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Q.C.C. Wanderer

'Fellowship on Wheels'

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Congratulations to Ian & Gwen Egen on achieving their 200th rally.



Congratulations to Noel & Olive Jones on achieving their 50th rally.



Bert & Yvonne Beker cutting the Christmas cake.



Santa & his helpers. Kerry Hogan, Di Hogan & Pam MacDonald.



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FUTURE RALLIES

2024

Feb 7-12 Imbil

March 6-11

Maryborough

April 10-15

Kenilworth

May 01-05

Pine Rivers

June 05-10

Goombungee

PRESIDENT'S REPORT DAYBORO SHOWGROUND DECEMBER 2023



The theme of Dayboro rally was all about Christmas.

As usual on Wednesday caravans started rolling in and by afternoon the weather was very hot and steamy and our rally marshals should be given a lot more credit and thanks for working in those conditions. Towards the end of happy hour, the rain began to fall the wind picked up and lightning and thunder soon followed. Members started back to their vans to make sure things were tied down, safe and secure.

Early Thursday morning the walkers were getting their exercise, and some of the golfers went and had a hit. 9am Christmas crafts with Margret Hiller. Then time was spent in the hall setting up.

Bev and her Card Making ladies hard at work from 1pm. The afternoon setting up the hall and by happy hour most of the caravaners had arrived. 7pm Thursday night saw some of us playing cards in the hall .

Friday morning started with the walkers, 8am Health and Well Being Weigh-in with Robyn and Minnie. I think some may have started their Christmas celebrations a little early. 9am Yvonne's sewing group, thankfully they had a lot of room to work in. Barry and Wendy spent the morning setting up and doing sound checks for the night's entertainment of our Christmas Carols, and the cutting of our Christmas cake by Bert and Yvonne Beker. The cake was made and iced by Pat Barr and we thank her very much. 11 o'clock saw our usual committee meeting. The morning was hot but by 1.30 it started to cool down a little for the lawn bowls and it was a pleasant afternoon at bowls.

A special thanks to Margaret Hiller, Gwen Egen, Helen Judge and Bob Thomson for decorating the hall.

Saturday morning forum and it was great to see members, that we haven't seen for some time, join us at our Christmas rally. Kem & Bev McDowall, Graham & Shirley Sheehan, Harold & Bev Liley, Tony & Lynne Pomroy, Phil & Del Lowe, John & Jenny Carroll and Denise Sheehan. A milestone this rally for Ian and Gwen Egen for your 200th rally badge. Congratulations. Noel and Olive Jones for your 50th rally badge. Congratulations. This year instead of a secret Santa, toys around the Christmas tree were donated to Buddy Bags, a charity to help some kids have a much better time at Christmas. It was a fantastic effort by all members of the Queensland Caravan Club. 1.30 was time to decorate the tables and they were judged by the caterers. The winning table was table 4. The judging of the Christmas lights at your van were also judged by the caretakers and Robyn and Ivan Burdett were the winners.

Saturday night the main event. Christmas dinner and entertainment by Terry Arnold. Terry did a great job and covered a good variety of music which kept a lot on the dance floor.

Sunday morning started with Olive introducing Kerri Raedel. Kerri, President of Buddy Bags was overwhelmed by your Christmas toy donations. Olive continued with our Sunday forum.

Congratulations to all prize winners of the Christmas raffle and thanks again Carmel and Beres Abraham.

So, until our next rally wishing everyone a happy, healthy and safe Christmas, see you all in 2024.

President Steve Langley.



NEXT RALLY: Wednesday 10 January to Monday 15 January

Crows Nest Showground

7301 New England Hwy, Crows Nest 4355

Arrive no earlier than 12.00pm on Wednesday 10th

Caretaker: Greg 0417 608 924

Dump Point: Dump point on site.

Defibrillator: (i) On Site (ii) President Steve Langley (iii) Kerry Hogan

EMERGENCY 000

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Crows Nest Medical Centre
Crows Nest Medical Centre,
Community Place ,2b Curnow Street, Crows Nest.
Phone: 07 4698 1176. Open Monday-Friday from
8:00am-5:00pm. Closed Saturday & Sunday

Crows Nest Pharmacy
33 Toowoomba Rd, Crows Nest 07 4698 1765
Closed Sunday

**NEAREST INTERSECTION
New England Highway and
Showground Terrace, Crows Nest**

Crows Nest Showground is on the north side of Crows Nest on the New England Highway.

