

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2015

*Next Month's Rally – Lake Dyer --- Bill Gunn Dam,
Laidley-Forest Hill Road, Laidley. 4341
Wednesday 11th – Monday 16th November*



Situated on the Bill Gunn Dam and cradled in-between the villages of Laidley and Forest Hill is the picture-perfect Lake Dyer. This beautiful and welcoming lake is in the Lockyer Valley, a stone's throw from the Warrego Hwy. It is the perfect spot for a family getaway, with its charming water outlook and shaded facilities. Day trippers and campers are welcome and encouraged at Lake Dyer.

DIRECTIONS: From the Warrego Highway (A2) at Plainland, take the Laidley exit and follow the signs for Laidley. After approx 8 kms continue through the main street of Laidley. Cross the bridge and take the first right at Gatton / Forest Hill turnoff. Travel approx 2kms and turn left into Lake Dyer/Bill Gunn Dam.



THINGS TO DO:

Swimming / Boating / Fishing / Hiking

SITE FEES: \$ 25/v/n

GAZEBOS ARE REQUIRED:

Carriers please note.

Also need TARP SIDES

POST CODE – 4341

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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ACTIVITIES FOR November

Organizers : Loretta & Brian

Games afternoon from 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Could all members please supply a **toddler** photo of themselves in a sealed envelope with their name on a piece of paper in the same envelope. This is going to be a guessing game.

Feel free to dress up or dress down in Xmas colours if you wish.

Photos can be given to Loretta or Brian at Lake Dyer **before Saturday**.



Please take note of 'Safety Talk' notice on President Ken's report page.



ACTIVITY REPORT

FRIDAY – Line Dancing had been requested as an activity by some members, so on Friday arvo, at 2 pm, 5 members took to the floor. Instructors were Elaine, Ted & Carolyn. Kim was sitting watching – but decided everyone was having too much fun, and so joined the group. An hour soon slipped by. Perhaps Boot Scooting might be a popular future activity. (halls permitting).

The meal on Friday evening was at the Kalbar Hotel – where a lovely meal was enjoyed by all who could make it – one person was seen to be enjoying a desert of ice cream with chocolate sauce – would you believe eating it with a knife and fork – HOW POSH!

Saturday at 3pm – Thanks to Rob, Di, Ken and Kim for this month's activity. A game of KLOPS (which is always popular) had everyone having a go and trying to be the 1st to 50. We were kept cool with ice blocks during the afternoon, however with so many having low scores, it looked like the game would be going into Happy Hour (heaven forbid) - so it was decided the winner would be the first to make the score of 30 – winners were Warren and Trevor.

Happy Hour started a little late. One of the local wineries came along for some wine tasting. The wine must have been to some member's taste, judging by the smiles on their faces as they made their purchases.

Birthday members were –  Rod, Mick, John (Macca), Rob, George, Di, and Warren.
(Absent - Beverley, Rick & Noel)

Anniversary members were –  Bev & Eric (Absent - Vickie & Paul, Helen & Rick)

President Ken made a Special Award to Jim & Rae on attending 80 Rallies. Well done.

Pres. Ken presenting Rae & Jim with their 80 rallies certificate



Raffle – Donated by Andy & Dave – was won by Carolyn and Ted.

Dinner was a BBQ, hosted on behalf of the committee. A big "Thank You" must go to Ken and Kim and their band of helpers in preparing and cooking the BBQ. Desert had lots of cake cream and Custard – Rob was happy as he always says "You can't have too much custard"



Lovely salads
Thank You, Kim

Barbeque Cooks
Mick, Ron & Rod



Always dishes to do! Ron & Elaine

The Club celebrated its 10th Anniversary with a special cake for the occasion. Cutting of the cake was founding members Bev & Eric and Rae & Jim. Carolyn and Ted.



