

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2014

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CHRISTMAS LUNCH



WHEN: SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER
WHERE: BRIGHTON BOWLS CLUB, 147 Northcote Street, Brighton
 (off Queen’s Pde. Approach from Queen’s Pde – Northcote St. is divided by wetlands)
TIME: 12 noon for a 12:30 start
BRING: Male & Female \$5 ‘Secret Santa Gift.
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ACTIVITY REPORT

The Klop Report Where to begin...

12 timber cylinders in formation were placed on the ground at approx. 5 metres from the chucking line...

The Chuck is thrown at the cylinders to Klop them over. The first person to reach exactly 50 points wins. Easy.

Well apart from Foot faults, Leg faults and body faults. Les, our illustrious president, led the pack with 37 points at the halfway. Mark, followed by Enda at 32 and Helen H. on 27.

Sadly, Les lost the lead when 3 zeros were thrown in a row. But at least he had the support of the crowd 😊

Dianne produced an Esky full of icy poles for all to enjoy, as the sweat poured off us due to the Heat wave conditions.

Fierce chucking, rolling and klopping resulted in many more participants falling by the way side, with 3 zero's in a row and they too were knocked out of the competition.

At 4.00pm, after 2 hours of klopping in the heat, and encroaching on our Drinkies time, the Organisers declared 1 more round and whoever leads at the end wins.

Overall winners were, 1st place to John on 36 points, 2nd Mark on 31 points and 3rd Brian on 30 points.

After another swim, we all met under the shade of the BBQ area at 6.00pm where the Organisers cooked up a splendid feast of assorted Sausages, Beef, Pork, chicken, Pork & Plum and Chiritzo sausages from the Dayboro butchers which were enjoyed by all. Yumm 😊

“Happy Birthday” to Doreen and Jim.

“Happy Birthday” also to absent members Colette, Ken, Dave S. and Dave H.



Best Wishes to Doreen & Dave, Lorraine & Alan and Bernie & Les on your Anniversaries.

Many thanks to Rob, Dianne, George & Maryanne for a great afternoon & evening activity.

HELEN H



Numbered Cylinders are placed close together & a chuck thrown at them to knock them over And space them out.

Irene with a very determined look on her face.

Rob & Di presenting prizes to winners –
L-R Rob, Mark (2nd) John H (1st) Brian (3rd)
and Di. Well done you 3!!!





Enjoying dinner at the Samford Tavern on Friday night



We sat under the stars to eat our bar-b-que.

Rob cooking up a storm – wonderful variety of sausages.



'Happy Hour' under the lovely tall, shady trees



BIRTHDAYS for **January**
At Picnic-in-the-Park

- 2nd ... Vicki
- 5th ... Brian
- 8th ... Lorraine
- 31st ... Colin



ANNIVERSARIES for **January**
At Picnic-in-the-Park

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



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

We all felt the heat at Samford but it was a lovely location and the swimming pool got a workout. We even had a koala in the casuarina tree trying to find a shady spot. We welcomed visitors Patrick and Anne as well as welcoming back Alan and Lorraine who have had a year they most likely would like to forget. Lots of fun was had playing Klops under the shady trees followed by a sausage sizzle with a difference after happy hour. It was very pleasant sitting out in the open for dinner. Thanks to the organisers Rob & Di and Maryanne & George. Thank you also to everyone who entertained our grandson. He had a great time. A future caravanner perhaps?

A couple of our members were badly affected by the heat and it was great to see people jump up and help when they could. I am sure the partners of the affected members also appreciated the help. Working together we can generally achieve more than working alone.

Our last get together for 2014 is the Christmas lunch at Brighton Bowls Club.

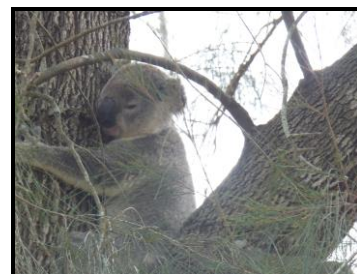
We will have a good turn up with only a few members not being able to make it.

Details of the Picnic in the Park in January will be circulated as soon as the committee gets together to sort out the arrangements.

May you all have a joyous Christmas with family and friends.

Les

Our Lovely Native Animal



RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

JAN 2015 ... Committee

FEB 2015 ... Gay Gibson

MAR 2015 ... Warren & Elaine

APR 2015 ... Dave & Debbie

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, Enda.

