



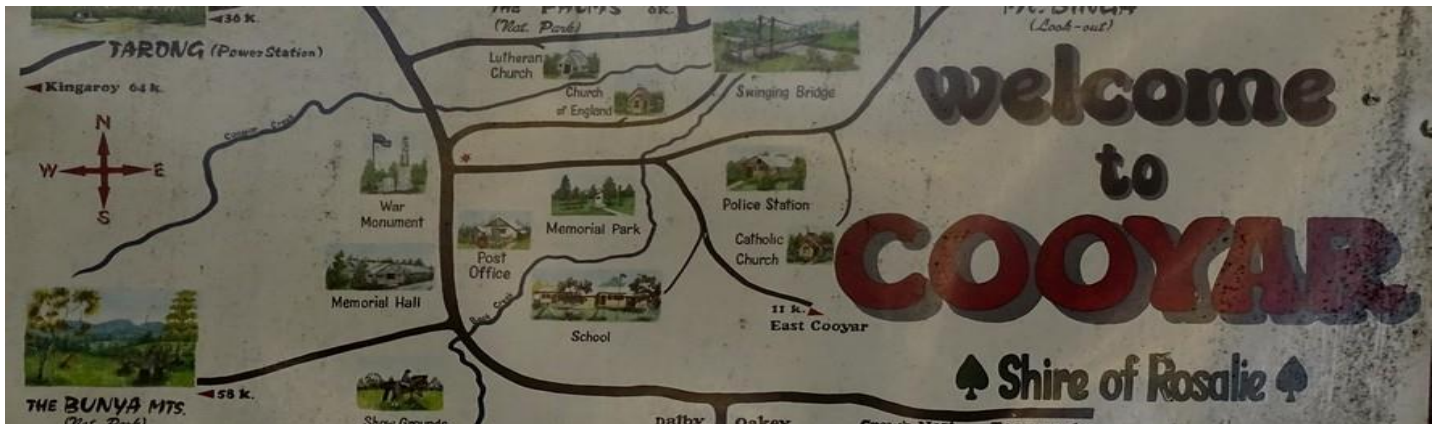
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Presidents Report

The May rally held at the Cooyar Showgrounds was a great success and our first visit to Cooyar. I believe members all enjoyed the weekend, although we were spread out all over the showground, and a distance to walk or drive for morning tea and the meeting in the hall. The caretaker really tried hard to meet our requirements and satisfy everyone. We were given a large box of biscuits and coffee as a thank you from the Secretary of the showgrounds for attending.

A total of 44 caravans attended this rally, with first time visitors Paul & Christine Benseman, Bob & Marilyn Tebbit also Geoff Crawford & Margaret King. I hope you all enjoyed the rally enough to return at a later date for another.

Second time visitors were Paul & Laura Seccombe and 3rd timers, Bruce & Gail May were inducted into the club at the meeting on Saturday morning. Trevor & Nola Bromley received their 150 rally badges, I think they were a little surprised to receive this milestone.

Friday night we attended a fun night called "Lets Get Physical" in the Cooyar Showgrounds Hall Gym. We all had a good night, thanks to Les Usher and Barry Gibson, whose job was to get us all warmed up to avoid pain and muscle soreness. Then, we had 15 exercise stations, with plenty of variety taking on all different tasks. Some were easy and others very hard, and it was a challenge for all members with balance, skills and strength of those muscles that have not been used for a long time. (Cont. Page 6)

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Rally at Boonah How to Get There

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| <p>Boonah Showground (9/06)</p> <p style="color: red;">GPS</p> <p style="color: red;">-27.93673,</p> <p style="color: red;">152.62433.</p> | <p>Route 1 – From Brisbane, travel west on the Ipswich Motorway. At Dinmore, turn left onto the Cunningham Hwy towards Warwick and continue for 14 kms. Turn left onto the Ipswich-Boonah Rd and continue 40 kms to Boonah.</p> <p>Route 2 – From Brisbane, proceed along Beaudesert Rd, which becomes Mt Lindesay Hwy, continuing past Park Ridge, Jimboomba and Gleneagle, until you arrive in Beaudesert. At Beaudesert, turn right at the main intersection in town (traffic lights) towards Rathdowney (still Mt Lindesay Hwy). At approx ½ km, turn right onto the Beaudesert- Boonah Rd and continue 42 kms to Boonah.</p> <p>At Boonah, both the above roads become Coronation Dve. With the park at the Boonah Sports Complex on your left, turn left at the roundabout and left again into Walter St (the park still on your left). Take the 1st turn left into Cossart St, which leads to the showgrounds, opposite a caravan park.</p> |
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Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

