



Newsletter JUNE 2010

Next Month's Rally -Esk Caravan Park Wednesday 14th to Monday 19th July, 2010





Esk is situated in the Brisbane Valley 100kms from Brisbane. Esk c/park is located away from the highway in a quiet & peaceful setting, within walking distance of the Shops, Hotels, Thai Restaurant, Bowls Club etc. This will be the clubs third visit to Esk Caravan Park, and our second

Xmas in July celebraton. Peter & I stayed overnight on our return home from Lake Dyer & there have been quite a few changes. There are several new retirement Villas, ensuites, new BBQ area; Pool, Camp Kitchen & TV cable; Cabins & large open camping area. The Park is still run by the Newman family. You can visit Lake Wivenhoe, Look Out at the top of Highland Street, Antique Shops; local crafts & Markets 7am to noon on Saturdays. Lakes Wivenhoe & Somerset.

Cost; normally \$25.00 - with club discount \$22.00 per van per nite. This is a dog friendly Park, usual rules apply.

The Rally co-ordinator will require your <u>booking by Friday 2nd July</u>, thank you for your co-operation. Long leads, Hoses & Levellers will be required.

<u>Reminder</u>: Disc Bowls, Projector & Stock <u>will</u> be required Carriers: Kevin Keary, Peter Crowe, John Mackenzie If you are not attending please arrange an alternate carrier ASAP.

Directions:

Leave Rothwell/Deception Bay merge onto M1 (Bruce H'way) Turn left onto Daguilar H'way travel through Woodford, Kilcoy continue until turn off for Toogoolawah & Esk. When arriving at Esk turn left into Hassall Street, just past the

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NEW 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

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ROVING REPORT

as Peter so eloquently put it "another old B....d"

We left home on Thursday & met our new visitor Helen Williams at Wild Horse Mountain servo and travelled to Gympie where we stopped for a coffee break then on to Kilkivan. When we arrived we were met by the Caretaker Fran who directed us where to park, we were so close to the amenities it was like having an ensuite which was great for Peter. The Hellewell's & Whites had arrived on Wednesday & David had a good camp fire lit with the kettle boiling. I would like to thank Alan for being a gentleman & helping Helen to unhitch & set up her site. This was Helen's first time "on the road" since her husband passed away & she was a little anxious, thanks to everyone for making her so welcome.

Thursday saw the arrival of 6 more caravans including Eric & Bev. Bev & I were like female 007's sneaking around trying to organise a cake for Eric's 65th Birthday-thanks to Mike Zielke for helping me collect the cake while we were at the pub for lunch, then racing back to the park to hide it in our van- then getting it to Bev's van when Eric was out & about. It was a relief when Sunday morning arrived & Bev lit the candles & surprised Eric at morning tea with the cake. After many hugs, kisses & handshakes Eric cut the cake. It was pointed out that Eric is now officially a pensioner and

Congratulations to the activity organisers for the yummy soups which warmed us on a very cold night & to Rae for the Soup Trivia. Dave & Debbie Smith / Mike & Judy Zielke, presented with a posy of flowers for the ladies & bow ties for the men celebrated their anniversaries. Eric received a cup cake with a candle for his birthday.

Kilkivan bush camp or Rossmore Park had a very quiet & relaxing atmosphere & I enjoyed the camp fires that kept us warm at night. The only hiccup was when the electricity provider decided to turn off the power on Friday morning. Peter & I also enjoyed our tour of Tansey where Mike discovered his Grandparents property & Goomerie where Helen's Grandparents had lived. I believe the Zielke's had gone back on Sunday to take some photos.

To the members who are experiencing health problems we wish you all the best, we miss you & hope you will return soon. To all our travellers keep safe on the road. I am looking forward to the Esk Rally in July.

Roving Reporter..., Tune

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well what a great Rally we had at Kilkivan. Thanks to Peter our very competent rally coordinator & his assistants. Members have really taken to bush camping. Peter chose well.

The activity went well organized by Rae, Lil & Andy with plenty of assistance from the club members. As our President was not able to attend on this occasion, I am putting in a small contribution. I will not say any more as I do not want to spoil the rally report being prepared by Keith & Shaneen. Happy Rallying.

Vice President.....Cyril



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hello Everyone, First of all what can I say about Kilkivan, what a fantastic spot, I think Eric & I will be returning in the near future. Many Thanks to Rae & Lil for the soup night. It went down really well with the cold night. Thank you to David H. for the fires which were very much appreciated. I hope to see you all at Esk for "Christmas In July".

