

THE TRUDGE

January-February 2019

SUNSHINE COAST BUSHWALKERS INC.

PO Box 287 Buderim QLD 4556

[www.sunshinecoastbushwalkingclub.com](http://sunshinecoastbushwalkingclub.com)

Meetings are monthly on the first Monday (excluding January)
7:30pm at Buderim Craft Cottage

corner Main St and Church St, behind Buderim War Memorial Hall

Please check <http://sunshinecoastbushwalkingclub.com/walks.htm> for any changes.
(If the first Monday falls on a holiday or long weekend the meeting is held the following Monday)

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Members will be emailed each month when the Trudge is available on the website.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Sunday 3rd February 2019 – Sunday 3rd March 2019

February 2019			
Sun 3rd	Obi Obi swim through	Peter Fowler 0407 715 249 Leanda Lane 0417 782 769	MDW5C Members Only
Mon 3rd	SCBWC Club Meeting Buderim Craft Cottage 7:30pm		
Sun 10th	Lake Manchester	Sam Rowe 0439 310 414	LDW3C Prospective Members Welcome
Sat 17th	Branch Creek	Jon Lee 0428 204 423	MDW5C Members Only
Sun 24th	Northbrook Gorge (swim through)	Russell Stark 0404 235 195	MDW6C Members
March 2019			
Sun 3rd	Cleanup Australia Day Meet on side road – Cnr Bundilla Blvd and Cootamundra Drive	Malcolm and Jenni Rodley 5443 1739 0408 071 797	SOC
Mon 4th	SCBWC Club Meeting Buderim Craft Cottage 7:30pm		

Ewen Maddock Dam

2nd December 2018



Hello, this is my second Trudge report and I have now completed three walks with the club. Thank you Guys.

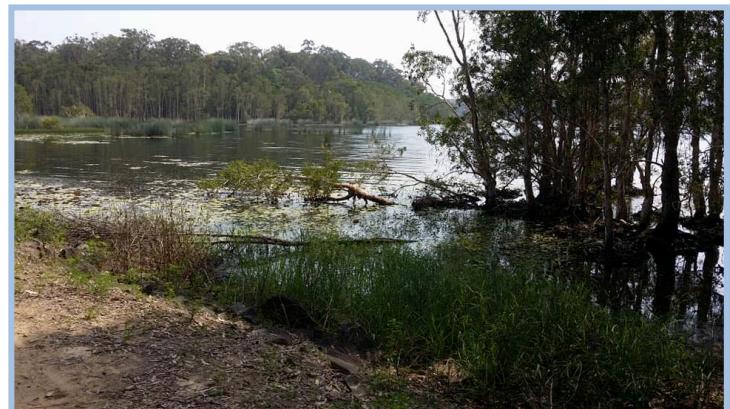


The Ewen Maddock Dam walk on the 2nd December was definitely no ‘trudge’. The pace was brisk as the group trekked through the shady and even path of the trail, wide enough for two or three walkers to chat and exchange useful information and pleasantries. The walk commenced at the end of Tunnel Ridge Road and the distance covered was approximately 10 klms in no time at all.

I joined the Bushwalking club to keep fit and acclimatized to long walks. What a bonus it is to meet such great companions and to truly discover the wonders of the Sunshine Coast that I have been driving past for the last 32 years. It was about time I stopped to smell the roses! Or to be more precise, ‘experience the bush’.

The Ewen Maddock dam is an earth filled embankment dam situated between Mooloolah and Landsborough. Swimming is permitted and boating limited to paddle power. No camping is allowed although there is a group camping area with cabins and dormitories called the Ewen Maddock Dam Recreation Centre. The dam itself is stocked with an abundance of fish and a permit is required for fishing.

“Love hath no weary traveller” and if you love walking and talking then there are plenty of Sundays to enjoy in this club. (By the way, I used 2 l’s and not one in the above word because of my upbringing and not my spell check on the laptop!)



~~ Helen Harries



plentiful, with bellbirds, wampoo doves, even a catbird, as well as currawongs sounding over the forest.

