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Then official newsletter of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc

# Q.C.C. Wanderer Followship on Whoels'

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# President's Report ...

great rally was held at the Pine Rivers Lawnton Showground for the May 69th anniversary birthday rally. We had fantastic weather conditions with warm sunny days during the weekend and cool during the nights.

**Bob Kearney** 

Thursday night, eight members visited the local hotel for dinner to avoid the rush on Friday night. All reports the meals were good and also the service.

Friday morning, 14 members played a round of golf at the par three course during a very sunny day. Three ladies and 11 men took part and the winner on the day was new member, Jim Holt.

Friday afternoon the ladies had the normal sewing classes and all enjoyed their time together sharing each ones ideas and making projects.

Friday afternoon, six ladies participated in line dancing with Carol and Kevin Day. Also four ladies played a game of mahjong. Then on Friday night, 44 members visited the local hotel for dinner, all reports the meals and service were good with not long to wait for the meals. Friday night members played card games in the hall after dinner, followed by tea and coffee.

Good to see Roy Hill and Des McLeod return back to the rallies after a break due to ill health. We all missed you both and look forward to seeing you both at future rallies when suitable.

We had second time visitors Jim and Minnie Holt. Good to see you attend your second rally. Also had Marina and Paul Bruno attend their third rally who were inducted into our club during the Saturday morning's meeting.

Day visitors were Bill and Ann Dobe and also Patrick and Ann Hetherman.

The annual singles disc bowls competition was held on Saturday afternoon; the event was very well organized and arranged by Wendy and Barry Gibson. Good to see Di Brearley competing up to the semifinals. The overall winner on the day was John Carroll and the runner-up was Tony Pomroy. Saturday night we were entertained by the Caboolture Community Choir conducted by musical director, Laurelle Olsson. Barry Gibson, thank you for organising the choir which was enjoyed by all.

On Saturday night we had the cutting of our 69th anniversary birthday cake. I asked the existing treasurer and past treasurers of our club to cut the cake. This was then shared with all our members with tea and coffee.

Sunday night we had 54 members involved in a game of Trivia; this was organised by Rick and Cheryl Henry. Thanks to Cheryl for an enjoyable fun night. I am sure all members had a great time.

Thank you to our rally marshals Dennis Edney, Muzza McGowan and Terry Park for another great job parking all the caravans at the rally. We had 49 caravans attend this Lawnton rally.

Thank you Kevin and Carol Day for all the site plans of the various locations for our tagalong tour after the rally. I would also like to thank Ian and Gwen Egan, Paul and Di Brearley, David and Helen Judge, Dennis and Heather Edney, and Margaret Hiller for all of their efforts during our tagalong tour from Lawnton west to Jandowae and south to Killarney. We covered 800km during our three-day road trip, however the weather wasn't too kind to us. However I am sure the caravan club will benefit from our trip in the near future.

Thank you to Terry Park who is going to check out Nambour Showgrounds for a possible rally in time if suitable for our club.

I am hoping the committee will approve a few new and old locations that are suitable for our club in the future.

Stay safe, happy and healthy and look forward to seeing you all at the next rally in June at Samford.

President, John.

#### QCC welcomes new members, Marina and Paul Bruno ....

aul was born in Turin, Italy, and migrated at the age of almost six years with his family to Sydney in 1961. His parents were a tailor and tailoress. Brought-up as one of five siblings, it was no surprise to anyone when he aspired to become a motor mechanic. Paul has a keen interest in cars, and more recently, Mercedes-Benz Sprinter vans. He ended-up working for car dealerships and then the Urban Transit Authority of NSW on diesel buses.

The warmer temperatures brought Paul and his family to Brisbane in 1988 where he easily got work and also met Marina through his new friends. They have fond memories of going to Expo 1988 on some early outings together. Marina was a Mackay girl, one of four siblings, working in Brisbane for the Australian Public Service. Her mother is a daughter of migrant Croatian sugarcane farmers near Innisfail and her late father the son of dairy farmers of Cornish ancestry near Beaudesert.

