

# Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

## Newsletter May 2013

**Next Month's Rally** **GLENGARRY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE** **Wed 12 - Mon 17 June 2013**

**Ph:- 5427 9176; 370 Watsons Road, MT TARAMPA QLD 4311; \$15 per night.**

**Distance:- 125 km, 1 hr 30 mins; Directions (Google Maps) Starting End of Gateway Bridge, Murrarie**

1.	Head south-east on <b>Gateway Motorway/M1</b>	Partial Toll Road	14.5 km
2.	Continue onto <b>Gateway Motorway/M2</b> (signs for Ipswich/Toowoomba)	Partial Toll Road	9.2 km
3.	Keep Right at the fork and merge onto <b>Logan Motorway/M2</b>	Partial Toll Road	15.9 km
4.	Keep Right at the fork, follow signs for <b>M2/Ipswich Mwy/Ipswich/Toowoomba</b> • and Merge onto <b>Ipswich Motorway/M2</b>		8.1 km
5.	Take the <b>M2/Warrego Highway</b> Exit towards Esk/Toowoomba		650 m
6.	Merge onto <b>Warrego Hwy/M2</b>		12.3 km
7.	Continue onto <b>Warrego Hwy/National Highway A2</b>		18.2 km
8.	Turn Right onto <b>Lowood-Minden Rd</b>		10.9 km
9.	Turn Left onto <b>Forest Hill-Fernvale Rd</b>		5.0 km
10.	Turn Right onto <b>Mount Tarampa Rd</b>		3.3 km
11.	Mount Tarampa Rd turns <b>Slightly Right</b> and becomes <b>Coominya Connection Rd</b>		300 m
12.	Turn Left onto <b>Watsons Rd</b>	<b>Glengarry Environmental Centre will be on the Right</b>	2.7 km



Glengarry has **7 hectares** near the **Atkinson Dam**.

**Members can access:**

- Multi-Purpose Hall with seating and tables for up to 100.
- A Kitchen, attached to the Hall . 8 stoves /oven tops
- Open Shelter Area
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- An area is set aside for Evening Camp Fires

**Nearest Dump Point:- Gatton Showgrounds - Behind Toilet Block, Grassed Area, Pine Tree Camp Area**

**REQUIREMENTS - GLENGARRY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE : \$15 p.n. It is COLD**

- **LONG POWER LEADS - 10 amp male & 15 amp female** leads. Power points are mostly 10amp
- **LEVELLING LOCKS etc** - as the ground is uneven
- **Long WATER HOSES**
- **A Y-PIECE HOSE CONNECTION** - caravans will "piggy-back" off each others' waterhoses. (See P. 5)

### NEARBY ATTRACTIONS:-

- **PLAINLAND MARKETS (22.7km - 20mins)** - Every Sunday - Plainlands Hotel, Plainland - 7.00 am – 2.00 pm
- **DAS NEUMANN HAUS MUSEUM (29.8km -27mins)** Cnr Patrick & William St Laidley - 10am-3pm Daily. Free
- **QUEENSLAND TRANSPORT MUSEUM (30.8km - 30mins)** 34 Lake Apex Drive, Gatton - Adults \$7.50; Concess \$6.00 - 9.00am -5.00pm (allow 1 hr for tour)
- **LAIDLAY PIONEER VILLAGE (32.2km - 31mins)** Cnr Drayton & Pioneer Streets, Laidley (southern outskirts of Laidley) - 9.00am to 3.00pm. Daily. Adults \$5-00
- **GATTON - MAIN HALL / MUSEUM (in Pioneer Village) (31.6km - 31mins)** 10 Freemans Road, Gatton - Sunday afternoons from 1pm - 4pm
- **WITHCOTT MARKETS (57.5km - 43mins)** - 3rd Sunday of Month - Withcott Shopping Centre, Withcott 9.00am-2.00pm
- **JESSIE'S COTTAGE (62.4km - 49mins)** -18 Jessie's Lane, Murphy's Creek, Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 10:00am until 3:00pm. Refurnished In The Style Of The 1930s And 1940s - Gold Coin Donation

### THE TARPAULIN

THE TARPAULIN WILL **NOT** BE REQUIRED AT GLENGARRY

**From CCCQ:- EMERGENCY DETAILS -FIRE OR MEDICAL – POST CODE – 4515**

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
- \* First Aid Kit

Members who have current **FIRST AID QUALIFICATIONS** are to bring their **First Aid Kit**.

