

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

Newsletter OCTOBER 2009

Next Month's Rally Kilcoy Show Grounds, Wed 18 Nov to 23rd Nov 2009



Van parking sites



Main pavilion- Betting Area



Amenities (Gents)

Kilcoy Racecourse & show grounds has level sites and there is plenty of power but again limited water points, so once again we would have to 'piggy back' van to van, or you simply take a water bottle and fill it up every few days. The amenities were ok but a little bit of a walk through the main pavilion. The guy in the pavilion with the red shirt is the caretaker and a much laid back one he is!! However he has a dog the size of a small horse and it would not be something that I would approach. The caretaker said "oh yes he is friendly now, but never go near him when I am not around". Cost is \$8 per site per night.

Rustic & Rural aspect, visit Yowie Park, Greensill Lake, Wineries, Pubs, Shops, Fresh produce, Bakery, Service Station, Kilcoy Craft Cottage, Hall of History & Bowls Club, take a Scenic drive to Jimna.

All members are reminded that for the safety and comfort of all, your *vehicle speed* at any rally venue is *walking pace* only. *Dogs* allowed on leash-usual rules apply. *No fires*. Bring a *torch* for night time.



Piggy back fittings, long leads 15 amp long Hoses + levellers may be required.

Reminder; DISC BOWLS WILL BE REQUIRED- Carriers; Kevin Keary & Cyril Torrington

Cyril's Directions: - Join the Bruce Hwy at Burpengary, head north until you reach the Caboolture, Bribie Island turnoff. Before reaching this point, make sure that you are travelling in the left lanes, as this intersection has been recently altered; follow the D'Aguilar Highway sign to Kilcoy. Follow the D'Aguilar Highway, through Wamuran, Woodford, through to Kilcoy. When you reach Kilcoy, turn left where you see a hotel on your left, this is Mary Street. Travel along Mary Street until you arrive at a T intersection, turn right, & follow the D'Aguilar Hwy for about 2 kilometres. You will see the Racecourse & Showgrounds on your right.

The Rally co-ordinator will require your booking by Friday 6th November, Thank you.

Kilcoy Show Grounds
Caretaker Tel: 0439 971 660
D'Aguilar Highway, Kilcoy 4515

Somerset Regional Council
Tel: 5422 4985
Kilcoy Shire Council
info@kilcoy.qld.gov.au

NEW EMERGENCY DETAILS - FIRE OR MEDICAL

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 and first aid kit
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ROVING REPORT – Borumba Deer Park, Imbil

We missed out on being among the “Early Birds” this time and did not arrive at the Deer Park until Thursday. It was so wonderful to see Eric & Bev attending a rally again. As all the Tarp components were now there we all gathered to erect it in time for Happy Hour, where we caught up on the gossip & travel news from David & Andy, Alan & Debbie also Mike & Enid who arrived after lunch in their new van. Peter & I went to the local Railway Hotel for dinner, the signage on the roads & bridges were excellent at night. When we returned to the park Mike was in good form with his joke telling & his special attention to Eric, keeping us in fits of laughter.

Friday morning I went for a walk along the creek & bumped into Kevin who had been fishing. By lunch time a lot more vans had arrived & Kevin, Peter & Eric were kept very busy. Max & Judy also arrived in a new van; when they were setting up their van it crashed backwards to the ground, Max had not had time to put down the van legs before members were rushing to look inside the van –lucky no one was injured. Once again we all enjoyed Happy Hour & our appreciation must go to Eric & Bev who arranged a BBQ as a thank you to the club members for their concern for Eric over the past few months.

Saturday at 7.45 am Kevin, Eric & Peter with a shopping list from Bev, went into Gympie to purchase the fresh food items that were required for the “Cold Buffet” to be held on Saturday evening. Helen & John were preparing their Halloween Activity. At exactly 3pm we were all seated in the Tarp for the AGM which commenced on time; Club business, nominations etc were completed by 3.40pm – well done!! On behalf of all the club members I would like to thank our **President** for all his hard work through out the past year. Congratulations to our new Treasurer Vicki Mackenzie & all the best to the Committee for the coming year. Our thanks to Rae for the excellent job she does in keeping the club photo albums up-to-date & organising the song books. The Buffet Meal& Activity; thank you to all of you who helped with purchasing, storage, preparation & decoration. Congratulations to Nancy Giles on her retirement –ENJOY!!! Safe travelling to our out-going treasurer Neil & his wife Faye, we thank you for a job well done.

