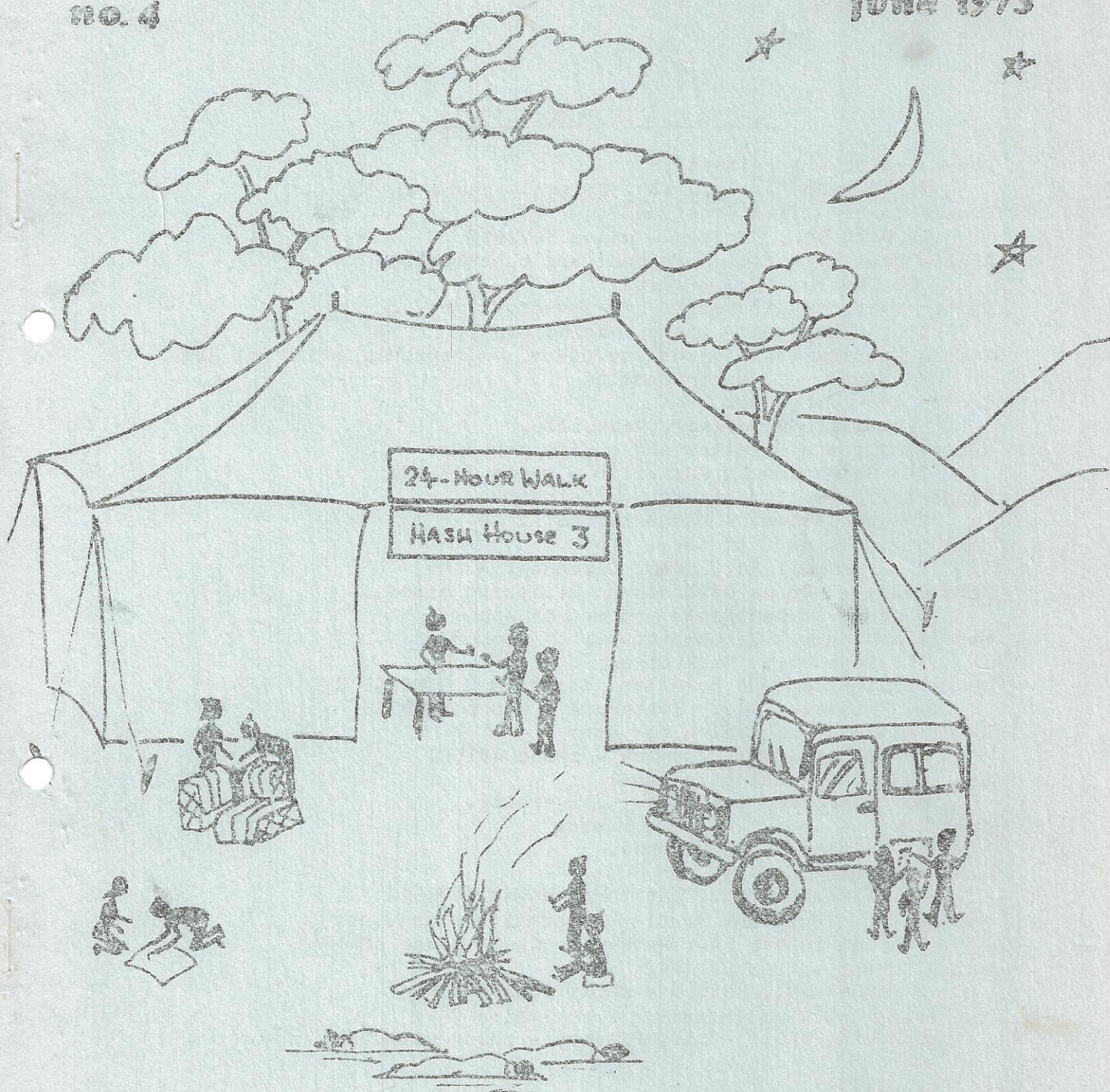


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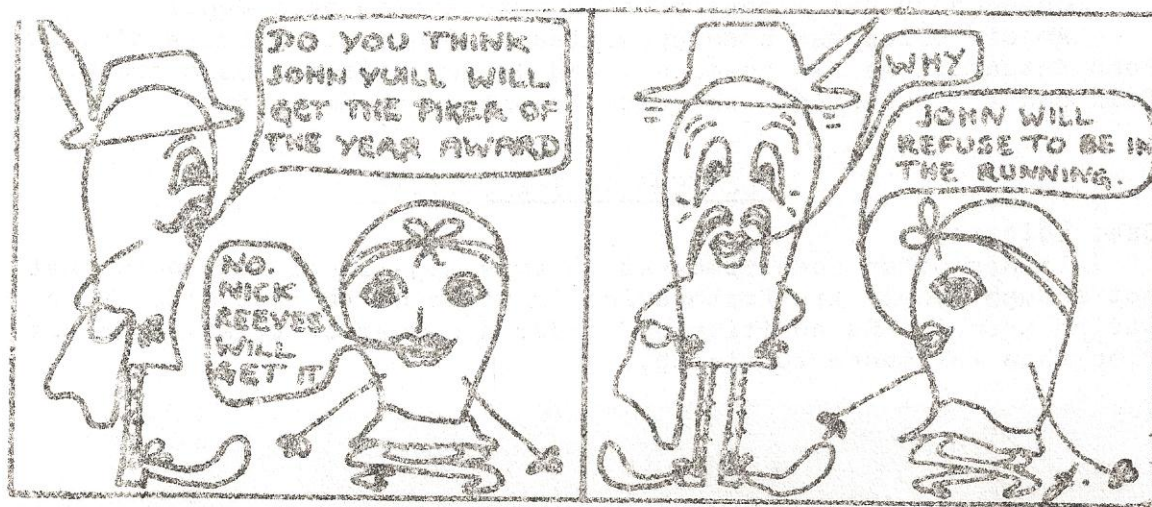
YEAR OF THE PIKER

That's right - we no longer have any need for a candidate for the "Piker of the Year" (although several people are trying hard to fill the position): the Club as a whole appears to qualify for the title.

The situation has come to a head with the piking of 80% from a recent weekend trip. Much of this occurred within the week before the trip; obviously this prevented other people from taking their places.

Recently your ever-benevolent and solicitous council of Elders and therefore Betters (i.e. the Committee) decided that everyone signing up for a trip must contact the leader at least 4 days before the trip leaves - the leader may choose to hold a pre-trip meeting which must be attended. This is not solely for the purposes of bureaucracy and red tape, but to ensure that transport can be arranged, and to check that people will be suitably equipped. Any persons not contacting the leader or attending the meeting if held, will not be allowed to go on the trip.

This appears necessary from the equipment point of view because, judging from trips earlier this year, many people, particularly the relatively inexperienced, do not go properly prepared and equipped, and can thus become a liability to the whole party.



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OPEN DAY REPORT

OR "WHAT WERE THEY DOING ON THAT WALL?"

The MUMC Open Day display proved to be a great success (we even sold two old copies of 'Australian Orienteering and Athletics at 20¢ each) - particularly the abseiling, prussiking and stretcher-rescue demonstrations organised by Peter Kissane. Large crowds of up to 300 people stood, with eyeballs glued to the sky, as Peter and George rescued (or was it embraced?) that fair damsel in distress, the cuddly Marcia, stranded halfway up the western wall of the Barry Building. Also impressive was the commando-type exhibition of 4 or 5 climbers abseiling from different ropes at the same time.

Comments overheard from the crowd include;

"You wouldn't catch me climbing up that string!"
and a mother, in answer to a little girl's question;

"Oh, he's just climbing up a rope."

Anyone wanting to take up building climbing, see Peter. You might have your photo in "The Age" next year.

