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I have pleasure in presenting the 11th Annual Report of this club.

Last September the following members were elected to the Committee;

K. Scott	President
Judy Bryan	Sec
Ken Warner	Treasurer
Gordon Frigg	Outings Officer
Don Potts	Equipment Officer
Cathy Prentice	Librarian

However, early this year, the Secretary & the Treasurer resigned when their work took them away from Brisbane, and a by-election was held at which Dawn Abraham was elected as Secretary, & Doug Laque as Treasurer.

The Club membership this year was 92 which shows a slight decrease on last years figure of 100.

Since September last year, the Club has organized 14 outings. A trip was proposed to the Many Peaks Ranges during Easter this year but did not eventuate due to lack of support from members. A trip to Mt Byron, which has never been visited by the Club, ~~was~~ was also cancelled for the same reason. Still, members complained that we were visiting the same old places. About 30 people went on the Club trip to Mt Barney.

Throughwalking is still popular to the extent that basecamps run concurrently with throughwalks have had to be cancelled as

no one wished to go on them. While this tendency has many merits, I feel that it has been carried a little too far. There is, or appears to be, ~~the feeling that~~ some confusion between bushwalking and athletics. There will always be someone who wants to run on a trip & cover the distance in half the usual time. And there are those who like to carry enormous packs. But the Club must guard against the tendency to regard ~~this~~ this rather ridiculous behaviour as worthy of merit. We must always keep a place in the Club ~~for~~ for those who just wish to enjoy the peace of the bush, and for whom this enjoyment does not have to be associated with athletic ~~the~~ performance or gymnastic skill.

Again this year, rockclimbing has exerted a strong influence on the Club. Some of our most active members are keen rockclimbers. However, rockclimbing ~~with~~ in the on Club outings has been restricted to one trip to the Glass Housees and one climbing afternoon at Kangaroo Pt. I would like to sound another note of warning. Rockclimbing & bushwalking are usually regarded as allied activities. I think that they are only allied when bushwalking is regarded as an athletic sport. (Although I have been told by ~~someone~~ who one of our leading climbers that bushwalkers become rockclimbers through sheer laziness). However, I feel that any balance between climbing & bushwalking in the Club should be kept strongly on

* Ron Cox & Pat Conaghan are to be congratulated for a noteworthy traverse in Central Tasmania. This had not been ~~previously~~ done previously the side of bushwalking.

~~I would like to congratulate those members who went to New Zealand during the long vacation and climbed some~~

Initiated this year has been basking in all but the rockclimbers. The party who visited New Zealand during the long vacation deserve great praise for their enterprise. But apart from this, nothing has been done by members in the way of exploration or extended trips.

Also, credit must go to the members who visited Tasmania during the vacation.

One of the most

~~Perhaps the most~~ important functions of the Club is to encourage people to use the experience they gain on Club trips to organize private trips to areas which the Club cannot visit. Also, by this means, they extend their own enjoyment greatly.

I hope that during the coming vacation more members will ~~visit~~ do some exploratory bushwalking. I wish them luck.

Six meetings were held this year, including a welcome to Freshers during Orientation Week. At one meeting, Mr George Mack, Director of the Old Museum, gave an interesting talk on Old snakes.

This year, our efforts to have the Harry Peaks area set aside as a National Park were rewarded, and this area is now officially reserved.

The H. Barney Hut, which was very nearly completed, has been destroyed by a vandal. However, he is attempting

to cover up his misdeeds by creating a new and more spectacular hut.

The 3rd Club magazine is being produced this year, and ~~for~~ I thank Cathy Prentice & Ron Cox for their efforts in this respect.

Finally I offer my sincere thanks to the Committee for their assistance, for it is they who have run the Club this year. In particular, I thank Dawn Abraham & Gordon Grigg for their efforts in performing their thankless duties.

I offer my congratulations to the new Committee & wish them & the Club every success for the coming year.