

Newsletter SEPTEMBER 2011

<u>Next Month's Rally –36th State Rally</u> at Maryborough showground & Equestrian Park, Wednesday 12th to Wednesday 19th October 2011







Showgrounds Sign

Town Hall

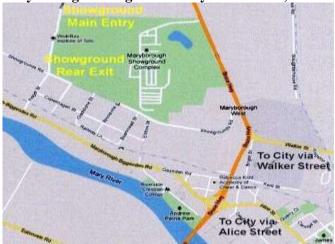
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Maryborough is a city located on the Mary River in South East Queensland, Australia, approximately 255 kilometres (160 mi) north of the state capital, Brisbane. The city is serviced by the <u>Bruce Highway</u>, and has a population of approximately 22,000 (2004). It is closely tied to its neighbour city Hervey Bay which is approximately 30 kilometres (20 mi) north-east. Together they form part of the area known as the Fraser Coast.

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Planning is almost complete for the 36th State Rally at Maryborough and everyone is getting ready to have a "Whale of a Time" for a week of fun and activity as you renew old acquaintances and enjoy the fellowship that is traditional of rallies past. Bring sullage buckets for your caravan grey water. Grey water will be collected in wheelie bins and dumped into the dump point. Please **DO NOT** put rubbish in the grey water bins. It has been advised to bring a drill, if you are parked on the gravel area, it will be hard to get your pegs into the ground.

Ensure you have your <u>receipt in hand</u> upon arrival at the showgrounds. Important – Security Tags must be worn at all times on site. GPS Coordinates for Maryborough Showground entry: -25.503482, 152.667561



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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- Kalbar Showgrounds

We seem to be jinxed when leaving for the rallies; this time the pop top & awning would not operate, Peter discovered the tape was rolled up with the awning – anyway we finally left home at about 10.15AM. We had a good run on the motorways & arrived at Kalbar around 12.30 to find Eric & Bev, Warren & Elaine, Alan & Lorraine already set up, Gay arrived sometime later. It was good to see everyone & after an early Happy hour we all decided to go to the Hotel for dinner, everyone enjoyed their meals, we returned to the showgrounds & had a quiet night.

This was the clubs first visit to Kalbar & when we checked out this venue there was a beautiful big shady tree which we thought would be good to sit under for drinks etc, unfortunately on arrival we discovered the tree looking very sad (due to the floods earlier this year) & not a leaf in sight. The caretaker took pity on us & opened up the hall for us to use. Thursday saw five more vans arrive. The biggest surprise was the arrival of Jim & Rae with Rae in the driver's seat, well done! It was great to see Jim out of Hospital, although a little wobbly on his feet.

On Friday we had a "Girl Tour" of the shops; checking out the Lollies & the clothing Emporium, then on to the coffee shop where we found Rob walking past & invited him to join us. We found the local people very friendly and helpful, thanks to our driver Rae. At happy hour we had visitors from another club join us for drinks. Secretary Bev arranged a booking at the Hotel for the night time meal, which most enjoyed although I heard mumblings of disapproval at our table.

Saturday, all dressed in club attire, we set off for Lake Moogerah for a delicious morning tea, and it was great to see day visitors Mike &Judy with Fred & Dad join us; unfortunately Mike had a little mishap when backing out his car to leave. The disc bowls competition started at 2PM, with Dinner at 6PM. thank you to the Activity organisers for such a great day.

Sunday was very hot & a lot of smoke from the grass fires, after saying goodbye to those going home the stayers joined Mike & Enid under their awning for more fun & laughter, then we had lunch and a nanny nap before happy hour. Thank you to Les for setting up the projector in the evening and our thanks to Warren & Elaine for their holiday movies.

Most of us went home on Monday, but there were a few who stayed longer. I'm sure everyone who attended would agree this was another great rally with lots of good fun. Safe travelling to those going to the State Rally at Maryborough —have a great time!

Please consider nominating for the position of newsletter Editor at the AGM in November as I will be retiring after four years, it has been a great experience & I encourage you to volunteer.

Reporter...June



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Another great weekend at Kalbar with a good roll up and great activities. It was a magic day for the trip to Moogerah Dam, very different from the last time we were there. Thanks to the cooks for a delicious morning tea. It was great to see everyone involved in the disks bowls; it looks like there is some hidden talent there! I have to take responsibility for inviting Keith and Caroline to join in and they pipped Ron and Rae in the final. The Show Society put on a really nice dinner and some members put on a show playing Uno. Great activities and a big thank you to the organisers Loraine, Allan, Chris and Ron.

There is still an opportunity to nominate for a position on the committee and the newsletter editor position will also become vacant at the end of the year. So if you are in a position to help then let one of the committee members know.

We are looking to increase our membership by about another half a dozen, so if you know of somebody who may be interested then encourage them to come along to one of the rallies. We had an article in last week's Bayside Star with a photo of the frog race final and will think of putting something in other local newspapers at the start of next year.

