

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

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Bigriggen Caravan Park

17-23 May, 2023

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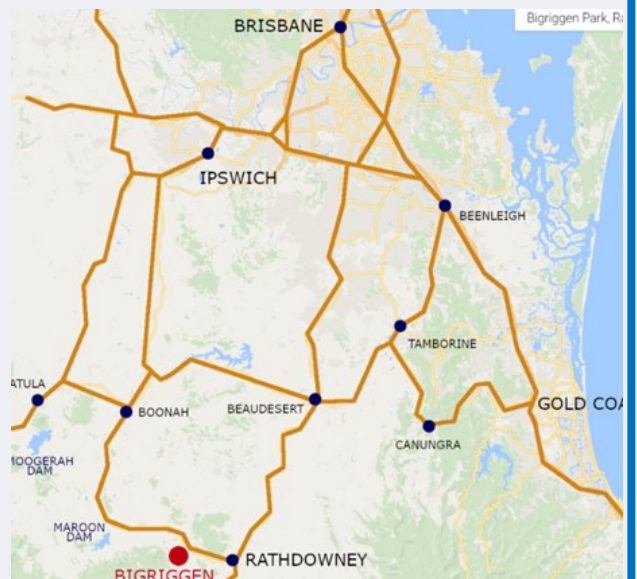
Special note - Please bring along a Hot Pot Dinner for Friday night

Location and History:

Bigriggen is in the Scenic Rim located 11kms west of Rathdowney, Bigriggen Camping and Caravan Park is located on a water reserve and set on 100 acres. Millions of years of erosion have created a spectacular ring of ranges and plateaus surrounding Mount Warning, which are collectively known as the Scenic Rim

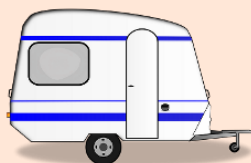
Directions:

From Redcliffe travel south along the M1. At Exit 11 follow signs for Mt Lindsay Hwy/ National Route 13/Beaudesert.. After Rathdowney, turn right for 11kms to the Bigriggen Caravan Park,144kms (1hr 53 mins)



Things to do during the rally:

- There is plenty of wildlife at Bigriggen Park including tree frogs, goannas, parrots, possums, bandicoots, wallabies and the elusive platypus.
- Fishing is also possible in the river that borders of the camping ground. There's plenty to keep you occupied, including bush walking, pleasure canoeing (BYO), cycling (BYO), swimming, water sports at nearby dams, exploring the Scenic Rim
- The Shed Olive Grove Cafe (open weekends 8am – 4pm) is right next to the campgrounds, It stocks a range of olives and locally produced jams and relishes. A cafe with homemade food, a quaint shop and olive trees. It serves light meals, cakes and Merlo coffee
- The local Rathdowney Markets is on every third Sunday of the month (Sunday 21 May)
- The Rathdowney Hotel a country pub with counter meals including pizzas and a beer garden
- The Maroon Dam is only 20 minutes from Bigriggen and is a water sport lovers playland and picnic area
- Mt Barney National Park is 11 kms south west of our camp ground. The Yellow Pinch track is a 2.1-km out-and-back trail. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 53 min to complete. This is a popular trail for birding, hiking, and walking, I believe the last third is a rocky, slower ascent.
- A little further away is The Scenic Rim Brewery at 898 Reckumpilla St, Mt Alford, north west of Bigriggen by 33 kms. Open Thursday to Sundays. There is craft beer (and tasting paddles), a café and ice- creamery. May need to book for meals
- Moogerah Dam is a beautiful spot, 40 kms northwest of Bigriggen and close to Mt Alford.
- Just relax.....





President's Report

We missed the Crows Nest rally as we had a family reunion to attend. From reports it was a good rally with plenty of fun dressing up which we would certainly have enjoyed.

We had a great time as well but unfortunately caught Covid for the first time while we were down there. We are both on the mend and hopefully with no long lasting symptoms.

We are looking forward to catching up with everyone at Bigriggen in May.

Cheers
Les

Treasurer's Report



Crows Nest Tourist Park was a great setting for this month's rally with 14 vans attending. 2 vans arriving Wednesday, 8 Thursday and 4 Friday with the vans being sprinkled throughout the park.

The days were lovely and clear with the nights being a little cool, however some members thought it was cold enough for the oil heaters.

There was no shortage of places to visit and members were able to experience National Park walks, country drives to small surrounding towns such as Goombungee, Hampton and Millmerran and, of course, the various coffee shops in the area. Three members stayed on to attend the Anzac Day Service in Crows Nest.

Friday night dinner at the Grand Old Crow Hotel was enjoyed by all, I don't think anyone left hungry.

Saturday saw everyone donning wigs, very colourful clothing and copious amounts of jewellery for our 70's themed afternoon, hosted by Brian, Loretta, John and Pat. Lots of fun and reminiscing about our younger days.

