

# The Wanderer

# "Fellowship on Wheels"

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All contributions are welcome and should be sent to the Editor, who reserves the right to omit, précis or amend the item without notice.

## **The President's Prattle**

The Financial Review Sub-Committee has found that the Club's expenditure on administrative overheads is likely to exceed our income from membership fees, joining fees, sponsorships, library, and raffles during the 2010/2011 financial year, principally due to increased printing and postage costs of the Wanderer newsletter.

The Management Committee has consequently implemented the following strategy to avoid this anticipated loss by:

- 1. establishing a new 'Administrative Fee' set for the time being at \$3 per caravan per rally;
- 2. reducing distribution costs in mailing the Wanderer by offering it by Email to those who wish to receive it by Email;
- 3. increasing membership fees in 2011/12 to adequately cover administrative overheads; and
- 4. ensuring that any excess profits are returned to members in subsidised activities.

I wish you all safe travel and hope to catch up with you at Murwillumbah.

Regards,

## A Word from your Editor

The Management Committee of the Queensland Caravan Club is promoting distribution of the Wanderer by Email. This initiative will make use of current technology to ensure that members, sponsors and other Clubs are fully informed while making substantial savings in postage costs. Persons receiving the Wanderer by email will have the option of reading it on screen or printing the newsletter. The photographs will be in colour, which should offer better resolution than the printed copy.

The Wanderer will only be Emailed to those recipients who have agreed to receive it by email. For those who do not wish to receive the Wanderer by Email, it will continue to be sent by mail.

The format of the Wanderer has also been changed to enable members to print out a single page, (page 2) containing all of the relevant details for the next rally including **How to Get There, Rally Info** (Needs Emergencies Etc) and the Rally Program – in brief.

Eric Gall, Editor.

## Rally at Murwillumbah - August 2010

#### **How to Get There**

<u>From Brisbane</u>, follow the Pacific Motorway (M1) south, which becomes the Pacific Highway, crossing the border into NSW.

Travel approx 5 km (past a BP service station and a government truck inspection station), exiting **LEFT** at the next turnoff (sign "Murwillumbah") onto the Tweed Valley Way, which then passes over the motorway and continues towards Murwillumbah.

After approx 14 km (immediately past the Condong Sugar Mill on the **RIGHT**, (which has a conveyor over the road), turn **RIGHT** onto Cane Rd, crossing the Tweed River. Continue past racecourse (on **RIGHT**). After Cane Rd crosses Mayal Creek, turn **LEFT** (sign "Murwillumbah"; still Cane Rd). At T-junction, turn **LEFT** into Queensland Rd (sign "Murwillumbah"). At the 60 kph speed sign, the cattle vards are on the **LEFT** and entry to the showgrounds is on the **RIGHT**.

#### Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates: Arrive no earlier Depart no later t		14 – 15 August 2010 10:00 am Wednesday 11 August 2010 10:00 am Tuesday 17 August 2010	
000 Emergency Details	Post Code	Murwillumbah, NSW 2484		
	Directions	Murwillumbah Showgrounds, Queensland Rd Murwillumbah The nearest crossroad is Moball St.		

Medical Needs: Murwillumbah District Hospital, Ewing Street Murwillumbah NSW 2484

Phone: (02) 6672 1822

Sunnyside Soul Pattinson Chemist, Sunnyside Shopping Centre, 14 Woolumbin

Street Murwillumbah NSW 2484 Phone: (02) 66723323

Site Contacts: Caretaker: Geoff Hanock – Mobile: 0423327234

Secretary Murwillumbah Showground: Yvonne Mott - Phone: (02) 6672 4143

Club equipment

required:

Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid kit, PA system, library & souvenirs, fire

extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.

Special needs: A Dump Point is located on site.

Rally Marshal Co-ordinator:

Des McLeod – If you need to be close to the amenities, please contact Des on 5494 7832 or 0438 439 376 by the Monday prior to the rally. **If you do not phone** 

and all sites near the amenities have been pre-allocated, a site near the

amenities may not be available.

Pets: Yes. On a short leash, under control of the person in charge.

Fees: Site Fees: \$ 15 per caravan per night

Administrative Fee: \$ 3 per caravan

Rally Programme – in brief			(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)				
Sat:	9:15 am 10:00 am 11.00 am	Morning tea Main Rally Meeting Water Connection Safety Talk	Sun:	8:45 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 10:00 am	Morning tea Short Rally Meeting		
	11:30 am 2:30 pm 7:30 pm	Tag along Tour & Picnic Lunch Craft Activity Indoor Baseball	Social games of Disc Bowls - all weekend. For a set to please contact Barry Gibson. Please also contact Barry are able to assist him in running the disc bowls games.  Craft Activity - Saturday Afternoon. Co-ordinated by Jen Carroll. Please bring your craft supplies to the rally.				