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

JAN 2015 ... Picnic in the Park, Committee

FEB 2015 ... Dave & Andie / Ron & Chris

MAR 2015 ... Mark & Diana / Mick & Faye

APR 2015 ... Rod & Gayle / John & Helen

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally, please swap with another couple and notify the Vice President, Colin.



BIRTHDAYS for December

23rd Mick K 24th Irene



ANNIVERSARIES for December

13th Loretta & Brian

23rd Chris & Ron

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

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2014 CALENDAR

DECEMBER -

Xmas Lunch

See page 1 for details

2015 CALENDAR

JANUARY 2015 - 

Picnic-in-the-Park
TBA

FEBRUARY -

Boyd's Bay C'van Park
Ph: 07- 5524 3306

MARCH - 

Canungra Show G'rds
Ph: 07- 5543 5904

APRIL - 

Ipswich Show G'rds
Ph: 07- 3281 1577

MAY - 

Rathdowney
Show Grounds
Ph: 07- 5544 1195

JUNE - 

Rocky Creek Scout Camp
Ph: 07- 54941195

JULY - 

Dayboro Showgrounds
Ph: 07- 34251137

AUGUST - 

Laidley Show G'rds
Ph: 07 - 54651284

SEPTEMBER - 

Kingaroy Show G'rds
Ph: 1300 0733901

STATE RALLY - 
Stanthorpe

OCTOBER - 

Kalbar Showgrounds
Ph: 07-54646769

NOVEMBER - 

Lake Dyer C'van Park
Ph: 07 - 54653698



SECRETARY'S REPORT

I wish to thank the previous Secretary, **Elaine**, who spent so much time and energy in teaching me the ropes. She never lost her smile and did not put a block on her phone, barring my calls. I also thank the other Executive members for their welcome & guidance - but especially *Elaine*.

Elaine did an excellent job in what was a very demanding role. There are so many facets and so many things that have to be gotten out to other clubs, the CCQ, to the Executive, and to the Club as a whole and members.

- Elaine kept records of attendances and printed certificates.
- Elaine ensured that we stayed an *Incorporated Association* by chasing up all the *annual returns* required by the *Office of Fair Trading*, insurance companies as well as returns to the CCQ. She wrote covering letters to go with them
- Elaine set up the *Agendas* (agendum) and the *Minutes* of all meetings.
- Elaine collected and then added up Shopper Dockets - and counted them up for the C.C.Q & Editor
- Elaine shoved the *Sign-On Book* in front of others to sign.
- Elaine made sure that all the *Visitors Information, Application for Membership, Application For Associate Membership* and *Application For Social Membership* Forms were in sight - and then processed them.
- Elaine updated the Membership List as changes occurred
- Elaine (and the Management Committee) are now organising the *Christmas Lunch* this year

There are many other things she did that I have yet to stumble across :-

You Should Be Left In No Doubt:-You Had A *Superb* Secretary In **Elaine**.

She was so conscientious and had such a steep learning curve when dealing with the demands (and technology) placed upon her and yet she excelled at her job. She knows how to pull her weight and she was perpetually sunny.

Thank You Elaine - I was fortunate to have you as a teacher.

As of **June 2014**, The **Shopper Dockets** (A.K.A. *Locality Expenditures Returns*) have a different focus in the reporting of **PCCI's** (and all Clubs') **Expenditure in Local Areas**.

The reason for these **Returns**, submitted on the **Wednesday** after every rally, is to help **Combined Caravan Clubs of Qld Inc** (now known as **CCQ** - they lost a "C" somewhere) **persuade/lobby Local Government** representatives:-

1. That our club (and other similar clubs) **inject money** into their areas that they *otherwise would not get*.
2. That it is *worthwhile* making **existing** facilities **available** - showgrounds; scout camps - for use to caravan clubs at an attractive rate.
3. That It is *worthwhile* **improving** existing facilities to bring **more** Caravan Clubs into the area - tempted by an attractive rate and facilities - with a guarantee of **repeat trade**.
4. That it is *worthwhile* **creating** facilities to bring Caravan Clubs into the area - again, at an attractive

Clubs' Our *Newsletters* **publicize** these venues and this will **attract**

a) Other Clubs and **b)** as well as **Individual Club Members** who return later for family holidays

The *Reported* Shopper Docket Expenditure at Samford at the November 2014 Rally was:-

Site Fees	Meals Etc	Other	Major Spend >\$200	Totals
\$1,186.00	\$636.05	\$694.23	\$0.00	\$2,516.28

(Thank You **Bernie** For Collecting Them & Bringing Them to the Brackens)

Thank You To All Members (22) Who Lodged/Reported The Dockets. All Obliginglly Used The Categories Below.

