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## Newsletter JULY 2011

### Next Month's Rally – Samford Show Grounds Wednesday 17th to Monday 22nd August 2011



#### *Dog Friendly Venue*



Samford Showgrounds



Samford Valley Village



Samford Valley Golf Course

The Showgrounds – set in 40 acres of lush, well grassed countryside – have camping facilities, powered sites for caravans; a live-in caretaker maintains the grounds. The grounds are situated approximately 25km from Brisbane City and 7km from Samford Village, with powered sites, water supply (tap water is bore water), showers and toilets. Showers & Toilets are in separate buildings but side by side & tiled –rated as good. Pets are allowed. BBQ- use your own gas bottle. There is an undercover area for the clubs use & a hall for hire.

The club rally booking is Wed-Mon cost \$15.00 per day, if wish to stay any longer after that the cost is \$20.00 per day as advised by the Caretaker. The Hall is booked for Saturday; re Bush Talent Time activities (page 5).

**The rally coordinator will require your booking by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2011, please reply if you will or will not be attending this rally, payment in cash please. Bring Long Leads, Long hoses + Y connections & levellers, remember tap water is bore water, and so bring drinking water.**

**THE TARP**; Carriers only the Tarp sides will be required for this rally.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

From the M3 or Arterial Motorway take the off ramp to Strathpine, from north travel over the Motorway onto Strathpine Road, left onto Kremzow Road, left onto South Pine Road, continue on past Wantima Golf Club, turn right onto Eaton's Crossing Road, left onto Mount Samson Road, onto Samford Village, drive through Samford Village then turn Right onto Mount Glorious Road for about 7KLMS turn Right onto Showground Drive (watch for Showgrounds sign)

*Samford Showgrounds,  
Showgrounds Drive,  
Highvale, Queensland 4520  
(Approx. seven kilometres  
from Samford Village.)  
Contact - Caretaker  
Paul Clifford Ph 3289 7057*

**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 – 4520**  
**Samford Valley Medical Centre Ph 07 3289 1712***



## ROVING REPORT-Ivory's Rock

Despite the cold weather being predicted Peter & I set off for Ivory's Rock, Peak Crossing on Wednesday; when we were travelling on the motorway at Redbank we noticed we were being followed by Alan & Lorraine who had spent the previous night at their daughters home. On arrival at the camping grounds Eric & Bev were setting up their van & annex, Warren & Elaine arrived shortly afterwards, making a total of four caravans. It was a very warm sunny day & we were soon out of our winter gear & into T shirts, until late afternoon when it started to get cold again. We enjoyed early happy hour under the stars & a big full moon catching up on all the news. The evening was cold & the heaters got a good work out.

Thursday saw the surprise arrival of Rob with Di, who had some time off work. Alan & Lorraine arranged dinner at the Peak Pub where we enjoyed a meal for just \$10.00 which explained why the place was very busy & full of patrons. The biggest challenge for everyone at this rally was trying to understand the gas heaters in the you *beaut* Ensuites, once we got the hang of it there was plenty of very hot water.

Friday was rather cool & most of us went for drives to Harrisville, Kalbar & Boonah where there was money spent on various shopping adding to the *Shopper docket's* collection. On arrival back at Ivory's Rock we had lunch & showers. Warren & Peter were busy setting up their TV's for Friday night football. Mary, Jim & Rae had also arrived followed by the late arrival of Vicki & Macca in a brand new Franklin caravan which was cause for great excitement & cheeky remarks about Treasurers. It was cloudy & cold so we spent the night indoors.

