

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

Newsletter FEBRUARY 2009

Next Month's Rally-Coolum Beach Caravan Park
Wed 18th March to Mon 23rd March 2009



The Coolum Caravan Park's accommodation is set on 10 acres of manicured beachfront, making it one of the Sunshine Coast's favorite tourist parks, with modern amenities and a relaxed atmosphere. The Park offers a choice of 185 powered van sites and 118 un-powered campsites. An excellent amenities block is provided, as well as disabled facilities. The tourist park is situated next to a patrolled surf beach, adjacent to shops, sports clubs and mouth-watering restaurants. There is a Camp kitchen, BBQ area, Internet Kiosk and LPG refills.

Things to do

- Swimming and Fishing - on site
- Bowling Club - 2min walk
- Golf - 6 km
- Bingo on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the surf club
- Surf Club - 2 min walk, mini TAB, meals and entertainment
- The famous Emundi markets on Wednesday and Saturdays, 25 min drive
- The Ginger factory at Yandina - 20 min drive
- Kenilworth Cheese Factory and Kenilworth Bluff Wines - 45 min drive
- Blackall Range - Maleny, Montville, Mapleton and Flaxton

The Rally Co-ordinator requires your bookings for Coolum before the 8th March 2009, after this Date you will need to notify the Park yourself. The cost will be \$33.00 less 10% per night for two people. Don't forget to notify Neurum Creek (phone 1300 733 901) to pay your deposits for the Rally in May 2009. Thank you to the four members who have paid, it would be great to have more members co-operating.

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Hosts: Alan & Carol Bishop

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 are
 Required to bring their First Aid Kit.

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COTTON TREE RALLY REPORT

We arrived at the Park at beautiful Maroochydore around lunch time. We were the only arrivals on Wednesday and Enjoyed a very Quiet night. (Boring.....*Hey Lil, I needed some mistletoe*)

Thursday after Breakie we went to check out the shops, when we returned three more vans had arrived. It had been a very hot day; I actually bought a new swimsuit and got it WET. River bobbing has become my “new thing to do”. Happy Hour was declared and we spent the evening dining and chatting under the stars, enjoying the cool sea breeze.

Friday saw the Byng’s ,Bremner’s & Crowe’s returning to Redcliffe to attend the Funeral of our late member Barry Laurenceson .It was a sad and very moving occasion and our deepest sympathy is extended to Irene.

Upon our return to the park, we had a swim to cool off (31 deg) we were settling into our chairs for drinks when DOWN CAME THE RAIN!!! Everyone scurried into their vans for a quiet evening. Helen and John had visitors and the brave souls ventured out to dinner. Vicki unfortunately slipped on the concrete slab in the wet and skinned her knee.

Saturday Peter and I drove to Coolum to check our booking for next month, and met some friends there who we hadn’t seen for about five years, we also visited some permanents we knew and they are very happy with the new park managers, BBQ was very clean also amenities etc.

At 3.30pm we all met in the BBQ area at Cotton Tree to attend a short meeting. Our Secretary Bev congratulated and inducted our new members Rob and Diane Howard and welcomed our visitors Dave & Debbie Smith; Neil paid a fitting tribute to Barry Laurenceson, and advised what items we had in the Club Shop. Peter advised next month’s Rally and passed around the sheet. Neil drew the raffle donated by John & Vicki and Rob & Diane were the lucky winners. Barrie & Barbara presented the new flags at \$15.00 each. The members all hurried back for showers etc then all met at the gate at 5.30pm to catch the minibus to the Surf Club for Dinner. After a very nice meal we walked back to the Park and enjoyed Bev’s delicious Trifle for dessert, and a few drinks to end the evening.

Sunday saw the usual departure of vans, poor Rob & Diane they arrived during a storm and left in one, you haven’t run over a black cat lately have you? Someone who shall remain nameless scratched the white Ford, which had just been newly painted .The markets were a popular choice for those remaining, with the ladies having show and tell. The Stayers, when the rain stopped, met for a BBQ at 6 pm. There was a lot of jeering and cat calls when we noticed John was limping as well as Vicki, apparently he rolled his ankle on the gutter. The members wish Vicki all the best for her shoulder operation, all the best to Jim Went who is in palliative care at Redcliffe Hospital, and hello to Debbie Howard. I look forward to seeing you at our next rally at Coolum for some more “R &R”, Oops I don’t think there will be much rest, looking at the planned activities.

Roving Reporter, June



BIRTHDAYS

March 5th David Giles
March 12th John Hunter
March 21st Peter Crowe

March 1st Andy Hellewell
March 6th Mary Huxley
March 9th Judith Martin
March 25th Christine Vasyli



ANNIVERSARIES

March 1st John & Helen Hunter
March 11th Max & Judith Martin
March 12th Mike Enid Tracey

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	\$ 15.00 EACH

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.



