

# The Wanderer

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"Fellowship on Wheels"

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# The Musicals Fdition





### **The Presidents report**

Another great rally at Lowood, but the weather changed on Friday afternoon from a warm sunny day to constant rain all night. The barefoot bowls had to be cancelled due to wet conditions but we hope to arrange bowls for another weekend when at a suitable venue. We were lucky to finish golf before the rain.18 members playing including 2 ladies.

Many members visited the local hotel for dinner with good reports the meals were of a high standard. Saturday we experienced light steady rain all day with the occasional heavy downpour into the night. Also early Sunday morning and then the rain cleared to a cool day although windy.

A total of 60 caravans enjoyed the weekend with many members visiting the annual car rally held at Mulgowie through wet conditions in the mountains.

Jerry & Drina Meades were inducted into the club on Saturday morning, introduced by Ken McNabb. Eddie & Sylvia Stocker enjoyed there 2nd rally although they missed the rally at Kenilworth by one week. Ann Eddie received her 50th rally badge in the QCC in the company of Les Gerald, well done Ann. Good to see Dell Portelli, Pauline Norris & Terry Hannon all attend the rally as day visitors, we hope you all enjoyed the weekend.

A fun night was held on Saturday night. many members dressed to the occasion with the theme based around musicals. Great to see so many members make the effort to dress up for this special night. A special thank you to the rally marshalls for another good job in parking all the vans for the weekend. Des McLeod, Keith McCallum, Brian Sheehan & the gate guru Bill Waycott.

We have 59 caravans from our club already booked for the National Rally in Rockhampton for September 2013. At this stage the books are still open for anyone to attend this very interesting rally with plenty of activities on the agenda.

Stay Safe, healthy, and safe travelling and look forward to seeing you all at Woodford Showgrounds for the Xmas rally.

Regards, John

#### Rally at Woodford- December 2012, How to Get There

Woodford Showgrounds

Continue on the Bruce Hwy north past the Buchanan Road/ Morayfield exit. At the next exit (Caboolture/Bribie Island/Kilcoy - Exit 152) there are 2 lanes that exit. Exit Bruce Hwy in the right exiting lane, which continues on to Kilcoy and D'Aguilar Hwy. Once on the road to Kilcoy and after going under the overhead bridge, move into the left lane, following the signs to Kilcoy. Continue along the highway, passing through Wamuran, until you reach Woodford.

Continue through the town of Woodford and then turn left towards Villeneuve (Neurum Rd). After several hundred metres, the showground is on your right.

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

1st & 2nd Dec 2012 Rally dates: Official dates:

28<sup>th</sup> Nov 2012 Arrive no earlier than: 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 2012 Depart no later than:

000 Emergency

**Details** 

**Post Code** 

Neurum Road, Woodford,

4510

**Directions** Nearest Cross Street is ... The D'Aguilar Highway

Medical Needs: Medical Centre,64 archer Street(main road). Kilcoy Hospital, 19 Brown street

,Kilcoy, 4515

Site Contacts: Yolanda Nicol 07 5422 9681

Club equipment required:

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

extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.

Special needs: Dump points...Kilcoy Or Caboolture

Rally Marshal Des McLeod – If you have a medical need to be close to the amenities, please

Co-ordinator: 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.

OK on Leash Pets:

Fees: Site Fee: Powere \$ 15 Per van, per night...Singles \$10 per van , per night

> Unpowered \$ 12 Per van, Per night Singles \$7 per van 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!)				
Fri:	Golf, Craft, Book club, Family History, Qcc Singers			Sun:	8.30 to 9.00 am 9.00 am	Pay Treasurer Meeting starts Morning tea after meeting Management Comm. Meeting
Sat	9:00 am 9:30 am 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	Morning Tea Meeting Santa 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.

#### **Programme Details**

#### <u>Friday</u>

1:00 pm Golf

1;00 pm Crafts with Jenny Carroll

1:30 pm Family History: with Nola Bromley.

Topic: Certificates and Shipping

**2:00 pm** Book Club with Sandra Smith, will be held at her Van... "Pillars of the earth" by Ken Follett. This book will also be the January book.

**3;00pm** QCC Singers Practise **Evening** Carols & Games

Table numbers will be drawn for Xmas Dinner places and don't forget the best dressed Caravan. Jan Miers is the one to beat. Lights, baubles, stuffed reindeers .Anything goes!

<u>Saturday</u> Please don't forget your Secret Santa presents. Minimum \$5.00----Maximum...feel free !!(no perishables).Give to Mary after Sat. Meeting.

3;00 pm Santa Arrives

Table decoration after Santa.

6:00 pm The Main Event

The Christmas Dinner will be buffet style, served by the Caterer. Please BYO crockery, cutlery, nibbles and table decorations. Alcohol is permitted. After Dinner we will be treated to a concert organised by Barry and Wendy Gibson.



#### Club News

Special Notices – PLEASE READ info on CCCQ, their website address is <a href="http://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/">http://sites.google.com/site/caravanclubsqld/</a>.