Finally, after a mass departure Sunday morning, the remaining members settled in for a quiet day, or played disc bowls until Happy Hour. Monday morning, after packing up the Tarp, the majority of us left for home, leaving lucky Alan & Lorraine to enjoy the peace & quiet of the deer park for another few days. I am looking forward to seeing you all at Kilcoy Racecourse & Showground in November.

Roving Reporter... *June*

PS I am seeking an assistant – someone who would like the position of newsletter editor in the future.



Report on activity – Halloween party

Saturday was a great night organised by Helen & John H and supported in true style by us all. What an excellent time we all had and not since our first birthday party three years ago, when we all dressed as babies, have we seen such a variety of costumes and so much effort put into looking weird, wacky and wonderful!!

We all thought we were pretty ghoulish as requested but the children of Sherwood Forest gathered around insisting that they weren't scared of any of us, even when we added sound effects!! One of these little kidlets, however, was seen more than once raising his “protective ring” to ward off the evil spirits!! Maybe it was Peter Q's glow in the dark scary mask that did it!!

We started the night in a great atmosphere under the tarp which had been transformed by lots of kinky Halloween decorations like skeletons, spider webs, and balloons sporting artistic Halloween drawings. Thanks to the committee and all extra helpers for providing our scrumptious dinner. Lots of effort and trips into town! It's so nice not to have to cook and still be able to enjoy a lovely meal. Well done, team!

After dinner, we were sorted into teams of four for the Halloween Trivia Quiz. This stimulated a great deal of thinking on such deep and meaningful questions as “ How long was the 100 year war?”

Continued



For those of you who can't remember, it was 116 years – about as long as it must have taken Helen and John to dig out all the questions. The Quiz was won by Team 6 with Rae knowing a lot of the answers (we won't divulge how) and another team insisting “we are the champions!!” One competitor was heard to say to her husband – “keep quiet or people will know how dumb you are”. Later we shared even more ghoulish treats such as “fingers” and “mice”. Thanks to the cooks who put in so much creative effort.

A few lasting memories (or was that nightmares) for you to re-live:

- Much hilarity over a toy jumping spider and jumping bat - small things amuse small minds! Who was heard to remark that there would soon be lots of “spiderats” or “batpiders!”
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- Assorted witches, devils and Draculas and varying degrees of face paint
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- Helen's Halloween skeleton with two pink balloon boobs attached
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- And lastly, oh the sight of Alan & Debbie in matching costumes complete with G-strings!

Don't you love fancy dress!! Thanks to all of us for a great night.

Activity's Reporter... ***Bernie B***



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



BIRTHDAYS

12thNov/2009 *Jim Williamson*
21stNov/2009 *David Smith*
22ndNov/2009 *David Hellewell*



6thNov/2009 *Pauline White*



ANNIVERSARIES

10th Nov/2009 *Les & Bernie Brearley*



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well another club year has come and gone. The AGM at Imbil went off smoothly and quickly which was great as there were many preparations needed for the night's activity and what a show it was. Well done to everyone involved. The same committee members were re-elected (there were no other nominations) with the exception of the Treasurer who is now Vicki. Neil, the outgoing Treasurer decided not to accept any nominations to the position in this coming year as he and Faye have travel plans that would have had him relying on his assistant way too much.

Whilst on the committee, this coming year will be my 4th as the clubs President out of the 5 years the club has existed, not counting the stint as President on the start up steering committee. Your continued support for me has been tremendous which makes the job that much easier however I have decided that this will be my last term in any role on the management committee for the foreseeable future. I owe it to Kerry and its time to let others have a go. So you basically have just 9 more rallies to locate my replacement. Should be easy with all the talented people we have in the club. Hopefully the re-elected committee can reap the benefits of all the hard work of the last year and sail along nicely.

See you at our rallies

Kevin



TREASURER'S REPORT

I consider this past year, the fourth now for the Club, to have been a time of continual learning for all of us. I for one have again mastered some old work skills of primary banking and accounting and certainly enhanced some 'rusting' computer skills: And what's more I never thought I'd be able to do it! To have again served on the Committee has been a fulfilling experience and I now thank my fellow committee members for the support they have given me.

Further in the Thanks department, I thank my lovely wife Faye for being forever by my side - particularly when the computer Excel program had me bewildered and deranged. To Vicki MacKenzie, who willingly came aboard as my assistant and understudy for the past twelve months - I thank you Vicki and John for being there to look after the money box when you were needed. As I step down from the Treasurer's position for this coming year, I have every confidence that she would be most capable in keeping the books for the Club.

