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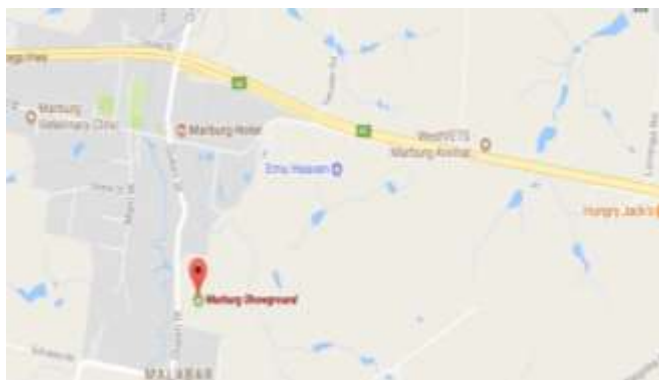
JUNE 2017 Newsletter

Next Month's Rally – Marburg Showgrounds Weekend of 15-16th

Marburg Showgrounds is located in the small town of Marburg and just 21km from Ipswich and provides a quiet stop.

Address: 45-54 Queen Street, Marburg QLD 4346

Phone Number: 07 5464 4132



HOW TO GET THERE

Marburg is just off the Warrego Highway 20km West of Ipswich. Take the signed Marburg exit on left. Continue straight ahead, showgrounds are on your Left (approx 1km).

FEES & FACILITIES

\$15 per van per night. Hot showers, Lit toilet blocks on timers.

THINGS TO DO

The historic village of Marburg, 15 minutes west of Ipswich, takes visitors back in time to an era when the town was the bustling hub of the local area. The streets are lined with beautifully restored heritage buildings including the old German Baptist Church, Bielefeld's Store and the historic hotel built in 1879.

Just outside of town you will find the restored two-storey plantation style mansion named Woodlands of Marburg. Built in 1890, the mansion overlooks picturesque Marburg Valley and is surrounded by magnificent Jacaranda Trees and Bunya Pines.

Visitors to Marburg can enjoy exploring on foot. Look for the iconic Marburg Hotel (circa 1879); the Community Centre, formerly the town's bank; Rosewood Scrub Historical Museum with lots of early photos of the area; old Bielefeld's Store, now an antique centre; the old Police Station, courthouse and lock-up; and the Anglican cemetery, the resting place of many of the area's pioneers. The pretty villages of Haigslea and Rosewood nearby are also of historical interest and great places to linger a while and explore.

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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JULY ORGANIZERS:
Dave & Andy HELLEWELL & Paul & Vickie GRIEVE
 Surprise activity. Just need to be there at 2.30pm
 to find out what.

RAFFLE ROSTER

Prize value \$20 + tickets
JULY—Jim & Rae
AUGUST—Barry & Barbara
SEPTEMBER - Kim
 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, Elaine.

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

JULY—Dave & Andy Hellewell & Paul & Vickie Grieve
AUGUST- Dave & Debbie Smith & Dave & Doreen
SEPTEMBER—John & Helen Hunter & Noel & Yvonne Weeks
 If you are unable to attend your nominated rally, please swap with another couple and notify the Vice President, Colin.

ROVING REPORTER

JULY— John & Helen Hunter
AUGUST— Gay
SEPTEMBER— Helen & Rick

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally please get in touch with the next member on this list. Should you be unable to find a replacement from this list, then talk to the editor, Margaret

ACTIVITY REPORTER

JULY— Rob & Di
AUGUST— Kim
SEPTEMBER—Dave & Andy Hellewell

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Birthdays for July



- Deb Howard
- Les Brearley
- Rae Williamson
- Keith Volkmer

Anniversaries

Lyle & Colin Roles





PRESIDENTS REPORT

A big welcome to our new members Toni and Nida.

What a great roll up with I think 26 vans including visitors attending at the Nanango Show grounds for a weekend of lovely warm days and cool nights and a soup and damper dinner on the Saturday night. The damper cooks are getting better as I didn't see any burnt offerings and the soups were delicious. I don't think anybody would have been able to taste more than a few with so many to try and so much variety.

Caravanning Tips

To cross the safety chains or not to cross the safety chains. The following is taken directly from a Mains Road Department brochure titled **Safe Towing**. So crossing the chains will help stop the draw bar hitting the ground if the chains are adjusted correctly. The full brochure can be down loaded at the address below.

