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Club Website: <https://cbw.infinityfreeapp.com>

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Stockyard Point and 5 Rock's – Byfield NP - CQ

President:	Kevin Cullen	0487 655 892
Secretary:	Judy Milner	0421 208 049
Treasurer:	Janine Keneally	0418 372 465
Committee:	Anna Mainey, Meg Gray, Jodie Thompson, Greer Burgess and Lindsay Hensel	
Safety and Training:	Vacant	
Newsletter Editor:	Kevin Cullen	
Social Media Editor:	Anna Mainey	
Detailed Walk Schedule:	January to April – 2026	

NOTES TO ALL WALK LEADERS:

- ❖ Required walk forms and materials are to be obtained from the Club Website – <https://cbw.infinityfreeapp.com>
- ❖ The club has 2 Personal Locator Beacons (PLB's) for emergency use on any bushwalks. The location and custodians of the PLB's are:
 - Anna Mainey – 0408 218 423 Rockhampton
 - Kevin Cullen – 0487 655 892 Rockhampton
- ❖ Walk Leaders collecting the PLB's are responsible for completing the form with either Anna or Kevin.
- ❖ Leaders are to ensure they don't leave without carrying a PLB, regardless of mobile phone coverage.
- ❖ **Walk descriptions** are to be submitted via email to The Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
- ❖ **Newsletter** walk reports are to be completed (Microsoft Word) promptly after each walk and emailed to Kevin Cullen – kevin.cullen12@gmail.com
- ❖ **Facebook** page material, walk photos and a brief overview to be sent to Anna Mainey – 0408 218 423
- ❖ All completed Attendance Sheets to be forwarded to Judy Milner – judymilner3@bigpond.com

NOTE TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS:

- ❖ Proposed walks can be nominated as soon as you see the email advising the date of the next general committee meeting, especially if they are overnight, basecamp or multi day walks.
- ❖ Being a financial member of the club provides you with Public Liability and Personal Accident Insurance cover. Public Liability is limited to \$20,000,000 and Personal Accident Insurance only covers members 18 to 95 years old, inclusive.
- ❖ The Club will subsidise half of the cost of an Accredited First Aid Course in the financial year to members provided they meet the eligibility criteria on completion of, and forwarding a copy of their Certificate of Achievement and Receipt to the management committee.
 - For Eligibility Criteria: See Club By-Laws on the Club Website
- ❖ Ensure contact details are current, and updates sent via email to the Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
- ❖ You want to build your skills and confidence as a walk leader. Please reach out to a committee member or an experienced walk leader and become an understudy.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM GUIDELINE:**Option 1 – (Preferred)**

- ❖ Complete, Sign, Scan and email the form to the Treasurer – capbushwalkers@gmail.com

Option 2

- ❖ Complete, Sign and Contact the Secretary for postal advice.

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT GUIDELINE:

Option 1 – (Preferred)

- ❖ Internet Direct debit: **Westpac Bank – Account Name:** Capricornia Bushwalkers, **BSB:** 034-636, **Acct #:** 388472
– **REFERENCE:** Your family name reference and use your own reference number and email this number to the club email address.

Option 2

- ❖ Complete, your method of payment and deposit your club membership using the account details above at your nearest Westpac Bank outlet.

Capricornia Bushwalkers Inc. – Membership Application / Renewal	
I wish to apply for / renew my membership (New memberships will be provisional, until approved by the next general meeting)	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal <input type="checkbox"/> New (Tick one box)
Type of membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Family (2 Adults + children) <input type="checkbox"/> Life member
Membership fee (for calendar year or part thereof)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$30 single <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 family
Personal Information By law, the club is required to maintain a register of members and their residential addresses. The information collected here is retained by the club secretary for the purposes of club business. The postal or email address you provide here will be used to send your newsletter, and any other club correspondence. The phone numbers will be used in emergencies.	Given Name(s)
	Family Name
	Residential Address (not PO Box) Postcode
	Mailing Address (if different) Postcode
Family membership: Please list below the names of all other people to be covered by this membership:	Phone: Home Work Email Address

Please email your completed membership form to capbushwalkers@gmail.com (or contact the Secretary for other options). (Pay direct to: WESTPAC: Acct Name: Capricornia Bushwalkers, BSB 034-636, Acct No 388472, Use your family name as reference)

Insurance: The Club has Public Liability (up to \$20,000,000) and Personal Accident Insurance covers; further details available from the Club secretary. The cost of insurance is included in the membership fee.