#### Special Notices - PLEASE READ

- All members, visitors and guests attending a QCC Inc. Rally must sign the Attendance Book.
- The following motions were passed at the General Meeting at Lawnton on Saturday 3 July 2010:
  - That By-Law 8 be revoked and replaced with the following new By-Law 8: "On the election of a new Management Committee and subject to the agreement of both the immediate past president and the new Management Committee, the immediate past president may be an ex-officio member of that Management Committee for a period of up to 12 months."
  - That "A new a new fee to recover the expected shortfall in Administrative Overheads titled the 'Administrative Fee', set for the time being at \$3.00 per van per rally, be introduced applying to the August 2010 Rally and all future QCC Inc. Rallies, until it is amended or repealed."
- The members attending the General Meeting also endorsed conducting June rallies for the foreseeable future on a weekend <u>other than the Queen's Birthday long weekend</u> to enable members to attend the Caravan Show. This policy will be reviewed in the future.

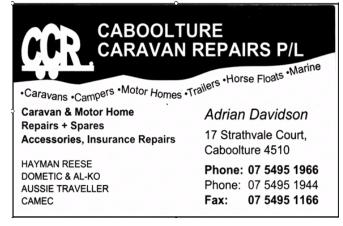
#### **Future Rallies**

2010 - 2011 Rally Sites							
Sep 2010	22-28	CCCQ State Rally, Toogoolawah	May 2011	30 Apr – 2 May	Pittsworth Showgrounds		
Oct 2010	16-17	Allora Showgrounds	Jun 2011	4 - 5	Darlington Park ( <b>Bush Rally</b> )		
Nov 2010	13 -14	Mudjimba Caravan Park	Jul 2011	9-10	Toogoolawah Showgrounds		
Dec 2010	4-5	Beaudesert Showgrounds	Aug 2011	13-14	Nambour Showgrounds		
Jan 2011	15 - 16	Blackbutt Showgrounds	Sep 2011	10 – 11	Canungra Scout Camp (Bush Rally)		
Feb 2011	12 - 13	Crows Nest Caravan Park	Oct 2011	12-19	CCCQ State Rally, Maryborough		
Mar 2011	12-13	Kenilworth Showgrounds	Nov 2011	12-13	Coolum Caravan Park		
Apr 2011	9-10	Dayboro Showgrounds	Dec 2011	4-5	Gatton Showgrounds		

Please Note: The venue for the November 2010 rally has been changed from Esk Caravan Park to Mudjimba Caravan Park to accommodate the expected number of caravans attending this rally.

Members must make their own site booking by 30 September 2010. Site fees are \$28/caravan/night or \$180/caravan/week. Phone: 1800 461 475 or (07) 5448 7157 between 8 am and 6 pm daily.





#### **Member News**

#### **Member Milestones**

### Birthdays - August

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kem McDowall	17 <sup>th</sup>	Denise Park	24 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Jones
5 <sup>th</sup>	Beryl Goddard	17 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Thomas	25 <sup>th</sup>	Gus Fraser
8 <sup>th</sup>	Kev Gower	18 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Steele	26 <sup>th</sup>	Val Jorgensen
9 <sup>th</sup>	Gwen Campbell-Stewart	19 <sup>th</sup>	Rae Vining	27 <sup>th</sup>	Vicki Hills
10 <sup>th</sup>	Heather Edney	20 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Kopp	27 <sup>th</sup>	Denise Waycott
10 <sup>th</sup>	Kathy Kearney	21 <sup>st</sup>	Des McLeod	28 <sup>th</sup>	Barry Bowers
10 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Rasby	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Joan Hall	28 <sup>th</sup>	Patrick Hetherman
14 <sup>th</sup>	MacKenzie Thorogood	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Vanice Smith	28 <sup>th</sup>	Helen Hornibrook
16 <sup>th</sup>	Eue Boyle	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Ron Stark	29 <sup>th</sup>	Yvonne Beker
16 <sup>th</sup>	Trevor Smith	24 <sup>th</sup>	John Rawlings	31 <sup>st</sup>	Nancy Rae
			-	31 <sup>st</sup>	Neil Chesney

