

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

MARCH 2022 NEWSLETTER



Kalbar Showgrounds

20 - 26 April 2022

Address: Lot 377, George Street, Kalbar QLD

Phone:

Gazebos: Not required

Things to do and visit:

Historic Wiss Emporium (Kalbar)
 Mt French National Park (8 km)
 Templin Historical Village (5 km)
 Panorama Motorcycles & Memorabilia (7.4 km)
 The Royal Hotel (Kalbar)
 Scenic Rim Farm Box Café (Kalbar)
 Simons Tavern Restaurant (Boonah)
 Story Tree Cafe (Boonah) Vegan & Gluten Free options

How to get there:

From Redcliffe to Kalbar 1 hr 32 mins (118km)

Head south on Oxley Rd/State Route 27 towards Anzac Ave/State Route 71
 Slight right onto Oxley Ave, continue onto Hornibrook Esplanade/State Route 27
 Continue straight onto Houghton Hwy/State Route 26/State Route 27
 Continue to follow State Route 26, Keep right, Keep right at the fork, follow signs for M1 and merge onto M1.
 Keep left at the fork to continue on Southern Cross Way, Follow signs for Northern Suburbs/City.
 Take EW Arterial Rd exit towards M7/City
 Keep left, follow signs for EW Arterial Rd/City/M7 and merge onto East-West Arterial Rd.
 Continue onto Airport Link (Toll Road). Take exit onto M3 towards Ipswich.
 Keep right at the fork to continue on M5, follow signs for Western Suburbs/Legacy Way Tunnel/Ipswich (Toll Road).
 Keep right to stay on M5. Take M7/Ipswich Mwy exit on the right towards Ipswich/Toowoomba, Merge onto M7. Continue onto M2.
 Continue onto National Hwy 15

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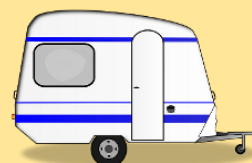
Rally Coordinators Report, directions to Kalbar continued...

Take Ipswich-Boonah Rd/State Route 93 ramp to Boonah/Ipswich.
Turn left onto Ipswich Boonah Rd/State Route 93
Turn right onto Flinders St, continue onto Warrill View Peak Crossing Road
Continue straight onto Kalbar Peak Crossing Rd,
Continue onto Munbilla Rd, continue onto George Street, **Kalbar**.

Rally Report from Nanango

Another wonderful rally – twenty vans and three couples as day visitors and a blast from the past with a visit from Debbie and Shorty Howard!
Acknowledgement needs to be made of the quick job Rally Co-Ordinator Gary performed in booking a new venue for March at such short notice – and it was a good one! Especially helpful was the huge open air undercover area which we used for all gatherings.

Venue was great, weather was great, company was great!
What more could we ask for!



Bernie and Darryl

Birthdays for April

Happy Birthday to Trevor, Yvonne, Helen R, Diana and Darryl



Anniversaries for April

Congratulations to Beverley and Keith



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President's Report



Well, the change from Mullumbimby to Nanango proved a masterstroke. We parked our 21 vans on each side of the huge shed which offered shade for Happy Hours and activities as well as cover for some of our cars and vans. Quite a few members took the opportunity to set up tables and play some cards and Mahjong.

On Friday night we visited the Palace Hotel for dinner. The meals were very tasty and huge in size with many of us taking home 'doggy' bags for lunch the following day. We were so impressed with the meals and the service that an email was sent to the owners congratulating them. (We were advised on Monday that one of the waitresses serving us had tested positive to COVID). Please be mindful of this and get tested if you are showing symptoms.

Our activity on Saturday, called the "Baby Maker" produced many laughs and lots of great photos. I am sure you will see some of them later in this newsletter. We also enjoyed entertainment and singing on Saturday night. Our thanks to the organisers.

Associate Members Keith & Beverley joined us for the weekend and were very much involved as were Trevor & Yvonne.

Hope to see you at Kalbar for the General Meeting. Don't forget to send in any questions you may have.

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2022


April

Kalbar Showgrounds 

May

Stanthorpe Showgrounds 

June

Ivory's Rock Camping 

July

Esk Caravan Park 

August

Rocky Creek Scout Camp 

September

Laidley Showgrounds 

October

Woodford Showgrounds 

November

Big 4 Maroochy - River Park

December

Christmas Luncheon

denotes Dog Friendly 

Secretary Report



Another great turnout for our Nanango rally with members and visitors reporting their expenditure as \$7,215.07.

Marg and Chris attended their second rally at Nanango and therefore became eligible to apply for membership. I'm pleased to say that the committee has approved their application and they will be inducted at their next rally. This now brings our membership to 25 Ordinary & 4 Associate members.

We have received another two enquires from perspective members with one joining us at our Kalbar rally so please make them welcome.

