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16th - 22nd September2021



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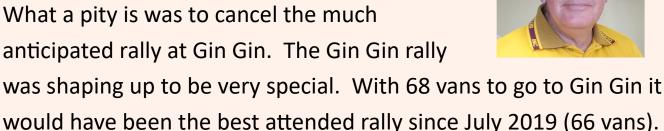
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

August 2021

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What a pity is was to cancel the much anticipated rally at Gin Gin. The Gin Gin rally



For the first time the Club had asked members to travel more than

200 klms from Brisbane to attend a rally.

But alas, it was not to be. Despite the Queensland Government lifting the Covid-19 lockdown effecting 11 Local Government Areas, the very strong recommendation from the State's Chief Medical Officer was not to travel into regional Queensland. For the safety of both our members and the Gin Gin community the rally was cancelled.

Gin Gin still beckons, and when all is right we will go there.

Now, we all look forward to the State Rally at Pittsworth which lasts for a full seven days from 16 September. If you can assist the organizers in any way please contact Paul Brearley (0428 104 989) or Kevin Day (0418 777 192).

Travel safely, and I will see you in September at the State Rally.

Shane Jones



Queensland Caravan Club Inc

RALLY CALENDAR 2021

Remember to check each month QCC Wanderer for any change in rally details.



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THE STATE RALLY IS A COVID SAFE EVENT

COVID SAFE DECLARATION REQUIRED FOR ENTRY

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS AT ALL TIMES DURING THIS EVENT

Some of the activities and events of the Rally

 Morning & Afternoon Teas – BYO mugs
 Night <u>SAUSAGE SIZZLE</u> – pre ordered on the Registration Form

Morning $\underline{\mathsf{BREAKFAST}}$ – pre ordered on the Registration Form

2 course DINNER - pre ordered on the Registration Form

<u>WINE & CHEESE</u> Night – pre ordered on the Registration Form

- Friday Night Dance
- Food, Drink & Ice Cream Vans
- Twilight Market Day
- Exhibitors, Seminars and Trade Days

- Arts & Crafts
- Line Dancing BUS TOURS to local attractions

BUS TOURS to carnival parade plus more

- Trivia
- Great nights of entertainment
- The famous Drag Racing Competition
- Happy Hours
- Plus the excitement, fun and colour of Australia's premier floral festival is at your door step



1 Happy Birthday to you for September 1

RUTHERFORD Bob 8 STEVENS Brian 11 LILLIS Michael 22

JONES Shane 9 MC CALLUM Keith 14 CRAGG Lyn 26

MC GOWAN Jenni 9 MARTIN Trevor 15 KING Margaret 28

TRULOFF Bruce 9 WILSON Jenny 15 THOMSON Bob 29

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1 Happy Anniversary to you for September 1

GIBSON Barry & Wendy 1 JONES Shane & Linda 17 DOBE Bill & Ann 28

THOMSON Bob & Pam 3 MANDER Greg & Pat 20

LANDER Barry & Gail 16 ABRAHAM Beres & Carmel 28



This rally was cancelled as a result of the Committee deeming that travel to GIN GIN, was not essential travel outside of the local government areas which had been in Lockdown. Sixty eight Caravans traveling to this area would not have been welcomed by the locals



Heard through the grapevine that some members did make it to Gin Gin—Hope you had an awesome time.

Terry & Denise Park and Paul & Di Brearley had a great week on North Stradbroke Island, this was to make up for not going to the Gin Gin Rally.

Taking advantage of the Sealink Winter Special where caravans can travel on the Ferry for free. Return fares then costing \$209 which makes it very affordable. Each day was spent doing a little sightseeing of the must-see areas. Our favourite spot was Point Lookout which has incredible scenery. There were lots of whales and even a

turtle swimming below the cliffs.

The Blue Lake which was a 6km walk to see and we all questioned if it was worth it.

The koalas were everywhere and a joy to watch, one fellow at Cylinder Beach walked right up to us. We checked out the golf course but did not play.

Curlews are in abundance on the island and not timid at all. They would stand only a few feet from us and not move.

Terry got some great photos of

their big eyes.

