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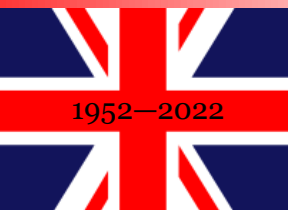
GIN GIN RALLY REPORT / JUNE 2022

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

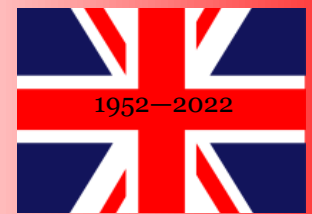


Queen Elizabeth II
(Elizabeth Alexandra Mary)
Windsor aged 96
born 21st April 1926
Mayfair, London UK
70 year reign 2022

Princess Elizabeth of York
at 18, future Queen of
England, while on military
service 1945
photo thanks to
Ted & Mary Slattery



The Winners of the best dressed for the
Queen's Jubilee cross dress competition.
Greg Mander & Sue Thorpe





June 2022

PRESIDENT'S REPORT /GIN GIN RALLY



June 2022

Usually the club holds rallies within 250 kms of Brisbane. Now that the majority of members are retired, it was decided to go further afield and Gin Gin was decided as the location for the club's first 'distant' rally. Our first attempt at holding a rally at Gin Gin last year was unsuccessful due to South East Queensland being 'locked down' by the State Government due to Covid-19 fears.

This year all lights were green, and 55 vans descended on the Gin Gin Showgrounds for our June rally. A record 31 vans arrived on Wednesday. Making the most of the distant rally location, most members either toured on the way to the rally, or after the rally, or both.

Gin Gin Showgrounds proved to be a popular location. The town of Gin Gin is an attractive small town which is very well presented. Similarly the showgrounds are well cared for with a modern well equipped hall, which proved ideal for many club activities over the period of the rally.

The weather was also excellent with cold nights and blue sky days. It was great to be able to hold a rally where everything which was planned to be held went ahead and was not affected by Covid-19 or the weather.

With great outdoors weather and the availability of a golf course and a bowls club both these activities went ahead with many happy participants. In fact, a record number of members enjoyed a game of social bowls on Friday afternoon.

The Bowls Club also hosted a very successful dinner for a large number of members on Friday evening. Everyone was impressed with the very warm welcome and friendliness of the bowls club members. There were many comments after the dinner saying that we had just experienced country hospitality at its best.

On Saturday afternoon the delayed Disc Bowls pairs competition was held on the showgrounds oval in very comfortable and pleasant sunny weather. Carmel Abraham and Jenni McGowan and helpers organised the competitors in the absence of Barry and Wendy Gibson.

Congratulations go to David and Helen Judge who prevailed against Shane and Linda Jones in the grand final match. It was great to see so many members participate in the competition as players and also in helping to run the event.

Given the rally's timing the theme chosen for the rally was the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Some hall decorations reflected this theme, as did the fun cross dressing event held prior to the Bingo on Saturday night.



Greg Mander and Sue Thorpe got the chocolates as the most impressive cross dressers.

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Saturday night Bingo was a very popular and fun night conducted by Roger Adams with the assistance of Laurel Adams and Linda Jones. Roger had researched all the bingo calls and presented the night very professionally.

The regular Card Making, Craft and Sewing activities were successfully conducted in the excellent hall facility.

The Happy Hours on Thursday and Sunday evenings were conducted around a very large fire pit courtesy of a very helpful caretaker who supplied the wood for the fire. On both occasions a number of musical instruments were produced and a hearty sing-along occurred. On Sunday evening a sausage sizzle was also held using a BBQ supplied by the caretaker.

Our first 'distant' rally was very successful. Gin Gin as a rally location is a winner and will be used again in the future.

Our next rally will be closer to home at a regular location, Lowood. Looking forward to seeing everyone who is not still on the road travelling.