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## GLENGARRY JUNE ACTIVITIES – REQUIREMENTS - Crowe P & J ; Byng B; Sutherland W

 SHARED PASTA MEAL

 MUSIC QUIZ WITH A TWIST

**Bev and June** have gone around and obtained a list of what **pasta dish** each “van” will be bringing. If you have not yet put down your dish, please **email Bev** on - [bynge@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bynge@optusnet.com.au) with information as to what your dish will be. Bring only your **brain** for the **Music Quiz** - says **Bev**.



### ROVING REPORT

**WEDNESDAY:- Eric and Bev** arrived first at the Kilcoy Showgrounds/Race Club. The PCCI was asked to set up away from the racecourse oval as the ground needed to be kept pristine for the races in a week's time.

Gorgeous weather greeted Bev and Eric and then **Rae & Jim, Warren and Elaine; June & Peter** and then **Irene & Mick**. *Happy Hour* was shared beneath the open shelter. Eight members went to the **Stanley Pub** for dinner.

**THURSDAY:-** It was a *miserable* day! It rained endlessly and members were largely confined to their vans. Fortunately, the drainage ensured that the ground dried quickly. **Dave & Doreen, Dave & Andy** and **Allan & Lorraine** arrived. *Happy Hour* was conducted under the shed – but everyone retreated to their vans to escape the weather and to have their meals. Sometime during the night, the stars came out.

**FRIDAY:-** Glorious weather. Were we truly in the same country? Everything was postcard-perfect material with almost over-bright colours everywhere. Reality struck when the rest of the PCCI members arrived and, with little fuss, found their sites and set up - although one member was heard to comment that they did not want, in their bed, to hear their neighbour's toilet was 1.5 m. away. They were tired.

**Michael, Judy & Fred** had returned after a 6 month absence. **John & Vicky** had returned after a few weeks exploring the **Great Ocean Road** (“*It Was Grrreat! Everyone should go!!!*”) – a trip soured only by the fact that they had to go back to work, while the rest of the PCCI members were cheerfully, callously, *retired*. Visitors **Gayle McHutchison & Rod Goode** made a welcome appearance.

About 20 members went to the *Stanley Pub* for meals – most reported having received succulent meals.

**SATURDAY:-** A glorious, cloudless morning. Most members arose after 8am and were in town by 11am. People returned to be greeted by increasing winds but in time for the very animated **UNO** card games at 2:30 and lasting until 3:50pm in the warm amenities room under the grandstand. People left and returned within 15 minutes to start up *Happy Hour* in the colder spectators' shelter.

We were pleased to see two ex-members – who were *founding members* of PCCI but were now Kilcoy locals: **Darryl & Sue Devenny** at the *Happy Hour*.

President Les also welcomed Visitors **Gayle McHutchison & Rod Goode** for their return visit.

President **Les** inducted two **new members** into the PCCI club – **Mick & Faye Falvey** – presenting them with name badges and membership cards.

Secretary **Elaine** announced that **President Les & Bernie Brearley** had attained attendance at 50 rallies and so she presented them with a **Fifty Rallies Club certificate**. All **Fifty Rallies Club** members combined for a group photo.

