

Newsletter October 2006

Hi Folks.

Once again I get to report on a really great Rally. The weekend was very special as it was our 1st Birthday, and we celebrated in style.

The first vans arrived at Bongaree on Wednesday, and the last on Saturday, with Chris and Leslie staying in one of the cabins.

We managed to find vacant spots each night for our Happy Hour, and as usual it was great to meet up with friends for a drink or two.

On Friday Afternoon at Happy Hour, we welcomed first time visitors Allan & Debbie Howard, and Therese Flynn & Arthur Cutler.

On Saturday there was a vacant block between 2 of our vans, so we set up tarps as a precaution as the weather was threatening. A decision was made to book the site for the night as the park was fully booked and more people were dropping in trying for parks, this proved to be a very wise decision. Saturday's Happy Hour was spent under cover.

A storm blew up during the afternoon, and it was not looking too good for the party, and it was being discussed whether to cancel the festivities, but being of sterner stuff, the members made the decision to carry on.

We all gathered under the tarps and the annexes of the two vans nearby. It was fabulous to see so many 1 year olds turn up, a lot of thought was put into the outfits they were wearing. "We have the photo's".

Mr. President was called to centre stage, (he looked cute in his overalls) and was seated in the place of honour, Kevin was looking curious until his special visitor arrived, Marilyn Monroe came and sang Happy Birthday to Mr. President, It was a surprise to everyone even Marilyn's husband. Well done Julie.

A birthday cake was presented to Kevin, (it was decorated like a Millard), and looked very good, tasted good too.

The raffle supplied by David & Nancy Giles was drawn during the evening and caused quite as bit of laughter. David had the blue bucket and asked one of our visitors to draw the winning ticket. The winners, David & Nancy, they kindly decided to redraw the raffle and believe it or not their name came out again, this happened 6 times, with a lot of amazement from all, before David changed to the green bucket, (the right one this time) this time Steve Lewis was the lucky winner. The raffle raised \$116.10. Well done David and Nancy, you had everyone fooled for a while.

The Baby photo competition was fun and it was interesting to see those people as they once were. Kerry won the competition, by very cleverly naming 9 of the couples.

The festivities continued until the witching hour of 9.30 when we quietened down, and all the 1 year olds were taken home to bed.

We were very lucky that the rain held off long enough for us to celebrate the 1st Birthday of our wonderful club.

I was reliably informed that our President was seen searching along the fence for a missing item. It seems the wind took the cover of his umbrella and whisked it away, never to be seen again.

Once again the exodus began on Sunday, with the last vans leaving Tuesday.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is my last report for this inaugural club year and it is all hands to the winches as our AGM approaches. It is with a very big sense of pride that I reflect on where we were just over 12 months ago and what has been achieved in a particularly short period of time. I am fully aware that the CCCQ, not to mention guite a few other associated clubs, are in awe (and a little jealous) our achievements to date. It needs not be said that your committee has been working very hard over this time, your comments of praise have been very much appreciated, but it was just not the committee. Remember when you were all sitting down at Scarborough park, probably wishing that you were someplace else, listening to me rattling off each and every constitution and bylaw, seeking input, amendment and then final acceptance, or the club name selection process. It took everyone's contribution to make our club today, what we are all proud of. Although the hard part of getting the club off the ground has been accomplished by your present committee, your, soon to be new committee's work is not done. They will be busy moulding the path of the club for the next 12 months and I am sure that their enthusiasm and new ideas will add to everyone's enjoyment.

I look forward to catching up with all at Imbil. Kevin.

A reminder.

As you all know the rally at Imbil will be our AGM.

It will also be our Christmas Party, and it would be nice to see the Vans all decked out for Christmas, be it Lights, decorations, or what ever you choose.

Bernie will be in contact with everyone with regards to the plans for the AGM and Celebrations. Lets make it another good one.

A QUANDRY.

What is the speed of Darkness?

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

Please be advised of the following nominations for Committee.

Kevin Keary President Vice President Jim Williamson Secretary Bev Byng

Treasurer Les Brearley, Not accepted

Rally Co-ordinator Ken LeClos **Activities Dell Lewis Newsletter Editor** Jill Quinlan

I would like all members to give serious thought to being the Treasurer, Les has said that he would help whomever takes over and also the rest of us on the Committee would help as well, and I might add we are really a nice group of people and we are not that hard to get along

So once again all please consider the position.

RAE'S RAMBLE

There are two theories to arguing with a woman...neither of them work.

RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

BONGAREE

Well once again we seem to have outdone ourselves with yet another great rally. A good bit of fun and frivolity goes a very long way. We all seemed to enjoy our first birthday bash, and we will see how we compare this time next year.

From all reports the park was good with the only complaints being the tight sites, and club members were not close together, and the members felt that we could use this venue again if these issues can be rectified. endeavour to rectify this in future.

THE MUD MAP FOR IMBIL 4570

Follow the Bruce Highway north to the Cooroy bypass and 18K's on you will see the Imbil turnoff on the left, follow the signs to Imbil and then go through the town towards the Borumba Dam. 7K's from town you will find the turnoff on the left to the Borumba Deer Park. Follow this road down and our camp is on the right, THERE IS NO NEED TO GO TO THE OFFICE, just do a wide right turn in through the gate, and come and join in the fun.

For those of you who find yourselves in Gympie or even Maryborough, Please remember that it isn't compulsory to do the FULL tourist loop, as others are waiting to enjoy your company.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

I am starting to gather information on our Tin Can Bay rally in February. I realise that this is early BUT I have to have all the information on anyone attending and for what days as early as possible so that I can do the booking and they can do the site allocation, and this will all be done over the Christmas break. PLEASE EMAIL ME EITHER WAY WITH YOUR INFORMATION AND INTENTIONS A.S.A.P.

Also at Bongaree Kevin was going to mention that we have a show of hands on an alternate rally venue for our August 2007 rally, and I presented a choice of Lake Dyer at Laidley or a return visit to Standown Park at Kia Ora, BUT unfortunately with all the festivities we ran out of time. By now you should have had an email, or copy of it, and had a chance to think about it, and I am asking for a reply to this with the greatest of urgency so that I can set the calendar out for release at Imbil.

Please remember, the dates for the November Rally at Imbil are Friday 24th to Sunday 26th November. Ken

KEN'S TIP OF THE MONTH.

When travelling in traffic, always leave a 5 second gap between you and the vehicle in front, even when others push in. We may be two minutes late but we will have had a much happier and stress free trip.

HAT & COAT RAFFLES

A reminder to all members that, the Hat and Coat raffles are continuing. These raffles will be drawn at Imbil at the A.G.M. You still have time to buy your tickets, which are available at each rally. The Coat tickets are \$10.00 each and you can buy tickets in the Hat for \$5.00 each. Come and see me, I will sell you as many tickets as you would like. These items were donated by Murray and Christine and all the money raised is to go to the cost of the Banner and the purchase of the Club Stickers for our vans. Imbil will be the last chance for you to purchase your tickets.

BIRTHDAY'S in NOVEMBER

3rd Merv Groves 6th Pauline Miles Jim Williamson 12th

ANNIVERSERIES IN NOVEMBER

Les & Bernie Brearley 10th

RAFFLE ROSTER NOVEMBER

Merv & Nancy Groves.

NOVEMBER RALLY

24^{TH,} 25th and 26th November

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Signing off now, see you all at Imbil Post Code 4570.

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