There are only a few people going to the State rally in Maryborough during October, so if you are thinking about going then register soon. Otherwise we will see you at Mudjimba in November for the AGM.

Cheers...Les

TRAVEL AND LEISURE

(Advertising feature)

Explore great South East

PENINSULA Caravan Club will be travelling to Kalbar near Boonah for its



September rally. The club is a great way for people with a caravan, or any other accommodation on wheels, to explore the great South East.

"We travel no more than two hours to our monthly destination which includes a variety of locations from small country towns to seaside resorts," as spokesman said,

"There are plenty of interesting venues to choose from, so we really do get to see what the South East has to offer.

"The official rally is over the weekend; however our more enthusiastic members often stay for a week," he said.

Different activities are planned for each rally and may include visiting local attractions, disc bowls, frog racing or whatever the organisers dream up.

"Most importantly the rallies give you a chance to have lots of fun, catch up with friends and other like minded people, share experiences or learn more about the joys of caravanning.

"Visitors are welcome, so you can attend a rally and check it out, or give us a call and we would be happy to explain how it works over a cuppa," he said.

For more information about the club ring Les on 3269 0396, Peter on 3496 2245 or email peninsulacaravanclub@gmail.com



PENINSULA CARAVAN CLUB INC

Join Peninsula Caravan Club

Peninsula Caravan Club invites those with an interest in a caravan lifestyle to join our club and explore the Great South East.

For more information contact Les on 3269 0396, mob 0429 340 042, Peter on 3496 2245 or email peninsulacaravanclub@gmail.com

Bookings still ope for carnival rail to

THE Australian Railway Historical Society (Queensland Division) has entered its 54th year of operating rail tours.

More than 900 excursions operated by both steam and diesel hauled trains to many destinations in Queensland have been run A coach tour of some of the ning gardens is included. For a to travel on Saturday a repea place on Sunday, September 18

On all Carnival of Flowe optional lunch is available at

ACTIVITY REPORT -

The morning started to be a most beautiful day with the roosters walking us up. After a leisurely morning we headed for our picnic at Moogerah Dam. We were invited to a passion fruit, lemon coconut slices, fruit cake, jam and cream scones organised by Lorraine with the help of Christine. What a scenic spot to have morning tea, I went for a most refreshing swim, the first for the season.

After lunch and nanny nap we gathered in the shade for disc bowels. It was a competitive game between the yellows (Ron and Rae) and the blue's (Keith and Carolyn- campers to the showground), with the blue's being the champions of the day!

At happy hour, anniversaries and birthdays were announced and celebrated & the raffle was drawn.

Because of the State Rally being held next October the Hunter's are going to Cotton Tree Caravan Park, Maroochydore.

They have welcomed anyone interested to join them – this is not an official club rally.

We assembled at 6pm at the hall for a 2 course dinner cooked by the Kalbar Show Society members. We were treated to a hot meal and various salads with delicious apple crumble with custard and Pavlova. After the meal Lorraine arranged for us to play UNO, a card game which created a lot of fun and filled the hall with screams of laughter.

On behalf of everyone I would like to thank Lorraine for all her hard work organising this activity, also thanks to Christine for her assistance.

Reporter - Mary Huxley



Lake Moogerah; Bernie & Mary



Disc Bowls; Winners Campers; Keith & Carolyn



Disc Bowls; Runners up Rae & Ron



Show Society Dinner; Alan & Lorraine's table



Show Society Dinner; Dave & Debbie's table

2011 CALENDAR

OCTOBER 36th State Rally
Maryborough Qld
NOVEMBER
Mudjimba Caravan Pk
ContactGreg & Janine
Ph: 1800 461 475
DECEMBER
No Rally
(Xmas Lunch)

2012 CALENDAR

JANUARY-W Picnic in Park TBA FEBRUARY-booked Tin Can Bay T/Park MARCH-booked Canungra s/grounds APRIL- Booked Nambour s/grounds MAY-booked Lake Macdonald JUNE- booked Imbil, Deer Park JULY- booked Nanango C&M Park AUGUST-booked Rathdowney s/grounds SEPTEMBER-State Rally-Warwick OCTOBER-booked Kenilworth s/grounds NOVEMBER- booked Crow's Nest C/Park DECEMBER-No Rally (Xmas Lunch)



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi One and all, another good rally. This rally was our last for this club year and remember that the State rally is the first rally for the beginning of our club year, and is our "official rally", so it is still not too late to think of going as I can assure you all, it is a very enjoyable experience if you have nothing else to do please give it some very serious thought as it would be a shame if our club only had a very few members attend as last year we had 10 members representing our club.

Also you can all give yourselves a big pat on the back as we now have been a club for six years, well done one and all. The total monies for this month dockets are \$3,975.90.

It appears to me that each rally seems to have plenty of laughter, fun, good company and everyone enjoying themselves which is what it is all about, as many say" life is too short" so enjoy every moment you can.

For the members going to Maryborough Eric & I will see you there, those not going I will see you in November for the AGM at Mudjimba.

