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Presidents Report

Hello Everyone....Well it happened again, another wet day for a rally. Lowood was very wet but fining up for our birthday rally on Saturday and Sunday, although the ground was a little sloshy underfoot. Despite the very damp conditions 35 vans arrived at the rally.

The Hall at Lowood is always a great area to hold our activities and Yvonne went to great lengths to make the club's 66th Birthday a special one, especially for the "six year old" attendees. Thanks Yvonne.

Thank you to our life members, Bert & Yvonne Beker, Bob & Barbara Rutherford and Brian & Pauline Lewis who graciously accepted the role of cutting the QCC's 66th birthday cake.

A big thanks also goes to Ray and Gail Caddies and Tony and Sue Stephenson who hosted the 6 year old's afternoon tea party. They worked hard providing, cakes, lollies and popcorn from their little red machine, as well as all the goodies 6 year olds love to eat. Um!

Also thanks to all involved who assisted in some way with party games. It certainly was a change of pace being a kid again and all who participated had a good time.

The adults put their childhood behind them on Saturday night. Thanks must go to Steve for calling the square dancing and Kev for the line dancing.

Unfortunately a member had to leave early Sunday morning after receiving devastating news that there home had been flooded. A helping hand has been offered and they will let us know if this is needed. Our thoughts are with them during this upsetting time. I hope no other members had this experience caused by the heavy rain and flooding of some suburbs.

I wish all members the best of health and safe travelling....Looking forward to seeing you at Samford.

Regards, Bob

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.

Rally at: Samford Showgrounds How to Get There

Samford Showground 24/12/2013	<u>From Southside:</u> Proceed from Riverside expressway onto Coronation Drive, taking right overpass into Petrie terrace past Suncorp(Lang Park) Stadium. Follow Kelvin Grove Road, changing to Enoggera Road, changing to Samford Road to Samford Village. At Roundabout take 2 nd exit and follow Mt Glorious road and 6.8klms turn right into Showgrounds Drive. Show ground is about 1klm on the left <u>From Northside:</u> Varies depending where you are coming from, but once at Samford Village, same as above.
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Please Note.....Samford Showground has only Bore Water. Don't forget to fill your fresh water tanks!!

Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates:	5,6 & 7 th June 2015
	Arrive no earlier than:	3 rd June
	Depart no later than:	9 th June

000 Emergency Nearest Hospital: Prince Charles Hospital, Rode Road, Chermside 4032

Details

Address & Cross street: Showground Drive, Cross street, Mt Glorious Rd

4520

Medical Needs:	Samford Valley Medical Centre, 2/37 Main St. Samford, 4520
Club equipment required:	Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid, PA system, library & souvenirs, fire extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.
Rally Marshal Co-ordinator:	Col Colston – If you have a medical need to be close to the amenities, please contact Col on 0408 733 409 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, strictly on Leash and picked up after.
Fees:	Site Fee: \$ 15.00 per caravan per night Administration Fee: \$ 3.00 per caravan Hall Hire: \$ 0.00 per caravan

Meetings Schedule.

(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 TBA	Pay Treasurer Morning tea available Management Committee .
			Mon:	9.00 am 9.30 am	Morning Tea Meeting

Future Rallies

2015

June-Samford Showground-6,7,& 8th
July-Beaudesert Showground- 11th & 12th
August-Murwillumbah Showground-8th & 9th

September State Rally-Stanthorpe-21st to 26th
October –Mulgowie-10th & 11th
November –Millmerran Caravan Park-14th & 15th
December-Pine Rivers Showground-5th & 6th



“MEMBERS”... WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT AND IDEAS FOR OUR STATE RALLY STALL..... LUCKY DIP PRIZES--- ART AND CRAFT PIECES— JAMS/PICKLES/PRESERVES. A WORKING BEE WILL BE HELD @THE JUNE RALLY SO IF YOU CAN BRING YOUR SEWING MACHINE THE JOB WILL BE DONE IN NO TIME .REMEMBER ITS YOUR CLUB ... PLEASE HELP, PAT



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!

