



# The Wanderer

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## “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.

### From the President's Desk

How fortunate we are to be caravanners and to be able to move around the way we do. From Blackbutt in January to the beautiful Sunshine Coast and the Maroochy Palms Caravan Park (four and a half stars) to the bush site at Flanagan's Reserve, that is freedom at its best I'm sure you would all agree.

Mary had most members in the grass skirts and colourful Hawaiian clothes to enjoy the seafood meal delivered to us on Saturday night.

Ray and Gail Caddies, Tony and Sue Stephenson tell me Flanagan's Restaurant will have great meal for us at the March rally.

Members our A.G.M. is in April so give thought to coming on the management committee of this great club, it is a very rewarding job to do. Secretary Gwen has the nomination forms.

Yours in Caravanning,



**Flanagan's Reserve Bush Rally** will be a great adventure for all the animal lovers. The Reserve is home to platypus, goanna, owl, possum, koala, wallaby, kangaroo and lots of bird life so bring your camera.



## Rally at Flanagan's Reserve – March 2012

From Brisbane - proceed along Beaudesert Rd which becomes Mt Lindsay Hwy, continuing past Park Ridge, Jimboomba and Gleneagle until you arrive in Beaudesert. At Beaudesert, turn right at the main intersection in town (traffic lights) towards Rathdowney (still Mt Lindsay Hwy). Continue for approx 30 kms to Rathdowney. Continue through the main township of Rathdowney and then turn right into Boonah-Rathdowney Rd towards Boonah. Continue for approx 7 kms and then turn left into Upper Logan Rd towards Barney View. Continue for approx 4.1 kms. At the T-junction turn right into Flanagan's Reserve Road. Continue approx 1 km of gravel road to Flanagan's Reserve.

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

Rally dates:	Official dates:	10th & 11th March
	Arrive no earlier than:	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
	Depart no later than:	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March

<b>000 Emergency Details</b>	<b>Post Code</b>	<b>4287</b>
	<b>Directions</b>	<b>135 Flanagan Reserve Road Barney View Qld</b>

Medical Needs: Beaudesert Hospital. Tina Street Beaudesert. 55419258

Site Contacts: Graham Cahill Phone 55443128 email - flanaganreserve@skymesh.com.au

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

Special needs: **Please come with water tanks FULL** - Male & Female shower & toilet available. Dump point on site - fee to use may apply. NO POWER - Generators allowed between 4pm – 8pm Daily

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.**

Pets: Pets welcomed but must be restrained at all times.

Fees: Site Fee: \$ 7.00 per person per night  
Administration Fee: \$ 3.00 per caravan

### Rally Programme – in brief

(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)

Sat:	9:00 am 9:30 am 2:00 pm 6:00 pm	Morning tea (finishes 9:30 am) Meeting Rathdowney Alpaca Farm visit. Flanaganis Ristorante	Sun:	8:15 am 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Pay Treasurer Meeting Morning tea after meeting Management Committee Meeting Aussie Reptile Wildlife & You
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### Programme Details

The Game Plan as per Ray & Gail Caddies + Tony & Sue Stephenson is revealed on following page. Action starts from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March for those members able to get to the Rally early. Regular QCC activities will continue for members who wish to attend. These include Friday afternoon Golf, Book Club, Genealogy and QCC Singers practise with Lorna, Wendy & Barry as per notice board at Rally site.



Rathdowney Butchery will offer a 5% discount on purchases if we mention we are a member of the QCC.



## THE GAME PLAN

**Thursday 8th March 2012**

*If you're not here, you miss out!  
Because we are heading up to Clear Ridge View in the Mt Barney National Park.*

**12.00 pm** - BYO Lunch Leave at Noon, Back by 4.00 pm

**Friday 9th March 2012**

**11.00 am** - Leave with a BYO Lunch to go to Mt Barney Creek. Bring your budgie smugglers & bikinis if you want to go for a paddle.

**2.00 pm** - Meet at Barney Creek Vineyard. Enjoy the local wines from Leo's Block.

[www.barneycreekcottages.com.au](http://www.barneycreekcottages.com.au)  
Cost of wine tasting is just 5 bucks, but don't be lousy, buy a bottle and get your 5 bucks back.

**4.00 pm** - Back to Flanagans Cookatourium for the choosing of six couples to compete in the famous Flanagan's Iron Chef Cook-off Comp.

**6.30 pm** - Cook-off Kicks Off.  
You'll be told how to do it by the Chief Grand Poob-Bhar. No more hints.

**Saturday 10th March 2012**

**2.00 pm** - Visit Rathdowney Alpaca Farm on "Triple Peaks" Farm at Barney View  
Cost: \$5 Bucks per head, includes a interesting presentation and interaction with the animals.

