

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

Newsletter NOVEMBER 2008



Roving Rally Report #1

We left Deception Bay at Approximately 9.45AM Wednesday morning to travel to the Tourist Park at Tin Can Bay. Unfortunately it was a very slow drive through Morayfield as there had been a very serious road accident. We had a lunch stop at the Caltex Servo near Gympie then on to Tin Can Bay. The weather wasn't the best; we experienced mist & light rain. On arrival at the park we were met by the managers Ian & Christine who were very friendly & helpful. We also discovered Mike & Enid had arrived the day before. The four of us enjoyed a BBQ dinner & a bottle of wine followed by a quiet evening.

Thursday saw the arrival of six more vans throughout the day, with the Quinlan's enjoying an ensuite, and Peter's parents arriving to stay in a cabin on Saturday. Friday another seven vans & Saturday Vicki arrived by car. Thursday night the Tracey's, Byng's & Crowe's went to The RSL Club for dinner. The meal was very enjoyable, pity about our "not very enthusiastic" waitress. The other members enjoyed "Happy Hour" sitting under Cyril's awning.

Friday Peter & I, joined by Mike & Enid travelled to Kilkivin to check out the Bush Caravan Park. The manager Steve, who had just returned from a trip to Cornwell (England), was very friendly & likable. Unfortunately while we were checking out the park, our Rally co-ordinator was so busy scribbling his notes down that he did not see a bale of hay and tripped face down into the dirt. After we got over the shock we helped Peter up to discover blood oozing from his forehead & nose, skinned elbow & knee – Mike's comments were "Gees mate you haven't even had a beer." Steve kindly made us all a cuppa & then with Mike driving, we headed to Gympie for some lunch, then back to Tin Can Bay. Many thanks to Mike & Enid for their on going care. Late afternoon the Tarp came out for the first time since Murwillumbah. After dinner we arrived at the Tarp, but as no one had arrived by 10PM we decided to go back to our van. I believe there were late night movies.

Saturday 3PM we arrived dressed in our club shirts to attend the General Meeting which I am pleased to announce finished on time – well done! The park manager also arrived to present The club with a carton of beer & 2 casks of wine. Sunday Lil slipped on her van step cutting and Bruising her leg, I do hope Cyril is giving you plenty of TLC.

I would like to thank the members for all the support I have received to print out the Newsletter, and a big thank you to the reporters. May you all enjoy a very Merry Christmas & a very Happy & safe New Year.



Cheerio for now, June

Newsletter Editor.



Roving Report #2

Saturday afternoon under the tarp came to end just after 4.30 when ladies and gentlemen were zipping about attending to the more important matters that concern a night out. The 5p.m. Courtesy bus arrived and with it a number of people departed to catch up for a chat, a game on the pokies and pre dinner drinks.

We all were seated in the dining room just after 6.30p.m where the capable staff of the Country Club took our orders and within a relatively short time those delicious Hot Rock Meals were sizzling at our tables. Most opted for steak whilst those who partook of the seafood were also impressed, this reporter was overcome with her meal! Lots of conversation and laughter from around the tables indicated that the evening out was enjoyed by all.

Being treated to some fine drinks by the owners of the park, Ian and Chris, some of us enjoyed a beer and a wine back at the park before retiring for the night. Thanks Ian and Chris for your generosity.

Sunday meant departure for a number of members, trips to Rainbow Beach and surrounding areas ensured a pleasant Sunday for most of us although Dave and Andy's forays into tyre changing was something they could have done without. With warnings from concerned relatives and friends about the impending storm an early tea was favoured by most of the remaining group, then another spectacular lightening show, power on and off a number of times, rain pouring down but no damage to anyone at the park we awoke Monday morning to a rainy cool almost cold day, perfect for resting, reading, with hot pies from the bakery and taking it easy.



Happy Christmas to all from Roving Reporter....Jill Quinlan

The Raffle prize donated by Therese & Arthur was won by Vicki & John Mackenzie, adding \$77.00 to the Treasurers "Till". Thank you everyone. *(Editor)*



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hello everyone, Hope you all enjoyed Tin Can Bay as much as Eric and myself did. I will be re-doing the raffle roster over the break and will be sending it out very soon, also I was thinking of having a get together at Redcliffe Leagues Club on the 13th December like we did last year for a Christmas drink and lunch, if any are interested please let me know. If Eric and I do not get to see you all have a Happy Christmas and New Year and will catch up again in January.

Bev



2009 CALENDAR

FEBRUARY
COTTON TREE
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COOLUM
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BOOKED

NOVEMBER
KILCOY
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Kilcoy Showground
BOOKED

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Tin Can Bay was wet, hot then stormy.....a little like a Keary gathering at Christmas time!

The General Members meeting went off well and lasted less than 45 minutes (Yes you read correctly) and my part was only 18 minutes 22 seconds long!!!!!! Peter handled the 'Approved Rally venue list' discussions well and so now all those loose ends have been rectified. There are some exciting new inclusions and possibilities that are to be visited for appraisal. If you would like to take part in vetting a possible rally site simply obtain a 'rally venue appraisal form' and go for a drive. The form helps you to seek out and rate suitability of expected facilities for the committee to then decide on suitability of inclusion. Take care when filling out the form as hay bales can be a problem.

