

The Official Newsletter of the Queensland Caravan Club Inc.



Club Motto.. Fellowship on Wheels





Next Rally.. KENILWORTH Showgrounds 8th-13th February 2023 Theme: Valentine's Masked Op Shop Ball Details as from Page 5..



PRESIDENT'S REPORT Maleny/January Rally 2022

The Maleny rally was our first club rally for 2023 and was enjoyed greatly by all participants. The location in the Sunshine Coast hinterland is very scenically attractive and the weather remained comfortably cooler than anticipated for this time of year. The Maleny Showgrounds rally site met our needs. Our 56 units were split between the two ovals which while not ideal was manageable. Hall facilities were magnificent. We were able to access the Exhibition Shed earlier in the rally and the Pavilion for our main events. Dean the caretaker was very helpful especially in setting up.

A highlight of this rally was daily sightings of platypus in the nearby Obi Obi creek.

Pat Mander our Entertainment Co-ordinator once again ensured the rally program was varied and interesting.

Card Making with Bev Green, Crafty Ladies with Di Brearley, Yvonne's Sewing Group and those playing cards all used the Exhibition Shed. Australia Day Fun and Games with Linda Jones also found this space ideal. Linda organised fun activities such as egg and spoon racing, thong throwing {both types} and various activities using paper cups. Everyone was involved and enjoyed a 'wow' of a time.

The only off-site activity this rally, was the popular social bowls afternoon organised by Ray MacDonald and held at the Maleny Bowls Club.

The Management Committee meeting was the first activity in the Pavilion. Dancing with Kevin and Carol Day also used this space, making full use of the magnificent wooden floor. Learning to dance is excellent preparation for the Op Shop Masked Ball to be held at our next rally.

At our Saturday Forum we were delighted to welcome as visitors Sue, Gordan and Darren Baker, Ross and Jan Munro, Lyn Hill and Lilliana granddaughter of Robyn and Steve Langley. First timers welcomed were Robert and Wendy Gaunt, and Laurie O'Brien. Moreover we were excited to be able to induct five new members simultaneously, these being Peter and Karin Flinn, Eric and Lyn Trevithick and Chris Frederiks. Welcome all.

On Saturday evening everyone dressed in their very colourful Hawaiian outfits and enjoyed a great meal of Ham and salads with Pavlova for dessert. The hall was a kaleidoscope of colour throughout the evening. This delicious meal was prepared under the supervision of Gail Caddies with the assistance of a team of members who also served the meals to the tables. During the evening Linda Jones engaged members in some fun activities while Wendy and Barry Gibson provided appropriate music.

While not a fundraising event, the whole evening was run so efficiently a sizeable donation was made to our club charities by Ray Caddies our Convenor at our Sunday Forum.

Members who stayed Sunday evening enjoyed a very relaxing group happy hour and sausage sizzle.

Our February rally to be held at Kenilworth Showgrounds will include a President's BBQ dinner on Friday evening and a Masked Op Shop Ball on Saturday night. Looking forward to a great rollup there. In the meantime stay well and travel safely.