The next General Meeting will be held at the Rally at Beaudesert on Sat 11th July 2015. If you have any matter you wish to be on the agenda for discussion, please let Secretary Gwen know before 9am on the morning of the Meeting.

🎵 Happy Birthday to you for June 🎵

3 rd Karon Stevens	18 th Robyn Parker	23 rd Denise Sheehan
5 th Judi Biddington	19 th Ian Bamberly	26 th Bev Green
6 th Tom Davis	20 th Margaret James	27 th Lorna Beattie
10 th Merle Beresford	20 th Jan Miers	28 th Sylvia Stocker
13 th Denise Farrell	21 st Irene Pedwell	28 th Nerida Versace
14 th Julie Swift	22 nd Ken McNab	

🎵 Happy Anniversary to you for June 🎵

3 rd Dawn & Graham Dukes	11 th Bev & Harold Liley
4 th Shirley & Graham Sheehan	25 th Sue & Tony Stephenson
5 th Diane & Paul Brearley	30 th Mary & Lionel Jacobson
7 th Rhonda & Frank Gaffney	

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Entertainment for Samford Rally

<p>FRIDAY</p>	<p>EARLY</p> <p>1.00</p> <p>2.00</p> <p>7.00</p>	<p>GOLF ??? Maybe maybe not</p> <p>MAHJONG at the hall</p> <p>CRAFT at the hall bring U.F.O's & have a chat</p> <p>CARDS, ALSO A JAM SESSION FOR THE MUSO'S. MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO SING ALONG OR SIT BACK & ENJOY IF YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT & WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IN CONTACT KEITH Mc CALLUM.....ALL Welcome</p>
<p>SATURDAY</p>	<p>9.00</p>	<p>MEETING & MORNING TEA</p> <p>Collect you Navarac Dollars for tonight's casino night</p> <p>PURCHASE TICKETS FOR SUNDAY NIGHTS SAUSAGE SIZZLE FROM HELEN JUDGE</p> <p>NO LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT OF TICKETS PER PERSON</p> <p>TICKET AT \$2.50 PROVIDES YOU WITH 2 SAUSAGES 1 SLICE BREAD & ONIONS</p>
<p>Sat(cont.)</p>		<p>Following the Easter deluge, it's now time for the 2015 Singles Disc Bowls Comp</p> <p>Both ladies and gents are welcome to play – so come along and join in the fun!</p> <p>We have trophies for the winner and the runner-up, and provision has been made to engrave the winner's name on his/HER trophy. The winner and runner-up can keep their trophies until the next QCC Singles Disc Bowls Competition.</p>  <p>The times to remember are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • noon Saturday – Nominations <u>close</u> – you'll find a nomination slip and container near the club's official gear – please print your full name on the nomination slip. • 1:00pm Saturday – Games and players posted on the noticeboard. • 1:30pm Saturday – Games begin. <p>Until we have all nominations in and some idea of the weather conditions, we cannot predict exactly what times the semis and finals start.</p> <p>Everybody willing to help as markers will be appreciated and most welcome. We also need lots of spectators to cheer the players along.</p> <p>For further details, please contact Barry or Wendy Gibson.</p> <p>Happy disc bowling!</p>
	<p>7.00</p>	<p>CASINO NIGHT! No real money involved only Navarac Dollars</p> <p>(Don't forget to collect your Navarac Dollars for a bit of fun. More details when and where on Saturday morning, Make enough to be in the funny money auction when the casino closes for the night.)</p>