Till then...Bev



TREASURER'S REPORT

Thank you again to everyone who have paid their Membership renewal fees promptly. It's great to see you are all staying with our club for another year full of Fun, Laughter & good times.

Thank you to all who supported our raffle again, which was won by Dave & Debbie Smith. Great prize for their new caravan. We raised \$100.00, thanks to Chris & Ron for running it.

To those going to the State Rally, hope you have fun & come back with some good stories & prizes.

See you all in November at Mudjimba, John & I'll be off exploring for three weeks.

Take care...Víckí Mac



1 Thetford 145 - Portable Toilet. One canister is 12lts, the second canister is 15lts. As new, used only on two rallies. New \$175.00 will sell for \$100.00 1 green ensuite (pop up type) used twice also. \$15.00.

Contact Vicki Mackenzie Phone 3204 0705 or email v_mac52@hotmail.com

ACTIVITIES ROSTER 2011

OCT – (no activity required)
36th STATE RALLY, MARYBOROUGH
(Various entertainments arranged)

NOV – Alan & Deb Howard/ TBA

DEC – no rally

RAFFLE ROSTER (prize value \$20.00+ tickets)

OCT - Eric & Bev Byng NOV- Jan Kostuch DEC- No Rally

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 Bev Byng- Ph 3869 0345.



?? John Mackenzie 12th Rob Howard 18th Diane Howard 19th Warren Sutherland

19th Jan Kostuch



26th Eric & Bev Byng



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GOSSIP LINE

Who arrived towing the van for the very first time?

Who demonstrated the shower in the Jayco Discovery Pop Top?

Who was riding his bike around in practice for the Maryborough State Rally?

Who (while you're up) got up & made a drink for his wife?

Who went for a swim in black at Lake Moogerah?

Who locked Eric in the toilet?

Who had a couple of restless nights because of the book she was reading?

Who was the walker who lapped the show ring the most times?

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.

Saturday is official Club rally day.

CLUB SHOP MENS SHIRTS \$ 33.00 EACH WOMENS SHIRTS \$ 33.00 EACH JACKETS (Order only) \$ 35.00 EACH **CAPS** \$18.00 EACH **CLUB STICKERS** \$ 5.00 EACH VAN FLAG HOLDERS \$ 5.00 EACH TOWBAR HITCH HANDLES \$ 10.00 EACH TENT PEG PULLERS \$ 5.00 EACH







Arrivals: Wed-E&B Byng, W&E Sutherland, A&L White, P&J Crowe, G.Gibson Thur- J&R Williamson, R&C Vasyli, D&D Smith, A&D Howard, R.Howard Fri- M&E Tracey, M.Huxley, L&B Brearley, K&M Clausen, J&V Mackenzie, Sat- J.Kostuch, Apologies H. Williams

Hello to all members, this was another great rally with 16 vans attending. The weather Gods smiled down on us with perfect sunny days & cool nights, although the air was full of smoke towards the final day. The caretaker Harry took good care of us, opening up the hall & gates to inside the oval for parking.

I'm in envy of all you people arriving in new vehicles & caravans, especially Dave & Debbie with a shower and toilet –we know the shower works because we had a demo with Debbie standing in the shower, she showed how the tap handle turned & got a little wet!!

'She who knows best" towed our caravan home along the Ipswich & Logan Motorway to the Nudgee Service Centre, marvellous what you can achieve when you are concentrating & not talking, hey guys!

My thanks to Eric & Alan for their assistance in helping me set up & for parking the other vans. I wish those attending the State Rally at Maryborough a safe journey & a great time, I look forward to hearing all about it when you return. Next official club rally will be at Mudjimba in November.

Regards ... Peter

Two guys, one old bloke and one young, are pushing their carts around Bunning's Hardware store when they collide. The older bloke says to the young guy, 'Sorry about that. I'm looking for my wife, and I guess I wasn't paying attention to where I was going.' The young guy says, 'That's OK. It's a coincidence. I'm looking for my wife, too. I can't find her and I'm getting a little desperate. 'The old bloke says, 'Well, maybe we can help each other. What does your wife look like?' The young guy says, 'Well, she is 24 yrs old, tall, with blonde hair, big blue eyes, long legs, big boobs, and she's wearing tight white shorts, a halter top and no bra. 'What does your wife look like?' The old bloke says...... 'Doesn't matter --- let's look for yours.'

Most of us older blokes are helpful like that!!!









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POEM -Grandma & the computer

The computer swallowed grandma. Yes, honestly it's true! She pressed 'control and 'enter' And disappeared from view. It devoured her completely, The thought just makes me squirm. She must have caught a virus Or been eaten by a worm. I've searched through the recycle bin And files of every kind; I've even used the Internet, But nothing did I find. In desperation, I asked Jeeves My searches to refine. The reply from him was negative, Not a thing was found 'online.' So, if inside your 'Inbox,' My Grandma you should see, Please 'Copy, Scan' and 'Paste' her And send her back to me.