Maleny Showgrounds—11th - 16th January Rally 2023 56 Units Attended

ADAMS Roger & Laurel

BARR Graham & Pat

BEKER Bert & Yvonne

BELL Greg & Fay

BREARLEY Paul & Di

BRIDGES Roy & Carmel

BRUNO Paul & Marina

BURDETT Ivan & Robyn

BURDETTE Michael & SIFFLEET Lesley

CADDIES Ray & Gail

CARROLL John & Jenny

CHAFFEY Bob & Jeanette

COCHRANE Jeff & Jean

COOK Merv & Barbara

COX Julie & Des

DAY Kevin & Carol

EDNEY Dennis & Heather

FITZGIBBON Colin

FLETCHER Keith & Jenny

FLINN Peter & Karin

GAWEN Peter

GIBSON Barry & Wendy

GREEN Rod & Bev

HINSON Alf & Desley

HOGAN Kerry & Dianne

HOLT James & Minnie

JONES Noel & Olive

JONES Shane & Linda

JUDGE David & Helen

KAYS Daryl

KERKIN Nev & Susan

LACEY George & Yvonne

LANGLEY Steve & Robyn

LUSCOMBE Ross & Bindra

MAC DONALD Ray & Pam

MANDER Greg & Pat

MARTIN Trevor & Mavis

MC GOWAN Murray & Jenni

MEACHAM Wayne & Leona

NOFFKE Owen & KIRBY Jan

PRISK Gavin & Rosemary

ROBBINS Yvonne

ROSS John & Robyn

RUTHERFORD Bob & Barbara

SKINNER Adrian & Gail

SMITH Tom & Jacky

STEGEMAN Rod

STOCKER Eddie & Sylvia

THOMSON Bob & Pam

THORPE Jim & Sue

TREVITHICK Eric & Lyn

TRULOFF Bruce & Chris

WALDRON Kevin & FREDERICKS Chris

WILSON Ivan & Jenny

FIRST TIMERS

GAUNT Robert & Wendy O'BRIEN Laurie

<u>DAY VISITORS</u>

MUNRO Ross & Jan

BAKER Gordon, Sue & Darren

HILL Lyn

Lilyana

granddaughter of Steve & Robyn Langley,



Club Raffle

Di Brearley, Julie Cox, Peter Gawen Dennis Edney

Club Charity Raffle Olive Jones

Lucky Van Draw

Ross & Bindra Luscombe

Roy & Carmel Bridges



<u>HEALTH & WELL BEING</u>

Robyn and Minnie



Sue Thorpe winner of the latest Health Challenge. New Health Challenge weigh in will begin again at the May Rally, Thank you to everyone who participated in the last challenge,

Keep up the good work over the next few months, The aim is to stay healthy

Lawn Bowls at Maleny was enjoyed by all. 38 members participated in the games and there were 7 members

who supported them. Maleny Bowls Club appreciated the QCC's support



Members, please be familiar with the use of the club HeartSine 500P Defibrillator click on a Training Video below

HeartSine 500P Online Training









QCC welcomes their newest Members, inducted at Maleny Showgrounds. From Right,, Eric & Lyn Trevithick, Peter & Karin Flinn & Christine Frederiks



Rally photos go to QCC Website.. Queensland Caravan Club Inc (qldcaravanclub.com.au)

CCQ Website...Caravan Clubs of Queensland caravanclubsqld.org.au

SUNSHINE COLUMN To all OCC

members who are

feeling unwell, those who are in hospital, or have had a stay in hospital for one reason or another, those that are rehabilitating from Covid-19, injury or surgery, we send our thoughts and get well wishes for speedy recoveries.

Please call Pam mb.0417 609 622 if you need a friendly chat.

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KENILWORTH Showgrounds 8th–13th February

Venue: Kenilworth Showgrounds. Address: 3720 Maleny/Kenilworth Road Kenilworth

Post Code 4574 GPS: -26.599026.152.726138

Nearest Intersection: Elizabeth Street and Charles Street

Closest Hospital: Nambour Hospital Address: Hospital Road, NAMBOUR

Phone: 0754706600

Nearest Doctor/Medical Centre: Address: 7A Elizabeth Street Kenilworth PH. 07 5472 3916

Emergency Contact: QCC President, Jim Thorpe Mb. 0418 493 853

Defibrillators: please look for the AED Flags & signs

Closest Dump point: On Site

Pets: Permitted but must be on a leash.

Please pick-up after your pet & be familiar with the QCC Pet Policy

Please do not enter grounds before 12 midday Wednesday



\$\$ RALLY COSTS FOR KENILWORTH \$\$

Site fee: Power: \$25 Van per night

Admin: \$3 Hall \$3 Shower \$1 for 4mins

Please text, email or call Carol ASAP,

if you are coming to the Rally, and have not

yet indicated. Carol needs numbers to cater

for the President's Picnic

<u>Directions to Kenilworth Rally</u> February 2023

From Brisbane: Follow the M1 (Bruce Hwy) North, Exit 224 2nd exit at roundabout to west Eumundi Rd continue to Kenilworth through town, Showgrounds on left.

3720 Maleny/Kenilworth Road Kenilworth

Please contact....Parking Marshal, Noel Jones on 0418 885 584 If you are in need of a site close to the amenities -

From Wednesday of the Rally, If you are going to arrive at the rally after 4pm, or unable to come to rally at last minute, Please phone, leave a message or text Noel, and

he will get back to you.