Once the Office of Fair Trading accepts our constitution changes from Lake McDonald (documents submitted 18th of November) we will be able to send via an email attachment a fresh copy of the entire document. This is necessary as I have shortened it by 4 pages so none of the changes will match your old ones. Also upon acceptance of the minutes of the general members meeting held at Tin Can Bay we will send out the new by-Laws. These have also been shortened. You then have the choice of printing both of them or simply saving to your hard drive for future reference.

The Tarp components have been segmented and 5 members volunteered to transport them however it was intended that the segmentation would be a min of 6 parts and hence two members are carrying more than they should. So I ask for another member volunteer to come forward to take on the transport duties of the green bag containing the ridge poles and green bag containing the guy ropes and pegs. All the components have been specifically sorted to ensure that weight is kept to no more than around 10 kilos (most are lighter) and all are in protective bags so will not damage vehicle or van floors nor move around whilst in transport.

There is also a committee meeting likely to be held on Wednesday 17th December 2008 at 10.30am where we will be discussing items like the Picnic in park in January etc. We would love some suggestions on what the club should acquire to make our rallies even better so please forward them to my personal email address for inclusion into the agenda. (Sorry Lil but NO pokies) Some ideas already submitted for discussion are 1. Purchase silver tarp material for sides and one end for tarp to protect from rain and cold. 2. Trial use of projector kindly offered by Barbara and Barrie Richardson to play photos, videos, doco's etc. I value your ideas and will put every one to the committee, so send them in.

I wish all a merry and safe Christmas and new year and will see you all in 2009.



Kevin

RAFFLE ROSTER

FEBRUARY 2009.....John & Vicki Mackenzie
MARCH 2009.....David & Andy Hellewell
APRIL 2009.....Barrie & Barb
Richardson

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 phone 3869 0345

EMERGENCY PROCEEDURES-FIRE RE MEDICAL

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TREASURER'S REPORT

\$\$ Sorry I missed you all at Tin Can Bay rally. We are still awaiting arrival of daughter's baby in Newcastle and it was due to a 'false alarm' that Faye and I missed out on the Hot Rock Steaks that I heard you all enjoyed. Anyway we hope that by the time you read this we will be 'clucking' and all excited in Newcastle.

During the last month we were happy to secure one new sponsor – Ultra Tune at Strathpine (don't forget to check it out with John when you're looking for that next 10,000 service) and Awning Man, Kim and Ron, have generously taken up the \$55 larger advert (they're worth a look in for all RV needs!).

Our bank balance still holds up healthily, (that's because isn't a superannuation account!) and that's because of the once again, generous participation of our members at the last rally. Lastly, I thank my sidekick, Vicki and others who looked after the "till" during my absence.

Best Regards Neil



BIRTHDAYS



ANNIVERSARIES

December 4th Max Martin
December 15^t Kevin White
December 23^r Arthur Cutler
Jan/2009 7th Peter Quinlan

December 27th Lil Torrington
Jan/2009 8^t Lorraine White
Jan/2009 2nd Vicki Mackenzie

December 23rd Ron & Chris Vasyli
Jan/2009 3rd Cyril & Lil Torrington
Jan/2009 14^tBarrie & Barb Richardson
Jan/200 16th Peter & Jill Quinlan

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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



Tin Can Bay Tourist Park had 15 Vans in attendance. We welcomed visitors Keith & Shaneen Hambleton, Terry Trowbridge & Mick & Pat Quinlan (who were booked into a cabin)

Sorry about the hic cup with regards to the cost I only found out on arrival the 10% discount was only for those who stayed at the park for four or more days. Thank you to all who assisted in parking the vans, in retrospect I should have stayed in the park on Friday and would not have tripped over a bale of hay at Kilkivin. Also thank you for your assistance with regards to the 2009 Calendar at the General Meeting, a copy has been forwarded to you. I wish you all a great Christmas & New Year – Happy Caravanning!

Regards Peter (Please use clubs gmail address with regards to bookings & van measurements etc)

ARRIVALS:

Tuesday, Mike & Enid Tracey
 Wednesday, Peter & June Crowe
 Thursday, Eric & Bev Byng, Jim & Rae Williamson, Kevin Keary, Cyril & Lil Torrington, Keith & Shaneen Hambleton, Alan & Debbie Howard
 Friday, David & Andy Hellewell, Peter & Jill Quinlan, Barrie & Barbara Richardson with Mabel, Terry Trowbridge, Barry & Irene Budge, John Mackenzie, Kevin & Pauline White
 Saturday, Vicki Mackenzie (car)

ACTIVITIES ROSTER: JANUARY 2009 PICNIC IN THE PARK Date to be announced (Committee)
FEBRUARY 2009 HAWAIIAN NIGHT (J&R Williamson/ P&J Quinlan)

NEXT CLUB RALLY: FEBRUARY 2009 COTTON TREE – MAROOCHYDORE QLD

REMINDER – NEURUM CREEK: You will need to make your own bookings and pay deposits. ASAP.

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