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**Newsletter April 2011**

**Next Month's Rally –Blackbutt Show Grounds**  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> to Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2011**



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Blackbutt is a rural town of about 560 people, 115 km north-west of central Brisbane. It is situated at the north-eastern end of the Blackbutt Range. The name was given by a Crown surveyor in 1909, using the common trade name for various species of dark barked eucalypts. Timber harvesting was Blackbutt's main early industry. The nearby Tarong Power Station provides a source of local employment, together with local businesses, and small-scale crop and orchard concerns. A golf club was established in 1963. There are a hotel and a motel, a visitor information centre, a State primary school, five churches, a public hall, general store, convenience store, sports centre and a sawmill. There are a local doctor, chemist, hardware, butcher & fire brigade. **Places to visit** –Yarraman State Forrest, Emu Creek, Oasis fruit & Veg, Woodcutters pancake shop.

**The rally coordinator will require your booking by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2011, please reply if you are attending or not attending. Long leads, long hoses + “Y” connections & levellers will be required. Dump point. Suggest you bring drinking water. Showers & toilets + disabled (rated as good). Cost \$ 7.00 per person per night, cash will be required.**

**TARP SIDES ONLY will be required & disc bowls etc.** Carriers– L.Brearley, R.Vasyli (sides), J.Mackenzie (stock) if you are not attending please arrange alternate carrier ASAP.

***Directions: - (You may experience hold up due to road being repaired after landslide)***

**Driving from Brisbane via Caboolture.** Travel on the motorway/Bruce Highway, follow the signs to Kilcoy & Kingaroy, when you reach Kilcoy take the turn-off to Kingaroy (D'Aguilar Highway) Blackbutt is approximately 45 minutes from Kilcoy. Turn right at the Monument into Bowman's Road & follow to showgrounds.

**Driving from Brisbane via Ipswich Road.** Take the Toowoomba turn-off onto the Warrego Highway, Take the Esk Turn-off onto the Brisbane Valley Highway and this will take you through Fernvale, Esk, Toogoolawah and Harlin. Turn left at the end of Brisbane Valley (towards Moore & Yarraman) this is the D'Aguilar Highway and Blackbutt is approximately 20 minutes away. Turn right at the Monument into Bowman's Road & follow to showgrounds.

**BEWARE!!!!**We strongly suggest you keep a check of your Speedo especially travelling through Moore, as it is a known RADAR ZONE.

***Blackbutt Show Grounds  
Bowman Road  
Blackbutt Qld 4306  
Steve Heit (President)  
Mobile: 0417 643 176  
Home: 4163 0764***

 ***Dog Friendly Venue***

**EMERGENCY DETAILS -FIRE OR MEDICAL**

***To seek urgent help, continual quick short blasts of a whistle or car horn (3 seconds on/off). Upon hearing this members are requested to proceed in an orderly manner to the site of the whistle or car horn bringing with them mobile phone, fire extinguisher, water bucket, fire blanket, torch and first aid kit***

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## ROVING REPORT

On arrival at Boonah show grounds it was looking a picture, lush green grass & freshly mowed. This was our second rally at Boonah & over our stay everyone commented on how friendly the town was. Early birds Alan & Lorraine had arrived on Tuesday with the Byngs, Vasylis & Crowes arriving on Wednesday, after setting up & a nanny nap it was decided we would go to the Aussie pub for dinner where we enjoyed friendly hospitality and a good meal, we returned at about 9.30PM

Thursday was again a beautiful sunny day & I walked around the show ring before breakfast. Later in the day four more vans arrived. Eric, Bev, Peter and I went for a drive to check out Kalbar show grounds & the entrance to Ivory's Rock stopping at Peak Crossing for a coffee. When we arrived back at the Boonah show grounds we saw a beautiful horse being trained for dressage competition. After lunch we gathered to erect the Tarp, it was easier this time as the side & end poles are now coloured coded & the centre ones numbered, we finished in time for early Happy Hour. John & Vicki travelled from Hervey Bay to Rothwell then to Boonah arriving in the dark, the boys helped John to set up- in the beam of his car headlights.

Friday another beautiful day & another walk for me before breakfast. Another four vans arrived during the day. Some of the members walked to the shops others enjoyed a quiet morning tea in the Tarp where Rae impressed all with her knitting skills. After lunch we saw the arrival of some cattle which were unloaded into yards, with one protesting loudly. There were a number of vans & small tents set up, I believe the families in the tents were here for motor cross. We spent another evening chatting in the Tarp while others went out for dinner.

Saturday we woke to a rainy day. Jan was our last van to arrive. We witnessed the arrival of boys & girls of the "Young Farmers League" who were going to learn about cattle management etc. Some brave souls gathered under the Tarp to watch Disc Bowls & prepare for the activity. We all assembled at 2PM for the frog racing & celebrations. Peter & I enjoyed the cakes & sparklers and would like to thank everyone for their good wishes at celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. Thanks to the organisers Dave & Doreen, Mike & Judy. Two couples went to the Bowls Club for dinner where they enjoyed a meal for \$10.00 – good value.