Acknowledgement of Risks and Obligations

I acknowledge that when I am participating in any activity of the Capricornia Bushwalkers Inc. I am doing so as a volunteer in all aspects and as such I accept all responsibility for loss of property or bodily injury to me, however it may occur.

I acknowledge that my participation in this activity may expose me to hazards and risks that could lead to injury, illness or death or to loss of or damage to my property. In particular when participating in abseiling or above the snowline activities I am aware that I may be exposed to additional hazards and risks.

I will make all reasonable effort to avoid or minimise these risks by:

- only participating in activities within my capabilities,
- carrying food, water and equipment appropriate for the activity, and
- advising the leader if I am taking any medication or have any physical or other limitation that might affect my participation in the activity.

I acknowledge that the payment of my membership fee will be deemed as full acceptance and understanding of the above.

I further agree to observe the Club's Rules and By-laws (copies available on the Club's website).

Signature(s): Single or 1 st Adult Family member 2 nd Adult Family member	Date:
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PROGRAM DETAILS:

Closing date for nominations for walks and social events is at least 2 days prior to the event.

If you require transport, please nominate well in advance.

If you're travelling with someone else, then it is courteous to share travel costs as per the car-pooling payment guideline.

WALK TYPE GUIDELINE:

MO	Members Only	TW	Through Walk or Car Shuttle	4WD	4 Wheel Drive
DW	Day Walk	ON	Overnighter	SOC	Social
HW	Half Day Walk	NF	No Facilities – Water, Showers or Toilets	TRN	Training
BC	Base Camp	XT	Extended trip		

WALK GRADING GUIDELINE:

Fitness		Distance		Terrain	
E	Easy – Suitable for beginners.	A	Less than 5kms	1	Graded Track Trail
M	Moderate – Reasonable fitness level.	B	5 to 10kms	2	Cross Country Off Track
H	Hard – High fitness level only.	C	10 to 15kms	3	Not Pre-Walked
		L	15 to 20kms	4	Minor Scrub
	Altitude Sections	X	20kms and over	5	Medium to Heavy Vegetation
ALT	Approximate change in height			6	Creeks Rock Hopping
				7	Steep Scrambles

CAR POOLING PAYMENT GUIDELINE:

The values were adopted as being fair and equitable, however, that remains at the discretion of the driver.

0 – 20kms	\$5.00
20 – 50kms	\$10.00
50 – 100kms	\$15.00
100 – 200kms	\$25.00
200 – 250kms	\$30.00
250 – 300kms	\$35.00

WALKS SUMMARY – JANUARY to APRIL 2026 – DETAILS OF WALK TYPE IN THE SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Walk Name</u>	<u>Walk Leader</u>	<u>Contact</u>
23 – 26/01/2026	Bunya Mountains NP	Jodie Thompson	0437 334 781
01/02/2026	Map Reading and Navigation Training	Ian Herbert	0428 381 818
07/02/2026 Saturday	Upper Stoney Creek Walk	Kevin Cullen	0487 655 892
15/02/2026	Emu Park Beach Walk	Rita Davidson	0437 189 245
22/02/2026	Mystery Walk	Greer Burgess	0448 408 775
28/02/2026 Saturday	Bluff / Kemp Night Walk & BBQ	Barb Snelling	0419 769 899
06 – 08/03/2026	1770 / Agnes Water Trails	Anna Mainey	0408 218 423
15/03/2026	General Club Meeting	Kevin Cullen	0487 655 892
22/03/2026	Parks and Paths beside Frenchman's Creek	Janine Kenealy	0418 372 465
29/03/2026	Kinka Beach and Wetlands	Rita Davidson	0437 189 245
05/04/2026	Vacant – Easter Holiday.		
12/04/2026	First Turkey and Moore's Creek	Glynn Gadsby	0749 725 972
19/04/2026	Johannsen's / Mt Etna Caves	Russell Thompson	0458 025 123
25/04/2026 Saturday	Mt Nicholson (Berserker Range)	Kevin Cullen	0487 655 892
01-04/05/2026	Blackdown Tablelands NP	Greer Burgess	0448 408 775