As previously advised a meeting will be conducted at the Kalbar Rally on Saturday 23rd April 2022 at 3:30pm to allow members to have any questions they may have answered. Members are invited to provide questions on notice by emailing them by Friday 1st April 2022 to peninsulacaravanclub@gmail.com. This will allow the committee time to review the questions to provide responses at the meeting. Time permitting questions will be accepted from the floor.

As previously advised the committee has commenced a review of the clubs Constitution & Bylaws and a number of proposed changes are currently under discussion. If you have anything you believe should be reviewed, please contact the committee via the club email account. Any proposed changes will be presented to the membership at a future General Meeting for approval.

I would like to remind members that if their circumstances change e.g., address etc could you please advise me via the club email account so our records can be updated.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next rally at the Kalbar Showgrounds.

John Hunter



Congratulations to our newest member, **Carol** who was presented by President, Neil with her Club membership at our Nanango Rally Happy Hour.

RAFFLE ROSTER

April: Mick and Faye
May: Derek and Ann
June: Dave and Andy

ACTIVITY ROSTER & REPORTERS

April: Rob & Diane with Dave & Andy
(Activity - Playing Games)
May: Dave & Debbie with Dave & Doreen
June: Darryl & Barbara with Noel and Yvonne

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally, please get in touch with the next member on any of these two lists. Should you be unable to find a replacement from these lists, please contact our Vice President, Les.

Medical Information

Boonah Hospital
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Gossip Line

Who nearly got thrown out of Bunnings when caught testing plungers for the 'Making Babies' activity.

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Friday Night 's Dinner at the Palace Hotel



A very enjoyable dinner at Nanango's Palace Hotel restaurant. It was well attended by the majority of our members on the Friday night.

By all accounts the meals were well presented and delicious. A few 'doggy bags' were also employed.

A great venue and well worth the visit.



Our rally site at Nanango, a birds-eye view (or drones view) with compliments from Les.

Just perfect for our stay

Saturday's Activity Report from Nanango

Hosts: Gayle and Rod and Derek and Ann

'Making Babies'

Over 40 members gathered together, dressed in our finest green in honour of St Patrick's Day, in the shade of the big shed at the Nanango Showgrounds for the first round of our 'Making Babies' activity. Two couples names were called out and each directed to the male or female end of the 'mating grounds'. The object was that the male partner was to place a plumbers plunger (representing the male anatomy) between his thighs and make his way several metres towards his waiting partner, who was anxiously waiting to receive him with a toilet roll (representing the female anatomy) between her thighs.

This was to be transferred without any touching or assistance. The male was then to turn and proceed, carrying his female's roll, back to the starting position without dropping his precious cargo!. Easier said than done! Each male was given two chances before 'dropping out' and being disqualified.



The enthusiasm was electric with much cheering and cat calling for the male with the best 'presentation' who out performed his opponents. (It is amazing what basic instincts kick in when need be!)



A second round was then completed by the semi finalists. Much hilarity ensued with the willing females encouraging their males every inch of the way home. After much deliberation and some confusion, eventually the field was narrowed down to our three expert 'mating' couples, Bernie and Les, Keith and Beverly and Debbie and Dave, who all showed much stamina and prowess.



The finalists put on a splendid public performance, such power & finesse! Who would have thought! With one unfortunate casualty, (sorry Keith) in the race to be superior male. Hopefully only your pride was injured Keith, with no lasting effects).

Congratulations must go to all our willing competitors. As we all know there can only be **one winning couple and the inaugural "Golden Plunger" award was duly awarded to the glowing couple, Debbie and Dave Smith**, along with some yummy nibbles.

In the evening this was followed by a much more sedate Irish themed 'Pass the Parcel' activity at 7 30pm, 'Junior Charades' were performed by some willing participants and a musical soiree by Faye and John on ukulele was performed (thank you). Many thanks to all participants, an honourable mention should go to Helen Hunter for her interpretation of a caterpillar!) Well done everyone.



100 rallies - congratulations Helen and John



Gayle and Rod present the raffle prize to Bev and Eric

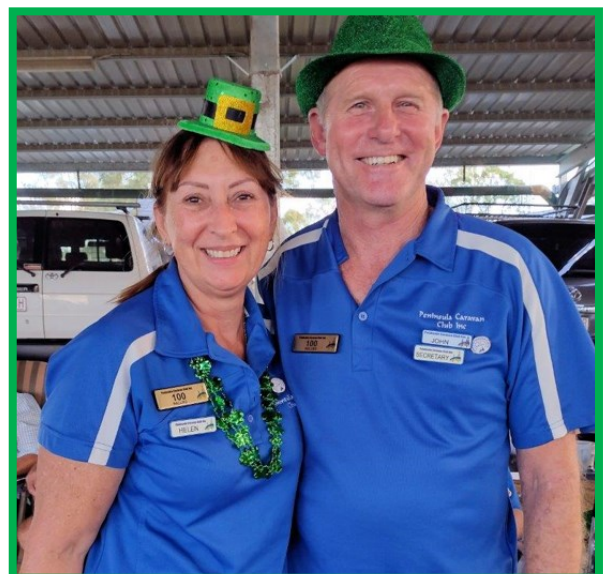
Many members participated by dressing up in **green** in honour of Saint Patrick's Day at our activity and Happy Hour.

