

AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER



Laidley Showgrounds 14 - 20 September 2022 2 MacGregor Street, Laidley

Location

Laidley is a rural town in the Lockyer Valley Region, west of Ipswich and 60 minutes from the Brisbane CBD. It's amidst a backdrop of rich farmlands and magnificent scenery.

Directions

There are a couple of ways to get to Laidley or follow Google maps: https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Redcliffe+QLD/laidley+showgrounds

- Get on M1 in Deagon from Oxley Ave, Hornibrook Esplanade/State Route 27 and State Route 26
- Continue on M1. Take Airport Link, M5 and M2 to National Highway 15 in Yamanto
- Continue on National Highway 15. Take Ipswich Rosewood Rd and Rosewood Laidley Rd to MacGregor St in Laidley

(1 hour 37 minutes or 122klms)

Rally Co-ordinators Report

We had a very enjoyable August rally at Rocky Creek Scout Camp. The weather was glorious, sunny warm days and cool nights.

Our September Rally is at Laidley Showgrounds at \$20.00 per night or \$120 for the week.

Kindly advise Helen, jhgnhunter@outlook.com, if you are attending or not attending so our activity organisers can arrange their Activities.

All caravans are welcome at the Laidley Showgrounds whether you stay for a night or two or for the week **with Covid 19 rules in place**.

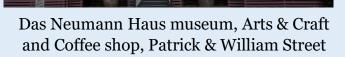
Extra power leads available to rent at an additional \$5 each.

Laidley Showgrounds offer a large grassed Main Arena, large parking area for floats, trucks and cars, powered sites, hot showers and stables.

The grounds are a popular venue for Caravans R/Vs, Hack Shows, Show jumping, Dressage, Polocrosse, Breed shows and pony club rallies.

Things to do and see:

- Take a scenic drive through the Laidley Valley via Mulgowie Road, or Laidley Creek Road and gaze across the colourful landscape of the valley from the region's two lookouts (Cunningham and Schultz).
- Relax on the banks of Lake Dyer (Bill Gunn Dam), or picnicking in the Lions Park and viewing Narda Lagoon from the suspension bridge.
- Wander the towns historic streetscape and enjoy a spot of shopping e.g. Potato Studio's range of unique crafted gifts or enjoy refreshments at one of the towns bakeries, cafes or hotels.
- Visit the historic Das Neumann Haus, The Pioneer Village and Museum (admission fee), Lake Dyer and even a drive up Laidley Valley for some spectacular views of the Little Liverpool Range.





Pioneer Village and Museum Drayton & Pioneer Street

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Helen Hunter Temporary Rally Co Ordinator



November Rally - Big 4 Maroochy River—Have you booked yet?

If you are intending to go to our November rally and haven't already booked I suggest you do so **ASAP**. The later you book might not place you with the rest of the Club's vans.

An extra note: the price has risen from \$45 to \$61 per night!

Bernie Rally Co-ordinator



Birthdays for September

Happy Birthday to Loretta, Bev, Carolyn and Jan

Anniversaries for September



Happy Anniversary to Barbara and Darryl, Carol & Michael, Gayle & Rod and Rob & Diane.

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 shirt day)

Dates to Keep in Mind

The National Caravan Clubs Rally is being held at the Riverlands Field Days site, Barmera, South Australia from the 27 March to 5 April **2023**.

The Queensland Caravan Clubs State Rally will be held at The Broadwater Tourist Park in Southport from the 19 to 25 February **2024**

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President's Report

The Rocky Creek Scout Camp was an excellent venue for our Rally. We had 19 Vans in total which included Ian and Rhonda and Tony and Josie who both came for their second Rally. Also, two first time visitors who live in the Ningi area.

Although the camp ground had many great trees one of them wasn't kind to Mick & Faye as it decided to drop a branch through their awning.

Everyone participated keenly in the Disc Bowls and we offer our thanks to Rick & Helen and Mick & Faye for their great control over the unruly crowd of players. The dinner at Landsborough Hotel on Friday night was tasty. We had enough left over for Saturday lunch!

There was a misunderstanding regarding the rules on dogs with one of the new visitors so I list it here to remind everyone of the current situation.

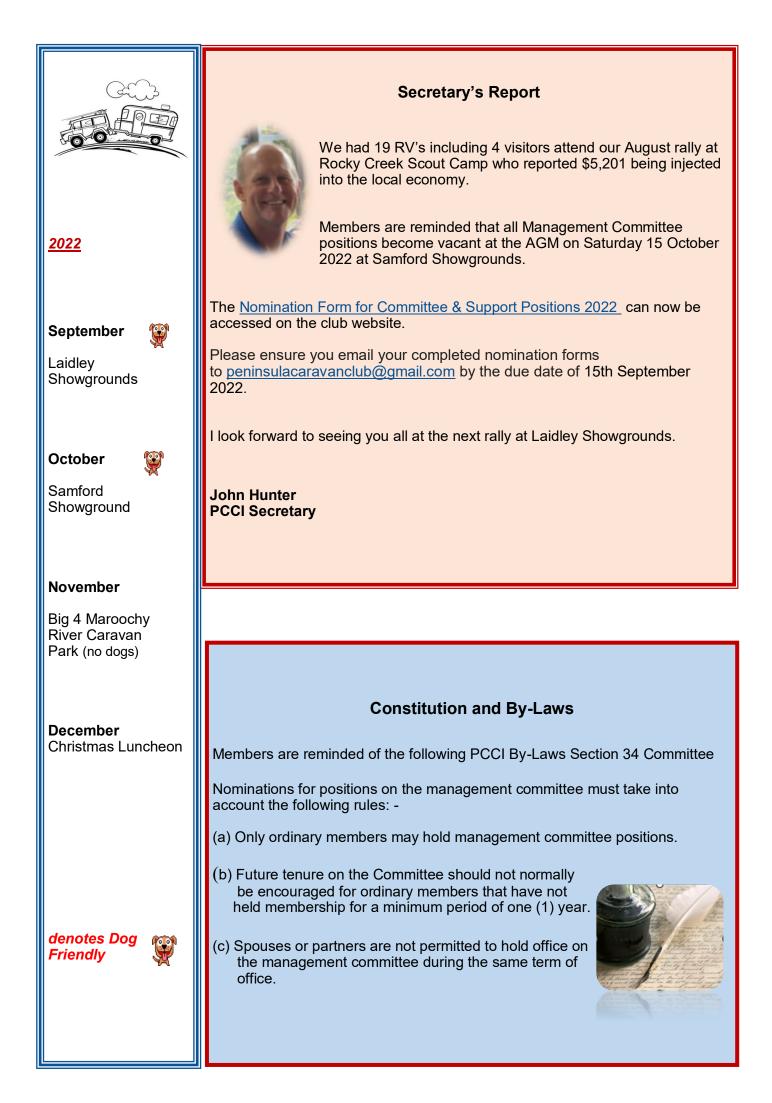
Rule 38 c (ii) of the By Laws states "Dogs are not permitted to be in attendance at the general gathering at morning and afternoon tea periods, happy hours and meal times unless they are qualified Guide Dogs, Hearing Dogs, Support Dogs, etc.

