

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2009

Next Month's Rally Borumba Deer Park, Imbil-14th Oct to 19th Oct 2009



The park is set in 15 acres of landscaped rural bush along the banks of beautiful Yabba Creek.

Powered Sites - In the main Park area with Concrete slabs, TV and Water, our club prefers Sherwood Forrest where you are free to set up as you like with friends or groups

Kiosk - Groceries, food, drink, ice, bait, gas refills and all the necessities.

Laundromat - Two washers and a large drier

Two Amenity blocks - Both cater for disabled and families.

Camp kitchens - Free gas barbeques and undercover areas with tables and seating.

Camp Fires - Fireplaces at most sites and portable fireplaces available on request.

Firewood - At reasonable prices or bring your own

Boat hire - For when you want to go fishing

Kayak Hire - For when you want to have fun

Pet Friendly - \$2.00 per day-usual rules apply

Cost - \$11 per person per night

Directions; Distance 141 km – about 2 hours 10 minutes. Borumba Deer Park, from Brisbane Follow M1 north past the Cooroy intersection.

Turn Left 18kms north of Cooroy intersection.

Signposted "Mary Valley Scenic Drive", "Imbil" & "Borumba Dam"

Follow signs to Imbil

Proceed through Imbil.

Sign posted "Borumba Dam"

Cross Yabba Creek 5 times (9kms)

Turn into our drive 200 m on left after crossing No 5.

The Rally co-ordinator will require your bookings by October 9th, 2009, thank you. (I will not be home from the State Rally until Tuesday 6th October)

REMINDER FROM CYRIL; TARP & DISC BOWLS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR IMBIL.

Carriers: Kevin Keary, Cyril Torrington, Neil Bremner, Jim Williamson, Peter Crowe

If you are not attending then it is your responsibility to immediately arrange an alternate transporter of these components to the venue.

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Google.com/maps

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- Boyds Bay Holiday Park

Time to twiddle our thumbs at the Tweed: What a lovely spot (midges not included in that remark) the park was full of native trees, birds SINGING with gusto, large well tended grassy areas, lots of open spaces considering the numbers in the park, very pleasant to walk around, our walk took us to the sandy river banks where Mary indulged in a wee spot of oyster farming, the mangroves were packed with oysters and she was able to go almost the entire weekend with nothing else to eat except freshly shucked oysters, a very real treat. The park also had lots of rock art with small statues of animals and a short humorous verse telling us the story of the featured animal.

At night a NSW (Full of fun) couple set a sparkly mood around their van with the addition of very pretty twinkling solar lights, safely put away each night so as not to tempt the many admirers.

The lucky fifteen who took part in the rally enjoyed various trips about the coast; some went high on the hills to enjoy great views up to the Gold Coast along with the similar views to the South. Trips to Fingal, Kingscliff were on the agenda as well as the local shopping centres which benefited quite well from the Queenslanders.

The highlight of the weekend was of course the Dinner on Saturday evening, which can only be described as *magnificent*, an activity that went down very well with everyone, words cannot do it justice but I should point out that very few of us would have had breakfast on Sunday. One benefit of the park was the late checkout which was made possible by paying a small amount to the park managers which enabled a number of members to have a sleep in, do some shopping and generally enjoy a very leisurely getaway, some not leaving till 2.30 but she was doing her best to support the local shops, weren't you Vicki?

A swimming pool, especially when heated is always welcome at any rally. A few took advantage of the Boyds Bay pool – large enough to keep clear of the children who came down the slide at alarming speed with lots of splashing. The pool area is well landscaped and has adequate protection from the sun, and of course a pool always guarantees a good chat with other visitors to the area. Our raffle, a “food for the caravan” hamper, raised \$75 and was won by Jim and Rae, even though they were not at the rally because the raffle organizers had the good idea to sell tickets at the August rally, and this enabled those members not attending Boyds Bay the privilege of being in the draw. Til next time.

Reporter... Jill



Report on activity;

What better activity for a rally can you have than plenty of DRINKING and EATING – one thing we all do well!! From the start many moons ago, this activity was nominated as a SEAFOOD SMORGASBORD at the Coolangatta/Tweed Heads Golf Club. Enquiries over the past few months all seemed to confirm that we were headed in the right direction. The Golf Club offers a smorgasbord, not only seafood, but includes the usual roasts and also another unique approach – individual orders for fish and steak barbequed by their chef on request. (The ten minute wait allows for further consumption of prawns and oysters!) And all of this for \$26 per head. The desert range is “scrumptious” and again I had to stop Neil from starting his evening with Black Forest cake and ice-cream. Drink prices were most reasonable at this Club.