**Judy Z.'s Birthday** and **Andy & Dave's Anniversary** were celebrated.

**Fred** (and the absent **Collete**) had organized a raffle for a fruit tray - and this was won by **Irene & Mick**.

**Bev** reminded members that there was a **Shared Pasta Meal** at the **Glengarry Environmental Centre Rally** in **June** and, if they had not already given her notice of the dish they are bringing, to **email her** on - [bynge@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bynge@optusnet.com.au)

**SUNDAY:-** Another glorious day with the westerlies picking up. By the afternoon the wage slaves had departed, leaving behind the marathon caravanners to endure another *Happy Hour* until the dark and cold descended.

We left Monday morning, leaving about 5 set of stalwart to uphold the PCCI reputation - it was in safe hands.

Cheers  
**Enda B**

The **KILCOY SHOWGROUND/RACE CLUB** (*upgraded Jan. 2013*) is a well-appointed area with 15amp power being supplied through a total of 51 outlets on power poles that are accessed by sturdy platforms.

It has, adjacent to the Grandstand, a large spectator shelter structure, open to the East (towards the race track) and a reasonably covered Western side (can be cool). The grounds slope away from the oval to the lagoons providing good drainage in wet weather. The ground has lush grass and is reasonably even - but with no shade over the sites. On our previous visit, temperatures reached 42°C. It is cold in winter at night. Torches are necessary for night toilet visits. There are waterholes/creeks on the western and northern sides. There is considerable flexibility & room as to vans parking. It has both showers and shower-toilets with:-

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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Kilcoy Showgrounds were looking lush and green for our rally which had a good roll up of happy campers. We could even imagine we were at the horse races at happy hour as the finishing line was right there. It was good to see our travellers returned home safely and enjoyed their trips down south. We hope those still travelling are having fun. A big welcome to our new members **Mick and Faye** and to our visitors **Rod and Gayle**. For happy hour we also had Daryl and Sue, who were club members until they decided to sell their van and "settle down" at Kilcoy. Thanks to our activity organisers, **Alan and Lorraine** and **Allan and Debbie**. UNO was fun, it was a great shared meal (as always) and we had some budding bush poets after dinner.

**Activities** are an important part of the fun at our rallies and the committee needs to make sure that there is enough **variety** in the activities. So can those who have not yet decided on their activities for this year please get together soon and let **John H.** know what your plans are. A rough idea is OK at this stage.

Thanks **Elaine** for our **50 Rallies Certificate**. It was a good surprise as we had not realised we were up to that mark.

**Enda** is looking for people to assist in preparing **reports** for our **newsletter**. Please accept if **Enda** gives you a call requesting help, or offer before he rings.

We have a **Committee** coming up shortly so if you have any issues to raise please let one of the committee members know. You are also welcome to come along if you just want to sit in to see how it works to get up to speed for when you nominate for a committee position for next year.

Our next rally is at Glengarry, I look forward to seeing you there.

Cheers

**Les**

### RAFFLE ROSTER

(Prize Value \$20.00+ Tickets)

Jun 2013	Enda & Linda Bracken
Jul 2013	Mick & Irene Kerwood
Aug 2013	Paul & Vickie Grieve
Sep 2013	George & Maryanne Lipman

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

June 2013	Peter & June / Warren ; Bev
July 2013	George & Maryanne
Aug 2013	Rob and Diane Howard & Dave & Doreen B.
Sept 2013	Huxley M and Smith D & D

**Activities Duties** also include supplying a **Cupcake & Candle** for **each Birthday Person** and **Cupcake** for **each Anniversary Couple**.

If you are unable to perform your Activity Duty, Please Arrange A **Swap** With Another Member(s) from the **Activities Roster**. **And Notify John Hunter (Activity Roster Coordinator)**, and **Enda B. (Acting Editor)** Should you be unable to find a replacement from this list, contact the Secretary.