SUNDAY	9.00	NO MEETING (Sleep in day!!) Morning tea will be available
	3.00	<p>COMBINED AFTERNOON TEA. BRING SOME SNACKS TO SHARE & SOCIALISE WITH MEMBERS</p> <p>CONTINUE ON WITH HAPPY HOUR, THEN THE SAUSAGE SIZZLE. (Alcohol is allowed) (We had to hire a BBQ as the showground has none. Showground officials told us we can't erect a BBQ on concrete unless it is standing on a tarp to avoid oil drips. It was decided to erect it on the grass ,which is quite ok. So anyone thinking of setting up their own Barbie please remember, ON THE GRASS ONLY !) . BRING YOUR OWN EATING GEAR etc & SALAD. TICKETS WILL BE SOLD DURING THE RALLY BY HELEN JUDGE</p>
MONDAY	9.00	MEETING & MORNING TEA

Showground Rally

35 caravans gathered in Lowood for the rally in Dec.

Details about the site. good

Members Present at the Rally

- Members Graham and Pat Barr, Bert & Yvonne Beker; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Doug & Dorcas Burt; Ray & Gail Caddies Colin Colston; Kevin & Carol Day; Dennis & Heather Edney; Ian & Gwen Egen; Frank & Rhonda Gaffney Rod & Bev Green; Patrick & Ann Hetherman Roy & Lyn Hill; Margaret Hiller; Alf & Desley Hinson; Gordon Ison Shane & Linda Jones; David & Helen Judge; Bob & Kathy Kearney. ; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Ray & Pam MacDonald; Keith & Bev McCallum; Des & Jenny McLeod; Kim & Tanya Moller; Yvonne Robbins; Bob & Barbara Rutherford; Tony & Sue Stephenson; Eddie & Sylvia Stocker Tony & Julie Swift; Les & Brenda Usher; Peter & Nerida Versace;

Visitors – Richard Bakarich, Garry & Adele Hinde, Trevor & Mavis Martin

Lucky Winners

Les & Brenda Usher were the winners of the Lucky Van Number. They've won Two free nights at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

- Raffle
- Prizes:
- The \$50 wish card(donated by Qcc) was won by Dennis Edney.
 - The Clip lock containers (donated by Rod & Mary Metcalfe) was won by Tony Swift
 - The Tow Easy (donated by Graham Sheehan) was won by Rhonda Gaffney.



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Hi Members



Nothing much happened on the Newbies front ,so on with the Goings on . Neil Chesney sent in a couple of pics to drool over. They came in just too late for the last Wanderer. They were taken at Bathurst Island. Not bad hey?



It was a dismal, wet start to the Rally, making setting up more of a chore than usual, but as we are a positive thinking mob, we got over it ok!

Thursday saw Dorcas Burt celebrate her 69th Birthday and she had a good crowd to share her cake with.



Happy 69th Birthday to Dorcas Burt

Friday dawned just as dismal. The usual hectic pace of arrivals was rather subdued as a lot of Members decided to give this Rally a miss. As it was, many took the precaution of pulling in their awnings owing to rising winds.....Of course they couldn't know in advance what the weather was really going to do !



The "Mah Jong Marauders" school.

The Golf was a no go, Line dancing was cancelled as Kev and Carol had problems getting to the Rally but " Mary's Mah-Jong Marauders", suitably rugged up, managed to raise a game AND an enthusiastic smile!

The "Crafty Crew" got a sort of production line going ,making these little tag Gizmos for the State Rally Welcome bags.(please note appeal by Pat McDonald earlier in the News letter re; the State Rally Stall).

I made the mistake of setting up our sewing machine , finishing up labouring in the sweat shop!.....Again !



Sucked in again... Seems I never learn!!