The length of the safety chain/s must prevent the trailer's drawbar hitting the ground if the trailer is detached from the towing vehicle. The safety chains must be properly connected to the tow bar with attachments capable of withstanding the specified breaking load of each chain.

https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/-/media/Safety/Vehicle-standards-and-modifications/Loads-and-towing/Safe-towing/Safe_towing_guide.pdf?la=en

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JULY – 15/16th

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AUGUST – 19/20th

Maleny
Showgrounds
Ph: 0428 916 570

**SEPTEMBER -
16/17th**

Crows Nest Caravan
Park
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OCTOBER - 14/15th

Mullumbimby
Showground
Ph: 0415650203

NOVEMBER- 18/19th

Tin Can Bay Caravan
Park
Ph: 07 54864411

**DECEMBER– XMAS
Christmas Lunch**



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

It's hard to believe half the year is almost upon us. Another great rally was enjoyed by all of those who attended the rally at Nanango. Quite nice weather for the days but we were glad to have a couple of fires to sit around at night, thanks to Rod, Paul and a good supply of wood from Shorty & Debbie.

Welcome to our new Members Toni & Nida. Also, our returning visitors Henk & Bep and first-time visitors Dave & Cecilia.

Shopper Dockets for this month came to \$4902.00

Take Care & I'll see you at our next rally

Elaine



TREASURER'S REPORT

Another rally full of fun and friendship.

The raffle by Rod and Gayle raised \$135.00. and was won by Vickie and Macca.

Thank you all for your support..

Rae.

MEMBERSHIP FEES.

Membership fees are due for payment by the 30th September.

The fees are \$50.00 per van per year.

These fees may be paid at any Rally from now.



RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Hi everyone,

Another great rally. Thanks to the early birds for organising themselves on arrival.

Next rally is Marburg Show Grounds. Cost is \$15.00 per van per night. If you stay for 7 nights you only pay for 6. There is an old time dance on the Saturday night in the show hall. Small charge at door which covers your supper.

There is no dump point. Nearest will be Fernvale, Lowood or Ipswich. Bring long hoses and power leads as usual. This is a new venue to the club so best to be prepared.

See you all next month.

Loretta and Brian



Toni cuts his birthday cake cooked by Nida



The "never ending" fire that kept us warm for many days and nights. Thanks to Shorty and Debbie for the wood, trailer and drum. Also thanks to the lads who went to chop the wood.

CLUB SHOP

MENS SHIRTS SIZES	\$ 32.00 Ea
WOMENS SHIRTS	\$ 32.00 Ea
JACKETS	\$ 45.00 Ea
SLEEVELESS SHIRTS	\$ 25.00 Ea
CAPS	\$ 18.00 Ea
CLUB STICKERS	\$ 5.00 Ea
FLAGS	\$ 17.00 Ea
VAN FLAG HOLDERS	\$ 5.00 Ea
TOWBAR HITCH HANDLES	\$ 10.00 Ea
TENT PEG PULLERS	\$ 5.00 Ea

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)



Roving Report by Paul Grieve

Guarding our sites at the Nanango Show Grounds was Rae, the first to arrive. The old regulars started to arrive a few hours later. The mood was social for the first 2 days with members chit-chatting and mingling. Friday morning saw the crafty ladies out in force doing quilling and other skilful pursuits. Several men declined the invitation to join them.

The hunters of the Peninsula tribe set out on several missions to ensure the warmth of the clan with the fire wood being graciously donated by Shorty and Debbie. They also discovered a nice establishment for morning tea and highly recommend the coffee but noted that you have to take your own scones. The resident fire bugs ensured that the fire never went out.

While sitting around the campfire and under the shed on Thursday night, we had to be aware of drop bears as several fell on the roof, scaring some of our members. Someone suggested that perhaps the drop bears should have been shot.

Friday night saw us go out for dinner at the local RSL which provided excellent meals at very reasonable prices. The Lions raffle at the RSL was won by some of the members with humility and graciousness.

Saturday morning saw several expeditions heading out, visiting the swinging bridge at Cooyar, scenic walk through the Palms, just out of Cooyar, the Lavender Farm on the way to Kingaroy and the local shops. It was observed that some of the members were reverting to their childhood by playing on playground equipment at Cooyar.



Cooyar swinging bridge



The Palms



Children at play

On Saturday night a plague of locusts descended upon the Soup Kitchen devouring all before them. When it came to the vote, the chicken and vegetable soup was the most popular. It should also be noted that the club members have perfected the art of damper making although there is contention that an electric bread maker counts as a camp oven.

We had 4 lots of visitors to the rally, we inducted new members Toni and Nida. We welcome them and not just because of Toni's grappa and Nida's desserts.

Sunday morning, the sun was shining and several more expeditions headed out to discover the delights of the Nanango area as many members packed to go home.