They married and lived in Townsville and Mackay but got lured back to Brisbane after travelling around Australia in 1991 in a Kombi Van for five months. Keeping active and going camping was always a common interest. Settling in Sunnybank Hills in Brisbane, they started a family and brought-up their girls, Angelina aged 25 and Renee aged 23. Interesting to note that their forefather's and foremother's work ethic and motivation to succeed is what has passed down to their own children today.

Paul changed employers a few times but ended-up working as a bus technician and bus inspector for Brisbane City Council for 10 years. He decided to retire last year after a career spanning 45 years to seek-out further travel adventures and continue his unpaid position at home as 'Mr Fixit'.....

Marina has worked for 40 years, 35 years as a public servant with various departments, and more recently, the Department of Human Services where she was a part-time customer service officer. Well-suited to her role helping Australians navigate government programs, she chose to retire early this year. Marina is now revelling in her family life, growing vegetables, playing sports and travelling with Paul.

Paul and Marina would like to thank Tom and Jacky Smith for introducing them to the club. It suits us, we've been camping a lot over 30 years together and want to do more.

Paul and Marina.

#### Next Rally ~ Samford Showground 2/3 June. How to get there ....

From the south – Proceed from the Riverside Expressway onto Coronation Drive, taking the right overpass (M3) onto Petrie Terrace. Continue past Suncorp Stadium then follow Kelvin Grove Road, changing to Enoggera Road, changing to Samford Road and continue on to Samford Village. At the roundabout take the second exit and follow Mount Glorious Road and at 6.8 kilometres, turn right into Showgrounds Drive. Travel about one kilometre and showground is on the left. The entrance to the showground is via a closed gate. Please ensure that the gate is closed and latched before driving-on. Continue a further 800 meters from the gate to the showground.

<u>From the north</u> – Routes vary depending where you are coming from. Find your way to Samford Village, then follow the directions above.

GPS Coordinates: 27.3704° S, 152.8248° E.

Nearest Hospital: Prince Charles and Holy Spirit Hospitals, 627 Rode Road, Chermside. 4032.

Nearest Medical Centre: Samford Valley Medical Centre, 26 Station St, Samford Village. 4520. Phone: 07 3289 1712. Monday to Saturday 8:00am to 7:00pm.

<u>Venue Address:</u> Showground Drive, Samford. <u>Cross Street:</u> Mount Glorious Road. Post Code: 4520.

Club equipment Kitchen equipment and urns, first aid kit, PA system, library, souvenirs, fire extinguisher, banner, flags and flagpoles.

Special needs, requirements or notifications.

No dump point (nearest is Lawnton). Cassettes **must not** be emptied into

toilets. Long power Leads required. Bore water only.

Those with a medical need to be sited close to the amenities are to contact Dennis Edney on 0411 539 494 by the Monday prior to the rally otherwise this area may not be available. Arriving late! Let the rally marshal know.

Please do not drive over power leads or hoses.

Pets: Permitted. On lead.

Fees: Per person, per night. \$10.00. Powered only.

Administration fee: \$3.00 per van.

Hall Hire: \$0:00.

#### Rally Program ....

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Friday 01 June.	6:30am. 7:00am. 11:00am. 2:00pm 2:30pm. 4:00pm. 6:00pm. 7:30pm.	Walkers. Golf. (Daryl Kays/Steve Langley). Management committee meeting. Trailer reversing theory and practical. P6. Mahjong. Combined happy hour. Dinner, local eatery. (Gordon Ison). Cards.	Remember to check the rally noticeboard for last minute changes to the published programme.  Planning to attend the Friday night local hotel/club dinner?  If so, please contact Gordon Ison so that you may be added				
Saturday 02 June.	6:30am. 8:00am 9:00am. 9:30am. 11:00am? 4:00pm. 6:00pm. 7:00pm. 8:30pm.	Walkers. Tai Chi. (Lyn Hill). P7. Morning tea. Meeting. Trailer reversing theory and practical. P6. Combined happy hour. Dinner. (own arrangements). Auction (Paul Brearley). P5. Tea/coffee.	to the attendance list. Cut-off is 3:00pm (Friday) after which own arrangements may have to be made.  Have a CB radio? If so, please give an inbound call to the rally marshals so that your site placement may be both speedy and hassle-free. CH18.				
Sunday 03 June.	8:30am. 8:00am. 9:00am. 9:30am. 10:00am. 4:00pm.	Pay treasurer. Tai Chi. (Lyn Hill). P7. Morning tea. Meeting. Hall/building clean-up. Combined happy hour.	Similarly, indicate your planned attendance to the next rally by checking (ticking) the rally attendance sheet located at the Saturday Meeting.				