Sunday saw the usual vans returning back home while the remainder settled for more R&R. We also saw the arrival of the pony Club & their beautiful horses. The Fasifern Net Ball Assoc. held a fund raiser, selling yummy cakes provided by the visiting Motorcycle Club, which caused a great deal of excitement on arrival. After lunch a few members went for various drives to check out the dams & country side. We assembled at 7PM in the Tarp to watch Les's instruction on how to set up & use the projector & to view his & Bernie's trip to Cairns & their son's lovely wedding at Byron Bay, then it was bed time as the weather had turned quite cold.

Monday morning more vans were returning home including us. We all agreed this had been a very happy & enjoyable rally, I am now looking forward to the next one at Blackbutt show grounds – see you there!

*Reporter... June*



### The Apple Turnover Report

This month's Apple turnover entry is from the Sugarloaf Baking Co, at Boonah. As was the case last month it was a little on the small side (for me bite size) with flaky pastry lightly coated with icing sugar.

The apple filling was sweet with a butter type cream.

Overall rating 8.

Let's see what the Blackbutt Bakery contestant has to offer next month...

*See you there... John.*





## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

It was great to arrive at Boonah and see all our caravans lined up and the big tarp already up and in use. Thanks to Eric for sorting out how the tarp went together and to all the helpers for putting it up. Having the big tarp was good as we could set up the disc bowls under the tarp (due to the occasional shower) and there was still enough space for the 'gallery' to look on. The frog races were also held there and that was great fun with Rob being the best frog jockey. Thanks to Dave, Doreen, Mike and Judy for a great activity. We also discovered that the big tarp make a great sail when trying to pull it down in the wind. Ask Ron how much force it can generate. We had plenty of hands on deck, and we put it away safely.

Congratulations to Peter and June on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, an achievement they can be truly proud of.

Our next committee meeting is 1<sup>st</sup> May. If you have anything you wish to raise then let one of the committee members know.

See you at Blackbutt.

*Regards...Les*



## **ACTIVITY REPORT**

**Saturday** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at Boonah Show Grounds

The TARP was very useful in the showery weather; it provided protection for everyone & provided a dry area for the Activities. There was intense competition in the disc bowls with a lot of advice from the gallery as the men enjoyed a social friendly match.

This month's activity, Frog racing, was conducted by David & Doreen Broadley along with Mike & Judy Zielke. The frog racing was very competitive and exciting, although maybe some frogs were doped prior to the race, because a few frogs kept rolling over on their backs. Men's heat one was won by Ron Vasyli with Long Legs, lady's heat two was won by June Crowe with Luscious Lips, lady's heat three was won by Lorraine White with Long Legs, men's heat four was won by John Hunter with Luscious Lips, and men's heat five was won by Rob Howard with outsider Cockatoo.

When the final decider was run there was much excitement and advice for the participants and the frogs. Rob Howard's frog made it first across the line, second was John Hunter and third was June Crowe. This activity was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and many thanks to the organisers.

Peter and June Crowe celebrated 50 years of wedded bliss with a cake & sparklers. Congratulations to them both. June also celebrated her birthday along with Ron.

This was a fantastic rally enjoyed by all who attended. We look forward to seeing you all at Blackbutt for another great time.

*Reporter... Alan White*



*Frog Racing - June, Les & Lorraine*



*Peter & June*



*Birthdays - June & Ron*

**2011 CALENDAR**

**MAY** 🐶  
**Blackbutt S/grounds**  
**Steve Heit,**  
**Ph: 0417 643 176**

**JUNE** 🐶  
**Pomona S/Grounds**  
**Peter Travers**  
**Ph: 0408 714 924**

**JULY** 🐶  
**Ivory's Rock**  
**Conference Centre**  
**Peak Crossing,**  
**Ipswich**

**AUGUST** 🐶  
**Samford S/grounds**  
**Contact- P&T Clifford**  
**Ph: 07 3289 7057**

**SEPTEMBER** 🐶  
**Kalbar S/grounds**  
**Contact - Betty**  
**Ph: 07 5464 6769**

**OCTOBER** 🐶  
**State Rally**  
**Maryborough**

**NOVEMBER**  
**Mudjimba Caravan Pk**  
**Contact-**  
**Greg & Janine**  
**Ph: 1800 461 475**

**DECEMBER**  
**No Rally**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**H**i everyone, first of all I would like to congratulate Peter & June on their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary, hope there is more to come. I hope Kurt is feeling much better so that we can induct him & Margaret into our Club. I must tell you all my bruises are looking much better than they were and the leg is not very sore now. One tip, never ever ask Vicky to toss a coin as to whether her & John should stay another day, she lost John won and they stayed until Wednesday with the rest of the stayers.

