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[Down at Dayboro !](#)



Presidents Report

We all experienced another great rally for our club at the Dayboro Showground. With constant rain during Thursday & Friday it was very pleasing to see 53 caravans attend the rally.

Thank you to the rally marshals Des McLeod, Keith McCallum & Bob Kearney working under difficult conditions during the rain times.

Thanks to Brian Lewis, we were all able to have power connected to all our vans, using extra power boxes. The showground society have made many changes since our last visit, with new buildings and less power boxes making it difficult to park all the members vans.

Although the weather was very ordinary we managed to complete a lot of activities over the weekend. Golf on Friday morning attracted 13 members including 2 ladies. Bare foot bowls on Friday afternoon received very strong interest and it was good to see all members participating, having a great time showing a variety of skills, laughing and having fun. Thank you to Tony Swift, Jerry Meades, Les Usher & Graham Barr for organizing and running this well run afternoon. Many members who didn't play bowls arrived for a sausage sizzle, steak, onions and bread rolls a good night was enjoyed by everyone. The ladies disc bowls competition on Saturday afternoon we had 32 players participate this was a hit, although a times it look like the sky was about to drop buckets of rain. The event was of a high standard and we had some very close games. Good to see all the ladies who entered having a great time and the end result was Gwen Egan the winner and Sandra Smith runner up. Thank you, Barry Gibson for organizing the event for the ladies.

Saturday night entertainment was organized by Mary Jacobson, it was back to school days, a very enjoyable night for everyone with plenty of laughter, fun and excitement.

A special thanks to Brenda Usher for filling in for Secretary Carol Day whilst she was away on holidays. I wish you all health, happiness and safe travelling and look forward to seeing you all at Boonah for the July Rally.

Regards,

John

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Rally at Boonah. How to Get There

Boonah Showgrounds (9/06)	<p><u>Route 1</u> – From Brisbane, travel west on the Ipswich Motorway. At Dinmore, turn <u>left</u> onto the Cunningham Hwy towards Warwick and continue for 14 kms. Turn <u>left</u> onto the Ipswich-Boonah Rd and continue 40 kms to Boonah.</p> <p><u>Route 2</u> – 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 right at the main intersection in town (traffic lights) towards Rathdowney (still Mt Lindesay Hwy). At approx ½ km, turn <u>right</u> onto the Beaudesert- Boonah Rd and continue 42 kms to Boonah.</p> <p><u>At Boonah</u>, both the above roads become Coronation Dve. With the park at the Boonah Sports Complex on your left, turn <u>left</u> at the roundabout and <u>left</u> again into Walter St (the park still on your left). Take the 1st turn <u>left</u> into Cossart St, which leads to the showgrounds, opposite a caravan park.</p>
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Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates: 13 th -14 th July 2013
	Arrive no earlier than: 10 th July
	Depart no later than: 16 th July

000 Emergency Nearest Hospital: *Boonah Hospital, Leonard St, Boonah 4310*

Details

Showground Address: *Cossat st, **cross street** ,Walter Street*

Boonah, 4310

Medical Needs: 86 High Street, Boonah ,

Site Contacts: Lorraine 07 5463 4080 or mobile 0428 563 651

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

Special needs:

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: On Leash

Fees:	Site Fee:	\$ 18.00 per caravan per night
	Administration Fee:	\$ 3.00 per caravan
	Hall Hire:	\$ 0.00 per caravan

Rally Programme – in brief			(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)		
Fri; Sat:	See Below 9:00-9:30am 9:30 am 7:00 pm	In program details Morning tea Meeting Main Event	Sun:	8:15 - 8:45 am 9:00 –9:30 am 9:30 am	Pay Treasurer Morning tea Meeting After meeting, Management Committee .
			Disc Bowls are available all weekend. For a set to play, please contact Barry Gibson.		

Programme Details

Friday: Golf,-- 12:30 pm --- Craft --1:00pm with Jenny Carroll (venue to be decided on day)

Book club (2pm at Sandra Smiths Site)-“Radhika’s Story” By Sharon Hendry.

Line Dancing 3:00pm with Kevin day. Cards & Games 7:00pm

Friday evening feed: Bowls club puts on a hot and cold buffet for \$19, but may be able to negotiate on this if enough interest. Please let you rally Marshall know if your interested.