#### Samford - a short history ....

amford is a hilly area, roughly 21 kilometres north-west of Brisbane. Access to Samford from Brisbane is via Samford Road through the Samford State Forest and takes about 10 minutes from Ferny Grove.

Samford village is located adjacent to the Samford State Forest section of Brisbane Forest Park. Brisbane Forest Park comprises more than 26,500 ha enclosing 16 separate recreation areas. The wide variety of habitat provides a sanctuary for a broad range of native wildlife. Samford Valley is known as the 'Home of the Powerful Owl', as the area is known to be an important breeding area for the bird, Australia's largest owl. Parts of D'Aguilar Range, which includes nearby Camp Mountain, Mount Nebo, Mount Glorious and Mount Pleasant give rise to the valley in which Samford lies.



A little History ...

Samford was occupied by the indigenous people who named it 'Kupidabin', an aboriginal word from the Waka language, meaning 'place of possums'. Samford was an important location for 'kippa-ring' or initiation ceremony. Tribes from Ipswich, Cressbrook, Mount Brisbane and Brisbane would travel here to have their 'kippas' (young men) initiated.

Samford's very first inhabitants were an aboriginal tribe which belonged to the Waka language group, whose territory also included the upper Brisbane River and the South Burnett. While there are no aboriginal tribes still living in Samford, their history remains by means of the bora-ring, which is a tribal ceremonial ground. These (bora-rings) are very significant to the Aboriginal people and comprise a raised platform of dirt arranged in a circle. One such ring is at Wights Mountain, the burial site near Upper Camp Mountain Road.

Although Samford is closer to Brisbane than most acreage areas in the Moreton Bay Regional Council, the secluded valleys of the upper reaches of the South Pine River were not settled by Europeans until the mid-1850s. The first land auctions were held on 1 February 1855. After the subdivision of farms into acreage, homesites commenced in the 1960s, with substantial upgrading of road access completed more recently, many of Samford's residents commute to work in Brisbane.



# <u>Guinness World Record Attempt,</u> Barcaldine, 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> May 2019 ....

The President of the Australian Motorhoming Lions Club is seeking support for the promotion of this event (not financial support). It is the Guinness world record attempt for the longest line of end-to-end caravan/motorhome/fifth-wheeler etc. Members and friends are therefore invited to be part of this history-making event to be held in Barcaldine on the weekend of the 25th and 26th May 2019. It will no doubt attract world-wide media attention.

The Australian Motorhoming Lions Club is also looking for sponsors from the private sector. Should you know of anyone who could be interested please have them contact the organisers. Funds raised will be shared among regional charities and Angel Flight.

Lion Lorna Cameron (Sponsorship and Merchandising) Email: Izcameron42@gmail.com.

## Mega Charitable Fundraising Auction ....

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7:00pm.** In support of our two charitable organisations, the Royal Flying Doctor Service and LifeFlight, an auction will be held at Samford on Saturday night, 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, commencing at 7:00pm. Items urgently needed. Dig deep and bring along those unwanted items and help support these two worthwhile organisations. The auction will be run by our most notable, venerable and esteemed auctioneer, Paul 'who'll give me a dollar' Brearley.

Remember, as travellers around this vast and remote country, whether it be by caravan, motorhome or by other means, there may come a time when we may need to be medically evacuated by air. Food for thought!!



#### Our Pet Policy ....

This Policy applies to all members, visitors and guests whilst at a rally site for the entire duration of the rally, i.e., upon arrival on site and until departure. This Policy runs in conjunction with any other pet policy imposed by the venue at which our rally is being held.

