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"Fellowship on Wheels "

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Presidents Report

Hello QCC Members,

I hope everyone has had a good start to 2016 and wish you good health and safe travels.

We had another great rally at the popular Laidley showgrounds with 51 vans in attendance and it was good to see some members who haven't been to a rally for quite a while.

An Emergency Drill was held at Laidley. It is important for members to know that should urgent help be needed, please raise an alarm by sounding a car horn continuously until help arrives to assist. These drills will be held from time to time, however, they are not announced and all members should treat any alarm as being a matter of urgency that help is needed.

Thank you to Tom for being our auctioneer on Saturday for the auction of some of our "Christmas overflow" and other items. It was a lot of fun, however, most importantly it raised money for our club's two charities.

Also thank you to John Miers for organising the popular indoor bowls. With both John and Jan's help all members enjoyed learning some of the skills of the game and having fun along the way.

I now ask members to please give serious consideration to nominating for a committee position at the AGM in April. There are also other non-committee positions which will need to be filled.

Our next rally is at <u>Yarraman Caravan Park</u> and members are required to <u>phone the park to book their site</u>.

The President's Day picnic will be at Hillview in March. If you are going to the rally and have not already ticked the appropriate box on the sheet at Laidley, please advise Gwen at Yarraman or contact her as the committee would like to know the number of members who will be in attendance.

Look forward to seeing you all at Yarraman.

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 How to Get There

Yarraman Caravan Park 1/08	Either – 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, Kilcoy and Blackbutt, until you arrive at Yarraman. Note – Yarraman is approx 15 kms past Blackbutt.				
	Or – From the Ipswich Motorway, turn onto the Brisbane Valley Hwy. Continue through Esk and past the Toogoolawah turnoff. Turn left onto the D'Aguilar Hwy. Continue approx 30 kms to Blackbutt and a further approx 15 kms until you arrive at Yarraman. ** Continue				
	** Drive through the township of Yarraman towards Nanango. The Yarraman Caravan Park is approx 1 km past the Yarraman township on your left.				

Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates:	Official dates 13 th & 14 th February,2016. (Members to book own staying times with the Park.) 07 4163 8185 late checkout at 11-30am has been organised					
000 Emergency Details PC 4610	Nearest Hospital: .Kingaroy Hospital,166 Youngman Street, Kingaroy, 4610 07) 4162 9200 <u>Venue Address ;</u> 12121 D'Aguilar Highway, Yarraman. No <u>Cross street:</u> Post code. 4614					
Medical Needs:	GP, 20 Millar Street, Yarraman, 4614 Telephone 07 4163 8388					
Club equipment required:	Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid, PA system, library & souvenirs, fire extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.					
Rally Marshal Co-ordinator:	Not applicable this rally. If you have a medical need to be close to the amenities, please contact Caravan park for arrangements.					
Pets:	Ok Under control					
Fees:	Site Fee:Self Booking applies.\$24.50 per caravan per night,\$30.50 ensuite.Administration Fee:\$3.00 per caravanHall Hire:\$0.00 per caravan					

Meet	ings Programme		(Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!)			
Sat:	Sat: 9:00 am Morning tea 9:30 am Meeting			Sun:	8:15-8;45 am 9.00 am 9.30 am TBA	Morning tea
			Disc Bowls are available all play, please contact Ian Ege			ble all weekend. For a set to an Egen.

Club News

<u> Special Notices – PLEASE READ</u>

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

<u>2016</u>

February-Yarraman Caravan Park-13th & 14th March- Hillview (Bush Rally)-12th & 13th April- Maleny Showground- 9th & 10th May- Pittsworth Showground-14th & 15th June-Samford Showground- 11th & 12th July-Blackbutt Showground- 9th & 10th August-Kalbar Showground- 13th & 14th September-Canberra National Rally-20th to 30th October –Allora Showground-15th & 16th November –Esk Caravan Park-12th & 13th December- Dayboro Showground- 3rd & 4th

Member News----From the Secretary's Desk.

The NACC (National Association of Caravan Clubs) is asking all club members if they wish to participate in their database. The main purpose of the Database is to be able to produce a Benefits Card for those members who register through their club. You will need to sign an authority form and for those members who receive the Wanderer by post, this form is enclosed. I will forward a NACC authority form to members who receive an electronic copy.