Saturday-- morning. Boonah Country Markets at Springleigh Park, 7-12am

Afternoon—1:30 to 4:00 pm—Tag-along-tour with Ray Caddies (take along own afternoon tea/picnic), a 25km round trip to Mt French including Logan Lookout (10 minute wheelchair friendly walk) and Mee-Bor-Rum lookout, 850metre circuit, where we will have afternoon tea. Bring Binoculars, cameras and sensible shoes (& probably chairs). **Please note :** There is very limited parking so only full cars please

Evening-- BINGO!! The age old game will be resurrected with President John being the caller. Prizes will be anybodies guess!! (bring your own highlighter pens) Also, we will be celebrating Xmas in July so please wear a Christmas hat. Xmas cake will be served for supper, so bring along cups.



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Club News Special Notices - PLEASE READ

CLUB STALL 15th NATIONAL RALLY ROCKHAMPTON

Our club will be having a stall on Saturday, 28 September 2013, at the upcoming National Rally in Rockhampton with all money raised at this stall going to the Royal Flying Doctors Service.

We would greatly appreciate your help to make this stall a success and raise funds for the RFDS. We are hoping to offer, among other things, a variety of handmade goods etc.

A requirement is that food items must be labelled listing all ingredients. As the stall will be held after the commencement of the rally, storage and freshness is a consideration. Some members are already busy putting their creative juices to work.

There are only 4 club rallies to go before Rockhampton. Anyone not going to Rockhampton may bring their items to a rally and give to either Gwen Egen or Margaret Hiller or alternatively, contact Gwen or Margaret for any assistance. Any donation, even monetary, would be greatly appreciated.



Barry & Wendy Gibson are putting together the show for the Christmas rally. Yes, we know it's early, but we need to work around everyone's National Rally, etc commitments. For the show to be a success, we need you to participate. We would love to see both old and new members join in – wouldn't it be great to see some new faces up on the stage! If you play an instrument, like to sing (either in a group or solo), recite poetry, or whatever, please contact Barry or Wendy on 3888 0860.

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.

It would be greatly appreciated if members, when purchasing goods from the Souvenirs cabinet and paying their fees at the end of the rally, could 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 connector 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.

The same applies when leaving. Please, would the connectors advise all fellow connectees of your intentions as folk may be enjoying a luxurious shower. Thank you kindly.

Do you have a CB radio? If so, would you be kind enough to let the Rally Marshalls know of your impending arrival so they can have some idea of where to put you. Ta Muchly!

Future Rallies

2013		2014	
July -----13 th &14 th ----	Boonah Showground	Jan- 11 & 12	Samford
August---10 th &11 th -----	Imbil Showground(vac.by MON)	Feb- 8 & 9	Warwick,--Kahlers Oasis Caravan Pk.
Sep/Oct---23 rd to 2 nd -	NAT.RALLY,ROCKHAMPTON	March-8 & 9	Not confirmed
October---12 th &13 th -----	Rocky Creek (Bush rally)	April- 18 to 21	Woodford
November- 9 th &10 th -----	Esk Caravan Park	May- 3 & 4	Pittsworth
December- 7 th &8 th -----	Beaudesert Showground	June -14 & 15	Lawnton

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

New Members .



Yvonne Robbins



Peter & Nerida Versace



Muzza & Jenni McGowan

♪ Happy Birthday to you for July ♪

2 nd Pam MacDonald	11 th John Beattie	22 nd Lance Haslewood
2 nd Lorraine Bradford	11 th Terry Jorgensen	23 rd Bev McDowall
3 rd Desley Hinson	12 th Mal Finlayson	23 rd Jenny McLeod
3 rd Sandra Field	14 th Gayle Skinner	24 th Bob Willmott
5 th Kay Cherry	15 th Lyn Hill	25 th Mike Mulvihill
5 th Denis Cherry	16 th Ann Dobe	26 th Bob Kearney
7 th Lynne Pomroy	19 th Pamela Easter	27 th Drina Meads
8 th Heather Mcllvani	19 th Gloria Bamberry	29 th Pam Petch
8 th Heather Streidl	22 nd Graham Mcllvanie	30 th Merv Kahler
9 th Barbara Rutherford		30 th Marty Thompson

