University of Queensland Bushwalking Club

Annual Report 1954

It is with much pleasure that I present the fourth annual report of this club. The year, I feel, has been a highly successful one. We are now in a sound financial position; our store of equipment is growing; and several proposals, namely, compiling of information and the Mt. Barney but have at last ceased to be theoretical ones.

The membership this year was 63, but I believe that we have had a larger proportion of active members than in previous years. Club meetings and trips have been well attended, due perhaps to the sending out of circulars each term. The membership fee was raised from 2/6 to 5/-, firstly because of increased club expenditure, and secondly in order to obtain more equipment for use by members. Our equipment at the moment consists of one tent, three rucksacks, and one sleeping bag.

Ten outings were conducted, with 166 members attending. They were:-

A day walk along the Sth. Pine River, 15 members. In march to West Burleigh, 14 members.

At easter, a through walk was held from O'Reillys to Christmas Creek, with 11 members; and a base camp at Christmas Creek, where 43 had a fairly easy time.

In May a trip was scheduled for O'Reilleys, but instead three intrepid females went to the uncivilised wilds of Tamborine.

The first vacation trip was to Mt. Barney to commence building the hut, and 14 people attempted to be stonemasons. In june, a trip was arranged to Cunninghams Gap to brush the Mt. Castle-Gap track, but had to be cancelled because of lack of support.