Arnold Wheeler

COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 1, 1973

It was decided that everyone wishing to go on a particular trip must contact the leader at least 4 days before the trip is due to leave, either personally or by attending the pre-trip meeting (if organized). Anyone failing to do this will not be allowed to go on the trip.

There are now two trips books at Aikmans Road, one for trips during the current week, and another for future trips; this may relieve some of the congestion at lunchtime. However, Aikmans Road still needs clearing up, as does the Feathertop Hut. Work parties have been poorly attended this year, and there is much work to be done - or the water supply will continue to be melted snow.

Martin has sent a submission to the Lake Pedder Enquiry, explaining the Club's long association with the area, and our reasons for objecting to the flooding of the lake.

Dave Caddy has recovered some outstanding equipment.

Angela Miles has been appointed as Publication Sales Officer, John Retchford as S+R observer, and David Leser has been granted full donor membership - congratulations to these three.

LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Editors,

It has often been bemoaned in this magazine in the past that not enough people are forthcoming in offering to lead club trips. Having been in the position of leader a number of times, I do not find this reticence suprising.

There are difficulties from two areas. First the officials of the club offer minimal assistance and all the responsibilities fall on one person. For an experienced person this provides no problem. However, a person new to the club and eager to participate is severely put off. This seems to me to be one main reason why the same names appear time and time again with others appearing once and not being seen again.

The other source of difficulty is the attitude of people booking for trips. The number of people booking and then piking at the last minute is both large and frustrating. A recent trip will serve as an example. The number of people booking warranted dividing the trip in two. This necessitated finding another person to lead the second trip. A total of four people agreed to lead the trip and each one was "forced" to withdraw. Finally one person was happy to share the load. Secondly transport was arranged and then ruined a total of five times. If this observation seems unfair one must needs to thumb through the trips book and see the number of names which have been crossed out.

It seems to me that a more encouraging attitude to newcomers and tighter control of the booking for trips would result in more people coming forward to lead trips.

Yours faithfully,

Craig W. Devlin.

While Committee agrees with the second point raised in this letter, and has introduced a compulsory contact system between the leader and those going on the trip in an effort to do something about this, it is felt that the person who has offered to lead a trip is the one ultimately responsible for all arrangements. If any trips leader has queries, there are usually several knowledgeable and approachable people at Aikmans Road during lunchtime. - Ed.

Dear Editors,

It is amusing, isn't it. I mean, look at your editorial in the last Mountaineer (and earlier editorials) and the Secretary's report in the Supplement. Both infer that the club is being run by too few people and yet pages 4/5 of your last Mountaineer list approximately 60, repeat, SIXTY, different names of people recently elected/appointed to various positions within MUMC bureaucracy.

This has been the situation for the past X years and it is reasonable to query what is meant by 'too few'. The answer is not that 60 is too few, but that normally (in past years) only a small percentage of the 60 have fulfilled the obligations they acquired when they nominated for the various positions. Perhaps this has resulted from a misunderstanding of the structure of MUMC bureaucracy. It is not a pyramidal structure. Orders or requests do not filter down from above. It is almost a one or two level organisation (the committee and others) and there is little flow of information between the two. Therefore those that accept any of the numerous positions offered in the organisation must be self

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TRIPS PROGRAMME

Meetings, bushwalking and orienteering trips are planned well ahead whereas the more specialised activities, rockclimbing, caving, canoeing, etc., which generally cater for smaller groups, are subject to variations with the trips being organised (or sometimes cancelled) at short notice. Those interested in these activities should keep in regular contact with appropriate club members and check the trips book. Details of all functions can change at short notice and will be posted in the trips book at Aikman's Road.

NOTE: The trip leader may organise a meeting before the trip, in which case attendance is compulsory; if it is absolutely impossible to attend the meeting, the leader must be contacted before the date of the meeting. If no meeting has been planned, it is the responsibility of everyone intending to go on the trip to contact the leader at least 4 days before the trip leaves, to arrange transport and equipment. Anyone failing to do this will not be allowed to go on the trip.

Standards of Trips

Bushwalking trips are classified as follows:

- EASY - considered easy for those who are moderately fit but not necessarily experienced.
- MEDIUM - fair for fit people. Some previous hiking experience is desirable. Hard for the unfit or inexperienced.
- HARD - difficult for fit experienced walkers. Impossible for others.

Transport

Transport to and from venues of club trips is by picnic van or private car. For van trips, it is essential to know numbers as early as possible. The van for day trips departs from Batman Ave near Swanston St between 9 and 9.30 a.m., and normally returns by 6.00 p.m. For longer trips, the van leaves the car park immediately north of the Union building at 6.30 p.m. on the night before the first listed day of the trip (normally on Friday night). The van normally returns before 10.00 p.m. on the last day of the trip.

Any club member wanting to run his own trip using a club organised van may do so provided there is sufficient room on the van.

Bookings

There are three ways of booking for a trip, the first being the most preferable.

- (i) Place your name and other details in the trips book at Aikman's Road (1.00 to 2.00 p.m. weekday lunchtimes or 7.30 to 9.00 p.m. on Tuesdays.).

- (ii) Ringing the trip leader.

- (iii) Ringing John Yuill 379 9826 A.H.

TRIPS PROGRAMME

To relieve congestion in the trips book at lunchtimes there are now TWO trips books. A new BLUE folder houses the current week's trips; the old RED book has been retained for trips departing in the NEXT week or at some future time. Both books are clearly labelled.

- June 16-17 24-Hour Walk - The Event of the Year!
Venue: somewhere in Victoria
Course Organisers: Geoff Fagan, Brendan Holland
Caterers: Duncan Stevenson, Gill Hume, Anne Foley
Transport: Van - cost about \$6. Arrive at Sports Union at 9.00 a.m. Saturday.
- June 21
(Thursday) 24-Hour Walk Recovery Party
Venue: 30 St Vincent Place South Melbourne - 7.30
Leader: GLAY
Standard: 7 oz glass
Transport: public.
Come and discuss (or forget) 24-hour walk.
- June 23 + 24 One-day Canoeing (2 trips)
Leaders: Gary Whipp and Rod Tucker
Transport: private
Venue to be decided according to rainfall.
- June 23
(Saturday) Rockclimbing - Werribee Gorge
Leader ?
Transport: private.
- June 24
(Sunday) Puffing Billy Daywalk
Leader: Harry Schaap
Catch 9.28 train leaving from Flinders St for Belgrave OR arrive at Belgrave Station by car at 11.00 a.m.
Buy a single fare for Puffing Billy to Emerald (cost 90¢) - Puffing Billy departs Emerald 11.10 a.m.
Walk to Emerald Lake for an extended lunch and/or barbeque (facilities available). Return via railway line.
- June 28
(Thursday) Monthly Meeting - CFA Speaker on Bushfires
7.30 p.m. - Sports Union Activities Room
If you do any walking in the Australian bush in summer then you must know about the hazards of bushfires. Come along for the magnificent supper anyway.