Please Call Rally Marshals on UHF 18 as you approach the Rally Venue. Thank You, Noel.

COVID-19 Update to Members attending Kenilworth Rally. Please remember to.

- Carry a mask with you at all times/Consider voluntarily wearing a mask anywhere, anytime Please read updated information re mask wearing in Qld. In the purple folder at the rally)
- Try to be in open spaces & well ventilated areas
- Continue to hand wash & hand sanitise regularly, cover your mouth when coughing & sneezing.
- Keep physical contact to a minimum
 If unwell PLEASE stay at home & get tested
 BE AWARE BE SAFE
- QCC Members be advised that Qld Health has lowered its coronavirus alert level from Amber to Green current as of the 18/01/2023

 Refer to Queensland Health for the latest COVID updates



KENILWORTH RALLY PROGRAM

Valentine Theme: Valentine's Masked Op Shop Ball

Wednesday: Arrival at venue not before 12 midday

Thursday: 6am Walkers

1pm. Card making with Bev Green (details page 8)

6pm. Own arrangements for Dinner

7pm. Dancing (Board & Card games if not dancing)

Friday: 6am Walkers

9am Crafty Ladies (see page 8) 9am Yvonne's Sewing Group (details page 8)

11am Committee Meeting

1.30pm. Lawn Bowls (Kenilworth Bowls Club) 2pm start

4pm Happy Hour

6pm President's Picnic BBQ Dinner Relax & enjoy the music, sit and chat,

or play cards (numbers required for Dinner)

Saturday: 6am Walkers 9.30am Club Forum

11am Open forum about "travelling long distances".

Everyone welcome to attend. To talk about ideas and safety hints etc

1pm Corsages can be made so bring your matching flowers

1pm Hall preparation Friendly disc bowls game (if desired)

4pm Happy Hour **6pm** Meal – own arrangements

7pm Presented to President Jim & his Lady – Photos will be taken. (Front door entry)

7.30pm Masked OP Shop Ball (see below) Please bring a plate to share for supper

Sunday: 6am Walkers 8.30am Pay Treasurer

9.am Club Forum **4.pm** Happy Hour followed by BYO sausage sizzle



Members please read the notice board for any Changes



The Op Shop Ball helps to support the Op shops, whether you buy the whole outfit or part thereof, If possible leave the Op shop tag on as there will be prizes for best dressed Male, Female and Couple. Don't forget your mask. More details at Saturday morning forum. Please come and join in, even if you can't get to an Op shop. There will be something for everyone.

ALERT

5th-10th April Rally at Standown Park (Easter) either side of those dates is optional costs \$30 per van powered site, \$25 per van unpowered site

Quote "Queensland Caravan Club"

If you are planning to go to this rally, you will need to book directly with the Caravan Park & Pay them Powered sites are limited so please book early.

Phone: Standown Park on 07 5486 5144.

Standown Park 91 Radtke RD Kia Ora (Goomboorian) QLD

online: Stay – Standown (newbook.cloud)

to see sites available

Club Membership fees are due by 28th February 2023

Club AGM to be held 6th May 2023 after club forum at Pine Rivers Showgrounds hall.

Birthdays

FEBRUARY 2023

<u>Anniversaries</u>

- 1 STEPHENSON Sue
- 1 BREARLEY Di
- 3 STEELE Jan
- 4 BURDETT Robyn
- 5 SMITH Ron
- 5 SHEEHAN Shirley
- 7 THORPE Sue
- 11 KAHLER Carolyn
- 11 MANDER Pat
- 15 BUZZA Les
- 7 ANDERSON Margaret
- 17 CARROLL John
- 20 BARR Graham
- 23 BAKER Sue
- 24 HOLT Minnie
- 24 LANGLEY Steve







18th National Caravan Clubs Rally



Riverland Events Centre, Barmera, South Australia.

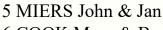
Date:27th March 2023 to 5th April 2023 Rally

Those members travelling to the National Rally, there is a member looking for someone to travel with, so if you also would like to travel with another member, Please email Barbara Rutherford on natralliaison@gmail.com
Safe Travelling

Rally information may be found at the following link:

Welcome page (18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au)

CWA items are still being collected, Lyn Cragg would like to thank you for your ongoing support.



