



Postal Address: Closed - Contact the Secretary for advice.

Club Email: capbushwalkers@gmail.com

Club Website: <http://capricornia.bwq.org.au/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/capricorniabushwalkers>



Mt Hedlow – Hedlow Creek Reserve - CQ

President:	Kevin Cullen	0487 655 892
Secretary:	Greer Burgess	0488 408 775
Treasurer:	Janine Keneally	0418 372 465
Committee:	Anna Mainey, Judy Milne, Jodie Thompson, Lindsay Hensel and Bill Sauer	
Safety and Training:	Vacant	
Newsletter Editor:	Kevin Cullen	
Detailed Walk Schedule:	September to December – 2025	

NOTES TO ALL WALK LEADERS:

- ❖ Required walk forms and materials are to be obtained from the Club Website – <http://capricornia.bwq.org.au/>
- ❖ 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 Pauline or Anna.
- ❖ 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 Greer Burgess – rayngreer@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 Website - [Capricornia Bushwalkers home page](#)
- ❖ 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 – 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"/> \$25 single <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 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).

Contact the Secretary for postal advice.

(Pay membership direct to: WESTPAC: BSB 034-636, Acct No 388472, 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

DETAILED WALKS SCHEDULE – September to December 2025

Day & Date: Sunday – 07/09/2025
Walk Name: Vacant - TBA
Walk Type & Grading:
Walk Leader & Contact #: Please submit you walk to The Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Day – 00/08/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers.
Walk Activity Summary:

Day & Date: Sunday – 14/09/2025
Walk Name: Emu Park Beaches Walk
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E/M, B, 1, 4. Alt: 100m
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Greer Burgess** – 0448 408 775 and Co-led with **Meg Gray** – 0499 320 190
Nomination required by: Thursday – 12/09/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers.
Walk Activity Summary: A circuit walk from Kerr Park carpark (near Pine Beach Hotel), along Keppel Street and Richard Street to the path heading south along Hartley Street to Zilzie, through the Reserve at Seaspray and the old track to Coconut Point and back onto the beach. Muskens Beach, Zilzie Beach over the headland to Shelleys and Main Beach carpark. Approximately 3 hours walk, 8km's. Bring morning tea. There are places for lunch on Granville Street and around the town centre. Also bring your swimmers to cool down after the walk.

Day & Date: Sunday – 21/09/2025
Walk Name: Mt Wiseman Exploration
Walk Type & Grading: D/W – M, C, 1, 3 & 5
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892
Nomination required by: Thursday – 18/09/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers.
Walk Activity Summary: Commence at Sunset Drive carpark walking the Zamia Trail then take a left-hand turn onto the NP / Fire Access track and continue up to where we can access the summit of Mt Wiseman, then descend down an un-walked spur and return via MOORES Creek and Zamia Trail. Expect patches of thick undergrowth.

Day & Date: Sunday – 28/09/2025
Walk Name: Vacant - TBA
Walk Type & Grading:
Walk Leader & Contact #: Please submit you walk to The Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Day – 00/09/2025
Numbers to Participate: Not cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary:

Day & Date: Saturday to Monday – 04 - 06/10/2025 (**KB Long Weekend**)
Walk Name: Creek to Coast Trail, Five Rocks- Byfield National Park
Walk Type & Grading: O/N, M 1, X, MO
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Janine Kenealy** – 0418 372 465
Nomination required by: Monday – 28/09/2025
Numbers to Participate: 10 only. (**2 Sites**)
Walk Activity Summary: This is a very pretty 12km each-way walk from Banksia carpark to the Five Rocks visitor area, where we will be camping. We travel through rainforest, creek crossings, acres of grasstrees, and over forested sand dunes. Beach swimming, toilets, cold showers and fireplaces are available at the camping area. Water is available- advised to treat/ filter beforehand. We do the return walk on Monday. Members who want to come with their 4WDs are quite welcome.

Day & Date: Sunday – 12/10/2025
Walk Name: Cawarral and Chinaman's Cave
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E, B, 1
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892
Nomination required by: Thursday – 09/10/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: This half day walk will take in some of the quiet back roads and POIs of the small rural village of Cawarral, situated midway between Rockhampton and Emu Park. Our destination will be Chinaman's Cave, a curious geological feature to be found in the recreational reserve at the base of Gai-l (formerly Gawula). Make time for a refreshment at the local shop afterwards.

Day & Date: Sunday – 19/10/2025
Walk Name: **Vacant - TBA**
Walk Type & Grading:
Walk Leader & Contact #: Please submit you walk to The Secretary – capbushwalkers@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Day – 00/10/2025
Numbers to Participate: Not cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary:

Day & Date: Friday to Sunday – 24 – 26/10/2025
Walk Name: Finch Hatton Gorge.
Walk Type & Grading: M/O, B/C, M, X, 1 & 6. **Alt:** 230mtrs. **Distance:** 400km each way.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Anna Mainey** – 0408 218 423 (**Text Only**) or annamainey@hotmail.com
Nomination required by: **ASAP – Prior to 13/08/2025** due to limited access to mobile service thereafter.
Numbers to Participate: 15 members. (Swimming togs are a must have)
Walk Activity Summary: **Friday** – Travel up and arrive in the afternoon. Set up camp by the creek – Enjoy an afternoon swim! Watch the elusive platypus. Campfire.
Saturday – Walk up the gorge through rainforest to Araluen Cascades and Wheel of Fire.
Sunday – Drive up the range to Eungella. Hike the 1st section (prettiest!) of the great walk. Pack up camp and head home.
Option – Spend an extra night in camp if desired. (I am)

Day & Date: Sunday – 02/11/2025
Walk Name: Moore's Creek Wander
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, T/W, E, B, 1
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Janine Kenealy** – 0418 372 465 – janinekenealy@gmail.com
Nomination required by: Thursday – 30/10/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: This is an easy walk on level ground. It follows Moore's Creek downstream from Sunset Drive to Queens Park going from park to park along the way. Being mostly shaded, this is a good walk for hot weather. A car shuttle is required.
A coffee stop, half way is optional.

