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NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2012

There will be NO rally in December, instead our **CHRISTMAS LUNCH** will be held at THE BRIGHTON HOTEL, 196 Brighton Tce, Sandgate. On Saturday 8th December at 12noon.

There will be a "Secret Santa". Please bring a \$5 gift, wrapped for Male/Female. Thank you.



Picnic-in-the-Park will be
On Saturday, 11th Jan. At 11 am
Location to be confirmed.
Hope to see you all there.

Thank you to all the organizers of the crazy, fun activities ... they were great times had by all and made for some great photos, thank you, Rae. Many thanks also to all the Committee members (past & present) for their dedication to the club. Thank you to all who donated raffle prizes.

We hope all our new members have enjoyed their first rallies and will continue to enjoy the company of a lot of lovely, fun-loving, like-minded people for many years to come. Have a safe and happy festive season. We'll see you all in 2013.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL





ROVING REPORT

We arrived around 2pm on Wed to find June & Peter, Eric & Bev, Elaine & Warren, Jim & Rae, and visitors, Linda & Robert, already there & set up. It was not long before Mick & Irene arrived. The 14 of us went to The Grand Old Crow Hotel for a lovely dinner with June being in the 1st 3 to be served.

Thursday: 3 more vans arrived with Doreen & Dave, Debbie & Dave and Ron & Chris. Mick & Irene went to visit friends in Toowoomba & after we had a look around Crows Nest we all enjoyed a restful day.

Friday: While most were out sight-seeing, more vans arrived. Mary-anne & George only just made it to camp after vehicle failure. RACQ came to the rescue & we all hope the repairs are favourable for them. Dinner tonight was a sausage sizzle, with lovely salads, provided and cooked by the Caravan Park Management Team. Sausages were from the local butchers. Thank-you to the Park Management. Dessert was 2 boxes of 'Favourites' chocolates passed around the circle & enjoyed by all present. Thank-you Paul & Vickie, they were yummy!

Saturday was a quiet morning. Vickie, Paul, Colin & I enjoyed organizing the Pirates activity for this rally & hope you all enjoyed it. Thank you for your fantastic costumes & participation. At Happy Hour we toasted Doreen & Dave and Les & Bernie on their Anniversaries and Birthday cheers went out to Doreen, Jim, Mike and Dave S. Elaine & Warren won the raffle and Les welcomed Diana & Mark into the club as members. Then it was time to batten down the hatches in readiness for the pending storms. Some awnings were put in, or cars put in awnings or covered.



THE LIGHTNING FLASHED, THE THUNDER ROARED, AND THE LITTLE DOGS WERE SHAKIN'.

We all enjoyed a fish & chip (& hamburger) dinner from Dingers. Hardly finished when down it came in torrents, going on for hours, but at least we had no hail ... lucky us. When there was a break we waded home in ankle-deep water and calf-deep around some vans.

Sunday: A few vans pulled out this morning & RACQ turned up with a tow-truck to take Maryanne & Georges' car, a tow vehicle for their caravan & a 'loan' car for them to drive home in. They are so thrilled with the way they were looked after. Well done RACQ! It pays to belong. At morning tea Elaine, Diana, Colin (yes, guys can help) & I made 'pegs'. After dinner Les showed us his photos of the Eclipse in Cairns (Awesome) and their holiday snaps. Thank-you Les.

Obviously all the crows have migrated to Brisbane 'cos we didn't see or hear any except our very own 'CROWES'

♥ you guys!

Thank you, Debbie for doing the newsletter for me last month, this being my 1st attempt I hope I get it right.

Lyle

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

It is hard to believe that we have had our last rally for 2012. Crows Nest turned out to be a great spot, even if we did have some storm scares and had to keep a close eye on the creek, at least those on the lower levels had to! Welcome to our returning visitors, Robert and Lynda. They would have been at home the following weekend as there was 80 A Vans turning up for a rally. A big welcome also to our new members Mark and Diana. The activities were very imaginative with the pirates coming out of the woodwork (hold?) to stone the crows (no not Peter and June) and the boat building and racing a lot of fun great fun with Robert turning out to be a great fan. Thank you to the organisers Col, Lyle, Paul (media tart) and Vicki.

We have our next committee meeting on 8 December, before the Christmas party so if you have any items to raise or suggestions to make then let one of the committee know.

See you at the Christmas party on 8 December. If not have a happy and safe Christmas and we will see you in the New Year.