Happy Anniversary to you for July

1st Lee & Barry Kriedemann
8th Robyn & Steve Langley
13th Karen & Lance Haslewood
21st Margaret & Stan Thomas

21st Carol & Gus Fraser
21st Denise & Bill Waycott
27th Gail & Ray Caddies
29th Shirley & Ernie Jones

Other News



Sadly, I have to report the passing of past Member Syd Goddard on 12th June. He and his wife Beryl joined the Club in 1992 and Syd served on the committee and was President in 1998 & 99. R.I.P. Syd.

Members are asked to take note of the **Esk Rally** situation in November. It seems **powered sites** will be at a premium so it is advisable to book your site **with the Park** well in advance if you particularly want a powered site.

Les Usher announced he collected 396 cans at Toogoolawah for RFDS.

I interviewed Ian Egen, asking him if he knew exactly how many of the cans were his. His reply was, Quote..” Suffice to say, I **can** hold my head high, knowing **full** well what my contribution to the RFDS was...how about the other Members !...**Hic**”. Unquote!

Showground Rally

53 caravans turned out at Dayboro for the July rally. The site was good, although a little soft under foot, but ok with care. This is a good venue , especially when the Oval is available for use.

Members Present at the Rally

- Darren Baker; Gordon & Sue Baker; Bob & Lyn Barber; Graham and Pat Barr, Bert & Yvonne Beker; Greg & Lorraine Bradford; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Ray & Gail Caddies; John & Jenny Carroll; Neil & Marie Chesney; Colin & Margaret Colston Bryan & Pat Davies; Dennis & Heather Edney; Ian & Gwen Egen; Gus & Carrol Fraser; Les Gerrard & Anne Eddie; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Rod & Bev Green; Terry Hannon & Pauline Norris; Lance & Karen Haslewood; Margaret Hiller; Wayne & Vicki Hills; Alf & Desley Hinson; Stewart Hornibrook; Gordon Ison; Lionel & Mary Jacobson; Gary & Noeleen Jarrett; Colin & Margaret James; Ernie & Shirley Jones; Terry & Val Jorgensen; Daryl & Margaret Kays ; Bob & Cathy Kearney Val King; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Brian & Pauline Lewis; Keith & Bev McCallum; Kem & Bev McDowall; Graham & Heather McIlvanie; Des & Jenny McLeod; Jerry & Drina Meades; John & Janette Miers; Ron & Pam Petch; ; Brian & Denise Sheehan; Graham & Shirley Sheehan; Ron & Sandra Smith; Tom & Jacky Smith; .Tony & Julie Swift; Les & Brenda Usher;

Visitors – 1st time--Tom & Jill Davis

.. 2nd time--Ian & Adrian Savage, George & Heather Streidl ,Rod & Mary Metcalf

3rd time—Yvonne Robbins, Peter & Nerida Versace, Murray & Jenni McGowan,

Day Visitors—Bill & Marg Casper; Tony & Sue Stephenson; Ann & Patrick Hetherington; Bill & Denise Waycott; Ros Burke

Lucky Winners

Greg & Lorraine Bradford 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 4 nights @Fraser Lodge Big 4 park was won by Ian & Adrian Savage. Ironically, it was destined to happen. Ian & Adrian had a bit of bad luck at the rally and It was Adrian who drew out her own number !!
- The Cake dish (donated by John & Lorna Beattie) was won by Brian Sheehan
- The Grill Brush (donated by Lyn Pomroy) was won by Pat Davies
- The Karafe & Glass(donated by John Carroll was won by Graham Barr

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Entertainment Report

Friday: Golf was its usual success, this week having a couple of the fairer sex having a go. Bryan Davis got nearest the pin, whilst Peter Versace (26.5), Rod Green (29) got in on the “money”. Longest drives for both sexes were Garry and Noeleen Jarrett. (called keeping it in the family!!) Special award went to Heather Edney for her superb exhibition of how to curb your language under extreme and frustrating circumstances! I must apologise, as I didn't get to the rally until Friday afternoon, so missing most of the usual events. Mind you, Jenny was unavoidably detained and Kev and Carol were absent, so I guess I didn't miss too much. I really enjoyed, along with a few diehards, my regular Friday night cards.