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| Rally dates: | <p>Official dates: 10th and 11th June 2017</p> <p style="color: red;"><u>Arrive no earlier than: 2pm,</u></p> <p style="color: red;"><u>Wed 7th June</u></p> <p>Depart no later than: Tuesday 13th June</p> | <p style="color: red;"><u>Also, if you are going to arrive later in the day, please let Marshalls know.</u></p> |
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| 000 Emergency | Nearest Hospital: Boonah Hospital, Leonard Street, Boonah |
| Details | Park Address & Cross street: : 8 Melbourne Street, Cross street: Cossart Street |
| Post Code | 4310 |

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| Medical Needs: | Boonah Medical Centre, 86 High Street, Boonah. Tel;5463 1200 | | | | | | |
| Club equipment required: | Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid, PA system, library & souvenirs, fire extinguisher, 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: | <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 20px;">Site Fee:</td> <td>\$ 19.00 per caravan per night. Non Power \$9.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Administration Fee:</td> <td>\$ 3.00 per caravan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hall Hire:</td> <td>\$ 0.00 per caravan</td> </tr> </table> | Site Fee: | \$ 19.00 per caravan per night. Non Power \$9.00 | Administration Fee: | \$ 3.00 per caravan | Hall Hire: | \$ 0.00 per caravan |
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| Hall Hire: | \$ 0.00 per caravan | | | | | | |

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| Summer Meetings Programme | | | (Remember to check the noticeboard at the rally for changes, particularly for any activities on Friday!) | | |
| Fri; | 1;30pm | Committee Meeting | Sun: | 8;30 am 9.00 am 9;30 am | Pay Treasurer Morning tea meeting |
| Sat: | 9:00 am 9:30 am | Morning tea Meeting | Disc Bowls available from Barry Gibson. | | |

Club News

Special Notices – PLEASE READ

For info on CCQ, their website address is <http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au>

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 Quarterly General meeting will be at the Lowood Rally on the 8th July 2017. If you have any issue to raise at the meeting, please submit details in writing to Secretary Brenda by 9 O'clock on the morning of the meeting. Many thanks.

Future Rallies

2017

Jan; 14th & 15th – Laidley showground
Feb; 11th & 12th- Millmerran Caravan Park
Mar; 11th & 12th-Standown Park
Apr; 8th & 9th-- Woodford Showground
May; 6th & 7th- Cooyar Showground
June; 10th&11th--Boonah Showground

July; 8th & 9th –Lowood Showground
Aug; 12th & 13th-Nanango Showground
Sept; 18th to 25th-Goodiwindi State Rally
Oct; 7th & 8th-Pittsworth Showground
Nov; 11th & 12th- Goombungee Showground
Dec; 2nd & 3rd- Blackbutt Showground

🎵 Happy Birthday to you for June 🎵

3rd Karen Stevens
5th Judi Biddington
6th Linda Van Wyk
6th Tom Davis
8th Lorraine Lowcock

9th Barry lander
13th Denise Farrell
14th Julie Swift
16th BobTebbit
19th Ian Bamberly

20th Margaret James
20th Jan Miers
22nd Ken McNab
23rd Denise Sheehan

26th Bev Green
28th Sylvia Stocker
28th Nerida Versace
28th Ken Hubbard
29th Col Green

🎵 Happy Anniversary to you for June 🎵

3rd Dawn & Graham Dukes
4th Shirley & Graham Sheehan
5th Diane & Paul Brearley
6th Peter & Gayle Johnston

7th Linda & Richard VanWyk
7th Rhonda & Frank Gaffney
11th Bev & Harold Liley
14th Ian & Denise Farrell
25th Sue & Tony Stephenson

New Members & Member Milestones



New Members, Bruce & Gail May



150 Rallies for Trevor and Nola Bromley

Exciting Future Entertainment:

Boonah- Crazy Auction. **Lowood**- Mixed Dance evening. **Nanango**- Games Night.

