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From the President's Desk

Flanagan's Reserve -What a great weekend, without doubt the best Q.C.C . camping rally Carmel and I have attended. Thanks to Sue, Gail, Ray, Tony and all the Flagananis Ristorante staff. The work they all did had to be seen to be believed, to erect cover for us and supply eighty odd meals was a major effort.

Well members my year as President has gone so fast and has been so enjoyable, it has made me proud of all the members of the Q.C.C. for attending the rallies in good numbers and making these rallies fun and happy events.

Beaudesert Rally will be busy again with lots planned for the Easter Weekend.

The A.G.M. will be held on Saturday morning after the quarterly general meeting.

Thanks again members for a great year of fun and fellowship and I'll see you all in Beaudesert.

Yours in caravanning,

The information contained in this bulletin is not necessarily the views of the President, the Committee, or the Editor.

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 for a great Bush Rally at Flaganans Reserve



Rally at Beaudesert – April 2012

From Brisbane, proceed along Beaudesert Rd, which becomes Mt Lindesay Hwy, continuing past Park Ridge, Jimboomba and Gleneagle, until you arrive in Beaudesert.

At Beaudesert, turn left at the main intersection in town (traffic lights) into William St, which merges into Albert St. Very soon after the merge, turn right into Tina St. Continue approx 200 metres – the showground entry is on your left.

Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates:	6th-9th April
	Arrive no earlier than:	4 th April 2012
	Depart no later than:	10 th April 2012

000 Emergency Details	Post Code	4285
	Directions	Cnr William & Tina Streets Beaudesert

Medical Needs: Beaudesert Hospital, 64 Tina Street. Beaudesert. 55419110

Site Contacts: Jason Dodge – 0488416473 or 55449230

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

Special needs: Dump point behind Caravan Park on Showgrounds.

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 allowed on leash.

Fees:	Site Fee:	\$ 15.00 per caravan per night
	Administration Fee:	\$ 3.00 per caravan
	Hall Hire:	\$ 0.00 per caravan
	Service Fee:	\$ 5.00 per caravan

Rally Programme – In brief

(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes,)

Thur	1:00 pm	Golf	Sun		Drag Trials
	2:00 pm	Book Club		1:00 pm	Disc Bowls
	3:00 pm	QCC Singers		7:00 pm	Drags
Fri	10:00 am	Welcome morning tea	Mon:	8:15 am	Pay Treasurer
		Mal Dale talk to follow		9:00 am	Meeting with presentations.
	3:00 pm	Rocket Competition		10:00 am	Morning Tea
	7:00 pm	Crazy Socks Competition			Management Committee Meeting
Sat:	9:00 am	Morning tea (finishes 9:30 am)			
	9:30 am	Meetings			
	2:00 pm	Card making			
	7:00 pm	Nominations for Disc Bowls			
		Letter box Game			



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Programme Details

QCC's annual Photography Competition will be held, with the photos on display most of the weekend. If you also have photo(s) you wish to display without entering them in the competition, please bring them along too.

Please bring your photos to Wendy Gibson in the hall on **Friday between 1:00pm and 3:00pm**.

There'll be five categories, and you can enter one photo per category. Photos should be taken by the entrant (not downloaded from the internet). The categories are:

1. At a QCC Rally
2. An Australian Scene
3. Scene with Caravan (must include a caravan)
4. Member(s) "Plonking" – this is the caravanners answer to "planking". The photo should be of member(s) with a bottle or glass of "something red", situated any way you choose.
5. Novelty – can be anything.

Please bring each photo on a single sheet (unframed), around the 8"x6" (20x15cm) size. Print on the **back** of each photo (you may use a pencil):

1. the entrant's name,
2. a title for the photo
3. the category (you may use pencil if you wish).

We will display your photos in an A4 sheet to ensure they won't be damaged, on which there'll be room for judging. You will be the judges in each category. How will you judge? It will be displayed on the noticeboard and we'll also let you know during the first club meeting.

Thursday: Golf available – see Bryan Davies for information.

2.00pm - Book Club will gather to discuss this month's book "Send Down a Dove".

3.00pm to 4.00pm. - QCC Singers are to gather for a practise session.

Friday: 10.00am - Join members for a welcome morning tea. Hot Cross Buns will be supplied by QCC. After morning tea we will be privileged to hear a talk from Mal Dale. Mal has written a book titled "Dispatched to the Derwent".

3.00pm: Come and join our exciting Rocket Competition. Stewie Hornibrook will supply all "Rockets" budding astronauts can volunteer to participate in the competition.

