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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.

Thank You

As it was President's Day barbecue, we have to thank a number of people who worked to ensure it all happened as it should.

Firstly we have to thank, of course, President Eric for organising the sausages and accompaniments for the barbecue and for ensuring everything went smoothly.

We thank Bill Waycott and John Carroll for providing barbecues for the sausage sizzle lunch. We also have to thank Sue Baker for organising the desserts for the event (and for even thinking about those who can only eat gluten free).

On the day, we thank our chefs extraordinaire Roy Bridges, Les Buzza, John Carroll, Neil Chesney, Bryan Davies, Lionel Jacobson and Ross Luscombe. There was suggestion by some that they were just “burning sausages”; but I don't believe them. We also thank serving wenches Gwen Egen, Bindra Luscombe and Joy Stark for distributing the desserts.

The President's Prattle

All members have been saddened by the recent passing of two well respected Club members.

Dirk Schilpzand passed away on 30th January 2011 due to illness, at 79 years of age. More than 50 members of the Club attended Dirk's funeral service on Friday 5th February 2011. Dirk was an active participant in Club activities particularly in entertainment activities since his induction into the club on 8th April 1996.

Irene Day, who has been a member of the Club for more than 43 years, passed away on 7th February 2011 due to illness at 90 years of age. A large contingent of Club members attended Irene's funeral on Friday 11th February 2011. Tom Smith gave a moving eulogy of his experiences with Irene since his first contact with her on joining the Club. Irene has served as Assistant Secretary in 1973 to 1978 and in 1992 and 1993, and served as the Secretary in 1978 to 1982. She also assisted in compilation of the Club history 1949-2004.

Both will be sadly missed. May they rest in peace.

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

Regards,

Rally at Kenilworth – March 2011

How to Get There

From Brisbane, travel north on the Bruce Hwy. At approx 15 kms past the Nambour/Mudjimba turnoff, exit the highway left at the Eumundi/Noosa Heads/Kenilworth exit. At the roundabout at the end of the off ramp, continue straight ahead onto Eumundi-Kenilworth Rd, following the Kenilworth sign, and continue approximately 32 kms to Kenilworth. The showgrounds are through town on your left, and you enter by the gate after the hall immediately before the swimming pool.

Alternative route – approx 20 kms shorter, but very steep Landsborough to Maleny. On the Bruce Hwy at approx 10 kms past Caboolture/Bribie Island exit, turn off left at the Beerburrum exit onto Glasshouse Mountains-Landsborough Rd, continuing through Beerwah and past Australia Zoo. Turn left into Landsborough and then shortly veer left over the railway crossing and proceed up the range to Maleny. Continue a further 40 kms through Conondale to Kenilworth. The showgrounds will be on your right and you enter after the swimming pool.

Please Note – Some roads are still affected by the January floods and are not suitable for a caravan. Please check that your intended route is safe to travel (including the above routes).

Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates:	12 & 13 March 2011
	Arrive no earlier than:	Wednesday 9 March 2011
	Depart no later than:	Wednesday 16 March 2011
000 Emergency Details	Post Code	Kenilworth – 4564
	Directions	Kenilworth Showgrounds, Maleny-Kenilworth Rd, Kenilworth. Opposite the Kenilworth Cheese Factory. The showgrounds start 100-150 metres south of the cross street of Charles St.

Medical Needs: Mapleton Medical Centre, Kenilworth Clinic, 7 Elizabeth St Kenilworth. Phone - 5446 0343. (Morning 5 days a week; not weekends)

Site Contacts: Olive & Clem Hassall – phone 5446 0131

Club equipment required: Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid, PA system, library & souvenirs, fire extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.

Rally Marshal Co-ordinator: Des McLeod – If you have a medical 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.**

Dump point: Located at the showgrounds.

Pets: Dogs allowed on a short leash only and under the control of owner.

