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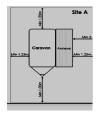


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Next Month's Rally-BOYDS BAY, NSW-Wed 16th to Mon 21st September 2009







Ideally located on the Tweed River, **Boyds Bay Holiday Park** is within walking distance of Tweed Heads, water sports, launch your boat or swim in the temperature controlled pool; heated during winter and cooled during summer, before heading off to one of the many clubs for which the area is famous. Close to Gold Coast, theme Parks & shopping, National Park etc.

- Kiosk, Swimming pool, BBQ's, Boat ramp in park.
- Large sites for tents and caravans, Luxury cabins.
- Tourist Sites have a concrete annexe pad with individual power, water and sullage.
- Amenities. Laundry etc Private Ensuites available
 - General rate \$26.00 per night, W/end package \$65.00(Fri,Sat,Sun nights), 4 night package
 - during the week \$78.00(powered sites)
 - Those intending to go to Boyds Bay must advise Neil Bremner by phone before
 - Monday14th September of their intention to attend-<u>Neil will contact the Park</u>
 - and make a booking for you.(phone 3284 4404 mobile 0414 816 167)

Directions from the North Travel south along the Pacific Highway towards Tweed Heads. Turn left at the Kennedy Drive Exit and left again at the roundabout onto Kennedy Drive. Remain in the right hand lane which takes you under then over the Boyds Bay Bridge into Minjungbal Drive. Turn right at the first set of traffic lights into Dry Dock Road. Boyds Bay Holiday Park is 100 metres on the right.

Reminder:-

Members are reminded that for the safety and comfort of all members your vehicle speed at any rally venue is <u>walking pace</u> only.

Boyds Bay Holiday Park 3 Dry Dock Road Tweed Heads South NSW 2486 Phone 07 5524 3306 Email: boydsbay@tchp.com.au <u>Hosts</u> Owen & Margaret Hodge Jared & Shallain Hodge Office Hours: 7.00am to 7.00pm

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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Wednesday, our departure for Boonah began with a calamity, the jockey wheel decided to "pack it in" we had to detour to Jayco & purchase a new beaut Trail-A-Mate clamp, which will make hitching up a lot easier, even I will be able to do it when it is required. We met up with Kevin /Alan & Lorraine on their way to Boonah, when we got past all the road works it was a smooth run arriving around lunch time. After setting up, no-one really wanted to cook and we all decided to go to the Australian Pub for dinner, on arrival at the pub we were greeted with typical country hospitality & enjoyed a great meal. It was very cold when we were walking home to the park.

Thursday we checked out the shops & were back in time for the new arrivals. Kevin opened up the dining hall & we enjoyed Happy Hour catching up with all the news. I believe some members went back to the hall after dinner & met three young German back packers who were in the park for the night, sleeping in a tent on top of their car.

Friday saw Kevin, armed with a can of pink marker spray, with Peter working out where to park all the vans & how to supply power & water. They also set up the tables for the general meeting, which was due to start at 4pm. The committee & members had a discussion on membership fees & safety procedures etc. After the meeting was over we enjoyed Happy Hour. Kevin left to meet Kerry at the Station & we watched the Bronco's have a win.

Saturday we travelled with Cyril to Queen Mary Falls, where the view from the platform was quite breathtaking. Ron & Les & their passengers went back via Moogerah & we went with Cyril, Lil & Lorraine to Killarney for lunch at the pub. It was the local team's foot-ball final & the town had been decorated with red & white balloons. We followed the "Settlers Route" passing through Frogs Hollow & Yangan and arrived back at the park at 3.30pm. Lil's road count for the day: 1 brown snake & 2 lizards.

Reporter...June



Well what can I say about our rally at Boonah, apart from the fact, it was a great rally. Boonah lived up to its claim to be an RV friendly town. At the showground, the site fees were about half what we would pay at a coastal caravan park, & we had the use of the dining hall at no extra cost, which proved to be ideal, for Macca's, Terry, & John Hunters, activity "Hot August night". Apparently, John/H, I hear on the grapevine, has the unofficial name of the "Little Drummer Boy". I cannot divulge the source of this information. The advance party of Peter& June, Kevin, Alan& Lorraine organised the power & water for us. Well done Music men & site organisers. Some of the members went on the drive to the Queen Mary falls & by all accounts had a good time.