Those infamous wine bottle storers



Elaine, Gayle and Lyle admiring Nida's handiwork

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GOSSTP LINE



- Who's the Queen of Recycle?
- Who made the best bread in the camp oven? Not to mention the damper!
- Who needed a chauffeur to the toilet and back?
- Who said her husband wouldn't kiss her at the top of the Eiffel Tower in Paris? Romantic, eh.
- Where is the Porridge?
- Who said she was only drinking water but fell backwards off her chair? Should stick to wine!
- Who looked like a "stunned rabbit caught in the headlights" on her way to the loo?
- Which Polar Bear was enjoying a couple of shots of Grappa aka rocket fuel to warm her up!!
- Who did a slow feet over head backwards @Happ Hour, but managed to save her wine?
- Who won not 1 but 2 meat trays at the RSL and didn't offer a sausage for anyone?
- Which pyromaniacs had the campfires sorted hours before the camp oven cook-off?
- Who needed "power assist" before even leaving home? (or an extra long cord!!)
- Who was spotted souveniring slips of geranium?
- Which lady gave another lady's husband a grouping during disc bowls?
- Who always tell us to do a final walk around their Van but drove off with his power lead still plugged in?
- Who stores their bottles of wine in their tall ugg boots for safe keeping? Good travelling tip!



Paul won again! Used all his luck before Saturday



Bev and Loretta wearing their Elvis jackets



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ACTIVITY REPORT: by by Mark and Diana Linnett

Disc Bowls was the order of a beautiful winters' afternoon in Nanango.

With the course pegged out and members all seated within viewing range, the fun began.

Contestants were called up two by two to demonstrate their skill.

Eliminations were fast for some, even the most competitive and odds on favourites were spared no mercy!

After much ado with wives doing better than husbands, the odd foot fault, unintentional hobbling, victory dancing, getting serious with discarding of coats etc...

The crowds' excitement was driven to fever pitch with the encouragement of our President Kens' OOHS and AAHS!!

The final was between Les and Dave B who played off with two rounds of six discs thrown each. A surprising result with Les the overall winner receiving a gold cup and Dave B receiving a silver cup for posterity.

Congratulations to Ron and Chris and Trevor and Yvonne, our Activity Organisers, for their patience in keeping tally of such a large group this month. They were assisted with many other members to make our activity fun and enjoyable.

At Happy Hour we celebrated the Birthdays of Margaret Peachey, Helen Hunter (absent), Kim Hickson, Gay Gibson (absent), Gayle McHutchison, Eric Byng, Dave Broadley and Toni.

Anniversaries for the month were Irene & Mick Kerwood (absent), Mike & Judy Zielke (absent), Debbie & David Smith and Noel & Yvonne Weeks.

The Raffle was conducted by Rod and Gayle with the winning members being Vicki and John. A prize of a Jenga game could have been inspired by last months' activity!



The course is marked out and teams allotted and off we go! Lots of cheering and clapping with contention re "feet on the line". Competition, as usual, was fierce. A little help with the scoring in progress.





And the winner Les



Runner up was Dave B



Activity organisers - Yvonne, Chris, Trevor and Ron



Happy anniversary to Noel & Yvonne Weeks and Debbie & David Smith



Our newest members - Nida and Toni



June is a big birthday month!

CHAT N CHOOSE™

Ladies & Gentlemen . Come along on Friday mornings at 10:00am To our regular "chat N choose" Bring your craft or board Games / cards / artworks / whatever you do. You choose whether you wish to do your craft While you chat, or just chat .

Don't forget your tea or coffee.



From Gayle:

Thank you to everyone who purchased beanies for "The Big Freeze for MND". \$600 was raised + \$100 donation. \$4.5M was raised nationwide. The monies will help with the continuing research to find a cause/cure for this disease.



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Notes from the Editor:

I must apologise for the lateness of this newsletter. I have had to do a lot of cutting and pasting to get it together and I have hopefully captured all the news from the June 2017 rally.

A couple of things to note.

- ✓ Please make a note on your calendars that the October Rally will be held on the **14/15th** at Mullumbimby Showground as the first of October falls on a Sunday and so is counted as the first weekend.
- ✓ Annual fees are due by 30th September. Rae can take your fees from now. Do not leave it until the last minute as it makes a lot of work for a Treasurer.
- ✓ **The rally on 16/17th SEPTEMBER** will now be held at the **Crows Nest Caravan Park** Ph: (07) 4698 1269 as Gatton Showgrounds was double booked.
- ✓ Staff at Frohlies told me that several members had called in to get meat on their way home from the last rally. They were very pleased about our patronage.

Please advise me if there are any omissions/wrong information in this newsletter so I can correct it.

If there are any mistakes in this newsletter, please blame the computer. They have a mind of their own when it comes to putting text boxes and photos in a document that then has to be converted to a format that everyone can access/read.

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