### **Anniversaries – August**

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	Lyn & Les Buzza	16 <sup>th</sup>	Trish & Jim McMorrine	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Margaret & Daryl Kays
12 <sup>th</sup>	Carol & Kevin Day	18 <sup>th</sup>	Irene & Merv Pedwell	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Margaret & Stan Thomas
13 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret & Colin James	19 <sup>th</sup>	Bev & Keith McCallum	28 <sup>th</sup>	Del & Phil Lowe
14 <sup>th</sup>	Joan & Ken Gethings	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Bev & Rod Green	31 <sup>st</sup>	Margaret & Colin Colston
	-			31 <sup>st</sup>	Jenny & Des McLeod

#### **Other Member News**

Pam Easter wishes to thank members for the kind 'get well wishes' conveyed with the card, emails and phone calls following her recent surgery. She is getting back to her regular activities now and is looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Del Mc Nab reports that Ken has had a knee replacement on both knees at Greenslopes Hospital. He is very brave in having both knees done at the same time. He is recovering well and undergoing physiotherapy to improve his mobility. It is anticipated that he will have greater mobility and less pain when he is fully recovered.

Val King, Olive Richardson, Gordon Ison and Bill Kasper have not been well. We wish them a speedy recovery. John Meagher and Bill Waycott are recovering well from surgery.

#### Passing of Russell Jorgensen

Members of the Club have been saddened by the sudden passing of Russell Jorgensen, son of members Terry and Val Jorgensen. Russell passed way while Terry and Val were attending the Lawnton Rally. The funeral service was conducted at the Sunnybank Baptist Church at 2:30 pm on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2010. Our deepest sympathies are extended to Terry and Val.





#### Rally at Lawnton

43 member's caravans and first time visitors Dorothy Brayley and Bob & Di Maycock and ex members\_Peter & Lorraine Perry and third time visitors Lance & Karen Hazlewood attended the Lawnton rally.

Lawnton is an excellent level site for Club rallies. The caretaker and other Lawnton Show Society staff went to extraordinary efforts to provide additional water and power for our needs. The temporary fencing provided to restrict public access and parking in the area our Club was occupying was greatly appreciated. The dump site at the Lawnton Showgrounds will also be of great benefit when it is operational.

#### **Bush Dance at Lawnton**

Over 70 members attended the Big Bushdance Bash held in the spacious Lions Hall at the Lawnton showground, with the majority of these participating in all the dances.

Members quickly got involved and enthusiastically entered into the spirit of the night right from the beginning. During the night everybody mastered (and thoroughly enjoyed) the Heel Toe Polka, the Cumberland Reel, the Galopede, the Ballin' the Jack, and the Irish Trot. No doubt the highlight dance of the evening was the Irish Trot and the challenge for each set was to master "stripping the willow". Eventually each set "nailed it!" and the whole group even danced two encores.

The Bushdance was thoroughly enjoyed by all with members showing remarkable physical condition. However, it was suspected that there were some sore legs the next morning.

Thanks to Bob and Lyn who were ably assisted by Rod and Bev, Ernie and Shirley, Kev and Carol, and Ted and Carolyn.



Ernie and **Shirley Jones** (at left) supervising the bush dance.

Shirley seems to be concerned about something!

Is she watching Denis?



Denis Edney (at left above) dancing and Kevin Day assisting. Congratulations to Denis on being voted the "most entertaining dancer" by the Peanut Gallery. He certainly had a good time and gave everyone else a good laugh! Thank you Denis.

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#### **New Member Inductions at Lawnton**

Lance & Karen <u>Haslewood</u> with President Eric <u>Gall</u> (below) were inducted into the Club on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2010. They were introduced to the Club by Terry & Val Jorgensen.



#### **Members Visitors & Guests at Lawnton**

Members - Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; Bob & Lyn Barber: Trevor & Nola Bromley: Les & Lyn Buzza; John & Jenny Carroll; Neil & Marie Chesney; Colin & Margaret Colston; Kevin & Carol Day; Barry & Pam Easter; Dennis & Heather Edney; Ian & Gwen Egen; Reg & Stella Foster; Eric & Ngaire Gall; Les Gerrard & Anne Eddie; Ken & Joan Gethings; Barry & Wendy Gibson; John & Olwen Gormly; Kev & Pat Gower; Col & Janet Green; Rod & Bev Green; Roy & Lynn Hill; Alf & Desley Hinson; Stewart Hornibrook; Colin & Margaret James; Ernie & Shirley Jones; Terry & Val Jorgensen; David & Helen Judge; Daryl & Margaret Kays; George & Yvonne Lacey; Keith & Bev McCallum; Graham & Heather McIlvanie; Des & Jenny McLeod; Jim & Trish McMorrine; John & Jan Miers; Terry & Denise Park; Tony & Lynne Pomroy; John & Marlene Rawlings; Brian & Denise Sheehan; Graham & Shirley Sheehan; Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Ray & Jan Steele; Bill & Denise Waycott; Ted & Carolyn Wynne.