President Jim Thorpe



Thank You to all these members & many more who help at QCC Rallies



Noel Jones (Chief Rally Marshal)



Gail Caddies (Assistant Convener)



Murray McGowan (Assistant Rally Marshal)



Richard VanWyk (IT)



Bob Rutherford (Flags and CCQ Delegate)

Wendy Gibson (Archivist)



Carmel Abraham (Raffles)



Sue Thorpe (Introductions & CCQ Delegate)



Barbara Rutherford (National Liaison Officer)

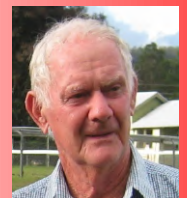


Di Hogan (Library & DVD Coordinator)



Pam MacDonald (Sunshine Person)

David Judge (Merchandise)



Helen Judge (Shirts & Jackets)

Jason O'Connor Pty Ltd Club (Auditor)

55 Vans Attended Gin Gin Rally

ABRAHAM Beres & Carmel
 ADAMS Roger & Laurel
 ANDERSON Darryl & Margaret
 BAKER Darren
 BAKER Gordon & Sue
 BEKER Bert & Yvonne
 BELL Greg & Fay
 BREARLEY Paul & Di
 BURDETT Ivan & Robyn
 BURT Doug & Dorcas
 BUZZA Les & Lyn
 CADDIES Ray & Gail
 CRAWFORD Geoff & KING Margaret
 DAY Kevin & Carol
 EDNEY Dennis & Heather
 EGEN Ian & Gwen
 FLETCHER Keith & Jenny
 GOWER Kevin & Pat
 GREEN Rod & Bev
 HETHERMAN Patrick & Ann
 HINSON Alf & Desley
 HOGAN Kerry & Dianne
 HOLT James & Minnie
 JONES Noel & Olive
 JONES Shane & Linda
 JUDGE David & Helen
 KAYS Daryl & Margaret
 KEARNEY Bob & Kathy
 LACEY George & Yvonne
 LANGLEY Steve & Robyn

LILEY Harold & Bev
 LILLIS Michael & Susan
 LOWE Phil & Del
 MAC DONALD Ray & Pam
 MANDER Greg & Pat
 MARTIN Trevor & Mavis
 MC DOWALL Kem & Bev
 MC GOWAN Murray & Jenni
 MIERS John & Jan
 PARK Terry & Denise
 ROBBINS Yvonne
 ROSS John & Robyn
 RUTHERFORD Bob & Barbara
 SLATTERY Ted & Mary
 SMITH Tom & Jacky
 STEPHENSON Tony & Sue
 STOCKER Eddie & Sylvia
 TEBBIT Bob & Marilyn
 THOMSON Bob & Pam
 THORPE Jim & Sue
 TRULOFF Bruce & Chris
 VAN LUNTEREN Reen & Sylvia
 VAN WYK Richard & Linda
 VERSACE Peter & FERREIRA Debbie
 WALKER Ted & Fay
 WAYCOTT Bill & Denise

Day Visitors

Gavin & Rosemary Prisk
 Daryl, Lyn and Lucas Coates (Alf & Desley's daughter and family) and
 Kimberley & Zachary Day
 (Carol & Kevin's grandchildren)

Sunshine Corner

Thinking of all the Members that have or have had health issues & wish you a speedy recovery. Jan Miers, Mavis Martin, Susan Kerkin, Barry Gibson, Stewart Hornibrook, Roy Bridges, Ian & Gloria Bamberry. & anyone else we don't know about.

Please call QCC Sunshine Person Pam MacDonald on 3489 1817 or email macrp@yahoo.com.au



Gin Gin Raffle Winners

Jennifer Fletcher

Rod Green

Barb Rutherford

Dennis Edney

Club Charity Lucky Numbers

won by Di Hogan

Lucky Van Draw

Ivan & Robyn Burdett

Doug & Dorcas Burt

Shane & Linda Jones won the bid on this Paddington Bear to raise money for the QCC Charities



Where in Australia does the Binns Track start and finish?

Answer next edition



Gin Gin Golf Results

1st Peter Versace 40.25

2nd Richard Van Wyk 41.75



3rd Jim Holt 42.0



Longest drive Peter Versace

Disc Bowls Pairs Competition in Gin Gin

Winners: David & Helen Judge (right)
Runners up: Shane & Linda Jones (left)
Referee: Ray MacDonald (centre)
 Congratulations to all players who participated to make it a fun day



President Jim Thorpe presenting Past President Shane Jones with his Past Presidents badge, as he was unable to be at the AGM because of Covid. His wife Lady Linda was Shane's right hand. The QCC thanks you both for your contribution to the club.

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18TH NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY -
 2023 Riverland Events Centre, Barmera SA
 27th March 2023 to 4th April 2023
 Arrive 27th March 2023,
 Depart 5th April 2023



<https://www.18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au/>

Next Rally at Lowood - July 6th – 11th 2022

Venue: Lowood Showgrounds

Address: 14 Station Street Lowood QLD Postcode: **4311**

Nearest Intersection: Railway Street/Station Street

GPS: 27.46239°S 152.58266°E

Closest Hospital:

Ipswich Hospital - Chelmsford Avenue, IPSWICH, 4305 Ph. 07 3810 1111

Medical Centre: Lowood Medical Centre—8 Michel Street, Lowood
4311 Phone 07 5426 156

Emergency Contact: Gaye (Caretaker) Ph. 0455 187 201

Defibrillator on site. Plus Club Defibrillator at McGowan's Caravan
Dump point on site.