Cheers

Les

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

JAN 2013... Committee

FEB 2013... Warren & Elaine Sutherland

MAR 2013... Paul & Vickie Grieve

APR 2013... Colin & Lyle Roles

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

JAN 2013... Committee

FEB 2013... E & L Bracken / D & D Smith

MAR 2013 ...M & I Kerwood / J & V Mackenzie

**APR 2013... B Brearley / J Williamson / and
F Krebs & C Shephard**



BIRTHDAYS

December: Irene ... 23rd
Mick ... 24th

January: Vicki Mackenzie ... 2nd
Lorraine ... 8th
Colin ... 31st



ANNIVERSARIES

December: Ron & Chris ... 23rd

January: Mark & Diana ... 14th
Fred & Colette ... 22nd
George & Maryanne ... 22nd

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



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National Rally- 
Rockhampton

OCTOBER- 
Beerwah Sports Centre
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NOVEMBER- 
Coolum C/Pk
Ph 1800 461 474

DECEMBER-
No Rally

(Xmas Lunch)



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Well this year has gone so quickly and our Rally at Crows Nest was the last one for the year.

We arrived on Wednesday and set up, then got together with the other ones who had arrived early. Dinner at the Hotel that night was enjoyed by all of us and on Thursday Warren and I took a drive into Toowoomba for a look around and also caught up with June and Peter for lunch at Picnic Point. Had never been there before so that was nice.

Friday night the Managers of the Caravan Park, treated us to a sausage sizzle and some salads. Some of us ladies were happy to have another night away from cooking.

Thanks to Colin & Lyle and Paul & Vickie for the fun activity %Birates+. We then shared our meal of fish and chips (another night off cooking), and by this time the storm had arrived but thankfully no damage was done. Just lots of wet feet.

Welcome to our new members Mark & Diana.

Shopper Docket total for this rally was \$4108.71.

Remember our Christmas Lunch is on the 8th December at the Brighton Hotel and we are having %Secret Santa+, so could everyone please bring along a male & female gift to the value of \$5.00.

For those who won't be at the Christmas Lunch I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and all the best for 2013.

Until our rally in February, everyone take care.

Cheers
Elaine



TREASURER'S REPORT

A good time was had by all at Crows Nest.

The Pirates that attacked on Saturday Afternoon were all very good.

Bev took the prize, she looked really good.

The raffle was won by Warren and Elaine, and raised \$79.00

The rains came on Saturday night, and luckily no one had any damage, just a lot of water.

Jim asked me to thank all for the card and good wishes for his 70th Birthday.

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.

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RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT



Well the last rally for this year and what a nice spot to have it at Crow's Nest everything nice & green. We had over 75% attendance this rally. It was good to see Mike, Judy & Fred after 4 months. I will be looking towards doing the 2014 calendar and will be endeavouring to do as good a job as Debbie this year and Peter previously. I will be doing a much larger report to you all in the new year. Hope to see everybody at lunch.

Till then

Eric

A TIMELY REMINDER

Equipment that we use for our caravans is expensive to replace and in some cases carries a high safety issue. Hence we all like to keep them in top working condition, however our power lead and water hoses are the most vulnerable as a consequence of their application (running some distance from our van). Members and their guests attending our rally venues are expected to respect others property and in particular never drive over the abovementioned two items regardless of the circumstances.

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PIRATE ACTIVITY REPORT

A great time was had by all for our Pirate Mystery Day. We were requested to dress appropriately for this themed activity and dress we did! There were many male and female pirates with belts, boots and bandanas beautifully arranged on bountiful bodies! There was much pirated gold laced with skulls and crossbones and even a bird's nest perched on one pirate's shoulder (hopefully for Dave Broadley's sake his chick grows into a parrot and not a chook). The prize for the best costumes were awarded to King Long Haired Lout Eric and Queen Bejewelled, Fish Netted and Booted Bev who were without doubt our most resplendent pirates.



After many photos were taken, we settled into the first of two games. Black crows were sitting on a clothesline in all their feathered glory and appeared to be just out of the nest from the local village of Crow. This game gave a whole new meaning to the saying - Stone the Bloody Crows.

The El- Supremo Crow Stoner was Doreen with a score of six crows down for seven stones. Watch that chook, Dave!

For our second activity, we were placed in teams and given a bag of craft goodies with the instructions to make a pirate boat that we would sail in competition in the local puppy's bed which was cleverly turned into the high seas! **Visitor** Robert's team won (is that a surprise to anyone?) with the large sail strategically engineered. Prize for the Worst Boat went to a super try hard team of which I was a member - enough said!

Our great day was completed with Fish & Chips after which we were entertained by a Light & Downpour Show cleverly arranged by our organisers.

Thanks to Vicki, Paul, Lyle & Col

Bernie Brearley



Pirate ships on the High Seas



King Eric & Queen Bev



Mick taking Irene hostage



Stoning the Crows in the Pirates Nest



GOSSIP LINE



- Who brought his wife a drink of water in a plastic jug?
- Who grew a Pirates beard only to find it itchy & scratched all weekend?
- Who thought they were Mary Poppins?
- Who sat at the 'Grumpy Old Mens' table?
- Who tried to drive off with his chains on & bent his jockey wheel?
- Who got cranky with his TV again????
- Who was the lady who reversed their van into position. You go girl!!



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