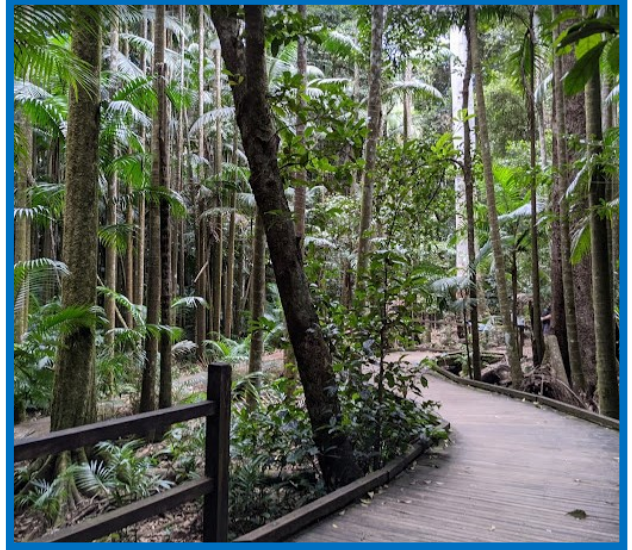


# Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

**MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER**



## **Maleny Showgrounds**

**18-23 April, 2024**

**13 Maleny Stanley River Road, Maleny 4552**

**Phone: 07 5494 2008**

### **Location and History:**

Located high in the picturesque Blackall Range, Maleny is a hinterland town on the Sunshine Coast. From dairy cow country, it is interspersed with rainforests and sweeping views of the Glass House Mountains. It is also known for its many café and dining venues, sensational food and luxurious places to stay.

The first industry in the area was that of timber felling in the 1870s. Land clearing gave way initially to wooden box manufacturing and then to dairy farming and fruit growing. 1903 saw the introduction of the Maleny Butter factory. In the 2021 census, the locality of Maleny had a population of 3,959 people

### **Directions:**

From the Bruce Highway take the Landsborough turn off and continue onto the Steve Irwin Way (State Route 6) and into Landsborough. From Landsborough it is 17km on the Landsborough Maleny Road (State Route 23) to Maleny township. Turn left into Coral Street/Maleny Stanley River Road and entry to the Showgrounds which is on the left.

## Things to do during the rally.....

1. Immerse your senses in a rainforest filled with plant and animal life overlooking the spectacular Glasshouse Mountains at the **Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve** on 148 Mountain View Road. There are a couple of walks/loops of 1.3kms in this reserve namely Piccabeen Loop and Pademelon Loop. The reserve is 8-9kms south-east from Maleny
2. **Baroon Pocket Dam** (20 km north) is a picturesque lake tucked away between Montville and north Maleny. The shoreline is a paradise for bushwalkers and nature lovers. Hike through open forest ridges, cross bridges and boardwalks over tree-lined streams to Baroon Lookout. Take in the stunning views of the Obi Obi Gorge, Baroon Pocket Dam (popular for kayaking) and its catchment. The Martin Williams Track (a circular 3km walking track) is also popular with cyclists and mountain bikers.
3. **Botanical Gardens and Bird Aviary**, 233 Maleny Stanley River Rd, Maleny (There is a cost, \$20 for Seniors)
4. **Maleny Cheese** (1 Clifford Street) 10am-3pm is where you'll get to see the cheesemakers in action and enjoy tastings in the café and shop. You can also purchase outstanding hard and soft cheeses and products from the award-winning yoghurt range. For an extra cheesy finale, head to **Maleny Food Co** (29 Maple Street) and indulge yourself in the fromage featuring more than 200 cheeses from Australia and around the world. Breakfast and Lunch are available from the Café.



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## Vice President's Report



Hello fellow members. As Barrie and Barb were unable to attend the Canungra rally, due to illness, the March report will be from me. The Rally was, once again well attended with 10 vans arriving on Thursday and a further 8 on Friday.

As always everybody appeared to have had a fun time. Josie celebrated her birthday on Saturday so we were all invited to enjoy her apple pie and ice cream after Happy Hour. Very delicious and much appreciated.

Canungra is tucked away in a valley between Mt Tamborine and Beaudesert. It is a very peaceful country town. The last time Yvonne and I attended a club rally there was in 2014. It has grown and evolved over the past 10 years with a section of old farmland becoming rural residential and there is now two service stations. The Hotel hasn't changed and everybody seemed to enjoy their meals on Friday night. Some members opted to walk the 1km to the Hotel, some drove while others caught the courtesy bus. The Showground is currently being upgraded but the barbecue and gazebo area is still there.