By-Laws.

At the last General Meeting, members voted to have money raised for charity through the club to be shared between RFDS and Careflight as the Club's chosen charities. Jacky Smith requested that the By-Laws to be changed to reflect this decision. I have made this change and will forward the current By-Laws to members when the minutes of the last General Meeting have been ratified in April. An additional change is to include, a note about the "25 year badge". When members have been in the club for 25 years this badge is presented. Note: No other change/s have been made to the current By-Laws passed on the 11.7.2015.

Once again, these changes have been noted, however, the amended By-Laws copy will not be forwarded to members until after the April General Meeting.

Last but not least, the Annual General Meeting will be held in April at Maleny and all committee positions will be declared vacant. Please give consideration to being a committee member. We all contribute in many ways, and being a committee member is the best way to suggest or make a difference to club life. Hope to receive your nomination forms ASAP.

Gwen

Member Milestones & Badges



Gordon Ison wasn't feeling too well when he was presented with his 100th Rally Badge and Certificate at the Saturday morning meeting.

Consequently, he headed for his van before I could get a photo but luckily Tom and Bob were quick off the Mark and Collared him before he hit his bed !!



I believe this next article qualifies as a "Member Milestone".

One night last week, Yvonne and I settled down in front of the TV to watch the movie," The Last Cab to Darwin". Got to the part of the film where The Cabbie arrives at Daley Waters and wanders into the pub during the Comedians performance. Suddenly, we were riveted to the screen when the following scenes appeared !!



Didn't realise we had film stars, (albeit only "extras") in the club!!

1 st Diane Brearley 1 st Sue Stephenson 3 rd Jan Steele 5 th Shirley Sheehan 5 th Ron Smith	5thKeith Chorley10thMarianne Materne11thCarolyn Kahler15thLes Buzza17thJohn Carroll17thRhonda Gaffney	20 th Graham Barr 23 rd Reg Foster 23 rd Sue Baker 24 th Steve Langley 28 th Barry Easter
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J Happy Anniversary to you for February J

3rd Kaye & Keith Chorley

- 5th Jan & John Miers
- 6th Barbara & Merv Cook
- 8th Sandra & Ron Smith
- 13th Pamela & Barrie Smith
- 14th Pam & Ron Petch Helen & David Judge 18th
- 19th Gwen & Ian Egen 20th
- Pat & Graham Barr
- 23rd Joy & Ron Stark

Other News

51 Caravans gathered in Laidley for the rally in Dec.

Details about the site. Excellent as always

Members Present at the Rally

Beres & Carmel <u>Abraham</u>; Gordon, Sue & Darren <u>Baker</u>; Ian & Gloria <u>Bamberry</u>; Graham and <u>Pat Barr</u>, Bert & Yvonne <u>Beker</u> Roy & Carmel <u>Bridges</u>; Trevor & Nola <u>Bromley</u>; Doug & Dorcas <u>Burt</u>; .Colin <u>Colston</u>. Ken & Lyn <u>Cragg</u>; Bryan & Pat <u>Davies</u>; Kevin & Carol <u>Day</u>; . Dennis & Heather <u>Edney</u>; Ian & Gwen <u>Egen</u>; . Ian & Denise <u>Farrell</u>. Frank & Rhonda <u>Gaffney</u>. Rod & Bev <u>Green</u>; .; Lance <u>Haslewood</u>; . Roy & Lyn <u>Hill</u>; Margaret <u>Hiller</u>; Alf & Desley <u>Hinson</u>; Gordon <u>Ison</u>; Lionel & Mary <u>Jacobson</u>; Gary & Noeleen <u>Jarrett</u>; . Ernie & Shirley <u>Jones</u>; .David & Helen <u>Judge</u>; Merv & Carolyn <u>Kahler</u>; . Bob & Kathy <u>Kearney</u>. George & Yvonne <u>Lacey</u>; Steve & Robyn <u>Langley</u>. Ray & Pam <u>MacDonald</u>; Keith & Bev <u>McCallum</u>; Kem & Bev <u>McDowall</u>; Murray & Jenn <u>Mc Gowan</u>; Des & Jenny <u>McLeod</u>; Ken & Dell <u>McNab</u>; Rudi & Marianne <u>Materne</u>; Trevor & Mavis <u>Martin</u>: John & Janette <u>Miers</u>; Kim & Tanya <u>Moller</u>; .Terry & Denise <u>Park</u>; Ron & Pam <u>Petch</u>; .Yvonne <u>Robbins</u>; Bob & Barbara <u>Rutherford</u>; . Adrian & Gayle <u>Skinner</u>; Ron & Sandra <u>Smith</u>; Tom & Jacky <u>Smith</u>; Les & Brenda <u>Usher</u>; Richard & Lind <u>Van Wyk</u>; Peter & Nerida <u>Versace</u>; Bill & Denise <u>Waycott</u>;

