

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER



Toogoolawah Showgrounds

16-22 August, 2023

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Location and History:

Toogoolawah is a rural town in the Somerset region. The name is derived from the Aboriginal words "dhoo" (a generic term for tree) and "goo/lawa", meaning "crescent shaped" or "bent like a crescent moon". Toogoolawah now is a centre for gliding and parachuting. In the past it was the dairying industry.

Directions:

There are numerous routes to take to arrive at Toogoolawah.

- Toogoolawah is 18 kms north of Esk via the Brisbane Valley Highway/A17/State Route 85.
- Coming from Woodford, Toogoolawah is 58 kms via D'Aguiar Hwy/State Route 85 and Gregors Creek Rd and it is 34 kms south west of Kilcoy.
- You will turn off the Brisbane Valley Hwy into Dingyarra St, then right into Ivory Creek Road, the Showgrounds will be on the eastern side of the road.



- Begin your journey to the past at the **Toogoolawah Condensery Art Precinct** (formerly home to the Nestle condensed milk factory packing facility). Experience old meets new as you walk through the old factory packing shed whilst **viewing exhibitions of modern art** - Wed-Sun 10am - 4pm Factory Road.



- **Toogoolawah Rail Museum**, as you enter you will be greeted by a team of friendly volunteers who will happily regale you with stories of the past and the Toogoolawah of yesteryear.

- Outside the station house you will see the **Brisbane Valley Rail Trail**, a passage of disused rail corridors now a popular **recreational trail for cyclists, horse riders, walkers and runners**. In town this point to point trail begins and ends from Dingyarra Street, Toogoolawah. From here you can head south **to Esk (19kms)** or travel north **to Harlin (14kms)** **this track includes the Yimbin Railway Tunnel being the only railway tunnel where one can travel directly through the centre of a mountain.** [Trail map \(Department of Transport and Main Roads\) \(tmr.qld.gov.au\)](#)



- **Two Galahs Gallery** - 50 different local artists display their work in this Gallery. This includes Art and crafts as well as some quirky Garden Decor made from horseshoes 14 Fulham Street.

- Toogoolawah is home to three Hotels which are open for lunch and dinner, each pub has its own unique style.

- Also cafes: The **Have'A'Chat Café**, coffee and meals, 70 Cressbrook Street and **The Coffee Shack**, 7 Cressbrook Street, coffee plus unique gifts and merchandise. Plus the **Sister Bake Co.** (Fudge and Coffee Shop) 7098 Brisbane Valley Hwy.

- **Tandem Skydiving at Ramblers Toogoolawah**. From 14,000 feet freefall for one minute strapped securely and comfortably to your instructor. Maybe something to consider for a special occasion. The Coach House Cafe is on site opens Fri-Sun. 7353 Brisbane Valley Highway.



- On Saturday nights, visit the **Alexandra Hall**, which houses the **Toogoolawah Pictures**. Here you can watch the latest new release films, whilst sinking back into the old canvas chairs remember them?

If you attended the Quiz in Boonah, here is a 'more interesting' fact along similar lines to the 'bushman's' clock'.

At the beginning of the last century, especially in England, there was a well-remunerated profession, namely **the knocker-uppers!** **Not what you think!** These people moved from house to house to wake people up, knocking on their doors or windows, of course there was a payment involved!



President's Report



Another very enjoyable rally at Boonah, the weather was fantastic with cold mornings quickly changing to clear warm days. We had a good turn up of 15 RVs with Rob and Di also arriving by car Saturday and staying overnight. A couple of different activities on Saturday with a quiz in the hall followed by 'horse racing' on the oval. Rhonda did a great job managing the races which were enjoyed by all. A big thank you to our activity organisers Gary and Wendy for the quiz and Ian and Rhonda for the races. Thanks also to Tony and Josie for organising the raffle.

Rallies at showgrounds give us more freedom where to park our RVs than the more regimented caravan park venues. We do however need to be mindful of the needs of other members and make sure that we leave enough space between RVs so that everyone enjoys their stay. One of the good things about our club is that everyone is different and we all bring something special to the club. That does mean that at times we may have different views to other club members. Please make sure that we remain respectful when expressing our viewpoints.

At Saturday happy hour we had a further discussion on the methods of sharing membership details. Of the options raised, providing hard copies of the full membership lists at the AGM to those who request it seemed to have most support so we will try that in October.

A reminder that there will be President, Secretary and Rally Coordinator positions vacant at the AGM in October. Please consider what position you can help the club with and nominate when the forms are sent out. Contact myself or any committee member if you wish to find out what is involved.

Sadly Ted Wynne passed away during the weekend of the rally. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Carolyn and their family at this sad time. Funeral details will be sent out separately.

Hope to see you at Toogoolawah with our Viscount Van!

**Cheers
Les**



Treasurer's Report

Congratulations to Dave and Doreen on winning this month's raffle. The raffle, which was organised by Tony and Josie, raised \$90.00

Regards
Ann



Vale

We are sad to advise of the passing of

Ted Wynne

on 22nd July 2023

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Carolyn and family

Ted was a very respected gentleman of our Club for over nine years and will be fondly remembered by many and for his cheerful nature and smile



Secretary's Report



We had 15 RV's and Rob and Diane as day visitors at our July rally at Boonah Showgrounds. Combined they reported \$5,294 being injected into the local economy.

On the weekend of the rally, we received the sad news that Ted W had unfortunately passed away. Ted & Carolyn joined the club in 2014 and had attended 33 rallies during this time.

Ted will be sadly missed and our thoughts go out to Carolyn and family at this difficult time.

