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Newsletter APRIL 2012

**Next Month's Rally – Camp Cooroora, Lake McDonald, Cooroy
Wednesday 16th to Monday 21st May 2012**



Camp Cooroora is set on part of the northern banks of Lake McDonald near Cooroy, on the Sunshine Coast, the campsite covers an area of 33090 sq.metres.

Directions: .



Map Reference: - UBD & GREGORY'S MAP 5 L9

Please Note some of the GPS now have Camp Cooroora in Point of interest under Lake Macdonald Scouts

Requirements: Full water tanks. Long leads, hoses + Y pieces may be required

Amenities: Showers & Toilets

Power & Water: Available (15 AMP leads & 10 AMP ext. & light leads)

Things to do: Canoeing and Bushwalking

Site Fees: \$12.00 per person per night

Dog Friendly Venue

TARP WILL NOT BE REQUIRED AT THIS VENUE

The Rally Co-ordinator will require your booking by 8th May Phone: 3888 1683 Mob: 0407 777 312.



CLUB SHOP

MENS SHIRTS	\$ 33.00 EACH
WOMENS SHIRTS	\$ 33.00 EACH
CAPS	\$ 18.00 EACH
CLUB STICKERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
FLAGS	\$ 17.00 EACH
VAN FLAG HOLDERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
TOWBAR HITCH HANDLES	\$ 10.00 EACH
TENT PEG PULLERS	\$ 5.00 EACH



ROVING REPORT

Saturday dawned brightly but with intermittent showers. Blue and White shirts started blossoming out of the vans, and were soon everywhere.

The walkers came out and lapped the covered area as it kept raining on and off. Some of the walkers came face to face with a "Snake" which caused a few palpitations. (It was Plastic)

Colin set up for a Test and Tag session which was a welcome enterprise, several members had their leads tested, and are now OK to go for another year.

Friends gathered for a chat over Coffee, Tea or Bonox, while others just wandered among groups chatting, while others headed into Nambour for a look around.

Mike, Judy and Fred arrived for a visit and caught up with the latest news.

People started arriving at the "Recreation Area" around 3.00 PM. All dressed in their Hawaiian finery, a truly colourful display. With Hawaiian themed nibbles and a bowl of punch set up for all to enjoy.

The day's entertainment started with a Hawaiian Trivia Quiz, which was won by Bev. This was followed by "Pineapple Hookey" - Rolling a Hula Hoop and hopefully having it drop over the pineapples on the floor. This game was won by Vicki Mac, who hooped 3 pineapples.

The birthdays were then celebrated, with Ron, celebrating a significant milestone, Elaine and they didn't forget June in absentia.

Les then inducted Colin and Lyle into the Club and presented them with their badges and their information folders, welcome to our newest members.

Then it was time to draw the raffle provided by Gay, and the tickets sold by Chris. Les asked visitor Yvfaye to draw the winning ticket. Once again the Curse, or is it the Luck of the Visitors prevailed. Yvfaye drew her partner Stephen's ticket out to much laughter and comments of NOT AGAIN!!!!!!

The next test of skill was to toss the "Virgins" (????Barbie Dolls) into the Volcano (a waste paper basket covered by an orange plastic bag). After everyone had thrown the Virgins, there were 6 people who had sacrificed 1 virgin each, and after a toss off, Les was the winner. This was followed by some more Trivia, this time won by Bernie. A lot of fun was had by all.

Congratulations to the organizers, Helen, Macca and Lorraine who with the help of John, Vicki and Alan turned on a great activity. It was a pity that Alan and Lorraine had to miss the rally, but some unknown "Person" had banged into the Ford which left them without a vehicle.

At 6.00 PM. Many Happy Campers headed off to the R.S.L. for dinner, after which we were all summoned to the Recreation Area where Ron's 70th Birthday was celebrated with a surprise cake. With the candles blown out we all enjoyed a taste, followed by more chats, then off to bed.

Next month Eric, Bev and Jan are arranging the activity. Eric has built a Drag racing Track, and on Sunday morning he set it up so that all could see what it was all about. A lot of fun was had testing all of the cars supplied, trying to work out which ones to buy for next month at Lake MacDonald. Well done Eric, a great track which will give the Club a lot of fun in the future.

For Smoko we were surprised with a lovely Pavlova, supplied by Yvfaye and Stephen, they had been to the Farmers market. Thank you, we all enjoyed the pav.