Saturday Jan with his van & Les with Bernie arrived early in time for the Activity at Lake Moogerah. The grand plan was to leave at 10.30AM, however it was discovered Mary had gone *Walk about* and no one knew where she was, a couple of drivers went looking for her & I believe it was Macca who found her. Despite the weather we all had a good time at Lake Moogerah, I certainly enjoyed our president's yummy chocolate & cream birthday cake. Congratulations Les on turning 60, you & Bernie were probably feeling tired & a little jet lagged by the end of the day. At Happy Hour Di announced the Birthdays for the month, presenting Rae & Les with cup cakes & candles –there were no anniversaries. The raffle prize was won by Elaine & Warren. Les presented special badges for completing 50 rallies to Peter & June, Eric & Bev & Jim & Rae. My how time flies by! Our treasurer Vicki Mac then collected the money to pay caretaker Joe for the campsite fees.

Sunday was a nice sunny day again & the 50<sup>th</sup> rally attendees were summoned to don their club shirts and have their photos taken. Caretaker Joe arrived with some organic produce to sell and advised he would return at 1PM to conduct a tour of the Ivory's Rock Conference Centre & organic farm. Oh my God!! What a very impressive tour that was!! We enjoyed the Happy hour get togethers in the most unusual place at this rally.

Monday morning saw everyone returning home after another successful & fun rally. 'He who knows best' is not a very happy chappie since arriving home with a head cold & cough; hopefully he will be fully recovered in time for the August rally at Samford show grounds, maybe a hot rum toddy or two might do the trick. See you for more fun.

## Roving Reporter...June

### Reminder

CCCQ 36<sup>TH</sup> STATE CARAVAN RALLY-MARYBOROUGH;  
Wed 12<sup>th</sup> -Wed 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2011. The registration forms & program are now available, discount if you register before Friday August 26<sup>th</sup> 2011.  
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## ***PRESIDENTS REPORT***

**W**e arrived home from our visit to South Africa on Friday evening so only managed to make it to Ivory rocks by 10:30 on Saturday morning. It was raining lightly on and off but everyone decided to still drive to Moogerah Dam for lunch. We found a big shelter with tables etc and enjoyed a good lunch, along with several birds and a possum. My darling wife arranged a birthday cake for me which was a great surprise. We returned to Ivory's Rock and then left after happy hour to go home for some more rest. I hope the weather was a bit better for the rest of the rally.

**F**or those interested I will show an abridged version of the photos from South Africa on Sunday night at the rally at Samford.

**A**s we move into the second half of the year it is time for people to think how they might assist on the committee for next year. Don't wait to be asked, put your hand up if you are interested in helping your club. Nomination forms will come out in the next couple of months.

**I**f you know anyone who might be interested in joining our caravan club then the rally at Samford would be a great opportunity for them to come as visitors and see what fun we have as the rally is so close to Brisbane. There is plenty of room for visitors and there are great activities planned so encourage them to attend.

**S**ee you at Samford.

*Cheers...Les*



## ***ACTIVITY REPORT – Lake Moogerah***

**A**fter having sunny days since the rally began, Saturday saw the rain with us again. Rob & Di had decided on a picnic lunch at Lake Moogerah, just a short drive from Ivory's Rock as the activity. Not to let a few showers stop us, we all set off at about 10.30am.

**O**n arriving at the lake we were lucky enough to find a large covered area with plenty of tables & seats for everyone. Some of us had picnic lunches & some had BBQ's. After getting everything set up & enjoying a hot drink, some time was spent watching the birds –Kookaburras (they didn't mind being hand fed), Magpies, Minor birds & others all coming around to see what they could get. We also had a curious possum on the top beam of the shed; no doubt he came down after we had all left. It certainly gave people good photo opportunities.

**L**unch was enjoyable with the usual talking & laughter when everyone gets together. We got back to our vans at about 3.30PM, so not much time to spare before Happy Hour. Thanks to Rob & Di for choosing Lake Moogerah for our Picnic/BBQ lunch. A good time was had by all despite the weather.

**I**t was great that Les & Bernie made the trip for the day, as they had only got home from their trip to South Africa the night before & Les had a special Birthday to celebrate. Well done to Bernie for keeping the birthday cake hidden in the car.

