

BOIFRA

Bulletin

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Well, well lots of interesting things have been happening on the home front, the weather is beginning to get better and more people are venturing to different areas to climb, As well as appearing to do quite a bit of climbing.

Many times I've recently visited Far Crag and found almost nobody there. People are now, fortunately, realizing that there are many areas to climb within easy reach of Adelaide and some are as good, if not better than Far Crag; keep up the pioneering spirit. To help people get to know some new areas some "organised" outings have been planned, but more on this ~~later~~ later.

It seems a few people are still getting injured in one way or another, but luckily nothing serious has occurred. Anne Brain injured her ankle quite badly whilst skiing and I hear she hurt it again just when it was getting better, sounds like another Barker story. Mark Barnett nearly broke his ankle whilst bouldering at Morialta recently. He apparently went to Far Crag only to find it deserted. He soloed a few climbs including "THE LORDS PRAYER" (14) and then slipped off the start of "SHE WOODEN DUIT" (17) and landed badly. He's now resting in Kadina for three months checking out the local toilet walls for building prospects. He's also been busy putting up new routes with Gary Scott at Raetjen's Gap.

Tony Barker has fully recovered and is back into climbing as well as before, it's good to see our president doing something isn't it.

Jon Chester is now back from his successful trip to Peru and the States; his exploits make an afternoon at Morialta seem very trivial. He has turned Thor inside out and with George's tireless help, the shop is looking excellent. The new rooms provide a comfortable Thursday night meeting place. Jon is now getting ready for his Himalayan trip next year, what a life!

Sam Martin and Annie Rogers have been climbing together lately and seem to be having a good time at such places as "THE BUTTRESS" and "THE THRONE ROOM". Colin Reece is now back from his holidays after visiting some mysterious crag somewhere, we'll hear all about it soon, no doubt.

Louise, Chris and Lincoln Shepard apart from having the biggest Sth. Aust. share at Arapiles, (along with Eddie) are training extensively at the Parks' climbing wall and on the wall at Glenelg. Louise has just spent two weeks of perfect weather at Frog Buttress in Queensland doing many fine repeats. Chris and Lincoln have been busy at Araps and have both led a 20 or two.

Lincoln has been climbing only a few months and he says he ^{owes} his quick grade jumping to working on the Q'ld railways throwing sleepers around and listening to his brother and sister talking on nothing less than grade 20's.

The Parks wall is now open to the public and is worth the visit on those wet weekends. A charge of \$1.30 an hour applies but take your own gear, including ropes otherwise you have to hire it. Its cheaper in a group too, so get together and climb climb, climb. (\$7.00 a group)

Patrick Fitzgerald, apart from climbing locally and at Araps occassionally has been involved with a take over bid against Chouinard and Pauligk nuts, but seriously were sure to see and hear more about his gear later.

"Want'a buy a cheap wire??"

Mike Broadbent has visited Kitticoola with Mike James and Tony Barker recently but they decided to play boats in the creek rather than do too much climbing. "It wasn't Tony who fell in trying to stop his boat from sinking was it?"

Chris George has realised one can climb hard even after the retirement age and with Neil Smith, both locally and at Arapiles, he's been firing. Neil has been active at the Bluffs as well as at Morialta.

Greg Moore and Dave Vieteck have recently been working out Workanda Creek and by recent reports there is a few very good easy and hard climbs there. Greg is climbing well at Morialta despite his many injuries. Steve Moore and Simon Barrow have finally broken the news about their secret cliff and judging by the photo's of it, it looks great. All I know about it at the moment is that it's up Gorge Road, but there will be more details in the next Bolfa.

Quentin Chester has been fairly quiet lately (only with regard to climbing though), but he's probably been studying photo's of Moonarie every weekend so as to pick off the remaining new routes on the coming long weekend. Quentin will also be editing Bolfa 10 so please send any articles, photos or news to him.

Chris Stroud has been to Moonarie and the Piles (I didn't say he had them) recently seconding a few hard aid and free climbs but he's been spending most of his time under the bonnet of his partly assembled M.G.B., getting it ready for the Moonarie long weekend rally I guess. He's also looking for a navigator - any offers??

Eddie Ozols led IRON CROSS (24) at Arapiles over a day which shows what one can do by not training or climbing for a few months before hand. He'll emerge for Moonarie and try something horrendous no doubt.