From Brisbane West

Brisbane – Toowoomba – Crows Nest.
West on the Warrego Highway to Toowoomba, turn north on the New England Highway through Hampton and on to Crows Nest.

From Esk: Brisbane – Esk – Hampton – Crows Nest.

West on the Warrego Highway, north on Brisbane Valley Highway to Esk turn left at Esk to Hampton. Turn right at Hampton to Crows Nest

From the North (D'Aguilar Highway)

D'Aguilar Highway – Woodford – Kilcoy.
Turn left onto Brisbane Valley Highway to Esk. Turn right at Esk to Hampton and Right at Hampton to Crows Nest

Venue GPS -27.2587510 S 152.0455841 E

PLEASE BE AWARE:

If you have a medical condition which requires you to park your caravan close to the amenities,



PLEASE CONTACT OUR CHIEF RALLY MARSHAL



Noel Jones on 0418 885 584 or
Secretary Carol Day on 0418 777 192
AT LEAST 7 DAYS before a rally starts.

If you have not told the Chief Rally Marshal or the Secretary about your requirements then there may be no priority parking sites remaining near the amenities for your use.

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

Those attendees arriving after 3.30pm on any day and or on Saturday you will need to contact the Rally Marshal responsible for that particular rally and give the Rally Marshal an estimated time of arrival.

Contacts: Noel 0418 885 584 or Olive 0407 640 993

COVID



If you become unwell during or within 5 days after a rally, stay at home & follow these steps.

- Isolate immediately after testing positive following a Rapid Antigen Test
- Immediately contact QCC Secretary giving as much information as possible as to your close contacts & locations you have attended during your infectious stage. This information will not be given out, it will assist to inform members if others report becoming infected also.

BE AWARE BE SAFE

Additional information is available in the purple COVID folder near the sign-on register at every rally".

RALLY PROGRAMME
CROWS NEST
AUSTRALIA DAY THEME



Thursday: 11 Jan

- 6am Walkers
- 1pm Card making with Pat Barr (pg.5)
- 6pm Own arrangements for Dinner



Friday: 12 Jan

- 6am Walkers
- 7am Golf at Crows Nest (pg.6)
- 8am Mental Health & Well Being Sign-On (pg.5)
- 9am Crafty Ladies
- 9am Yvonne's Sewing Group (pg.6)
- 11am Committee Meeting
- 2.30 Lawn Bowls at Crows Nest (pg.6)
- 4pm Happy Hour
- 6pm Own arrangements for dinner
- 7pm Board & Card games



Saturday: 13 Jan

- 6am Walkers
- 9am Morning Tea
- 9.30 Club Forum
- 10.30 AGM Meeting
- 11.30 Art Class with Bert Beker (pg.5)
- 3.00 Australia Day fun & games (pg.5)
- 4pm Happy Hour
- 6.30 BYO Dinner (pg.5)



Sunday: 14 Jan

- 6am Walkers
- 8.30 Pay Treasurer
- 9 am Morning Tea
- 9.30 Club Forum
- 4pm Happy Hour followed by BYO sausage sizzle



Monday: 15 Jan

Safe travels home



FEES
CROWS NEST RALLY

Site Fee per night \$25.00 per van
 Administration Fee \$ 3.00

QCC EFTPOS machine will be available at Crows Nest rally.

IF USING EFTPOS a 1.6% of your bill will be added automatically to your rally fees.

Any concerns please speak to our Treasurer Kerry Hogan

Mob: 0447051854



Special Notices

- Please contact our Secretary, Carol Day if you are OR if you are not attending the Rally.
- Remember to check the rally noticeboards for changes to the published programme.
- All persons attending a QCC rally, whether members or visitors, must sign the Attendance Book.
- Remember to indicate whether you plan to attend the next rally.
- Remember to record your spending in the local area.
- Pets - OK on lead. Please adhere to the Rules about Pets.
- When you are the first to connect to a tap, attach a two-way connector.
- A kindly reminder to give a hand to stack the chairs and to sweep the hall following the Sunday meeting.
- For information about CCQ their website address is
<http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au>
- Registration forms for CCQ State Rally and NACC National Rally can be found on our QCC website.
<http://www.qldcaravanclub.com.au>

RALLY MARSHAL CO-ORDINATOR

Have a CB radio? If so, give an inbound call to the rally marshals so that your site placement may be speedy and hassle free – **CH18**.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON

AUSTRALIA DAY come in your Aussie Day attire and join in the fun, followed by happy hour and then **BYO** everything. Yes bring your table, chairs, drinks, cutlery, plastic cups, napkins and your meal. Please check the whiteboard. More information at the Saturday forum.