- June 30 - Bushwalk - Flaggy Creek Gorge Crawl
July 1 Leader: Tony Sherwood
Standard: Medium
Transport: Private
Map: 1:80,000 aerial photo.
- June 30 - Rockclimbing - Mt Arapiles
July 1 Leader: ?
Transport: Private
- July 1 Orienteering: Red Hill
(Sunday)
- July 4 Beginners' Snow Walk and Ski Touring Talk
(Wednesday) Sue White and Pat Miller
Sports Union Activities Room - 7.30 p.m.
Come and find out how to camp in the snow, and
receive some pointers on ski touring.
COMPULSORY for beginners to both activities.
- July 7-8 Beginners' Snow Walk - Baw Baw Plateau
Leader: Gill Hume
Standard: Medium
Transport: Van - cost \$5.00
- July 10 Monthly Meeting
(Tuesday) Sports Union Activities Room - 7.30 p.m.
Featuring Bruno Zeller's slides of climbing in
Europe. Bring your slides too. A lavish
supper provided - as always.
- July 11 Wax-In for Beginners' Ski Touring
(Wednesday) Sports Pavilion - 7.30 p.m.
- July 14-15 Beginners' Ski Touring - Baw Baw Plateau
Leader: Pat Miller (phone 874 8336)
Standard: Medium
Transport: Private
Beginners must have previous snow camping exper-
ience, eg. Snow Walk. Numbers are limited,
so beginners and instructors only may book.
Details elsewhere in Mountaineer.
- July 15 MUMC Orienteering - Blakeville/ Mt Wilson
(Sunday) Organisers: Ron and Judy Frederick
How to get there: See trips book.
HELPERS REQUIRED
- July 15 Rockclimbing - Sugarloaf of Werribee Gorge
(Sunday) Leader: ?

- July 21 + 22 One-day Canoeing (2 trips)
Leaders: Rod Tucker and Gary Whipp
Transport: Private
Venue: to be decided according to rainfall.
- July 21-22 Rockclimbing- Grampians or Arapiles
Leader: ?
Transport: Private.
- July 21-22 Skitouring - for those who have been snow
 camping and skitouring previously.
Venue and leader to be decided.
- July 26
(Thursday) OXO-BALL - The Social Event of the Year
Organiser: Robyn Flint
Venue: Villa Borghese - 7.30 p.m.
Cost: \$4.50 and B.Y.O.
Come and witness the presentation of such awards
as Piker of the Year, Frozen Gnome, Mr
Equipment, and many more.
- July 29 (Sunday) Orienteering.
- July 29
(Sunday) Daywalk - Warburton
Leader: Liz Brown
Standard: Medium
Transport: Van - fare \$1.50-\$2.00
Map: Gembrook 1:50,000. Britannia Ck Falls -
 Cumming Spur - Mt Tugwell - La La Falls -
 Warburton.
- August 4-5 Winter Climbing Trip - The Bluff or Watson's Crag.
Leader: Rod Tucker
Standard: Hard
Transport: Private
Definitely no beginners. Full snow gear required
 - including ice axes and ropes - crampons?
- August 7
(Tuesday) Monthly Meeting
Sports Union Activities Room - 7.30 p.m.
Bring your slides and gossip of recent trips.
- August 11-12 Second Annual Midnight Ascent of Mt Feathertop
(Weather Leader: George Kuczera
 permitting) Transport: Private
Trip restricted to masochists who detest snow
 more than 10 times a year and who are
 pikers at heart.
- August 11-12 Non-Snow Walk - Upper Yarra - Falls Creek
Leader: Geoff Lay
Standard: Medium
Transport: Private

- August 11-12 One-day Canoeing (2 trips)
See trips book for details.
- August 12 (Sun.) Orienteering - see trips book.
- August 14-15 Intervarsity 24-hour Walk.
This year hosted by Monash. Selection based on
results of MUMC 24-hour walk.
- August 15 (Wednesday) Snow and Ice Climbing Talk
Sports Union Activities Room - 7.30 p.m.
Talk by John Retchford - compulsory for those
going on the Alpine Instruction Course.
- August 18-20 Alpine Instruction Course - Mt Feathertop
Leader: John Retchford
Standard: Hard-Medium
Transport: Private.
Participants should have basic snow camping
experience - preference will be given to
leaders and beginners.
- August 24-26 Annual Winter Ascent of Bogong
Leader: Robyn Fraser
Standard: Hard-Medium
Transport: Private
- September 15 Ski- Orienteering - Mt Baw Baw
See next Mountaineer for details.
- December 9 MUMC Orienteering
ORGANISER REQUIRED - please see Ron Frederick.

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BEGINNERS SKITOURING

Yes, it's on again, the annual Ski Extravaganza. Scientific studies have proved that it provides the highest laugh per minute ratio of any mountaineering function (excepting the AGM). Such feats as the Kaye Contortions, the Tucker Tree Tango, the Kuczera Cartwheel, and the Past Puritanical President's Pedestrian Pedantics have delighted previous patrons.

Be there and you will discover the basic concepts such as the waxy hands, the tree stop, the brake fall (unintentional) and the basic collision technique. Those who show promise will be permitted to proceed to the brake fall (intentional), the front end arrest, and the delicate art of yo-yo baiting.

Numbers will be limited by the availability of skis or leaders, so that only beginners and leaders will be taken. Beginners must also attend both introductory meetings and have had some experience of snow camping. All must attend the Wax-In with skis, boots and bindings, so that they are ready to use on the weekend.

Saturday will be spent in the vicinity of the Ski Village, with instruction in basic techniques. The second day will be wither further instruction or a day tour. Saturday night will be a snow camp, but ski-ing with packs will be kept to a minimum.

Ski hire will be arranged by Dave Caddy. For further information, ring Pat or Carla Miller 874 8336 (a.h. before 9.00 p.m.) or Pat Miller 64 0111 (Ex 579 b.h. - please ring only if essential).

P.S. Should you hear that skitouring is the easiest and most enjoyable way to travel the alps in winter, it's a lie. Another common misconception is that snow is wet and cold - also that beginners fall over more often than the instructor.

Pat Miller

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THE BROLGA BITES BACK

(Abstracted from a leading international medical journal)

Case Report: A 54-year-old male complained of being bitten in the bottom by a bird while attempting to ford the Ord River at 2 a.m. The vicious attack was beaten off by a half-empty bottle of Ord Ale. In the process the brolga consumed some of the contents and promptly died, thus providing useful experimental and post-mortem material.

At 7 a.m. the patient complained of a numb bum, and was then admitted to the marsupial research unit, the hospital being full of various other cases. Treatment was successful, psychological trauma being controlled by the patient's recent attendance at the Kununurra pub, and judicious administration of 70% ethanol.

Post-mortem examination of the brolga revealed that it was a fully mature female with a taste for bottle caps. A new species of bacterium, *Clostridium brolgaseptica*, was isolated from its beak and the bursa of Fabricius (giving rise to a new synonym already used quite commonly in W.A., - "as buggered as a brolga's bursa.").

Accordingly, some prominent biomedical brolga trappers set up a cumming enclosure, using half-empty beer bottles and caps as a lure, (The investigators remained within the trap to ensure a steady supply of bottles and caps throughout the experiment.)

The results of the investigations showed, among other things, that brolgas are probably a major reservoir for human influenza. Various serum factors were measured: the levels for each bird were shown to be directly related to the number of bottle tops ingested in the previous 24 hours. Further examination was difficult owing to the inebriated condition of the investigators who, in their eagerness to lay hands on a brolga, could not avoid colliding with their colleagues; the above method of trapping could be bettered.

However, the use of tame birds for the large-scale production of these serum factors should now be seriously considered in conjunction with their use as bottle-top biodepositional units; and, considered as a whole, these investigations clearly emphasize that a brolga with a bursa is as stimulating as beer in the bottle.

PLANT BOOKS FOR BUSHWALKERS

For the bushwalker interested in his environment, to have a collection of books which provides a useful and complete coverage of plant types, genera and species, is essential. However, two factors come under consideration when one thinks of books for a hiker: price and size.

The most comprehensive coverage of Victorian plants is found in J.H. Willis' two volumes of "Plants in Victoria", (Melbourne University Press). These two books comprise a complete key to the ferns, conifers, monocotyledons and dicotyledons of Victoria. The total cost is about \$32.00, and the size is such that you could easily fit them into your pack while hiking. The cost may seem very high, but when you consider that it has taken Willis more than 25 years to compile these, then the price takes its perspective.