DETAILED WALKS SCHEDULE – January to April 2026

Day & Date: Friday to Monday – 23 - 26/01/2026 – **3 Nights**
Walk Name: Bunya Mountains National Park
Walk Type & Grading: M/O, O/N, B/C, E/M.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Jodie Thompson** – 0437 334 781
Nomination required by: Friday – 09/01/2026.
Numbers to Participate: 8 – Capped numbers. – **Participation via expressions of interest**
Walk Activity Summary: This is members only trip to the Bunya Mountains featuring the world's largest stand of Bunya Pines and 35 km of walking tracks. The tracks wind through diverse landscapes, including rainforest, vine scrub, eucalypt forest, and grassland. There is abundant wildlife, creeks, waterfalls. Enjoy all of these wonders of nature and relax at night in a soft bed after a hot shower in one of the many holiday houses at Bunya. It is a 1100km return trip.

Day & Date: Sunday – 01/02/2026
Walk Name: Map Reading and Navigation Training.
Walk Type & Grading: TRN, MO-Members Only – Yeppoon Community Centre
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Ian Herbert** – 0428 381 818
Nomination required by: Thursday – 29/01/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers.
Walk Activity Summary: Back to basics of Map interpretation. i.e. What can a map tell us about the area, so we can get a feel for the 'lay of the land' before we go there? How does a map depict a three-dimensional world on a two-dimensional surface? How to make use of all the information available on a map? Such information includes: Relief, (the shape of the land) Creeks and rivers, hills and spurs, forest cover, man-made features, etc. Map scales, Grids, Grid references, Grid Zones, Latitude and longitude, Compass basics, using a compass to find directions between two points. Maps vs Aerial photographs. However, Mapping Apps available for your smartphone will be mentioned briefly, but will not be covered in detail because there are so many of them, they are all different, and online help is usually available. If you have an App that you are particularly keen on, let me know, and maybe you can talk about it.

Day & Date: Saturday – 07/02/2026
Walk Name: Upper Stony Creek Forest Tracks.
Walk Type & Grading: D/W – E/M, Approx: 6Kms
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892 (Phone/Text)
Nomination required by: Thursday – 03/02/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers.
Walk Activity Summary: Start and Finish at Upper Stony Creek Day Area. Follow several forestry trails to an alternate Stony Creek swimming hole downstream of the day area and return with multiple opportunities from swimming. You could finish with a BBQ.

Day & Date: Sunday – 15/02/2026
Walk Name: Emu Park Beach Walk
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E/M, B, 1, 2.
Walk Leader & Contact #: Rita Davidson – 0437 189 245 Email: parrotsnest2@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Day – 12/02/2026
Numbers to Participate: Not cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: We start our walk from Fisherman's Beach, go onto Tanby Point, past The Haven up to the reservoir, for great 360-degree views and down to the path past the caravan park, up to the singing ship and back to the carpark. Approx. 2.5hour walk. Bring morning tea / snack or coffee/lunch from one of the eateries at Emu Park.

Day & Date: Sunday – 22/02/2026
Walk Name: Mystery Walk
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E, B, 1.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Greer Burgess** – 0448 408 775
Nomination required by: Thursday – 19/02/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: This is a real mystery walk, even the leader doesn't know yet, but be rest assured, given we're still in the hotter part of the year it will be easy.

Day & Date: Saturday – 28/02/2026
Walk Name: Bluff / Kemp Afternoon Walk & BBQ
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E, A, 1
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Barbara Snelling** – 0419 769 899
Nomination required by: Thursday – 25/02/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: Afternoon walk starting at 3pm following the trail up the Bluff and back to the picnic area. Bring your own barbecue dinner or light meal. And drinks!

Day & Date: Friday – Sunday – 06 - 08/03/2026
Walk Name: Agnes Water / 1770 Trails
Walk Type & Grading: M/O – E, M - **Distance:** Approx. 450Km return drive.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Anna Mainey** – 0408 218 423
Nomination required by: Thursday – 01/03/2026
Numbers to Participate: 6 – Capped numbers.
Walk Activity Summary: A members-only weekend of beach and trail walks, along, with beach / pool swimming. A reasonable level fitness is required, as there will be sand walking. Opportunity for a trip on the LARC amphibious craft.

Day & Date: Sunday – 15/03/2026
Walk Name: General Meeting.
Walk Type & Grading: NA
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892 (Phone/Text) – kevin.cullen12@gmail.com
Nomination required by: NA.
Numbers to Participate: NA
Walk Activity Summary: 2pm at CCC Hut "Haigh Park" Livermore Street, Rockhampton.

