# Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

# **JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER**



# **Lowood Showgrounds**

Rally 15-29 August 2024

Station Street, Lowood 4311 Phone: 0455 187 201

### **Location and History:**

Lowood is a rural town and locality in the Somerset Region. Approximately 4,100 people live in Lowood. The name Lowood is derived from the "low woods" of brigalow in the Lowood area, as opposed to the taller trees elsewhere in the Brisbane Valley. Lowood Railway Station was established as the first terminus of the Brisbane Valley branch railway in 1884 and the town grew from the subdivision around the new railway station The town is on the Brisbane River, 66 km west of Brisbane and 31 km north of Ipswich. Due to its proximity to Brisbane and Ipswich, Lowood is becoming an area for hobby farmers and residential commuters.

### **Directions:**

**From Sunshine Coast:** M1 southbound, take Airport Link M5 and M2 to Warrego/A2 onto Brassall, then take A17 and Glamorganvale Road to Lowood,

via Wivenhoe Somerset Rd, through Beewah, Woodford, Kilkoy, Somerset Dam, at Fernvale State School turn right into Forest Hill/Fernvale Road and onto Lowood.

**From Redcliffe**: M1 southbound, take Southern Cross Way, Kingsford Smith Drive/ State Route 25, M5, M7 and M2 to Warrego Hwy/A2 to Brassall then take Glamorganvale Road to Lowood.

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

- Hotel Lowood, 50 Railway Street, classic pub meals, lunch and dinner and pizza.
- **Fernvale Country Markets** every Sunday of each month 7am to 12noon at Fernvale State School (9kms east of Lowood).
- Fernvale Bakery, a must for their huge variety of pies, cakes, rolls and their magnificent Strawberry Matchsticks
- **Coffee at the Park**, 75 Main Street for breakfast, lunch and brunch for cakes and scones, plus fish and chips, hamburgers at lunchtime.
- Rudy and Ada Café and Restaurant, 14 Railway Street, offering breakfast and lunch, desserts, cake, milkshakes and coffee.
- Thai Simply Cook, 6 Walters Street and Emily's Takeaway 4 Walters Street, another two places to eat at in Lowood.
- **Lowood Truck Show**, Saturday 17 August, drive through town 11am, on to the Lowood Showgrounds for judging and live music.
- Savages Crossing, Banks Creek Road, a drive of only five minutes from Fernvale. A tranquil creek setting, where one can canoe, kayak or
- Visit **Cormorant Bay Recreational Reserve** on the Brisbane Valley Highway at Lake Wivenhoe (15kms north of Lowood).
- Atkinsons Dam (19kms north-west of Lowood). Home to an abundance of wildlife. Visit the waterfront Caravan Park.









# There is no President's report this month



We saw some beautiful days after chilly mornings and evenings



# **Treasurer's Report**

Thanks to Les and Bernie for organising the raffle, which Rick and Helen won.

The raffle raised \$117.00 this month.





Cheers **Mick** 

# Rally Co-ordinator's Report

Don't forget to save November 30th for this year's Christmas luncheon once again at Beachmere.





### 2024

August Lowood Showgrounds

September Gympie
Showgrounds

October
Samford
Showgrounds (AGM)

November
Alstonville
Showgrounds NSW
(west of Ballina)

Please note date
30th November
our Christmas Lunch
at Beachmere



#### 2025

**January** Picnic in the Park



February
Mudjimba
Beach Holiday Park

March Tyalgum Showgrounds NSW



# Secretary's Report



While the temperature was not quite as cold as Warwick, the wind was a little chilly on occasions at Kenilworth however, it didn't get in the way of our fun. Most people arrived on Thursday, and Friday's Happy Hour saw us comfortable ensconced in the air-conditioned hall, hired by the club. Friday night's dinner at the Kenilworth Hotel was well patronised and we were very well fed.

It was great to have Les and Bernie back with us and there were a record number of cars lined up for the return of Les's "Magical Mystery Tour" on Saturday morning. This took us to the delightful "Fig Tree Walk" near Charlie Moreland Camping Grounds where we admired some fine specimens of fig trees. This was followed by a relaxing coffee at Crystal Waters in Conondale. We returned to Kenilworth via Kidman Creek Road through the beautiful Obi Obi Valley and arrived home very satisfied with our adventure.

The sun was lovely and warm for an exciting game of Bocce that was very well organised by John, Helen and Mark. Dave B and Gayle were the worthy winners. By the time the afternoon grew chilly we were comfortably settled in the hall for Happy Hour and our Christmas in July dinner. This was followed by a sing-along, ably accompanied by Faye on her ukulele. I hope I didn't upset anyone's eardrums too much.

The hall was again put to good use after Happy Hour on Sunday with our Sunday night bar-b-que. As Tony felt it wasn't worthwhile to get the fire pit out for a few chops and sausages, an electric frypan came in handy. Some ladies took advantage of a timely dress shopping expedition which boosted our total expenditure in the Kenilworth district to \$6787.

