

# G.C.C.Wanderer

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# "Fellowship on Wheels"

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# **KENILWORTH**



# **Presidents Report**

Hello Members, Many thanks again for a fantastic rally & Ball at Kenilworth. Our next outing will be the state rally at Nanango. I hope lots of QCC members can attend & support the efforts of the organising clubs.

As you all know we are a host club for the 2015 State Rally at Stanthorpe, we need lots of help to get this up & running only 12 months after Nanango, so don't be bashful, Adrian Savage or myself are just waiting by our phones to hear from you, ( craft displays & demos, first aid, marshalling, meet & greet, trivia night, ) just to name a few.

I'm trying to arrange an unofficial rally at Stanthorpe including Bayside Caravan Club & Jabiru Caravan Club so we can all get a feel for the venue. I'll let you know the outcome shortly.

In my eyes, the highlight of this rally was Mr. Brian Lewis receiving the golden tow ball award. It couldn't have gone to a more deserving man.

ESK is our next club rally & you need to book a.s.a.p. Please ring Jacki on 54241466 for the Octoberfest Rally. Drive Safely....

Cheers, Gary

**Editors Note**: As members will be aware Lance, our webmaster, puts up on our website photos of each Rally which he takes himself. They have no connection with the Qcc Wanderer. Unfortunately, he will be unable to attend the State Rally or ESK. So he asked me to let members know he would appreciate any pics they could supply him with, so get snap happy and send him anything you can otherwise the Website Gallery will be a bit sparse for those two months. Thanks kindly, ED.

Photographs of members may appear in publications eg: the club magazine or website,or other club sponsored publications. If a member does not wish this to occur, the member should inform the Secretary in writing, and the person taking the photograph. Whilst all care will be taken to comply with this request, no guarantee can be given that this will not occur.

## State Rally at Nanango... How to Get There

#### Nanango Showgrounds.

<u>From Brisbane Northside,</u>head north to Woodford turnoff and follow signs to Woodford,Kilcoy,Moore,Blackbutt,Yarraman into Nanango.. .

<u>From Brisbane Southside</u>,head out on Ipswich motorway. Take Esk turnoff and carry on through Esk, Toogoolawah and onto The D'aguilar Highway and on to Moore, Blackbutt, Yarraman into Nanango..

Carry on into Nanango,until D,aguilar Hgwy turns sharp left,(Clayton Street). Showground is 4th block up on left at Cairns Street. Keep an eye open coming into Nanango as different directions may apply for State Rally

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

Rally dates: 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Arrive no earlier than: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept Depart no later than: 29<sup>th</sup> Sept

000 Emergency

Nearest Hospital: 2014 –135 Brisbane St, Nanago, PH- 4171 6700

Details

4615

Showground Address & Cross street: 129 Drayton Street. Cross street,

**Cairns Street** 

Medical Needs:

Drayton Street Family Practise, 85 Drayton street, Nanango

#### Club News

<u>Special Notices – PLEASE READ</u>

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 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.

The same applies when leaving. Please, would the connectors advise all fellow connectees 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 were to put you. Ta Muchly!

ESK CARAVAN PARK IS HOSTING THE "OCTOBERFEST" SO FELLAS, DIG OUT YOUR LADERHOSE AND LADIES YOUR BAVARIAN MAIDEN OUTFITS. SELF BOOK, EARLY!

MALENY SHOWGROUND will be a French Theme, with a Parisienne dinner on Saturday night. The caterers are asking for help from members. We need to collect garden snails (pesticide free) from our gardens so they will be able to present genuine "Escargot" on the menu. Larger green tree frogs can be collected as well, but please, no cane toads, their legs are too tough! The snails will have to be given to the caterers, <u>Le Quatre Chefs Grandeur</u>, one week before so they can be purged. Thank you for your assistance.

Please contact Carol or Pat as it is vital we have figures for both events for catering purpose!

## **Future Rallies**

#### 2014

Oct.—11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>—.Esk Caravan Park

Nov-- 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>-----Maleny Showground Dec 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Laidley Showground

State Rally News--We would like a group photo of our members at the State rally, so have decided to be ready for picture to be taken about 3-00pm on the first day, just before the opening ceremony. Where this will take places will be decided at the venue and we will try to have it announced over PA system. Please wear Club shirts. Ta ever so!

The Books to be read for the State Rally Book Club are: 1, Book Thief by Marcus Zusak. 2, Pescadors Wake by Katherine Johnson. 3, Red Chief by Ion Idriess...Mary Jacobson (QCC), will be your facilitator.