It must be remembered that although many of us enjoy pets, not all club members are pet lovers. However, if we abide by a few simple rules, there is no reason why we cannot all be happy and have a harmonious rally environment. Refer to the By-Law No. 19 for further details.

It is important to be aware that:

- Pet owners/carers are responsible for keeping their pets quiet at all times.
- Barking dogs will not be tolerated as this can be disturbing to others.
- Pets must be restrained and kept within the confines of the owner/carer's caravan/annex.
- Pets are to be kept on a short leash or other type of restraint at all times.
- When walking a pet, it must be on a short leash or other type of restraint and be in the hands of a responsible adult.
- A pet must not be off its leash anywhere on the rally site. The only exception being if a specific area designated for this purpose is provided by the venue.

Pets are not permitted in the following areas:

- Where food is eaten, being prepared and/or served.
- Toilet/shower facilities.
- The hall or meeting area.
- Happy hour. The only exception being where happy hour is being held under a member's caravan awning and it is at the discretion of the caravan owner as to whether a pet is permitted.
- Pet owners/carers must clean-up any mess their pet makes.

If a member is attending a rally with a pet, the rally marshal is to be advised on arrival.

IF WE ALL EMPLOY A LITTLE BIT OF CO-OPERATION AND COMMON SENSE, OUR MEMBERS WILL BE HAPPY NEIGHBOURS.



## Golf Placings (Pine Rivers) ....

Ladies: 1<sup>st</sup>, Desley Hinson.

Nearest to the pin, Desley Hinson.

Gents: 1st, Jim Holt - Equal 2nd, Alf Hinson and Owen Noffke.

Longest drive, Owen Noffke.

Nearest to the pin, Alf Hinson.

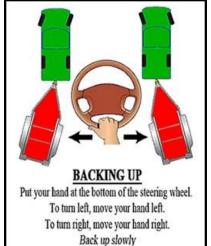
Photographs of members and family may appear in publications and social media, eg., the Club magazine, website, Facebook, or other Club-sponsored publications. If a member does not wish for this to occur, the member should inform the Secretary in writing as well as advising the person taking the photograph. Whilst all care will be taken to comply with this request, no guarantee can be given that this will not occur.



#### Patrick's Reversing With Mirrors Session ....

It has been considered a good idea to demonstrate to members the technique (and art) of reversing your rig using the mirrors. In particular, if any of the girls want to have a go, so much the better.

I have put together a power point presentation to illustrate the theory of reversing an articulated vehicle which will be followed by a practical lesson whereby you will be able to hitch your vehicle to a trailer and do some exercises in towing and reversing under the guidance of experienced members. (Should the girls want to have a go, then perhaps the husbands should not be there!). All you need is the will and determination to try and give it a go. What you will need is your tow vehicle; hopefully CB radio; patience and determination. The trailers are provided, so no risk to your van!



The session will commence at 2:00pm on Friday (1st June) with a theory lesson with a second one following the Saturday morning meeting. At the theory class a

roster will be put together for the practical session. It is expected that each practical session, per person, will take approximately 30 minutes. If required, the program will be extended to Sunday. Times will be advised.

As you arrive at the rally, please give the marshals an indication of whether you are desirous in participating as this will assist us to better organise the event. CH 18.

Patrick Hetherman.

### Maleny Craft Display ....

Please be reminded that the display of hand-crafted items, which was originally scheduled for the Samford rally, will now be on the program for the July Maleny rally. Should you have anything which you have 'personally made' and would like to display it/them for others to see, please bring it along.

The display is intended not only to 'display' peoples' innovative talents, but also to pass-on ideas and techniques and perhaps inspire others peruse similar pastime interests and activities.

## Proposed Maleny Entertainment ....

As there is some interest in a whole-of-club barefoot bowls game, Shane Jones (entertainment member) is keen to see how much interest there is with the aim of having a barefoot bowls competition at the Maleny rally in July. He has spoken to staff at the Maleny Bowls Club who are most happy to accommodate a club game. The bowls club is able to take club members on Sunday (15th July) at lunch time. Shane has



negotiated an arrangement whereby club members get a game of bowls and a hamburger included for fifteen dollars. The bowls club will also open its bar for drinks.