Here endeth my screed.

Rae



ACTIVITY REPORT

Drag Racing, Saturday starting at 2.30 p.m.

Nominations Friday afternoon, gold coin donation entry fee per car, all proceeds are to go to club. The track will be set up Wednesday afternoon for any who wish to practice. Also remember at Lake Macdonald there is the camp kitchen with oven and cook tops and a barbecue for all to use.

Eris & Bev, Jan & Julie



The Apple Turnover Report

Where – Dixons Bakehouse

Size – Finally a turnover with good weight and a decent size.

Pastry – Nice and brown but could have had more sugar.

Apple – Sweet

Cream – Fresh

Overall Rating – 8.5

See you next month at Lake McDonald.

John

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



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Nambour Showgrounds was certainly something different with all vans parked under two very large shed roofs. It felt strange not putting out the awning, hooking up water etc. As it turned out with the intermittent rain it was a good thing to have a roof over our heads, and vans. It was great to welcome Colin and Lyle into the club with Colin even wearing his club shirt on Sunday! We also welcomed Mick and Irene and Wayne and Noeline back for their second visit as well as Rick and Helen, Steve and Yvfaye and Fred and Collette for their first visit.

The turn out for the Hawaiian Beach party was very impressive; I can't remember seeing so many male club members in skirts! A good time was had by all with Vicki Mac rolling the hoops over three pineapples. We obviously left the best for last. A big round of applause for the organisers, John and Helen and John and Vicki. There were still 12 vans there on Monday morning which must almost be a record.

Thanks to Colin for taking the time to test and tag our leads. I am sure that you will agree that the \$5 is money well spent, particular with the convenience of having it done on the spot.

It is great to see the number of visitors coming to check us out, and also the way members have made them welcome. If they choose to join us, in a few months we should be able to increase our numbers to about 30. So keep up the good work of letting people know about the benefits of joining our club.

We have a committee meeting coming up in early May so if there is anything you wish to raise then let one of the committee members know.


Hope to see you at Lake Macdonald.


Cheers

Les


*  **Dog Friendly**

2012 CALENDAR

MAY-booked 
Lake Macdonald
Ph 5442 5285

JUNE- booked 
Imbil, Borumba
Deer Park
Ph 5484 5196

JULY- booked 
Nanango C&M
Park
Ph 4163 2322

AUGUST-booked 
Rathdowney
s/grounds
Ph 5544 1195

SEPTEMBER- 
Six Mile Creek

State Rally-
Beaudesert

OCTOBER-
booked 
Kenilworth
s/grounds
Ph 5446 0131

NOVEMBER-
booked 
Crow's Nest
C/Park
Ph 4698 1269



SECRETARY'S REPORT

We arrived at Nambour to find a very unusual place to set up with our vans and cars all under cover and it was strange to be stepping out onto bitumen instead of grass but very convenient when it rained. It was nice to catch up with the usual early people, although we did miss Peter & June and Alan & Lorraine who weren't there this rally.

By Saturday the number of vans had grown and we welcomed three couples joining us on their first visit. I hope you enjoyed yourselves and look forward to seeing you again. Congratulations Colin and Lyle on becoming our newest members.

Our Saturday afternoon activity went off very well with everyone looking great dressed in their Hawaiian outfits. Thanks to Helen, "Macca" and Alan & Lorraine for organising such a fun activity. Also; thanks to John for helping Helen and "Macca" in the absence of Alan & Lorraine which couldn't be helped.'

Sunday night Les showed photos of our tag along which everyone enjoyed bringing back memories of a great time for those of us who were there, although we heard "Thanks a lot, Les" a few times from Bev who thought he could have left some photos of her out. Bad luck Bev.

Monday came and the end of another great rally. A few of us stayed for a couple of days doing our own things during the day but getting together for very quiet Happy Hours with only six of us...

Our shopper dockets this month came to a total of \$3469.22 Once again another great rally. I look forward to seeing you all next month.
 Cheers

Elaine



TREASURER'S REPORT

Thankyou everyone for making our Nambour Rally a really good one where no one even got wet. Welcome to our newest members Colin & Lyle. I know you will have a lot of fun with our club.

Thankyou Chris for looking after the Raffle in Gay's absence, they raised \$111.00, a great effort, thank you to all who supported our raffle again, the lucky winners were, "guess who", visitors, Stephen & Yfaye O'Donnel.