7.00 pm: Members to come dressed in their "Best Crazy Socks" for the Crazy sock competition. This competition requires members to guess an item hidden in each of the socks that will be hanging in the hall. Each committee member will have supplied an item for a sock.

Saturday : 2.00pm: Join the crafty members who will gather to make cards for our club. These cards are then used by Sunshine Lady for distribution to our members who are not so well.

2.00pm nominations close for the Disc Bowls Competition.

7.00pm Evening will commence with a Letter Box Game organised by Barbara Rutherford.

Sunday: Free morning to rest up or get out and about and explore the district. Stewie will have Drag Track set up for trials during the day.

Annual Singles Disc Bowls Competition.

1:00pm Games start. We may break for ½ hour for afternoon tea, and then games continue

3:30pm Semis and finals (This time is approximate until we know the number of players and the weather situation – it could be earlier) If you are unable to nominate by 2:00 pm on Saturday, please let Wendy Gibson know beforehand and she will add your name to the list of players.

Both ladies and gents are welcome – so come along and join in the fun.

The winner and runner-up will each be awarded a QCC Disc Bowls trophy, and the winner's name will be engraved on the trophy ... and they can keep their trophies until the next Singles Disc Bowls Competition. All who can help as markers will be appreciated and welcome.

Program continues over page.

7.00pm: QCC 2012 Mini Drag Racing Championship.

Be ready for an action packed night of high speed fun.

7.00pm sharp the evening starts with the driver parade. Come dressed in your favourite motoring outfit or if you like come dressed as a team. **THEN LETS GO RACING!!!!**

First event is the Novelty Class. You can enter as many cars in this class as you like. So have a real go and bring along anything with a novelty theme, Raid the kids toy box or make your own vehicle. (Remember Kevin's meccano helicopter).

Next event is the modified class. See if you can pick up a car to knock off the Stigs unbeaten Toyota. The evening concludes with the 2012 championship. Have a red hot go and see if you can get your name on the QCC mini drags perpetual trophy.

Prizes will be for – 2012 grand champion (Grand Champion perpetual trophy).

1st placed female (Stewie Hornibrook perpetual trophy).

1st placed male (Sid Forster perpetual trophy).

Best dressed female. Best dressed male. Best dressed team (max. 4 people).

Best prang / roll over. 1st in class 2. 1st in class 3. Every entrant receives a prize.

What you need to compete and have lots of fun.

Class 1 - championship class – a hot wheels / matchbox style car. Must be purchased.

Class 2 - improved production vehicles. Can be modified, weighted etc to enhance speed.

Class 3 - novelty vehicles – anything goes (this will be in bracket racing). The track will be available for practise runs during the weekend. Bring along a few vehicles to find out which are the best to run in the competitions. If you have any motoring memorabilia etc please bring along and put on display. A name the car competition will also be conducted during the weekend. If you require and information give Stewie Hornibrook a call any time. **VAROOM VAROOM!**



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Exciting Future Entertainment

Hillview Rally in May will be our QCC Birthday Rally. A Variety Concert is planned for Saturday evening. Contact Roy Bridges or Jenny McLeod if you wish to audition for an item to be included. Many members are already fine tuning their skits to perfection. Looking forward to a great night of entertainment.

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Members – Phil & Del Lowe would like to thank the Awning Man Bob and his wife Jenny for repairing their awning. Thanks for the prompt and friendly service

Members explore Mt Barney National Park

Club News

Special Notices – PLEASE READ

- QCC Secretary gives notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc is on Saturday 7th April 2012 at Beaudesert rally. Please note to be eligible to vote at the AGM a member must be financial.
Just a reminder that written nominations for the 2012-2013 committee close on the 31 March 2012. If you are considering nominating for any position, please do not hesitate to contact Secretary, Gwen Egen, or indeed, any member of the committee. Should you have any item/s you wish to raise, written notice must be received no later than the 31st March.
Your club needs you. We would like to see some new faces at the Committee Meeting table with fresh ideas.
- QCC Quarterly General Meeting is at Beaudesert. 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 7th April. Remember, a minor issue can be raised at any meeting.
- 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.

Future Rallies

2012 Rally Sites

May	5-7	Hillview (Birthday)	Sept	17-23	State Rally Beaudesert
Jun	2-3	Lawnton	Oct	13-14	Kenilworth Showgrounds
Jul	14-15	Nanango Caravan Park	Nov	10-11	Lowood Showgrounds
Aug	11-12	Murwillumbah Showgrounds	Dec	1-2	Woodford Showgrounds

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

Member News



Bert & Yvonne Becker receiving their 200 Rally Badge. Bert & Yvonne joined QCC in 1981.