### BIRTHDAYS

JUNE:-

4th	Helen Hunter
6th	Kim Hickson
7th	Gay Gibson
10th	Gayle McHutchison
20th	Eric Byng
30th	Dave Broadley



### ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE:-

4th	Irene & Mick Kerwood
6th	Judy & Mike Zielke
14th	Debbie & David Smith

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**MAY**   
*Kilcoy S/Grounds  
Ph 5422 4900*

**JUNE-**   
*Glengarry E/Centre  
Ph 5427 9176*


**JULY-**   
*Yarraman C/Pk  
Ph 180002880560*

**AUGUST-**   
*Gatton Show Ground  
Ph 5462 5103*

**SEPTEMBER-**   
*Kilkivan Bush Camp  
Ph 5484 1340*

**National Rally**   
**Rockhampton**

**OCTOBER-**   
*Beerwah Sports Centre  
Ph 0433 543 781*

**NOVEMBER-**   
*Coolum C/Pk  
Ph 1800 461 474*

**DECEMBER-**  
*No Rally*

*(Xmas Lunch)*



### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Everyone,

Another good rally was enjoyed by all at **Kilcoy**. Great weather with only one wet day. Chilly nights but with Winter creeping in we have to expect that. Time for the winter woollies now.

Congratulations **Les & Bernie** on attending your **50th Rally** with the club. Welcome to our **new members** and our **visitors**.

Also nice to see some of our travellers back and to hear their tales.

**Mick & Irene** have a lovely trip in a couple of weeks and Congratulations on your **Silver Wedding Anniversary** next month. What a lovely place to celebrate this special occasion.

**Shopper Dockets** for this month came to a total of **\$2829.63**

Everyone take care till next time

Cheers

**Elaine**



### TREASURER'S REPORT

Thank you to **Fred** who raised \$100.00 with the raffle.

**Mick and Irene** won and received a beaut photo of a fruit tray. They did get the real thing later.

Had a great time at Kilcoy, see you all at Glengarry in June.

**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 the official Club Rally Day (Club Shirt Day)*

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### RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

What a nice return to **Kilcoy** from the last time we were there.

The temperature was lovely except some person gave your rally coordinator the "man flu" but it did not need the last post this time.

The next rally at **Glengarry** you will require long leads.

**Peter** informs me that "**Members will need 10 amp male & 15 amp female leads for Glengarry Rally**". And **Levelling Blocks**. You will also need your **short hose and 'Y' piece** (image from **Eric** inserted ⇨)

- as we may have to go van to van for water, going on memory from our last visit.

I will be sending out the **sheet** on the **2nd June** and require your reply by the 9th June if you have not already done the sheet but **let me know if you change your mind**.

Hope to see you all in good spirits and warm clothes.

Till Then

Eric



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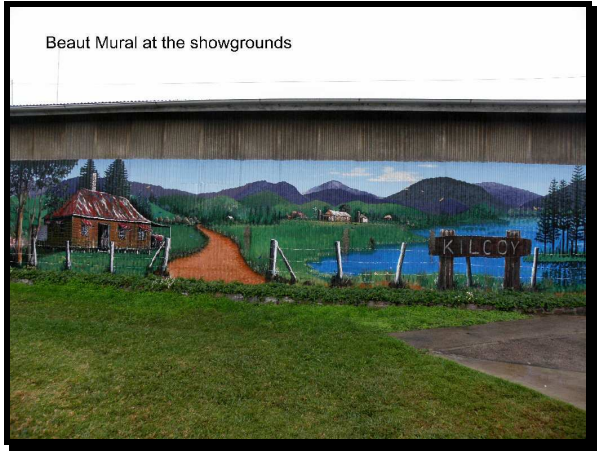
**GOSSIP LINE**

**Who** said, "He's not a card shark: he's a Real Estate Agent."  
**Which** damsel in distress had 2 handsome young men come to her aid when her tent almost blew away.  
**Who** remembered way back when, she rode him like a stallion.