Visitors------Wayne & Vicki <u>Hills;</u> Rod & Mary <u>Metcalfe;</u> Mitchell <u>Stevens;</u> Charlie <u>Farrell;</u> Barry & Gail <u>Lander;</u> Shane & Judy <u>Graham;</u> John & Marlene <u>Rawlings;</u> Jeanette <u>Walker;</u>

Lucky Winners

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

RaffleThe \$50 Voucher (donated by QCC) was won by xx.Prizes:The xx (donated by xx) was won by xx.The xx (donated by xx) was won by xx.

Golf results

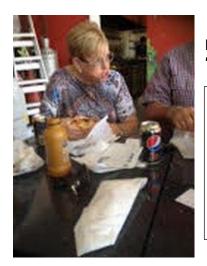
- 1- Frank Gaffney
- 2- Brian Davies
- 3- 3Rod Green





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Activities report for Laidley



Pic on left was sent by an "Anonymous" Member

Right: shows a couple of intrepid Mechanical types sorting out Alfie Hinsons plug and wiring setup!



Friday night saw the usual visit to one of the local hostelries for dinner. And what a dinner! The meals were quite filling and hearty. The only criticism seemed to be the fact that Bugs bunny and his family would have had a birthday on the large amount of salad greens returned on empty



plates. Was a little overwhelming on top of the huge pile of chips supplied as well!







Friday night card games had a decent turnout with a couple of junior visitors with Steve Langley.



Saturday Afternoon was the occasion of our charity Auction, held for the benefit of our two Official charities, R.F.D.S. and Careflight. Tom Smith was the Auctioneer and kept things moving along at decent pace.



Table full of goodies

Mystery Prize-A Caravanning Must

Tom in full flight !

The Auction raised a sum of just under \$400, Divided equally between the two Charities. Nicely done.

Happy Hour was another of the random group affairs, designed to give members a chance to mix and socialize with people outside their usual circles. As with previous ones, it was a resounding success.





Saturday Night was the turn of the indoor bowls game.



There were many and varied styles of play but it didn't matter one iota. Everbody enjoyed themselves, especially Jan and John Miers, everpresent to give advice and guidance on the idiosynchrosies of the game. The Games had to be curtailed timewise due to the number of players on only two mats.

Sunday saw a number of presentations.



Left; Winners of the carpet Bowls Competition.

Right; Alfie Hinson received a belated "RunnersUp" trophy from the Golf Competition at the Stanthorpe State Rally



Programme for Yarraman

Friday:

Members to explore the area at their leisure. Possible Evening meal at local Pub (I think the usual Mah Jong, perhaps craft activities will be on in the afternoon and cards at night.)

Saturday:

Morning Cuppa	9.00 am
Morning Meeting	9.30am
Disc Bowls Variety Fun Game:	Commencing at 11 am and to be continued after lunch
Lunch:	12.00 o'clock Sausage Sizzle (provided by the club) Yarraman Butchery is famous for its sausages!
Disc Bowls Variety Fun Game:	Finals

Afternoon Tea followed by Happy Hour

Evening: Bingo commencing at 7.pm

<u>Note from The Editor</u>...Hi Members. Whilst I have your undivided attention I would like to officially announce the fact that I will not be continuing in this position after the AGM in April. I have had 3 great, enjoyable years doing a job I love but we want to do some travelling. So if you fancy the position or have any questions, don't hesitate to ask me anything at all. Believe me, it is the best job in the club and gives you the chance to stamp your own individual "Brand" on the Magazine and gives one a terrific sense of Achievement. So come on have a go !!

George

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