

Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

AUGUST 2026 NEWSLETTER



NEXT RALLY

Laidley Showgrounds

10 - 15 September 2026

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. The town retains a nostalgic feel manifested by heritage shop fronts and antique style lamp posts, further displayed at the Laidley Pioneer Village where ancient artefacts tell the story of the region's rich historical ties.

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)

Things to do during the rally

1. **Laidley Spring Festival** - 11-13 September 2026. Friday night - Twilight Feast & Fest Friday night head to the Recreation Grounds for food trucks and live entertainment.
 - Friday and Saturday - Quilt & Craft Expo
 - Friday and Saturday - Spring Gardening Fair
 - Saturday - Festival Street Parade. The Laidley CBD is the place to be on Saturday morning as the street parade comes through town.
 - Saturday - Show 'n' Shine Head to the Festival Precinct for the Show 'n' Shine
 - Saturday - Festival Fun -The Festival Precinct will see free family-friendly entertainment, markets, activities and yummy treats galore.
 - Sunday - Bee Happy Day, Forest Hill School of Arts
2. Stop by the **Laidley Pioneer Village and Museum** to explore an old schoolhouse, blacksmith's shop, butcher shop and post office.
3. Visit **Das Neumann Haus**, the oldest preserved home in the shire to learn about early German settlement.
4. Take in the view by driving 10 mins from town to **Schultz Lookout** on Schultz Lookout Road, Blenheim.
5. **Boutique and Craft Shops**: Stop by local specialty shops like Potato Studio and Created by Hand for hand-made art and unique gifts.
6. **Op Shops**: Second Chance Opp Shop 149 Patrick Street Laidley, Lifeline Shop 115 Patrick Street Laidley
7. Look out for Roadside Stalls: Pick up fresh seasonal fruits and vegetables straight from the fertile Lockyer Valley farm gates

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2026

September

Laidley
Showgrounds



October

Samford
Showgrounds



November

Alex Beach Cabin
and Tourist Park



December 5th

The Sands
Restaurant,
Scarborough
Bowls Club



2027

January 17th

Picnic in the Park



February

Big 4 Maroochy
River Park



March

Crows Nest Tourist
Park



April

Rocky Creek
Scout Park



May

Borumba Deer
Park



June

Standown Park
Caravan Park



Secretary's Report:



Hello Everyone

The weather at Imbil was particularly kind to us with mostly sunny days, although some nights were chilly. A total of 21 vans were in attendance and many people remarked on the beauty of our surroundings. Our club injected \$6752 into the local economy.

Thanks must go to Mark who conducted the raffle and raised \$102.10.

Much discussion arose amongst members at the Imbil rally regarding the proposed changes to the Club's By-Laws pertaining to Dogs and I urge you all to keep a look out for further emails regarding this.

Members are reminded that the AGM is in two months' time and we are still able to receive nominations for Committee and Support Positions up until the 17th of September. We are particularly looking for nominations for the position of President and for the two support positions of CCQ Delegates and one for Club Photographer.

Constitution and By-Laws

Members are reminded of the following PCCI By-Laws Section 34 Committee:

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.





Rally Coordinator's Report

Once again, a well-attended rally at Imbil Camping Retreat. I trust everyone huddled around the campfire enjoyed the Bush Poetry as much as I did.

The Imbil caretakers looked after us, supplying a fabulous fire pit with plenty of room for everyone.

I want to thank everyone for their input into the dog problem. It was decided to conduct a trial at Laidley to see what works best so that the committee can work on a positive outcome for all.

Laidley Showgrounds Rally

10th to 15th September. Cost \$25 per night (no need to book). Dog friendly.

If you intend to come along to this rally, please advise Karin how many nights you will be staying by text on 0417638660 ASAP.

Laidley will be celebrating their Spring Festival on the 11-12 September, with Bee Happy Day in Forest Hill on 13 September. It kicks off on Friday evening with a Twilight Feast and Fest at Ferrari Park 82 Patrick St, with Maker's stalls, live music and great food. (Free to attend). Saturday will see the Festival Precinct open from 8am to 3pm at Laidley Recreational Reserve, Ambrose St, Laidley with country markets and entertainment as well as the Producer's Patch cooking demonstration from 11am to 1.30pm.

The Street Parade will take place from 10am to 11am on Patrick Street.

For the mechanically minded there will be a show-stopping line-up of classic cars, custom builds, hot rods, vintage gems, muscle machines and gleaming bikes from 9am to 1pm at Ferrari Park 82 Patrick St. For much more go to <https://www.laidleyspringfestival.com/whatson>

Just a reminder to book **Big 4 Maroochy Caravan Park** (phone 5443 3033) for **February 2027**. this is a weekday rally - Monday 15th to Friday 19th February. Don't forget to mention Peninsula Caravan Club and please text Karin on 0417 638 660 once you've made your booking.

There may still be sites available for **Alex Beach Tourist Park in November** - our last rally for 2026. (Phone 5443 2356). Book now if you want to try your luck. 19th to 24th November. Don't forget to text Karin 0417 638 660



Friday night's dinner was at the Railway Hotel, Imbil



The food was excellent!

and Mike and Rick kept us royally entertained.



After which we joined some members for a nitecap at the fire.



Saturday Afternoon's Activities

It was a lovely sunny afternoon at Imbil camp ground on Saturday as our club gathered together to partake in our combined activity. Tony & Georgie had marked out the two playing greens for disc bowls ably assisted by Josie, who was in charge of listing members into blue teams & yellow teams, making sure that spouses & couples were split & no favouritism was shown!

