



The Wanderer

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“Fellowship on Wheels”

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Presidents Report Good to see 64 vans and a lot of faces not seen for a while. The weather on Thursday was very difficult for the marshalls in parking the vans with steady rain falling all day with water over the ground everywhere. Thank you Guys for a job well done. Fridays Golf had 10 players and I would like to take this opportunity to thank new Member Gary Jarrett for his donation of a medal for use on golf days. Friday evening also saw the dancing school in preparation for Saturdays shindig. It was very well attended. As is tradition, a group of members visited the local Pub for dinner and gave it an excellent report.

The Cheese Factory had its customary flock of eager cheesy types and the Nepalese opp shop had a fair bit of attention.

Saturday Nights Bash was a roaring success and special thanks to all who participated in the organisation, with special mention going to Brian, Denise, Kevin, Carol and Steve for the square dancing.

Stay safe, healthy and safe travelling and look forward to seeing you all at Lowood.

Stop press

Bit of late information came via Bill Waycott, who spotted this piece of info which will be worth noting on our travels interstate through NSW. Check out this link;

<http://www.caradvice.com.au/197635/nsw-road-rules-changes-mobile-phone-intersection-laws/>

Rally at Lowood – November 2012 How to Get There

<p>Lowood Showgrounds (7/04)</p>	<p>From Brisbane South – Follow the Ipswich Motorway. Exit <u>left</u> (veering right over the motorway) onto the Warrego Hwy (A2) in the direction of Toowoomba. Follow the Warrego Hwy for approx 15 kms and turn <u>right</u> towards Esk on the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Drive through Fernvale (approx 16 kms), and then turn <u>left</u> just past the school. It is 7 kms to Lowood. Turn <u>right</u> at Manz Hardware in the main street and, after approx 100 metres after the road bends, turn <u>right</u> into the showgrounds.</p> <p>From Brisbane North – Follow the D'Aguiar Hwy through Woodford and Kilcoy. Approx 26 kms past Kilcoy, turn <u>left</u> onto the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Approx 21.5 kms past Esk, turn <u>right</u> at signpost "Coominya/Atkinson Dam". Continue approx 4 kms into Coominya, and turn <u>left</u> at signpost "Lowood" into West Rd, which becomes Lowood Patrick Estate Rd. Caution - there's a 1-way bridge over creek. Approx 7 kms from where you turned into West Street, turn <u>left</u> onto Clarendon Rd. <u>Veer right</u> into Main St and then <u>turn left</u> into Railway St (just after Mitre 10 Hardware). Look for Showgrounds entrance on right, approx 100 metres after the road bends, .</p>
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Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates:	10th-11th Nov 2012
	Arrive no earlier than	7 th Nov
	Depart no later than:	13 th Nov

000 Emergency	Ipswich Hospital, PostCode 4305
Details Lowood –	<u>Directions</u> ; Chelmsford Avenue, <u>Cross street</u> : Nicholas Street, Ipswich
Post code 4311	

Medical Needs:

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.**

Pets: OK on leash

Fees:

Site Fee:	\$	15.00	per caravan per night
Administration Fee:	\$	3.00	per caravan
Hall Hire:	\$	3.00	per caravan

There are very limited shower facilities (1) at Lowood, so I couldn't resist the temptation to suggest we all make sure we have a shower before arriving at Lowood !!! LOL



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Rally Programme – in brief			(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)		
Fri;	Afternoon	Golf ,Line Dancing, Family History ,Book club.	Sun:	8;30 to 9;00am 9.00 am	Pay Treasurer Meeting starts Morning tea after meeting
Sat;	Evening 9:00 am 9;30 am	Games Morning tea Meeting		10:30 am	Management Committee Meeting
	7:30 pm	Main Event	Disc Bowls are available 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. See programme details					

Programme Detail (see article about Car Rally on page 7)