Thank you to Colin who did the testing of our leads.

Until next month, take care & safe travels.
 Cheers

Vicki Mac



ACTIVITIES ROSTER 2011

May – Drag Racing – Gold coin donation
E & B Byng, J Kostuch and L Singh
June – Picnic at Borumba Dam & activity, bring a plate of
food to share
W Sutherland, M Huxley and D & A Hellewell
July – Christmas in July
J & R Williamson and M & J Zielke

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

MAY 2012 - Peter & June Crowe
JUN 2012 – Kurt & Margaret Clauson
JUL 2012 - Dave & Deb Smith
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

APRIL



BIRTHDAYS



3rd Judy Zielke
7th Debbie Smith
15th Lyle Roles



ANNIVERSARIES

7th David and Andrea Hellewell

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



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RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Another good rally attendance with 20 vans in total. Hope everyone enjoyed themselves. Nice to welcome new visitors, Rick & Helen, Fred & Collette and Stephen & Yfaye to our rally. Congratulations to Colin & Lyle on becoming members. The weather was unpredictable, so it was a bonus to be under cover, although not quite the same feel as being on grass. The Hawaiian activity was a huge success thanks to John & Helen and Macca.

Cheers till Lake McDonald.

Debbie & Dave



GOSSIP LINE

Who

- Who couldn't find his smokes after a trip out? They had been pinched!!! He did leave them outside.
- Which couple arrived at 6.30 AM Friday morning and woke the whole camp?
- Who got a fluoro Light suntan?
- Who couldn't find the hot water tap so had a cold shower?
- Which "D" went to the ladies loo, and which "D" sent him there?
- Which walkers were greeted by a snake in the shed?
- Which couple unexpectedly dropped in for breakfast and were sent away hungry?
- Who set the smoke alarm off while cooking the bacon for the dip?
- Who put the "Snake" in someone's bed?
- Who was moving furniture in their van in the middle of the night?
- Who broke his fork eating his Baked Beans?

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Hi everyone, we have now returned to Texas on our way back to Brisbane for Hospital visits. We had a lovely time on the Gwyder River, feeding the fish and enjoying camp fires at night. We have been free camping since we left Canungra and it will be hard to pay for a camp spot when we return to Brisbane.

Pleased to see you all had another great rally at Nambour and I would like to thank all my expert journalists who without your input I would have nothing to put in the Newsletter. I hope you have all noticed our wonderful club photographer is putting captions' on her photos, looking really professional. I am looking for another volunteer to report on the Lake Macdonald rally as I would rather have volunteers than victims.

Deborah

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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. Only the officially sanctioned shirt is acceptable as stated by the Committee.

Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)



NATIONAL CARAVAN RALLY NEWS

ROCKHAMPTON 2013

Monday 23rd September – Wednesday 2nd October

<https://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/15-national-rally>

Rockhampton is pleasant in spring with average temperatures between a high 27° C and a low of 14° C and a relative humidity of 40%. It will make quite a change to the summer temperatures experienced at previous National Rallies held in the middle of summer.

The 15th National Caravan Rally Committee is now meeting monthly with the multitude of tasks seemingly growing.

At a previous meeting many of the Task Co-ordinators met with the committee to report on the status of their positions. The all important nightly entertainment is firming up really well. With a diverse range of entertainment

on each evening of the rally a decision was taken that no club skits would be in the entertainment program.

The daily activities program will also be comprehensive.

A list of suggested activities will need to be culled as there are not enough days in the rally to encompass them all.

REGISTER NOW

INCENTIVE DRAWS: To encourage your early registration for the 15th National Rally we are offering the following incentive draws.

To be in the draw for the Aspen Parks vouchers and fuel vouchers the following minimum amounts must be paid by the listed dates.

- \$260.00 - 30 June 2012 (3rd draw will be for one of: 3 X Aspen Parks accommodation voucher + fuel voucher).
- \$375.00 - 30 June 2013 (4th draw will be for one of: 3 X Aspen Parks accommodation voucher + fuel voucher).
- Other incentive draws to be announced shortly.

REGISTRATION PAYMENTS

Rally Registration payments can be made by cheque, Money Order or Electronic Funds Transfer.

Cheques and Money Orders **MUST** be made payable to the: **15th National Caravan Rally Inc.**

If you want to pay by Electronic Funds Transfer, please contact the Registrar by email with your name, address and club. You will then be provided with the account details and a payment reference.

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