- 6 COOK Mery & Barbara
- 8 SMITH Ron & Sandra
- 9 HOLT James & Minnie
- 10 MEACHAM Wayne & Leona
- 14 COX Julie & Des
- 14 ROBSON-PETCH Ron & Pam
- 18 JUDGE David & Helen
- 18 MARTIN Trevor & Mavis
- 19 EGEN Ian & Gwen
- 20 BARR Graham & Pat
- 24 BRUNO Paul & Marina



PLANNED FUTURE RALLIES 2023

March 8-13 Millmerran Showgrounds

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

April 5-10 Standown Park (Easter)

May 3 -8 Pine Rivers Showgrounds

AGM & Birthday Rally

June 7-12 Laidley Showgrounds

July 5 - 10 Boonah Showgrounds

Aug 9-14 Blackbutt Showgrounds

Sept 6-11Goomeri Bush Camp

Oct 9-16 Millmerran (State Rally)

Nov 8-13 Nanango Showgrounds

Dec 29 Nov-4 Dec Dayboro showgrounds



CLUB MERCHANDISE

Due to members travelling to South Australia and some leaving early, if you require

Club Shirts please Contact Helen Judge direct on **0417 617 739** and she will arrange for them to be at Kenilworth Rally.

If you require **Club Jackets** for winter you will need to put your order in to Helen ASAP

THE CRAFT PAGE

BEV GREEN'S CARD MAKING CLASS 1pm Thursday

A Card Box for Kenilworth Rally





You need to phone or Text Bev on **0418 881 890** If you wish to buy and make a card . You will also need to bring your regular Card Kit Thank you *Bev Green*



CARD KIT tools

Pencil, Scissors, Scorer Metal Ruler with Inches & Metric measures, Rubber Double sided tape 6mm Double sided tape 3mm Sharpe Metal Knife with spare blades

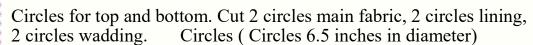
Tom bow Aqua Mono Liquid Glue 3D Foam squares acid free, (pack of different sizes) Sticky tape with dispenser Small craft molding mat

Yvonne's Sewing Group

HAT BOX COTTON REEL HOLDER

Requirements

20inch Zipp. 2 pieces fabric 20" x 6" Iron pellon on both pieces.



Quilt circles together (main, wadding, lining) I sew across in quarters. You may wish to run a gathering stitch around outside for a better fit.

Top Strap 8.5" x 3". Fold sides to centre then fold in half.

Making: Fold long pieces in half and put zip in on the folded edges. Top stitch on the outside near the zip. Join together to make circle and zigzag edges.

Now sew circles into bottom and top. Be sure to put the handle into the top section.



Neaten edges of top and bottom with zigzag or something similar.

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

Crafty Ladies 9am Friday

No planned project, please bring whatever handcraft you are doing, and enjoy a chat.



Article from the Seniors Discount Club

Here are the top 10 lesser-known road laws you might not be aware of:

Are you unknowingly breaking the law? Find out the little-known driving violations that could get you fined for as high as \$533!

We're all used to the usual road rules like not using a phone while driving, adhering to the speed limit, and avoiding driving under the influence, but the slew of unusual road laws that are on the books is a lot longer than most of us realise.

1. Hurling apple cores out of a moving vehicle (Fine: \$533 and two demerit points)

You may have thought that throwing a banana skin or apple core out of your car window was an innocent act of biodegradable littering, but think again; drivers in QLD could cop a hefty \$533 fine and two demerit points for dropping 'injurious matter on a road'.

2. Waving goodbye and tooting your horn (Fine: \$698 and three demerit points.)

If you're in NSW, giving a friendly beep on the horn when you leave someone can land you in trouble with the law.

Unnecessary use of the horn or warning device as a friendly farewell can incur a \$349 fine by itself, while throwing in a wave alongside the beep can double that fine to a total of \$698 and three points.

3. Paying at a drive-through with your phone (Fine: \$534 and five demerit points)

The dangers of using a mobile phone in a vehicle are well-known, but using your phone to pay for your meal at a drive-through is an act not many people are aware of.