Les organised a 'Magical Mystery Tour' to Hinze Dam where we enjoyed the views from the dam. Some of us did a short walk along the dam wall. Morning Tea was booked for 10.30am in the café. Very nice view with a great cooling breeze and good service. Thank you to Les for organising this tour.

Just a few short notices. Unfortunately Rob and Di could not attend the rally as Rob was recovering from a procedure. Eric and Bev sent an email which was read to members at the rally. Eric remains in good spirits but they have requested that phone calls be limited. They will update everyone by email to the Committee as they learn more. Bev suggested that keeping Eric in your thoughts and sending good vibes will help them.

A condolence card was sent around for members who knew Neil and Glenda to sign and to add their thoughts. The Committee has organised for Darryl and Barb to purchase flowers which they will hand deliver to Glenda. Our thoughts remain with everyone who is doing it tough at the moment.

Cheers  
Noel

## Treasurer's Report



Congratulations AGAIN to Dave and Doreen on winning the raffle. Thanks to Karin and Jim for organising the raffle prize and thanks also to Noel and Yvonne for their help with the raffle at the rally.

The raffle raised \$86.00 this month.

Cheers  
Ann



We sadly acknowledge the passing of past President Neil in March this year.

Our condolences to Glenda and family. Neil and Glenda were members of the club from 2020 - 2023.

Flowers and a beautiful orchid were hand delivered to Glenda recently.





## 2024

**April**  
Maleny  
Showgrounds



**May**  
Yarraman Caravan  
Park

**June**  
Warwick  
Showgrounds



**July**  
Kenilworth  
Showgrounds



**August**  
Lowood  
Showgrounds



**September**  
Gympie  
Showgrounds



**October**  
Samford  
Showgrounds (AGM)



**November**  
Alstonville  
Showgrounds NSW  
(west of Ballina)



**December**  
Christmas Luncheon

**Denoted Dog  
Friend**



## Secretary's Report



Canungra Showgrounds/Bush Camp proved to be a great venue for our March Rally. It is circled by a picturesque creek and the camp kitchen is beautifully appointed. We enjoyed a barbecue dinner there on Sunday evening and I especially loved the fact that we had no need for insect repellent. We had a total of 18 RV's in attendance and this included first time visitor Robyn L. and second time visitors Gavin and Rosemary P. Members and visitors injected the healthy total of \$ 5147.00 into the local economy. Tony and Tanya F were inaugurated during this rally with two more couples to be inaugurated at the next rally if they are able to attend. This will bring our current membership numbers to 32 Ordinary and 1 Associate.

Unfortunately, we also received the sad news that much-loved past member and president Neil Wagstaff passed away on the 11 March. Our thoughts are with his wife Glenda and their family. Several of our members have recently, or are very shortly due to undergo medical procedures and we wish them a speedy recovery.

A reminder that there will be a General Meeting of our club on Saturday, 20 April, immediately after the activity at the Maleny rally. The purpose of these meetings is not only for the Committee to pass on information, but more importantly to give members the opportunity to voice issues and concerns. I'll be sending out a proposed agenda very shortly and will be asking members who have something they would like discussed to provide me with the details in writing by Saturday, 6 April.

By now, members would have received the Minutes of the recently held CCQ's Delegate's meeting and AGM. The minutes indicate that the CCQ still has many vacancies on a proposed roster to man a stall at the Brisbane Caravan Show in June. Consequently, they have not yet taken the decision to go ahead. Our club would need to supply four volunteers, prepared to man the stall for two hours each to cover a half day period, but I haven't had any takers so far.

A further reminder that there is also a request for help at the 2024 State Rally being held in the Rockhampton Showgrounds from 20 - 26 July 2024 (6 nights). It will be hosted by the Capricorn Caravan and Camper Club. They are a relatively small club and would very much welcome input and involvement from other clubs and/or individual club members. They will be seeking help with Marshalling, Entertainment, Activities, Stalls, Craft Demos, Meet and Greet, Gate Security, Daily Newsletter, Water hook ups etc. If you have any ideas or are planning to attend, please let me know. Full details and registration forms are now available for financial members of affiliated clubs at the following web address:  
<https://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au/2024-rockhampton/>

As the dog population in our club has increased recently, it might be timely to remind all members of **Items 38 and 39 of the club's by-laws** regarding pets, together with the committee's interpretation of clause (ii) of the same.