The pace was steady, and the group swapped stories as it strolled along. There were occasional ‘leech-checks’, and some jackets being put on and off as the showers scudded through, but the colourful (largely purple) umbrellas seemed to be the preferred choice.

Morning tea was at Summer Creek Falls, which the attached panoramic photo shows has a good flow. Peter Fowler provided a short briefing of his

The day opened with showers, but whilst a few had cancelled the number of walkers was 19 as more had joined. Sam Rowe briefed us at the Day Use area of Charlie Moreland, and with a car shuffle up to the Sunday Creek Rd commencement, the group embarked on the walk in, a combination of fire trails, as well as Great Walks. There was plenty of enthusiasm for the lush surroundings, as the recent rains had ensured that there was plenty of new ferns, as well as many late-flowering bushes. Several beautiful, but tiny orchids were spotted, and the bird calls were



Summer Creek walk, and several members and potential members expressed interest.

The walk out headed upwards, to complete a circuit, with a group photo arraigned along a fallen log. By this time, the showers had abated, and once back to Charlie Moreland several members enjoyed a quiet lunch at the tables, whilst watching an energetic kookaburra secure his lunch.



~~ Varina Nissen

SCBWC Christmas Party

15th December 2018

50 party goers came along to the Maroochy Arts and Ecology Centre in the Maroochydore Botanical Gardens to celebrate the end of the year. The rain held off for the day and the food was delicious.



Bellthorpe National Park – Nonmus Section

6th January 2019

Led by Jon Lee

An early start meeting at Beerwah where we car pooled to the start of the walk. A small but highly keen group exploring an area of the range that I hadn't been to before. We parked along the Maleny – Stanley River Rd and followed an old well-established trail down to where it was intersected by the main creek. The walk down was through an avenue of large and different eucalypts, this was interrupted by small gullies dominated by rainforest.

We then returned walking up the creek navigating around large rocks and old, large rainforest trees that were fed by a small but constant stream of water. We stopped for a cuppa by the creek and then continued a slow ascent along the creek, navigating around a waterfall and then through a well-formed gorge that had been formed by the constant flow of water.

Jon then led us back out to the upper section of track we had followed earlier and back to the car. While only a short walk of just under 5km we managed 250m elevation, but got to experience another beautiful area of the Sunshine Coast.



~~ Peter Nagel

Coastal Path (Bokarina) – Kawana Lake Cycle

13th January 2019

Led by Peter Nagel

With the New Year now rolling along 22 members met at Laurie Hutchinson park for the 7am start for our cycle. The group travelled south along recently completed sections of the coastal path and then skirting Kathleen Macarthur Conservation Park to arrive at Curimundi lake. With the early start we had plenty of shade and few other users along this section of the ride.

After crossing Nicklin Way we followed twisting and dipping paths alongside Curimundi lake making our way to the cycle path network on Lake Kawana. With the early start a coffee or cold drink was on the agenda for most of us and an opportunity to catch-up. Heading from our drinks stop opposite the hospital the group followed the path to pick-up Parrearra Canal for a short circuit around part of the canal. Finally, the group headed back to our starting point after a prolonged wait at the lights to get back across Nicklin Way (bring on the new underpass) then with short diversion through the new Bokarina development we finished off our 16km route



~~ Peter Nagel

Maroochy River – Mudjimba Return Cycle

20th January 2019

Led by Peter Nagel

Another keen group of club members partook in this 21km cycle. Meeting on the bike path along Maroochy River opposite the Fisherman's Rd markets a group of 19 headed off travelling alongside the river until the Maroochy River bridge. A busy day for cyclists as we passed and were passed by a lot of folk out for a Sunday ride. We followed the bike path across the river and then onto Ocean Drive where we headed off through the quite streets of Twin Waters. Having timed the cycle perfectly we arrived at the bridge to watch the high tide cascade across the weir from the river and surrounding mangroves. After a brief photo stop with the group we then followed the trail back onto Ocean Drive and on to Mudjimba beach where we stopped for drink, food and chats. We then followed our path back to our starting point.



~~ Peter Nagel

HAPPY WALKING

And don't forget.....

You're not lost if you don't
care where you are.