Fun, games, music and much laughter

What a great day it was.



**Birthday congratulations to
Andy, John and Vickie**



Happy Anniversary to Helen and John

.....Note from your Editor

All the old club newsletters going back to the first in October 2005 have now been published onto the website.



If you have **any photos / gossip** from Rallies or articles that you wish to have published, please email them to me at robdi19@hotmail.com

Cheers Diane

EMERGENCY DETAILS - 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 where available.

It has recommended that members have a Emergency booklet, which is available from most chemist, displayed in your RV to assist Ambulance staff etc. in case of an emergency. This information should include any Medical Conditions, medications & ICE contact/s.

This information can also be stored in your smart phone for those times you are out & about.

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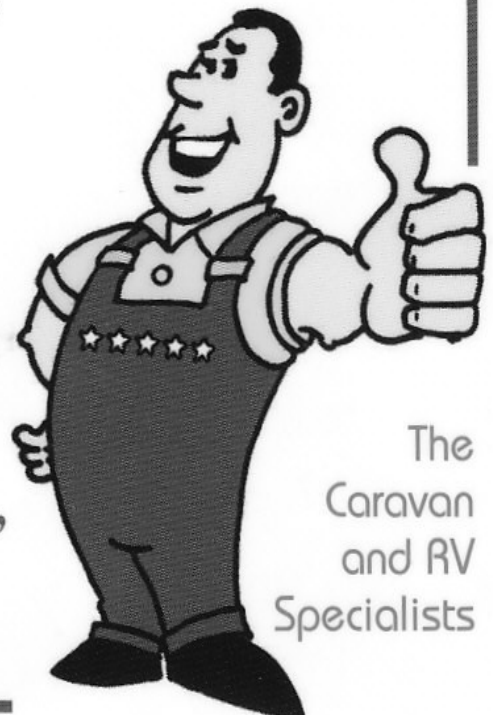
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The Drive Report by Les Brearley Gordonbrook Dam and the Lavender Farm

Five vehicles headed off at 9:00 am for a drive to Gordonbrook Dam. It was a beautiful morning and a pleasant drive with the countryside green from the recent rain. There were several comments made along the lines of "I wonder what crop that is" or "Why don't the framers put out a sign saying what they are growing". There was no problem picking the sunflower crop with all of the flowers out in their glory. Gordonbrook dam was looking full and several members ventured to check out the bird hide. Unfortunately, the birds were all hidden at that time of day.



We returned on a slightly different way though the outer suburbs of Kingaroy and stopped at the Lavender Farm for scones and drinks. Some of the other club members had travelled directly there and hence were into their scones when we arrived. After a bit of a wait however we enjoyed our scones sitting out in the gardens. We arrived back in time for lunch.



Reminders

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 shirt day)

National Rally now in 2023

The 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally is now to be held from the **27th March to 5th April 2023 (9 nights)** at the Riverlands Field Days Site, Barmera SA,

This is an opportunity to see the Riverland Region of South Australia, meet interesting people from interstate and mingle with like-minded people in a festival of caravanning, sightseeing, relaxation, and entertainment. Do not miss the opportunity to come to South Australia.

For further details please refer to John's email of 22 February or go to the National Caravan Clubs Rally web site below for more information.

<https://www.18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au/welcome.php>

Some information for you

The November rally is now being held at the Big 4 Maroochy River Park. If you are planning on attending, please ring and make a booking and pay your deposit, stating that you are with the Peninsula Caravan Club.

We have been allocated 19 sites and their rate is \$45 per night. Discount is offered to Big 4 members. This park is not pet friendly. Their number is (07)5443-3033 and their address is: 1 Diura St, Maroochydore.

Proposed May Tag-A-Long

We are planning a tag-a-long after the Stanthorpe rally. This is not an official club event but a good way for a few of us to explore a little further in our caravans.

The basic way that it works is that we stay at designated locations (possibly over a six day period). We tend to travel together but that is not essential. Those travelling together would leave at a designated time, usually around 9:00 am. We may or may not agree on a spot for morning tea and/or lunch. We would all end up at the new location at some time, including those who travelled separately. What activities you do once you arrive at the location is up to the individuals. At the important happy hour meeting we would decide on what happens the next day. Please contact Les if you are interested.

Friday Morning Craft

Ladies and Gentlemen, come along on Friday mornings at 10.00am for our regular 'Chat n Choose' session.



Bring your craft or board games / cards / art works / whatever you do. You choose whether you do your craft, or just chat.



Don't forget your tea or coffee! See you there.

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