Rae, Jim, Bev and Eric --- 'Founding Members'



COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2016

Rae (Treasurer) / Ken (President) / Elaine (Assist. Secretary)
Fave (Secretary / Colin (Vice- Pres.) / Eric (Rally Co-ordinator)



Colin presenting Jim & Rae, Bev & Eric and Loretta & Brian with their 10 rallies for the year certificates



Di's birthday was on Saturday

Birthdays



"Happy Anniversary"



BEV AND ERIC

2nd time Visitors
Yvonne & Trevor



Rod, Di, Mick, George, John M & Warren with Activity Organizers, Rob & Di (sorry, Di --- shouldn't have to give yourself a cake)



Afternoon game of KLOPS and the winners were Warren and Trevor (Visitor), with Organizers Rob & Di



ROVING REPORT

Wed: 7 vans made it to Kalbar Showgrounds today. The threatening storm, which had some of us put our awnings back in, went around us. We had Happy Hour in the room, then some drove ,others walked ALL THE WAY to the Kalbar Tavern for a delicious meal. Loretta had the salmon & said it was the best she's ever had (& wanted to take the chef home – poor Brian was about to be traded in)

Thurs: 5 ladies went for a walk to town and after checking out the shops we had morning tea at the bakery.... A lovely morning with lovely company. Ted & Carolyn went for a drive to Spicer's Gap.

More members arrived throughout the day & we had our usual Happy Hour, dinner in our vans then Colin put on a slide show of Warren & Elaine's recent trip to England & Scotland and then some of their previous trips O/S.

Thank you for letting us enjoy your holiday snaps.

Fri: Another beautiful day in the Fassifern. Craft was held in the room, with Col & Ken having a game of backgammon. As usual, there was more chatting than craft, but who cares, that's what it's all about, eh!

Late-comers, Mick & Faye, arrived on dusk and again got the prime position next to the room BUT with an added bonus of picnic table & seats. And they brought their dog, Links! who was a perfect angel (well, by what I saw!) Most of us went to the Tavern again for dinner. It was such a busy night for them & we had the late sitting, and service with smiles.

Sat: Yvonne & Trevor had gone home for Friday night, so we tried to sell their "Newly Renovated Vintage Van". The Kalbar Country Day Festivities started early with a free bacon & egg breakfast. The main street (George St) was closed off & market stalls were erected. Country Music Bands played, people sat on haystacks to eat their hamburgers, etc, while they listened to them. Over to Elaine as we have to go home tomorrow. *Lyle*



Chris & I had cuddles with snakes while 'BRAVE' Warren had a Lizard on his hat!

Sun: there was a hive of activity with more markets held in the showgrounds until midday. There was breakfast for those who wanted to have bacon & egg rolls, etc. Bush Poet, **Jack Drake**, started the entertainment about 7.30 and he was enjoyed by all. He was followed by country singer, **Jeff Brown**, who was also very good. Some of us managed to get a few bargains.



Saturday Markets closed George St, Kalbar

Sunday Swap Meet in the Showground Oval

Eight vans left today but we had quite an entertaining Happy Hour with Ron reciting some poetry and Rod doing his version of Rindercella (the story of Cinderella done backwards.) Rae also came up with a poem and Gay bought up a new CD so we could all hear a song of Jeff Brown's.

Monday saw four more vans depart leaving six vans staying to enjoy a few more days of this glorious weather.

ELAINE



SECRETARY'S REPORT

What a great rally it was at Kalbar. As Warren and I have been away for a couple of months it was nice to be back to see our caravanning friends again. The added markets on Saturday and Sunday were a bonus to go with our Saturday Afternoon Activity.

Congratulations to the club on its 10th birthday. Also the couples who received certificates for perfect attendance this year were - Eric & Bev, Jim & Rae and Brian & Loretta. Jim & Rae also received their certificate for their 80th rally with the club.

Although Enda & Linda have resigned from the club, I did appreciate Enda taking over as Secretary from me in October last year, giving me a break from full secretarial duties, only helping him out when necessary.

Shopper Dockets for this month came to \$4,405.00

Cheers till next time

ELAINE (ASSISTANT SECRETARY)





PRESIDENT'S REPORT

First up, thank you all for allowing me to represent the club for the next year.

Second and most important is thanking the former committee members Les, Enda and Elaine for all their hard work and efforts in running the club so successfully. Actually, all the committee members have done a great job and I look forward to working with you all.