Other small books which could easily be carried by trampers, and which cost less than \$32.00, are listed as follows:

"Know Your Own Trees" - R.J. Paton. (Melbourne University Press, 1961) A concisely written book of eucalypt identification.

"Trees of Australia" - H. Oakman. (Jacaranda Press, 1965)

"Wildflowers of Victoria" - Celia Rosser. (Jacaranda, 1967)

"A Field Guide to Victorian Wattles" - F.J.C. Rogers. (Printed by Brown Prior Anderson, 1968.)

"Ferns of Victoria and Tasmania" - N.A. Wakefield. (Field Naturalists Club of Victoria, 1953 - out of print)

"Victorian Toadstools and Mushrooms" - J.H. Willis. (Field Naturalists Club of Victoria, 1963)

There are a number of books which contain extremely colourful and informative photographs of plants, but which may be too large to carry while hiking, and might be regarded as being "too good" for the bush. These are:

"Flowers and Plants of Victoria" - Cochrane, Fuhrer, Rotherham and Willis. (A.H. and A.W. Reid, 1968)

"Australia's Wildflowers" - M. Morcombe (Landsdowne, 1970)
(These would both cost in excess of \$10.00)

A smaller book costing about \$5.00 is:

"The Alpine Flowers of the Kosciusko State Park" - ed. K.G. Murray. (K.G. Murray Publishing Company and Kosciusko State Park Trust, 1962).

A key to the dicotyledons, "The Monster", put out by the Melbourne University Botany School, is about \$4.00 per copy.

Finally, if one is particularly interested in eucalypt identification, the Forestry and Timber Bureau, Canberra, have constructed a "Punch Card Key to the Eucalypts", consisting of about 650 cards each representing one eucalypt species. The various characters used for identification are listed around the edge of the cards, and any tree exhibiting a particular character has its card punched accordingly. Sorting can be done with a knitting

needle. To accompany this, there is a volume "Eucalyptus Buds and Fruits", edited by the Forestry and Timber Bureau, Canberra, 1968, which gives illustrations of the buds and fruits of eucalyptus species. The total cost for the cards and accompanying book would be of the order of \$25.00.

Rick Tudor

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OTHER CLUBS - MELBOURNE BUSHWALKERS

The Melbourne Bushwalkers was formed in 1943 as a result of an adult education class finding the atmosphere of bushwalking more relaxed than that of the classroom for conversation. The club is mixed and consequently there is a large percentage of young members. In fact the spread of ages is very wide, and membership is open to anyone between the ages of 16 and 153 after a suitable qualifying walk. Membership is approximately 300 of which 100-150 are "active."

Bushwalking is the main activity with no rockclimbing, canoeing or similar perversions, although cross-country skiing and orienteering are gaining popularity. There is at least one weekend walk and one daywalk each weekend, using mainly vans and sometimes private cars as transport. Trips go to a very wide range of the usual and quite unusual places, and at Christmas and Easter longer trips head interstate, particularly to Tasmania.

The club meets every Wednesday night at No. 14 Hosier Lane (off Flinders Lane, City) and slides are shown on the first and third nights of the month. There are also social activities, including such things as square dances, film nights, ice skating and President's Weekends. As with most such clubs, go on a walk or two and people are most friendly.

The club has produced an annual booklet, "Walk", since 1949 which contains many interesting articles and photographs concerning walks and related subjects. The 1973 edition is now on sale.

If interested in the club, turn up at a meeting or contact the secretary:

Sue Ball
1/7 Kororoit Street
Albion Vic 3018 (phone 3931627)

Rex Niven



GLAY STRIKES AGAIN

It all began pleasantly on Easter Friday at 7.30 when, after getting to bed at 3.30 we were rudely awakened by the slavedriver (Glavedriver? - Eds). Climbing up into the clouds on Mt Bogong the temperature plummeted and at bivouac hut the snow started. Here we first met the 49 Sydney Grammarians scattered over the mountain mumbling about the blizzard the night before. Upon our leaving the trees the wind started and we shivered over our lunches in the summit hut with the snow and more Sydneyites. We staggered to the summit into the wind and then slid and fell into Cleve Cole Hut. If it hadn't been so cold we would have died laughing as we were forced to lean 40 degrees into the wind, with disastrous results whenever the wind dropped, or passing occurred with the inevitable temporary windbreak and fall.

We eventually clambered into Cleve Cole, only to find it infested with Sydneyites. So up went the tents for the first snow camp of the season. The wind continued to drive the snow into us, but during the night the rain fell, with disastrous effects on one new unwaterproof tent.

Next morning we piked from the whole trip and feverishly devised new routes before the leader showed his great wisdom (ie. stupidity) and we continued on our original course at 11.20. The track from Maddison's (Aertex) Hut down T-spur and up Duane Spur is now part of the Alpine Track with yellow markers everywhere, the first visible from the hut. This was followed in continuous rain to Big River, where we lunched in "huts" - one piece of roofing iron per person, two per engineer. A perilous tree crossing of the river saw the rain stop, but Don, determined to show he wasn't as crazy as the others, continued to wear his overpants. Roper's Hut at 4.00 only revealed more Sydneyites, so we all donned overpants, except Don, and strode towards Johnston's Hut. We covered the 6 miles in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours due to the relentless wind and rain, but darkness found us in the wrong valley, so we were forced to have a slopy dry camp. The record is claimed for the first dry camp in pouring rain. With $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of water per person, soup edged out farmhouse stew as the main delicacy of the day.

What a different story the next morning. There was a creek through the leader's tent, and everybody and their gear was soaked due to torrents of water inside and outside the tents. A scouting party found the hut, and as the party prepared to mutiny and retreat there, a miracle happened. The sun shone!! The clouds rolled away to reveal a blue sky. (Needless to say the wind continued.) We spent 2 hours drying our belongings before the sun beckoned us on. The easter bunny arrived, and again at lunchtime, supply being greater than demand. The incessant sun drove us crazy as our speed was close to 4 mph all day. The terrible GLay only allowed $\frac{1}{4}$ hour for lunch, which was unfortunate for Jim who had to visit Cope's littlehouse for a bog, trees being at a premium; but he was compensated when, due to the unforeseen speed of the party, he led the

"assault" on his namesake Mt Jim, that glorious clump of trees standing majestically supreme, all of 20 feet above the surrounding plain. The sun's effect became worse after this: George tried to develop a differential equation giving stupidity as a function of guts and determination, but only evolved an elliptical gut function; at a rest stop (they actually occurred) the leader's cry of "Ready to move" was met with unanimous approval and at the next stop he was even told the rest was too long.

Arriving at Dibbins Hut, which of course was occupied, we followed our usual procedure of putting up the tents, then lighting the fire in the darkness. The clear night brought a heavy frost, much to the photographer's delight and everyone else's misery. Morning saw the local hairdresser descend on Glay's hair as all bemoaned a certain local manufacturer's unique range of faulty equipment.

After our usual early start, 10.40, we visited Charles Derrick Hut, where we even signed the log book, it being only the eighth hut we'd visited. George finally removed his parka after being convinced there hadn't been even a cloud for $1\frac{1}{2}$ days. By now the sun had affected Barry's mind so much he took his pack all the way to Mt Loch summit, the others being content to lunch (or build trail bike traps) in the saddle. Travelling on Highway 31 (wrongly called the Razorback on maps) Liz hurt her knee to ensure we wouldn't arrive before our customary camping hour i.e. after sunset. Per usual we pitched tents outside the hut, this time Federation Hut.