Fees: Site Fees: \$ 12.00 per van per night
Hall Hire: \$ 4.00 per van
Administration Fees: \$ 3.00 per van

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 7:30 pm	Morning tea (finishes 9:45 am) Meeting Old Time Dance	Sun:	8:45 am 9.15 am 9:30 am 10:00 am	Pay Treasurer Morning tea Meeting Management Committee Meeting
Social games of Disc Bowls all weekend. For a set to play, please contact Barry Gibson.					
Jenny Carroll and friends meet at each rally (time permitting) with their UFOs for a bit of craft and a bit of a chat. Please feel free to join them.					
If you are holding any of the patchwork squares for the community quilt, please contact Jenny Carroll on john.carroll@visionstream.com.au or phone 5596 8895.					

Programme Details

Friday Night

At 7:30pm in the Kenilworth Hall, all the available musos are getting together to have a jam session with lots of popular tunes. Please come along and join in the fun night. If you have an instrument and would like to join in, please contact Roy Bridges.



Saturday Night

This is an Old Time Dance in the beautiful old Kenilworth Hall, with the Ramblers Dance Band. Join in the Pride of Erin, Gypsy Tap, Jazz Waltz and many other popular dances. There'll be Lucky Door prizes, a Monte Carlo and lucky spots. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun and fellowship. Dress is smart casual. A light supper will be provided, so don't forget your tea/coffee cup.



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Club News

Special Notices – PLEASE READ

- The QCC Secretary gives notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc is on Saturday 9 April 2011 at the Dayboro rally.
At the AGM, all positions will become vacant. Your club needs you. We would like to see some new faces at the Committee Meeting table with fresh ideas. Nomination Forms are enclosed and more will be available at the Kenilworth rally. Please note that nominations must be received by Secretary Gwen no later than Saturday 27 March 2011 – so please give it some thought.
- QCC's General Meeting is also at Dayboro on Saturday 9 April 2011. If you have any item to include on the agenda, you must provide it in writing to Secretary Gwen no later than 9:00am on Friday 8 April 2011. Remember, a minor issue can be raised at any rally meeting.
- QCC's resident artist, Sue Baker, has kindly offered one of her beautiful paintings to be raffled, proceeds going to the RFDS. Tickets will be available at the Kenilworth and following rallies and the raffle will be drawn later in the year.
- For info on CCCQ, their website address is <http://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/>.
- All persons on a QCC rally site, i.e. both members and visitors, must sign the Attendance Book.

General Meeting – February 2011

The following were discussed at the General Meeting in February 2011:

1. The review of QCC's Model Rules and Bylaws and the proposed changes – It was explained that the documents were still under review and that it may be some months before we see the final draft. President Eric says that if anyone wishes to have a copy of the drafts, they should contact him.
2. Four options of action for QCC's three aging laptops were tabled. It was agreed by the majority of members present that a laptop should be immediately purchased for the Secretary's use, with the other two laptops being replaced at one per annum in 2012 and 2013. In this way the cost would be spread over 3 years, as would future replacements. It was agreed that the following should be

purchased, for the Secretary, Editor and/or Treasurer's use for a total of \$1,800. The total cost may be less if we can negotiate lower prices:

- 1 x Asus K52F-SX182V notebook, with warranty extended to 3 years, and laptop case,
- Software – Microsoft Office (version 7) and anti-virus,
- 3 Western Digital portable external hard drives, and
- 1 portable Hewlett Packard printer/scanner/copier Deskjet Multifunction with warranty extended to 2 years.

Future Rallies

2011 Rally Sites

Apr	9&10	Dayboro Showgrounds	Sep	10&11	Canungra Scout Camp (bush rally)
May	30 Apr-2 May	Pittsworth Showgrounds	Oct	12-19	CCCQ State Rally, Maryborough
Jun	4&5	Darlington Park (bush rally)	Nov	12&13	Coolum Caravan Park
Jul	9&10	Killarney Showgrounds	Dec	3-4	Gatton Showgrounds
Aug	13&14	Nambour Showgrounds			

Please ensure you check the list above each month in case a rally site has been changed.

Exciting Future Entertainment

April – World-famous motor racing promoter, Stewart Hornibrook, brings the 2011 Mini Drag Racing Championship.