Friday

- 1:00 pm Golf
- 1:30 pm Family History Group, have fun tracing your ancestors with Nola
- 2:00 pm Book club with Sandra Smith, "Sarah Thornhill" by Kate Grenville(convicts in eary Australia)-----Book for Woodfordis "Pillars of the Earth"byKen Follett.
- 3:00 pm Kev & Carols Line dancing

Saturday

- 1.00-3.00 Jennys "Bag Ladies" craft session
- 3-00. Choir Practise with Wendy
- 7:30 pm Main event : "The Extravaganza of Musicals" Entertainment centred around the myriad of Movie musicals I'm sure most of have watched over the years. Dress up if you wish, but still come along even if your not into dressups. Your knowledge of these classics will be tested through various quizzes

Fridays Goings on The Golf on Friday brought its inevitable hilarity, with one of the players winning the impossible shot of the year, over water !! Crafty Capers, Line Dancing, Bookworms and Choristers were all into their afternoon sessions. A few members past the time getting stuff ready for sat Night.





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Special Notices – PLEASE READ

For info on CCCQ, their website address is <http://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/>.

All persons on a QCC rally site, both members and visitors, must sign the **Attendance Book**.

- **Please note:** It would be greatly appreciated if members, when purchasing goods from the Souvenirs cabinet and paying their fees at the end of the rally, would please tender the correct amounts where possible. Many thanks.
- If Members are the first to connect to a single water tap, could you please, if possible, attach a two way connector so as to save next arrival having to go looking for you to let you know they are going to turn off your water whilst they connect up. Ta Ever so Much

Neil Chesney has kindly arranged a second visit to **“Vehicle Components”** for the evening of **Monday, 19th November at 6pm sharp**. The address is; 352 Bilsen Road, Geebung. Coming from North in, Bilsen road, cross railway line and it is second driveway on the right. Look for the Vehicle Components sign, Coming from South, better to enter Bilsen road from Pritchard road, cross the rail line and is second driveway on the right. The visit will take approx 2 hrs and we will see the axle and suspension manufacturing plant and the new caravan servicing division. Coffee will be provided afterwards. Hope to see you all there.

Les Usher, one of our Newer members, put on an exhibition of very old British caravan manufactures and retailers badges, dating from before WW1. There was even information on a van he built for an Earls Court exhibition. So if you feel like designing and building your own van, see Les! A lot of very interesting stuff



Future Rallies

2012 Rally Sites

Nov 10th-11th Lowood Showgrounds
 Dec 1st-2nd Woodford Showgrounds

Mar/Apr 29th-1st Gatton Showgrounds
 May 4th-6th Toogoolahwah showgrounds
 June 1st & 2nd Dayboro Showground
 July 13th- 14th Boonah Showground
 Aug 10th-11th Imbil S'ground (vacate by Mon)
 Sept 23-2 Oct **Rockhampton National Rally**
 Oct 12th-13th Rocky Creek (bush rally)
 Nov 9th-10th Esk Caravan Park
 Dec TBA

2013 Rally Sites

Jan 12th-13th Laidley Showgrounds
 Feb 9th-10th Crows Nest Caravan Park
 Mar 9th-10th Mulgowie

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

Member News—New Inductees



Barrie & Pamela Smith



Beryl Simpson



Les & Brenda Usher



Gary & Noeleen Jarrett



Key & Pat Gower---50 rallies presentation



Ian's Winners badge for disc bowls at State Rally

🎵 *Happ birthday to you for November* 🎵

1st Trish McMorrine
 5th Margaret Kays
 7th Joy Stark

12th Trevor Bromley
 15th Marlene Rawlings
 17th Dell McNab
 18th Geoff Gray
 20th Wayne Hills

8th Del Portelli
 9th Carol Fraser
 9th Ernie Jones
 11th Jean Dale
 11th Jim McMorrine

24th Jerry Meades
 26th Margaret Hiller
 28th Stan Thomas
 30th Merv Cook
 30th Stella Foster

♪ Happy Anniversary to you for November ♪

6th Pat & Kev Gower
 6th Desley & Alf Hinson
 26th Marty & Di Thompson
 28th Pauline & Brian Lewis

Other News



Does anyone out there recognize this Trophy.