Regards,  
 Your Gossip Spy

**Helen**

**Kilcoy Showground & Race Club**



Beaut Mural at the showgrounds



Happy Birthday Judy

May Birthday Girl **Judy Z.** with Presenter **Debbie H.**



Happy Anniversary David & Andy

Happy Anniversary **Dave and Andy Hellewell**



Serious UNO competition Saturday



**UNO CARD GAMES** - What Happens In Kilcoy Stays In Kilcoy



All 4 winners with Lorraine

All 4 UNO Winners - **Dave B** - 2nd.; **Helen** - 4th.;  
Invigilator **Lorraine**; **Jim** - 1st; **Andy** - 3rd



Irene got a lovely photo of fruit

Irene did get the real fruit later

Raffle Winners **Irene & Mick**



Welcome Mick & Faye

President Les Inducts **Mick and Faye Falvey**



HappyHour Saturday

Welcome guests, **Darryl & Sue**

Founding Ex-Members **Darryl & Sue Devenny** Visit

## ACTIVITY REPORT - (ACTIVITY ORGANIZERS:- DEBBIE & ALLAN HOWARD; LORRAINE & ALAN WHITE)

### THE UNO CARD GAME ACTIVITY

The glory of the undulating yet gently majestic ranges, the sapphire-blue cloudless sky, the shimmering peaceful lagoon and the rich verdant grasses that make up Kilcoy lulled the PCCI members into a false sense of security - - up until the moment they took their places at the trestle tables in the amenities room under the grandstand. Each of the 4 groups of 6 were present with a set of **UNO** cards.

This reporter has used **UNO** in his Special & Primary Schools and at school camps - and peace, laughter and life-long friendships, even life-partnerships, were forged while enmities were forgotten. It is a little-known fact that in the *1978 Camp David Accords*, President Jimmy Carter was able to broker a peace agreement between Egypt, (President Anwar Sadat), and Israel (Prime Minister Menachem Begin) using a series of Round-Robin **UNO** games between the negotiating teams to nut out the final painful details amid gales of laughter, back-slapping, splashing of champers and the exchange of phone numbers.

*Not Here.*

While the 2 teams at the *southern* end of the room displayed decorum and respectful competitiveness, the 2 teams at the northern end were simply unruly. **Invigilator Lorraine** got in her 10,000 steps a day just going from group to group.

Spectators sat slack-jawed as they saw one man *out-talk* the other 5 female members of his group - (and they gave a good fight) explaining the rules. He later said to them, after input by Invigilator **Lorraine**, "*Actually, I apologise - I was wrong*" whereupon his wife, in *another* group - *another* card game - *another* table, jumped up and pointed to him accusingly saying "*A-Haaaaa!!*"

Another team decided that they would fulfil a lifelong ambition to be *bush lawyers*. Every point of law - real or imaginary - was argued in detail - how many cards to take up, how many to discard, to go clockwise or anticlockwise; what you did with *Draw Two cards, Reverse Cards, Skip Cards, Wild Cards*, and *Wild Draw 4* cards. One member, overcome with impatience, at one stage stood on her chair to get the Invigilator's attention - some members were expecting music to start up and for the person concerned to start dancing - but she chose to maintain a little mystery.

An **Executive member**, when dealt a hand, exploded with "@#%#@^&\*^%\$#@!" (it *is* a children's game). He is safe from impeachment however, as it takes a ⅔ majority of members to agree to impeachment procedures, the level of co-operation shown with the **UNO** games in *this* club indicates he has no worries.

Yet out of the carnage, 4 **winners** emerged with 2 games each:-

**1st - Jim**

**2nd- Dave B.**

**3rd - Andy H.**

**4th - Helen H.**

The irony was that **Jim** *didn't want to play*. It was that sort of day. Thank heavens it wasn't for money. There was a 10 minute Friendly Game period after - and things became noisier.

### THE SHARED CASSEROLE NIGHT / BUSH POETRY

This was held in the *warm* Amenities Room under the grandstand. It was *all* exquisite. Apart from the paranoia of the vegetarians (we are like that) who put our casserole dishes to a separate area, generosity prevailed. Members were confronted with extraordinary meals which were met with gasps and exclamations of delight as members tried an assortment of **casserole** choices.

