

# Q.C.C. Wanderer

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# "Fellowship on Wheels"

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Happy New A Year

# **Presidents Report**

# **Welcome, from Pine Rivers**

Hello QCC Members,

We had another very successful Christmas rally at the Lawnton Showground. This is a very handy site for day visitors as well as members who are unable to attend with their van but would still like to enjoy going to the rally.

A busy time was had by all with the local markets starting bright and early on the Saturday morning. Pat held a RRDS stall before the Saturday meeting to allow members to purchase any last minute Christmas gifts and at the same time support a good cause. Thanks Pat.

Santa arrived Saturday afternoon and the grandchildren present, and even the adults, enjoyed Santa's arrival and receiving their secret present from Santa. Well done Santa and his helpers. The Christmas meal and entertainment followed in the evening.

Thank You to our Entertainment Coordinator, Yvonne, and our Chief Rally Marshal Dennis, and everyone who helped in any way to make our rally a success. As always a lot of planning and organising is involved for our Christmas rally and your support and assistance is greatly appreciated.

Our next rally is at Laidley which is very popular rally site.

Keith McCallum is asking members who play musical instruments to attend a working group on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January between 1.00pm and 3.00pm meeting in the hall at the showgrounds.

As we are now commencing 2016 it is also getting closer to our AGM in April. I ask members to now give serious consideration to nominating for a committee position.

Kathy and I would like to wish all members and their families a very happy New Year with good health and happiness.

Safe travelling, 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 Laidley How to Get There

# Laidley Showgrounds (4/12/2013)

From Brisbane, follow the Ipswich Motorway. Before Ipswich, exit <u>left</u> (veering right back over the motorway) onto the Warrego Hwy (A2) in the direction of Toowoomba..

Continue on the Warrego Hwy to Plainlands. Turn <u>left</u> at Plainlands onto the Laidley-Plainlands Rd and travel 8 kms to Laidley, where it becomes Patrick St; continue through the main street of Laidley. In about 4 or 5 streets, turn right into McGregor st. Then turn left into Cooper street, then left into Hayes street.

# Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates: Official dates: 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> January 2016

Arrive no earlier than: Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> January Depart no later than: Tues 12<sup>th</sup> January

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**Details** 

<u>Nearest Hospital:</u> Laidley hospital, 75 William Street, Laidley,ph 07 5466 8100 <u>Address & Cross street:</u> Hayes Street,Laidley.Cross street, Cooper Street

Post Code 4341

Medical Laidley Family Doctor, 36 Ambrose Street, Laidley. Ph.07 5465 1388 Needs:

Club

required:

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

equipment banner, flags and flagpoles.

Rally Marshal Co-ordinator: If you have a medical need to be close to the amenities, please contact Dennis Edney on 0411539494 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 Lead

Fees: Site Fee: \$ 18.00 per caravan per night

Administration Fee: \$ 3.00 per caravan Hall Hire: \$ 0.00 per caravan

Meetings Programme		(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	Sun:	· ·	Pay Treasurer Morning tea meeting Management Committee		
				Disc Bowls are available all weekend. For a set to play, please contact Barry Gibson.				

# **Club News**

# **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.

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 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**

2016

January- Laidley -9th & 10th

February - Yarraman Caravan park- 13th & 14th

March- Hillview hall- 12th & 13th

April- Maleny- 9th & 10th

May- Pittsworth-14th & 15th

June- Samford- 9th & 10th

July- Blackbutt- 9th & 10th

August- Kalbar- 13<sup>th</sup> & 14th

September-Canberra National Rally-20th to 30th

October- Allora- 15th & 16th

November- Esk Caravan Park-12th & 13th

December- Dayboro- 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4th

## **New Members.**

New Members Richard & Linda Van Wyk

# A Member Mail, from Patrick Hetherington

Hi Members,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all members who rang, phoned, visited and sent cards during my recent combat with the medical profession. Some calls I did not connect with straight away because your time to call coincided with the visits of doctors, (and there were many) sorry for that. But many thanks. It does lift the spirits at the time. They needed lifting, because it was a shock to someone who thought, they were bullet proof, to go in for a single day test and emerge 23 days later minus a chunk of intestine.

I am well on the way to recovery and looking forward to being able to lift the Pop Top in the New Year. Keep smiling and wheels a'rolling, see you soon.....Patrick

# J Happy Birthday to you for January J

1st Ian Egen

8th Rod Stegman

11th Dawn Dukes

12th Jeanette Walker

13<sup>th</sup> Kevin Day

13<sup>th</sup> Tom Myles

13th Bill Waycott

15<sup>th</sup> Bryan Davies

16th Eddie Stocker

17th Douglas Burt

20th Terry Park

20th Linda Jones

21st Yvonne Lowrie

25<sup>th</sup> Pauline Norris

30<sup>th</sup> Brian Sheehan

31st Gwen Egen

31st Murray McGowan

# J Happy Anniversary to you for January J

2<sup>nd</sup> Kathy & Bob Kearney
 7<sup>th</sup> Nerida & Peter Versace
 10<sup>th</sup> Jenny & John Carroll