Till next time

Cheers....Bev

Reminder to send in the State rally registration forms before 30th July 2010 to receive the discount.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

By now you will have had the opportunity to have read the latest CCCQ letter (dated 18/6/10) personally addressed to me. Receipt of this letter was quite a surprise considering that your Committee and I had deemed the subject closed following the majority decision against our proposal as a consequence of the vote by the affiliated clubs. I appreciate all the words of support that have come from you since receipt of the above mentioned letter. It would seem that you consider its personal nature and thinly veiled attempt at bullying unacceptable. A delegation from this club will attend the CCCQ meeting on the 12/7/2010 to seek an explanation for their actions.

The vast amount of research information (on liability insurance) that I accumulated to provide factual responses on this subject to the CCCQ has been fruitful in providing evidence that there are possible alternatives of which we intend to explore.

To the 12 (undisclosed) clubs that did vote to support our proposal and champion the cause for a fairer insurance premium calculation deal for the smaller clubs in the affiliation, I use this opportunity to say thanks!

I am hoping that we will see most of our members at the Esk 'Christmas in July' rally. Don't forget that your club is subsidising the meal and the venue is one that many enjoy. The projector will be available for those that would like to show travel snaps etc.

I believe that all those that attended the Kilkivan rally thoroughly enjoyed their time with one or two perhaps a bit more than others and paid the price the next day!!! The stories about sitting around the fire at night made me very envious I can tell you.

We are in the process of acquiring the new tarp with its subsequent set up and may 'commission' it at the AGM rally at Kenilworth as some members have commented they would like that.

See you at Esk..... Kevin



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2010 CALENDAR

JULY * ₩ Esk Caravan Park Ph: 1800 462 375 26 Hassall Street, Esk (Xmas in July)

AUGUST * CLENGARY
Educational Centre
Ph: 07 5427 9176
Lockyer Valley. Booking
Deposit of \$100 paid

SEPTEMBER
State Rally to be held
At TOOGOOLAWAH
Show Grounds

OCTOBER * Kenilworth S/grounds
Ph; 07 5446 0131
Caretaker – Clem
Hassall

NOVEMBER/ Members
Deposits will be required
Dickey Beach/Caloundra
Beerburrum Street
Dickey Beach
Ph: 07 5491 3342

DECEMBER (No rally)

2011 CALENDAR

JANUARY
Picnic in the Park
Date TBA

FEBRUARY Noosa River Caravan Park, Russell Street, Munna Point Noosaville Qld 4566 Ph: 07 5449 7050

MARCH * Maleny S/grounds
Cnr Maleny – Stanley
River Rd. & Coral St.
Maleny Qld 4552
Ph: Ivan-0428 916 570



ACTIVITY REPORT - "Soup Kitchen & Damper"

Saturday morning we experienced very COOL weather, min 1.9 Degree made it the perfect day for the activity organised by Rae, Lil & Andy with help from Jim, Cyril.

After lunch at the Kilkivan Hotel the group met at the camp kitchen and with the help of a large group of volunteers, began cutting up the ingredients for the evening meal. Our taste buds were treated to a selection of delicious soups; Chicken & vegetable, Beef & vegetable, Potato & Leek, Pumpkin, Pea & Ham plus two Dampers prepared & cooked in camp ovens on the fire by Eric & Bev. The soup and damper were very popular & I found it hard not to have a fourth serve. Dessert followed with a very special "FRUIT SOUP" + cream. Well done Rae.

Rae followed on with a Soup Quiz involving trivia questions of Soup names – some of these had us all scratching our heads numerous winners were presented with "prizes" of boxes of Cup of Soups. A very well thought out activity for the perfect time of the year.

THANKS TO ALL INVOLVED......WELL DONE!!!

Reporters.....Keith & Shaneen Hambleton



Rossmore Park, Kilkivan



Rae & Lil -Soup Kitchen



Dave & Mike -by the fire



The Birthday Cake



Eric -Birthday Boy



Telling Travel Yarns

TREASURER'S REPORT

I would like to report that the Shirt Sale is still on until the 18th July at this stage. Shirts are \$25.00, a saving of \$8.00. Those going to the State Rally may want to think about how many days they can wear One shirt? The sales are supporting our club. We sold an extra 3 shirt with 2 more orders to come, but we still have more to sell to reduce the stock we are holding. We raised \$71.00 from the raffle. Great effort guys! The prize was donated by Cyril &Lil Torrington & won by Dave Debbi Smith.

Bye for nowVicki

A wife asked her husband: What do you like most in me, my pretty face or my Sexy body?'

He looked at her from head to toe and replied: 'I like your sense of humor!'

Members and their guests attending our rally venues are expected to respect others property and in particular, <u>never</u> drive over the power leads and water hoses regardless of the circumstances.

