia	4067	371443
Parry	Michelle	39	Mt Nebo Rd	The Gap	4061	300394
Plumridge	Darren	1-11	Annie St	Torwood	4066	369909
Porter	Janice	85	Jephson St	Toowong	4066	371059
Pritchard	Neil	4	Woodbine St	The Gap	4061	300254
Pye	Ruth	28	Windemere St	Ascot	4007	268543
Ramsay	Ian	6-46	Newcross St	Indooroopilly	4068	870376
Rankin	Nicole	2	Kingsley St	Rochedale	4123	341015
Rasmussen	Andrew	14-37	Station Rd	Indooroopilly	4068	378669
Reichman	Suzanne	43	Harts Rd	Indooroopilly	4068	870798
Richardson	Beth		Emmanuel College			
Roberts	Donald	4-40	Moorak St	Taringa	4068	371486
Roberts	Malcolm	7-14	Bishop St	St.Lucia	4067	371646
Rowlands	Melissa	42	Main Ave	Bardon	4065	371370
Satterly	Amanda	2-18	Holmes St	Toowong	4066	371615
Schonder	Chuck	85	Moggill Rd	Toowong	4066	371220
Schiller	Craig		Zoology Dept			365247
Sellbach	Undine	26	?	?	4005	358417
Semple	Katherin	84	Oakridge St	Burbank	4156	343497
Sharp	Donovan	209	Carmody Rd	St.Lucia	4067	
Skinner	Ian	7	Lebbourne St	Chelmer	4068	
Slade	Jeremy	39	Spurs Dr	Wellington Pt	4160	207299
Smith	Anthony	12	Kendi St	The Gap	4061	300348
Sorell	Matthew	160	Main North Rd	Prospect	5082	08 2691
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Spuller	Michelle		International	house		870197
Stevens	Robert	7-14	Bishop St	St Lucia	4067	371646
Stuart	Deidre	6-46	Newcross St	Indooroopilly	4068	870376
Summerville	Patti	4-5	Ada St	Taringa	4068	870700
Tan	Feng		International	House		870481
Taylor	Dean	76	Kersley Rd	Kenmore	4069	378499
Teasdale	Janine	4-267	Gladstone Rd	Dutton Pk	4067	846154
Tehrany	Pierre	6	Newcomen St	Indooroopilly	4068	378668
Thomas	Georgina	20-22	Warren St	St.Lucia	4067	
Tillack	Leslie	3	Louise St	Kenmore	4069	378755
Timony	Alison	7	Bruce St	Redbank Palin	4301	814244
Treffene	Stephani	48	Goldieslie Rd	Indooroopilly	4068	378221
Troth	Ashlea	20	Tarculta St	Cleveland	4169	286245
Upton	Michael	51	Mitchell St	Sunnybank	4109	354795
Van der Poel	Britt	28	Mavana St	Daisy Hill		808916
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Vivian	Tim	83	Belclare St	The Gap	4061	300283
Walters	Jane	12	Bailley St	Hendra	4011	268482
Turner	Lynne	56	Bellevue Tce	St Lucia	4067	870467
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Plug	Michael	16	Reading Dve	Alexandra Hills	4161	8242325
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