

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

Newsletter APRIL 2009

<u>Next Months Rally – Neurum Creek Bush Retreat</u> Thur 14th May to Mon 18th May 2009





Location- 1.5 hours north of City. Adjoins Mt.Mee State Forest. Approximately 1.4 km past Woodford take Neurum Road turn on to Stanton Road(travel about 9km) then turn <u>right</u> onto Rasmussen Road over Cattle-grid. Pretty Park with lots of native trees.

Requirements – Long leads & hoses.

Amenities – Hot Showers & Toilets – there is no dump point. The system used is dry compositing.

Power & Water- Powered sites available (15 amp) you will lose power if used to excess. Creek water tap and Rain water tap. Take drinking water.

Roads – All roads within the park are continually graded, however, two and a half Km road into the Park is the council's responsibility. It's OK if you take it slowly. (Similar To Lake Macdonald)

Things to do – Bush Walking Trails, BYO Canoes, Bike Riding, Wine Tasting, BMX for kids campfire fun. Trail maps available at office. Nearest shops Woodford or Kilcoy. The shop at the park is open for a short time for wood, ice & other items (times are displayed on door)

The TARP & Disc Bowls will <u>NOT</u> be required for this Rally thank you. The Activities and Raffle for the rally are also cancelled, due to lack of members attending.

Neurum Creek Bush Retreat Rasmussen Road Neurum, via Woodford Qld

Hosts-Simon, Tracy& Bailey Phone 1300 733 901 www.ncbr.com.au

EMERGENCY PROCEEDURES-FIRE RE MEDICAL

Continuously sound car horn, proceed in orderly manner to The car sounding the horn bringing with you Fire Extinguisher Water bucket &/or fire blanket – torch if at night. Members who have current First Aid qualifications, Please bring their First Aid Kit.

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ROVING REPORT-NAMBOUR

This was a huge rally with nine vans, the Hambleton's, Byng's, Howard's and Kevin arrived on Wednesday and enjoyed an afternoon and evening of constructive and educational chatter. Thursday saw the arrival of the tarp, the Vasyli's and David, (with poles, chairs and TV for the footy). It was mentioned that people should not be allowed to become members until David had borrowed something from them at a rally.

The tarp was erected in the afternoon with Bev and Debbie providing excellent directions, the Dodgey Brothers then proceeded to make minor adjustments and improvements to the poles under the guidance of Bev and Deb, this will make the tarp more stable and easier to erect. A lively happy hour upon hour was spent under the tarp on Thursday night.

Terry and our new visitors Dave and Andrea arrived on Friday morning. Kerry and Nancy arrived on Friday night (plan E I think for Nancy). The Olympic trials for disk bowls were held on Friday afternoon with all in agreement Kevin had been having secret practice sessions. It was on Friday night we first heard about the sunlight soap in the men's combined showers, however, this was not the last. Just in case there was water restrictions one couple (not to mention names) with a tiny van thought they would save water and shower together.

The Smiths arrived really early on Saturday morning in time for morning tea (scones provided by the naked or half naked chef Eric Dodgey) Terry Trowbridge, Keith and Shaneen Hambleton and Dave and Debbie Smith were welcomed as new members to our club by Kevin. Congratulations to you all. Eric and Bev returned to Brisbane for the afternoon. After lunch we headed off to the Big Pineapple for ice cream and to relive our childhood watching the train bump and crawl through the plantation. (See Kevin for sound effects), we were joined by the Richardson's who came up for the afternoon and to deliver the raffle prize.

We returned to the show grounds in time for happy hour, we also drew the raffle which was won by Eric and Bev. As they were absent, their prize accidentally got ripped in places, and it was also checked by customs, when no drugs were found the raffle prize was presented to them on their return.

The disk bowls came out Sunday afternoon, we could see that most people were now masters of the game; we then adjourned to happy hour for more friendship and frivolity. This was only a small rally; however you would be surprised at the amount of intellectual and knowledgeable garbage we could talk about. The sunlight soap was also mentioned again.

Debbie H Roving Reporter



GOSSIP LINE

Who put their water hose into their van back to front?

Whose van decided to move off on its own into the tow vehicle?

Who saved water by showering together every night?

Who is now called Dorothy with his pink shoes?

Who frightened the horses with his kite?

Who checked their 3 way fridge connected to 240 power to see if the gas light was on?

Who arrived without his wife, bread, milk, food & blankets & had to beg & borrow?

Who had problems (again) with their T/V-they didn't know they had to turn on the antenna booster.

Who saw UFO's fly over in formation- what had you been drinking and how much?



Bev & Eric's beautiful grand-daughters

Karla & Amelia

Editor's note: Members are most welcome to contribute to the "GossipLine"



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Nambour show grounds did itself proud and was again almost perfect considering two days before we arrived the place was under water! The two sets of disk bowls got a real work out with some sharks in amongst us I think. Probably just waiting for the money to come out!!!

The raffle generated \$52.00 and considering the small number of vans in attendance was a great effort. I had the pleasure of introducing David and Andrea Wright, visitors for the first time and inducting Terry, Keith/Shaneen and David/Debbie.....welcome.

We have more stock of the club flags, thanks to Barbara and Barry, so if you want one see our treasurer Mr Long pockets short arms!!

I made a point of talking with all attendees at Nambour show grounds to seek out their opinions on the facilities and if they believed the club should be using them. Although this is not the first show ground the club has stayed in it is the first that had 3 new members all at the same time. The resounding 100% reply was that the club should use them more often. Factors such as low cost, exclusive use, visual outlook, position in town and ease of parking were some of the points raised to support their comments.