Our van sites were at Adder Rock campground which we

have agreed is the best. Amity Point had a lot more sites, Cylinder Beach was a lot smaller. These campgrounds are all run by Minjerribah Camping. A discount for being RACQ members was an added surprise.

We had some great meals at various restaurants and really enjoyed the fresh seafood from Rufus Seafoods at Amity Point.

Not easy coming back to reality.

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All enquiries to the Queensland Caravan Club should be directed to the Secretary





GOLF NEWS—Two Long term players of golf competed in a game of Golf over the last month. Player one had been beating player two for the past three years. Unfortunately Player two beat player one. Player one (Jimmy Holt) sulked for days as he is very competitive. Player two was in his element and decided that since a golf player is only as good as his last game, he would only challenge player one in six months time



DIRECTIONS TO 2021 STATE RALLY FROM BRISBANE AND THE EAST:

Travel the Warrego Highway (A2) and the Toowoomba bypass (Toll Road) to the Gore Highway (A39). Take the exit to Pittsworth (Toowoomba



Road). After entering the 60k zone the High School should be on your left. Immediately after the school TURN LEFT into Factory Street (beware of school children). At the "T" junction TURN RIGHT into Yandilla Street. Take the next TURN RIGHT into Steele Street cross over Bayley Street and TURN RIGHT into the Showgrounds. If traffic is banked up pull to the side of the road and off the bitumen if practical. Do NOT block the roadway!

FROM MILLMERRAN AND THE WEST: Travel the Gore Highway (A39) to the Pittsworth exit. This will become Yandilla Street. Stay on Yandilla Street travelling through 2 roundabouts then TURN LEFT into Steele Street cross over Bayley Street and TURN RIGHT into the Showgrounds. If traffic is banked up pull to the side of the road and off the bitumen if practical. Do NOT block the roadway!

FROM WARWICK AND THE SOUTH: Travel the New England Highway and exit to Clifton then travel via the Clifton-Pittsworth Road to Pittsworth or (preferred option) detour through Felton and travel via the Felton Pittsworth Road. On Entering the 60k zone continue past Factory Street and take the next TURN RIGHT into Steele Street cross over Bayley Street and TURN RIGHT into the Showgrounds.

If traffic is banked up pull to the side of the road and off the bitumen if practical. Do NOT block the roadway! Meet & Greet You will be greeted at the gate and in the queue when you line up with your van to enter the showgrounds on the 16th September 2021.

Your Meet and Greet Team will be wearing floral shirts so you will know who they are. Please be ready with your Covid-19 Declaration forms or the more easier and quicker method of the Qld Checkin App for the all-important check-in at the gate. Your registration statement is also required as proof of payment. The Team are ready to help you ease into this rally so you can enjoy your experience at Pittsworth.





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Rules and Regulations for Attendance at a State Rally

WATER:

- Please be water wise do not waste water.
- Please arrive with your water tanks full.

GREY/SULLAGE WATER:

- Sullage water is to be distributed onto the ground.
- A stocking must be placed over the end of sullage hoses to catch all solids.
- Sullage hoses must be moved from time to time to avoid pools forming.
- Sullage water must not encroach onto neighbouring sites or walkways.
- Use of washing machines should be extremely limited.

BLACK WATER:

Toilet cassettes and night buckets are to be emptied into the approved dump point only, NOT the toilets.

PETS:

- Pets must be confined in an enclosed area or restrained on a leash of two (2) metres or less.
- Pets are not allowed in buildings, marquees, eating areas or any communal area.
- Owners are responsible for the behaviour of their pets and shall clean-up any 'mess' deposited by their pets.

ALCOHOL:

Consumption of alcohol is restricted to caravans and designated happy hour areas.

GLASS:

 Please be responsible with the use of glass as the Pittsworth Showgrounds is a major equestrian area and be aware that glass restrictions are in place, especially in the arena. Any broken glass must be totally removed.

SMOKING:

Smoking is not allowed in buildings, marquees, eating areas or any communal area.

NOTES:

- Rally Registration Statements will be sent by email only.
- If an email address has not been provided, Rally Registration Statements will be emailed to the Club Secretary.
- Rally newsletters will be emailed to registered members and to Club Secretaries.