John and Pat were inducted as members and we wish them a long and enjoyable stay as members of PCCI.

We were very fortunate to have the "Club House" for our Happy Hours, with the function room being provided for our Saturday activity.

Thanks to Ian and Rhonda for organising the raffle this month which raised \$78.00.

Cheers
Ann

HOT POT DINNER ON FRIDAY

We invite everyone to bring along and enjoy a warm and delicious hot pot dinner with fellow members on the Friday night.

With the evenings becoming a little cooler, it could be the perfect get-together without having to travel out at night.





2023

May
Biggrigen
Caravan Park



June
Dayboro
Show-
grounds



July
Boonah
Showgrounds



August
Toogoolawah
Showgrounds



September
Toowoomba
Show-
grounds



October
Kilcoy
Showgrounds



November
Mudjimba
Caravan
Park



December
Christmas Luncheon

**denotes Dog
Friendly**



Secretary's Report



We had 14 RV's attend our April rally at Crows Nest who reported \$6,005 being injected into the local economy.

The committee encourages members who are interested in a committee position next year to contact the current incumbent and become an assistant. This will give you the opportunity to assess the role and if you are interested allow for a smooth transition if you were successful.

The next PCCI Committee meeting will be held on Thursday 11th May. Please contact any committee member to discuss any issues, you wish discussed.

Cheers
John

Constitution & By-Laws - 30 - Attendance

Members are reminded of the following PCCI By-Law 30 - Attendance

Ordinary Members must attend at least four official rallies in a club year (October to September).

(a) Where this cannot be achieved, the respective member must advise the secretary in advance or as soon as the absence occurs by emailing the club email account peninsulacaravanclub@gmail.com.

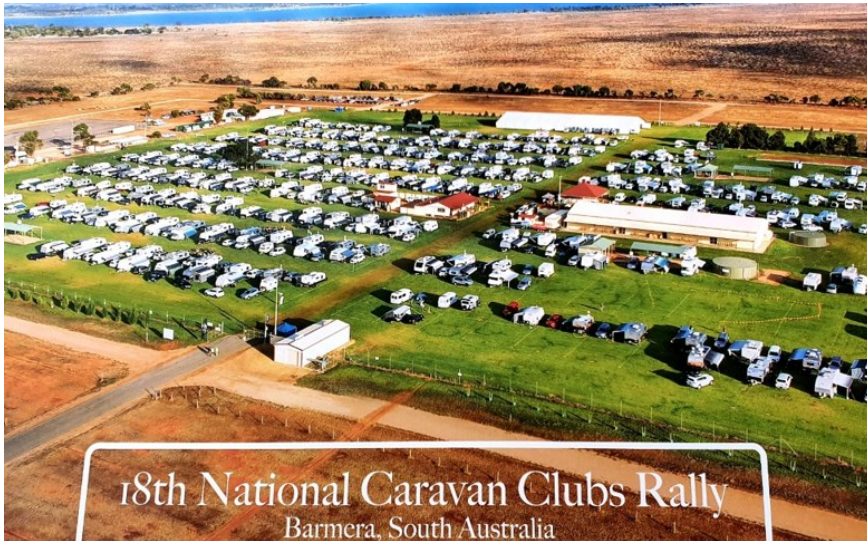
(b) Failure to do so may cause their ordinary membership to be cancelled.



Friday's Dinner at the Grand Old Crow Hotel



Reports from the National Rally in South Australia



The National Rally in Barmera SA was a great success with around 400 vans attending. It was a busy 10 days with some great entertainment on each night in the big marquee and exhibits and activities happening during the days. The Riverland area looked great with very little signs of the recent floods, and the Murray river was pretty well back to normal.

There were tours of the Murray on paddle wheelers and we visited a brewery by the Murray River.

Our club had two members attend, **Rick and Helen** and **Mick and Faye**.

Unfortunately Bev and Eric had to pull out at the last minute. It was a great trip and we look forward to the next national rally in Mudgee NSW.



Left, visiting a brewery by the Murray River and below attending a street breakfast within the grounds





Good buddies up late watching the Broncos big win - though chilly would not have missed it! Apparently there's truth to the rumour of 'drop bears' near Crow's Nest. Some members stayed to attend the Anzac Day parade in town on the Tuesday









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Birthdays for May



Best wishes to: Debbie S, Rhonda and Cathy

Anniversaries for May



Happy Anniversary to Gary and Wendy & Andy and Dave

Raffle Roster



For May - Rick and Helen

For June - Rob and Diane (Dayboro)

For July - Tony and Josie (Boonah)

Activity Roster and Reporters

May	Organisers: Noel & Yvonne and Bill & Jan Activity 'Corn Hole' or a sack or bean bag toss—easy you might think!
June	Organisers: Dave & Doreen and Dave and Andy (Dayboro)
July	Organisers: Gary & Wendy and Ian & Rhonda (Boonah)



Ann presents Pat and John with their new Members badges, welcome Pat and John. Congratulations to Kay and Bob on your Wedding Anniversary. Ann wishes Happy Birthday to her husband, Derek. Raffle winners were Barbara and Barrie being presented by Rhonda and Ian.