Several members were unable to join us at Kenilworth due to ill health or medical procedures, and our well wishes go out to them, as well as to all our members who are currently unwell. We should also send out a cheerio to those members currently on the road and wish them safe travels.

Some members took copies of the Medical Details form at Kenilworth, and I am looking forward to hearing from all members regarding the location in their RV of their Medical Details information. (So far, I only have this information from five members). This will then be recorded on the "In Case of Emergency List" that is sent out to committee members before each Rally.

New members Jacko and Joanne were inducted on Saturday, and I am about to process Bruce G's membership application. Hopefully he will be inducted at our Lowood rally. This will bring our membership up to 36 full and 1 Associate RV members. We currently have four visitors on the books who are yet to complete a second rally. If all four do eventually apply for membership, we will have reached the Club's limit of 40 RV members as per our Constitution Rule 4 (2) and By law No. 5.

There are only two more rallies before our Annual General Meeting at Samford on Saturday the 19th of October. At this meeting all committee member positions will be spilled and nominations for support positions will also be called for. I urge anyone who may be considering the possibility of taking on a committee or support position to put up their hand as soon as possible as this would allow a little time to shadow the current office bearer. All committee members and support officers are happy to be approached with questions regarding their particular duties and will be happy to assist new office bearers ease into their duties. There are also written documents regarding each office bearer's duties that I am happy to supply on request.

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Nominations forms are now available in the member's section of the club website, and I will also have copies on hand at the Lowood rally. I will need to receive the completed forms by the 19th of September. We have a very successful club due to the efforts of past members and office bearers that I would love to see continue well into the future, so don't be shy or underestimate your talents, just have a word with a committee member.

There is also the possibility for a General Meeting to be held before the AGM, and I urge all members to have a good think and let me know of any issues they would like to see discussed, if such a meeting were to be held.

Members are reminded of the relevant sections of the Constitution and By laws pertaining to the election of committee members.

#### Constitution Item 11. MEMBERSHIP OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

- (1) The management committee of the association consists of a President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer and 1 committee member and:
  - (a) the 1 committee member shall hold the Rally Co-Ordinators portfolio
  - (b) the management committee may from time to time appoint individual members or a subcommittee to assist with a specific project or task
  - (c) members assisting the committee in accordance with Rule 11 (1) (b) above will not be formal management committee members and will not have voting rights on the management Committee.
- (2) A member of the management committee must be a financial member of the association.
- (3) At each annual general meeting of the association, the members of the management committee must retire from office, but are eligible, on nomination, for re-election.
- (4) Term of office of positions on the management committee is to be decided from time to time by the members at a general meeting.

# By Laws: Committee

- 33. Nominations for positions on the management committee must take into account the following rules: -
  - (a) Only ordinary members may hold management committee positions.
  - (b) Future tenure on the Committee should not normally be encouraged for ordinary members that have not held membership for a minimum period of one (1) year.
  - (c) Spouses or partners are not permitted to hold office on the management committee during the same term of office

Happy travelling

Josie



# Gossip Line

- Who were the couple out walking in the moonlight at 3.00am?
- Who didn't take advantage of his Sicilian heritage and let a Yorkshire man and an Aussie lass win the bocce?
- Who makes an amazing apple pie crumble? (Using pink lady apples!)
- How many ladies visited Johanna's design shop and bought several items each? (Prompted by champagne actually multiple items!)
- Who was the ex-sparky who assisted the choir of gifted ladies after several aperitifs before and after the Christmas Dinner?
- Who was so disappointed that he could not use his extra large/above ground fire?
- Who is the Cordon Bleu club member (nearly) who used Rod's plum sauce to cook his duck? (He raved about it!)
- Who was so upset that they had sold out of the large donuts, but he's good with the Ukulele?
- Molly is lovely but Benjie has too much to say. They will be good mates with Monty and Leroy.
- Who braved conditions and stayed with his shorts and thongs?
- Who was the lady that coerced her grandson to drive to Kenilworth just so she could participate in the Saturday activity?







### Ladies of the PCCI

We would like to invite all interested club ladies to our next gathering on Tuesday 6 August

The venue is once again the **Belvedere Hotel**, **Cnr Woodcrest Crescent and Oxley Avenue**, **Woody Point** 

10.30am for Coffee or 12 noon for Lunch

Ladies, please text Gayle soon on 0417 690 041 as a booking is essential

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

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

# **Birthdays for August**

Best wishes to



Bernie, Bruce, Ann L, Margaret, Lyn M, Tony C and Barrie



# **Anniversaries in August**

**Congratulations to** 

Mick and Faye, Graham and Leanne and Bill and Jan

Raffle Roster

for August will be

**Gary and Wendy** 



### **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 Saturday activity will be

# Up, Up, and Away

Organisers: Rick and Helen

# Friday Night's Dinner at the Kenilworth Hotel



All rugged up on a cold Friday night but it didn't dampen the appetite of our members who enjoyed their warming, sumptuous meals



# Saturday's Drive Les' Magical Mystery Tour (LMMT)



It was a beautiful clear, crisp winter's morning when 23 of us ventured out for LMMT in seven vehicles.