Simon Wooley has been climbing mainly at Morialta in between renting marquees to multi-millionaires for garden parties etc. Andy "Jimmy" Wooton has been joining him, (no not ONLY at the Scenic but climbing) inbetween ski-touring trips.

Terry Prime's blue Golf is often seen on the Norton Summit road but he's rarely seen, a new cliff maybe? Caroline Munday has been to the Bluff showing everyone how to slab climb along with Sue Aston. Caroline is the discoverer

of the new "Crag X", a secret sea cliff which only a chosen few know about, no she won't tell either. The first climb was called MUNDAYNE CRACK 18, now fitting. John Marshall has traded his rope in for a Hockey stick but hopefully we'll see him and his wit (well, maybe not his wit) back on Rock soon, we miss ya John!

Rod Young dropped in from Victoria for a week and really did an impressive bout of climbing. He climbed with Gary Scott and here is an account of their major ascents. At Far Crag Rod led CIOCH (21) which previously had its best hold pulled out by Jon Chester. He also led a new route left of FRAGILE called LEVER BREAKS (18) which follows the arete most of the way.

At the Bluff he freed SEALINE (18), and put up an often tried line left of EGGNOG and called it RED HEARING (21), after a dead fish was found high in the crack. He also seconded Gary on the first free ascent of STUFF-UP (15).

Back at the Throne Room he did the first lead of CUT LOOSE (20) but backed off leading ANATEXIS (20) after a block fell out from under the roof, it may now be harder. At Raetjen's he worked on, then completed SOMBRERO FALLOUT (23) a line just left of TAUTOLOGY now the hardest free lead in the hills. He seconded Gary on a new route MASQUERADE (21) and they both soloed a short new climb called LEFT OVER ARETE (19). Rod thought we were lucky to have so many cliffs so close and compared Morialta to Werribee Gorge near Melbourne. He's coming to Moonarie on the long weekend and rumour has it that Kim Carrigan and Geoff Little are too, we'll see what happens.....

I'd like to let everyone to know what people have climbed but my memory is limited and no-one is telling me anything, so if you want everyone to know that you put up a new 28 at Araps or that you couldn't repeat MUD IN YER EYE a hard 4 at Far Crag let me know ok.

As far as the new guide is concerned it will be a few months yet. Help is needed. If you do find that the grade of a climb or the description is in-accurate please let Quentin Chester or Gary Scott know. There are quite a few short but very solid new cliffs that have been developed over the last few months inbetween The Buttress and The Outcrops. The starts are marked and the climbing is excellent so why not do yourself a favour and visit these cliffs then give us your ideas of re-grading etc. Route descriptions and locations can be aquired from yours truly, most of the climbs haven't had second ascents. There are some very easy climbs as well as hard ones, and about sixty to pick from.

There seems to be quite a few people taking up climbing and a few are even joining the club. If you do climb why not join and help the club out. There are only 30 members (financial) this year and I know there are alot more climbers out there than that. The club needs your support.

Keep up the Good climbing.

Gary Scott.

REMEMBER THE FOOD AT MOONARIE OCTOBER '76 AND OCTOBER '78?
IT'S NOT LONG TO MOONARIE OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND 1979!!

THE GIZZARD
OF ID by Barker and Feet



The october long weekend has traditionally been the club's annual get together, reunion and dinner for the past few years. Moonarie in the Flinders Ranges is the place and last year was very hot and a good time was had by all. This year we hope the weekend will prove even more successful, climbing wise and socially. Many people have said they are going and even some Victorians will be amongst the crowd. So if your looking for a great weekend bring Rover, the wife and kids, an esky & a rack or two and come along. With rising petrol costs, if you have a spare seat in your car look around for those seeking lifts and spare yourself some money. The chance will be there for climbers to meet other climbers and to check out the great climbing on the best cliff west of Arapiles. In the past food & grog for the dinner has been organized by the club but due to food poisoning, slackness and other reasons (not anyone's fault). The decision has been made to make it this year a B.Y.O. affair so it's do your own thing. To get there take the road towards Wilpena. 41 km. from Hawker then just past the Prelinna Homestead, a graded road signposted "Arkaroo Rock" leads off to the left. Follow this for 8 km. and take the wheel track off to the left just before the second "Arkaroo Rock" sign. This trail leads to the moonarie campsite. (No water is available here, the nearest source being Hawker on Wilpena). Hope you have A Good time and we'll see you there.

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