At Samford, Shane will be asking for a show of hands in order to see how much interest there is. The bowls club will host the event if there is a minimum of twenty people. Naturally, the event will only be of interest to those members who will stay at the rally for the Sunday.

Please be mindful that the bowls club is staffed wholly by volunteers.

#### Rally Calendar ....

#### <u> 2018</u>

Jun 02-03 Samford Showground.
July 14-15 Maleny Showground
August 11-12 Kalbar Showground.
Sep 08-09 Hillview (Bush rally).

#### <u> 2018</u>

Oct 22-27 State Rally, Bundaberg.
Nov 10-11 Goombungee Showground.
Dec 01-02 Kenilworth Showground.

# 1 Happy Birthday to you for June 1

3<sup>rd</sup> Karon Stevens 5<sup>th</sup> Judi Biddington

6<sup>th</sup> Linda Van Wyk 6<sup>th</sup>

Tom Davis 8<sup>th</sup> Lorraine Lowcock

9<sup>th</sup>

Barry Lander

13<sup>th</sup> Denise Farrell

14<sup>th</sup> Julie Swift

16<sup>th</sup> **Bob Tebbit** 

19<sup>th</sup> Ian Bamberry 20<sup>th</sup> Jan Miers

20<sup>th</sup> Margaret James 22<sup>nd</sup> Ken McNabb

23<sup>rd</sup> Denise Sheehan 26<sup>th</sup> Bev Green

28<sup>th</sup> Sylvia Stocker

28<sup>th</sup> Nerida Versace

29<sup>th</sup> Col Green

# 1 Happy Anniversary to you for June 1

3rd Dawn and Graham Dukes

4<sup>th</sup> Shirley and Graham Sheehan

5<sup>th</sup> Di and Paul Brearley

6<sup>th</sup> Gayle and Peter Johnston

7<sup>th</sup> Linda and Richard Van Wyk 7<sup>th</sup> Rhonda and Frank Gaffney

11<sup>th</sup> Bev and Harold Liley

14<sup>th</sup> Denise and Ian Farrell 25<sup>th</sup> Sue and Tony Stephenson

30<sup>th</sup> Mary and Lionel Jacobson

# Attendees at Pine Rivers (Lawnton) ....

BAKER, Darren.

BAKER, Gordon and Sue.

BEKER, Bert and Yvonne.

BREARLEY, Paul and Di. BRIDGES, Roy and Carmel.

BRUNO, Paul and Marina.

BURDETTE, Michael and SIFFLETT, Lesley.

CARROLL, John and Jenny.

CHESNEY, Neil and Marie.

COOK, Merv and Barbara.

CRAWFORD, Geoff and KING, Margaret.

DAY, Kevin and Carol.

DONALDSON, Janelle.

EDNEY, Dennis and Heather.

EGEN, Ian and Gwen.

GIBSON, Barry and Wendy.

GOWER, Kevin and Pat.

GRAY, Geoff and Dell.

GREEN, Rod and Bev.

HASLEWOOD, Lance.

HENRY, Rick and Cheryl.

HILL, Roy and Lyn.

HILLER, Margaret.

HINSON, Alf and Desley.

HOLT, Jim and Minnie (visitor).

ISON, Gordon.

JACOBSON Lionel and Mary.

JAMES, Colin and Margaret.

JONES, Noel and Olive.

JUDGE, David and Helen.

KAYS, Daryl and Margaret.

KEARNEY, Bob and Kathy.

LANDER, Barry and Gail. LANGLEY, Steve and Robyn.

LILEY, Harold and Bev.

MACDONALD, Ray and Pam.

MARTIN, Trevor and Mavis.

McGOWAN, Murray and Jenni.

McLEOD, Des and Jenny

METCALFE, Rodney and Mary.

MIERS, John and Jan.

NOFFKE, Owen and KIRBY, Jan.

PARK, Terry and Denise.

POMROY, Tony and Lynne.

RIDER John.

RUTHERFORD, Bob and Barbara.

SHEEHAN, Graham and Shirley.

STOCKER, Eddie and Sylvia.

VAN WYK, Richard and Linda.