Gayle assisted by plying the participants & spectators with toffee eclairs and adjudicating in measuring and providing final scores when needed.

Each team was called up and allocated into either blue or yellow teams and commenced to show their expertise at placing the jack and attempting to outmanoeuvre their opposition team by scoring as many points as possible with their discs placed closest to the jack. Each team played three ends.

This resulted in semi finals and a final play off between the two highest scoring teams Mark and Carole H. and Tony and Faye.

Some members showed their prowess and a couple confessed to previous experience at lawn bowls.

Each team then progressed to partake in Rod's frisbee throwing competition.

And the winners were: Mark and Carole H.

And a fun time was had by all.

Gayle



A first for the club!

Members were subjected to the refined skill of throwing frisbees. As individuals, the members had a choice of the type of frisbee they wanted to use.

Three throws at a hula hoop 6 metres away and a metre off the ground. One point to get the frisbee through the hoop, but if they could get their frisbee through-and over the line they scored 5 points.



There was a mixed range of abilities displayed.

The finals showed the winners as Tony Frendo, second was Bruce Gobbet, and third Mike Madden .

No one was badly injured during this competition and no animals hurt. The referee, luckily is extremely agile and was able to avoid serious injuries.

*Rod J Goode
Referee*





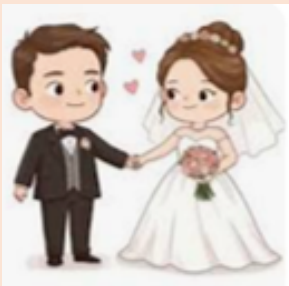
Happy Birthday this month to:

Tony, Ann, Bruce, Carole and Dennis.



And a very happy Wedding Anniversary to:

Jan and Bill (with Rod stepping in for Jan) and Mick and Faye



Congratulations to our Raffle Winners Mike and Chris and a very big thank you to Mark for conducting the raffle



Les's Magical Mystery Tour

In Les and Bernie's absence, Georgina and Helen very kindly took on the role of tour guide and were responsible for providing a delightful morning.

We left the camping grounds in sunny weather just after nine taking the Mary Valley Road to Amamoor. There we had a late breakfast/early morning tea at the Villiage Green Café adjoining Amamoor Station we were treated to live music and checked out some market stalls while we waited for the Mary Valley Rattler to arrive.

We were then treated to the spectacle of the Rattler changing direction on the historical turntable.



"Is that how it works!"



Following that we drove on to the Amama Day Use Area where we took the 300m return walk along the creek to search for the elusive Platypus.

Some of us took the Happy Valley Road and the dusty Mitchell CreeSk Forestry Roads home for a little bit of additional adventure.

"The "Rattler" guard was very enthusiastic and knowledgeable."



*Sunday morning
saw some of us
sharing a picnic
morning tea at
Borumba Dam.*



Gossip Line

- Who enjoyed his early morning ablutions until he realised he had to dry himself with a bathmat? Should have gone to Specsavers!
- Who went for a walk to the river but only made it to the coffee van?
- Which man was the champion frisby thrower & won at disc bowls too?
- Which lady cleaned up at disc bowls and had never played before?
- Who woke up early and started to pack up and get ready to go home, luckily he realised it was Sunday not Monday, and should have slept in like his other half?
- Who gets out of bed to drink a port if they can't sleep?
- Who collected all the 10c bottles at the pub?
- Who removed some hair when he pulled off the nair strip he thought was a bandaid? – Ouch!
- Who tried to put his pegs in with the drill, then realised his battery was at home on the charger?
- Who thinks a platypus has big ears?
- Who got excited when he thought he won the meat raffle?
- How many people does it take to open a gate?
- Who got sore toes while wearing her sneakers only to find when she took them off at home that there was a sock tucked into each toe?
- Who forgot to put the battery in his drill when trying to drill in his tent pegs.

Ladies of the PCCI

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

Tuesday 1 September from 10.30 am

The venue is Café Degani, Shop 13, Capstone Blvd. Capstone Shopping Village, Mango Hill

Paid Parking after 2 hours, on street parking available.

Ladies, please text Gayle on 0417 690 041 if you wish to attend

(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 September

Best wishes to:

Anna B., Dimity, Loretta and Jan

Anniversaries for September

Congratulations to

**Trevor & Yvonne, Gayle & Rod , Tony & Josie and
Barbara & Darryl**



Raffle Roster

for August will be:

Jim and Karin

Rosters Reminder

An up-to-date copy of the roster is available on the Website under Members Only/Rosters. If you are unable to attend the rally that you are rostered on for the Activity or Raffle, please get in touch with members rostered in future rallies and arrange a swap. Once a swap has been arranged, please advise our Vice President so that the roster can be updated.

Please ensure that you advise the Vice President of your proposed activity at least one month ahead of time.



Activity Roster and Reporters

The September Activity will be:

"Go Fly Your Kite"

Organisers: **Rick & Helen and Mike & Chris**

MEDICAL INFORMATION

EMERGENCY - LAIDLEY HOSPITAL

75 William Street Laidley

Open 24 hours

Phone 07 5466 8100 Monday to Friday 8am to 4 pm

Laidley Family Doctors

143 Patrick Street, Laidley

Ph: (07) 5465 1388 8am to 5pm Monday - Friday

9am to 4pm Saturday

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)

For your Club uniform please contact our Secretary, Josie, who will provide details of what to order and where to obtain your uniform.



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 lesbernie@bigpond.com. **Les**



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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