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Newsletter FEBRUARY 2013

Next Month's Rally – GOWINTA FARM
Wednesday 13th – Monday 18th March
205 Burys Road, Beerwah. PH: 0754940365



DIRECTIONS:

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Dear Members,

At the end of next month we will be going on an extended caravan trip to WA and Enda is kindly taking over as Newsletter Editor in my absence. Please send Reports from Gowinta Farm rally to him. Would everyone please help him out by taking a turn at writing the Roving Report/Activity Report & Snippets for the Gossip Line as we all see different things to add to that and we all enjoy a little 'giggle' at someone else' expense, eh! Thank you, Enda, you have put my mind at rest. Lyle

PS: Enjoy all the rallies without us & don't miss us too much!!!

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ROVING REPORT

We arrived at noon at Cotton Tree Holiday Park on **Friday** 15 February in pouring rain along with 4 other vans. The boom gate had been “taken out” that day by a truck and while we were able to get in, there was no guarantee that we would be able to get out, as repairs had not yet been finalised.

Despite Cotton Tree Holiday Park being anti-pets and expensive, its killer location ensured that **35** people, including visitors, signed up. Most booked for a Sunday departure.

We were greeted by the sight of one of the more impressive newer fountains - created when a club member reversed into a site tap. There was some discussion among members as to whether to have a *Dedication Ceremony* (“*Memorial To The Unknown Plumber*”), but the idea was rejected because no one was willing to sacrifice a bottle of bubbly (we are, after all, the P.C.C.I). However the fountain did serve as a reminder to all males that it was time to book their next prostrate exam.

Other people had arrived earlier – Visitors **Ken & Kim Hickson** arrived on Tuesday, **Maryanne & George** on Wednesday (and staying to Tuesday) - and taunted us with tales about actually seeing the sun. Other visitors were **Robert & Lynda Hadlow, Judith Day** and **Marion Littlewood**– all surprisingly enthusiastic despite the weather.

Vickie G. gave an impressive display of caravan-parking while **Paul G.** guided her to what he thought was a satisfactory park. They unhitched then Vickie, dissatisfied with the position, immediately re-hitched and, like a member of the old *Holden Commodore Precision Team*, re-aligned everything in one smooth sequence. Applause from all! This lady also teaches finger-painting and collage to Prep children. She can be found in the Tonka truck corner of the Prep room.

Go You Girl - Don't Settle for 2nd Best!

Our club had the pleasure of seeing a *Vintage Caravan Club* at the park - which brought back memories and traumas of by-gone days with minimal facilities but with real adventures.

Also present were the *Dolphin Juniors Under-15s* in a tent camp. We noted with approval that there was a ban on I-Pods, mobile phones etc during their activity periods – however burp and fart noises were still acceptable – some things never change. Otherwise a very pleasant young group!

By Friday afternoon the rain ceased and there was a hint of clearing skies and all members managed to squeeze under the BBQ shelters for **4-sies** to discuss the next day’s activities and bookings for the following Surf Club dinner and bus transport. Whilst this was going on, a holiday park staffer repaired the fountain, digging grimly through the sodden earth.

A group of members left for a feed of fish and chips, the ringleader being **Helen H.** who, in painstaking lip-smacking detail, outlined all the meals, she planned to have on her “holiday weekend” – food porn really: Nigella Lawson without the weight problem. She was inspirational. Others fired up the park BBQs and settled for a home-cooked meal away from home.

The appearance of a blue-and-buttermilk sky gave us hope of a clear Saturday

Saturday morning and it poured. **John H.** went for a postponed swim, mostly in the river, and reported that it was cool but O.K. when you got moving. **Helen H.** supervised from the shore.

The afternoon saw the shelter sheds occupied by the Under-15s and other people – and all were having a good time and gave no indication of moving for us. **Mark and Diana Linett** stoically ate lunch there hoping to face them off.

They and others were successful and we had the sheds to ourselves just as the sun broke though at 3:15.

After the Activities, President Les inducted new members **Robert & Lynda Hadlow** and the Club bid them a warm welcome.