Perhaps the other draw card of the evening was the return bus for \$2 each. We happily took advantage of this service.

Reporter ...Faye



BIRTHDAYS



ANNIVERSARIES

Oct/2009 John Mackenzie
12th Oct/2009 Rob.Howard

1st Oct/2009 Therese Flynn
18th Oct/2009 Diane Howard

19th Oct/2009 Keith & Shaneen Hambleton
23rd Oct/2009 Neil & Faye Bremner
26th Oct/2009 Eric & Bev Byng



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Hello to all. Boyd's Bay venue for this rally was good but the sand flies and the thieving (we were only told of this mind you but it had us locking EVERYTHING away every night) did put a taint on things. A small turn out but we had fun and I am sure that this will be told in more detail by the other reporters.

The activity meal at the Tweed Golf club had to be seen to be believed. I witnessed something that was truly worth the attendance. Tom Fuller was able to get a fully peeled prawn into his mouth in the time it took the rest of us to pull the head off one and that was without even looking!!! Macca was heard to say that Tom knocked off two full plates of prawns (yes he had to go back and resupply) in the time it took him to peel 6 on his plate! So I have given Tom the nick name of the 'PRAWNINATOR'!

Tom and I were having a slight unofficial contest on who could eat the most plates of food. I think we came out even at 12! Alright, I might have embellished that number a bit as it was more like 9!!!! So we called it even. However I did notice a dark horse in the race that may have put even Tom and my efforts to shame and that was MARY. I saw her wandering around the food display with plate in hand eating and when I asked what she was doing she replied that it was no point going back to the table as she would be finished before she got there so she was just eating on the run!! Looked like a shark circling prey. So goodness knows how much she had????!! I did hear one of the cooks say something about having trouble getting past a little lady with their freshly cooked bowls of food to put in the displays.....(Ummmm-my imagination is running amuck-I may have made that up!)

We certainly had some laughs. It was good to catch up with Tom and Bernie whose company is always enjoyable. (Oh and by the way Tom, those 4 plates of oysters I had did not WORK!!!! I told you that they were too small.)

Please do not forget that your membership renewals are due by the **30th September** so if you have not paid and are intending to please get your completed application and money to our Treasurer by that date. This will help Neil in his end of year financial statement compilation.

Also do not forget that Octobers rally at Imbil is the clubs AGM so please attend if you can.

Bye for now, Kevin

Tyre & Wheel Information;

"All members are reminded that they should have their wheels on their vans balanced. An unbalanced wheel puts extra strain onto the vans bearings. Also you should be rotating your tyres by including the spare so all get similar usage. This can assist in prolonging the life span of the tyres. Lastly you should cover your exposed tyres (old piece of fibro is excellent) to the sun when the van is in storage. Many tyre failures are a consequence (over time) of not being protected whilst sitting at home waiting for the next trip."

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

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)

2009 CALENDAR

OCTOBER
IMBIL-AGM
Tel: 5484 5196
BOOKED

NOVEMBER
KILCOY
Tel: 0439 971 660
Kilcov Showgrounds
BOOKED

DECEMBER
NO RALLY

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2010 CALENDAR

JANUARY-PICNIC

FEBRUARY -Booked
BEACHMERE
Caravan Park
Ph: 07 5496 8077

MARCH- Booked
BIGRIGGEN PARK
Beaudesert

APRIL- Booked
WOODFORD S/GRS
Ph: 07 5496 1294

MAY- Booked
LAKE DYER/Camping
& Caravan Park
Lake & Bill Gunn Dam
Laidley

JUNE- Booked
KILKIVAN/Bush
Camp
Rossmore Rd. Kilkivan

JULY- Booked
Esk Caravan Park
Ph: 1800 462 375
26 Hassall Street, Esk
(Xmas in July)



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hello Everyone; Well our Club is now 4 years old and it has been a very good 4 years. Sadly this year we lost two of our members and we welcomed five new members. I would like to thank my fellow committee members for all their assistance, my thanks to Faye and June also Kerry and Lil, your thoughtfulness has been appreciated.