Other News :



Boonah, Saturday at 1.00pm

with Jenny Carroll.

Making Hexagons

Please bring; 2 matching Fabrics,
Thread, needles, pins and loads of



Enthusiasm !!

Rally attendees

Beres & Carmel Abraham; Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker; Bert & Yvonne Beker; . Paul & Di Brearley; Roy & Carmel Bridges; Trevor & Nola Bromley; Doug & Dorcas Burt; . John & Jenny Carroll; Neil & Marie Chesney; Kevin & Carol Day; Tom & Jill Davis; Dennis & Heather Edney; Peter Gawen; Barry & Wendy Gibson; Kev & Pat Gower; Lance Haslewood; Patrick & Ann Hetherman; Alf & Desley Hinson; Gordon Ison; Bob & Kathy Kearney. ; George & Yvonne Lacey; Steve & Robyn Langley; Murray & Jenn Mc Gowan; Des & Jenny McLeod; John & Janette Miers; Terry & Denise Park; Ron & Pam Robson-Petch; Yvonne Robbins; Bob & Barbara Rutherford; Brian & Denise Sheehan; Adrian & Gayle Skinner; Tom & Jacky Smith; Ray & Jan Steele; Rod Stegeman; Tony & Sue Stephenson; Les & Brenda Usher; Bill & Denise Waycott;

1st time Visitors – Marilyn & Bob Tebbit, Geoff Crawford & Margaret King, Paul & Christine Benseman

2nd time Visitors –Peter & Laura Seccombe **Day Visitors**—Ian & Gwen Egen

Other Visitors—Connie, John Miers Mum, Sue Bakers Sisters, Dorothy Brayley and Grace Wright

Lucky Winners

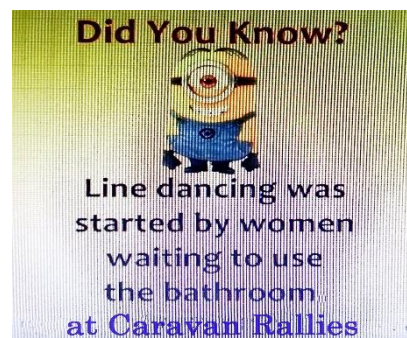
Carmel & Beres Abraham & Lance Haslewood were the two winners of the Lucky Van Numbers. They've won Two free nights each at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.

- Raffle Prizes:
- The Voucher (donated by QCC) was won by Carmel Bridges
 - The Hot plate (donated by ??) was won by Barbara Cook
 - The Mens Cosmetics(donated by ??) was won by Neil chesney
 - The Ladies Cosmetics was won by Peter Gawen



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Should anyone like to set up a private stall for the upcoming Market Day at the State Rally in Goondiwindi, please contact Secretary Brenda for a Registration Form.....Many thanks.



Weekend Programme at Boonah

Thurs. 8th.

3pm. Auction donations to the hall and see Carmel Bridges and Jenny McLeod to register your donations.

Fri. 9th.

GOLF. Check with Daryl or Steve R/E Tee off times. **1pm** Craft (sewing etc) with Jenny (see poster above)

3pm Auction registrations in the hall. **Fri. Night** ,Out to dinner, Cards, Sit around and have a yarn. Your choice

Sat 10th After the meeting Auction registrations **6.30pm**. Final registration of donations for the Auctions.