#### **Member News**

# 1 Happy Birthday to you for September 1

1st **Gary Jarrett** 

 $3^{rd}$ George Streidl

6<sup>th</sup> Marj Kasper

8<sup>th</sup>

**Bob Rutherford** 

9<sup>th</sup> Jenni McGowan

10<sup>th</sup> Darren Baker

10<sup>th</sup> Alf Hinson

10<sup>th</sup> Olive Richardson

10<sup>th</sup> Bruce Truloff

11<sup>th</sup> Carolyn Coxall

14<sup>th</sup> Keith McCallum

17<sup>th</sup> **Audrey Schrier**  Terry Hannon

20<sup>th</sup> George Beresford

22<sup>nd</sup> Michael Lillis

24<sup>th</sup> John Evans

26<sup>th</sup> Lyn Cragg

30<sup>th</sup> Ross Luscombe

# J Happy Anniversary to you for September J

1<sup>st</sup> Wendy & Barry Gibson

5<sup>th</sup> Yvonne & Des Lowrie

9<sup>th</sup> Noeleen & Gary Jarrett

9<sup>th</sup> Lorna & John Beattie

24th Carolyn & Terry Coxall

Ann & Bill Dobe

#### Other News --

17<sup>th</sup> Linda & Shane Jones Showground Rally-----54 caravans gathered in Kenilworth rally in Aug.

# **Members Present at the Rally**

Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; Paul & Di Brearley; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Ray & Gail Caddies; Neil & Marie Chesney. Kevin & Carol Day; Bryan & Pat Davies; Bill & Ann Dobe; Graham & Dawn Dukes: Dennis & Heather Edney: Ian & Gwen Egen; Frank & Rhonda Gaffney; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Kev & Pat Gower; Rod & Bev Green; Lance & Karen Haslewood; Graham & Cheryle Hill; Roy & Lyn Hill; Margaret Hiller; Wayne & Vicki Hills; Alf & Desley Hinson; Gordon Ison; Lionel & Mary Jacobson; Gary & Noeleen Jarrett; . David & Helen Judge; Bill & Marj Kasper; Daryl & Margaret Kays; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Brian & Pauline Lewis; Ray & Pam MacDonald; Keith & Bev McCallum; Murray & Jenni Mc Gowan; Des & Jenny McLeod; Ken & Dell McNab; John & Janette Miers; Yvonne Robbins; Adrian & Anne Savage. Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Ron & Sandra Smith; Tom & Jacky Smith; . Eddie & Sylvia Stocker Tony & Julie Swift; .Les & Brenda Usher; Peter & Nerida Versace; Bill & Denise Waycott

Visitors – 1<sup>st</sup> timers—Beres & Carmel Abrahams, 2<sup>nd</sup> timers – Judi Biddington, Tom & Shirley Myles Jabiru Caravan Club----Bill & Juliet Raymond, Denis & Carolyn Healy plus Arthur & Wendy King from Bayside Caravan Club, all here for 2015 State Rally Committee Meeting.

Day visitors – Gwen & Ian Egen, Marj & Bill Kasper, Peter Gawen

Lucky Winners--Lance & Karen Haslewood were the winners of the Lucky Van Number. They've won a free night at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

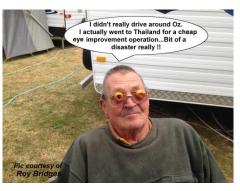
Raffle Prizes:

- The Cheese pack (donated by Kenilworth Cheese factory) was won by Ann <u>Dobe</u>
- The Toast & Melt (donated by The Bridges)) was won by Muzza McGowan.
- The Disc Bowls (donated by anon) were won by Dianne Watt.

## **Rally Activity Report**







<u>Friday night</u>, a large contingent attended the local pub for Dinner. The meals where given the thumbs up by all present. I had a huge plate of ribs with chips and salad and it was heaven! Everyone had a good time in a cosy, warm environment, with a few of the usual antics.









After Dinner, the challenge was Carpet Bowls. We managed to lay hands on extra mats and bowls, enough to just about cover the whole hall floor! As is always the case, Jan (M) took up the task of coach and teacher for the uninitiated (or just plain forgetful), members.

























I held my end up, taking pics and generally getting under peoples feet. When I decently could, I sneaked of to the card session downstairs, my regular Friday night fix. A nice supper was had.

## **Saturday Morning Meeting**





Rather uneventful meeting apart from welcoming our Visitors from Jabiru Caravan Club, Carolyn & Denis Healy and Juliet & Bill Raymond. Bill is the Editor for the Jabiru club and we spent a bit of time together swapping ideas. The Four of them were here for a meeting to do with 2015 State Rally organising committee.

