The Official Newsletter of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc.



QCC Motto

Fellowship on Wheels

AUGUST RALLY 10th -15th

TOOGOOLAWAH SHOWGROUNDS



2022

CANCELLED

DUE TO WET GROUNDS



As there was no attendance tick sheet for Toogoolawah Rally.

PEASE contact "Secretary Carol"

by phone or email if you are coming to August Rally at Toogoolawah Showgrounds

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<u>PRESIDENT'S REPORT LOWOOD RALLY</u> JULY 2022



Last weekend was a wonderful weekend for a caravan rally. The nights were cool (great for sleeping) and the days were balmy with blue skies and sunshine (perfect for outdoor activities). All the planning and preparation was behind us and all the vans were packed and either on the way or about to leave for the rally.

What happened then to render all the preparations useless?

Well the answer is, in recent times if Covid - 19 doesn't impact our ability to hold our rallies then the weather does!

On the Tuesday morning leading up to the rally the Lowood Showgrounds caretakers called our Secretary Carol to advise her of their concern about the impact our vans and vehicles would have on their saturated showground. They were concerned that despite the forecast of fine weather for the coming weekend the ground would not dry out sufficiently to withstand vehicular traffic without significant damage.

Reluctantly, in consultation with Carol, I took the decision to cancel the rally, as there was no alternate venue available at such short notice for such a large number of caravans. (54)

Carol then sent a broadcast email to members and the Management Committee 'ring around list' was enacted to directly contact all members on the current Rally Marshals Check sheet.

While we were all very disappointed about the rally being cancelled so close to the weekend, I hope everyone's 'Plan B' for the weekend went as well as ours did. We did miss you all though!

Unfortunately, all the planning for the 'Christmas in July' Rally cannot be rolled over to next month. Also, the Disc Bowls Singles Competition will now be held later in the year.

The current Covid-19 situation and our new more expensive club Insurance Policy are two prevalent issues the Management Committee will address and inform members about next month.

Our next rally is at Toogoolawah. I remember almost needing a rowboat on the oval while attending a State rally there about ten years ago. Let's hope the wet weather is behind us and that Covid-19 doesn't impact us!

See you at Toogoolawah Showgrounds for our August rally commencing 10th August 2022.

Jim Thorpe QCC President

TOOGOOLAWAH Edition

Where in Australia does the Binns Track start and finish? Answer Page: 10

MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING CHALLENGE

The following are the results from the past 6 months challenge.



Total weight loss -65.63kg There are 5 members who have a loss of 5kg or more.



Refunds \$165.00

Prize money will be \$30.00 for the winner by percentage of weight loss. This can only be calculated when we receive the members cards at the next rally.

Details:

MALES (17 members) weight loss

Mar: -11.25kg Apr: - 04.45kg May: - 10.76kg Jun: - 02.31kg Jul: N/A

Total Loss: -28.17kg.

FEMALES (22 members) weight loss

Apr: -05.85kg May: -13.21kg Jun: -12.60kg Jul: N/A Mar: -05.80kg

Total Loss: -37.46kg



Congratulations to you all for participating and to the ultimate weight: loss champion. (to be revealed at Toogoolawah).

A big thank you to Minnie and Robyn for their efforts.

New 5 month challenge starting at our Toogoolawah Rally.

August - December

Minnie & Robyn have put together the following guidelines for the new challenge.

\$5.00 Joining Fee

Weigh-in to be on scales provided at rally.

Each person will be given a card to keep record of their own weight.

This card should be kept in their caravan & brought to each weigh-in.

Only record kept by organisers, will be weight loss or gained (i.e. 500g)

If you gain weight or don't weigh-in (if you're at the rally) you lose \$1.00.

At the end of the challenge you will receive your \$5.00 back if you have loss weight or stayed the same.

Others will receive back any of their remaining fee.

Funds forfeited will go to the person who had the greatest weight loss.

If you would like to be part of this challenge please let Minnie Holt 0431 210 278 or Robyn Burdett 0427 495 167 know, or send Carol an email and she will pass it on.