Club Members went off to the Surf Club and found that, at the end of the night, the rain had held off and that Sunday would perhaps be a balmier day.

Sunday Morning – it **poured** – with driving wind gusts. Most people upped sticks during the first break in the weather and, with quick farewells, departed.

Enda



PRESIDENTS REPORT

The year has started off with a bang with our first rally at Cotton Tree. Perhaps it was more of a roar, of rain drops on the roof of our vans and tarps! It was a wet weekend but still very enjoyable. We were fortunate that it was not raining on Saturday afternoon for our activities and the view from the surf club was very nice for dinner. Thanks to the activity organisers, Enda & Linda and Rick & Helen. It was funny how easy it was to recognise the nursery rhymes, after you were told the answer! We welcomed Robert and Lynda as new members to the club and also visitors Ken & Kim, Marion and Judith.

We were thinking of organising a tag along again this year. One suggestion was that we go West, perhaps as far as Charleville. We would try to organise is so that there was a choice of one or two weeks duration. The other suggestion was to organise a trip West of Rockhampton after the National Rally. So take a longer drive back. If anyone is interested in either of those options then let me or any of the other committee members know. We would be particularly interested in somebody who was willing to plan the itinerary.

Unfortunately we will not be able to make the rally in March so I look forward to seeing you at Ferry Reserve Park, Brunswick Heads, in April. **Don't forget you need to pay a deposit to the caravan park now for Ferry Reserve.**

Cheers

Les

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

MAR 2013 ... Colin & Lyle
APR 2013 ... Paul & Vickie
MAY 2013 ... Enda & Linda
JUNE 2013... Mick & Irene

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.

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

MAR 2013 ... Mick & Irene / John & Vicki
APR 2013 ... Bernie / Fred & Collette / Jim
MAY 2013 ... Alan & Lorraine / Alan & Debbie
JUNE 2013 ... Mike & Judy / George & Maryanne

Members who are unable to make their commitment please swap with another couple & advise Secretary & Newsletter Editor. Thank-you.



BIRTHDAYS MARCH

1st Andrea H 12th John H
 3rd Linda B 21st Peter C
 6th Mary H 25th Chris V
 9th Vickie G



ANNIVERSARIES .. MARCH

7th Kurt & Margaret Clausen
 12th John & Helen Hunter

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



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APRIL- 
Ferry Reserve Hol/Pk
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JUNE- 
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JULY- 
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AUGUST- 
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SEPTEMBER- 
Kilkivan Bush Camp
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National Rally- 
Rockhampton

OCTOBER- 
Beerwah Sports Centre
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NOVEMBER- 
Coolum C/Pk
Ph 1800 461 474

DECEMBER-
No Rally

(Xmas Lunch)



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Cotton Tree was a short rally for most of us and a very wet one. However it didn't stop us from enjoying being with our friends. Dinner at the Maroochydoore Surf Club on Saturday night was nice and it was fine long enough for those who walked. Thanks to Enda, Lynda, Rick & Helen for organising Saturday afternoon's activity which showed how little we could remember about Nursery Rhymes. Once we were told the answers we all knew them of course.

Welcome to our newest members Robert and Lynda.

The shopper docket amount for this month was \$2059.00

Until next time, everyone take care.

Cheers
Elaine



TREASURER'S REPORT

Cotton Tree was wet, wet, wet. One couple who shall remain nameless had a beautiful fountain, compliments of a busted tap, this remained shooting water high until the poor plumber arrived to repair the tap in the rain. Even though it was wet we did have a good weekend and congratulations to the organisers of the games, they made us think. Once again Vickie had the edge in the Nursery Rhyme stakes.

Robert and Lynda were welcomed to the club

The raffle was drawn by Visitor Marion, and won by Chris and Ron. Warren and Elaine raised \$80.00 for the club.

Saturday fined up enough for us to go to the Surf Club for Dinner, a good night was had by all.

On Sunday Night the stayers had the most beautiful sunset, promises of a good day on Monday, but alas it was telling whoppers, the rain and wind started again during the night, and Monday was a washout. A few very wet people packing up to head home. See you all at Gowinta.