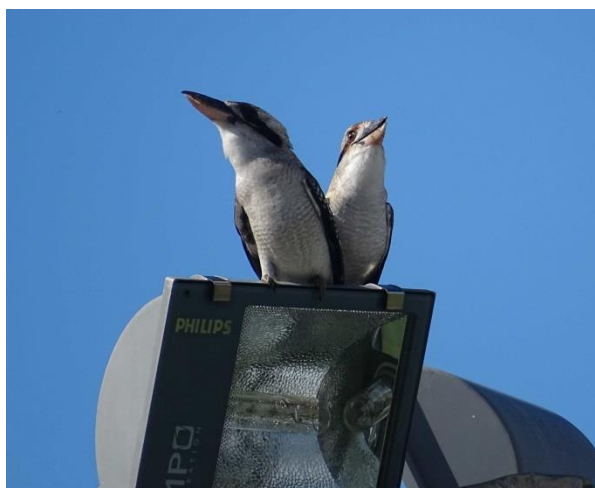


Saturday ,fittingly for our Clubs 66th Birthday Bash, dawned absolutely brilliant!!! One would have thought they had dreamt the last couple of days!!

Everyone was out and about basking in the warm Autumn sunshine and clear Blue skies we expect as a right, being Queenslanders (round of Patriotic “Queenslander, Queenslander” cries)



Even a couple of the local Kookaburras and the RAAF were out enjoying it.



The Saturday Meeting was a bit humdrum as no Newbies were inducted .



Gordon Ison woke Thomas,(our travelling Gnome, Leprachaun, or just plain Little Person) from his slumbers, ready for another round of exciting travels.(his personal photo album is available for anyone interested to peruse)

Whilst Thomas’s travels may not be every bodies cup of tea, there are some amongst us who have taken him all over the globe and it is fun and challenging to picture him in as many weird and wonderful poses and places as possible.

John & Lorna Beattie took him to Ireland for a look at their homeland , whilst later Yvonne and Myself took him to N Z. It was good fun and we have more in mind for him. So don’t be shy, pack Thomas and your camera next time you hit the road.....

After the Meeting a bunch of the Ladies started setting up the hall for the Birthday Bash whilst some of the Male Members got rid of a lot of wind, inflating Balloons, and a couple of others partook of more studious pastimes....



The "Six Year Olds" Party started with the Grand Parade.



As you would expect from a bunch of 6 year olds, a few ended up in the naughty corner and there was the ever present "Dobber or Tittle tattle" doing their bit. And of course the classic "Little Johnnie" Tale





Then there was the boys version of "show and tell"



The first half of the fun finished with a brutal game called a "Piñata", (apparently pronounced Pin-yah-ta), which involved belting the living daylights, blindfolded, out of a defenseless stuffed Bull???(or in the ladies case a Fairy Castle!) with a lethal looking "Stick". Watching some of the Ladies go at it with vengeful gusto, I had the uncomfortable feeling that they were pretending the Castle was their Hubbies and they were living in a dream were they had him utterly defenseless against their pent up frustrations!!It was frightening to watch!



Then we all had a break for Birthday cake cutting and eating ! The Catering Crew had laid on a spread fit for a King, (dunno about a bunch of ill-mannered ,grubby ankle biters tho').

As is the custom, the cake cutting was done by Lifetime Members present at the Rally, in this instance the Bekers, Rutherfords and Lewis's.



After the feed ,it was back to the games,a bit of an anti climax after the frantic fun of the "Pinata"! The traditional pin the tail on the Donkey,being careful where you stuck your fingers!! Think this one was "Musical ball" But Yvonne seemed to have had enough and was taking her ball home !!



Then the good old Frogs were given an airing.

Poor Yvonne reckon she was hampered by someone putting their hand up her skirt. Sook!



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One little Tyke who was too young to enter the activities was “Rasta Farian”, a friend of the Caddies and Stephensons. He was brought so his parents could get some peace I was informed.....Easy to see why!



The happy kids wended their way home and left the Night to the “Grupps”!

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Saturday night saw Steve Langley and the “wannabe” Square Dancers locking horns again. Also Kev & Carol day managed to get to the Rally in time to make sure the Line dancers got their “fix”. Was a good Rally despite the weather but sadly, was marred by news coming through on Saturday night that one of the members home was inundated during the big storm on Friday. We all hope they receive all the help they need to get back on their feet.



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