### Dogs

- 38.** The Peninsula Caravan Club Inc. welcomes quiet and obedient dogs.
- a. Qualified Guide dogs, Hearing dogs & Support dogs any size.
  - b. Maximum number permitted per RV is two dogs.
  - c. However, members must ensure that when dogs are not in their RV they must be:
    - (i) Under strict control and on a short leash at all times.
    - (ii) Dogs are not permitted to be in attendance at the general gathering at morning and afternoon tea periods, happy hours and at meal time unless they are qualified Guide Dogs, Hearing Dogs, Support Dogs etc.

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Dogs continued...

- (iii) All dog droppings must be picked up and properly disposed of immediately.
- (iv) Members must exercise consideration for fellow members by ensuring that any barking is addressed immediately.
- (v) Failure to adhere to these rules may result in termination of membership.

### **Other Pets**

39. All other pets are welcome under the same rules as pertaining to dogs.

### **PCCI Dog By-Laws**

Dogs are welcome at club rallies however there are some restrictions regarding gatherings which are contained in the following **by-law**:

#### **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.

This is interpreted to mean that pets should remain in the owners RV or be securely tethered some distance (3 metres) from these gatherings.

Cheers  
Josie

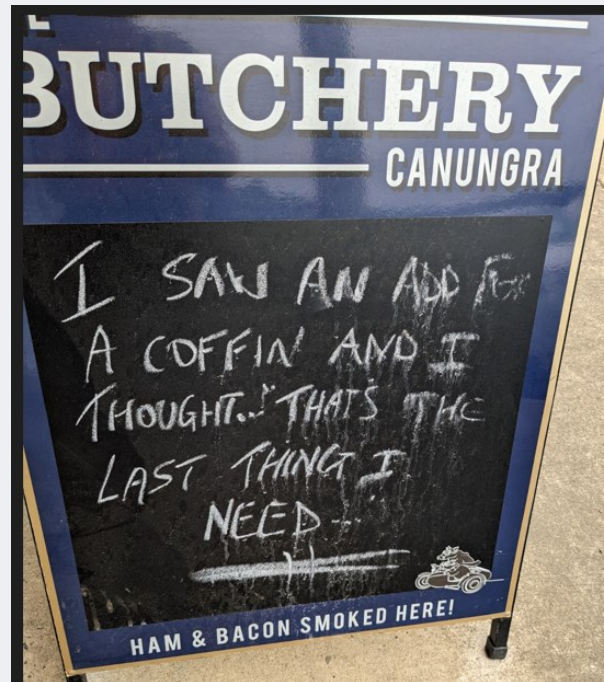
### **Friday's Dinner at the Canungra Hotel**



**Message from our Rally Co-Ordinator - Mick**  
**Self booking your Site at Yarraman**



The Yarraman rally is coming up in May. As this is a caravan park, we will need to book our sites **individually**. The caravan park is holding sites for us at the moment, but the sooner you book the better, as they will not hold sites forever. I believe we are paying \$38.25 a night for a concrete slab site. You may get a grass site a little cheaper. Or if you like, they do have ensuites. The rally is 16 - 21st May. The phone number for Yarraman Caravan Park is 07 4163 8185. Just let them know you are with the club to get that group price.



**Interesting signs seen outside at Butcher shop in Canungra**



**Brian and Loretta having found a 'Zen moment' at the Nursery**



## Birthdays for April

Best wishes to

**Derek, Trevor, Yvonne, Helen R. Diana and Darryl**



## Anniversaries for April

and best wishes to

**Bob and Kay**

## Raffle Roster

for April will be:

**Paul and Vickie**



## Rosters Reminder

If you are unable to attend a rally that you are rostered on for the Activity or Raffle, please get in touch with members rostered in future rallies to arrange a swap. Up to date lists are available on the Website under Members Only / Rosters. Or alternatively contact our Vice President.