# Lucky Lawnton Raffle and Van Draw Winners ...

 $\Rightarrow 1^{\mathsf{st}}$ Big W voucher, donated by QCC ~ David and Helen Judge.

 $\Rightarrow$  2<sup>nd</sup> Crochet rug, donated by Tony and Julie Swift ~ Darren Baker.

 $\Rightarrow$  3<sup>rd</sup> Slippers, donated by Marilyn Tebbit ~ Margaret James.

Cosmetics, donated by A Heffernan ~ Gordon Ison.  $\Rightarrow$  4<sub>th</sub>

⇒ Lucky Van Draw ~ Olive and Noel Jones / Owen Noffke and Jan Kirby.



nterested in Tai Chi? Tai Chi Qigong originated in ancient China and is one of the most effective exercises for health of Although an art with great depth of mind and body. knowledge and skill, it can be easily learnt and soon delivers its rewarding health benefits. For many, it continues as a lifetime journey.

Lyn Hill will be running tai chi classes on both Saturday and Sunday mornings commencing at 8:00am with a warm-up session

followed by Shibashi. This comprises 18 movements which places emphasis on synchronizing with proper breathing techniques. It is a gentle, beautiful and flowing Qigong exercise routine that is both a joy to do and deeply relaxing. No experience necessary.

#### Your committee ~ 2018/2019 ...

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#### Club News and Considerations ....

- <u>Club Craft Display</u>, Maleny Rally. Please bring your hand-made craft items to display.
- ♦ <u>Barefoot Bowls</u>, Maleny Bowls Club, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July. (to be further advised).
- ♦ Guinness Book of Records Caravan/Motorhome World Record Attempt, Barcaldine 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May.
- ♦ The Caravan Clubs of Queensland (CCQ) website address: http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au.
- 'Rumble into Bundy' State Caravan Rally, Monday 22 October to Sunday 28 October. Hosted by the Bayside, Peninsula and Queensland Caravan Clubs. A great location so let's make this rally a good one with an overwhelming QCC contingent. See Page 9 for more information.
- ♦ All persons attending a QCC rally, members and visitors, <u>must</u> sign the attendance book.
- ♦ When purchasing souvenir items please tender the correct sum of money.
- Where possible, those first to connect to water are requested to attach a two-way adaptor as this will allow the next person to connect without interruption to you. Similarly, when departing, please advise those down the chain of your intention to disconnect. A little courtesy goes a long way.
- ♦ When arriving to a rally, please give an inbound radio call to the rally marshals as this will let them know of your impending arrival and allow them to determine the best location for you. <u>CH18</u>.
- ♦ Pick-up after your pets.
- ♦ Editor email address: editor@qldcaravanclub.com.au.

From the Editor/Webmaster .... Many thanks to those members who complimented me on my first



edition of the QCC Wanderer. Very much appreciated indeed. There were a couple of issues with the distribution of the newsletter via email in that several members' emails bounced even though the addresses were correct. After several resends failed, I then decided to try sending the newsletter via my phone, and much to my surprise and enlightenment, they went through. Naturally I am not too keen to do this every month as it chews into my phone data. May I suggest that should anybody be unfortunate in not receiving their QCC Wanderer via email, that they download or print it from the web site. This isn't a difficult process, however if people are stuck, I'd be more than happy to walk them through it.

To compliment the newsletter, I launched a new website on 15th May. The previous site, although functional and purposeful, was somewhat out-of-date in design, I felt. This may appear jargon to some, but the new web site is compiled using cascading style sheets, java script modules and dynamic web templates. Without these it would have been impossible to set-up the site way it is with expanding photographs and the like. I believe websites to be an important asset to any organisation as they are more than just an advertisement, but a showcase, for unlike the club's Facebook group which is a closed group and accessible to members only, the website isn't. A web site is not only a great platform to give prospective members an idea of (Page 10)

#### Member Profile ~ Cheryl and Rick Henry ....

Ick and I both grew-up in Victoria. Rick worked for GMH as a driver, working at the testing facilities at Lang Lang. I trained as a primary school teacher. After we married we went on a working holiday around Australia. We really enjoyed Western Australia's life style.

