

# Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

## Newsletter 03/06

On balance it may not have been the best, or, I suspect, the worst. There maybe some that felt fitter after the weekend, & others that have found muscles they didn't know existed. I am referring of course, to the location of our March Rally, Tamborine Mountain Caravan and Camping Ground at Thunderbird Park.

The sites may have been a little difficult to manoeuvre the vans on to for some. In fact one Millard Owner, who shall remain anonymous, was throwing expletives around, like Santa with free lollies, so much so his wife had to walk away. Something to do with levelling I believe. While those with camper trailers, well, if the ground isn't level the best one can hope for is half a cup of coffee. Having said that, the weekend at Tamborine was enjoyed by all, commencing with the informal gathering on Friday evening for the Happy Hour which somehow stretched into two, before disbanding for our evening meal.

Quite a few members visited the Tamborine Distillery on Saturday morning, while others had a discovery walk around Thunderbird Park.

The Management Committee met a 3pm followed by a formal General Meeting. Both By-laws that had been brought forward from the Management Committee were put and adopted by the Members. Ken Le Clos put forward his ideas on a tag-a-long tour, if members are interested.

The winner of the Club Logo competition, **moi**, was awarded his prize by President Kevin but due to time constraints and the lateness of the hour, was unable to thank his parents, his children, his relatives, his teachers, his agent, everybody he has ever known and all members that voted for his design.

The Club Raffle which raised \$109, was drawn by our visitor Carolyn and won by Nancy Groves.

Our Saturday evening gathering also coincided with the birthday of Ken Le Clos. Everyone was surprised to see three tarts, (*read* old slappers) and what would best be described as Priscilla, Queen of the Desert with glasses, to help celebrate the occasion.

After devouring a monolithic Birthday Cake we were then entertained by Les showing his photos, on the big screen, of his trip around the big lap, complete with commentary by Les via our PA System.

The majority of members left at various times during Sunday morning, the remaining members staying for the traditional BYO Bar-B-Q of the Beef Steak & Burgundy Club after which we were treated to some delicious damper, the ingredients thrown together by Bev & Averil and cooked to perfection in the camp ovens by Eric, the Peninsula Clubs answer to Malcolm Douglas.

At 6.30 on Monday morning, standing beside my annexe looking down on the remaining vans I wallowed in the silence. With the early morning sun filtering through the trees, and the first kookaburra out looking for his breakfast, I was humbly grateful for the faculty of sight. And I recalled the words of an American author I think, who wrote "now is the time to be making the most of our days left on this planet and enjoying those things for which we were presumably designed in the first place. The opportunity to do good work, to fall in love, to enjoy friends, to sit under a tree, to read, to kick a ball and to bounce the baby" and may I add, to drink a glass of good wine.

This is, the best of times.

### **CCCQ MEETING 21/3/06.**

Comments made at ICC meeting 21/3/06

Comments made by Club Members about the rudeness of the staff/owners of the Lazy Acres Caravan Park at Hervey Bay. Club booked the Park for the weekend; the owner had earth moving equipment and was digging trenches near the vans. When owner was contacted he stated that if you don't like it – leave. Committee suggests try another Park.

**INSURANCE.** General discussion of caravan insurance. C.I.L. will not insure against intrusion for pop-top caravans as they claim canvas can be cut with a knife and entry made. Please check policy.

STATE RALLY. This year the rally will be at Goondiwindi. 600 powered sites, plenty of shower/toilets and dining areas. Any member can hold a stall if they wish. Lots of activities over the week period.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS.  
Same committee re-elected as no others nominated.  
Next meeting 16/5/06

Darryl - CCCQ Delegate

#### LETTER FROM MEMBERS:

"A very big thanks to everyone at Mt Tamborine for making the rally such a success as well as my birthday party. I would especially like to thank Jim on a fantastic job and the OLD TARTS 3 i.e.; Dell, Kath and Julie who put on a great performance".  
Ken.

#### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Murray and Christine Jackson will be displaying at Beachmere the hat and jacket that can be won. Ticket sales will commence there. The raffle will be in addition to the normal one and will probably go for at least three rallies giving all time to purchase a ticket. Hat raffle is \$5.00 per ticket and coat \$10.00 per ticket. All proceeds will go to the coast of our banner and van stickers and that tickets can be purchased by members of the public. Members are reminded that they have an open invitation to attend any management committee meeting.  
Kevin

**BIRTHDAYS:**

June Crowe	6th April
Patricia Stroud	9th April
Sue Devenny	18th April
Dave Sharkey	23rd April
Darryl Devenny	29th April

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Marion & Dave Sharkey	1st April
June & Peter Crowe	8th April
Christine & Murray Jackson	26th April

#### RAFFLE ROSTER:

Bruce & Frances Camiller

**NEXT RALLY:** Beachmere Lions Caravan Park  
Biggs Avenue- Postcode 4510. Ph 5496 8077.  
Please notify the Rally Co-ordinator whether you are attending or **NOT** attending ASAP.

**MAY RALLY:** 19, 20 & 21st  
Fingal Head NSW 2487

#### ACTIVITIES CO-ORDINATOR NOTES:

At Beachmere on Saturday Night, in the community hall across to road from the caravan park, the Lions Club are kindly putting on a BBQ and dessert for the club members, at a cost of \$5.00 this has bar facilities and stubbies available at \$2.00 each. After the BBQ we will indulge in a game of Celebrity Heads in the form of "Famous Couples in History". For those of you not familiar with this game, it **doesn't** involve dressing up – we'll save that one for another time! You can participate if you wish (or not) and have a few laughs along the way. Remember I'm still keen to hear your feedback about what you want in this area. Thanks to those of you who filled in the Questionnaire.

Bernie – Activities Co-ordinator

As Tamborine was our 6 month anniversary, now is the time to be giving serious consideration and thought to which position on the management committee you would like to take on. All committee positions will be vacant as at the Annual General Meeting. If any member is already having thoughts regarding a position on the committee, and is unsure of the duties of the positions, then feel free to have a discussion with any committee member.



#### MARSHALL LAW:

The other lane is always moving faster.

Who said life began at 40.

Does affluence begin with bankruptcy?

Does sex begin with impotence? No!

The only thing that begins at 40 is your fifth decade. I remember thinking that 40 was something that happened to other people, at 40 your not so much antique as op shop, closer to the wheel chair than the pusher, about to say hello to bowls. Just yesterday, it seems, I was putting a tooth in a glass for a bribe of that fairy. Soon there'll be a whole set in the glass and no thought of a reward.

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