COVID-19:

 Members must be aware of and comply with all QLD Health regulations and COVID-19 plans and safety directives that apply at the time of the rally.

By submitting a Rally Registration Form, the member agrees to abide by the State Rally Committee directions and Rules and Regulations pertaining to Safety and Welfare.

May 2021

QCC Club Stall at Pittsworth State Rally

Hi Members,

We are looking for new items for our \$2.00 lucky dip stall at the upcoming State Rally to be held at Pittsworth in September. All proceeds from this stall will go to our charities, Royal Flying Doctor Service and Lifeflight.

We would also welcome item/s which can be sold separately. If you have any items in very good condition suitable for this stall, please bring them to the July or August rally and hand them to myself or one of my helpers, Helen Judge or Gwen Egen.— Margaret

These are the Apps that Roger spoke about at Samford - It is well worth you downloading on your mobile phone the Qld COVID App and the Emergency Plus App.

To download these apps go to the App Store on your phone and search for COVID Check In Qld; and Emergency Plus. If unsure.....Speak to Richard who will download it for you on your Smart Phone



SUNSHINE REPORT August/ September

Sunshine Report

For those who have endured a loss of a dear one, suffered ill health, been hospitalised, have had surgery, or misfortune, our best wishes to you all.

We know that some of our members have not been well. We are thinking especially of Roy Bridges, Brian Sheehan, Dorcas Burt.

Also, Jenni McGowan, Fay Bell, Gail Lander, Bill Waycott, Barry Gibson and Colin James. We wish you all a quick recovery.

To our Friends at Zueensland Caravan Olub

I deeply appreciate and greatly acknowledge your kind expressions of Sympathy and Support after the recent passing of my dear Wife, Yvonne

I'll forever be grateful to everyone who have offered their comfort and support to me in this very difficult time. It will always be remembered.

A Very Special Thank You, One and All

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Out & About - Bob Kearney & Friends



RIVER FARM CAMP-ING— Great relaxing spot here. Amenities are very clean, sites are mowed, plenty of drinking water. Also water for showers, non potable water, well stocked camp kitchen with large fridge, zipp water heater, dump point as well. Regards,

Michael Burdette & Friends - Claytons Rally







We saw a very competitive Bev Liley at this Camp - Nobody wanted to tell her she had lost the game. On hearing that the GIN GIN rally was cancelled—A quick ring around saw six members head off to Darlington Park for four days—then onto Lowood for four days and then on to Narda Lagoon for a number of nites. Needless to say a lot of wine was consumed and laughter was the theme for this group











Jan & Owen Hosted a group of QCC members at her home for a few days—Needless to say - It was hard to leave this setting - Thank you guys for being the perfect hosts

REMINDER You will be required to carry cash for food, ice creams, drinks, market stalls & raffles. Eftpos facilities will not be available on site during the state rally

Photographs of members and family may appear in publications and on social media, eg., the Club newsletter, 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.



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Hours of Business

Monday & Tuesday 8.00am to 4.00pm
Other Times by Appointment

Mobile Facility Available on Some Services



CATCHING UP WITH LIFE MEMBERS:

A decision was made by your new Committee to keep in touch with Life Members whom we don't see at rallies any more. So, because I am the old girl on the Committee who knows all of the Life Members, I was lucky enough to be the one to contact them from time to time.

So, deciding to contact them on their birthday and wish them a happy birthday from the QCC, I had the opportunity to catch up with Eue Boyle and Margaret Thomas, both having birthdays in August.

It was lovely to have a chat with both of them. I remember Eue as being Treasurer of the Club for many years and often think of him and Jill, especially on their anniversary which is the same day as ours. Fond memories there of the dinners at the Police Credit Union Building in Roma Street and of the "fun and different" anniversary cake presented to both couples at a rally many moons ago.

Margaret sounded her usual happy self with Stan in the background. They are doing well and keeping active — Margaret with her craft group and Stan making his bird feeders. If ever we wanted a trophy for a club event, Stan was the man to make one for us.

It was lovely to catch up with these Life Members and remember their contribution to the Club in days gone by.

Barbara

<u>Pittsworth State Rally Help Needed.</u> Attending the Pittsworth State Rally? A number of Volunteers are still required to make this event an outstanding success. Assistance would be most welcomed and appreciated. If you can assist, talk to Adriane Skinner or Barbara Rutherford of your availability.