I would ask those members that do not have a prior commitment, or are not going to Pittsworth to give the rally at Boyds Bay your support, as at present it appears that not many are attending. **Reporter...** Cyríl

Well the Hot August Night we were promised turned into a hot August weekend with temperatures in the high 20's, despite the heat a number of members took on several activities during Saturday with visits to Queen Mary Falls, Pub Lunches, Lake Moogerah, SETI Centre whilst others chose to spend time catching up and chatting.

As the day progressed busy little bees were observed transferring the hall into a colourful place with balloons, streamers and generally giving it the feeling of a country dance hall. Around 6p.m. the hall started to fill up with people spruced up for the night's fun, some folk, dressed in two colours of the rainbow at least, had a very merry time, the band T and the JJ's (Roving Reporter's name for the very talented Misters Terry Trowbridge, John Mackenzie and John Hunter) started strumming away in the background which set the mood for a lively night with great music, very energetic dancing from two "Indian" ladies, Ron, the crooner, made his debut with the band, well sung Ron! Mr. Tambourine Man (aka Peter Q) set a spirited tempo.



Dancing in every style imaginable, sing-alongs, conga lines, stomping in circles, a little *slow* dancing as the hot August night drew to a close made for a very enjoyable occasion, hopefully to be repeated next August. Many thanks to Terry, Vicki, John, Helen and John, also to those behind the scenes, for the time you spent in giving the Club a night to remember.

Reporter ... Jill



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Boonah show grounds proved to be a very suitable venue for our August rally even if the weather gods tried to fry us during the day and freeze us during the night. Global warming? What global warming?

It was my pleasure to induct our newest members David and Andrea Wright and to welcome our latest visitors Michael and Judy Zielke who were introduced by Ron and Chris Vasyli.

The activities for this rally were truly great and it is a credit to all those involved. We did have a very close call with the very expensive equipment that was used though. It was just a stroke of luck that Macca decided to pack up his gear and that of Terry's into his car and take back to his van as the hall that we were using was broken into after we left for the night. The caretaker and police believe that they were targeting the sound equipment that we were using and so went home somewhat empty handed. It just goes to show that no matter how big the locks are they will still find a way! This is a lesson for us all that the safest place for gear is locked in your van or car.

Peter and I were very busy getting all vans placed so that they were not too distant from the amenities nor the required power and water. I think that we did ok although there were a number of comments about the pink marking paint I was using...hey I found it on the side of the road and that is the story I am sticking to!

A reminder that you have until the 11/9/2009 to lodge a committee position nomination.

Lastly equipment that we use for our caravans is expensive to replace and in some cases carries a high safety issue. Hence we all like to keep them in top working condition, however our power lead and water hoses are the most vulnerable as a consequence of their application (running some distance from our van). Members and their guests attending our rally venues are expected to respect others property and in particular <u>never</u> drive over the abovementioned two items regardless of the circumstances.

Bye for now, Kevín



BIRTHDAYS

September 22nd John Dillon

September 9th Nancy Giles September 10th Bernie Fuller September 15th Bev Went September 23rd Bev Byng Sentember 27th Shaneen Hambleton



September 28th Rob & Diane Howard

CLUB SHOP

END CAPS (DIRECTOR CHAIR)	\$ 1.50 EACH
TENT PEG PULLERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
MENS SHIRTS SIZES 'L' & 'XL'	\$ 33.00 EACH
WOMENS SHIRTS SIZE 14, 16	\$ 33.00 EACH
CAPS	\$ 18.00 EACH
CLUB STICKERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
DO NOT OVERTAKE SIGNS	\$ 20.00 EACH
FLAGS	\$ 17.00 EACH
VAN FLAG HOLDERS	\$ 5.00 EACH

Activity organisers please announce the members who are celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries at Happy Hour on the day of your activity.