## Activity Roster and Reporters

The April Activity at Maleny will be:

**Aeroplane**



Organisers: Dave and Debbie and Dave and Doreen

## 'Les's Magical Mystery Tour' on Saturday

'LMMT' on Saturday started with a 30 minute drive to Hinze dam. Nineteen members in six cars headed off in convoy from Canungra Showgrounds for a pleasant drive on good roads that were winding in spots. We arrived at the dam on a partly cloudy day and headed off for a walk across the dam wall. Everyone went at their own pace with the only objective to be back at the café in half an hour.



The dam wall was quite high and everyone seemed interested in looking over the fence at the spillway or checking out the information boards.



After walking for about 15 minutes, we all turned back to head for

the café. That was, everyone except Noel, who appeared intent on walking the full 3.7 km.



After a very pleasant morning tea we headed off taking a slightly different route on the way back.

This was a narrower, steeper and a more winding road that gave some great views to the Gold Coast as we crossed the southern end of Mt Tamborine. We then took the Goat Track back to the showgrounds. An enjoyable morning.



After stretching our legs we enjoyed the time spent at the View Café. A perfect name for the fantastic view of the dam surrounds.



## Saturday's Activity - Quoits

Before we start I'd like to mention that Rob and Di were both very disappointed that they could not attend the activity. Rob was recovering from hernia surgery and will hopefully be back on his feet soon. We'd also like to thank Rob and Di for the activity idea, the equipment (handmade by Rob) the prizes and detailed description of the activity by Diane.

Lastly but not least, Tony and I would like to thank Josie and Noel for jumping in to assist us.



Barbara and Helen both intent on making their throws count



We had both a male and female team and two separate quoits games to play. (The second game had five rods on the one base with varying points awarded for whichever rod was captured. Each player in turn stepped up to the mark and had six throws of their quoits at their respective game. We became quite concerned over time as player after player continued to score zero. The men started on the 'original' game of quoits with just the one rod and the ladies with the multi pronged game. During the short break between games we all enjoyed an icy pole. The second part of the activity saw the teams swap quoit games.



Rick showing his prowess during the game

At the end the scores were tallied and the winners were announced. Cathy for the ladies team had 11 points and Mark had 10.



Tony and Yvonne (Activity organisers)

**Winners Cathy and Mark**

Josie and Noel (our wonderful spouses who did a terrific job assisting us)

# Gossip Line



1. Who were the worst quoit throwers? (there were 10!)
2. Who led the scenic tour on Saturday morning?
3. Who unloads Mon Como's pre-read novel to our members?
4. Who has her own brand of whiskey? (and a photo on her label)
5. Who was so sad when he wasn't allowed to join in the photo of the activity winners?
6. Who made apple pie for all members on her birthday?
7. Who was the sad lady who missed out on the vanilla slice at Hinze Dam? (got to be early.)
8. Who finished off the leftover ice cream from the apple pie, from the container?
9. Who didn't do the anniversary waltz on their 38th anniversary?
10. Who is our member who knows how to cook facsimiles of a 7 lb iron cannon-ball? Will we be lucky enough to hear the recipe at Maleny?



## Ladies of the PCCI

We would like to invite all interested club ladies to our next gathering on **Tuesday 9 April**.

The venue this month is the **Moreton Bay Boat Club, Bird O'Passage Parade, Scarborough**, meet at 11.30am for a 12 noon lunch.

Please text Gayle soon on 0417 690 041 to advise of your attendance.



On Tuesday there is a special lunch (\$11) for Seniors Card and Seniors Pensioners Card holders.

(Male members are also welcome however it is recommended that they make their own arrangements)

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

## Saturday's Happy Hour



Vice President Noel very capably holding the fort



Many Happy Returns to Josie and Andy celebrating their March birthdays  
(Absent on the day were Vickie and John)



Noel welcomes new club members  
Tanya and Tony



Congratulations to Doreen and Dave on  
winning the raffle prize

## MEDICAL INFORMATION

### Maleny Solders Memorial Hospital

17 Bean Street, Maleny

Phone: 07 5420 5000 (8am-4pm)

### Nambour General Hospital

Hospital Road, Nambour

Phone: 07 5470 6600

Open 24 hours

## 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.

## 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)**

## CLUB SHOP

Men's Shirts \$35

Women's Shirts \$35

Jackets ~~\$47.50~~

Sleeveless Shirts \$25

Caps \$18



Club Stickers \$5

Flags \$17

Van Flag Holders \$5

Towbar Hitch Handles \$10

Tent Peg Pullers \$5

## 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](mailto:robdi19@hotmail.com)



**Diane**

## 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.

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