Friday afternoon at the local Bowls Club was in full swing by the time I arrived on the scene. The Barefoot event was well patronised (55 turned up, 47 actually played), and all had a terrific time and a good feed afterwards. Great turnout. I think the Organisers were well pleased.





Overall, the people who were awarded prizes were well pleased with themselves. They were: Daryl Kays, Margaret James, Greg Bradford and Best Skip (even though some thought he was a load of rubbish! Boom boom), was Roy Bridges.

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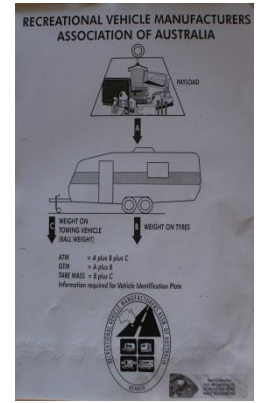
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Saturday Kicked off with a very interesting talk by Neil Chesney on the importance of checking what goes on underneath your van as well as above .



He covered, suspension, brakes, axles and towing components in great detail, with a good many worn parts on show to make one think. The Mysteries of Tare, AGM, etc are explained in the picture on the right, which you can print off if required. Neil was followed by Stewie Hornibrook, giving some anecdotes and essential advice on power lead safety. Both talks were very timely in view of the fact



many members will be heading to Rockhampton for the National Rally in Sept/Oct later this year, where no Joined Power leads are allowed. So folks, don't forget the lead rules at Rockie.

Footnote: During Neils presentation, he showed a short Video of a new electronic sway control system put out by AL-KO. I hope the claim during the video, made by one of the AL-KO staff, that the company had captured the world speed record of 204 klms per hour for towing a caravan, wasn't a direct brag of the systems effectiveness. (incidentally, there was no rider suggesting you shouldn't try this feat at home !!) Anyone up for a caravan race round the Oval at Boonah!

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Saturday Afternoon saw the 1st Ladies only Disc Bowls Competition. As usual, some good Photos. It was an overwhelming success, with 32 Ladies participating.





There has been quite a bit of controversy over this particular event ever being staged over the years but it seems the participation numbers bear out the feeling that there is a place for this competition. One couldn't help but notice the number of ladies playing that don't normally play in the mixed games and I myself heard numerous comments about it being great having their own game. Sounds like hope for a repeat in the future

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Saturday---The Main event I must apologise beforehand for the shocking quality of the photos taken on this night. My usual old faithful SLR was out of commission due to the fact my charger went belly up, leaving me no way to recharge my batteries. This meant I had to fall back on other, unsuitable, cameras.

Schooldays ! -----The Staff !



Master, Bob "Sweeney Todd" Barber



Miss "Scary" Mary Jacobson



Miss "Nasty" Nerida Versace



Master Colin "Killer" Colston

The Classes were assembled with a lot of ballyhoo and pushing and shoving. I think an electric Cattle prod and Tazer would have been handy. It was all a bit much with Flirty young Schoolgirls baiting Testostarone laden schoolboys. sigh.....fond memories!!



Once sorted into their groups the job of instilling some sort of learning into the rabble began. Suffice to say, the old saying "you can't teach an old dog new tricks" was proved, once again, to be too true! Threats of extra homework, detention and the cane had no effect whatever.





When big lunch came around those who had ordered tuckshop were busy exchanging their lunches for each others unwanted delights. The more enterprising (really meaning "ferrals") headed for the back of the Toilet block for a suck on a squashed "durrie" or a salacious meeting with the sixth form girls !! Those who missed out or weren't interested in the opposite sex had a game of footy on the oval. And a few actually went to the loo !!! One big hoot again !!

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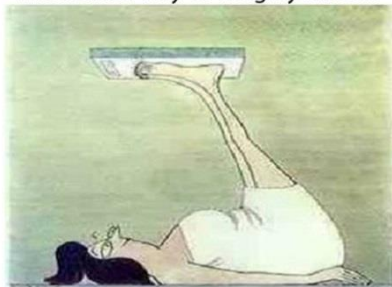
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