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Blackbutt Rally



Presidents Report

What a fantastic rally at the Blackbutt Showgrounds for our Xmas rally. I am sure all members were very happy, overall, with the weekend.

Although the weather was unsettled with rain on nearly every day, we still had 60 caravans attend, unfortunately 10 caravans cancelling due to various problems.

Good to see a few members return after long delays, due to sickness and family commitments. We missed you all and are pleased to see you back.

Many members attended the local Hotel for dinner on Wednesday night, also Thursday lunch and dinner, and Friday night. All reports said the food was first class and great service. Some members attended the local markets on Friday night and stayed into the night for dinner.

Craft sessions were held on Thursday and Friday afternoon with the ladies, making Xmas decorations for their tables for Saturday nights Xmas party, great job thank you ladies.

Friday night after dinner, members stayed and played a variety of card and board games. Good to see this popular segment with numbers still high, then a cup of tea and coffee followed.

Thank you to all the helpers who decorated the hall for the Xmas party on Saturday night. You all did a great job and the hall really looked like an Xmas night for everyone to enjoy. We had first time visitors Marina & Paul Bruno, they are friends of Jacky & Tom Smith. I hoped you both enjoyed the rally and return again for another rally in the future.

Sue & Jim Thorpe were inducted into our club at the meeting on Saturday morning. I hope you both enjoy your time in our club, enjoying a variety of activities in the future.

At the meeting Desley and Alf Hinson were presented with their 100 rally badges. Gwen and Ian Egan were presented with their 150 rally badges. Pam and Ron Robson – Petch with their 300 rally badges. A special milestone as they have been members of this club for 49 years.

Ray MacDonald was presented with his badge for the winner of the drag racing at the state rally in Goondiwindi, well done Ray.

Thank you to Neil Chesney who organized a safety check of our caravans with weight upgrades, 7 vans from our club took up the offer and members were pleased with the findings from the experts.

Thanks to Alf Hinson and Terry Park for looking after Santa for his arrival and departure. I am sure members were happy with Santa and the gifts that he left behind for our members. Also, thanks to Santa's helpers who made it an enjoyable afternoon. And a special thanks to Tom & Jacki Smiths Daughter, Suzy McBride, for the icing of the Christmas Cake.

Saturday night the 2017 Xmas party was held. I had glowing reports about the food and entertainment. We were entertained by Billy Guy who managed to get all members up on the dance floor, many staying till late listening to his music. Thank you to everyone who made the night a total success. This was a very great, happy night for everyone who attended.

We are one of three clubs at the moment hosting the 2018 State Rally in Bundaberg next October. The Queensland, Bayside and Kookaburra Caravan Clubs have all offered to participate with a committee to be formed at a special meeting on Friday 15th December. There is a possibility other clubs will also join in to help – more news about that will follow soon.

Stay safe, healthy, and happy and look forward to seeing you all at the next rally in January, Imbil Showgrounds.

President JOHN

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[A Note from Your Editor;](#)

Yvonne and I would like to wish all our members of the QCC and their families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year for 2018!

Rally at Imbil Showgrounds

How to Get There

Imbil Showground
(30/7/2013)

GPS. N/A

From Brisbane, travel north on the Bruce Hwy. . Approx 16 north of Cooroy turnoff ,take the left turn onto The "Mary River Tourist Drive",then continue on until the Imbil turnoff (on left), signed "Borumba Dam, Imbil". Turn left and follow this road (relatively narrow but 2 can pass easily most of the time) for approx 3 kms; then the road goes left over crest and winds downhill. At the bottom, the road goes right over a narrowish bridge. Continue for approx 1 km and then turn right into Tuchekei Rd (sign "Imbil"). Go over another bridge and continue until you come to a T-junction, where you turn left into Mary Valley Rd (sign "Imbil"). Follow this road for approx 5kms. Turn right into Yabba Creek Rd (sign "Imbil"), then 100 metres turn right again at the Stop sign. Follow this road over a bridge and into the Imbil township, past the Island Reach Camping Resort on your right. **Caution – there is a 40kph speed limit in Imbil.** Turn left after high school into Edward St (sign "Showground"). Take care here, as after approx 200 metres school traffic could be turning. The showground is on the right.