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hello members,

The sad recent events reminded me of a poem I once heard.....

*I read of a man who stood to speak at a funeral of a friend,
He referred to the dates of his life
from the beginning..... to the end.
He noted that first came his date of birth
and spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all was
the dash between the years 1940 – 2009*

*For that dash represents all the time
that he spent alive on earth ...
And now only those who loved him
know what that little line is worth
For what matters not, how much we own,
the cars .. the house .. the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
and how we spend our Dash.*

*So think about this long and hard ..
are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left,
that can still be rearranged.
If we could just slow down enough
to consider what's true and real
And always try to understand the way other
people feel*

*And be less quick to anger, and show
appreciation more
And love the people in our lives like we've
never loved before
If we treat each other with respect, and more
often wear a smile
Remember that this special Dash might only
last a little while.
So when your eulogy's being read with your
life's action to rehash
Would you be proud of the things they say
about how you spent your dash?*

Our April rally is at the Nambour show grounds, and after some hic ups (successfully overcome by Peter) and much document completion we are all set. Actually one of the documents had me really stumped. It was a "Risk Assessment calculator" where you had to identify what risk, the likelihood, the consequences, the risk rating and finally the priority of it. I was stumped until I recalled the accident Lil had at Tin Can Bay (you know the accident where Cyril reckons Lil was half shot and fell out of the door, or where the rest of us believed he pushed her out, or the truth that the step was the culprit) so our highest risk, as stated on the calculator is Slips, trips and falls!!!!!! My solution to reduce the risk is that there will be 40 wheel chairs at the venue and everyone will have to use them!!!!!!

All jokes aside there are a couple of not negotiable rules the show grounds are applying.....

1. We are situated on the cricket oval and there is to be absolutely no vehicle driven over the pitch. So if you have not been there before, or cannot remember then stop at the oval gates to seek directions.
2. ALL leads connected to their power grid must be tested and tagged. Testing has an expiry time of 12 months. Kevin White has confirmed that he is willing to do testing of our leads at a cost of \$5.00 each. He has asked that you deliver your leads to his home, ensuring that they are tagged with your name for easy identification. You will need to have the correct change for the number of leads you are having checked. Remember it is \$5.00 per lead. The second option you have is to get your leads tested at Nambour show grounds by Bruce of 'Test and tag'. We can arrange this for the Friday 17th April of the rally at a cost of \$5.00 per lead. I will use Coolum rally to ascertain your preferences. Those that are not attending Coolum but are going to Nambour please advise me by email/phone if you want testing done at the Nambour rally.

See you at Coolum.

Kevin.

2009 CALENDAR

MARCH
COOLUM
Tel: 1800 461 474
BOOKED

APRIL
NAMBOUR SHOW GR.
PH (Via Peter)
BOOKED

MAY
NUERUM CREEK
PH 1300 733 901
BOOK-ASAP (deposits)

JUNE
MURWILLUMBAH
Tel : (02)6672 2035
BOOKED

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Tel: 4163 1733
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SEPTEMBER
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OCTOBER
IMBUL-AGM
Tel: 5484 5196
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NOVEMBER
KILCOY
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Kilcov Showgrounds
BOOKED

DECEMBER
NO RALLY



FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

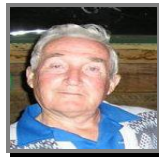
Hello Everyone, It is with great sadness that we learned that one of our inaugural members, Barry Laurencson passed away on the 15th February. Barry will be sadly missed as he always had stories to tell us of his and Irene's caravanning and camping expeditions and he was one to ask if any of us were thinking of travelling as more than likely they had been there. Barry & Irene also enjoyed their ballroom dancing. I know that you will all agree he will be missed and our thoughts will be with Irene at this time and in the future. It would be nice if you all raise your glasses and maybe have a glass of red wine [which he enjoyed] to the memory of our friend. I also had the pleasure in Kevin's absence to induct Rob & Di Howard as our newest members and we all wish them many happy years in our Club. Hope to see you all at Coolum.

Regards Bev.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Apologies are sent from our Treasurer (there will be no report) Neil & Faye are in Newcastle at present visiting their new grand daughter.