- All persons on a QCC rally site, i.e. both members and visitors, must sign the Attendance Book.
- <u>Please note</u>: 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 possible, when members are the first to connect to a tap, could they attach a two way connecter so as to save the next arrival having to hunt around the venue to find you and let you know they are going to turn your water off for a period whilst they connect. Thank you kindly.
- Don't forget, your fee of \$10 members & \$15 visitors for the Xmas dinner should be paid by 20<sup>th</sup>
   November. Any queries regarding children please contact Carol Day.

#### **Future Rallies**

Mar/Apr	29th-1st	Gatton Showgrounds
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May	4th-6th	Toogoolahwah showgrounds
June	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2nd	Dayboro Showground
July	13 <sup>th</sup> - 14th	Boonah Showground
Aug	10 <sup>th</sup> -11th	Imbil S'ground (vacate by Mon)

	2013 Rally Sites	Sept	23-2 Oct	Rockhampton National Rally
Jan 12th-13th	Laidley Showgrounds	Oct	12 <sup>th</sup> -13th	Rocky Creek (bush rally)
Feb 9th-10th	Crows Nest Caravan Park	Nov	9 <sup>th</sup> -10th	Esk Caravan Park
Mar 9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup>	Mulgowie	Dec	4 <sup>th</sup> - 10th	Beaudesert Showground

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

Member News.....Owing to the resignation of Eric Gall, the committee appointed Neil Chesney to fill the Casual vacancy of Senior Vice President and Tony Swift to fill the casual vacancy as committee member left vacant by Neils Elevation. These casual appointments will stand until the Next AGM in April 2013

It is with great regret the Committee has to report the passing of past member Max Whitten on November the 13<sup>th</sup>. No doubt a lot of members will remember him.

Best wishes to all or any members who are sick ,recovering or about to undergo treatment or surgery .Our thoughts are with you all over this Festive Season.

#### **New Members & Member Milestones**



New Members Jerry & Drina Meades





Anne Eddie receiving her 50<sup>th</sup> Rally badge and certificate

#### **Birthdays - December**

1<sup>st</sup> Lvn Buzza

3<sup>rd</sup> Doug Keppie

4<sup>th</sup> Irene Cuthbert

5<sup>th</sup> Frank Gaffney

7<sup>th</sup> Jacky Smith

8<sup>th</sup> Carol Day

10<sup>th</sup> Lionel Jacobson

11th Pauline Lewis

12<sup>th</sup> Heather Burgess

14<sup>th</sup> Tony Stephenson

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15<sup>th</sup> Noeleen Jarrett

17<sup>th</sup> Gail Caddies

18<sup>th</sup> Jenny Carroll

18<sup>th</sup> GregBradford

19<sup>th</sup> Ron Cuthbert

22<sup>nd</sup> John Miers

28<sup>th</sup> Pat Davies

28<sup>th</sup> Graham Sheehan

29<sup>th</sup> Karen Haslewood

#### **Anniversaries – December**

8<sup>th</sup> Tony & Julie Swift

9<sup>th</sup> Kathy & Bill Styles

11<sup>th</sup> Don & Sandra Field

17<sup>th</sup> Lynne & Tony Pomroy

21<sup>st</sup> Bindra & Ross Luscombe

24<sup>th</sup> Del & Ken McNab

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#### **Other News**

**Apologies** for items inadvertently omitted from the State Rally report. Firstly to Heather McIlvanie who Won the Mini Car drag race fair and square from Ian Egen in 2<sup>nd</sup>



Secondly, the actual drag race article which was unintentionally missed out.

This event is a

sure fire hit wherever it is staged and is now about to be part of the programme for the National Rally in Rockie next year.

The following pics show the intense interest generated by this simplest of competitions, particularly from other clubs. The event has been part of QCCs programmes for many years and Stewart Hornibrook is rightfully proud of the effort he has put into it over this period and the donations to the RFDS, to whom the entry fees are donated. This event raised approx. \$200 for the charity.







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#### **Members Present at the Rally**

lan & Gloria Bamberry; Bob & Lyn Barber; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Trevor & Nola Bromley; Les & Lyn Buzza; Ray & Gail Caddies; John & Jenny Carroll; Neil & Marie Chesney; Colin & Margaret Colston; Merv & Barbara Cook; Terry & Carolyn Coxall; Ken & Lyn Cragg; Bryan & Pat Davies; Kevin & Carol Day; Dennis & Heather Edney; Ian & Gwen Egen Frank & Rhonda Gaffney Les Gerrard & Anne Eddie; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Kev & Pat Gower; Rod & Bev Green; Graham & Cheryle Hill; Warren & Margaret Hiller; Wayne & Vicki Hills; Alf & Desley Hinson; Stewart Hornibrook; Gordon Ison & Beryl Simpson Lionel & Mary Jacobson; Gary & Noeleen Jarrett; Colin & Margaret James; Ernie & Shirley Jones; Terry & Val Jorgensen; David & Helen Judge; Bill & Marj Kasper; Daryl Kays;; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Ross & Bindra Luscombe; Jerry & Drina Meades Ray & Pam MacDonald; Keith & Bev McCallum; Graham & Heather McIlvanie; Des & Jenny McLeod; Ken & Dell McNab; John & Janette Miers; Ray & Robyn Parker; Chris & Nancy Rae; John & Marlene Rawlings; Bob & Barbara Rutherford; Victor & Audrey Schrier; Brian & Denise Sheehan; Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Ron & Sandra Smith; Ray & Jan Steele; Tony & Sue Stephenson; Tony & Julie Swift; Les & Brenda Usher; Bill & Denise Waycott; Ted & Carolyn Wynne.

