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Rally at ESK Caravan Park How to Get There

Esk Caravan Park (1/08)	<p>. Either – From the Ipswich Motorway, exit left (veering right over motorway) onto the Warrego Hwy A2 towards Toowoomba. Follow the Warrego Hwy for approx 15 kms and turn right to Esk on the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Follow for approx 55 kms to Esk. As you enter town, turn right after the post office into Hassell St. The caravan park is approx 100 metres on your right.</p> <p>Or – 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 on 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. Follow the D'Aguilar Hwy through Wamuran, Woodford and Kilcoy, 26 kms past Kilcoy, turn left onto the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Follow for 35 kms to Esk. Towards the end of the main street turn left before the Post Office into Hassell St. The caravan park is approx 100 metres on your right</p>
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Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates:	10 th & 11 th October Self Booking !
	Arrive no earlier than:	No limit
	Depart no later than:	No limit

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Nearest Hospital:

Details

Address Hassall Street, Esk

4312

Cross street Brisbane Valley Highway

Medical Needs: Somerset Medical ,213-215 Ipswich Street, Esk

Site Contacts:

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: Ok on Leads.

Fees:

Site Fee:	\$	28.00	per caravan per night (See note below)
Administration Fee:	\$	3.00	per caravan
Hall Hire:	\$	0.00	per caravan

Members please note. As we don't have 50 vans attending Esk for a club discount, the cost per night will be \$28 per van. This is still a \$5.00 per night discount off their regular price.

Rally Programme – in brief			(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)		
Sat:	9:00 am 9:30 am	Morning tea Meeting	Sun:	8:15-8:45 am 9.00 am 9.30 am 12.30 pm	Pay Treasurer Morning tea meeting Management Committee .
	7:00 pm	Main Event			
Disc Bowls are available all weekend. For a set to play, please contact Barry Gibson.					

Entertainment Programme in detail.

FRIDAY 8.30AM 1.30 P.M.	Golf at Local course <u>R.A.C.Q. SEMINAR -- <i>Years Ahead Presentation</i></u> <i>The Years Ahead presentations cover age-related road safety issues, driver awareness and application of road rules. Participants will investigate how older drivers are represented in crash statistics, identify difficult driving situations and learn some helpful defensive driving tips. The important issues of physical fitness and medical requirements to drive, plus the options available once retired from driving, are also discussed.</i>
SATURDAY 11.00 am 12.00 noon 1.30 PM 6.00 PM	Its time for the QCC pairs disc bowls competition at Esk. Mens pairs-Ladies Pairs-Mixed pairs-who cares- Novices, experts, spectators ,all welcome. Nominations close Draw on Noticeboard Disc Bowls Commence OCTOBER FEST CELEBRATIONS DRESS FOR THE OCCASION. BRING OUT YOUR GERMAN CLOBBER TO HAVE FUN..... Lederhosen & Wench Dresses !...SING!! DANCE!! PRIZES FOR THE BEST DRESSED CLUB WILL PROVIDE GERMAN SAUSAGE IN A ROLL WITH SAURKRAUT COMPLIMENTED WITH SAUCE OF YOUR CHOICE, GERMAN BEER & DESSERT
SUNDAY 9.30 am	Meeting ,with Disc Bowls Winners Presentations

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.

THE Next General meeting will be held at the Maleny Rally on Saturday 8th November. If you have anything to put on the agenda, please let Carol know.

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 were to put you.Ta Muchly!

Future Rallies2014

Nov-- 8th & 9th-----Maleny Showground

Dec 10th to 16th Laidley Showground

Exciting Future Entertainment

Maleny Show ground—OO La La ,French Feed and Cabaret! **(don't forget to let Carol know if you are going to Maleny, for catering purposes)**

Member News. Neil Chesney would like more “who am I” submissions from Members. Come on, join in the fun. Must be factual !! Email Neil.

New Member.



We inadvertently collected a new member into the QCC at the State Rally at Nanango. His Name is Graham Ball and he is a handy person to have around for the winning of Trophies .He is a member of the Nanango Bowls club and took out the winners prize for the Rally comp. He also was runner up along with long time member Ray McDonald in the Disc bowls comp. Welcome to the QCC Graham!

Happy Birthday to you for October

3rd Pat Gower
7th Shirley Jones
8th George Lacey
9th Merv Pedwell
12th Brenda Usher
14th Brian Lewis

16th Barry Gibson
18th Stewart Hornibrook
19th Barbara Cook
19th Del Lowe
20th Ron Petch

21st David Judge
22nd Del Gray
26th Mal Dale
28th Paul Brearley
31st Dennis Edney

Happy Anniversary to you for October

5th Ian & Gloria Bamberry
5th Gayle & Adrian Skinner
8th Pam & Barry Easter
10th Jill & Eue Boyle

10th Barbara & Bob Rutherford
19th Carmel & Roy Bridges
21st Jacky & Tom Smith
23rd Lyn & Roy Hill
28th Jean & Mal Dale