Directions to Lowood

From the South: Travel West on Warrego Hwy towards Toowoomba. Take the exit to Brisbane Valley Hwy A17, Turn left at Fernvale on Clive St/Fernvale Road to Lowood
OR From the West on D'Aguiar Hwy. Turn left onto Brisbane Valley Hwy. Turn right into Clive St/Fernvale Rd Fernvale.

From both directions once in Lowood turn left into Station St. Showground gate 110M on right.

1. What is a bushman's clock?
 2. Which former Australian Prime Minister set a beer drinking world record?
- Answers page 11

Please address all correspondence to Club Secretary - Carol Day
Mb. **0418 777 192**

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If you are in need of a site close to the amenities—

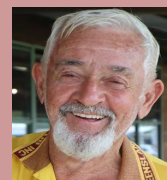
Please contact the

Chief Parking Marshal

Noel Jones on 0418 885 584

before the rally

Please call Noel on UHF channel 18 when approaching the showgrounds



Costs for Lowood Rally

Powered site: \$20 per van per night

Un-powered: \$15 per Van per night

Admin \$3 Hall Hire \$3

FUTURE RALLIES 2022

August 10th-15th Toogoolawah Showgrounds

Sept 7th-12th Mulgowie Hall & Grounds

October 5th-10th Kalbar Showgrounds

November 9th-14th Imbil Showgrounds

Nov-Dec 30th-5th **Laidley Showgrounds**

January 11th—16th Maleny Showgrounds

February 8th—13th Kenilworth Showgrounds

Lowood Program 6th—11th July 2022

THEME: CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Thursday: Golf,

1pm. Card making with Bev Green

2pm. Des Cox, didgeridoo class (if at Rally)

3pm. Line dancing with Kevin and Carol.

Thursday night cards and games and own arrangements to go out to dinner.

Friday: Golf. Health & Well-being Weigh in at 8am with Robyn and Minnie.

1pm Sewing Group

2pm Lawn Bowls (Details below)

4pm Combined happy hour with "Doctor Adam Frankel" Elizabeth Holmes's son (Details below)

7pm Friday night cards and games and own arrangements to go out to dinner.

Saturday: 9.30 Club Forum followed by **GENERAL MEETING**

1pm. Singles Disc Bowls. (GAZEBO'S needed please)

6pm Christmas in July **BYO Dinner.** (Details Page 8).

7.30pm Christmas Quiz after dinner

Sunday: 8.30am Pay Treasurer

9.30am Club Forum

4.30 pm Happy Hour followed by BYO sausage sizzle

Members please read the notice board for Full Program and for any Changes

"Dr Adam Frankel"

Is a General Surgeon at Upper GI PA Hospital. He will give a general talk on Health & Well-being as we age. Making choices when life throws a curve ball: Well-being verses Survival.

Lawn Bowls At Lowood

Address: 157 Main Street Lowood

Cost for game: \$10 per person

Time: 2pm

Please register to play, *on the sheet provided at the rally*

The town of Lowood was Established in 1872 and has an area of 26.7 km². It is located in the Somerset Region. Population: 4,159 ([2016 census](#))

The name Lowood is derived from the "low woods" of brigalow in the Lowood area, as opposed to the taller trees elsewhere in the Brisbane Valley. The name Lowood replaced local names of The Scrub and Cairnhill

Lowood Post Office (Right) opened on 15 October 1888 (a receiving office had been open from 1884)

For more Info on Lowood Click link below
[Lowood | Queensland Places](#)



Lowood railway station (left) was established as the first terminus of the Brisbane Valley branch railway in 1884 and the town grew from the subdivision around the new railway station.