Next morning another miracle occurred. Don got up early! At to be precise, to lead the pre-sunrise ascent of Mt Feathertop. Several members were even rumoured to have run up the slopes to arrive before the sun, only to shiver for 30 minutes till it finally peeped over the horizon. The leader only made it to Molly's Hill, deciding any further advance would require putting something on his feet, the frost and rocks becoming unpleasant. Notwithstanding his early rising, Don was again last packed for the pleasant (?) stroll down Bungalow Spur to jeer at the medium trip bikers who had been put off by a little bit of hail on Friday.

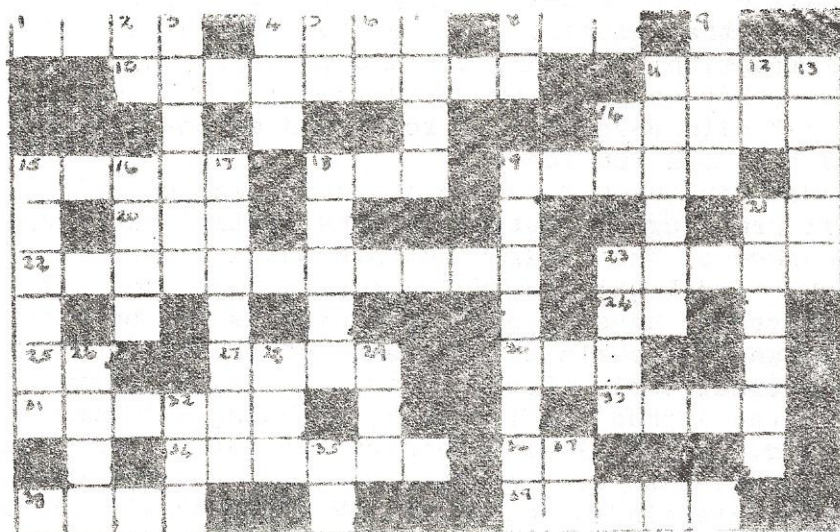
The insane subordinates: Dave Bayliss, Liz Brown, Greg V12 Craven, Don Fell, Gill Hume, George Kuczera, Ros Miller, Barry Pasrons.

The only sane one (also leader): GLAY

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STOP PRESS: The possibility of lunchtime meetings was discussed at the last Committee meeting (5/6/1973) and it was decided to close Aikmans Road on some Wednesday lunchtimes and hold meetings elsewhere at this time. These will be advertised in the Activities Sheet, will be held in various lecture theatres, and will include showing slides of trips, etc. It was felt that lunchtime meetings would cater for the bulk of undergraduate members who find it difficult or impossible to come to the slide nights.

IAN MOORE'S SECOND CROSSWORD

Across

1. One of the rewards for Climbing a mountain.
4. The Tassie H.E.C. is famous for its ----.
8. Roaring --- Creek.
10. A type of rock in which caves are found.
11. Sound associated with 8 across.
14. Peak on Bogong High Plains.
15. Small inland national park.
18. --- books are kept in most huts.
19. ----- Bee Saddle.
20. Perpatrator of this puzzle.
21. Id.
22. Station associated with some unsolved murders.
23. MUMC'S resident cartoonist.
24. You and me but not we.
25. An.
27. Uncommon.
30. --- Accord Spur.
31. Native Australian animal.
33. Equipment.

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2. El
3. A coastal national park.
4. --- of the Nargun.
5. As.
6. Mountain.
7. ---- book - eagerly awaited.
8. Me.
9. Rearrange letters of 'long'.
11. Nick -----: a favoured candidate for Piker of the Year.
12. As.
13. ----- Creek Gorge, south of the Cobberas.
14. North-east.
15. Well known plateau, east of Melbourne.
16. A small national park.
17. 9 down is an -----.
18. Mt -----, an alternative name for the Crinoline.
19. ----- Flat, north of the Cobberas.
21. A good I.P. must -----.

34. To come out (of a cave).

36. To.

38. Island.

39. The most popular book in the club.

23. Trips Secretary.

26. The ----, near Mt Clear.

28. Ate.

29. A powder sold in the store.

32. Queen --- Saddle.

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RUMBLEGUTZ*****

Well, another issue and we're back together again. How did your cinnamon tea and steamed dampers go? But we mustn't be sidetracked with discussions on just exactly why your damper was a soggy failure. Are you aware of buckwheat and grit? Both are forms of ground wheat grains. They have to be soaked for 5-10 minutes in water and then pressed to remove excess water. Eat as is or include in other dishes.

What is wrong with using red lentils in your soups and concoctions- they are easy and nourishing.

When you next think of making custard, try using ground rice as a substitute for custard powder. Or, an alternative to risking a burnt, lumpy mess is just to make up an instant pud and heat it. This can be used as a sauce with other desserts. While we are on the subject of custard have you tried banana custard?

Cook up your bananas (dried- of course) until they lose their rubbery texture. Drain and use the liquid to make up the custard. Once the custard has been made, add the bananas and eat.

Another idea for using dried fruit, is to cook up your apricots with a few raisins, or apples with sultanas, or even throwing all types of fruit together and having a stewed fruit salad.

Until next issue, eat up and cheerio,

R. Gutz

-----by exhaustion we mean a state of weakness, languor, and prostration brought about by antecedent circumstances, and impeding the exercise of vital functions.

A remedy for exhaustion is the immediate cessation of the acts responsible for this condition, which, if not actually a disease, is at least very close to one.

After this indispensable introduction, we find gastronomy at hand, ever ready and resourceful.

To the man worn out by the protracted exercise of his muscular strength, it offers good soup, generous wines, cooked meat, and sleep.

PHOTOGRAPHY - HINTS FOR BEGINNERSCamera choice

Refer to "Equipment for Bushwalking and Mountaineering", and ask around for knowledgeable advice. A 35 mm. camera is usually best - it takes all types of film.

Colour Slides or Black-and-White Prints?

With commercial processing the cost per photo is the same for either type, but big savings can be made by processing B&W yourself. Although this is very time-consuming, novices quickly find that they can produce prints far better than the commercial ones. However it is easier to take good pictures in colour than in B&W.

Colour prints cost 2-3 times as much as slides and their colour is seldom as good.

General Hints for Trips

Colour film choice: Generally fairly slow films (low ASA no.) give the best results. As film speed increases, a rough graininess appears and the colours become more exaggerated. A slow film will show detail both in the sun and into the shade, while a fast film tends to show one or the other. Different manufacturers have different colour balances, so find out by experiment which one you prefer.

Camera care: Depending on the nature of the trip, the camera may have to be carried in a waterproof and/or bashproof case of some sort - ex-army ammunition boxes can be useful here. High temperature and humidity will also upset film colouring.

Try to shade the lens while shooting - it makes a real difference. Clean the lens gently (it is not hard glass) - special soft brushes are available for this.

Composition: Try to draw the eye to one main subject, in a setting which complements but does not distract. Subjects and horizons should not be in the centre of the picture. (Study good paintings for illustrations of this.)

Shutter speed: If you must take a picture at a very slow speed, take it on 'delayed action' so the jerk when you push the button will not harm the photo. Better still, put it down on a stump. Streams and waterfalls should be taken on the slowest practical speed to cause flow in the water rather than freezing it.

After any physical exertion raise the shutter speed as you will be less able to hold the camera steady.

Personal shots: It is good sometimes to get the camera out for a while and walk with it set to shoot. Anticipate any action and get into the right place early - cross a stream quickly and snap the others falling in, etc. The results are well worth the extra effort.

In conclusion, the best hints are: to understand the limitations of your camera and film, and to take pictures and learn by experience.