Next Rally at Toogoolawah 10th-15th August 2022

Venue: Toogoolawah Showgrounds

Address: 30 Ivory Creek Road, Toogoolawah QLD Postcode: 4313

Nearest Intersection: Ivory Creek Rd & Charles St Toogoolawah 4313

Venue GPS -27.0782154 S 152.3753768 E

Closest Hospital: ESK Hospital - Highland Street ESK Phone: 0754244600

Medical Centre: Somerset Medical Centre—18-20 Fulham Street, Toogoolawah

Phone 0754231841

Emergency Contact: QCC President, JimThorpe 0418 493 853

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

Dump point on site.

Costs for Toogoolawah Rally

Powered site:\$18 per van per night

Admin: \$3

Members please DO NOT enter Toogoolawah showgrounds before 12 midday on the 10th August, only Parking Marshals permitted before 12.

From the Editor: Dennis & I have been travelling since Gin Gin rally, Up the East Coast, Mareeba and fishing in Karumba. With lack of internet in places and doing all those fun things you do when travelling, I trust I have given you all the rally info you need and an enjoyable read. Qcc Editor Heather Edney

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

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



Club Email:

queenslandcaravanclub@gmail.com

Directions to Toogoolawah Showgrounds

From the South: Take M2/Warrego Hwy towards Esk/Toowoomba. Take the exit to Brisbane Valley Hwy A17, Turn left onto Dingyarra St, right onto Ivory Creek Rd. 900metres turn right into Showgrounds

From the West on D'Aguilar Hwy. Turn left onto Brisbane Valley Hwy. Right into Dingyarra St. Right into Ivory Creek Rd, right into Showgrounds

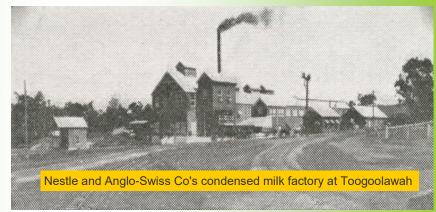
Toogoolawah, is a rural town in the Brisbane Valley,

Situated toward the north of the Brisbane Valley, Toogoolawah is near the Durundur pastoral station established by the Archer brothers in 1841. The station was acquired by the McConnels in 1846, who incorporated it with their Cressbrook estate. The private Cressbrook township was five km north of Toogoolawah.

Upon the railway line from Ipswich reaching Toogoolawah in 1904, a railway township was surveyed and named after the McConnels' property, 'Toogoolawah', at Bulimba which they had left when moving to the Brisbane Valley. Throughout the 1880s there had been resumptions of Cressbrook for closer settlement, and there was a considerable population engaged in dairying and mixed farming when the town was

financed a condensed milk factory at Cressbrook (1898). Later known as the Toogoolawah factory, it was so successful that Nestle and Anglo Swiss was obliged to acquire it to re-enter the Australian market.

Nestle's acquisition (1907) was followed by similar acquisitions at Colinton and Lowood, and in 1921 processing was centralised at



Toogoolawah, giving Nestle a monopoly over condensed milk in the Brisbane Valley as well as supplying cream to the Esk butter factory.

Toogoolawah's population exceeded 1000 people during the 1920s, and Pugh's Queensland directory (1925) recorded three hotels, the *Brisbane Valley Advertiser* office, two sawmills, numerous tradespeople and a range of shops and storekeepers. A progress association contributed to the completion of the Alexandra Hall (school of arts) and the reticulation of electricity generated by the Nestle factory. A Rural School (trades and agriculture) was opened in 1928.

In 1947 there were 80 or more potato growers in the Toogoolawah district. The Nestle condensary, however, closed in 1930.

The decline of dairying in the Brisbane Valley in the 1960s was reflected in a loss of the town's population. Steady recovery began in the late 1980s. In addition to the rural/residential lifestyle there are recreational attractions at the Somerset and Wivenhoe Dams; land resumptions for Wivenhoe (1970s) were financially beneficial to dairy farmers, some of whom moved into town, but the resumptions took some of the best agricultural land.

Toogoolawah has a showground, golf, bowls and swimming venues, the Alexandra Hall, several churches, State primary (1905) and high (1988) schools, two hotels and local shops. Cressbrook homestead (dating from a slab-built construction in 1843), east of Toogoolawah on the Brisbane River, is on the Australian heritage register. The precinct comprising McConnel park, with pioneer and war memorials, and the Anglican St Andrew's church, hall and rectory, is listed on the Queensland heritage register.

