PENINSULA GARAVAN GUBING

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It was a big welcome back for members after our 2month break over the Christmas/New Year period. Although most of us had caught up at the picnic in January it was great to see everyone again and meet new members, as well as old members who were attending a rally for the first time. The rally was well supported with 19 units attending so it was great to see the enthusiasm hadn't worn off over the holidays.

For the early birds, Thursday saw the worst of conditions with high temperatures and hot and humid weather. The only reprieve was air con and those lucky enough to have it were indulging in their luxury. For the rest of us it was 'Sunshine Plaza'. Most of us arrived on the Friday and by the afternoon we were well settled into our new abode ready for the weekend.

Members have indeed been busy over the holidays with their purchases; Chris & Leslie with their new Slide On looking all new and fresh, Ken & Julie had a new awning, Steve & Dell an air conditioner and Bruce & Fran some new equipment, all making life just a bit more pleasant.

Late Friday afternoon Kevin addressed an informal gathering advising us of a few important matters happening the next day. A big welcome was given to Bob & Janette and Peter & Jill (first time attending members) and Mary and Ron & Chris (prospective members). That night a gathering grew and joke telling seemed the order of the night.

Saturday morning offered members the chance to get their extension leads checked by our ably qualified electrician Kevin (not the President). Lucky for three of our members, he discovered their leads were faulty so that has probably prevented some nasty accidents happening in the future. Our thanks to Kevin for offering to do this worthwhile exercise.

Other visitors to the Club on Saturday were Max & Judith Martin who seemed very happy with what they say and are keen to join in the future.

Saturday afternoon saw the logo workshop commence at 3pm and after viewing all the designs the members decided to vote on a winner to get the project moving. Congratulations to Keith Marshall whose entry was the winner. Kevin will now approach the screen printers to get samples for our viewing.

Then it was on to the meeting and the President informed us of the agenda items for the next General Members' Meeting to be voted on at Mt. Tamborine. The 'Do Not Overtake Turning Vehicle' sticker was discussed and it was agreed it was probably worth putting one on your caravan for insurance purposes but the Club would leave it up to each individual member.

We bid farewell to Cyril and Lill for three months or so while they travel around Australia. The raffle was drawn and Ken & Julie were the winners of the Domestic Dispute Eliminator (that had us all guessing) supplied by Neil and Faye. We'll have to check with Ken and Julie if it works.

Dinner time arrived and it was decided to dine outdoors and tables were joined together along the road area. For those of us who dined on prawns we were treated to succulently marinated, perfectly barbequed, delectable prawns and this was possible because of the hard work of a few. A huge bouquet of thanks to those responsible for purchasing, peeling, marinating and cooking dinner namely; Bev & Eric, Fran & Bruce, Mike and anyone else I have forgotten. We were even treated to being waited on; can't ask for more than that.

Some strange little old lady visited us, as well as other people at the caravan park and then sat up the front with some old codger with no teeth and entertained us with our theme song by John Williamson. The Dell and Cathy duo were at it again and this time we were put in different teams passing bunches of grapes over our heads and between our legs with the Red team being the overall winners. Then it was on to bingo with a difference and if you were lucky (tough) enough, a prize to collect. Finally, a walk down the beach (in the dark with our chairs), a trip down the stairs but all worth it to experience the sea breeze, the sound of the waves, the night sky and stars, what a way to end a day.

Sunday morning saw our group dwindle to six with the inevitable departure of many who had Monday commitments. For those of us who stayed, remember what goes on in the Stayers Club stays in the Stayers Club, so no comment. Lucky for you Jim.

Needless to say a great weekend of sun, surf and fun, not to mention the river cruising, Underwater World and much more so we can't wait till the next one.

BIRTHDAYS

February - Belated wishes to

Cyril Torrington Alan White Dennis Brennan

March-

David Jiles Irene Budge Ken Le Clos (Rally weekend) Peter Crowe

ANNIVERSARIES

February – Keith & Averil March – Mike & Enid (40th)

RAFFLE ROSTER

Ken & Julie

NEXT RALLY

17th, 18th, 19th March – Mt. Tamborine

Directions for Mt. Tamborine are attached – see over.

Our call up channel will be channel 18.

ENTERTAINMENT

For anyone interested a tour of the Mt Tamborine Distillery and Cheese Factory leaving at 1 pm on Saturday, cost \$5 and this will be taken off the cost of any product purchased from the Distillery.

Saturday at 7.30pm movies of members' trips around Australia will be shown. Bring along your photos if you can contribute.

Reminder from Bernie to *please* bring back your completed Activities Questionnaires so she can start implementing your ideas.

This is Kerry signing off in place of Keith this time round and next month your Editor returns.

DIRECTIONS TO MT TAMBORINE

DISTANCE FROM KIPPA_RING TO CARAVAN PARK IS 98.2 K's

Travel South on Pacific Highway (M1) until you reach <u>Beenleigh exit No 35</u> Through roundabout over highway <u>turn right</u> <u>at roundabout 250 metres</u> MAIN ST Travel to next roundabout <u>700 metres and</u> <u>turn left onto Beaudesert Beenleigh Rd</u> Travel a further <u>22 K's</u> straight ahead Turn left at intersection Bearded Dragon Hotel on left hand side. Straight-ahead 6 K's

WARNING THE TURNOFF IS 300 METRES PAST SMALL INFORMATION LAYOFF AND TURN LEFT SLOWLY AS RIGHT HAND TURN IS IMMEDIATELY YOU TURN AND IS A SMALL SERVICE ROAD.

The van park is 200 metres down service road straight-ahead office on right.

If you miss the service road turnoff don't worry go 1.1 K's down road and turn in carpark for Cedar Falls and come back. Carpark is large and suitable to turn a van around in. This road is narrow and has a small bridge but is safe so long as you drive slowly i.e.: 50 K's per hour

PLEASE NOTE: As there are limited sites available, members will get first preference then prospective members and lastly guests.