Congratulations Faye on becoming Secretary of the club. Make sure you use your helpers (Minion's) to work for you. Thanks also to Brian for volunteering to be Deputy Sheriff.

A great weekend with markets, fun games, great food, wandering around the swap meet and of course, great company. Unfortunately I won't be able to attend the November rally and Kim and I will be on a cruise to New Zealand in December.

Good health and safe travelling to all. *Ken*

Requested Safety Topics:- As you requested, we quizzed the members at our August Rally for safety topics. As well as anything you may wish to add, They nominated:- **SAFETY TALK WILL BEGIN AT 3pm. (Ron Chapman)**

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| 1. Metal Fatigue | 6. Electrical Safety |
| 2. Tyre Pressure - under different conditions | o Joining Electrical Leads |
| 3. Age Of Tyres - With Different Usage Histories | 7. Ball Weights |
| 4. Wheel Bearings And Suspension | 8. Weight Of Van (G.M.V.) - |
| 5. Gas Certificates | |

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

NOV ... Andy & Dave
DEC ... No Rally & No Raffle

JAN 2016 ... Committee at Picnic

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

NOV ... Loretta & Brian
DEC ... No Activity – Xmas Lunch

JAN 2016 No Activity (Picnic)

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



BIRTHDAYS for November

12th ... Jim 13th ... Ken
21st ... Dave S 22nd ... Dave H

24th ... Doreen (A rose  amongst the thorns)



ANNIVERSARIES for November

5th ... Doreen & Dave 10th ... Bernie & Les

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

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DECEMBER –
No Rally Xmas Lunch



JANUARY 2016 – 
Picnic-in-the-Park

FEBRUARY -  
Ferry Reserve C'v Park
Ph: 02 – 6685 1872

MARCH -  
Kenilworth Show G'rd
Ph: 07 – 5446 0131

APRIL -  
Fernvale Sports G'rd
Ph: 07 – 5427 0206

MAY -  
Allawah Scout Camp
Ph: 07 – 3202 1431



JUNE -  
Gympie Show G'rd
Ph: 07 – 5482 9537



JULY -  
Woodford Show G'rd
Ph: 0437 390 862

AUGUST -  
Six Mile Creek
Country Retreat
Ph: 07 – 4630 3351

SEPTEMBER -  
Boonah Show G'rd
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**NATIONAL RALLY
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Once again our Sheriff managed to get us a very eventful location. It was a really good weekend. The raffle supplied by Dave and Andy raised \$87.00 and was won by Ted and Carolyn. Thank you one and all for once again accepting me as your Treasurer. I will continue to do the job as best as I can.

RAE



Andy & Dave handing over the Raffle Prize won by Carolyn & Tedmy!!! Carolyn sure will be 'laughing' by time they finish the wine. Well done!
And she'll need the pillow to lay down her sweet head.

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. Only the officially sanctioned shirt is acceptable as stated by the Committee.
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GOSSIP LINE

- Who kept chatting up the local men?*
- Who whinged cos she didn't get a flower on her coffee?*
- Who tried sky-diving from their caravan door?*
- Who whinged about having to sign 'under the line'?*
- How many were waiting outside the movie theatre on Thurs night?*
- Who was complaining about not having 'others' in the sign-on book?*
- Who got told to shut up the banging?*
- How many sat without blinking, watching the photos?*



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RALLY CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT



I hope everybody enjoyed Kalbar with all the activities. Next month is Lake Dyer and as it is our last rally for the year I hope you all can come. You need to pay as you enter. I will send the sheet out 25th October but PLEASE get back to me by the 3rd of November. This is just a general reminder to all members --- if you are coming or not coming to a rally can you please let me know. As this venue is a caravan park, I need to know numbers. If you do not let me know then I cannot guarantee you a site. **The gazebo will be needed**, those of you who have the **sides for the old tarp** can you bring them as well. Thank you to Brian & Loretta who have offered to be my assistants, so please give them some help when needed or when asked. Thanks Guys. See you all then.

Cheers

Sheriff Eric



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Enjoy every moment of your life..

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Laugh when you can, Apologize when you should..

and let go of what you can't change..

Who eats their ice-cream with a knife & fork ???

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