Day & Date: Sunday – 22/03/2026
Walk Name: Parks and Paths beside Frenchman's Creek
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, T/W, E, B, 1
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Janine Kenealy** – 0418 372 465 (Phone/Text) – janinekenealy@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Thursday – 19/03/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: An excellent walk for hot weather, we walk along the Vince Lester Walk and Bike Track on Frenchville Road, through council parks that fringe Frenchman's Creek to Kalka Shades sports field, often in dappled shade. Suitable for beginners. (Car shuttle required)

Day & Date: Sunday – 29/03/2026
Walk Name: Kinka Beach and Wetlands.
Walk Type & Grading: H/W – E/M, B, 1, 2, 4
Walk Leader & Contact #: Rita Davidson – 0437 189 245 Email: parrotsnest2@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Thursday – 26/03/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: A pleasant walk through the wetlands from Kinka Beach, hopefully we will see some birdlife, interesting plant life and views of the area, mainly path and track circuit. A morning walk, 6 – 8kms, bring morning tea.

Day & Date: Sunday – 05/04/2026 – (03 – 06/04/2026 Easter Break)
Walk Name: Vacant.
Walk Type & Grading:
Walk Leader & Contact #: Please submit you walk to The Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Day – 00/04/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary:

Day & Date: Sunday – 12/04/2026
Walk Name: First Turkey and Moore's Creek
Walk Type & Grading: H/W and Alt 200.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Glynn Gadsby** – 0749 275 972
Nomination required by: Thursday – 09/04/2026
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: We will be starting the walk at the t the end of Sunset Drive and walk up Smoke Screen track to Ants Nest Hub, then onwards as follows. Wandali Track, Pegasus Track, Zamia Track and then back to First Turkey via Moore's Creek depending on time and consensus of walkers on the day. A good variety of country and nice views. Mostly all track with possibly some creek walking suitable for regular walkers. A half day walk open to all.

Day & Date: Sunday – 19/04/2026
Walk Name: Johannsen's / Mt Etna Caves
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E, A, 1, 2, 4, 7.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Russell Thompson** – 0458 025 123
Nomination required by: Thursday – 16/04/2026
Numbers to Participate: 12 - Capped numbers
Walk Activity Summary: These amazing limestone caves are situated approx. 26kms from Rockhampton. Johannsen's cave is only open for a limited period during the year to help protect the vulnerable ghost bats that roost there. The caves are also home to 80% of Australia's bent-wing bats. The walk will start at Johannsen's and depending on the groups abilities we will venture to Mt Etna for some challenging caving. Time permitting, we will enjoy lunch at The Caves pub afterwards.

Day & Date: Saturday 25/04/2026 – (25/04 – Anzac Day)
Walk Name: Mt Nicholson – **Alt:** 568Mtrs
Walk Type & Grading: D/W, H, L, 2, 5 & 7.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892 (Phone/Text)
Nomination required by: Tuesday – 21/04/2026
Numbers to Participate: 8 – Participants max.
Walk Activity Summary: Commencing at Sunset Drive we continue up the Zamia Trail for approx., 6Kms prior to traversing a challenging ridge for 2Kms, continuing up to an old set of yards and stockman's camp known as "The Hut". Returning via an alternate route. Carry 3 litres of water minimum. Expect a 10Hr day.

Day & Date: Friday to Monday – 01-04/05/2026 – **3 Nights**
Walk Name: Blackdown Tablelands National Park
Walk Type & Grading: MO, XT, BC, M, 1, 2, 4, 7 – Approx: 400Kms return trip to Rockhampton
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Greer Burgess** – 0448 408 775
Nomination required by: Friday – 17/04/2026 – **2 weeks prior.**
Numbers to Participate: 12 – Participants max. 2 Campsites already booked.
Walk Activity Summary: Blackdown Tablelands NP is a beautiful sandstone park on the edge of the Expedition Range. Walks on offer will include an afternoon walk on Friday, a full day off track along North Mimosa Creek, and finish with the trail walk to Gudoo Gudoo (Rainbow Falls) and the famous sandstone holes at the top of the falls on Sunday.
Weather conditions may affect these plans.

FUTURE EVENTS & WALK NOMINATIONS

- Combined Club Campout – 22 – 24/05/2026 – Bouldercombe Recreational and Sports Ground.