28 Peggy & Mal Finlayson
28th Yvonne & George Lacey-53
28th Pam & Ray MacDonald
29th Heather & Keith Burgess
31st Vicki & Wayne Hills

Members Present at the Rally

Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; Ian & Gloria Bamberry; Graham and Pat Barr, . Neil & Marie Chesney; .Kevin & Carol Day; Bryan & Pat Davies; Dennis & Heather Edney; Ian & Gwen Egen; Barry & Wendy Gibson; . Rod & Bev Green; .Roy & Lyn Hill; .; Wayne & Vicki Hills; Gordon Ison; . Gary & Noeleen Jarrett; Colin & Margaret James; . Daryl & Margaret Kays; . George & Yvonne Lacey.; Brian & Pauline Lewis.; Michael Lillis; Phil & Del Lowe; . Ray &

Pam MacDonald; Keith & Bev McCallum; .Des & Jenny McLeod; Ken & Dell McNab; Jerry & Drina Meades; . John & Janette Miers; . Tony & Lynne Pomroy; Yvonne Robbins; . Adrian & Anne Savage; . Adrian & Gayle Skinner. Ron & Sandra Smith; . Ron & Joy Stark; Tony & Julie Swift; . Les & Brenda Usher; Peter & Nerida Versace; .

Lucky Winners

Ian & Gwen Egen were the winners of a Lucky Van Number draw. They won a bag of goodies

- Raffle Prizes:
- The Vehicle Levellers were won by Ray McDonald.
 - The Camping table was won by Jackie Smith

RALLY REPORT ---The organisers, the makers, bakers or buyers need special mention as our QCC stall raised \$694.60 on the day, and overall a total of \$1746.10 for RFDS. A great effort.

There were 237 vans on site. 34 of these from QCC. 406 dinner meals were served.

Monday

I arrived around midday and was surprised to find a huge number of vans already here. The usual round of setting up, finding out where everything was and the obligatory forgetting BOTH of us have to attend the Office to register followed. Our appointed site was a little short on manoeuvring space and caused a little consternation as to which was the best way to tackle the problem (This is when one misses Des and his crew). It was eventually settled by ignoring the numerous Marshalls and “doing my own thing”. Everyone came out of it happy!



We managed to get together for a Club Photo before the Opening Ceremony .It went off without any hitches having its usual quota of local dignitaries and pollies. Afterwards we were left to our own devices until the welcoming Sausage sizzle, which actually turned out to be a sausage and onions in bread and an extra surprise of a Pottle of fresh, hot and truly delicious chips followed by entertainment from a very able local Group called "The Sempf Family"



The Sempf Family



Tuesday

There were several Seminars available today ,covering subjects such as Tourism, Springers low voltage, caravan insurance and best of all Kingaroy Biscuit Factory, including yummy biscuits on sale. An extra novelty was an Ice cream van that actually played some other tune instead of “Elizabethan Serenade” !!



That Generator kinda spoils the Dainty look of the Ice Cream van

Kevin led a rather larger contingent of line dancers than he is usually in charge of through their first session of the Rally. Consequently, following days all had good attendances.



Kevin Days Line Dancing class



Vickie Hills hiding

The Evenings entertainment was by a Duo Named "Nite Hawk" Val & Noel McGrath, putting out a credible performance.



"Nite Hawk" Val & Noel McGrath

Wednesday



Today's Telstra Seminars, one morning and one in the afternoon created a large amount of interest, being introductions to Internet, e-mail, Smart Phones and Tablets.

The Crafty Ladies also managed an appearance.



We're gonna have to stop meeting like this Barry. People will start to talk!



Ancient and Modern



The "Nanango Neanderthal"

Ugh,ugh,ugh

The Wine and Cheese Tasting event was, sadly, a total disaster, leaving the patrons with a nasty taste in their mouths. Something went badly amiss and left a large number of very disgruntled people. Long queues formed for the cheese, only to be repeated for the Wine. Portion sizes of both items were abysmal .



The Night was rounded off with a Movie show. The Picture was a very funny Australian effort, (which I didn't catch the title of!),but unfortunately featured the distraction of English sub titles !!

Thursday

The Day started with a catered Breakfast of Bacon, Eggs, Beans and toast. It was a nice meal and hot. Got very favourable comments from everyone heard to mention it. There was a seminar about water filters from "Biomagic",well attended.



Graham Barr came out on top of the Lawn Bowls Competition (right)

(left) A rare glimpse of Brian Lewis doing something else besides working. Great to see him relaxing after running around like a blue a...d fly!!



Bunch of happy Campers being serenaded by local girl talent, Natalie Fenton.