REMINDER FROM CYRIL; TARP ETC WILL BE REQUIRED

Barry Richardson; Club Banner

Neil Bremner; 1 green bag containing 7 tent poles & 1 green bag containing Tarp Ridge Poles

Jim Williamson; 1 blue bag containing Tarp Roof & 1 spare silver Tarp, 2 blue bags Containing 1 Tarp shade cloth each

Eric Byng; 1 plastic box containing electrical leads etc & 1 plastic box containing white Peg protectors

Peter Crowe; 3 green bags containing Poles, Pegs & ropes

If you are not attending then it is your responsibility to immediately arrange an alternate transporter of these components to the Coolum Rally

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

MARCH 2009.....K&P White/D&N Giles
"BEACH WALK & GAMES"

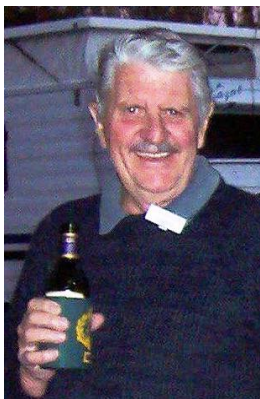
APRIL 2009.....A&D Howard/R&C Vasyli
"BACK TO CHILDHOOD DAYS"

MAY 2009.....D&A Hellewell/L&B Brearly
"TRAVEL TRIVIA QUIZ"

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize minimum value \$15.00)

MARCH 2009.....Eric & Bev Byng
APRIL 2009.....Barrie & Barb Richardson
MAY 2009.....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 please advise the Secretary Bev Byng phone 3869 0345



**VALE
BARRY LAURENCESON.**

On Friday the 20th of February members of our Club joined Irene, Barry's family and His many friends to say a final farewell to a much loved and respected gentleman.

Barry was an asset to any club he was a member of, and was a good friend to all.

We will always remember his talks about his and Irene's travels, and his happy Smiling face.

Barry was farewelled by a full military service, in honour of his 23 years in the Australian Army, during which time he served in Malaysia, Borneo and two Tours of Vietnam. A brave soldier now asleep.

LEST WE FORGET.





RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT



June & I arrived on Wednesday about midday and set up camp. It was very hot so we spent the afternoon relaxing in the shade, me with a beer of course. I received a phone call from our visitors Keith & Shaneen cancelling their visit. Thursday Eric & Bev, Neil & Faye arrived with Helen & John later in the afternoon. Friday the Byng's, Crowe's & Bremners returned to Redcliffe to attend the funeral of our late member Barry Laurenceson. My thanks to Neil for doing the driving as my hip & knee aren't the best.

On our return to Cotton Tree I found John & Vicki, Terry & friend, Barrie & Barbara had arrived. Due to a longer distance to travel Rob & Diane arrived in the pouring rain making conditions very difficult to park and they had to set up as best they could, with re-parking etc being done the next morning. Our new visitors David & Debbie Smith arrived Saturday morning impressing us with their excellent reversing skill, they also show excellent taste in owning a GAZAL pop-top, and we now have five in the club. Despite the heat & rain the nine vans enjoyed each others company and another good time was had by all. Perhaps the number of vans attending was disappointing. Hoping we will see more of you at Coolum Rally in March. By the way Kevin, the office said they were holding a blue esky.

Regards Peter

OUR BELOVED TARP



*OUR BELOVED TARP I'M SURE YOU WILL AGREE
'TIS OUR FAVOURITE PLACE FOR DRINKS, FUN AND GLEE
WHEN WE LEAVE HER COVER IN THE DARK OF THE NIGHT
WE MUST BE SURE THAT HER ROPES ARE SECURE AND TIGHT
FOR WHILE WE ARE IN OUR CARAVANS SLEEPING
OUR TARP MUST BE SAFE AND SECURE IN OUR KEEPING
WE WOULD NOT WANT HER TO TAKE FLIGHT
IF THERE BE STORM OR TEMPEST THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT
WE MUST ALL ACCEPT THIS TASK TO MANAGE
THEN OUR TARP WILL NEVER SUFFER ANY DAMAGE*

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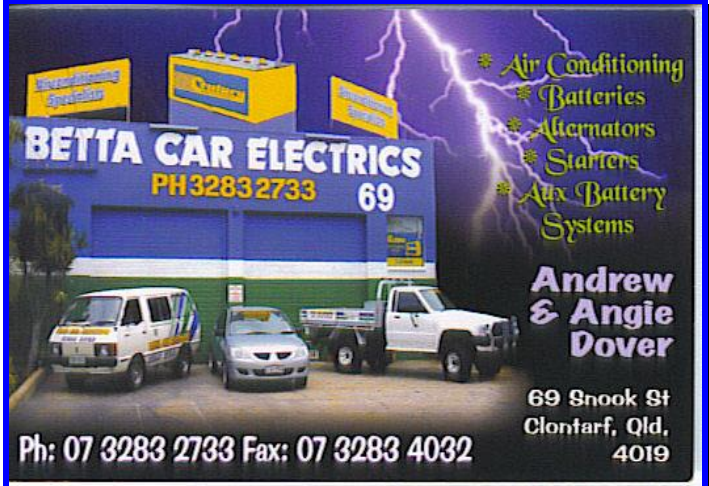
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