First Time Visitors - Dorothy Brayley, Bob & Di Maycock and ex members Peter & Lorraine Perry who have relocated from interstate.

Third Time Visitors - Lance & Karen Hazlewood

Day visitors - Lorna Beattie; Bert & Yvonne Becker; Don & Gwen Campbell-Stewart; Mervyn & Barbara Cook; Bryan & Pat Davies; Irene Day; Mal & Peggy Finlayson; Pat & Ann Hetherman; Kathy Kearney; Ross & Bindra Luscombe.

**Guests** - Christopher <u>Gethings</u>; Brian & Esme <u>Francis</u>; Emily & Joshua <u>Wiedman</u>.

#### **Lucky Winners**

**Lucky Van Number -** Stewart & Helen <u>Hornibrook</u> were the winners of the **Lucky Van Number**. They have won a free night at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

#### Raffle Winners:

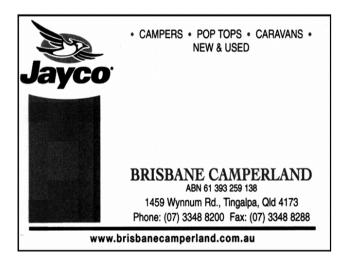
1<sup>st</sup> **Prize** - The \$50 Coles Mayer voucher donated by the QCC was won by Eric & Ngaire Gall.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize** - The cutting board and strainer, donated by Denis & Heather Edney was won by Lance & Karen Haslewood.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize** - The writing set was won by Denise Park.

#### **Acknowledgements**

The efforts of Des McLeod and his Rally Marshals, Assistant Convenor Les Buzza assisted by Lyn Buzza, Librarian Pam Easter, Raffle Lady Jenny Carroll and her assistants, Souvenirs person Bill Waycott, and Bob and Lyn Barber in the conduct of the Bush Dance is gratefully acknowledged.





#### 2010 State Rally at Toogoolawah

The Combined Caravan Clubs of Queensland Inc (the CCQ Inc) is conducting the 2010 State Rally at Toogoolawah Showgrounds from Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September to Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

The State Rally is being hosted by the Campervan Club, the Kookaburra Caravan Club and the Southern Cross Caravan Club.

The Rally Program includes eight excellent tours as well as line dancing, a number of catered meals and entertainment each night.

# <u>Discounted site fees apply providing bookings</u> are received by 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010.

The Rally Registration Form can be downloaded from the CCCQ website at –

http://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/

#### Club Donations to the RFDS

The Management Committee has agreed to donate \$2,200 as our Club's contribution to the 2010 CCCQ donation to the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS). This money has been raised from our Club's Stall at the 2009 Pittsworth State Rally and from other fundraising activities during 2009/10.

The QCC intends to raise our Club's contribution to the 2011 RFDS donation by:

- selling donated items at our Club's Stall at the Toogoolawah State Rally;
- holding an Auction of donated items at a Club rally; and
- seeking donations of money from members for the RFDS at Club rallies.

Jenny Carroll has once again agreed to coordinate making a quilt that could be auctioned and Sue Baker has offered to provide a painting for the auction.

It is also intended to auction the remaining boot organiser that was donated to the club by Caravan Refrigeration Services.

The Management Committee will be seeking other items that could be included in this Auction at the appropriate time.

Carol Day has kindly offered to coordinate donations for the Stall at the 2010 State Rally.

Please contact Carol if you are able to donate any craft items, homemade jams, cakes, biscuits etc or other saleable items that could be sold from our Club's Stall.

## 14 <sup>th</sup> National Rally at Elmore

Come to ELMORE For the 14<sup>th</sup> National Caravan Rally, from 30 December 2010 to 10 January 2011. ELMORE is between Bendigo and Echuca in Victoria. If you are able to knit or crochet that special something to include in our club's donation to local charities around ELMORE Carol has wool. For more details see Carol Day or contact Carol by phone.

#### LIVE MORE, SEE MORE, RALLY IN ELMORE

#### **Quotable quotes**

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other. - Mother Teresa

What is a cynic? A man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing. - Oscar Wilde

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