I interpretate this to mean that pet owners should leave their pet in the van or securely tied up some distance (3 Metres) from those gatherings.

We may not be at Laidley for the next Rally as my breathing has become considerably worse.

Neil Wagstaff





RAFFLE ROSTER

September:Darryl and Barbara
(Yvonne W. to assist on the day)October:Dave and DebbieNovember:Paul and Vicky

ACTIVITY ROSTER & REPORTERS

September: Barry & Rae and Wendy & Glenda October: Mark & Diana and Eric & Bev November: Les & Bernie and Carol & Michael

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally as above, 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

Laidley Hospital 75 William Street Phone: 07 5466 8100



Friday's Dinner on the Deck at the Landsborough Hotel







Rocky Creek Scout Camp gathering on Thursday Evening



Saturday's Scrumptious Morning Tea



Happy Birthday **Tony** - Club members were very happy to celebrate your birthday with you on Saturday morning. Josie, Tony's lovely wife, brought along homemade apple pies, cream and ice cream to share with all. Thank you Josie.





Saturday's Activity - Disc Bowls

The activity at Rocky Creek was a fun afternoon of Disc Bowls. There were two courts set up, and we had a round robin competition with a good turnout of 26 players. The warm weather was on our side.

The competition was fierce, as Rick had promised the winners a trip for two to Bribie Island. The competition was finally narrowed down to two teams. **John and Allison** (far right) versus Bill and Yvonne.

Once again both teams fought hard, but in the end **Yvonne and Bill (pictured below left) were victorious**. Unfortunately the Bribie Island trip was cancelled at the last moment, to everyone's disappointment. Thankyou to all who participated, it was a fun afternoon.

Mick and Faye and Rick and Helen Activity Organisers









- How many enthusiastic 'fire wardens' were wearing 'safety thongs' while stoking the fire and shovelling hot cols onto camp ovens? Attention W.H.S. Officers!
- Who made the most of being looked after that she stayed in bed an extra two days?
- Who is the most improved bowler in the club at disc bowls? Most were in the court!
- Who burnt 2 ¹/₂ tonnes of wood in four nights?
- For those on diets, which will start tomorrow, be aware that morning teas consisting of homemade Anzac biscuits, chocolate cake or scrumptious apple pie with cream and ice cream and dinner time with plain and savoury damper with butter and potatoes baked in their jacket with garlic and rosemary contain NO calories what-so-ever.
- Who are the two female ukulele players in the Club besides our gentleman John?



- Which pyromaniac was so engrossed in the job at hand that he showed all and sundry sitting behind him his 'tradesman money box'? Much to the horror of the females present!
- Which gentleman announced he was retiring to his van to make 'whoopee' with his beloved lucky girl?
- Who had the misfortune to have a falling branch destroy their awning? So lucky no-one was under it at the time!
- Flannelette pyjamas seemed by far the most popular nightwear over the weekend! So sexy!!
- Who needed a little lie down in the air-con after collecting much fuel for the fire pit. So closing up his van and turning on the conditioner only to realise a little later that it was still on high heat and was now roasting hot!!





Someone enjoyed their hearty dinner at the Hotel on the weekend. A plate full of ribs just hit the right spot on the night. Something good to be said about country pubs - always a generous meal to look forward to.

Where would we be without our trusty fire keepers? Great work gentlemen keeping the camp ovens cooking and potatoes baking we all really appreciate it, but.... love to see you dig out those safety boots just for safety sake.





An unfortunate accident occurred when a tree branch decided to invade the space of Mick and Faye's van on Saturday afternoon. We were all thankful that no-one was home at the time.

Happy Hour Gathering Saturday Afternoon



Helen and Rick congratulate **Bev** on winning the Lucky Raffle prize at Happy Hour

A very Happy Birthday to **Tony** and **Ann** celebrating here with a yummy treat.

Absent on the day were Bernie and Barrie.





Happy couple **Mick and Faye** celebrated their Anniversary with us this month.

.....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 been 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 & I.C.E. contact/s.

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

Men's Shirts
Women's Shirts
Jackets
Sleeveless Shirts

\$32	
\$32	
\$45	
\$25	

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CLUB SHOP

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Flags	\$17
Van Flag Holders	\$5
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