Day & Date: Friday to Saturday – 17 – 25/07/2026
Walk Name: Carnarvon National Park Great Walk
Walk Type & Grading: M/O, X/T, H, X, 1, 6, 7 and Alt 1200Mtrs.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892
Nomination required by: Participation is via Expressions of Interest – **Closed – All 8 spot are taken.**
Numbers to Participate: ~~8 Participants Maximum~~
Walk Activity Summary: Members Only, will undertake a 6 day, fully self-supported walk covering the Carnarvon Gorge Great Walk with an extra day at the end to allow walking to local sites. This a difficult walk particular on day 2, from Big Bend camp ascending Battleship spur, then on to Gadd’s Camp. The return drive is approx. 900Ks. All campsite’s including pre and post have been booked.

Day & Date: Friday to Sunday – 11 - 20/09/2026
Walk Name: Coogee to Manly Walk (NSW) - Sydney Harbour National Park
Walk Type & Grading: M/O, B/C, D/W, X/T, E, C, 1 and Alt 100Mtrs.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Anna Mainey** – 0408 218 423
Nomination required by: **Participation is via Expressions of Interest.**
Numbers to Participate: 8 Participants Maximum
Walk Activity Summary: Members Only, will be a based in Central Sydney, with day walks progressing over 90kms of tracks hugging the coastline, with cliffs, beaches & bushland within Sydney Harbour National Park. Learn about ancient aboriginal sites and stories of the early settlers.

POST WALK SUMMARY REPORTS – Inclusive of Photos

A big call out to those leaders and members who planned and organised the following walks. **Well Done.**

For all our walks refer to our club Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/capricorniabushwalkers>

August – Ballroom Cave Mt Etna – Leader – Russell Thompson





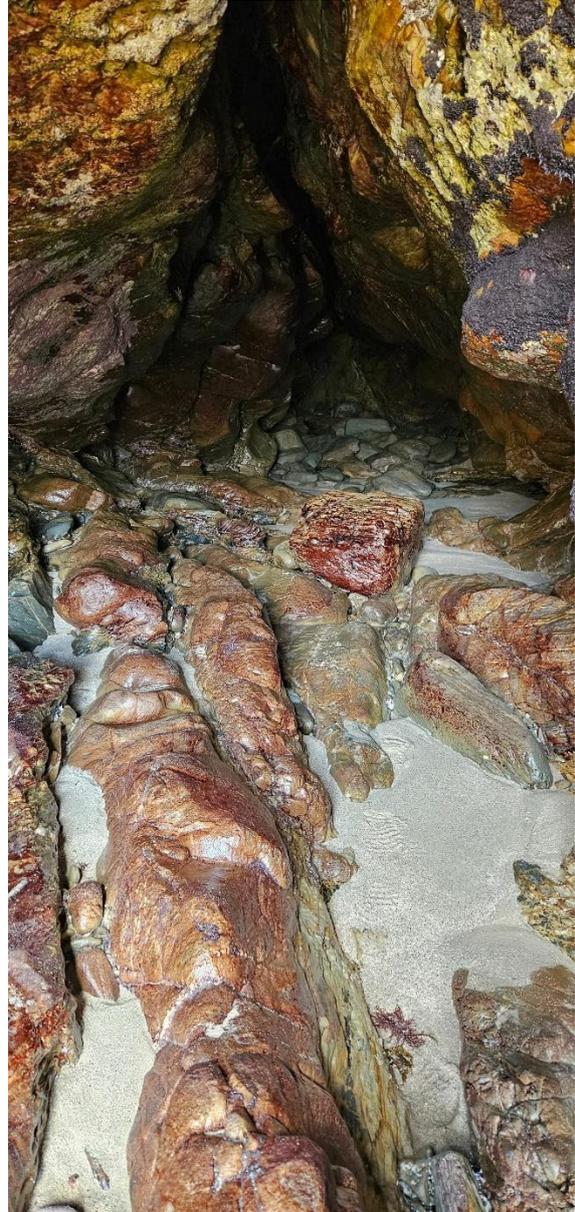
August – 32 Foot Road – Leader – Mark Angus



September – 1000Ks – Bibbulmun Track (WA) – Leader – Megan Grieve



October – 5 Rocks Through Walk – Leader – Janine Kenealy





Eulogy and Acknowledgement of Dr John Arthur Rideout**JOHN ARTHUR RIDEOUT**

John was born on the 14th of March 1950 at the Tannachy Hospital, Victoria Parade, Rockhampton, the third child of Louis and Muriel Rideout. The two older children, John's sisters, were Hilda and Marion. All of these have predeceased him, and the Tannachy Hospital does not now exist.