Rae

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)

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RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Hi Everybody,

Was not our week-end nice and wet but we still had some fun. Hope our next rally will be a lot drier. I will send out the rally sheet shortly for those who have not filled it in, to reply by Tuesday 5th so as I can let Gowinta know how many are coming and book enough spaces. All for now.
Eric

A VERY WET RALLY



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Who ??????

- Who reversed into the tap, resulting in a picturesque fountain followed by a shiny new brass tap?
- Whose meal at the Surf Club arrived cold – and took it back.
- Who waited 20 minutes for coffee to be ready?
- Who lost their car keys?
- Who, during the Surf Club Raffle, got overwhelmed and called out “*Lower! Lower!*” when the numbers were not to her satisfaction?

What .. still waiting for
That coffee?



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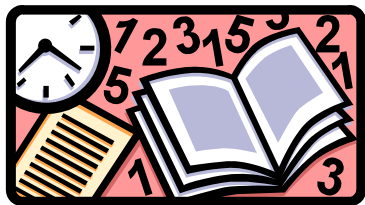
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OOPS alright! I wonder who's car that is?



Activity Report

Activity Organisers:- *Helen & Richard Roeder; Linda and Enda Bracken*

From Friday onwards, with the onset of heavy rain and a seeming lack of sufficient shelter for the 40 persons who had signed up for Cotton Tree, there were some doubts as to what activities *could* be pursued..

A *Nursery Rhyme Puzzle*, a *Famous Couples Match-up Activity*, a *Great Lovers Trivia Quiz* and a *Valentine Bingo* had been prepared as **table** activities because it was anticipated it would be too hot (!!!!) at Cotton Tree in February for physical activities. The bingo was jettisoned before the Friday as impractical because of the limited table space.

In any event Linda B. had booked the Surf Club for a Saturday dinner with a bus pick-up.

The sky cleared in the afternoon and Activities commenced at 3:32 pm and closed about 4:25 pm.

<u>Who</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Winners</u>
Linda Bracken	Activity Sheet:- Guessing 30 Nursery Rhymes, with the 1 st letters of the words in the 1 st line as clues	Equal First with 19/30:- * <i>Vickie Grieve</i> * <i>Collette Sheppard</i>
Helen & Richard Roeder	Matching Famous Couples Activity Sheet	Lowest Score Won:- <i>Mary Huxley</i>
Enda Bracken	20 "Famous Lover /Romances" Trivia Questions	First with 14/20:- <i>Collette Sheppard</i>

Helen & Richard Roeder distributed *chocolate Valentine hearts* to everyone, and donated the *major* prizes.

Linda Bracken supplied *minor* prizes.

Thank you to the Activities organisers. The highly discriminating group seemed to be absorbed in them.

Richard Roeder presented the *lighted birthday cakes* to **Birthday Boys** *Mark Linett* and *Paul Grieve*.

The *February Anniversaries* celebrated were:-

- *John and Vicki Mackenzie* and
- Surprise drop-in visitors *Allan and Debbie Howard*

Most people elected to walk the 500 meters to the Surf Club as there was a break in the weather

The Maroochy Surf Club meals were varied and of good value with only a couple of complaints about delays.

There was a wonderful view and we were able to sit together in two nests of tables.

Thank you *Linda B.* for organising the venue.

Please note Activities for Gowinta Farm for March Rally: (from Organizers Mick & Irene)

Sat afternoon: Disc bowls (weather permitting).

Sat evening: BYO meal, to eat together in the shed - followed by a fun quizzical/games evening.

Recognizing that it will be St Patricks Day on the Sunday, maybe wear something green to bowls and bring your favourite Irish joke for after dinner.

Also, as it will be Easter the following week, Easter bonnets to be worn to dinner.

Thanks Irene.



Welcome to new members, Robert & Lynda.



The 'Birthday Boys', Paul & Mark.



Congratulations to the Happy Couples
Vickie & John and Alan & Debbie



Elaine presenting Chris with her raffle prize.



After all that rain ... what a beautiful photo!

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