Ensuite tent and porta potti are the way to go. I took one to Nambour and it made things extremely safe for Kerry at night. The tent takes no time at all to erect.

All members are reminded to ensure that you have suitable lengths of drinking water hose and power leads. All that attended Nambour did and it made things so much easier for the rally marshals to position vans. For show grounds you should carry a 25 metre power lead and at least a 20 metre and 10 meter water hose. The water is generally the one that needs the longest lengths. Most of us now carry only sufficient lengths of the above items to cater for our own needs so borrowing may not be an option if caught short.

Lastly the dodgey brothers are in the process of making up some more flag holders. So once Eric can substantiate to the tax office that 'Bev' is in fact the name of our security alarm system recently installed at great cost to the 'firm' we will be all go!!!!! Anyone got any ideas????

Bye for now

Kevin

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WOMENS SHIRTS SIZE 14, 16 EACH	\$ 33.00
CAPS - EACH	\$ 18.00
CLUB STICKERS EACH	\$ 5.00
DO NOT OVERTAKE SIGNS EACH	\$ 20.00
FLAGS EACH	\$ 17.00

REMINDER

"Members are expected to wear their Club Shirts at "Official" Club gatherings and any other designated Club activities/gatherings or functions as stated by the Committee. If you are unable to wear your shirt for any <u>Good</u> reason, then please seek special dispensation from the Committee for that particular time."

Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)

Gas Fittings

Check gas connections by turning bottle on and spraying fittings with detergent and look for bubbles. Check flexible hose for fraying or kinks.

2009 CALENDAR

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JUNE MURWILLUMBAH Tel ;(02)6672 2035 BOOKED

JULY NANANGO Tel; 4163 1733 BOOKED

AUGUST BOONAH Tel: 07 5463 4080 BOOKED

SEPTEMBER BOYDS BAY, NSW Tel; 5524 3306 BOOKED

OCTOBER IMBUL-AGM Tel; 5484 5196 BOOKED

NOVEMBER
KILCOY
Tel; 0439 971 660
Kilcoy Showgrounds
BOOKED

DECEMBER NO RALLY



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Hello Everyone, Once again we had a very enjoyable rally and the weather was very kind to us. I would like to remind all that we have had 5 rallies and have 5 left in the Club calendar year so remember that according to our by-laws *all* members are required to do a minimum of 4 rallies and if unable to do this I require a leave of absence letter.

Cheers Bev.



TREASURER'S REPORT

\$\$ Budget Budget Budget - Save Save Save!!!

Yes, even our caravan club is vitally concerned with the finances - At the Committee meeting held early in April many of the discussion items centered on our current finances and those forecast.

One of our bigger concerns here is the outlays we have to make on those stock items, such as shirts, caps etc down to tent peg pullers and chair leg caps. At the moment we would like to see a few more sales of these stock items, so we ask everyone to do a 'stock-take' of their own gear in the caravan and look to see if there are further items that we can sell to you.

I am reminded of the club discounts being offered by CIL when taking out new caravan insurance policies or renewing existing ones. (That's because mine's due soon). Please consider their offer, for virtually the sake of a phone call you will be directing more savings and income to the Club. If you are unsure of the details of the CIL offer please don't hesitate to call Pres Kevin or myself.

Regards from **Neil**



BIRTHDAYS



May7th Debbie Smith May9th Kerry Keary



May 7th David & Andy Hellewell May 23rd Kevin & Kerry Keary

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

May 22ⁿ Mike Tracey

MAY 2009.....D&A Hellewell/L&B Brearly CANCELLED - due to lack of

Members attending this rally

JUNE 2009......M&E Tracey/R&D Howard
"LATE LUNCH CASSEROLE

"LATE LUNCH CASSEROLE & AFTERNOON GAMES"

JULY 2009......B&B Richardson/L.Torrington,
Eric Byng "VISIT KUMBIA
MTNS.THEN LUNCH AT THE MAIDENWELL PUB"

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize minimum value \$15.00)

MAY 2009.....CANCELLED

JUNE 2009.....Neil & Faye Bremner

JULY 2009.....Eric & Bev Byng

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally please get in touch with the next member on the raffle list. Should you be unable to find a replacement from this list, please advise the Secretary Bev Byng by phoning 3869 0345



ASSISTANT RALLY CO-ORD. REPORT-NAMBOUR SHOW GRS.

Members present at rally, Kevin & Kerry Keary, Eric & Bev Byng, Keith & Shaneen Hambleton, Ron & Chris Vasyli, David & Nancy Giles, Allan & Debbie Howard, Dave & Deb Smith, Terry Trowbridge & Fay Seymour and first time visitors David & Andrea Wright.

Nambour Showgrounds were quite wet when we first arrived but the weather stayed fine and sunny and apart from some wet grass we all had an enjoyable time. To those who did not attend Nambour Peter will send out the rally form for Murwillumbah in June in due course.

Eríc

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I would sincerely like to thank Eric for standing in for me at Nambour Show Grounds Rally, when I was unable to attend, by all the reports it sounds like you had a great time. I look forward to seeing those of you who are going to Neurum Creek for the May Rally.

Peter

A Message from Ambulance Service

We all carry our mobile phones with names & numbers stored in its memory but nobody, other than if we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call. Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency? Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) Campaign.

The concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As cell phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call.

He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialling the number you have stored as 'ICE'.

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