[www.ansalpaca.com](http://www.ansalpaca.com)

**6.00 pm** - Cibo Grandiposo

Welcome to Flanaganis Ristorante  
The famous Italian Chefs, Gail & Sue are bringing you their 3 course dinner especially designed for you in a country atmosphere.

**Sunday 11th March 2012**

**11.00 am** - Presentation by Mark, Anita & Josh Griffiths on .....  
..... "Aussie Reptiles, Wildlife & You"

Mark is one of the foremost authorities on Aussie reptiles and specialises in snakes, their care, and your involvement with them.



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## Flanagan's Bush Rally

Enjoy Canoeing, Swimming, Bushwalking, Wildlife & Friendship  
**March 2012**

### Friday Night Iron Chef Cook-Off



**Bloody Good Aussie Tucka - Cooked by YOU!**

These are the bloody rules, Mate -  
- so don't stuff it up, as Skippy is watching you!

Each couple will be given five basic selected ingredients:

Flour, Sugar, Butter, Milk and Eggs.

Quantities will be disclosed to you on the night.

Selected ingredients, other than those five above, will be made available as the Cook-Off progresses.

In other words, if you stuff up the simple five ingredients, which any silly normal Aussie bush-person wont, then you get bugger all extras to make your extravaganza the winner.



### Saturday Night Italian Specialties

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**Rete:** Spaghetti con Polpette al Sugo di Pomodora

**Dolci:** Torta Di Cioccolata al Caffè  
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**BYO:** Tavoli, Sedie e Stoviglie



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## Club News

### Special Notices – PLEASE READ

- QCC Secretary gives notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc is on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April at the Beaudesert rally. Your club needs you. We would like to see some new faces at the Committee Meeting table with fresh ideas. A Nomination Form is enclosed and more will be available at preceding rallies. Please note that nominations must be received by our Secretary, Gwen Egen, no later than 31<sup>st</sup> March – so please give it some thought.
- QCC General Meeting is at Flanagan's Reserve. If you have any item to include on the agenda, you must provide it in writing to our Secretary, Gwen Egen, no later than 9:00am on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Remember, a minor issue can be raised at any meeting.
- List of Discounts available when presenting your Membership card will be placed on Rally Notice Board.
- QCC Membership Fees are due by the end of February.

### Future Rallies

#### 2012 Rally Sites

Mar	10&11	Flanagan's Reserve	Aug	11-12	Murwillumbah Showgrounds
Apr	6-9	Beaudesert Showgrounds (Easter)	Sep	17-23	State Rally Beaudesert
May	5-7	Hillview (Birthday)	Oct	13-14	Kenilworth Showgrounds
Jun	2-3	Lawnton	Nov	10-11	Lowood Showgrounds
			Dec	1-2	Woodford Showgrounds

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

### Exciting Future Entertainment.

Easter Rally at Beaudesert will be lots of fun. Mary & Lionel will be away travelling in America therefore Mary has left all the finer details of her entertainment calendar to us.

This rally will include the Drag Racing Competition, Disc Bowls Competition and also the Annual Photographic Competition.

Start looking through your photos for entries. Each person can have one entry per category, and the photo should be taken by the entrant (not downloaded from the internet). There are five categories **(1)** At a QCC Rally **(2)** Australian Scene **(3)** Scene with Caravan (must include a caravan) **(4)** Club Member(s) "plonking" \*, and **(5)** Novelty (can be anything). (\* Note – "Plonking", which is the caravanners answer to "planking", would have a member with bottle or glass of "something red", situated however you like.) All photos should be around the 8"x6" (ie 20x15cm) size. If you have any photo you wish to display but not enter in the competition, please also bring it along. Full details of the competition will be in the April issue of *The Wanderer*. If you have any queries, please contact Barry & Wendy Gibson.

## Member News



Tony & Julie Swift inducted as new members of QCC. Ken & Dell McNab introduced Tony & Julie to our club. Tony & Ken are members of their local Bowls Club.

Eue and Jill Boyle pass on their sincere thanks to the members for sending special wishes concerning their daughter Judith, with particular mention to the older members for all their support over the years.

It is with extreme sadness that we have been notified of the passing of our dear member Ken Gethings. Ken lost his battle on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Ken will be laid to rest at 1.30pm Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> at Traditional Funerals, 636 Morayfield Road Burpengary. Notice in the Courier Mail on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. QCC President requests members attending Ken's funeral wear club colours. Our thoughts and support are with Joan and her family.

Lawn Bowls – Friday at Maroochydore saw Ken McNab, Ray McDonald, Ray Parker and Tony Swift enjoy a couple of hours playing Lawn Bowls at Maroochy Beach Bowls Club. President Roy has asked Tony to consider trying to organise a game of bowls at future Rally locations. If any member is interested in joining in for a game of lawn bowls please let Tony know and he will try and make arrangements with the Bowls Club at future locations. Friday will probably be the most suitable day that way not to interfere with organised Rally events. Tony can be contacted on 0417482596 for those who may be interested. Some clubs have sets of bowls to use however it is best to bring and use your own gear if you have these.