Finally, I say to you, each and every one of our members, do consider giving a committee position a go, there is a bit of extra effort involved, but the old saying is true, "The more you put into life – the more you are going to get out of it!"

Regards from Treasurer... *Neil*

CLUB SHOP

END CAPS (DIRECTOR CHAIR)	\$ 1.50 EACH
TENT PEG PULLERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
MENS SHIRTS SIZES 'L' & 'XL'	\$ 33.00 EACH
WOMENS SHIRTS SIZE 14, 16	\$ 33.00 EACH
CAPS	\$ 18.00 EACH
CLUB STICKERS	\$ 5.00 EACH
DO NOT OVERTAKE SIGNS	\$ 20.00 EACH
FLAGS	\$ 17.00 EACH

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS; A REMINDER THAT YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND A MAXIMUM OF THREE RALLIES PER FINANCIAL YEAR

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 (Club shirt day)

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Lockyer Valley**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Hello Everyone, It was very pleasing to see the majority of members at our A.G.M. I would like to thank everyone involved with their help and assistance in the preparation of the Saturday night cold buffet. Also I would like to thank John and Helen for their efforts in organising the marvellous Halloween Night festivities.

Lastly as this will be my last year as Secretary I am seeking an assistant for the Club Secretary next year. Hope to see you all at Kilcoy.

'Till then... *Bev.*

**ACTIVITIES FOR KILCOY****HORSERACING....."THE PENINSULA CUP" MEETING**

We will be holding a workshop at 10.00 am. Please bring a broomstick or the like and a felt pen. This workshop should only last about half an hour.

Meet in the Betting Ring at 3.30 pm. for the preliminaries, the racing will start at 4.00 pm. (Happy Hour). Ladies wear your Peninsula Cup Hats.

Kerry and I request that you bring Cold meat, Salad or Sweets, for a shared meal to commence at 6.00 pm. We already have a list of some foods that ladies will be bringing; you can contact me (Rae) for information on what we may need.

After Dinner we will have Charades, start thinking now about what you may act out on the night. As this is the last rally before Christmas you may like to decorate your Van, they do look nice all lit up.

Kerry and I welcome you all to join in our activity, and Thank you in advance for your support.

See you in Kilcoy... *Kerry and Rae.*

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 above mentioned two items regardless of the circumstances.

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

**NOV 2009.....J&R WILLIAMSON/KERRY KEARY
KILCOY XMAS PICNIC RACES**

DEC 2009..... (No rally this month)

JAN 2010.....PICNIC IN THE PARK - TBA

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00)

NOV 2009.....Keith & Shaneen Hambleton

DEC 2009..... (No rally this month)

FEB 2010.....David & Debbie Smith

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 by phoning 3869 0345



RALLY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Arrivals: *Wednesday-B&E Byng, A&D Howard, K.Keary, D&A Hellewell, A&L White*
Thursday-J&R Williamson, P&J Crowe, J&P Quinlan, M&E Tracey
Friday-B&L Brearley, K&P White, J&H Hunter, N&F Bremner, M&J Martin, C&L Torrington,
T.Trowbridge, M.Huxley, D&D Smith, V&J Mackenzie, M&J Zielke (Visitors)
Saturday-D&N Giles, D&A Wright

I would like to thank all the members who made the trip to Imbil a total of 21 Vans & 1 Motorhome; it makes my job seem worth while when we have such a good turn out. I would like to thank Kevin & Eric for helping me to park the vans and connect them to water & power. I think it would be fair to say this would be the best rally attendance for the year despite the arrival of the "Stickman". The next rally at Kilcoy looks like it will be well attended too, going by the rally sheet- 18 so far. Please remember **Yes** is not a reply, I need to know **what days** you're coming/or **not** coming. Thank you all for your support & I look forward to seeing you again at the Kilcoy Racecourse & Show Grounds in November. Remember this will be the last rally for 2009.

See ya...Peter



GOSSIP LINE

Who were the males checking out David & Peter's Beer fridges & how many drove into Gympie to buy one for their own use?

Who were the couple who displayed their bare tooshes at the Halloween party?

Who wore his Halloween mask upside down & couldn't see or breathe?

Who was left at the BBQ area on Sunday morning waiting for his cup of tea?

Who was the "Stickman"? What did we do to upset him? What did he do to upset us?

Reminder-please check out the Sponsors who support our Club & support them for your requirements

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