Activity Report for Crows Nest

Good to see members get out of their comfort zones (or did they) to dress up 70s style. What a great lot of lookers you are!

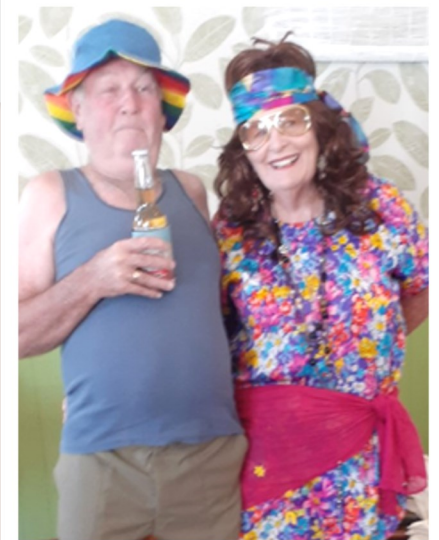


Who would have thought that we would see Brian with hair? I know those who couldn't make it to the rally will enjoy the photos. There were many prizes of little value awarded, remembering everything was cheaper in the 70s. A lucky card game made sure everyone at least won a chocolate.



70s style food and music completed the night in style. Hope you all had as much fun as we did.

Activity Organisers - Loretta and Brian and Pat and John



Some more colourful characters from the activity.

We were fortunate to have a good venue for the afternoon and evening.

Most were able to find costumes or be inventive making up their own 70s attire

Gossip Line



1. Who became 'Cher' on the 70's night?
2. Who makes the best rocky road?
3. How many tie dyed t shirts does it take to make a 70's old - boy band?
4. Who stole the egg cups to clone Sid Vicious of the Sex Pistols?
5. Who had the best mullet and safari suit?
6. Which flower child asked if any one wanted LSD from her dilly bag!
7. Who should have shaved her legs?
8. Which male doesn't do dressing up?
9. Who was Bob the Builder?
10. Which female 'floosie' got into Rod Stewedfruit's pants & stayed there all night?
11. Was this why Cilla Blackbutt was soo annoyed tsk tsk?
12. How many bad backs, knees & shoulders reared their ugly head at Crows Nest?
13. Which four members did the best activity in a loong time?
14. Who had a very expensive blowout on the way to Crows Nest?
15. Who lost their ensuite basin to the floor of their caravan on the way to the rally?
16. How many ladies suffered the putrid after effects of their partners over indulgence in curried eggs, pickled onions, wine & beer on Saturday night!
17. Which two pranksters hid a poor lady's stubby holder AND thought it was hilarious.
18. Should one double the salary of a certain Committee member who held the fort so admirably at the Crow's Nest Rally?

Medical Information

Boonah Health Service, 11 Leonard St, Boonah
Ph: (07) 5463 3300 (35 mins)

Beaudesert Hospital, 64 Tina St, Beaudesert.
Ph: 5(07) 541 9111 (34 mins)

Club Shirts

Members are expected to wear their Club Shirts at "Official" Club gatherings and any other Club Activities, gatherings or functions as stated by the Committee.

Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)

Reminder

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

MEMBERS MEDICAL INFORMATION

It has been recommended that members have a Personal Medical Record and details displayed in your RV to assist Ambulance staff etc. in case of an emergency.

This information should include any medical conditions, medications and In Case of Emergency (I.C.E.) contact/s.

This information can also be stored in your smart phone for access at any time or any place.

To access the Medical Information section on your smart phone, navigate to your Contacts List and locate **Your** name then **Select** it. This may need to be done through **Settings** on some phones.

Your details will now be displayed select **Edit** to start updating then scroll down until you locate **Edit Medical ID** (iPhone) or **Medical Info** (Android) or like then **Select**.

Now complete any appropriate sections e.g., Medical Conditions, Medical Notes (Medications), Blood Type & ICE (In Case of Emergency) contact/s. You will also need to scroll down to Emergency Access (iPhone) & select **Show When Locked**. then select **Done** or like to save.

This information can then be accessed if required by selecting **Emergency** from your Passcode screen. No passcode is required.

Cheers
John



EMERGENCY ACTION

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.

For the Emergency Help Line—Dial 000



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

CLUB SHOP

Men's Shirts	\$35		Club Stickers	\$5
Women's Shirts	\$35		Flags	\$17
Jackets	\$47.50		Van Flag Holders	\$5
Sleeveless Shirts	\$25		Towbar Hitch Handles	\$10
Caps	\$18		Tent Peg Pullers	\$5

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