CARD MAKING with Pat Barr



Card Kit will cost you \$5

What to bring with you:-
Pencil, Scissors, Rubber, Scorer, Metal Ruler, Sticky Tape, Liquid Glue, Foam Squares, Metal Knife with blades, Double Sided Tape 6mm & 3mm.
Please phone/text Pat on 0432 150 760 before the rally, if you are intending to join the class.

MENTAL HEALTH and WELL BEING CHALLENGE

We had 22 men & 27 women sign up for the challenge over the last 6 months. During that period some members did not attend all rallies due to travelling, sickness etc.

Results:

Males - total weight loss 12.70kg - funds forfeited to charity \$9.00
Females - total weight loss 12.45kg - funds forfeited to charity \$15.00

We will be starting new challenge in January for 6 months.
Members remaining funds will be carried forward. We will be using previous yellow cards.
Please encourage everyone to sign up again. Previous rules apply.
If you require any further information, please contact me.
Minnie Holt 0431 210 278 or Robyn Burdett 0427 495 167.



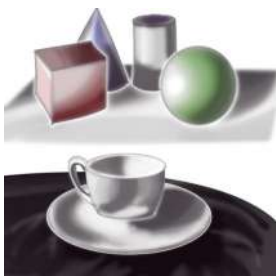
ART CLASS with Bert Beker

Classes held Saturday after our Club Forum & AGM.

While Michael Burdette is away Bert will be guiding you through art class with the idea of continuity from Michael Burdette. Crows Nest lessons will be in shading, using graphite pencils and drawing in perspective used in landscapes.

What you will need:

Set of graphite pencils, A4 Drawing paper pad 150GSM or higher, eraser, pencil sharpener.



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SEWING with Yvonne Robbins THE RAG BAG

Materials required

0.7m of **Two fabrics** cut into the following:-

- 27 x 5 1/4 inch squares in the **two fabrics** – 54 squares in total
- 2 x 2 inch x 24 inch in the two colour – 4 strips in total
- 1 x 2 1/2 inch strip width of fabric in one fabric only

0.5m **double sided adhesive bag foam** cut into the following:-

- 27 x 4inch squares
- 2 x 1 1/8inch x 24in strips

4 Large buttons to coordinate

Pins, sharp **strong** scissors, matching cottons, sewing machine with zipper foot, etc

Note: for those not wanting to go to the expense of buying the double sided bag foam (which is available from the Birch interfacing stand at Spotlight for RRP \$27.00) wadding can be used but the bag will not stand on its own. Wadding should be cut at 5 1/4inch squares. I highly recommend using your walking foot if using wadding.

Olive Jones has offered to purchase the double sided foam from her local sewing Machine shop where it is available for \$19.00 per metre. Please call Olive on 0407 640 993 if you want her to source some for you.



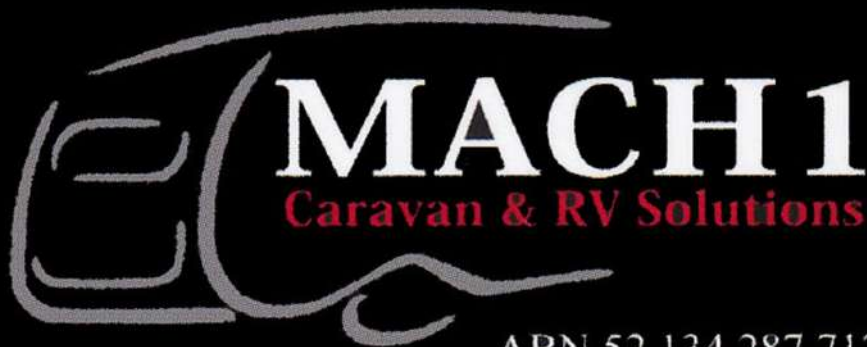
LAWN BOWLS CROWS NEST

Friday 12th January lawn bowls will be played at Crows Nest Bowls Club, Community Place, Crows Nest 0400 898 648
Note time change. Please check whiteboard.