Brien Cohn

A PLACE IN THE MOUNTAINEER

From the Easter walk:

- "It must be terrible when it's cold and miserable."
- "What's the time, George?"
"Wait a minute, I've got it written down on a piece of paper."
- Hello ... Hello.
Hello ... Hello.
Hello, hello ... hello, hello, hello.
- "There were 10 of us, did you give 10 hello's?"

(To a tourist on Razorback)

- "Is a pancake worth social ostracism?"
- "The best part about this trip is the lack of mosquitoes."
- "Boy, all this laughing is bad for my nose."
- On a recent trip Robyn Fraser was seen stuffing her new and expensive photographic gear into the bottom of her pack. Reason?
- she ran out of film on the first day.

- On a May vac trip, foul play at the last river crossing - the eighteenth - prevented Jim Harvey from reaching Lake Tarli Karng with dry feet.

- Nick Reeves, on reading the climbing report in last issue: "My lawyers will be contacting you, Kissane - even true statements can be libellous!"

- Rod Tucker is planning a mixed team for the 24-hour walk; himself and 50 women. He can thus afford to lose 1.53 females every 44.97 minutes and still finish as a mixed team. On the other hand, if the 50 females lose Rod, they can do the women's course instead

Rod's verdict: "I can handle women - that's my forté."

From a recent Committee meeting:

- Minutes Book: "The Occasional Dinner is not yet organised but is definitely ON."

- Arnold, chairing his first meeting: "Any business arising? ... oh, that's finished ... where are we up to anyway?"

And various helpful people: "You can't move motions, Arnold" ... "sign your name on the bottom there, Arnold ... try another biro ... can you remember how to spell it?"

APITM Continues

- Martin: "We're scared of treading on one of our vast tentacles...."

- Glay, talking about Aikmans: I can't stand the sight of the place; I just go down and collect the money."

- Arnold: "Let's hold meetings at Norton's ... I'm sure we could take over a pub - we've got 600 members."

- Martin again: "The trips book now is infinitely better than when I joined the club." (Cause and effect - ? Eds.)

- GLAY: "If she can get through two hard Easter trips with me leading she can do ANYTHING!"

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DON'T FORGET THE OXO-BALL, MOUNTAINEERS!

This year the Oxo-Ball is being held at the Villa Borghese in Kilsyth, hosted by the "Duo Moreno", performers in their own right.

Somehow we have come out ahead of the capitalists - it normally costs \$6.00 per head for 4½ hours dancing, and we only have to pay \$4.50 for 5 hours dancing. Also the supper being offered is unbelievable: Chicken a la King, followed by a 26-dish smorgasbord, and Peach Melba to finish.

There are a maximum of 150 single tickets for sale, so don't miss out! Tickets will be available at Aikmans Road or by sending a cheque or postal order to Robyn Flint, 26 Salisbury St Balwyn, (Phone 836 1602) at a time closer to the date of the Ball. Closing date for ticket sales is Friday 20th July.

Date: Thursday 26th July. (7.30 p.m. to 12.30 a.m.)

Place: Villa Borghese, 723 Mount Dandenong Road, Kilsyth
(allow at least 45 minutes travelling from city)

Cost: \$4.50 per head and B.Y.O.

Dress: Respectable (not jeans).

Robyn Flint

(Letters to the Editors, continued)

motivated. The successful running of MUMC relies on this.

To truly represent the driving force behind MUMC, the next year's Secretary's report could perhaps delete reference to those people who accepted a position, without performing any of the associated duties.

Yours oxometrically

(From an armchair)

Tony Kerr

(Comment from Harry Schaap: "At last Tony understands the way this club is run!")

MUMC ACTIVITIESCLIMBING

Subtitled "Attempted Levitations, Pikings and Assorted Epics"

A few days after the beginners talk (highlight: the convenor's 1530 views of Mt Arapiles), Hanging Rock was stormed by an eager contingent. As no blood had been spilt by evening, a boisterous mob gathered round an interesting overhanging boulder problem and proceeded to relish the pikings and hiss the successes of the foolhardy who clipped into the top rope.

The following week a smaller group visited Mt Arapiles. Saturday saw many popular climbs done - Arachnus, Diaphason, Bard, Eskimo Nell, Trapeze, Mickey Finn ?!?. Late in the afternoon, Peter Treibe decided to hang a jam in Fang (17). After watching some of the V.C.C. gulp down large volumes of Benedictine, the shocked Oxites sought refuge in Natimuk's refreshment house. On Sunday, storm clouds made piking a delight; as a result of a heavy down-pour a dry sandy creek bed became a raging torrent of turbid water that almost claimed a life. It never rains at the Piles!

At Easter, 4 members visited the Blue Mountains - many rumours trickled in about superb climbs and monumental pikes.

Following Easter, Werribee Gorge (Piker's Paradise) was visited. Steve Roylance now holds the title of "Most Graceful Fallen Angel" for his fall off S.P.Q.R.(9), culminating in a splendid 76.5 point landing. Nick Reeves promptly peeled off Hadrian (16) after completing the crux moves. After that, top roping became fashionable; climbs conquered were Big Ears, (14) S.P.Q.R.(9), perssocation (12), Sweet Chariot (10) and Execution (12).

Open Day proved a contentious point about cliff rescues: anybody can be saved provided the rescue team has 8 ropes, 30 karabiners, a few prusikers, a stretcher, and fine weather. Many abseils and three dramatic mock rescues stunned both the crowd and the MUMC climbers.

Climbing commenced late at the Eastern Wall, Grampians, and after a strenuous three hours of climbing, the evening was spent in poetry recitations. A bright day followed - Confucius (13), Hari Kari (14), Pagoda (14), Sampan (11), Samurai (12), Golden Bell (11), the Chink (10), ad nauseam.

The following day, another Blue Mountains trip started, the main areas of interest around Katoomba being Mt Piddington (Wiringi), Narrownneck, and the Wogan Valley. Climbing fluctuated, and Nick Reeves nearly lost his position at the head of Pikers Hard, but some fine climbs were done: Carthaginian (15), Joseph (14), Cave climb (12), Chastity (13), Ed Dingle (12), Phantom (13), and a new route, Banishmant's Variant Variant (14). On the final day, Roger Barson was struck on the head and arm by some falling rock while tramlining Carthaginian, but no serious damage was done.

Anyone wishing to go rockclimbing should come to Aikmans Road any lunchtime or ring 491862 any evening.

CANOEING - INTERVARSITY CANOEING

This year's trip started with four canoeists only mildly geographically embarrassed in the back streets of Broadmeadows, but some smart navigating soon got us onto the Hume Highway and progress was uneventful until Wodonga. Here a stop was made for lunch, etc - have you ever tried to park a station wagon and trailer carrying 2 open Canadians, a slalom Canadian, three kayaks (slalom) and a downriver kayak, in the main street of Wodonga?

Sometime after dark we reached Childowla, a few miles below Burrinjuck dam, where the event was to be held. First of all we went to look at the river, and were somewhat astonished to find a small trickle about a foot deep; but were assured that water would be let out of the dam on the following day to achieve a respectable flow. Coffee and crumpets were the next attractions, followed by sleeping bags and Five Hundred, until rudely interrupted by the arrival of half of the rest of the team.

The next day, Friday, was spent in practice above and below the slalom course, getting supplies of firewood, drying clothes (for some), and keeping our light fibreglass kayaks out of the way of a metal boat that looked like a floating tank.