2<sup>nd</sup> Time Visitors – Ed & Sylvia Stocker

Day visitors - Del Portelli, Terry Hannon and Pauline Norris, Peter and Cheryl Schiffke

Lucky Winners Tony & Sue Stephenson 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 voucher (donated by QCC) was won by Les Gerrard
- The Fire cylinder & Blanket (donated by Tom & Jacky Smith) was won by Barbara Cook
- The CD case holder (donated by Tony & Julie Swift) was won by Les Buzza

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#### A Word from Your Editor

Hi Members, I would like to thank my cub reporters, Kevin & Carol Day and Margaret Hiller for standing in for me on Saturday night as I had a long standing prior event that evening.

They did an admirable job at such short notice

George Lacey. 🗷

Your Hosts:

**60** caravans gathered in Lowood for the rally in November.

<u>Details about the site.</u> Generally very good. The Hall is excellent for Dancing or concerts on future occasions.

Info about entertainment Saturday night's entertainment started with Mary Poppins lining up the costumed characters from musicals, with the audience guessing which musical they were from. Characters came from Paint Your Wagon, The Sound of Music, Grease, The Wizard of Oz, Oliver and the Pirates of Penzance to name a few along with quite a few yellow raincoats and umbrellas.

Quizzes followed with every team eager to win the lollies. The names of musicals, singers and songs were bandied about and some weird tunes were heard to be hummed. Unusual, though it was, no cheating was observed, probably due to the



The Newman Family

presence of a Mother Superior and the Superstar himself.

One of the highlights?? of the night was the singing?? of several of the teams with each trying to outdo the other.

Another fun night with lots of laughter and Friendship for all.

#### **Fridays Goings on!**

















A Couple of nights ago, I was out for a few drinks with some friends at the Marriott Hotel and had a few too many beers and some rather nice red wine. Knowing full well I may have been slightly over the limit, I did something I had never done before: I took a bus home.

Sure enough I passed a Police road block but as it was only a bus, they waved it past. I arrived home safely, which was a real surprise, as I have never driven a bus before and am not even sure where I got it !!......boom boom

#### **Saturday Afternoons Bag session**























#### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Makes one wonder why we get tangled up with these Geriatric organisations.

Potential new members missing Rally by a week! Another member went to Laidley instead of Lowood, despite loud protests from spouse!

And me. Well I only mistakenly took the two and a half hour route to Lowood, instead of the hour and a bit way!.....Like I said, Makes one wonder!!!





























## **Sunday Morning**





Well, here are the impressive results of our "bag ladies" diligent work under the excellent tuition of our resident Craft Guru, Jenny Carroll! The finished articles show we have some very talented members. But I feel I have to be critical of something that Jenny has no control over.

Ladies, where is your fashion sense ?? .Not one of you matched your shoes to your bag !!!!!!

#### **ODDS & SODS**



Most of us would have had a bit of a hard time pegging in, but as I passed one member(of the committee type) setting up, I remarked on the fact his first peg seemed to have gone in easily.

He grunted something unintelligible, kicked his bucket over and this was what was in it!!



Thought I had found a long lost Rellie in Lowood when Daryl pointed out this place to me. Went in and introduced myself but a freebie wasn't forthcoming.

Wasn't keen on his pink fencing anyway. A little bit Girlie for my taste!!



Nice to see some thoughtful soul had the werewithall to pad all the posts in the hall.

Word must have got out about some of our antics!!

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Ever since I was a child, I've always had a fear of someone under my bed at night. So I went to a psychiatrist and told him. . . 'I've got problems. Every time I go to bed I think there's somebody under it.

I'm scared.. I think I'm going crazy.'

Just put yourself in my hands for one year,' said the psychiatrist. 'Come talk to me three times a week and we should be able to get rid of those fears..'

How much do you charge?' \$60 per visit,' replied the expert.

'I'll sleep on it,' I said. Six months later ,he met me on the street.

'Why didn't you ever come to see me about those fears you were having?' he asked. 'Well, \$60 a visit three times a week for a year is an awful lot of money!A bartender cured me for \$20.I was so happy to have saved all that money that I went and bought myself a new car!" Is that so?' With a bit of an attitude he said, 'and how, may I ask, did a bartender cure you?'

'He told me to cut the legs off the bed! There's nobody under there now!'
FORGET THOSE LEARNED DOCTORS.

#### **GO HAVE A DRINK & TALK TO YOUR BARTENDER.**