OPTIONAL FORM	NAME (optional):-	
TYPE	EXAMPLES	\$
SITE FEES (Camping fees)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CARAVAN PARK DOCKETS - Remember To Keep & Pass On To The Secretary SHOWGROUNDS & SCOUT CAMPS - Just Pay <u>Rae</u> (Treasurer) The Treasurer Then Gives The Secretary The Total 	
MEALS (Dining out expenditure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When You Go Individually To Pubs, Clubs, Bistros, Coffee Shops etc Keep A Record / Dockets Of Your Expenditure This Includes Club-Arranged Group Meals 	
OTHER (General expenditure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Other Place At Which You Shop:- Supermarkets, Bakeries, Bottle Shops; Art and Craft; Souvenirs; Consumables.; Fuel Purchased In The Town 	
MAJOR SPENDING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anything Over \$200 including tools, Equipment, Art Work, big souvenirs Large Caravan Accessories; Vehicle Repair/Replacement Items 	

We would be grateful if you could give the **dockets** - or a **written summary** to **Enda (Secretary)** - either

- By Hand - Dockets Or Summaries - if possible *In The Above Categories*
By Email to:- enda.bracken@bigpond.com - by the **WEDNESDAY** AFTER THE RALLY
(Collated & the totals sent off to the **EDITOR & CCQ** That Night)



ROVING REPORT

We arrived on **Thursday** to see quite a few already set up and enjoying the beautiful, tranquil setting at BP Park, tall trees and mown grounds.

Friday morning our usual craft group gathered under the lovely trees at 10am. We set up Gayle's trading (swap) table under the large umbrellas but didn't stay as long as planned as it was just too hot. 10% of sales were donated to the club.

About 30 of us walked to the Tavern for a lovely meal for dinner. Being such a hot day most of us made good use of the heated pool. We had the company of a Koala sitting above us but I guess we were too noisy for it as it moved away.

Saturday was so hot. We all favoured the pool over the town markets. It was good to see Gaye and Debbie & Dave come for the day. Now over to Helen H for the Activity Report.

Sunday – some went home earlier than planned as it was around 40o temps, the rest spent lots of time in the pool. Gaye came for the day again and Bernie & Les' little grandson came for his 1st sleepover in their van. Overall, we had a lovely relaxing rally in a lovely venue. Of course, the pool made it better in such a heatwave.

By Tuesday it was much cooler and the stayers got some reading in. We had a good turn-up with 24 vans. It was good to see Doreen & Dave safely back from their travels and also Lorraine & Alan who have missed a lot of fun times this year ... Welcome Back! Hope to see you all at our Christmas Lunch next month.

Wishing everyone a Wonderful Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2015

Editor



Just some of the
'Pool Babes'
Cooling off in the pool





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TREASURER'S REPORT

What a lovely spot for a rally, pity it was just soooooo HOT.
 The raffle supplied by Loretta and Brian raised \$100.00
 and was won by Dave and Doreen.

Thank you all for your
 Support. **Rae**

Brian presenting Doreen &
 Dave with their Raffle prize.



I offer a sincere and heartfelt
 THANK YOU to those wonderful
 gentlemen who helped me pack
 up the caravan on Sunday.
 It was much appreciated as Jim
 was not faring well in the hot
 weather. We had a safe trip
 home and it seemed 20 degrees
 cooler once we hit the peninsula.
 Thank you too everyone who
 helped with Jim during the rally.
 THANK YOU ALL.

**THANK
 YOU**

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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Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)

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RALLY CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

Hi All,

This was our last rally for the year, I hope you have enjoyed most of the venues we have been to. I believe our venues for next year will be just as good. I would like to thank all for their co-operation for when I have parked you, sometimes with difficulty. I will send out a reminder before the end of December for Boyd's Bay in February so that you can pay your deposit in time. For all I do not see at the Christmas party, I wish you all a Happy Christmas & New Year and stay safe or we'll see you at the Picnic- in- the-Park in January.

I would like to thank Les for his co-operation through the year and also thank our outgoing Secretary,

Elaine.