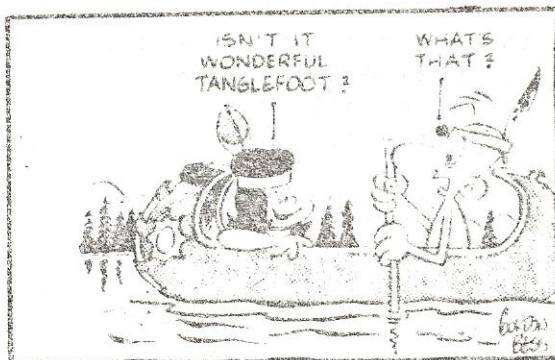
Saturday dawned cold and clear, and the first boats on the water glided smoothly and silently into the curls of mist still rising from the surface of the water. Gary Whipp led off on the first round of the Men's K1, over an interesting course which included several reverse and upstream gates, dodging in and out of currents, and going down a rapid backwards. Highlights included some spectacular capsizes, Ron Simpson (ANU) breaking a paddle on the course and J-stroking his way through it with little more than a blade, and excited people running up and down the bank following their team members. Women's K1 and Teams K1 were also held on this day; MUMC did not win any event but did not disgrace itself either.

Sunday saw the running (?) of the C2 events, with many of the competitors still feeling the effects of the previous night's party, which included supplies of Victorian beer. The events were Open and Mixed, and once again included some very good runs and some monumental spills. Once again, MUMC gave a reasonable performance, which placed us fifth out of ten universities in the slalom competition.

The downriver race was held on Sunday afternoon, and here MUMC distinguished itself rather better. Phil Seager was beaten to the line by one second in the Men's K1, while Tim Hughes and Ross Seedman took 2nd and David Iser and Tony Sutherland took 3rd place in the C2 in open Canadians (later referred to by a kayak enthusiast as 'bathtub barges!'). These placings, together with the efforts of Gary, Margaret and Alison in the slalom kayaks, gave MUMC an overall placing of 2nd in the downriver race, ANU winning by a small margin.

Next year's competition is to be hosted by the University of New England and will be held at Grafton in N.S.W. - rumour has it that the whole course of the downriver race will be white water, so start practising!

Many thanks are due to those members of the Uni of N.S.W., particularly Stuart and Lynn, and to Bob Lawton from Macquarie, whose work made the whole competition possible.



CAVING - TRIP REPORT - BUCHAN MAY 26-27

After the usual round of pikings, cross-pikings and synergistic pikings, 16 people (but not all the original 16) eventually arrived at Buchan. Late arrivals stumbled over an apparent body on the verandah which turned out to be a rather irascible Penguin, but finally everyone fell asleep until awakened by heavy boots thundering down the passage at 7 a.m.

Following the usual chaos of carbide-smasking, breakfast-burning, more late arrivals, and violent threats by the leader, parties left the hut and disappeared down the chosen holes. David and Digger took some eager trogs into the Reserve, while Bruce & Co. headed for Canyons, and Alison and party set off for East Buchan where the water level in Mabel Cave was found to be extremely low, so two mad trogs splashed into the freezing sump only to find more water-filled and impassable passage.

Sunday saw most of the party up at the Potholes, where caves visited included Honeycomb. Here there has been some vandalism, with much decoration broken and missing, but the remainder is still beautiful even in its desecrated state.

Once again thanks are due to V.S.A. members - Digger Kahrau and Bruce Harper - for their willing services as group leaders on this weekend.

Yet Another Letter to the Editors:

Dear Editors,

I feel that the time has come for a change in the rules of the 24 hour walk. Recently it has become apparent that the designation of "male", "mixed", and "female" teams is not realistic. Should a team with say ten females and one male suffer a sim mile handicap over a team with eleven females?

I propose a system based on the sex factor. It would work as follows. A female is given a sex factor of -1 and a male is given a sex factor of +1. In any team all sex factors are added together and the sum is divided by the number of people in the team. If the result is greater than 0.7 the team is deemed to be all male. If it lies between 0.7 and -0.7 the team is deemed to be mixed. A team with a figure less than -0.7 is classified all female.

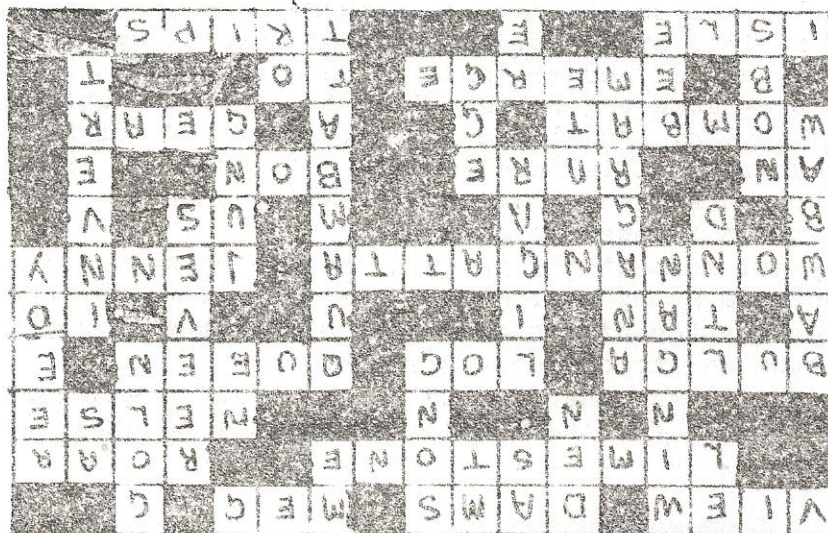
I feel that this system would be much fairer to a large number of people.

Rod Tucker

(In a case where the sex factor of any competitor is in doubt, it will presumably be up to the discretion of the organisers to allot the appropriate figure? -Eds.)

A communique from one of the 24 hour walk organisers indicates that the segregation of teams according to sex will not be done this year anyway - in true orienteering style there will be A, B and C grades. In which case, we suggest that this potential harem builder will have to concentrate on quality rather than quantity in his team. (Eds.)

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BUDAWANGS EASTER TRIP 1973

or "The Charge of the Kodak Brigade"

The Budawangs are a spectacular range of mountains and plateaux about 15 by 30 miles in size. They parallel the N.S.W. coast 60 miles east of Canberra. The northern part of the range is quite unique, being an old sedimentary plain bisected by the Clyde and Yadboro Rivers and their tributaries. The resultant Blue Mountains effect makes well worthwhile the 500-mile trip from Melbourne, at least if you have 6 days or more to spare.

Five people and four cameras left Melbourne, picking up Sue Beatty in Cann River and Tony Masters at Braidwood (both with cameras). Camp was made on Wog Wog Creek on Friday night, the evening meal being accompanied by an appropriate discussion of tropical and animal diseases.

Saturday dawned rather overcast and windy, very windy. A mile's walk east saw us up on a plateau where the wind had its full effect. At first we had only to secure our hats but when we dropped packs and diverted south to Admiration Point, anything that dangled was in danger of being torn loose (especially cameras). Mercifully the point itself was sheltered from the wind. From here one has a commanding view of the Yadboro River valley and features much further east such as Mt Owen, the Castle (pronounced 'Carstle'), Byangee Walls and our ultimate objective, the Pigeon House, ten miles away.

From the point we headed north to the valley of Canowie Brook. On the way we by-passes a set of aboriginal axe sharpening groves; the northern Budawangs are an old aboriginal haunt and there are several sharpening groves and borah grounds (whatever they are) marked on the map. Presumably the many camping caves for which we too were heading were used by the aborigines.

Arriving at Canowie Brook we were surprised to find a grassy floodplain. This continued up the Burrumboet Brook valley together with the wind which was channelled right up the latter. Proceeding N.E. we mistakenly ran down a spur under Bibbenluke Mt and decided to have lunch before re-locating the track. Walking tracks in the Budawangs are deplorably marked; hikers thus wander off the main routes and create a maze of pathways in places - this means more people get bushed and so on. In the main, landmarks are unmistakable so you cannot become really lost, but knowing where you are is not much help if you can't find the way out.