The first stop was only a short distance down the road near where Little Yabba Creek joins the Mary River.

After checking out the Buttress Root sculpture we headed off on the Fig Tree walk which took us on a good, mainly level track past some majestic Moreton Bay fig trees.

There were also several very straight and tall white gum trees.





### The LMMT continued......

After such a *long* walk (about 1 km) it was necessary to find a café and we headed for the Ikigai café at Crystal Waters about 5 km out of Conondale.

That was a great venue and the staff looked after us well.

From there we returned to Kenilworth along Kidaman Creek road. That drive gave us some great views across the valley and into the distance as well as an enjoyable drive through the forest on a reasonably winding gravel road.



We all arrived back in time for lunch and only lost one vehicle so it was a great success. The missing vehicle did arrive back at the showgrounds so all was not lost.

The Ikigai Café at Conondale was just the place for a refreshing reward after our walking tour around Fig Tree Walk



# Saturday's Activity - Bocce

# Activity organisers: John and Helen H and Mark



The coolness of the day was offset by rising expectation of the coming Bocce competition. Everyone who wished to compete had submitted their names then female and male teams were selected. We started with 32 players in 16 teams, time for the competition to begin.

Teams were selected to play each other for frames 1 and 2 and then changed opponents for 3 and 4. The goal of the game was to toss your team's bocce balls closer to the pallino, the smaller target ball, than the other team's bocce balls.



There were 2 fields prepared with 2 teams playing on each. After determining who would throw the pallino using the tried and trusted Rock Paper Scissors, each team took turns throwing their 4 bocce balls for 4 frames.

### Saturday's Activity continued......

Once the first 4 frames were played, round 1 was completed. The teams were swapped around so all played a different team in round 2. After the completion of round 2, 4 frames, scores were totalled to determine the top 4 teams who would progress to the elimination round.

After totalling the scores there were 2 teams on 6 points with 5 teams on 4 points. The 5 teams on 4 points played off to determine which 2 teams would progress. Ian and Josie, Bruce and Barb Ri, Barrie and Doreen and David B and Gayle all progressed to the elimination round.

Bruce and Barb Ri won another playoff against lan and Josie to progress to the final against David B and Gayle. As the sun was setting our final 2 teams entered into a hard-fought battle of 4 frames with no quarter given.



Mark adjudicating for a close cluster for the final game

In the end David B and Gayle emerged as the victors. We hope everyone enjoyed the activity and

had a good time with plenty of laughter.



Pictured opposite, winners and runners up with organisers

Barbara Ri, Gayle, Bruce, Dave B and John H and Helen

# Saturday's Happy Hour



Happy July Birthdays to Les and lan, being congratulated by Mark and President, Barrie



A very happy couple were raffle winners **Rick and Helen**Thank you to Bernie and Les for the prize





# Saturday's Happy Hour continued

Congratulations to

Dave and Debbie
having received
their certificate and
badges for completing
their 75th rally.
Presented by
President, Barrie

Congratulations to

Mark (and Diana

absent) for also

completing their

75th rally attendance.

Congratulations and welcome to our new members,

Jo and Peter (Jacko) being inducted by President, Barrie.



# **Christmas in July Dinner - another enjoyable gathering**









A trip to the local bakery is a must do visit for many members of our club.

Quite often it's for apples turn-overs and pies but this rally proved a little different.

The Kenilworth
Bakery is quite
unique with its 1kg
donuts and sausage
rolls.

Amazing!

It's not for me to divulge who may have partaken of these challenging treats.







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# **RALLY CALENDAR 2025**

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AGM SAMFORD **SHOWGROUNDS** 

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\*PCCI Christmas Lunch T.B.A.

Jan 1	New Year's Day
Jan 27	Australia Day
Apr 18	Good Friday
Apr 19	Easter Saturday
Apr 20	Easter Sunday

Apr 21 Easter Monday Apr 25 Anzac Day May 5 Labour Day May 11 Mother's Day

Royal Qld Show (Brisbane area)

Sep 7 Father's Day Oct 6 King's Birthday Dec 25 Christmas Day Dec 26 Boxing Day

### MEDICAL INFORMATION

### **Lowood Medical Centre**

8 Michael Street, Lowood. Phone: 07 3558 0322 Mon - Fri 7.30 - 5pm

### **Esk Hospital**

30 Highland Street, Esk Phone: 07 5424 4600 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	<b>\$5</b>
Flags	\$17
Van Flag Holders	\$5
<b>Towbar Hitch Handles</b>	\$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

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.

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

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