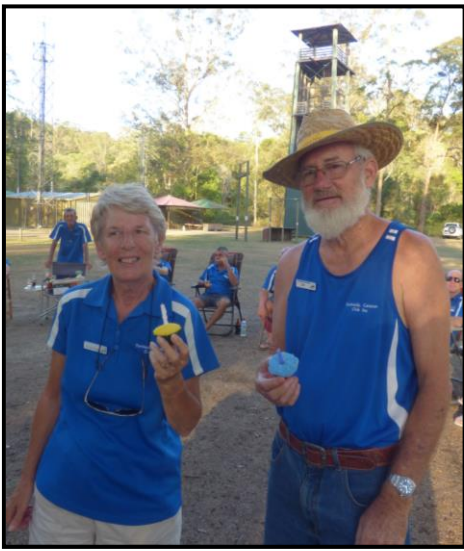


Enjoy your retirement



and also thank you Colin & Rae and looking forward to working with our new Secretary, Enda.

Sheriff Eric



“Happy Birthday”
to
Doreen and Jim



Les presenting Enda with his
Secretary’s Badge --- Now it’s Official



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With them organizers Di & Rob

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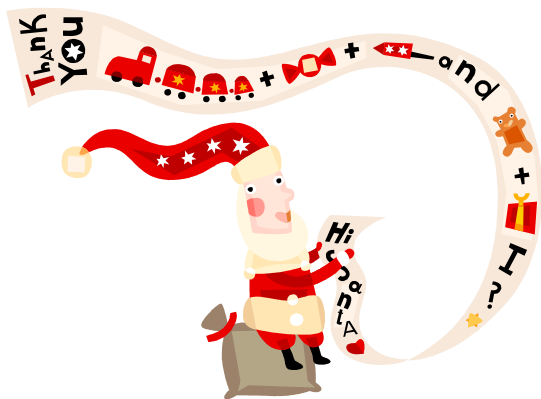
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GOSSIP LINE

- *Who (or how many) went in the wrong end of Cash Ave?*
- *Who, in the pool, said "My noodle is bigger than yours!!!!"*
- *Who almost got in the pool with their shoes on?*
- *Who threw their empty wine cask bladder into someone else's picnic basket & said "Oh, I thought it was a rubbish bin"*
- *Who cannot count?*
- *Who arrived at the pool looking like a colourful pirate?*
- *Who lost their pink shoes this rally?*

Who sat with her feet in a bag? Is it a new trend or is she scared of tiny ants?????



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But we luv's ya anyway

I would like to say a big 'Thank You' for the wonderful donations towards the Christmas boxes for the Brisbane Needy. The response has been absolutely awesome and far in excess of anything I could have imagined. Loads of tinned stuff, shoes (some new), Manchester, toys, toiletries, wool etc... I emailed Karen Croke who started 'Knitting for Brisbane's Needy' (you can find their site on Facebook to see what they do) to tell her of your response whilst at the rally - her reply: "Irene, can we arrange to pick up from you? A huge thanks to you and your caravan friends!" The donations will be much appreciated and will surely make Christmas extra special for many of the needy people of Brisbane. Thank you again.

Irene

Merry Christmas To My Female Friends



If I were ol' Santa, you know what I'd do
I'd dump silly gifts that are given to you
And deliver some things just inside your front door
Things you have lost, but treasured before.

I'd give you back all your maidenly vigour,
And to go along with it, a neat little figure.
Then restore the old colour that once graced your hair
Before rinses and bleaches took residence there.

I'd remove all your wrinkles and leave only one chin
So you wouldn't spend hours rubbing grease on your skin.
You'd never have flashes or queer dizzy spells,
And you wouldn't hear noises like ringing of bells.

No sore aching feet and no corns on your toes,
No searching for spectacles when they're right on your nose.
Not a shot would you take in your arm, hip or fanny,
From a doctor who thinks you're a nervous old granny.

You'd never have a headache, so no pills would you take,
And no heating pad needed since your muscles won't ache.
Yes, if I were Santa, you'd never look stupid,
You'd be a cute little chick with the romance of a cupid.

I'd give a lift to your heart when those wolves start to whistle,
And the joys of your heart would be light as a thistle.
But alas, I'm not Santa, I'm simply just me,
The matronest of matrons you ever did see.

I wish I could tell you all the symptoms I've got,
But I'm due at the doctor's for an estrogen shot.
Even though we've grown older, this wish is sincere,

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Rod getting fit by cycling around the park



'KLOP' under the shady trees

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