15<sup>th</sup> Sue & Gordon Baker
 16<sup>th</sup> Ann & Adrian Savage
 21<sup>st</sup> Brenda & Les Usher

# **ENTERTAINMENT AT LAIDLEY**

THURSDAY	1 P.M.				
	ANY MEMBERS WHO PLAY AN INSTRUMENT				
	MEET WITH				
	KEITH Mc CALLUM				
FRIDAY	GOLF EARLY & LATE STARTERS				
P.M.	PUB FOR TEA				
	2.00 CRAFT				
SATURDAY	9.00 MORNING TEA				
	9.30 MEETING				
	1.00 AUTION FOR CHARITY BRING YOUR				
	DONATION OR UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFTS				
	FOR A FUN TIME WITH MR SMITH				
	4.00 HAPPY HOUR WITH A LIST OF MEMBERS				
	GIVEN OUT AT THE MORNING MEETING				
	7.00 INDOOR BOWLS				
SUNDAY	8.30 PAY CAMP FEES				
	& YEARLY MEMBERSHIP FEE				
	9.00 MORNING TEA				
	9.30 MEETING				

## Other News,



# Bit Of a Tale from "The Can Crusaders"

"Some Members were curious as to how we were going to transport home all the bags of cans collected at the last rally. My initial thought was to tie them to the back of the caravan and put up a "Just Married" sign but decided this would violate some or another road rule. In the end we put four bags in the car and the rest in the caravan. This left ample room for Missy's bed in the car. Fine – until Les had to brake

suddenly. Missy thought the sky had fallen in when two of the bags fell on her. She was left with just enough room to turn around and to say she was not impressed is an understatement!

Not the end of the matter! We met Ian Egen in Fernvale during the week, when he handed over a lot more cans. The interesting bit came when we were pulled over for a breathalyser in Fernvale. Fortunately, the cop saw the funny side of us having all these cans in the car.

Cheers, Brenda & Les"

<u>Entertainment report</u> As Yvonne and Myself were only able to make the rally in time for Xmas Dinner due to Family Commitments, I'm afraid my report will be a little sparse!





Nice stage set up

Our "Evergreen" Lions sales team, Tom Smith & Bill Waycott







**Business News!** 

No News!

Great News !!

# Santa's Visit

Tom Smith was kind enough to stand in for me and take the Santa Pictures, the actual number being hotly disputed between what I actually asked him to take, and what he was "Shanghaied" into taking, by the very persuasive charms of our Entertainment Officer....Bless her cotton socks!

The good news is Tom has very kindly decided to give you all a belated Chrissie Present and is having them all printed and supplied free of charge.



















































































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Later in the evening it was time for Xmas dinner, consisting of 3 meats plus veggies followed by choice of two sweets. And very nice it was too! Our meal was accompanied by a local chap and his guitar.

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The Christmas Cake, was made (or maybe constructed) by a couple of our Enterprising Members. The cutting honours went to a combination of our oldest serving members, Ron and Pam Petch and the newest couple who were only inducted this weekend, Richard and Linda Van Wyk

After Dinner entertainment consisted of a hilarious game of "pass the sausage"! After hearing the creaks and groans from protesting hip joints, one got the impression that it was a long time since a lot of them had been subject to such pressures.......

With that, I will leave you all with the desire from Yvonne and Myself for you all to have a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Travel safely and will see you at Laidley.



### **QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUB INC**

### Nominations for Office - 2016/2017

(for elections at Annual General Meeting 9th April 2016

Committee Positions:	President	Senior Vice P	resident				
	Secretary	Assistant Sec	retary				
	Treasurer	Assistant Trea	asurer				
	Editor						
	Convener						
	Entertainment Coordinator						
	Plus Three (3	the committee					
Non-Committee Positions:	Library	Raffles	Introduction Coordinator				
	Archivist	Chief Rally Marshal					
Positions Held: Webmaster (Lar	nce Haslewood)	& National Rally Coord	inator (Barbara Rutherford) 3 Year Term				
I hereby nominate			(nominee's name)				
For the position of							

I agree to act if elected .....(signature)

Please return the completed form to QCC Secretary no later than Saturday 26th March 2016.

Proposer

Seconder

Signed:

The Annual General Meeting will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at the Maleny Showground. All committee positions will be declared vacant. Attached is a nomination form for members' to nominate for a position on the committee. Please contact any committee person to seek advice on any position for which you may wish to nominate. Don't be shy the club needs all members to participate in this important aspect of club life.

# **QCC Contacts 2014-2015**

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HI	Margaret Hiller	07 33881051			
J—K	Bob Rutherford	07 32637340	S	Barbara Rutherford	0732637340
L	George Lacey	0429 627 326	T-Z	Roy Bridges	0418 884 682









# **CARAVAN PARK SURVEY FORM**

Due to the cost per night when considering booking caravan parks for rallies, the committee would appreciate your input.

(Note: At present, committees try to book 2 parks per year.)

Please take the time to complete this survey form so the committee can consider your ideas and thoughts.

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