Camp was made that night in a cave west of the summit of Mt Cole. Water at most of the caves comes from cliff drips and the drip near this one formed quite a substantial stream. Despite the wind howling in the valley we had a pleasant, warm night because the cave (more of an overhang really) was well protected. Gusts of wind occasionally caught the fire and showers of sparks flow off into the valley. Rob Jung of course attempted a photograph.

Next morning we set off with day packs south to Mt Owen which juts out into the Yadboro Valley, and then N.E. to Monolith Valley. There were some opportunities for rockclimbing in the gully between Mt Owen and Mt Cole, but the weather changed markedly, huge columns of mist coming from the valley and lofting vertically up the cliff faces, suggesting an imminent white-out.

After lunch in a camping cave we headed for the Castle about a mile distant, but a wrong route was taken and when we finally arrived at the Castle it was covered in mist. Due to some atrocious map reading we didn't find the track to the top anyway - perhaps this was just as well because the two-hour trip to the top and back would have brought us back in the dark (we got lost as it was).

On Monday we donned packs and walked back to the Castle. The climb up is quite hairy but the top is like a football field. The view is superb with the Pigeon House 5 miles S.E.. Descending, we had lunch at a waterfall on the west wall of the Castle and then went down Kalianna Ridge to the Yadboro River. This was the tourist route, and there were scores of parked cars at the camp site.

In order to bag the Pigeon House on Tuesday we rose at 6.15 and commenced the 6 miles east to the peak. The Pigeon House stands about 800 feet above a 1600 ft plateau and was so named by Captain Cook in 1770; he sighted it from the coast which is only 16 miles distant.

As always the return walk seemed considerable longer and we certainly weren't looking forward to the walk from the campsite to the car parked 8 miles west up the Yadboro Valley at the top of an 1800 foot spur. Determined to walk into the night if necessary we set out at 3.00 and began to count the 17 river crossings before the exit spur. To our dismay we ran out of track and light after the 11th crossing. This made continuation impossible so we camped where we stood. As it happened we were standing on a perfect camp site and people were in high spirits once we cleared some scrub and got the fire going. We were all glad to have the extra night out. The meal was 5 courses this time (finishing with Milo) and once the photographers got going they were impossible to stop. Even early-to-bed-early-to-rise Jung stayed up till 10.45.

In the morning we confirmed our suspicions that the track had been obliterated by fire, and found our way without trouble to the spur which goes up to the south of Admiration Point. The sun was so hot by the time we reached the cars, that a thorough wash in the freezing stream was the order of the day for such intrepid souls as Sue Beatty, Rob Jung, Tony Masters, Leigh Sutherland and Myself. Our unclean comrades who shall remain nameless were Peter Kissano and Peter Griffiths.

The trip was a very enjoyable one indeed. The splendid scenery was coupled with weather which improved every day. It is certainly an area to which any member of the trip would go again, preferably with more time. That might come out a bit costly though - we took over 200 pictures as it was.

Tony Sherwood

If you are thinking of skiing cross country this winter, now is the time to think of the gear you may need - our selection of stock is at its greatest and in the main, stock sold cannot be replenished this winter. We have a bigger range of sizes and types of gear than ever before. In skis, I have gone mainly for the better class of medium weight wooden skis with compressed wood (lignostone) edges. These are thoroughly tried and proven and seem to offer the best combination of strength, weight, liveliness and durability for the sort of skiing likely to be done and the sort of conditions likely to be met by most of the skitourers I have come across in about seven seasons skiing on wood in the Victorian snowfields. Wood skis can be broken, especially if too light, too fragile or too abused; I have been skiing on the same medium weight pair for the past five seasons; the only time ice turned me back was for lack of an iceaxe rather than metal edges. I do have a few 'fibreglass' & 'metal' skis for those willing to experiment a bit.

I do have racing and extra light touring skis (47-48mm wide) but do not recommend them to the general tourer. I do recommend the 52mm Toppen Lar-Lett or Splitkein Touring Special. All Toppen skis have a plastic reinforcing laminate in the tip region which adds considerable resilience and strength. I have a few Toppen Mountain skis 74mm wide, but consider them too heavy for most tourers' enjoyment.

In the past I have skied in Tramper boots and cable bindings - this made for sloppy skiing but seemed preferable to using the blotting paper soled slippers made for drier snow than is usually ever seen in Victoria. Now, however there is the Alfa cross country boot with its impervious yet flexible welded rubber sole and adequate leather upper. It also has a steel plate moulded in with holes to accept peg bindings - thus solving the problem of providing a reliable anchorage for the pegs. There is a groove and sufficient rigidity for use of cable bindings if preferred. I intend to try peg bindings this year and am stocking Troll or Skilom. I have Kandahar cable bindings - light fixed toe iron type for use with cross country boots; also a strong adjustable type for use with Trampers or other walking/mountaineering boots for those who wish to stick to these types of boot. I have most of the bits and pieces, including a large and confusing supply of waxes. Last year I stuck to the Ostbye trio system and found it at least simple and workable if not always fully effective.

You will find my prices competitive - should you find anyone undercutting me just let me know.

We are now making pure wool double seat breeches (knickerbockers) for skitouring, mountaineering or just winter walking. The same style is available in "moleskin/molecord" (very heavy, very hardwearing cotton) for rockclimbers. Both cloths available as normal trousers for country gentlemen and others.

We have ultra light/aluminized (less than 4 oz.) plastic bivvy bags for emergencies (put one in your pack, particularly your day pack) plus the usual winter gear - balaclavas, simple goggles, mitts, socks, gaiters, waterproofs and a few wool shirts.

Finally, please remember that a tent may add a few pounds to your back (only 5 complete for a Viking and 7 for a Tawonga) but it is there when ever and where ever you may need it; cannot be lost in the fog or just too far away at dusk.

Cheers, Lock.

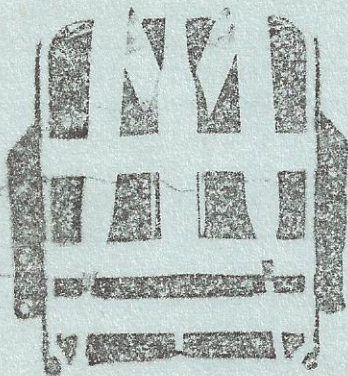
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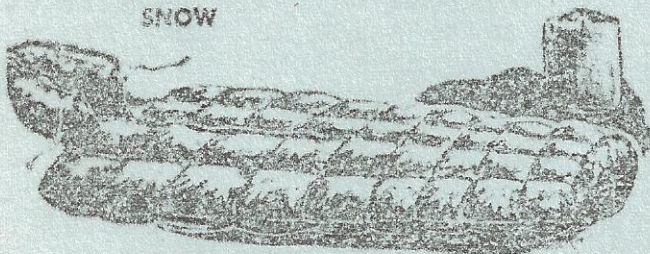


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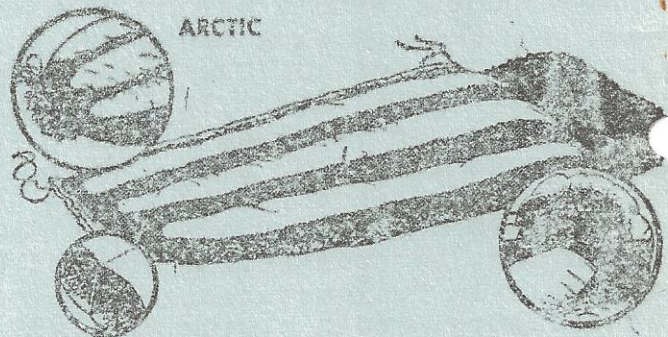
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