This is a good time to raid your grandkids' toy boxes! There are three classes you can enter (you can have only one vehicle entered in each class). The three classes are:

- The Championship – Hot Wheels/Matchbox style cars (no motor or spring); no modification whatsoever of the purchased as new vehicle,
- Modified Vehicle – Cars with “after purchase” modifications, but no spring or motor,
- Novelty – Single units, or combinations like car with caravan, semi-trailer, motor bike, and larger vehicles with approx 3” wheel to fit onto the track (there is no restriction in this class).

Please also bring all your motoring memorabilia, like flags, posters, trophies, books, etc, for display, and come along dressed in your finest racing garb. Stewart says that there are trophies and plenty of prizes for all sorts of things. Check next month's *The Wanderer* for full details of the event.

May – On Saturday afternoon we'll have the annual Single Disc Bowls Competition. Unfortunately Stewart Hornibrook won't be there to defend his title and so the trophy is up for grabs.

It's time to get together your great photos for the Photography Competition over the May weekend. Each person may enter one photo (unframed) in each of the five categories, which are:

- (1) At a QCC Rally,
- (2) An Australian Scene,
- (3) Scene to include a caravan,
- (4) Portrait of Member(s), and
- (5) Novelty (can be anything).

Each photo must be an original taken by the entrant and, to give everyone an equal chance, the photos must be around the 8”x6” (20x15cm) size. You will also need to think of an appropriate title (or caption) for each photo. Full details of the competition are in the May issue.

If you have any query on the Disc Bowls or the Photography Competitions, please contact Barry or Wendy Gibson.

Member News

New Members & Member Milestones



Robyn & Steve Langley

We welcome our newest members, Steve & Robyn Langley, inducted at Crows Nest. Steve thanked us for welcoming them into the club.

Margaret James was awarded her 50 rallies badge at Crows Nest, for which she thanked us. Margaret was first inducted into QCC in June 2000.



Margaret James

And, last but not least, at Crows Nest Tom & Jacky Smith were awarded their 25 years badges. Tom is a Past President of QCC, and served as Editor for a number of years. Jacky is also a Past President, and Committee Member of many years. Jacky said that it had been 25 years of good times, with lots of good memories and meeting lots of great people along the way. And Tom said "Thank you....."



Birthdays – March

2 nd Geoff Dunk	11 th Anne Eddie
3 rd Bill Kasper	12 th Jan Lowe
7 th Val King	16 th Helen Judge
7 th Des Lowrie	16 th Ray MacDonald
8 th Tony Pomroy	18 th Colin Colston
9 th Colin James	18 th Tom Smith

♪ Happy birthday to you ♪

21 st Ray Caddies	23 rd Adrian Skinner
21 st Gordon Ison	24 th Margaret Styles
21 st Mary Jacobson	26 th Jean Meagher
22 nd Nola Bromley	28 th Marion Willmott
22 nd Daryl Kays	29 th Bob Blakely
22 nd Peter Perry	29 th Karen Haslewood

Anniversaries – March

1 st Marie & Neil Chesney	9 th Stella & Reg Foster
3 rd Jean & John Meagher	12 th Pat & Bryan Davies
7 th Edna & Geoff Dunk	13 th Barbara & Barry Bowers

♪ Happy anniversary to you ♪

14 th Jan & Tony Coco
26 th Margaret & Peter Styles

Other News

Irene Day

Irene Day passed away early on 7th February 2011. We have lost a wonderful lady.

Irene and Charlie joined QCC in 1967, and they clocked up an amazing 306 rallies, a club record. Irene was made a life member of QCC in 1992, having served in many roles over the years, including being a co-author of the club's history booklet. She is also remembered by many as a mother figure.

Irene's 90th birthday came in September last year; she has had a long and, so she always said, happy life. She is survived by three children, Charles, John and Lorraine, six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Our sincerest sympathy to Irene's family.

Rest in peace, Irene.

Dirk Schilpzand

We are sorry to report the passing on 30th January 2011 of Dirk Schilpzand, who first became a member of QCC in June 1996.

Dirk and Lien were very active members of QCC, having attended 119 rallies before they had to become associate members in 2010 due to Dirk's ill health.