All Areas still require Volunteers. QCC is always a contributor to the state Rallies. HELPPPPPPPPP PLEASE.

NATIONAL RALLY—BAREMA

NATIONAL RALLY REPORT:

As at the end of July, there were 389 registrations for the 18th National Caravan Rally to be held in Barmera, South Australia from 28 March to 6 April 2022, just 7 months away. Of these total registrations, 25 vans are from the QCC. The final instalment for the Rally is due by 30 November 2021 so it is still not too late to register.

The newsletters coming through are full of interesting information about the Rally and can be viewed on the website. As is usual at National Rallies, a call goes out for knitted and/or crocheted items such as beanies, rugs and trauma teddies to be donated to local charities. Patterns are available on the website or I am sure our talented ladies have plenty of their own. Even if you are not going to the Rally, someone else who is going would be only too happy to take your handiwork down to SA for you.

There will be an $8 \times 8 \times 8 \times 8 \times 8$ workshop at the Rally that may interest some members. The object of this is using 8 ply acrylic yarn, size 8 needles, making 8" $\times 8$ " knitted or crocheted squares, any pattern or colour combination and bring them to the Rally, or send with a friend. There will be a workshop at the Rally to sew them all together — and lots of chatting at the same time I would think — a great way to meet caravanners from other Clubs and States.

If you are not already registered, please think about it. South Australia has always put on a great National Rally in the past and, I am sure, this will be no exception. Registration Forms can be found on their website – 18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

Barbara Rutherford

National Rally Liaison Officer

Queensland Caravan Club Inc

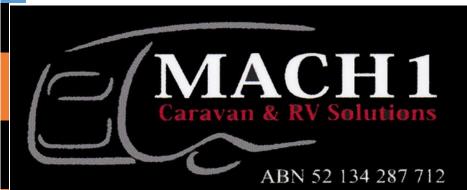
Just for Laughs

- NEVER IN MY WILDEST DREAMS DID I IMAGINED MYSELF ENTERING A BANK, WEARING A MASK, AND ASKING FOR MONEY.
- NEVER THOUGHT MY HANDS WOULD ONE DAY CONSUME MORE ALCOHOL THAN MY LIVER ... EVER!
- LOCK DOWN SEEMS LIKE A NETFLIX SERIES: JUST WHEN YOU THINK IT'S OVER, THEY RELEASE THE NEXT SEASON.
 - . I'M STARTING TO LIKE THIS MASK THING, I WENT TO THE SUPERMARKET YESTERDAY AND TWO PEOPLE THAT I DON'T LIKE DIDN'T RECOGNISE ME.
 - THOSE COMPLAINING THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH HOLIDAYS, WHAT NOW?
 - I NEED TO SOCIAL DISTANCE MYSELF FROM MY FRIDGE: I TESTED POSITIVE FOR EXCESS WEIGHT!
 - I'M NOT PLANNING ON ADDING 2020 TO MY AGE. I DIDN'T. EVEN USE IT! I DON'T KNOW ABOUT 2021. DOES IT EXIST?
 - WE WANT TO PUBLICLY APOLOGISE TO THE YEAR 2019 FOR ALL THE BAD THINGS WE SAID ABOUT IT.
 - TO ALL THE LADIES WHO WERE PRAYING FOR THEIR HUSBANDS TO SPEND MORE TIME WITH THEM — HOW ARE YOU DOING?
- MY WASHING MACHINE ONLY ACCEPTS PYJAMAS THESE DAYS, I PUT IN A PAIR OF JEANS AND A MESSAGE POPPED UP : "STAY HOME"

2019: AVOID NEGATIVE PEOPLE 2020: AVOID POSITIVE PEOPLE 2021: AVOID PEOPLE BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW IF THEY ARE POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE

SEND THIS TO SOMEONE STRUGGLING IN LOCKDOWN TO GIVE THEM A LAUGH

Just a reminder that we have a number of Businesses that support our club through the advertisements of their business in the QCC Wanderer. QCC would like to thank these businesses for their continued support and would encourage members where possible to engage with these businesses for repairs and sales.



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