7pm.—

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Presidents report (continued from Page 1)

After the Saturday morning meeting we all assembled for a tagalong tour, with 23 cars heading out to the train tunnel followed by a picnic lunch in the park. Then, after lunch we returned to Cooyar and then out to Palms National Park. There, members enjoyed a walk around a loop with many large trees and palms also walking bridges with spectacular scenery along the trip. At 3pm we all gathered in the outdoor kitchen area for the 68th birthday cutting of the cake. Thanks to Roy Bridges for collecting the cake from the hotel. Past Secretaries Carol Day, Barbara Rutherford, Gwen Egan, Yvonne Beker, with Present Secretary Brenda Usher, were invited to cut the Birthday cake which we all enjoyed with a cup of tea and coffee.

Saturday night 76 members visited the local hotel for an evening meal followed by entertainment, with some members enjoying a little dancing. Thank you to our rally Marshalls again, Dennis Edney and Muzza McGowan for another great job parking our caravans with no hassles. Also to Barry & Wendy Gibson and Les Usher for your commitment and fun night with “ Lets Get Physcial “ on Friday night. Bob & Kathy Kearney for the tagalong tour skills, I am sure everyone had a good time touring around the countryside. Stay safe, healthy, happy and look forward tom meeting everyone at the next rally in June at Boonah Showgrounds,
President John

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Entertainment report

I was rather glad to see the plethora of signs at the bridge for the last turn into the Showgrounds. It must have been an old version of google Earth I was using to work out directions !!! Needless to say, the instructions have been modified.



Thursday was a chill out day for the early arrivals and I came across a game I'd never seen before. Some sort of weird version of Skittles. Yvonne joined in and reported it was a fun game.



Friday was the main arrival day with the usual set up "events"!!





As is to be expected at this time of year, the temperature dropped quite dramatically as the sun went down and some members went to great lengths to stay warm !! (looked a bit dodgy if she were to need an urgent dash to the ablutions !)

Of course, others took to the more tried and trusted methods of keeping warm....from the inside out .



We are repeatedly being told how Women are the stronger sex...these next pics prove otherwise....Who are the most overdressed ?



And of course there was the inevitable clash of the Titans !!





Friday night was the eagerly anticipated Cooyar “Gym for Geriatrics “ night ! Members came dressed in all sorts of attire,(one assumed was in the spirit at least,of Olivia Newton–John and Co-star John Revolving, from the acclaimed musical,OIL!.) The winners of best dressed

were Yvonne and Myself. This was as a direct result of the fact that the competition wasn’t announced and I was the Judge.....tee hee.



The Athletics track,loosely referred to as the “Obstacle Course”,consisted of various tasks deemed safe for our Elite Athletes !! If not for the invaluable support (literally!) of our Ex Special Forces Sergeant Major Gym Instructor,Les Usher (who, incidentally stays fit nowadays, crushing by



hand,all our used cans after Happy hours...), and Chief torturer Barry Gibson,(who uses a genuine Metal Discus as a disc bowl for his exercise), we may have suffered all sorts of injuries from the frantic pace of the event!!

During the warm up exercises, the mass display was quite impressive for a bunch of *not so fit* laid back caravanners.



Half an hour later however, it was a different story altogether !! The Gym came alive with the sounds of Lungs gasping for air, false teeth rattling around, replacement hips and knees clicking in unison and squeals of agony from bad backs !! Gawd knows what we'd have done if we needed a couple of stretcher bearers! I suppose we would have had to depend on the "non participants", saving all their energy on the sidelines



Joking apart, these balancing exercises are super important. In my regime to lose weight ready for knee replacements some years ago, my Physio guy impressed on me the importance of this type of exercise. Apparently loss of balance in older years is the main reason for broken bones, not as one would think, from tripping over things.

President John led by example in most of the tasks but wasn't always agreeable with the results !



I think everyone enjoyed the night but one thing I was sure of....There were a few aches and pains next day from muscles not only unused, but whose existence a lot of folk weren't even aware of !!

Saturday morning saw the usual meeting and once out of the way, we all prepared for our tag-a-long tour of the District led by Cathy Kearney, who was born and raised hereabouts. First up we set off in convoy heading for the old railway tunnel that has been taken over by tiny “Bentwing” Bats since it was abandoned some years ago. We arrived just as a small group already there were getting ready to leave. They actually seemed panic stricken when we all rolled into the parking area. Mind you, seeing us lot “on masse” would frighten anybody I reckon !!!lol.