Cheers
John



Constitution & By-Laws

Members are reminded of the following PCCI Constitution Rule 14 - Vacancies on Management Committee

(1) If a casual vacancy occurs on the management committee, the continuing members of the management committee may appoint another member of the association to fill the vacancy until the next annual general meeting;

(2) In the event of several candidates wishing to be considered for a vacant position then the standard procedure for election of officers, rule 12(4) must be adhered to.

(3) The continuing members of the management committee may act despite a casual vacancy on the management committee.

(4) However, if the numbers of committee members are less than the number fixed under these rules as a quorum of the management committee, the continuing members may act only to call a general meeting of the association.



2023

August

Toogoolawah
Show-
grounds



September

Toowoomba
Showgrounds



October

Samford
Show-
grounds



November

Mudjimba
Caravan Park



December

Christmas Luncheon

2024

January

Picnic in the
Park



Tin Can Bay
Tourist Park



Canungra
Show-
grounds



Denoted
Dog
Friendly



Ladies of the PCCI

The August luncheon was held on Tuesday, 1 August at the Full Moon Hotel, Sandgate. An excellent lunch and good company.

In September the luncheon will be held on Tuesday, 5 September 11.30am at **Sea Salt and Vine Café**, Reef Point Esplanade, Scarborough.

In Gayle's absence, please text Helen H if you would like to attend September's gathering. Phone: 0421 222 346.



(Please note that this is not an official club event)

Cheers
Gayle

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Birthdays for August



Best wishes to

Bernie, Ann, Margaret, Tony and Barrie

Anniversaries for August



Mick and Faye

Bill and Jan

Raffle Roster

For August - Michael and Carol (Toogoolawah)

For September- Bill and Jan (Toowoomba)



Activity Roster and Reporters

August Organisers: Rob and Diane and Bob and Kay

The Activity will be 'Croak Eh!

See how you go - show us your style, should be a lot of fun whether the ground is sloping or not!



September Activity: Darryl and Barbara and Rick and Helen (Toowoomba Showgrounds)

Friday night Dinner at the Commercial Hotel



A very good turn up and so warm inside



An aerial view of our Boonah campground and the Morning Tea circle set in the middle

Another great shot Les

Saturday's Trek to Mt Edwards Summit

On Friday, three amigos (**Derek, Noel and Gary**) walked the track from the dam wall at Lake Moogerah to Mt Edwards Summit. It's a 3k, grade 5 climb, very steep and challenging.

The 3 amigos started the climb feeling fit, chatty and full of banter. As the climbing progressed breathing became heavy, the banter continued but now a bit laboured and spirits high. A well earned break was taken about a 1/3 of the way up to catch their breath and take in the scenery.



Stage two saw the trio head off with renewed vigour only to have the slow snail slipping back as the other two ploughed on.

At the next break however the trio were back together supporting each other as they continued the struggle to the Summit.

The view from the summit made the climb worthwhile. The view was spectacular, clear skies and beautiful scenery.

Derek and Gary relived the thrill by doing the walk a second time on Monday. Enthusiasts or gluttons for punishment??



Two Activities were held at the Boonah Rally

QUIZ

The PCCI Camp Fire Trivia Quiz with Wendy and Gary and the Boonah Races with Rhonda and Ian (on the following page)

The Trivia was conducted in the Show Hall, which proved to be a great venue. There were 3 sections to the Trivia, with Questions, a Word Find Activity and a Who am I?

Everyone participated fully with lots of banter. The Who am I was down to the last clue before it was solved! Some questions proved challenging to answer.

The "Bushman's Clock" was the "Kookaburra" due to it vocalising in its family group at dawn and dusk.

The fruit that the "Opera House" was inspired from was the "Orange". This surprised many, including us.

There were 3 quiz sections, winners were. **John and Helen won the "Word Find". Bernie, Les and Barrie won the overall "Trivia Questions" and also the "Who am I?"**

Many thanks go to Yvonne for her contribution to the activity as our "Who am ?".



Organisers Gary and Wendy congratulate John, Helen, Les, Bernie and Barrie

Boonah Races with Rhonda and Ian

The weather was very pleasant for the Club's "Boonah Races". The ladies paraded in their lovely hats and fascinators with **Margaret and Ann** winning the vote. Great effort Ladies. The men's head gear though was not to the same standard.



Some members were at first worried that they would need to run but this was not the case. Everyone participated, were kind and encouraging to Jockeys - the Horses were patted, and all were in the spirit. These outstanding horses were borrowed, as the original horses had been left in the paddock in Brisbane.



The race mid-action, with starter, steward and horses caught in the moment

Les and Diane's horses did not get a start at all in the first race, so the kind spectators let them enter one of the latter races. This did prove to be a turning point for Les.



The Grand Final participants consisted of Doreen, Josie, Loretta, Cathy and Les. Again Les was a very, slow starter, but suddenly he raced to the finishing line, winning the First Prize, leaving Doreen a close second.



Look closer, did you notice this clever 'filly' at the Starting Line? Was it your handiwork Ian?

Editors Note: Rhonda and Ian built a great atmosphere for the participants throughout the afternoon with their racing attire and gift of the gab. Could have sworn that this wasn't their first entry into the racing scene.



Happy Hour is always a great opportunity to catch up and chat and sometimes snack before dinner



Congratulations to Birthday recipients Ian and Les with Wendy

A Birthday hello to Neil at home



Congratulations to Raffle winners Doreen and Dave being presented by Ian and Josie



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Phone: 5424 4600

Or

**The Somerset Medical Centre, 18 Fulham St,
Toogoolawah. Phone: 5423 1869**

(Open Monday to Friday)

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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