Rally Info (Needs, Emergencies, etc)

Rally dates: Official dates: 13th & 14th January 2018
Arrive no earlier than: Midday 10th Jan.
Depart no later than: 16th Jan.

000 Emergency Nearest Hospital: Gympie Public Hospital, 12 Henry Street, Gympie, 4570
Phone: 07 54898444

Details Showground Address Edward Street & Cross street: Yabba Road

Post Code
4570

Medical Needs: Imbil Clinic, 6 Island Road, Imbil. .Phone: (07) 54886868

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 Murray McGowan on 0414887114 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: \$ 15.00 per caravan \$10 unpowered
Administration Fee: \$ 3.00 per caravan

Imbil Entertainment

Friday—3-4pm-Line Dancing with Kev.After Dinner, Card Games or whatever. (lollies are a Necessity)

Saturday: 11.00am - 2.30pm (approx. times)

Patrick Hetherman will direct a tag-a-long over gravel roads through the national Park.

Vehicles should have a high clearance but there will be no need to get into 4WD.

Take your own picnic lunch.

John Carroll will start the meeting (General Meeting) at 9am to avoid any delay to the 11.00am start for the tag-a-long.

Saturday Evening: Continuous Poker

Directed by Cheryl Henry. Bring a pencil or pen with you to the game.

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:	8:30 am 9;00 am	Morning tea Meeting, followed by General 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!

A general meeting will be held at Imbil Showgrounds on Saturday 13th January. If any Member wishes to raise a subject, please contact Secretary Brenda before the Regular Saturday Morning meeting.
Note different Meeting times to accommodate the proposed tag-a-long.

Future Rallies

2018

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Jan; 13th & 14th –Imbil Showground.
 Feb; 10th & 11th-Toogoolawah Showground
 Mar; 10th & 11th-- Widgee pony Club;
 Apr; 14th & 15th—Laidley Showgrounds.
 May; 5th & 6th--Pine Rivers Showground.
 June; 9th & 10th—Dalby Showgrounds

July; 14th & 15th—Maleny Showground
 Aug; 11th & 12th—Kalbar Showground
 Sept; 8th & 9th—Hillview Hall
Oct; 22 to 27th inc, State Rally Bundaberg
 Nov; 10th & 11th—Goombungee Showground
 Dec; 1st & 2nd---Kenilworth Showground

New Members & Member Milestones



Photos courtesy of Lance Haslewood.

🎵 *Happy Birthday to you for January* 🎵

1st Ian Egan
8th Rod Stegman
11th Dawn Dukes
12th Jeanette Walker
13th Kevin Day
13th Tom Myles

13th Bill Waycott
15th Bryan Davies
16th Eddie Stocker
17th Douglas Burt
18th Jeff Cochrane
20th Terry Park
20th Owen Noffke

20th Linda Jones
21st Yvonne Lowrie
22nd Bruce May
30th Brian Sheehan
31st Jean Cochrane
31st Gwen Egan
31st Murray McGowan
31st Cheryl Henry
31st Gail May

🎵 *Happy Anniversary to you for January* 🎵

2nd Kathy & Bob Kearney
7th Nerida & Peter Versace
10th Jenny & John Carroll

15th Sue & Gordon Baker
16th Ann & Adrian Savage
17th Rick & Cheryl Henry
21st Brenda & Les Usher

Unfortunately, Yvonne and I missed the Xmas Party by one day but all reports assured me we missed a beauty! However, Lance came to the party (literally) and took the Santa photos for me. These will be, as usual, available for purchase at the princely sum of 2 dollars at the Imbil and subsequent Rallies.



Santa and his Helpers



The Wonderful "Raffle Ladies" team doing the honour of cutting the Cake.



The Festive Cake which was lovingly iced for us by Tom and Jacki Smiths

Daughter, Suzy McBride.



Showground Rally

60 caravans gathered at the rally in Blackbutt.

Details about the site. Much improved !