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)

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2009 CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER BOYDS BAY, NSW Tel; 5524 3306 BOOKED

OCTOBER IMBIL-AGM Tel; 5484 5196 BOOKED

NOVEMBER KILCOY Tel: 0439 971 660 Kilcoy Showgrounds BOOKED

DECEMBER NO RALLY

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2010 CALENDAR

JANUARY-PICNIC

<u>FEBRUARY -Booked</u> <u>BEACHMERE</u> <u>Caravan Park</u> Ph; 07 5496 8077

MARCH- Booked BIGRIGGEN PARK Beaudesert

<u>APRIL-</u><u>Booked</u> WOODFORD S/GRS Ph; 07 5496 1294

MAY- Booked LAKE DYER/Camping & Caravan Park Lake & Bill Gunn Dam Laidley

<u>JUNE-Booked</u> <u>KILKIVAN/Bush</u> <u>Camp</u> Rossmore Rd. Kilkivan

JULY-Booked Esk Caravan Park Ph: 1800 462 375 26 Hassall St.Esk (Xmas in July)



TREASURER'S REPORT

A reminder to all - our financial year finishes the end of September - and it would make balancing the books much easier if all fees for the next financial year are received <u>before 30th</u> September(Amount \$50.00) Thanks to all those who have responded so far! Payment can be made by mailing a cheque to me or by making it direct to Heritage Bldg Soc. the BSB and A/c for Heritage is 638 070 a/c 10092323 - please ask for your name to be inserted in the Transaction Detail for the statement. Big thanks to everyone for the great response to the raffle at Boonah (\$90), which was won by our new members David & Andrea Wright.

See you next time...

Regards from Neíl



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hello Everyone, I hope everyone enjoyed Boonah. I would like to thank Faye, June and Kevin for doing my duties this week-end, I really appreciate it, gee I must do a lot!! Please remember to send in your nominations for the A.G.M.

Thank you for your messages for Eric they are much appreciated.

Till next time. Bev



Who was the "Rev Head" who sprayed dust all over the Cars & Caravans when he arrived?

Who came to Happy Hour looking like he had wet his pants-said he had been adjusting his hose fittings.

Who went for a flying lesson on Friday afternoon?

Who helped push a broken down Car off the road on Saturday?

Who went into the Gents toilets by mistake?

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

SEP/ 2009.......Mary Huxley/M&J Martin/F.Bremner SEAFOOD BUFFET@COOLANGATTA GOLF CLUB + MENU (Courtesy Bus)

OCT/ 2009......J&H Hunter/Committee AGM & HALLOWEEN NIGHT

NOV/ 2009......J&R Williamson/Kerry Keary KILCOY- XMAS PICNIC RACES **<u>RAFFLE ROSTER</u>** (prize value \$20.00)

SEPT/2009......Peter & Jill Quinlan OCT / 2009.....Terry Trowbridge NOV/ 2009......Keith & Shaneen Hambleton

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



RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Arrivals: Wednesday-Kevin Keary, Alan & Lorraine White, Peter & June Crowe Thursday-Jim & Rae Williamson, Ron & Christine Vasily, Peter & Jill Quinlan Friday-John & Helen Hunter, Cyril & Lil Torrington, Terry Trowbridge, John & Vicki Mackenzie, Neil & Faye Bremner, Les & Bernie Brearley, Rob & Diane Howard, <u>Visitors</u> Mike & Judy Zielke Saturday-Dave & Andrea Wright

There were 15 caravans in attendance, which was very good-thank you for your support. I'm afraid our next rally to Boyds Bay Holiday Park is in the same month as the State Rally, some of us are going to Pittsworth to "Experience what the State Rallies are all about". I would appreciate it if those not going to Pittsworth would give Boyds Bay your consideration & support Neil & Faye, Peter & Jill & Rob & Diane-it really is a very nice park-four stars.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kevin for all his help at Boonah ie: marking out the 15 van sites & making sure everybody had power & water; I couldn't have done it on my own. I received a phone call from Mike & Enid Tracey Sunday evening and they were having a couple of days rest at The Entrance NSW; both are well & enjoying travelling in their new caravan. Regards to Eric, still waiting for that beer mate.

I have been advised Barrie & Barbara Richardson have resigned from the club due to family circumstances, on behalf of all the members we wish you all best for the future.

Looking forward to catching up with you all again soon.

Regards Peter



REMINDER FROM CYRIL: THE <u>TARP & DISC BOWLS</u> WILL <u>NOT</u> BE REQUIRED

Editor's note: please check out our <u>new</u> Sponsor, <u>"2 Little Princesses"</u> and give them your support

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