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

JULY -Mary Huxley/Mike & Judy Zielke

AM: Morning tea picnic (BYO) at the Look Out top of Highland Street

PM: Secret Santa with a twist- refer next page

AUGUST – John & Vicki Mackenzie/Rob & Di Howard Spicks & Specks

SEPTEMBER - STATE RALLY TOOGOOLAWAH

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00)

JULY - Kevin & Kerry Keary AUGUST - Mike & Judy Zielke SEPTEMBER - Peter & Jill Quinlan

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 by phoning 3869 0345

CLUB SHOP TENT PEG PULLERS \$ 5.00 EACH MENS SHIRTS SIZES L/XL \$ 33.00 EACH **WOMENS SHIRTS SIZE 14, 16** \$ 33.00 EACH \$ 18.00 EACH CLUB STICKERS \$ 5.00 EACH DO NOT OVERTAKE SIGNS \$ 20.00 EACH \$ 17.00 EACH **FLAGS**

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)

Saturday Activities for Esk Rally:-

VAN FLAG HOLDERS

TOWBAR HITCH HANDLES

AM: Travel in convoy to the Look Out at the top of Highland Street for a BYO morning tea picnic.

\$ 5.00 EACH

\$ 10.00 EACH

PM: Secret Santa with a Twist. Would each person attending the rally please bring a gift to the value of \$5.00 - can be anything at all, please wrap in Xmas paper; name cards not necessary. Thank you.....Mike & Judy

PM: Xmas in July dinner plus dessert, Cost\$17.00 per head; the Committee will pay a subsidy of \$10.00 Per head to general members, 50% of this subsidy to Associated & Social members, new members according to the month they joined.

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



BIRTHDAYS



July 16th Neil Bremner

July 15th Les Brearley July 7th Rae Williamson

July 7th Kevin & Pauline White

Comments from.... Eric & Bev

While we were on holidays our air-con died because of a power surge. When we got home we went to see Malcolm "All In One Caravan" service & repairs and he informed us that we needed a new one or he said he probably could fix it but we decided to get a new one. He arranged this for us all in one day, replaced and fitted it. We can recommend him to do any repairs to your van as he is very professional and a "hell of a nice guy" as is all of his staff.

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RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Arrivals; Wed: D&D Hellewell, A&L White Thur: D&D Smith, J&R Williamson, P&J Crowe, D&D Broadley FRI: E&B Byng, K&S Hambleton, C&L Torrington, L&B Brearley, M&J Zielke, J&V Mackenzie SAT: D&N Giles Visitor (Thur) H. Williams.

I must apologise to those members who attended the Kilkivan rally for the lack of water. I believed I was speaking to the original owners & that we were to be placed in a different area where there was water, many thanks to Lorraine who rang about the situation & I was able to send out an email to those who had not yet left home. The upper area where we were put turned out to be great – close to the amenities, camp kitchen & fire pits. The grass was cut short & plenty of fire wood cut for our use. The amenities were kept spotless & everyone agreed that we must come back to this venue, but not in the middle of winter when it is not so COLD; but where can you go in the winter to escape the cold? I certainly enjoyed sitting around the camp fire, listening to all the yarns & travel stories.

My thanks to Eric & Alan for assisting me to park the vans once again – thus saving my legs. I look forward to seeing you all at the Esk Rally in July.

Regards.....Peter

TRAVEL NEWS

We received a post card from Mike & Enid & along with Neil & Fay were staying at Kununurra, East Kimberley, WA. They had done a trip on Lake Argyle & up the Ord River. They have had a few nights in free stays. Ron & Chris Vasyli; we are having a really great time and are currently in Port Augusta. We have seen some wonderful sights and at the moment we are in a caravan park which looks across to the Flinders ranges. We have had good weather for the past couple of days, but it has been very cold at night. We stayed in Peterborough before here, and actually got down to 1degree!!! 24/6/10 At Kalgoolie, heading off for Northam & New Norcia. 24.6.10; Alan & Debbie Howard were back in Scarborough; Shorty was having back problems again.

For Sale: 1x Queen Size inner spring mattress + pillow top for caravan \$150.00; perfect condition Contact Debbie Howard, Phone 0402 940 898

For Sale: Terry Trowbridge has an "Aussie Leisure 3 shelf cupboard" \$25.00 Contact me on 3885 2603, Regards Kevin



Who was asked to feed Cyril & Lil's "Kitty Kat" while they attended the rally?? Who got locked in their caravan & had to break the lock to get out?? Who went panning for gold 4 only came back with 2 pieces the size of pin heads?? Who were the four "D's" sitting around the fire after everyone else had gone to bed?? Who doesn't remember how he got home on Sunday night & was minus one shoe?? Who kept hitting his sorehead on the awning arm when packing up to go home??

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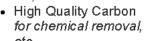
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