Members Present at the Rally

ABRAHAM Beres & Carmel . BEKER Bert & Yvonne . BREARLEY Paul & Di . BROMLEY Trevor & Nola . BRUNO Paul & Marina . BURDETTE Michael & SIFFLEET Leslie. BURT Doug & Dorcas . CARROLL John & Jenny . CHESNEY Neil & Marie . CRAWFORD Geoff & KING . DAVIS Tom & Jill . DAY Kevin & Carol. DOBE Bill & Ann. EDNEY Dennis & Heather. EGEN Ian & Gwen . FARRELL Ian & Denise . GAWEN Peter . GIBSON Barry & Wendy . GODWIN Carl & LOWCOCK .GOWER Kevin & Pat . HASLEWOOD Lance & Karen . HETHERMAN Patrick & Ann . HILLER Margaret Ordinary HINSON Alf & Desley Ordinary ISON Gordon Ordinary JAMES Colin & Margaret . JARRETT Gary & Noeleen . JONES Shane & Linda . JUDGE David & Helen .KAHLER Merv & Carolyn . KAYS Daryl & Margaret . LANDER Barry & Gail . LANGLEY Steve & Robyn . LILLIS Michael . MAC DONALD Ray & Pam .

MATERNE Rudi & Marianne . MC CALLUM Keith & Bev . MC DOWALL Kem & Bev . MC GOWAN Murray & Jenni .. METCALFE Rodney & Mary. MIERS John & Jan NOFFKE Owen & KIRBY Jan . PARK Terry & Denise . POMROY Tony & Lynne . ROBBINS Yvonne . ROBSON-PETCH Ron & Pam .Life RUTHERFORD Bob & Barbara. SAVAGE Adrian & Ann . SHEEHAN Brian & Denise . SKINNER Adrian & Gayle . SMITH Tom & Jacky . STEELE Ray & Jan . STEPHENSON Tony & Sue . STEVENS Brian & Karon . STOCKER Eddie & Sylvia . SWIFT Tony & Julie . TEBBIT Bob & Marilyn . THORPE Jim & Sue . USHER Les & Brenda . WAYCOTT Bill & Denise .

Visitors – Barbara & Bob Rutherford's granddaughter Jessica, Gordon, Sue & Darren Baker, Suzy & Fred McBride with their little boy (Tom & Jacky's daughter & son-in-law and grandson). Suzy iced the cake for us.

Lucky Winners

We had 36 prizes in the **Sunday raffle** - winners are:

\$100 note in frame - Lesley Siffleet

4 x \$50 vouchers -Gayle Lander, Colin James, Daryl Kays & Gordon Ison

4 x \$30 vouchers - Les Usher, Brian Sheehan , Beres Abraham, Lesley Siffleet

5 x \$20 vouchers - Karon Stevens, Dorcas Burt, Brian Stevens, Paul Brearley, Merv Kahler

2 food hampers - Pam Robson-Petch & Gordon Ison

Christmas Table Cover - Tom Smith

4 x 6pack beer (donated by Gordon Ison) Jan Steele, Jacky Smith, Carmel

Abraham, Bob Tebbit

10 Lions Cakes - Steve Langley, Kem McDowel, Margaret James, Lynne Pomroy,

Brian Sheehan, Bill Waycott, Ian Egen, Bev McDowell, Beres Abraham, Peter

Gawen

5 x Lucky Van Prizes - Neil Chesney, Les Usher, Carl Godwin/Lorraine

Lowcock, Peter Gawen and Doug & Dorcas Burt

Golf results

(11 players) - 3rd Ray MacDonald, 2nd Alf Hinson, 1st Owen Noffke.
Owen was presented with a medallion to hold for 2 months.
Longest drive: Bob Tebbit
Ladies: Heather Edney and Desley Hinson

IMBIL Rally – January 2018 No golf competition – but bring clubs (pitching wedge and putter is enough but balls may help !) for a hit and giggle game over the railway line. Cheers ,Daryl



Don't forget Folks, if you've been to Specsavers or made a spectacle of yourself elsewhere, Tom Smith would like you to donate your old specs so he can pass them on to a better use than staring at the bottom of your spec drawer !! Thank you kindly.



Patricks Stopover Report.



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