August

2022



2 WALDRON Kevin

2 COXALL Terry

2 MC DOWALL Kem

5 REEDY Linda

7 ABRAHAM Beres

7 THOMSON Pam

8 GOWER Kevin

10 EDNEY Heather

10 VERSACE Peter

10 KEARNEY Kathy

14 THOROGOOD Mackenzie

16 BOYLE Eugene

17 THOMAS Margaret

17 JONES Olive

17 PARK Denise

18 STEELE Ray

20 BRUNO Paul

20 SLATTERY Mary

21 THORPE Jim

25 FITZGIBBON Colin

27 WAYCOTT Denise

28 HORNIBROOK Helen

28 HETHERMAN Patrick

29 BEKER Yvonne

19th National Rally



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Bombira, NSW. Sept 27th to Oct 8th

2025





12 DAY Kevin & Carol

13 JAMES Colin & Margaret

14 STOCKER Eddie & Sylvia

19 MC CALLUM Keith & Bev

20 MC GOWAN Murray & Jenni

22 THOMAS Stan & Margaret

22 KAYS Daryl & Margaret 22 GREEN Rod & Bev

28 LOWE Phil & Del

FUTURE RALLIES 2022

Sept 7th-12th Mulgowie Hall & Grounds October 5th-10th Kalbar Showgrounds November 9th-14th Imbil Showgrounds Nov-Dec 30th-5th Laidley Showgrounds

2023

January 11th—16th Maleny Showgrounds February 8th—13th Kenilworth Showgrounds

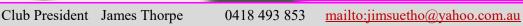
March 27th - April 5th National Rally "Barmera" South Australia

Sunshine Corner

Thinking of all the Members that have or have had health issues during the Month of

July & wish you a speedy recovery. Please call QCC Sunshine Person

Pam MacDonald on 3489 1817 or email macrp@yahoo.com.au



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General Meeting

at Toogoolawah

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Toogoolawah Program 2022

Thursday: Golf,

1pm. Card making with Bev Green

2pm. Des Cox, didgeridoo class

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

Friday: Golf. Health & Well-being sign up for new challenge with Robyn and Minnie.

1pm Sewing Group

2pm Lawn Bowls (register sheet on table at rally) Cash only, no Eftpos available

4pm Happy Hour

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

Satuday:

8.00am Tai Chi

9.30 am Club Forum followed by "GENERAL MEETING"

Afternoon Car Boot Sale (Details below)

7.30pm Brain Strain (Details below)

Sunday:

8.00 am Tai Chi

8.30am Pay Treasurer

9.30am Club Forum

4.00 pm Happy Hour followed by BYO sausage sizzle

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

Car Boot Sale

Bring along your Bits & Pieces to sell.

No cost to seller,

Keep what you make.

Tables in the Hall

See Board for any changes



<u>Brain Strain</u>

There will be tables of six(6), Tables and Chairs supplied, bring a biro with you to the Hall Lots of fun things happening

Come enjoy a great evening

Members please support QCC Sponsors, if you need anything concerning your Caravan





SEWING GROUP



Due to last rally being cancelled the sewing ladies will be finishing their table runner, if there are members who haven't started theirs & would like too, Read Requirements below. or

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

Fig 2.

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

Backing fabric: 18"x 42" strip of fabric

Fig 1.

Binding: 4 x 2 ½" x width of fabric in a coordinating fabric with those used to create the Christmas tree.

Either:

(a) Scraps of fabric in 2 ½" 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 ½ " x 2 ½" 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.

BEV GREEN'S CARD MAKING CLASS

at Toogoolawah Rally



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









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

www.18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au





QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUB INC.

If you are at the scene of the Emergency RAISE ALARM

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

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 EMERGENGY PROCEDURE









Question: Binns Track

Answer: Start: Mt Dare SA & NT Border **Lenght of Track:** 2191km

Finish: Timber Creek NT

Highlights: Mount Dare, Finke River, Mac Clark Conservation Reserve, N'Dhala Gorge, Arltunga Historical Reserve, Pinnacles Track, Davenport Ranges, Territory's 'heart of gold', Tennant Creek, Devils Marbles, Aboriginal musicians at Winanjjikari Music Centre, Threeways Roadhouse, Lake Mary Ann, Dunmarra, Humbert River Track, Bullita Homestead, Drover's Memorial Park, Timber Creek, Gregory's Tree on the banks of the Victoria River.





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