For those of you who are going to the State rally have a safe trip and enjoy the experience. Remember next month is the A.G.M. so I hope we have a good attendance.

Lastly I would like to thank everyone for their support for my wonderful husband Eric, and I would like to thank him for his ongoing love, thank you sweetheart. Till next time.

Cheers Bev.



TREASURER'S REPORT

With the end of our financial year now near, I am pleased to advise that it appears we have faired pretty well during this last year; paid all the bills and ready to start the next year with a reasonably healthy balance at bank. My term as Treasurer has been made all the easier with the support I have received from everyone, and particularly my fellow Committee members. With the couple of years experience now behind us as one of the new clubs of the QCCC, I'm sure we can look forward to retaining our prosperity and with wise decisions from our membership soon begin to increase our wealth base by way of club assets for the combined enjoyment of all members.

Faye and I look forward to seeing as many of our members as possible at our coming AGM, and at the following Halloween Festivities.

Regards from Your Treasurer....*Neil*

REMINDER-MEMBERS GOING TO PITTSWORTH, TAKE OFFICIAL RECEIPT

AGM at 3.00PM Saturday, under the TARP, followed by drinks. (BYO drinks, plates, bowls, cutlery)

HALLOWEEN PARTY- COLD BUFFET MEAL AT 6.00PM

Committee will purchase the food required for the meal

REMEMBER A DRESS UP COSTUME!

I.e. Devil, Vampire, Witch, Zombie, Ghost, Pirate etc

Prize for most impressive costume – don't be shy!

It's a celebration our Club is four years old!



RAFFLE ROSTER (value \$20.00)

OCT/2009..... Terry Trowbridge
NOV/2009..... Keith & Shaneen Hambleton
DEC/2009..... (No Rally for this month)

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, phone 3869 0345

ACTIVITIES ROSTER

OCT/2009..... COMMITTEE & H&J HUNTER
AGM & HALLOWEEN NIGHT

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

DEC/2009..... (No Rally for this Month)



RALLY REPORT-Boyds Bay Holiday Park

Attendance: K&K Keary, N&F Bremner, P&J Quinlan, J&V Mackenzie, R&D Howard, D.Giles, M Huxley, and Assoc.members T&B Fuller

The ‘advance party’ of the rally arrived during Wednesday – Kevin and Kerry, Tom and Bernie Fuller and ourselves, Neil and Faye. We had visited Boyd’s Bay for a short stay following our last rally at Boonah and felt that this caravan park had a good time to offer; hence we took the advantage of a Wednesday start. Thursday saw Peter and Jill arrive and unfortunately they must have bought a strong wind with them – Thursday and Friday proved a bit gusty.

By Friday our other four members had completed the arrivals. That evening the Happy Hour was spent under the cover of David and Nancy’s smaller camper trailer annex. However, as we all know, never pre judge – for when David had completed the extension of all his covers we found that indeed there was more room for everyone than that offered in our caravan awnings.

A new interpretation of “Long Arms” should now be included for all, no longer the privy of the Treasurer. On registering and fee payment, Boyd’s Bay offers the boom gate key (not on a plate) but on a stick – no longer are the ladies required to hop out of the vehicle to operate the boom gate, nor do drivers have to go through with a prayer hoping they haven’t come too close which would result in wiping out the side of one’s van when crossing the boom. A Great Invention!!

Regards from Neil



Hello everyone, well it looks like another Claytons rally came and went; that’s a rally when you’re not having a rally. It appears that if you mention a Caravan Club to some park managers, they reply back and insist on deposits and individual bookings. However if you are a private group they say “Come on down with your friends- not a problem” A small rally can be a good rally i.e.; Neurum Creek. I hope those who attended Boyds Bay had a good time & enjoyed themselves. I would like to thank Neil for his help in organising this rally; it can be a challenging task. I believe it’s a good venue and June & I were disappointed we could not attend. We are off to Pittsworth on the 30th September to “Experience” a State Rally.

I look forward to seeing you all at Borumba Deer Park, Imbil. Please remember to advise me if you are going/not going. A Big cheerio to Eric I have a new “you beaut” beer Esky to try out. To our Travellers, we wish you a safe journey.

See you soon, Peter

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