Many of us have very fond memories of Dirk as one of the original Dodgy Brothers in the Mini Drag Racing and we can recall many other examples of his humorous look on life. When I think of Dirk, I think of a person who always appeared happy with his lot.

We offer our sincerest sympathy to Lien, their sons, daughters-in-law and grandchildren.

Rest in peace, Dirk.

We have also been advised of the passing of Ray Jensen, a past President of CCCQ. Our condolences to his widow Carolyn and family.

Wayne Hills is recovering from his operation and plans on coming to the March rally.

Shirley Sheehan has also been in hospital and is not travelling too well.

I would like to thank everybody for their support, including phone calls, cards, visits and flowers during the sickness of my husband, Dirk. Dirk passed away peacefully on 30 January 2011. Lien Schilpzand.

Don Campbell-Stewart took a fall down stairs and has been in hospital.

Pauline Norris has also been in hospital.

Many thanks to all QCC members at the National Rally for their concern over my health problems at the Rally. I am fully recovered from the spider bite.
Carol Fraser.

It was good to see Del Portelli at Crows Nest, taking a break from rebuilding her home following the floods. Del thanks everyone for all the phone calls and offers of help.

Anne Eddy has had a nasty fall from which she is still recovering.

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Our Christmas Ralliers, photograph courtesy Les Gerrard

President's Day at Crows Nest

33 caravans gathered in Crows Nest for QCC's rally in February. It was quite hot during the day, but cooled down considerably at night.

Everyone was very comfortably established on their sites. The on-site restaurant is very popular as they serve excellent food, but unfortunately they are now only open on Saturday nights.

Saturday lunchtime was time for the President's Day barbecue. There were oodles of sausages and bread to go around and all we had to provide was salad, for those who wanted it.

On Saturday night many went to the on-site restaurant and, by the way they were rubbing their stomachs when they left, I would believe they were indeed fully sated. It was Eric Gall's (?) birthday on Sunday and so everyone just had to celebrate

this with him in the restaurant. Now, how many different ways can you sing "Happy Birthday"?

In the evening, Mary Jacobson looked after the small groups of card players under the covered area. Thank you Mary, especially for having taken charge at short notice.

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Members Present at the Rally

- Members – Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; George & Merle Beresford; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Les & Lyn Buzza; Ray & Gail Caddies; John & Jenny Carroll; Neil & Marie Chesney; Colin & Margaret Colston; Bryan & Pat Davies; Ian & Gwen Egen; Eric & Ngaire Gall; Ken & Joan Gethings; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Rod & Bev Green; Graham & Cheryle Hill; Gordon Ison; Lionel & Mary Jacobson; Colin & Margaret James; David & Helen Judge; Bill & Marj Kasper; Daryl Kays; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Ross & Bindra Luscombe; Graham & Heather Mcllvanie; Des & Jenny McLeod; Terry & Denise Park; Del Portelli & Mike Mulvihill; Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Tom & Jacky Smith; Ron & Joy Stark; Bill & Kathy Styles; Bill & Denise Waycott.
- Day visitors – Trevor & Nola Bromley; Kathy Kearney; John & Janette Miers;

Lucky Winners

George & Yvonne Lacey were the winners of the Lucky Van Number. They've won a free night at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

Raffle Prizes:

- The \$50 Coles voucher (donated by QCC) was won by Graham Mcllvanie.
- The two mugs and light Yardley pack (donated by Graham & Heather Mcllvanie) were won by Ray Caddies.
- The two bath bags, of hand towel, hand wash toiletries was won by Bev Green.



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A Word from Your Editor

QCC's Annual General Meeting is next month. Have you put your nominations in (especially for Editor)?

If you have any item that you would like to include in *The Wanderer*, please let me know.

Safe driving and see you at Kenilworth.

Wendy Gibson. 


Quotable Quotes

It is one thing to have a saying; it's another to live by it – Gary & Shell.

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing and the lawnmower is broken – James Dent.

I regard golf as an expensive way of playing marbles – G K Chesterton.

A swollen head is nature's frantic effort to fill a vacuum – W.G.P.



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