Day & Date: Sunday – 09/11/2025
Walk Name: General Meeting – Bring a folding chair.
Walk Type & Grading: N/A
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Kevin Cullen** – 0487 655 892
Nomination required by: N/A
Numbers to Participate: N/A
Walk Activity Summary: 9am @ Daniel Park, Matthew Flinders Drive Cooe Bay.

Day & Date: Sunday – 16/11/2025
Walk Name: Great Keppel Island – Track and Beach's.
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, E/M – Approx 8Kms.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Greer Burgess** – 0448 408 775
Nomination required by: Day – 13/11/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: We'll take the early ferry (7.30AM) with Keppel Connections to enjoy a half day walk over to Long Beach then back along the coast via Monkey and Shelving beaches, with plenty of opportunities to swim along the way. Low tide is at 1pm for those who enjoy snorkelling.
Members are to book their own ferry transfers with a choice of return times of (2.00pm or 4.00pm).

Day & Date: Sunday – 23/11/2025
Walk Name: DAWG Track and Frenchman's Creek
Walk Type & Grading: H/W, TW, M, B, 1 and Alt 500.
Walk Leader & Contact #: **Glynn Gadsby** – 0749 275 972
Nomination required by: Thursday – 20/11/2025
Numbers to Participate: No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary: A car shuffle is required for this walk. Meeting a Rigalsford Park Playground / Elphinstone Street. Drive to the start of DAWG Track at Elida Street (Mt Archer) then traverse down DAWG track to the fire trail onto Rogar Avenue, then follow various tracks along Frenchman's Creek returning to the meeting location at Rigalsford Park.

Day & Date:	Sunday – 30/11/2025
Walk Name:	Mt Morgan #7 Dam Picnic Area – Christmas Breakup
Walk Type & Grading:	Optional Walk– Mt Morgan township lookout.
Walk Leader & Contact #:	Kevin Cullen – 0487 655 892
Nomination required by:	Day – 27/11/2025 – <u>To allow organisers to buy BBQ supplies.</u>
Numbers to Participate:	No cap on numbers
Walk Activity Summary:	Meet at 10.00am. Spend the day at Mt Morgan #7 Dam. Bring your Stand-Up Paddle Board, Kayak/Canoe or just enjoy swimming, bring a chair and celebrate a great year of friendship, walks and comradery. Followed by a club funded BBQ lunch.

FUTURE and INTERSTATE WALK NOMINATIONS

- Map Reading and Navigation Training Session (Yeppoon) – 31/01 & 01/02/2026 – Ian Herbert
- Combined Club Campout – 22 – 24/05/2026 – Bouldercombe Recreational Reserve.
- Carnarvon Great Walk – 8 Days – 17 – 25/07/2026 – Kevin Cullen (Expressions of Interest)

POST WALK REPORTS – Inclusive of Photos

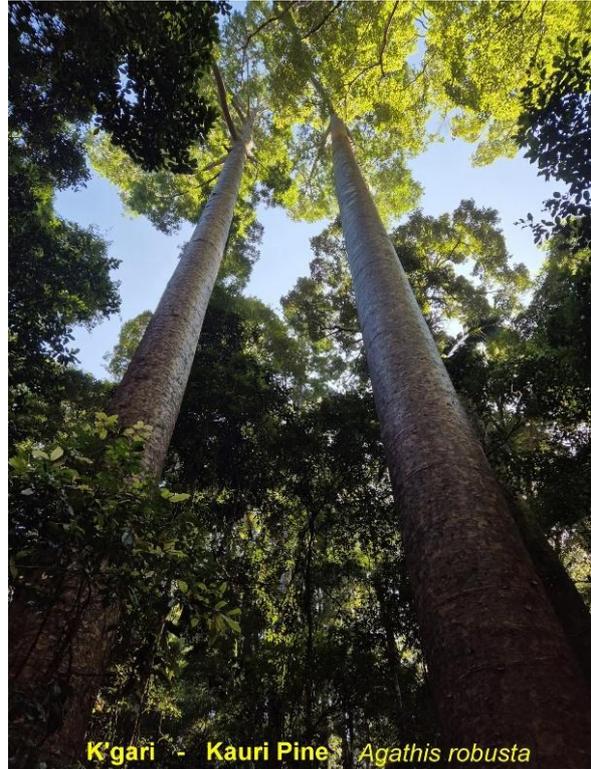
A big call out to those leaders and members who planned and organised the following walks. **Well Done.**

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

K'Gari Island – 105Km Great Walk – May – Leader – Jodie Thompson



K'gari – Tallowwood *Eucalyptus microcorys*



K'gari – Kauri Pine *Agathis robusta*



Mt Hedlow Summit – Hedlow Creek Reserve – Co-Leaders – Bill Sauer & Kevin Cullen