JULY 2022
Birthdays of the Month



- 2 MAC DONALD Pam
- 3 HINSON Desley
- 5 BRUNO Marina
- 7 POMROY Lynne
- 9 RUTHERFORD Barbara
- 12 FERREIRA Debra
- 14 SKINNER Gayle
- 15 HILL Lyn
- 16 DOBE Ann
- 17 ADAMS Laurel
- 19 BAMBERRY Gloria
- 22 HASLEWOOD Lance & Karen
- 23 MC DOWALL Bev
- 25 LANDER Gail
- 25 JONES Noel
- 26 KEARNEY Bob
- 29 ROSS Robyn
- 29 ROBSON-PETCH Pam
- 30 KAHLER Merv

Grant me the Serenity to accept the people I cannot change. The courage to change direction when I see them coming. And the wisdom to not try to drill some sense into them when I can't avoid them



- 8 LANGLEY Steve & Robyn
- 13 HASLEWOOD Lance & Karen
- 21 WAYCOTT Bill & Denise
- 27 CADDIES Ray & Gail
- 29 ROSS John & Robyn

BYO Dinner

Bring your own meal. No sharing of meals due to Covid. Randomly picked Groups of 6 people to a table. Decorate tables. Alcohol allowed at meal. Dress Christmassy. \$2 fun gift possibly unisex (optional) (Reject shop, Wayne's World, any cheap shop) wrapped and handed to Carmel Abraham. 1 gift per person. Tickets issued. No ticket no gift given out.

GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD AT LOWOOD Saturday 9th July 2022



Another Valued member of the QCC Darren Baker our Bell Boy

Some of the QCC girls after enjoying a game of Lawn Bowls at Gin Gin

44 bowlers & 80 + members enjoyed the Lawn Bowls & Meal at Gin Gin Lawn Bowls Club. Great day had by all,



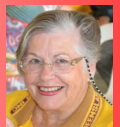
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Mental health & Well being challenge

This month is a reminder that all weight cards need to be handed in at Lowood rally, as this is the last weigh in. Also we are just putting it out there for those who wish to do a DRY July to better your health. We will then start another challenge in August for 6 months cost is \$5 and same rules apply.

BEV GREEN'S CARD MAKING CLASS



The cards that we will be making at Lowood will be a Christmas Card

If you would like a pack to make the card, please contact Bev on **0418 881 890** You will also need your regular tools to make the card. Thank you *Bev Green*



Christmas Tree Runner



Fig 1. Fig 2.



Bev McDowall doing what she does best in Gin Gin

Materials: Background fabric: 16"x by width of fabric (42")

Backing fabric: 18"x 42" strip of fabric

Binding: 4 x 2 1/2" x width of fabric in a coordinating fabric with those used to create the Christmas tree.

Either:

(a) Scraps of fabric in 2 1/2" widths x 14" long. (Choose shades of one colour that gradually fade from dark to light) (Fig 1) Batik fabrics make an excellent choice.

OR

(b) 2 Fat Quarters of coordinating Christmas Fabric, one being lighter than the other (Fig 2)

6"x6" square of gold fabric for the star

2 1/2 " x 2 1/2" brown fabric for tree trunk

Sewing threads to match, pins, scissors etc .

Batting: Light weight batting 16"x42" . May be fuse able if you wish.

Fusible web – Vliesofix – 1/2 metre

Marking pencils and ruler – so as to avoid having to share, allowing you to be all be working at the same rate.

Feel free to give Yvonne a call/txt on mb. 0417 785 783 if you need more information

Christmas Runner will be continued at the Lowood rally

QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUB INC.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

If you are at the scene of the Emergency

RAISE ALARM

Any way possible such as: Sound car horn continuously or instruct someone to do so.

Call out for help. Bang on caravan walls. Turn on car head lights, indicators or hazard lights, especially at night. IF YOU HEAR AN ALARM go quickly to the scene of the emergency.

ACTIVATE EMERGENCY PLUS APP. • Open App on your phone. • Follow prompts.

OR DIAL 000 AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS. Details of the nearest street or intersection and GPS Co-ordinates are in the Club's First Aid Kit and in the QCC Wanderer.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO MANAGE SCENE UNTIL PROFESSIONAL HELP

ARRIVES. Preferably two committee members to act as follows:-

- One to assist at the emergency scene;
- The other to manage communication with Emergency Services and with other QCC members. A COMMITTEE MEMBER TO DIRECT OTHERS. To wait at entry point to direct emergency vehicles within the grounds. Some members may be required at intermediate points to help with directions for emergency vehicles. IF YOUR ASSISTANCE IS NOT NEEDED AT THE SCENE OF THE EMERGENCY, Go to the designated Emergency Assembly Point and await instructions. If the Emergency Assembly Point has not been designated go to the main entrance of the hall and await instructions. BE FAMILIAR WITH THIS EMERGENCY PROCEDURE



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