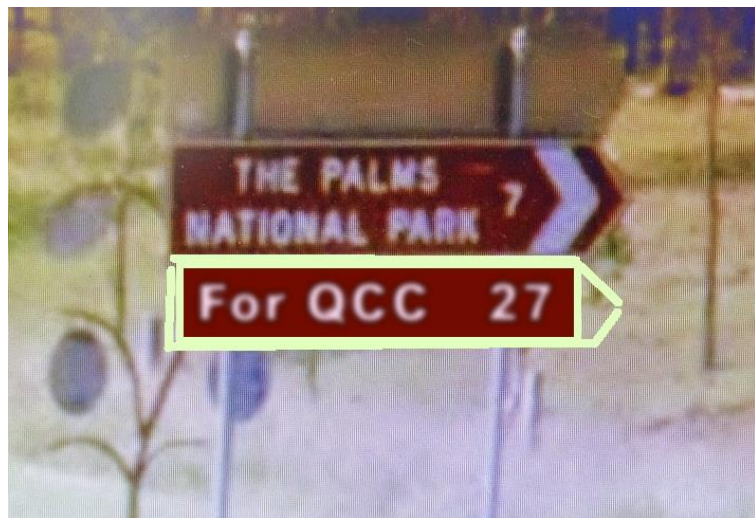
It was a pleasant, easy walk up and down to the tunnel for most. Pretty hard to get any decent pics of the bats and as expected a lot of the Ladies took Brollies in with them in case of sudden “showers”! And no venue with crowds isn’t complete without it’s bunch of “hoons” on the hill. Probably just as well they had nothing to throw at me After returning from the walk ,we set up for our picnic lunch.



Fortified by our nice Lunch, we prepared for departure to our next site, The Palms, a **Small** National Park just up the road!! Sound Ominous yet?? Read On !!

Someone is about to wish she hadn’t gotten out of bed that morning!!

Now this is ,as I previously stated,a Small Park. 22 cars(around 65 bodies!) followed Kathy onto the sign posted road and toddled off down the road in convoy.The sign post had said 7 klms(or so I thought!) but after some considerable distance, we realized we had missed the place..... It was a long way before we reached a T Junction where we could all safely,and somewhat embarrassingly,do a mass U turn.



Lord only knows what people in ute waiting to enter our road must have thought !! I didn't have my two way on as I was near the end of the convoy,so had no idea of the chaotic drama going on up front. When we finally reached the place there was not enough room for us all to get in at once so I carried on to the next stop,the Swing bridge and waited for the rest to catch up.

Sorry Kathy but you now have the dubious honour of joining an ever

expanding group of people in Qcc who,as they grow older,can't remember their childhood hang outs and are getting us all LOST !lolol.....

At least you are lucky in one respect. It being an official club function,no one can sue you for excessive fuel costs. But the Club, now that's another matter.....

But must admit ,it was a hilarious trip ...thanks love.

The Swing Bridge was as expected, extremely scary for people like myself who are terrified of heights.Made me feel sick in the stomach seeing the members wandering across,complete with one of those bridge swingers who like to torment us scardy cats !



Back to base for the Birthday cake cutting by Past and Present Club Secretaries!



The Start



After the hordes finished.

Saturday night saw a nice end to a busy day. The local Hostelry put on a meal and Band for us. It was a Steak, Sausage and Rissole BBQ with salad and was plentiful and delicious!



A new venue, well received by the members, hope to do it again. Another enjoyable Rally. Thanks from all to all involved in making it a success.

Just a bit of a giggle to finish with. Ian Egen turned up with sore looking wound on his head. Hit his head working under his van.

Unofficial version goes like this....

He played up the other night and was banished to the dog house for the night. Decided under the Van was warmer. Cracked his skull when Gwen brought his Brekkie out to him in the morning, nudging his still sleeping form with her Big toe, galvanising Ian into sudden, catastrophic, upward action ! ouch !.....Sorry I cannot reveal my source of info !





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