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Message from Colin & Janet Green. – Col wrote this note to QCC - Because of my limited mobility it is with regret that Janet and I now resign as Members of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc. We have enjoyed our time with the club and sincerely thank all members for their much appreciated friendship and continuing support and kindness.

QCC wish Col & Janet all the best in the future.



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Birthdays – April

- 2nd Graham Dukes
- 6th Les Gerrard
- 9th Pat Barr
- 10th Agnes Buckley
- 10th Bev McCallum
- 11th Bert Beker
- 12th Robyn Langley
- 15th Wendy Gibson
- 17th Bill Styles

♪ *Happy birthday to you* ♪

- 19th Bob Barber
- 19th Roy Bridges
- 28th Gordon Baker
- 28th Bill Dobe
- 30th Dorcas Burt

Anniversaries – April

- 3rd Ann & Patrick Hetherman
- 4th Dorcas & Douglas Burt
- 6th Helen & Stewart Hornibrook
- 10th Agnes & Les Buckley
- 11th Carolyn & Merv Kahler
- 13th Merle & George Beresford
- 15th Bev & Kem McDowall

♪ *Happy anniversary to you* ♪

- 15th Heather & Graham McIlvanie
- 15th Denise & Terry Park
- 18th Elva & Trevor Stacey
- 19th Marj & Bill Kasper
- 20th Cheryle & Graham Hill
- 22nd Jan & Ray Steele
- 25th Nola & Trevor Bromley
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Bush Rally - Flanagan's Reserve



Iron Chef contestants. Right to left Terry & Denise Park, Ray & Robyn Parker (winners), Alf & Desley Hinson, Patrick & Ann Hetherman, Les & Lyn Buzza and Bill & Ann Dobe.

46 caravans gathered in Flanagan's Reserve for the rally in March. Wonderful weather and an excellent site for this Bush Rally. Thanks to the untiring efforts from our rally organisers Ray & Gail Caddies and Tony & Sue Stephenson and their merry band of helpers. Activities included a 4x4 drive in the Mt Barney National Park, visit to local winery and a visit to an Alpaca Farm as well as all the on site entertainment.

Friday we had the Iron Chef Competition with lots of laughs and great food to eat after the judges had made their decisions. Winners of both the 1st prize and peoples choice was Ray & Robyn Parker. Saturday evening members gathered together at Flanaganis Ristorante for an evening of great Italian food and music. Thanks to all, the evening was a great success.

Sunday after the meeting we had a visit from a local family who care for Aussie reptiles and wildlife. This was scary stuff although some members were brave enough to be photographed with the snakes.



Members Present at the Rally

Members – Members – Gordon & Sue Baker; Graham & Pat Barr; Bert & Yvonne Beker; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Keith & Heather Burgess; Doug & Dorcas Burt; Les & Lyn Buzza; Ray & Gail Caddies; Colin & Margaret Colston; Bryan & Pat Davies; Bill & Ann Dobe; Ian & Gwen Egen; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Kev & Pat Gower; Patrick & Ann Hetherman; Graham & Cheryle Hill; Alf & Desley Hinson; Stewart Hornibrook; Ernie & Shirley Jones; Terry & Val Jorgensen; David & Helen Judge; Val King; Rod & Sue Kopp; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Phil & Del Lowe; Ross & Bindra Luscombe; Ray & Pam MacDonald; Keith & Bev McCallum; Graham & Heather McIlvanie; Des & Jenny McLeod; Ken & Dell McNab; John & Janette Miers; Terry & Denise Park; Ray & Robyn Parker; Tony & Lynne Pomroy; Bob & Barbara Rutherford; Victor & Audrey Schrier; Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Tom & Jacky Smith; Ron & Joy Stark; Ray & Jan Steele; Tony & Sue Stephenson; Bill & Denise Waycott

Visitors – 1st time; Keith & Doreen Morgan; Bernie & Veronica Witjes; Gary Stevens

Day visitors – Terry & Carolyn Coxall; Grant & Wendy Williams.

Lucky Winners: David & Helen Judge 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:
- First Prize \$50 Bunnings voucher (donated by Bill & Ann Dobe) was won by Sue Kopp.
 - Second Prize Shower Radio (donated by member) was won by Gail Caddies.
 - Third Prize Broom Stand (donated by Roy Bridges) was won by Ian Egen.

A Word from Your 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 Beaudesert.

Denise Park. 



[Is this Colin & Margaret Colston's possum?](#)

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