Depending on the state, you could be liable for a \$534 fine and could also cop five demerit points for doing it. To avoid the fine, members, you should switch your engine off and have your handbrake on before using your mobile phone to pay for your meal.

4. Cutting through a service station (Fine: \$349 and three demerit points)

In a hurry to get to your destination and stuck in traffic or at a red light? Don't consider cutting through a service station as a shortcut!

It falls under the 'drive on or over footpath' road rule, and can cost you a hefty \$349 fine and three demerit points.

5. Splashing water at pedestrians (Fine: \$187)

Be careful when passing a puddle that's in the vicinity of a pedestrian; you could be fined if said pedestrian gets splashed.

In NSW, this much-ridiculed rule isn't limited to just pedestrians who are walking by the side of the road – it applies to those who are waiting for a bus too. Pity the poor passengers who can't get to the sheltered side of the bus stop!

Penalty points aren't applicable, but you'll definitely still feel the sting of the fine hitting your wallet.

6. Accelerating when you're being overtaken (Fine: \$344 and two demerit points)

We all know the feeling of frustration that can come with being next to an aggressive over-taker. But don't take the bait and speed up!

If you do, you could face a \$344 fine and two demerit points for such behaviour in NSW, or \$330 and two demerit points if you're in Victoria.

7. Flashing lights to alert people about speed cameras or RBT (Fine: \$116 and one demerit point)

Although it's appreciated by many drivers, flashing your lights to warn others of police presence is a punishable offence – one that lands you a \$116 ticket and one demerit point.

Previously, the rule referred to using high beams in a built-up area, but now covers 'use of high beams towards oncoming vehicles'.

In NSW, drivers should be wary of this law regardless of whether they're in fog or inclement weather.

8. Driving through a school zone's nature strip (Fine: \$464 fine and four demerit points)

If you happen to be in a school zone, do not mount any kerb or median strip – no matter how difficult it is to find a spot to park.

Not only will you be putting yourself and other vehicles in danger, but you may also face a hefty \$464 fine and four points for such behaviour.

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

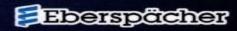












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9. Not giving way to horses (Fine: \$130)

Although horses are no longer a frequent sight on the road, it's still a good rule of thumb to give way to horses on the rare occasions you encounter one

If a rider signals at you to indicate the horse is being stubborn and won't move, you must move to the left, turn off your engine, and wait. Fail to do so, and you might face a \$130 fine in Queensland.

10. Not taking your key out of the ignition (Fine: \$114)

No matter how much of a hurry you're in, NEVER leave your car key in the ignition or unattended. Doing so could put you at risk of car theft or worse - a \$114 fine in NSW.

It's also important to remember that these rules and penalties may vary from state to state, so always make sure you are aware of the laws and road regulations of the states you may be travelling.

Contribution from S & L Jones

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NOMINATION FOR A COMMITTEE POSITION AGM Saturday 6 May 2023

I, the undersigned, hereby nominate for the following committee position/s:

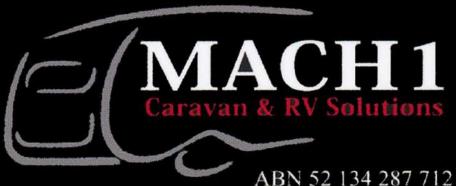
Committee positions:
☐ President ☐ Vice President ☐ Secretary ☐ Assistant Secretary ☐ Treasurer ☐ Assistant Treasurer ☐ Editor ☐ Convener ☐ Entertainment Coordinator
Committee (three positions)
Name of NOMINEE:
I agree to act if elected. Signature:
Date:
Name of NOMINATOR:
Signature:
Date:
Name of SECONDER:
Signature:
Date:
Non-committee positions:
• Archivist • Library
• CCQ Delegates x 2 • Merchandise
• Chief Rally Marshal • Shirts & Jackets
Assistant Rally Marshal
• COVID Safety Coordinator • Raffles
• DVDs • State Rally Coordinator
• Information Technology • Sunshine Person
• Introduction Coordinator • Webmaster
Please return the completed form to the QCC Secretary by Saturday 22 April 2023.

QCC Secretary

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