



Newsletter February 2011

Next Month's Rally – Maleny Show Grounds
Wednesday 23rd to Monday 28th March 2011
REMINDER: - this rally is one week later than usual.

Maleny is situated high in the heartland of the Blackall Range. Maleny has spectacular views in every direction. Settled by timberjacks, dairy farmers & fruit orchardists, today it is renowned for its country Hospitality, local produce, arts & crafts, dairy & cheese factory. There are restaurants & cafes. Conondale National Park offers bushwalking, you also have access to Mary Cairncross Park with a Kiosk & BBQ facilities. Hotel Maleny has a restaurant, and is a short stroll along the boardwalk from the showgrounds. Hospital is in Beam Street, Maleny. Medical Centre, 25 Maple Street, Maleny.







Mountain views

Winery

Maleny cheese

The Maleny Showground has hot showers, toilets, power & water available (take your own drinking water) you will require LONG HOSES WITH PIGGY BACK FITTINGS, LONG LEADS & LEVELLERS. <u>COST</u>: \$15.00 per van per night, and you will require <u>CASH</u> to pay Vicki Mac on Saturday morning.

The Rally coordinator will require your booking by Friday 11th March 2011, thank you.

<u>TARP & components, Disc Bowls</u> etc will be required for this rally. IF you are not attending please arrange an alternate carrier ASAP.

Carriers:-E.Byng, P.Crowe, D.Smith, W.Sutherland, J.Williamson & J.Mackenzie (Stock)

Directions:-

Travelling north via the Bruce Highway, take the exit onto Steve Irwin Way (formerly the Glasshouse Mtns Tourist Drive) after 21 kms turn left onto the Maleny/Landsborough Road (also known as the Blackall Range Drive). This road veers to the left & crosses the railway line at Landsborough. Continue straight across the railway line & up the range to Maleny. At approx.14.8kms you will enter the Maleny town centre. On your right will be the Hotel Maleny. Proceed across the creek & take the first left into Coral Street. Follow Coral Street for approx. 700 metres & turn left at the T Junction & proceed across the creek. The Showgrounds entrance is on the left at the top of the hill. Enter the grounds & turn left & follow the road as far as you can to the main oval.

Maleny Show Grounds
Cnr Maleny-Stanley River Rd
& Coral street, Maleny. 4552
Contact: Caretaker Ivan

Hankinson

Phone: 04 2891 6570

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 POST CODE – 4552

Maleny Medical Centre: 5494 2131



EDITOR'S REPORT

On behalf of all the members I would like to welcome our new President Les Brearley & new Vice President John Hunter, congratulations to you both, we look forward to your guidance for the future. I would also like to thank Keith & Shaneen Hambleton for travelling to the park on Saturday to conduct the activities.

This was our first visit to Munna Point & I'm sure you will agree it shouldn't be our last, as it was a great venue, the Rivers Outlet & nearby Hastings Street is a bonus to those who enjoy shopping & good food.

It was great to see Helen & Gay attending the rally (without a caravan) along with Les & Bernie (also without their caravan) all being based at a nearby Motel. Unfortunately Mike & Enid Tracey had to cancel because their caravan was in for repairs; they also suffered the loss of Enid's brother, on behalf of all club members I extend our deepest sympathy to Enid, Mike & their family. To all suffering ill health we wish you a speedy recovery & trust you will be back soon.

The club enjoyed the company of new visitors Peter & Megan Moore, John & Paula O'Shea, all from Nambour, we hope you all enjoyed the rally & that we will see you all again soon.

Our next venue will be the Maleny Show Grounds; I hope to see you all there for more socialising & fun.

Regards...June



ACTIVITY REPORT

Saturday morning began with Keith and Shaneen arriving early to arrange car pooling to get everyone to the Jetty, where we were to catch the River cruiser to Tewantin. Leaving at 10.15 we cruised up the Noosa River making a couple of stops to pick up more passengers. This section of the river is alive with an assortment of pleasure craft ranging from Jet skis to houseboats. And we did see some strange looking houseboats indeed.

A running commentary given by the Skipper explained the early history of the river and the surrounding area of Tewantin. On the North Shore region of the river was a number of well kept private residences which had no electricity or facilities. Their only means of getting to the mainland is by private boat.

On reaching Tewantin it was very hot and humid, so we were all looking for somewhere cool. Some members opted for morning tea at the marina, while others went into the township of Tewantin to experience the delights of the Royal Mail Hotel for lunch.

Two ladies thought it best to walk off their scones and mud cake, while someone devoured a milkshake before remembering he had not paid for it. Just as well he is an honest sole.

Everyone made their way back to the ferry in their own good time for the return trip. Most were happy to return and go swimming or have the afternoon nana nap.

Happy hour was had at the camp kitchen right on the waterfront, after which the Courtesy Bus collected us for dinner at the Tewantin RSL. The meal was enjoyed by all and the service was excellent. Two very talented pianists entertained us for the evening.

Thank you to Keith and Shaneen for arranging this great day.

Reporters..... Deb & Dave Smith







PRESIDENTS REPORT

We had a good turnout, a great spot and fantastic weather for the weekend. Our biggest problem was that our car was not working so we had to find accommodation close to the caravan park, along with Helen and Gaye. A big thanks to Keith and Shaneen for organising the Saturday activity which turned out to be a very pleasant trip on the Noosa ferry down to Tewantin and back. The stayers, and there was a good number of them, enjoyed a swim on Sunday afternoon and a welcome breeze for happy hour.

Looking forward to meeting at Maleny on the last weekend in March.