Obviously, we over-ate but it seemed a crime to God and/or Nature *not* to try as many of these heavenly dishes as possible. This became even more difficult when we were presented with generous quantities and choices with the **desserts!**

**Allan H.** and **Rob H.**'s **dampner, lovingly** prepared, was also appreciated.

**Dave B.** manned the **washing up** throughout for everyone, assisted largely by **John M.** and others.

But this was equalled by the **Bush Poetry** readings. We saw members come forth and, overcoming nervousness, physical obstacles and acoustics, face a large audience with their offerings which included epic, humorous and tragic verse - famous poets' works and their own compositions.

We were impressed that *inductee* **Mick Falvey** gave a recitation and that Visitor **Rod Goode** presented verses from memory including the tongue-twisting spoonerism-laden *Rindercella* fairytale (clean version).

- *Thank You* to **Lorraine & Alan White** for organizing the **UNO** games. - We now know we will never have World Peace in our time.
- *Thank You* to **Debbie & Alan** for organizing - and participating in (with **Allan W.**) the **Bush Poetry**.
- **Lorraine, Debbie & the 2 Al's** should be congratulated for the idea of the **Shared Casserole Night** too.
- All **PCCI Members** should be applauded for bringing such wonderful dishes.

### THE MEETING

**VISITORS:-** We were delighted that **Gayle McHutchison** and **Rod Goode** were present with us once again. An unexpected surprise was that *Founding Members* (now locals) **Darryl and Sue Devenny** dropped in for Happy Hour.

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## ACTIVITY REPORT - **THE MEETING** (Cont'd) -

**INDUCTION:-** Despite the unseemliness of the UNO session **Faye and Mick Falvey** *still* wanted to become PCCI members. So it was with great pleasure, and perhaps relief, that **President Les** presented **Faye and Mick** with their badges and their membership cards to the applause of all.

**BIRTHDAYS:-** **Judy Zielke** was presented with a birthday cupcake with lighted candle by **Debbie Howard**.

**ANNIVERSARIES:-** PCCI Members were treated to the sight of **Andy and Dave Hellawell** celebrating their wedding anniversary and wearing a bridal veil and a bow tie during which time, for a nanosecond, **Dave's** hat was removed to fit on the tie. They performed the *Anniversary Waltz* with **Andy** looking serene and **Dave** looking eerily like one of the cattle being ushered into the Kilcoy meatworks - something which 40% of PCCI members could relate to.

**50 RALLIES CERTIFICATE:-** It was with some delight that PCCI members were able to see **President Les** and **Bernie Brearley** caught by surprise when **Secretary Elaine** presented them with a **50 RALLIES CERTIFICATE** for having attended a total of PCCI rallies despite having simultaneously undertaking considerable independent tripping. As well, a group photo was taken of all the **50 RALLIES MEMBERS**.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:-** **Bev** informed members that there would be a **SHARED PASTA MEAL** at the next rally. She has been finding out from members what **dish** they were bringing.

**If You Have Not Given Your Dish' Name - Please Email Her, Naming The Dish, At :-**  
**bynge@optusnet.com.au**

Cheers

Enda



Les & Bernie were welcomed to the 50 rally club

**President Les & Bernie Brearley Are Surprised By Secretary Elaine with a 50 Rallies Club Certificate**



The 50 Club members

**50 Club Members:- Peter & June Crowe; Les & Bernie Brearley; Bev & Eric Byng; Rae & Jim Williamson**



Yummy combined meal

**Casserole Night - Main Courses**



Great sweets too

**And Then Desserts**



**Dave B. (r.) - "Can't Show My Face - Busy Washing Up"  
Dave Elbows Out All Other Volunteers**



**"Bush Poets Breakfast" after dinner  
Debbie Howard Reads An Epic Bush Poem**



**Rob Howard**



**Irene Kerwood**



**Les Brearley**



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