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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

FUTURE FOBBs WEEKENDS:

★18 – 20 February 2022 ★

20 – 22 May 2022

19 – 21 August 2022

18 – 20 November 2022!

From the Chair...



FROM THE CHAIR, JANKEES...

We are quickly approaching our first FOBBs weekend for 2022. With the huge amounts of rain we have had over the past couple of months, we can expect a very green weekend and hopefully the rain will be put on hold for our working bee! Don't forget to bring some wet weather gear, though.

After a long period of silence, I have finally received the paperwork from the Scenic Rim Council for the acceptance of our environmental grant for 2022. This is great news because it means we will be able to have Kirby's involvement in our bush care efforts for another full year.

Recently, I have been contacted by Jeanette Nobes, a long time Binna Burra supporter, who has donated a very nice collection of rainforest plants to us. Barbara and I have collected the plants in Maleny recently and they are currently recovering (in my shade house in Brisbane) from the first half of the journey up to Binna Burra. They will be included in our plans for the bush rehabilitation during this year. A big Thank You to Jeanette!

This weekend we will aim to finish the work on the track to the Skylodges and will continue building the steps leading to the new toilet and shower block under the teahouse. Track clearing, weeding/planting and checking the library books are also on the list. Further tasks will be added in the coming fortnight.

Please have a good look at the meals information elsewhere in the newsletter and let Anja or Barbara know what you'd like to contribute. FYI: "COVID allowing" Barbara and I will not answer our home phone from Feb 9 – 13th.

Looking forward to seeing many of you in a couple of weeks.

Jankees

The next FoBBs Weekend...

18 – 20 February 2022



COVID-19 INFORMATION

To attend the FOBBS weekend (this includes day visitors on the Saturday!) we all need to comply with Binna Burra's approved COVID policy. This means **ALL PARTICIPANTS OVER THE AGE OF 16 NEED TO BE AT LEAST DOUBLE VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19.** You need to be able to show the green tick on your smart phone, or present a COVID vaccination record on paper. For those of us who are not (yet) fully vaccinated you will need to show a valid vaccination exemption statement from a medical practitioner to attend this FOBBS weekend.

Masks need to be worn inside when not seated and we need to observe the usual social distancing rules when outside.



AGM

The first weekend of the new year means that we will have a quick AGM at lunch time on the Saturday. We need to fill the committee positions for 2022, so please give some thought to how you would like to contribute to FOBBS this year.

We need:

- A chair
- A deputy chair
- A treasurer
- A secretary
- One or two people doing the meal coordination

After his years as Chair and Treasurer, Tony Swain is stepping down as Treasurer and due to an increasing workload due to COVID, Alison Balson would ideally like to hand over the secretary role.

Anja, Barbara and Jankees are willing to continue in our roles for another year.





FOBBS SHIRTS & BADGES

For those of you who have not yet collected your FOBBS shirt and/or badge, we will bring them this weekend and they can be paid for in cash (\$50 for a shirt, \$10 for a badge), or via a payment directly into the FOBBS account.

We will take new orders for shirts and when we have enough we'll ask Binna Burra to place another order.



CATERING

As usual, dinner on Friday, breakfast on Saturday and lunch on Sunday are self-catered and up to everyone individually.

Saturday Morning Tea: Scones provided by Binna Burra.

Saturday Dinner: See below.

Sunday Breakfast: Breakfast will be served by Binna Burra at the Pottery Shed.

Saturday Dinner Theme:

AUSTRALIAN BBQ AT THE POTTERY SHED!

Pre-dinner drinks and nibbles are up to your own discretion. Some of us are likely to go up to the Bushwalker's Bar (support Binna Burra AND beautiful views) while others might like to stay at the Pottery Shed. Your choice!

At the time of writing this, COVID restrictions have eased somewhat, which means that we can present the food in a buffet-style. If circumstances change closer to the time, we'll have to adapt to whatever the new situation is then!

We will supply the meat for the grill including vegetarian options. We'll also have condiments and various bread/buns.

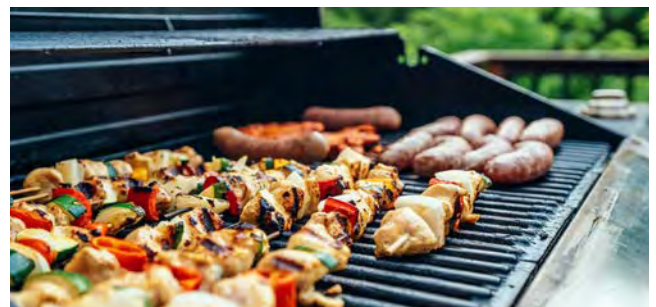
We need you to bring some dishes to round out the barbecue, such as:

Salads: coleslaw, potato salad, green salad, Greek salad

Corn cobs

Garlic bread

DESSERT!!



Also, please remember:

Given the acute restrictions of kitchen facilities at the Pottery Shed, it's essential to bring something which can be served (and eaten from) a plate, not a bowl.

Everything apart from items to be cooked on the BBQ must be prepared in advance – no assembling on Saturday. If they can come in their serving containers, that would be even better.

The refrigerator in the Pottery Shed will be available to us.

As usual, the cost of the meal will be \$10/adult and the cost of contributions will be reimbursed to contributors – please present dockets to the Acting Treasurer on the weekend.

WE NEED EVERYONE TO RESPOND BEFORE MONDAY FEBRUARY 14 WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. How many in your group.
2. Dietary requirements Pescatarians / Vegetarians / Vegans / Allergies. We will arrange for fish or vegetarian options, **BUT ONLY** for those who request them. We must have numbers for this by **Monday February 14**. If we don't hear from you by then you'll have to arrange for your own item/s to be barbequed.
3. What you plan to bring along to share with the group.

CONTACT: Barbara/Anja concerning your contribution and/or dietary requests on PH: 3378 3589/ 3720 0637 or email: barbar33@bigpond.net.au



ACCOMMODATION

We are very fortunate to have the use of the house on Boongala Rd again. At this stage we have two double rooms available. Please contact Jankees (0424 363 664) and the rooms will go to the first callers. I have had contact with the owner and at this stage he would really appreciate it for us to spend some time gardening around the house. So, for those of us staying at the house, please reserve some time on Friday afternoon or Sunday after breakfast for this task as a Thank You for using the accommodation.

Binna Burra accommodation, tent sites, caravan/RV sites, on site Safari tents and Skylodges can be booked via the usual Binna Burra on-line or phone channels.



ARE YOU COMING???????

RSVP: Monday 14th February via the FOBBs email:

Let us know:

- Who is coming;
- When you are coming; and
- Which meals you will be there for: Saturday morning tea, Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast. And reply to Anja/Barbara about your **meal contributions and dietary requirement**.





FROM THE TREASURER...

IT'S TIME TO
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP!

FoBBs Memberships for 2022 are now due, if you haven't already paid...

- \$10 per person
- \$15 per family
- \$5 student or pensioner

Please deposit your monies to:

Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 064162

Account: 10290113

If you are unsure of when you have paid to, please contact Tony via the FoBBs email address or telephone number on page 1.



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