**C**ongratulations to Bev & Eric, June & Peter and Rae & Jim on their achievement of attending 50 rallies with the Club.

*Activity Reporter...Elaine*



Les 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Cake



50<sup>th</sup> Rally attendees Awards



Unusual venue for Happy Hour



**2011 CALENDAR****AUGUST** 

*Samford S/grounds*  
**Contact- P&T Clifford**  
**Ph: 07 3289 7057**

**SEPTEMBER** 

*Kalbar S/grounds*  
**Contact - Betty**  
**Ph: 07 5464 6769**

**OCTOBER** 

*36<sup>th</sup> State Rally*  
*Maryborough Old*

**NOVEMBER**

*Mudjimba Caravan Pk*  
**Contact-**

*Greg & Janine*  
**Ph: 1800 461 475**

**DECEMBER**

*No Rally-Xmas Lunch*

**2012 CALENDAR**

*JAN-Picnic in Park*

*FEBRUARY-booked*

*Tin Can Bay T/Park*

*MARCH-booked*

*Canungra s/grounds*

*APRIL- TBA*

*Nambour s/grounds*

*MAY-booked*

*Lake Macdonald*

*JUNE- booked*

*Imbil, Deer Park*

*JULY- booked*

*Nanango C&M Park*

*AUGUST-booked*

*Rathdowney s/grounds*

*SEPTEMBER-*

*State Rally-Warwick*

*NOVEMBER-booked*

*Crow's Nest C/Park*

*DECEMBER-*

*No Rally*

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**H**i One and all. Ivory's Rock proved us all wrong, the weather was not as cold as we all thought it would be and we managed to have "happy hour" in the strangest place. It was a nice surprise to see our Treasurer and husband arrive in their new van.

**I**t was wonderful to see Les & Bernie arrive for the day on Saturday, and we all enjoyed helping him celebrate the big 60. Thank you to Rob & Di for the activity, despite the weather, we are a hardy lot!!!! Eric and I both must congratulate our fellow "50" rallies attendees, Peter & June and Jim & Rae.

**O**ur total for the shopper docket was \$1,685.25 & \$576.00 camp fees, WELL DONE everyone and thank you all for taking part. Hope everyone stays warm and hope to see you all at Samford.

*Till next time... Bev*

We have tickets available for the State rally monster raffle, see Secretary Bev. This year's state rally at Maryborough offers a variety of activities & entertainment, something for everyone, please consider coming in October as it is a lot of fun.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**A**nother good rally in sunshine & rain where we had an enjoyable time once again.

**T**hanks for supporting our Raffle for which Bernie & Les supplied two beautiful placemats bought back from South Africa. We raised \$53.00, winners Warren & Elaine.

**I**f anyone would like to order a jacket maybe to wear to the State Rally in October, just let me know & I will organise it for you. The cost is \$35.00.

**T**ake care, until the next rally.

*Vicki Mac*

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**ACTIVITIES ROSTER 2011**

*AUG - B.Brearley/H.Williams/M.Huxley*

**BUSH TALENT TIME**

*SEPT - A&L White/R&C Vasyli/P&J Quinlan*

**EVENING MEAL (Organised by the Show soc.com.)**

*OCT - (no activity required)*

**36<sup>th</sup> STATE RALLY, MARYBOROUGH**

*(Various entertainments arranged)*

**RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)**

*AUG -Jim & Rae Williamson*

*SEPT -Ron & Chris Vasyli*

*OCT - Eric & Bev Byng*

*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 Bev Byng- Ph 3869 0345.*

## Friday Night

Possible Camp Fire & Toasted Marshmallows depending on weather.