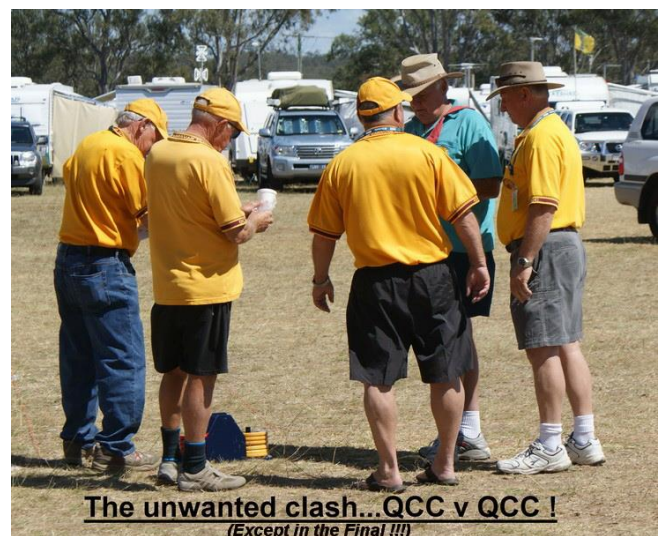
Fellowship on wheels is alive and wellPicture this....Member walked up to urinal carrying camera gear in right hand. Proceeded about his business, hands full, admiring the wall six inches above his head as one has a tendency to do... Suddenly, his mobile phone started ringing in his pocket. Helpful Member standing next to him, politely asked, "Is there anything you'd like me to hold !!! Now that's what you call fellowship !!

Friday

Busy day today as the morning saw the disc Bowls competition taking place. I actually took part, although upon fronting to sign on was told I needed a partner, so did the right thing and nominated Gordon Ison as my offsider (with his full knowledge of course...like heck !!). Upon starting, I made it clear to my partner that there where only two possible outcome to this game for us. We either crash and burn first round or we win the ruddy title. Guess which happened!



The event got under way with some very spirited competition and a couple of times stern admonishments were heard been directed at players ,eager to grab up the Discs before the ref had checked their positions!



It was a beautiful day, weatherwise, for the Games and the good crowd got their moneys worth.



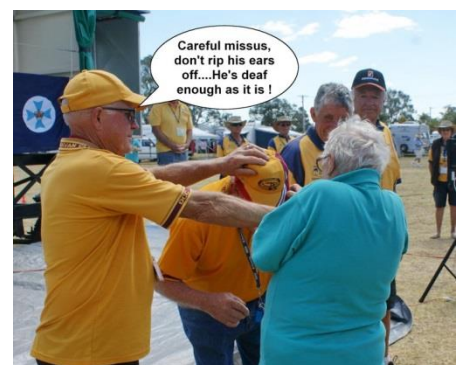
It was a bit sad that QCCs remaining two teams had to meet before the final, but we managed to keep one pair in till the death.



They played a blinder of a final, being all Square at Ten ends. Our team were pipped by one point in the playoff end. A magnificent example of how a final should turn out. Well played both QCC and Gold Coast.



Couple of little asides during lulls in the play!!



Afternoon brought on the Mini-Drags. It never ceases to amaze people as to how much fun can be had with a couple of sheets of Alsynite and a bunch of matchbox cars. !! There were a lot of first timers, including kids, taking part.



Kevin caused some merriment when MC-ing the event by not knowing his left hand from his right and then making a magnificent “faux-pas” with the very politically incorrect announcement, “Would the last two lady contestants return to the starting point as I would like to race them off”. !!



It was good to see most of the “Top Gear Types” were members from other clubs. From left to right, Kids, ladies and Mens Winners.



The Last awards for the Day were for the photo competition, but unfortunately I didn't get any pics. Heather Edney Got a mention in the awards.

Saturday

Last day dawned with markets open to the public as well as Clubs. Three o'clock was monster raffle draw time. Afraid we didn't figure too well, having only two winners. The Closing Ceremony went off without mishap, except a few hearts were in mouths as it came time to drop the flags, when it was realised the wind had blown them all back over the stand roof and fingers were crossed in case any got snagged and torn !! No problems though! The CCCQ then showcased their new Logo to go with the name change to "**Caravan Clubs of Queensland Inc.**"



Time then for the Official closing dinner and the event was completely different to the usual sort of affair. It was a fully catered A La Carte meal served to our tables by waiters and waitresses. There was a mixture of, I believe, 5 different dishes served to each table and we swapped and sorted from there. It worked like a charm and everyone got a fresh, hot meal. I never heard one complaint of any substance. The Sweets were served the same. It was a fitting end to the day and congratulations are in order to the organisers of the feast.

A great "break up " Party was had afterwards with the entertainment provided By Duo "Tina & Joe Sinclair.



Well Folks, all over for another year. Now it's our turn to really shine, along with the three other clubs sharing the honours, in organising next years 39th State Rally at Stanthorpe. **So, one in ,all in !!!**

Owing to a clash of dates, one of which is our youngest Daughters 50th birthday party, Yvonne and I will, for the first time in about 3 years, be missing the next rally, at Esk. Wendy Gibson has kindly agreed to play cub reporter for me, but she will be pleased if anyone can contribute any funny goodies for me to play with!! Have a great Octoberfest and we will see you all at Maleny for a feast of frogs legs and garden snails !! TTFN & Travel safe.

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