After returning to Victoria, I completed a librarian's course. We decided WA was where we wanted to live. We went north to Roeburn first to earn some money. We then spent the next 46 years in a suburb of Perth. Our only daughter was born there.

We joined a caravan club and spent many happy years (40 years) attending monthly rallies, state rallies and national rallies and Rick and I have held many positions on the committee over the years. We have both worked on the committees of both National Rallies held in WA.

About 18 months ago we moved to Brisbane to be more involved with our daughter and grandchildren. We had missed so much of their growing up. We are now members of this club and enjoying going to its rallies. Cheryl and Rick.





The Gympie Music Muster will soon be here and those planning to attend this superb yearly event should consider booking. This may be done on-line by visiting the event web site at https://www.muster.com.au/tickets/. Members

who have not been before and are contemplating attending, the venue is located at the Amamoor Creek State Forest which is situated between Gympie and Kandanga. Those requiring further information, please talk with Margaret Hiller who will no doubt be keen to give you the good gen. The Music Muster commences on Thursday 25th August and extends through to Sunday 28th August. FOUR DAYS • 100 ARTISTS • 5 BIG STAGES • ONE ALL-INCLUSIVE TICKET.

#### Patrick's Campsite Recommendation ....

Those travelling along the King's Highway between Canberra and Batemans Bay (or from Goulburn along Goulburn Road via Lake Bathurst, Tarago towards Braidwood), might want to consider an overnight at the Warri Camping Reserve (No 632 Camps Australia Edition 8, 35.20 39° S / 149.44 15° E). The location has heaps of room well covered by trees which have been trimmed to remove dangerous limbs. Plenty of open space so no need to camp under trees. Toilets and all other freebie facilities OK (no water). River banks quite steep. A few motorhomes onsite when we arrived, usually evidence of an OK site. Telstra 4G and Internet OK. Was quiet at night.



Warri Camping Reserve is a picturesque spot on the sandy banks of the Shoalhaven River, 13 km north-west of Braidwood off the Kings Hwy. It's a good place for swimming and fishing, but you'll need to bring your own firewood and drinking water, or else boil/treat the river water. The nearby village of Braidwood is worth visiting for its historic value and beautifully restored buildings. Patrick.



Neil Chesney's Northern Fishing Sojourn ... "I had my annual fishing trip to Melville Island, north of Darwin, last month and after 10 years of trying really, really hard, I now have my name on the 'Rusty Hook Trophy' for the biggest barramundi caught (95 cm long). All barramundi are released after measuring. The other fish is a golden snapper (real good eating)."



# Our Contribution to the Pine Rivers Community, (May rally)

- \* Camping ~ \$4,450.00.
- \* Dining  $\sim$  \$3,150.00.
- \* General Expenses ~ \$3,136.00.



(From Page 8 ~ Editor/Webmaster Report) what the club is about but a great platform in providing information, not only to members, but to other like clubs and interested parties. Excellent PR!

I encourage members to visit the club's web site and check-out the photographs, current and past copies of the QCC Wanderer plus other useful information. More importantly, I'm not a Rhode's Scholar and therefore susceptible to making the odd mistake in grammar, punctuation or spelling, so please highlight to me any such errors. Slaving over a web site tends to smudge the grey matter and it sometime makes it difficult to see the woods from the trees. Lance H. (www.qldcaravanclub.com.au)

#### BUNDABERG STATE RALLY UPDATE

A reminder to members that the 2018 State Rally will be held in the Bundaberg Recreational Precinct from 22-28 October. It is pleasing to see the support from members who have put-up their hands to take-on various coordinator roles and offer to help at the rally.

The organising committee is planning to visit Bundaberg from 18-25 July to progress plans and coordinators and helpers are invited to attend. The Bundaberg Tourism Office is looking after tours and these will be available for booking in the very near future as will the rally registration forms.

Cost has been set at \$32.00 per van per night with an early payment cut-off date of 28 July. Early payment registrations will then go into a draw where the winner will have their rally fees reimbursed.

So come on members – as one of the host clubs, let's show our support for the state rally – and

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