## Saturday Activity for Samford; **BUSH TALENT TIME**

Come dressed as a “bushie”– jeans, bush hat or whatever you see as “bush attire”

## Saturday Afternoon

2.00 - How to Make Damper – Savoury & Sweet – Eric & Bev



2.30 - Gumboot Throwing Competition

3:00 - Damper for Afternoon Tea

3.30 - Sheep Dog Trials



4.00ish- Happy Hour with Whip Cracking

## Saturday Evening

6.45- Gather in hall

7.00- Australian Champion Bush Poet .....**Noel Stallard.....Cost of \$5.00 per person**



Noel was 2003 Australian Performance Champion; 2004 Qld Champion and winner of three Tamworth Golden Damper Awards.

8.00- Line Dancing Demonstration including a lesson from our illustrious in-house presenters, June & Elaine.

8.30- Marvellous Macca- our very own extraordinaire entertainer!



9.30ish- Bedtime!

## Sunday Night:

7:00 screening of photos from South Africa trip



*Activity coordinator: Bernie Brearley*



### BIRTHDAYS



Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> Bernie Brearley

Aug. 11<sup>th</sup> Allan Howard

Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> Enid Tracey

Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> Jill Quinlan



### ANNIVERSARIES

Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> Jim & Rae Williamson

Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> David & Nancy Giles

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



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*Saturday is official Club rally day.*

### CLUB SHOP

MENS SHIRTS	\$ 33.00 EACH
WOMENS SHIRTS	\$ 33.00 EACH
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### GOSSIP LINE

- Who arrived with a brand new personally designed annex?
- Who was privileged with the information on how to turn on the power?
- Who knew how to make the gas geysers work and get hot water in the showers?
- Who went clothes shopping at Boonah & was seen eating a pie?
- Who got the biggest fright when the door to the handicap toilet was opened?
- Who kept warm practicing their line dancing for Bush Talent Time?
- Who didn't want to empty the new toilet Cassette?

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## RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

**Arrivals:-** Wed - E&B Byng, P&J Crowe, A&L White, W&E Sutherland **Thur** –R&D Howard,  
**Fri** – M.Huxley, J&R Williamson & J&V Mackenzie **Sat** – J.Kostuch **Day visitors** –L&B Brearley  
**Apologies** – M&E Tracey, J&H Hunter, M&J Zielke, P&J Quinlan, G.Gibson & H.Williams

Hello everyone, as rally coordinator I found the rally at Ivory's Rock very disappointing with only nine caravans attending. I know circumstances in people's lives change, but those who didn't come missed out on a great venue. The nights were cool but the beautiful days made up for it, the views of the Peak Mountains and Ivory's Rock were spectacular. The tour of the Ivory's Rock Conference Centre was mind blowing, the amount of hard cash that has been spent, the caretaker advised the actual conference hall cost 20 million, the kitchen was as big as my house – 800 hectares of manicured land and buildings unbelievable!!!

I must admit I did come home with a head cold & have been in bed for a couple of days, but due to 'she who knows best' & some TLC I'm sure I will recover in time to come to Samford show grounds, looking at the activity it should be a lot of fun. Keep safe on the roads.

*Regards...Peter*

### REMINDER

Those who will be attending the State Rally at Maryborough show grounds will be required to bring a grey water and sullage bucket, very few sites have sullage drains and if the water runs out, there will be problems on the hard sand.

It has also been suggested that you bring a drill with you, if you are parked in the gravel area, a drill is a must to get your pegs into the ground, and even on the grass area it was fairly hard to get pegs in to the sand.

Bring your mini racing car. These must be standard no modifications are allowed. The car track will be set up on Thursday for practice. Also remember the photographic competition.

Volunteers are also required to help out in various areas re CCCQ emails.

### MIRRORS

The Law states that you must be able to clearly see down both sides of what you are towing. Consequently some form of mirror is necessary on nearly all tow vehicles on both sides. A large variety of clip-on, door, guard and bonnet mirrors are currently available from caravan accessories outlets.

### TOWBALLS

The Australian Standard for towballs is 50mm and the rating of the towball must be stamped on the ball. Rating of towballs 50mm in diameter can rate between 750kg and 3500kg. Always check the marking upon the ball to verify the towing weight capacity of the ball.

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