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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

01 Ian EGEN

12 Jeanette WALKER

04 Fay BELL

13 Bill WAYCOTT

04 Ivan BURDETT

13 Kevin DAY

08 Rod STEGEMAN

16 Eddie STOCKER

08 Elizabeth HOLMES

17 Doug BURT



18 Jeff COCHRANE

25 Bob CHAFFEY

20 Linda JONES

31 Jean COCHRANE

20 Terry PARK

31 Murray MCGOWAN

20 Owen NOFFKE

31 Gail MAY

22 Bruce MAY

31 Gwen EGEN



ANNIVERSARIES



01 JONES Noel & Olive

10 CARROLL John & Jenny

02 KEARNEY Bob & Kathy

15 BAKER Gordon & Sue

04 ANDERSON Darryl & Margaret

16 SAVAGE Adrian & Ann

09 MUNRO Ross & Jan

21 USHER Les & Brenda

Lucky Van Winners are:-

Denise & Bill Waycott; Marilyn & Bob Tebbit; and Gayle & Adrian Skinner.

Each of them have won two free nights at the next non-caravan park rally they attend.



Our Christmas raffle of 32 items were won by various members of the club. Two lucky members were Frank Gaffney & Robyn Langley each winning a beautiful handmade quilt donated by Yvonne Robbins & Fay Bell.

Lions Christmas cakes won by Abraham, Beker, Bridges, Luscombe, Rutherford, and Thorpe.



QCC's contribution to the Dayboro community:

- * Site fees - \$ 4,140.00
- * Other - \$ 7,085.00
- * Total - \$11,225.00



Why do we need to keep track of our spending?

It has long been recognised that caravaners, and indeed all RV owners, inject a huge economic boost into the towns and regions they visit whilst travelling this great country of ours.

For example, amounts greater than \$ 170,000 have been injected into a Queensland community when the affiliated clubs attend an annual state caravan rally. These expenditures boost the local and national economy by injecting money into it, and in addition, the statistics provided assist in added and improved facilities throughout the state.

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Caring thoughts go out to all those who have endured the loss of a dear one, ill health, hospitalisation, surgery or misfortune, Our thoughts are with you



Get Well Soon!

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Day visitors: George & Yvonne Lacey,
Harold & Bev Liley,
Phil & Del Lowe,
Tony & Lynne Pomroy,
Denise Sheehan,
Shane & Linda Jones and
Santa

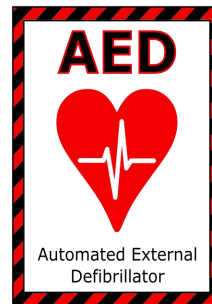


Santa with Lynne & Tony Pomroy

HEARTSINE 500P Defibrillator

HeartSine 500P Online Training Link

Members please take time to jump on the website and familiarize yourself with how to use the Defibrillator.



NOTE: The green flags indicate where each Defibrillator is located at a rally. Please take note of where these green flags are.