His early life was spent on his parents' dairy farm at Bajool where his love for the outdoors and for the Australian bush was fostered. He was known to comment that on the farm he acquired the valuable experience of having to "make do" with whatever was on hand when vital repairs were needed – something that stayed with him for the rest of his life.

What also stayed with him from his early life on the farm, was the hard work required by his parents to maintain a viable dairy farm through drought and hard times in an environment where rain was variable and not a reliable commodity. His brother-in-law, Charlie Goff, Hilda's husband, was a valuable friend and mentor during these times. John continued to stay in touch with his two nieces, Sue and Angela, during his life.

HIS ACADEMIC HISTORY

He attended the small State Primary School at Bajool and was a member of the last of the Grade 8 classes that remained at Queensland State Primary schools. His secondary education was at Rockhampton State High where he was elected class Captain in the lower school. The avenue which was chosen for him here was the Industrial Course, which he relished. It was in the upper school at Rocky State High that he realised that he had a natural leaning towards the subject of Chemistry.

His keen interest in Chemistry continued at the tertiary level initially at the then Capricorn Institute of Advanced Education (now CQU University of Australia).

Following that, he attended the University of Queensland, St Lucia, where he obtained his Doctorate in Organic Chemistry.

This took him, for post-doctoral studies, to Arizona State University US, and to Southampton University in England for some years.

HIS LECTURING IN ACADEMIA

Arriving back in Australia, he held lecturing positions in Organic Chemistry at the University of Adelaide, SA and at the University of Sydney, NSW.

In 1987, he commenced lecturing in Organic Chemistry at CQU University (now CQU University of Australia) until his retirement in 2006. During this time, he was promoted to the position of Associate Professor.

HIS LIFE INTERESTS

In all of these locations, John continued his genuine interests in bushwalking, birding, travelling (especially in the Deserts of Australia), reading, electronics, computing, and in Conservation.

His contributions to the Capricornia Bushwalking Club included that of -

Walks' Leader, Holder of numerous Management positions including President, Member of the Committee and Web page Manager

He recalled his very first walk with the Capricornia Bushwalking Club which was a through-walk at Blackdown Tableland on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st February 1988. It was on this walk in Mimosa Creek on the Saturday afternoon that the leader and another walker in the group of 11 needed to help one of the injured walkers return to Base camp. The other 8 walkers including himself continued and camped in the creek near a series of pools that night. On the Sunday, they rose early to carry on, but unfortunately missed the sign which said "get-up" to leave the creek. When it was realised that they had walked too far over rough terrain, they turned back by which time light was starting to fade. The sign was eventually located and they then had to tackle the difficult, steep climb out of the creek. When the group did eventually reach Base camp in the camping ground, tired and hungry, it was 8:30 pm, quite late and dark. They then had to have dinner, pack up and by vehicle head for their homes – mostly in Rockhampton. He added quietly that it was a most memorable introduction to the Capricornia Bushwalking Club.

Regarding his interest in Conservation, John was a valuable contributor to and volunteer for Bush Heritage Australia, for Australian Wildlife Conservancy, for Birdlife Australia, for the Friends of the Cays and for Landcare. One of his favourite places to visit and to work was on Birdlife Australia's 54,000-hectare Gluepot Reserve in SA where he held the position of Volunteer Ranger. His innovative ideas for improvements on the Reserve were always welcomed and put into place.

John was always an avid reader. His tastes in reading were eclectic (wide-ranging) and covered topics and opinions like Ancient Civilisations, World History, the Changing Climate Discussions and Artificial Intelligence.

He had had a major operation for the removal of a non-cancerous tumour in early September 2025 in Brisbane, from which he was recovering well, when in the early morning of the 2nd October, at home, he suffered a large intra-abdominal haemorrhage at the site of the surgery which caused his sudden passing.

He will be sadly missed.

Barbara,

On behalf of the Capricornia Bushwalkers, as the president, it is a privilege for me to have read John's eulogy on your behalf, you being one of four (4) life members in the club and with John's ultra good company, very pleasant nature and easy to get on with on bushwalks and being very active in other areas of flora and fauna conservation and a special mention from a life member not here today.

In recognition to his work at the club, Mt Maryvale at Byfield, will be called – **"The John Rideout Memorial Walk"**