Saturday Afternoon was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ladies Disc Bowls Championship. I believe we had 32 entrants, which is the same as nominated for the inaugural Comp last year. The weather was threatening to wash us out but apart from a couple of odd drops, we got away with it. (I must point out my observations on the exodus of spectators when it tried to rain. It seemed to me it was mainly males, complete I might add, with Brollies!!......I don't believe for a minute there would have been any footy on telly at that time on a Saturday....Hey girls?).

The Ladies put on a good show anyway, even attracting the attention of passers by.....Not surprising, seeing some of the poses they struck to let fly !!!











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Carmel eventually emerged victorious and was nearly smothered by her enthusiastic hubbies congratulations. It was a good afternoons entertainment, despite a few patronizing comments from some of our male audience. I think a lot where surprised by the skill of our Lady Bowlers.



I think it was a bit hurtful to some of our more critical types when a lady was heard to remark "Suck it up Fellas"...lol. And as usual Pat (pictured right) always manages to top the headgear stakes.

#### **Saturday Nights Main Event.** The Annual Ball.

The theme for the night was Half Formal/Half Normal...Just as well our club is well endowed with a myriad of "half normal" folk !! The entrance photos will back me up !!

We started pretty much on time and Kevin our M/C was in fine form and really looked the part. (I asked him where he got his Tailcoat from, as I had tried to obtain one myself. I was flabbergasted when he told me it was Bob Barbers!!.I don't think I've ever seen Bob that slim in my years in the Club!

We started off with the Grand Parade and all went well until it reached the peeling off of "fours"....then it went pear shaped. Sorted that out and went into Gypsy Tap.(the photos won't necessarily follow my commentary as I wouldn't know a Gypsy Tap from a Faulty Faucet !!)















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Later, Steve took charge of the floor and went into a square dancing session with all the patience of job. Then followed progressive Barn dances, a Monte Carlo, Hokey Cokey etc. Finished with the inevitable Conga line, splitting into two and in ever decreasing circles, seemed to disappear up their own whatsits!











The Volunteers did a wonderful job of decorating and setting up the Hall, Their efforts were much appreciated, as was the yummy spread of Supper donated by the participants. Another memorable Ball! Thank you to all guests who took part, and the volunteer team that helped make it such good night.

















These Photos above will be available as 6x4 prints from myself at the State Rally or Esk.

# **Sunday Morning**









Left to right; Adrian at work—Brian Lewis receives his "Golden Towball" award(ditto President Garys comment on Page 1)—Carpet Bowls winners, Sue(for Darren)Baker, Beres Abraham ,Carmel Bridges & David Judge. And last, Carmel receives her Ladies Disc bowls Trophy,(kindly donated by Ron Smith).





Steve gets a golf medal,

Mary and Julie were the winners of the "decorate the bag" competition.

Magnify the left hand picture for best results!



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I'm are currently organising the **2014 Dayboro Variety Benefit** night on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2014 *(see attached PDF flyer)*.

I have a good friend that is suffering an aggressive form of MS (Multiple Sclerosis) which was diagnosed 4 years ago, so have decided to do something about it.

Sarah is a young married mother of 34 with two boys (6yrs and 13 months). She has had medication in Australia since 2010, however her condition is still rapidly declining to the point now that Sarah struggles with simple everyday tasks. She is no longer able to work, stand or walk unaided. Sarah needs assistance with almost all everyday tasks that we take for granted.

Sarah and her family feel that her only hope is a revolutionary treatment "Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation". This treatment has an 80% success rate in halting the attack of Multiple Sclerosis on the nervous system and is only available overseas. There is now a waiting list of over 18 months to access the treatment, however given the severity and aggressiveness of her condition, Dr Denis Fedorenko, has agreed to fit Sarah into his schedule on 18th February 2015. The one month treatment, flights and accommodation will cost over \$50,000AUD.

In addition to the live entertainment, there will be auctions and raffles held throughout the night which some fantastic items being donated.

One item is a framed Brisbane Lions Jersey which has been signed by the team including recently retired Jonathan Brown. (see below)

This has been generously donated by Vero Insurance.

There will also be a bar operating on the night with light refreshments available.

#### Please also note that camping/caravan sites are available at the Dayboro Showgrounds.

This event has been sanctioned/approved by the Queensland State Government Office of Fair Trading (Certificate of Sanction No. CP9590)

If you have any queries please feel free to email or call me on 0407 014 185.

Kindest regards,

**Tony Wagner** 