Get Well wishes to all our Members who are not travelling too well at this time. QCC Members wish you all a speedy recovery and are thinking of you and your families in these difficult times.

### Birthdays – March

3<sup>rd</sup> Bill Kasper  
7<sup>th</sup> Val King  
7<sup>th</sup> Des Lowrie  
8<sup>th</sup> Tony Pomroy  
9<sup>th</sup> Colin James  
11<sup>th</sup> Anne Eddie  
16<sup>th</sup> Helen Judge  
16<sup>th</sup> Ray MacDonald  
18<sup>th</sup> Colin Colston  
18<sup>th</sup> Tom Smith  
21<sup>st</sup> Ray Caddies  
21<sup>ST</sup> Gordon Ison

♪ *Happy birthday to you* ♪ 

21<sup>st</sup> Mary Jacobson  
22<sup>nd</sup> Nola Bromley  
22<sup>nd</sup> Daryl Kays  
22<sup>nd</sup> Peter Perry  
23<sup>rd</sup> Adrian Skinner  
24<sup>th</sup> Margaret Styles  
26<sup>th</sup> Jean Meagher  
28<sup>th</sup> Marion Willmott  
29<sup>th</sup> Bob Blakely

### Anniversaries – March

1<sup>st</sup> Marie & Neil Chesney  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jean & John Meagher  
9<sup>th</sup> Stella & Reg Foster

♪ *Happy anniversary to you* ♪

12<sup>th</sup> Pat & Bryan Davies  
17<sup>th</sup> Audrey & Victor Schrier  
26<sup>th</sup> Margaret & Peter Styles

# Maroochy Palms Resort

## Fun & Games – Tony, Mary & Jacki

34 caravans gathered in Maroochydore for the rally in February.

Maroochy Palms Caravan Park was a great site allowing members to enjoy the many amenities available at the Resort and also to explore the Sunshine Coast.

Friday night members gathered for a BBQ. This was a great evening with members able to catch up and enjoy the excellent weather that continued for the weekend.

Saturday was a day of “Do your own thing” until our evening gathering. Mary outdid herself once again with an excellent seafood dinner delivered to our covered area. Members dressed in their Hawaiian gear enjoyed the meal of fish chips & salad, after dinner all enjoyed an evening of fun and games. Mary gathered together many games including UNO, Ludo and Snakes & Ladders for members to play. Many thanks to all members who made this an enjoyable rally.



Below – Ross Luscombe



Pauline Norris & Terry Hannon



Neil Chesney & Kem McDowell



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## Members Present at the Rally

- Members – Members – Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; Graham & Pat Barr; Bert & Yvonne Beker; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Les & Lyn Buzza; Neil & Marie Chesney; Merv & Barbara Cook; Bryan & Pat Davies; Kevin & Carol Day; Ian & Gwen Egen; Eric & Ngaire Gall; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Rod & Bev Green; Warren & Margaret Hiller; Wayne & Vicki Hills; Lionel & Mary Jacobson; Ernie & Shirley Jones; David & Helen Judge; Steve & Robyn Langley; Ross & Bindra Luscombe; Ray & Pam MacDonald; Kem & Bev McDowall; Ken & Dell McNab; ; John & Janette Miers; Pauline Norris & Terry Hannon; Terry & Denise Park; Ray & Robyn Parker; Tony & Lynne Pomroy; Bob & Barbara Rutherford; Tom & Jacky Smith; Ray & Jan Steele; Tony & Julie Swift; Bill & Denise Waycott; Ted & Carolyn Wynne.

Visitors – Second time; Harry & Helena Middendorp

Day visitors – Desley Hinson; Bill & Marj Kasper

## Lucky Winners

Kevin & Carol Day 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 First Prize of \$50.00 voucher (donated by QCC) was won by Carmel Bridges.
  - The Second Prize of Mini Cook Grill (donated by Ray & Jan Steele) was won by Shirley Jones.
  - The Third Prize of CD Binder (donated by member) and John Williamson CD (donated by Neil & Marie Chesney) were won by Tony Swift.

**Hello from the QCC Members gathered at the February Rally at Maroochy Palms Resort in Maroochydore.**

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D – F	John Carroll	07 5596 8895	Q – S	Terry & Denise Park	07 5445 9896
G – J	Mary Jacobson	07 3265 6000	T – Z	Jan Miers	07 3287 3003
K – L	Pat Davies	07 3325 2681			

## A Word from Your Editor

A Variety Concert will be held at our birthday rally in May. Some members have already expressed an interest in performing at this function. If any member or group of members is interested please contact Mary or Roy & Jenny in her absence for auditions.

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

Safe driving and see you at Flanagan's Reserve.

Denise Park. ✍️

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