It was found by one of our members in a box of stuff being sorted.

No one so far asked, has any idea what it was for or who won it. It would be nice to resurrect it for future use. Any ideas, contact your editor.

Showground Rally

64 vans attended Kenilworth in May. Details of the site; Some vans were a little far from the amenities, but this was unavoidable due to a local cricket match being played on the Oval were we usually park a lot of vans. Apart from that, as usual, very good .

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New Members – Gary & Noeleen Jarrett, Barrie & Pamela Smith, Les & Brenda Usher
 Visitors – 1st time, Graeme & Bev Cope
 2nd time, Greg & Lorraine Bradford, Beris & Melda Blake, Jerry & Drina Meades.
 Day visitors – Bill & Denise Waycott

Lucky Winners

Brian & Denise Sheehan were the winners of the Lucky Van Number, State rally. Kenilworth winners were Tony & Sue Stephenson. They've won a free night at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

- Raffle Prizes:
- The Hose & peg Line (donated by Scottie & Jan) was won by Tony Swift.
 - The Meat tray (donated by Qcc) was won by Les Usher.
 - The Cheese platter (donated by Qcc) was won by Des Mc Leod
 - 2nd Cheese platter (donated by Cheese factory) was won by Gail Skinner.

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EXCITING OFF ROAD RACING CLOSE TO LOWOOD.

Some QCC members are acting as Officials at the Australian championship being conducted at Mulgowie over the weekend of QCC Rally at Lowood.

If anyone wants to visit this event the programme is:-

Friday 9th November Scrutineering at Plainlands Shopping Centre. BBQ at venue plus various Cafes & Plainlands Hotel for evening meal.

Saturday 10th November. Morning from 8-15am Reconnaissance, qualifying. Racing from 1-15pm (approx 3 hours).

Sunday 11th November. Morning Racing from 8-30am until approx mid-day. Afternoon Racing from 2-00pm to approx 4-00pm.

Spectator entry \$10 per day; \$15 two day pass. Catering available at spectator area. Entry directly opposite Mulgowie Pub.

Estimated time of travel from Lowood 45mins. Make up a party and share a vehicle. Gauranteed you have not seen anything like this.

If anyone interested in Joining the Members working on event contact Patrick 3289 9804. At time of going to print there were 63 competitor entries.

Friday (continued)

The card and games sections were well patronised and Carpet Bowls once again all Fun and hilarity, giving my hungry camera lots of ammunition. See Below;



Saturdays Cricket Match was a belter, literally! After sorting themselves into teams, the assembled crew settled in for an epic test match. There was plenty of sledging, but everything went off pretty good. Only had Two minor incidents. George Beresford wound up and took an almighty swing at a ball, missed it completely and after completing a graceful "360", crashed A over T in a great heap. Luckily, the only thing hurt was his dignity!! Then Neil Chesney bent down to retrieve a ball and pulled up lame. He had "done a hammy" in his thigh. Unfortunately, it was a bit more serious than first thought, as he was in considerable pain rest of the weekend. I believe he has now recovered, his only regret being there was no need to land an RFDS chopper on the Oval, so giving him chance to get a bit of his contributions back !!





The Big Event,-- GLAMOUR, GLITZ and GLITTER

Fine, warm, weather guaranteed an excellent turnout for the occasion. Each elegantly dressed couple was photographed at the entrance on arrival. I thought this was a wise move 'cos after an hours galloping around the dance floor, most people didn't look quite as pristine as when they arrived. Whoever was supposed to be door security didn't do a very good job, as a rather unsavoury looking character, closely resembling "Onslow", Mrs Buckets grotty Son-in-Law, was seen tripping the light fantastic. (I think he actually won the worst dressed prize !!) The night finished up with a very well earned and well attended supper downstairs. Another brilliant function under our belts. Well done everyone !!

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couldn't let this next sequence of pictures pass without blowing it up.....Sorry John!

See below





He never offered up a shot !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!