RALLY ATTENDEES – DAYBORO SHOWGROUND 57 VANS

ABRAHAM Beres & Carmel **ADAMS** John **ADAMS** Roger & Laurel **BARR** Graham & Pat **BEKER** Bert & Yvonne **BELL** Greg & Fay **BREARLEY** Paul & Di **BRIDGES** Roy & Carmel **BRUNO** Paul & Marina **BURDETT** Ivan & Robyn **CADDIES** Ray & Gail **CARROLL** John & Jenny **CHAFFEY** Bob & Jeanette **COX** Julie & Des **CUZZOLARO** Toni & Nida **DAY** Kevin & Carol **EDNEY** Dennis & Heather **EGEN** Ian & Gwen **FLETCHER** Keith & Jenny **GAFFNEY** Frank **GIBSON** Barry & Wendy **GREEN** Rod & Bev **HASLEWOOD** Lance **HINE** Andy & Bralma **HINSON** Alf & Desley **HOGAN** Kerry & Dianne **HOLMES** Elizabeth **HOLT** James & Minnie **JONES** Noel & Olive **JUDGE** David & Helen **KAYS** Daryl **LANGLEY** Steve & Robyn **LUSCOMBE** Ross & Bindra **MAC DONALD** Ray & Pam **MANDER** Greg & Pat **MARTIN** Trevor & Mavis **MATERNE** Rudi & Marianne **MC DOWALL** Kem & Bev **MC GOWAN** Murray & Jenni **MIERS** John **MUNRO** Ross & Jan **ROBBINS** Yvonne **ROSS** John & Robyn **RUTHERFORD** Bob & Barbara **SHEEHAN** Graham & Shirley **SKINNER** Adrian & Gayle **SLATTERY** Ted & Mary **SMITH** Tom & Jacky **STEGEMAN** Rod & **HILLER** Margaret **STOCKER** Eddie & Sylvia **TEBBIT** Bob & Marilyn **THOMSON** Bob & Pam **THORPE** Jim & Sue **TRULOFF** Bruce & Chris **VAN WYK** Richard & Linda **WAYCOTT** Bill & Denise **ZALEWSKI** Patrick & Carolyn

CARD MAKING WITH BEV GREEN



QCC member Pat Barr who once again has shown her talent with this years Christmas cake. Thank You Pat.

SEWING WITH YVONNE ROBBINS



The top tier of the Christmas cake was auctioned. Congratulations Gwen Egen.



At the Saturday morning's Forum at the Dayboro Rally members were asked to place their gifts under the Christmas tree. Well, the response was amazing to say the least. Kerri Raedel joined the members at the beginning of Sunday Morning Forum to give the members an insight into the work her charity does and to accept and take delivery of all the wonderful gifts that had been donated. To say she was overwhelmed is an understatement. Tears came to eyes as she thanked the members for their generosity and spoke of the children in the community that would not have a Christmas if it were not for the generosity of people like the members of Queensland Caravan Club.



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QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUB INC

Nominations for Office – 2023/2024

Annual General Meeting 13 April 2024, Pine Rivers Showground.

QCC members are urged to give consideration to serving on the Queensland Caravan Club Inc Committee. The Club values your input and would only be too happy to discuss any aspects of the positions as well as serving on the Committee. Without a Committee QCC club is unable to function.

Should a committee position be not for you, then please consider the many other jobs that are not on the Committee, eg.,

Non-committee positions: • Archivist • Library • DVDs • CCQ Delegates x 2 • Merchandise • Shirts & Jackets • Chief Rally Marshal • Assistant Rally Marshal • COVID Safety Coordinator • Raffles • State Rally Coordinator • Information Technology • Sunshine Person • Introduction Coordinator • Webmaster marshalling, selling raffle tickets, assisting the convener, looking after the flags, carrying some books for the library, induction person, checking the amenities, helping with entertainment

The AGM is only a few months away – so please think about helping out in 2023/24

Club Membership

A gentle reminder that club memberships are due by 29 February 2024.

Ordinary membership is \$50.00 per van, and social membership is \$25.00. Those who will not be attending the Crows Nest rally and would like to pay their membership fees can pay by eft. If you have any further questions you should contact the Secretary or Treasurer for the club’s EFT details.

The email address is: queenslandcaravanclub@gmail.com

2024 CCQ STATE RALLY ROCKHAMPTON

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New Exhibition Rd, Wandal Qld
20th July to 26th July 2024



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29th September to 8th October 2025



NSW Association of Caravan Clubs
<https://www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au>

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Stand contemplating long enough there is always a QCC member who while come and help. Roy Bridges & Murray McGowan

Buddy Bags This year with the agreement of the Committee and the Membership of QCC it was decided to do away with the 'Secret Santa' at the Club's Christmas Rally, instead members were asked to spend the money they would have spent on a Secret Santa gift buying a toy suitable for a child aged anywhere from birth to 18 years of age. The members were enthusiastic in the take up of this suggestion and responded accordingly. Given the Christmas Rally for 2023 was being held at Dayboro, it was decided that the toys collected be given to a local charity based in the Moreton Bay Region. Buddy Bags, an organisation founded by Kerri Raedel and based at Wamuran was chosen for her need to supply Christmas gifts to more than 400 children under the care of Domestic Violence Support Agency at Strathpine. Information can be found about the wide range of groups that this charity supports at <https://www.buddybags.com.au/>



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