Regards....Les



Sweet Potato Salad- Serves 4

1.5kg (about 2 large) sweet potatoes, peeled, cut into large pieces. 3 rindless bacon rashes, coarsely chopped. 80ml (1/3 cup) buttermilk. 1tbs mayonnaise. 1tsp Dijon mustard. ½ small garlic clove, crushed. 1/3 cup fresh continental parsley leaves. 2 shallots, trimmed, thinly sliced.

Cook sweet potato in a large saucepan salted boiling water for 12 minutes or until just tender. Drain. Place on a tray in a single layer to cool. When cool enough to handle, cut into 2cm pieces. Place in a large serving bowl & set aside. Meanwhile, sauté bacon in a non-stick frying pan over medium heat, stirring, for 5 minutes or until golden. Transfer to a plate lined with paper towel to remove excess oil & set aside. Whisk buttermilk, mayonnaise, mustard & garlic in a jug. Pour over sweet potato. Add three-quarters of the parsley, bacon & shallot. Toss to combine. Sprinkle remaining bacon, shallot & parsley over salad to serve.

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2011 CALENDAR

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APRIL 🖁

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

JULY Warner Ivory's Rock Conference Centre
Peak Crossing, Ipswich

AUGUST ♥
Samford S/grounds
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SEPTEMBER W Kalbar S/grounds Contact - Betty Ph: 07 5464 6769

OCTOBER W State Rally Maryborough

NOVEMBER Mudjimba Caravan Pk

Contact-Greg & Janine Ph: 1800 461 475

DECEMBER No Rally



SECRETARY'S REPORT

I would like to welcome Les & John, President, Vice-President to the committee I am looking forward to working with you both this year we should do well. Also I would like to thank June, Elaine and Rae, you all know why. BIG THANK You Ladies.

What a fantastic rally! The beach was excellent, the water was very therapeutic, it was wonderful to see all who had stayed on Sunday swimming, yes even you Judy...

This is just a reminder that the Saturday of the next rally we will be having a sausage sizzle for lunch, this is from the cancelled "picnic in the park" so the club will be providing sausages, onions, bread, sauces, butter etc. If you wish to have salad or something else please feel free to do so. Hope to see you all next month.

Till then...Bev

<u>Reminder</u> Members & Visitors please remember to sign the Attendance book on arrival. Associate Members you are most welcome to attend a maximum of three rallies per financial year.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Welcome back to Rally & Raffle land. I hope you all enjoyed yourselves last weekend. It was great to see everyone in such good spirits & having FUN.

Thankyou to all who supported our Raffle. We raised \$100.00 & thank you to Elaine & Warren for organising it. Jan Kostuch was the lucky winner.

I would like to welcome our new President- Les and Vice President - John, Hope you enjoy yourselves in your new roles.

Until next month stay safe & well.

Your Treasurer....Vicki Mac



Activity for Maleny, Motorbike racing with a TWIST. We are expecting everyone to participate in this and there will be no excuses accepted. Safety equipment will be supplied. On your bikes!!!!!!! Dave, Deb & Eric

ACTIVITIES ROSTER 2011

MARCH-Eric Byng/D&D Smith
MOTORBIKE RACING – WITH A TWIST
APRIL-M&J Zielke/D&D Broadley
FROG RACING
MAY- H.Hunter/J.Mackenzie/D&A Hellewell
TBA

<u>RAFFLE ROSTER 2011</u>(approx.value \$20.00+ tickets)

MARCH-David & Doreen Broadley

APRIL-Alan & Debbie Howard

MAY-Helen Williams

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 contact the Secretary Bev Byng 3869 0345?

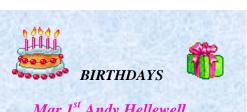
REMINDER

"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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Mar.1st Andy Hellewell
Mar.5th David Giles
Mar.6th Mary Huxley
Mar.12th John Hunter
Mar.16th David Wright
Mar.21st Peter Crowe
Mar.25th Christine Vasyli



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



Gossip Line

Who left their car windows down & the seats got wet? Who stayed on the ferry when everyone else got off? Who slept under a dooner & blanket at 20 degrees while everyone else sweltered?



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Travel News:

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RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

<u>Arrivals</u>: Wed/E&B Byng, P&J Crowe, W&E Sutherland Thur/J&R Williamson, R&C Vasyli, Fri/D&D Broadley, P&J Quinlan, D&D Smith, J&V Mackenzie, J&H Hunter, M&J Zielke, K&M Clausen, Visitors/ Jan Kostuch &Lyn, P&M Moore, J&P O'Shea Sat/ M.Huxley. Motel/H.Williams, G.Gibson, L&B Brearley.

After leaving home on Wednesday 16th February & driving through round-about after round-about,

I don't remember how many there were, I lost count, we finally arrived at the Noosa River Caravan Park at Munna Point. This was a wonderful location, right on the water, double slabs & shady trees. My only criticism was the continuous banging of the toilet doors & a noisy rubbish truck at 6AM every second morning.

The park manager was very helpful & obliging. When I suggested putting the first time visitors next to each other, as we had not met them before, Karen the manager was most cooperative.

Please remember when the club is booked into a caravan park it is <u>most important</u> to advise me the dates of attendance & <u>day of arrival</u>. This park was fully booked & was turning people away.

I do hope our first time visitors enjoyed the rally & that we will see them in the future. It was also good to see Jan Kostuch with friend Lyn again.

Last but not least I'd like to congratulate our new president Les Brearley & vice president John Hunter. I am looking forward to seeing you all at Maleny Show Grounds in March. Remember it will be a week later than usual - Wednesday 23rd to Monday 28th March 2011.

Regards...Peter

<u>Equipment</u> 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.





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