**E**ric & I would like to wish all our members a Very Happy & Safe Easter, also Easter wishes to our Sponsors and the affiliated clubs too.

*Til Blackbutt...Bev*

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Thank you to Alan & Debbie for donating the raffle prize before they left for New Zealand. Thank you to Bev for selling the tickets at the rally. Freddie drew out the winning ticket, & Mike & Judy were the lucky winners.

I am taking orders for the club jacket, cost \$29.95 includes embroidery, or you can visit Service one, 16-22 Bremner Rd Rothwell (near Bunnings)

*Regards...Vicki*



**HAPPY EASTER** *To everyone*

**ANZAC DAY 25<sup>th</sup> April**



*I believe...That heroes are the people  
 Who do what has to be done  
 When it needs to be done  
 regardless of the consequences  
 "Lest we forget"*

**MOTHERS DAY on Sunday May 8th**



*Wishing each and every one  
 A really wonderful day  
 With your loved ones*



**Reminder** for the activity at Blackbutt we would like each person attending to bring a approx 6 X 4 baby or as young as possible photo for the Baby Photo Competition. We would suggest making a copy just in case and place it in an envelope with your name which will be collected by Helen on Saturday morning. Helen will also provide the details of the competition which will start at 3:30PM

**ACTIVITIES ROSTER 2011**

**MAY** -D&A Hellewell/H.Hunter/J.Mackenzie  
**LUNCH-Local Pub/BABY PHOTO  
 COMPETITION/MOTHERS DAY QUIZ**

**JUNE** -J&R Williamson/E&W Sutherland/D&N Giles  
**CASSEROLE DINNER, FOLLOWED BY GAME OF  
 B INGO**

**JULY** -R&D Howard/M&E Tracey- **TBA**

**RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)**

**MAY** - Jim & Rae Williamson  
**JUNE** - Helen Williams  
**JULY** - Les & Bernie Brearley

*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, contact the Secretary Bev Byng 3869 0345.*



**BIRTHDAYS**



22<sup>nd</sup> May – Mike Tracey

3<sup>rd</sup> May – Judy Zielke

7<sup>th</sup> May – Debbie Smith



**ANNIVERSARIES**

7<sup>th</sup> May – Dave & Andy Hellewell

*Activity Organisers – Please propose a toast to Members Celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary at Happy Hour (Sat).*



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**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 Good reason, then please seek special dispensation from the Committee for that particular time.”*

*Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)*

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### RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

**Arrivals:-** Tues-A&L White, Wed-E&B Byng, R&C Vasyli, P&J Crowe, **Thur**-R&D Howard, &D Broadley, J&R Williamson, J&V Mackenzie, **Fri**-D&A Hellewell, J&H Hunter, L&B Brearley, M&J Zielke, **Sat**-J.Kostuch =**Total of 13 caravans.**

**Cancellations-**M&E Tracey, K&M Clausen, M.Huxley

Hello everyone, Boonah was another good rally even though the numbers were down a little due to circumstances beyond our control. We arrived just as the caretaker was finishing mowing the area.

We were last to arrive on Wednesday, thanks to those who helped me to set up & lift out the beer fridge. I want to thank my assistants Eric & Alan for parking the vans as they arrived. The Byngs, June & I drove to Kalbar on Thursday to check out the show grounds & the conference centre, these are venues we will be going to this year.

Thanks to everyone for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary good wishes. I'm looking forward to the next rally at Blackbutt Show Grounds. Remember you will need cash for payment, long hoses & long leads. We will only need the sides of the Tarp for this rally as we have a large undercover area for our use.

*Cheers...Peter*

#### Tyre & Wheel Information:-

All members are reminded that they should have their wheels on their vans balanced. An unbalanced wheel puts extra strain onto the vans bearings. Also you should be rotating your tyres by including the spare so all get similar usage. This can assist in prolonging the life span of the tyres. Lastly you should cover your exposed tyres (old piece of fibro is excellent) to the sun when the van is in storage. Many tyre failures are a consequence (over time) of not being protected whilst sitting at home waiting for the next trip."

#### Corner Moulds:-

Sealing and around corner moulds - windows, doors etc. should be checked for cracks or holes which may allow water to enter and rot framing or lining sheets.

NOTE: After a good shower of rain check the inside of the van for water leaks. Never leave your van unattended for months on end.



#### GOSSIP LINE

Who set out for Stanthorpe & were back 5 minutes later for something they forgot?

Who had a new blinking antenna light (blue, red & green) to ward off the Aliens?

Who took his vehicle for a check because it was making a clanging noise, only to discover it was a loose Mirror strap?

Who said it's a long time since he heard a woman say "I'm coming"?

Who lost the name off the Club badge & found it sticking to his leg?

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