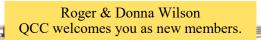
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Congratulations to Minnie & Jim Holt for having achieved 50 rallies.



Denise & Ian Farrell receiving their official 50 rally badges & certificate.















2025 19<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY Australian Rural Education Centre, 267 Ulan Road Bombira NSW (Mudgee) 29<sup>th</sup> Sept to 8<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025 <u>https://www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au</u> NSW Association of Caravan Clubs Registration close 30th June 2025. To secure your site, all payments must be paid no later than 30th June 2025. No late payments will be accepted at the national rally.



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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** 





President's Report Pittsworth

PITTSWORTH - SEPTEMBER 2024

On the way to the Pittsworth rally, some members went via Chinchilla to be part of the Long Table Festival, which was a great event and those members even made the Channel 7 news. Then from there we headed to Pittsworth for the rally.

Wednesday quite a few caravans were already there when we arrived, and after saying "hello" to some we hadn't seen for some time before we knew it was happy hour time.

Thursday morning started with the walkers getting their exercise for the day. Card making for Charity with Bev was very well attended and a lot of cards were made, well done ladies. Art class with Bert is always popular and some great drawings done again. Dancing, Thursday night with Kevin, not too many attended but those who did had a good time. Thanks Kevin.

Friday morning walkers always out early. Golfers set out to the course quite a cool start to the morning. The further we went from hole to hole the windier it got and by the time we finished our game, thought we better get back and check our awnings. There were some problems with the plumbing and also the showers, but after the plumber had been we thought all was fixed.

All the usual things that take place on Friday happened as normal, but on Friday night the main event the Mini Olympics we had to wait until Police, Fire, and, Ambulance said it was safe to go into the hall after a gas leak was attended to and made safe. Then it was time to start the Mini Olympics. With all the prep work put in by Kevin and Carol Day the night was a great success and I think all members deserve a pat on the back, for making such a fun night.

Saturday morning started with walkers then some doing Tia-Chi with Lyn Hill. Morning Tea followed by our club Forum, this started with a minute's silence to remember Dell Mc Nab. It was nice to see Carmel and Beres Abraham and Yvonne Robbins after health issues and a great surprise to see Merv and Carolyn Kahler.

First timers this rally were Mal and Geraldine Beverley. We hope you enjoyed your first rally and come again soon. Newest members inducted Roger and Donna Wilson. Awards, Ian and Denise Farrell officially received their 50 rally badges, and Jim and Minnie Holt also received their 50 rally badges. Saturday afternoon was Singles Disc Bowls. After some stiff competition it ended up with Dennis Edney runner up and Ray Mac Donald the winner. The nights entertainment was Matthew Peters as ELVIS and Wow what a terrific show he put on. Plenty of dancing and a little bit of craziness with some of those ladies, one in particular. I did pre-worn Elvis about fireworks, which started going off a little earlier than we thought.

Sunday morning walkers and Tia-Chi. Our treasurer then collected our camp fees. Morning tea with last chance to get more raffle tickets before Sunday Forum presented by Olive Jones. Well done Olive. Next Rally 9 to 14 October at Allora Showground stay healthy safe travels hope to see you there.

President Steve Langley.

**EMERGENCY 000 HOSPITAL Warwick Hospital** 56 Locke St, Warwick Qld 4370 Phone: 07 4660 3900

#### 2024 - 2025 Future Rallies

- \* Nov 6-11 Samford \* March 9-14 TBA
- \* Dec 4-9 Toogoolawah \* Jan 8-13 Maleny
- \* April 9-14 Laidley
- \* Feb 5-10 Oakey
- \* April/May 30-5 Hillview \* June 11-16 Kingarov

Wednesday 9th October to Monday 14th October Allora Showgrounds, Cnr. William & Darling Street Allora Qld 4362 Arrive no earlier than Noon on Wednesday 9th October



**Caretaker: Defibrillator: Dump Point:** 

0427 100 210 or Shirl 0476 051 004 (i) Stephen Langley (ii) Murray McGowan

#### Allora Public Dump Point at Apex Park, Church St, Allora



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Allora Medical Practice 45 Herbert Street Allora 074666 3336 Closed Sat & Sun Condamine Medical Centre 53 Wood St Warwick 07 4666 9666 Open Sat & Sun mornings

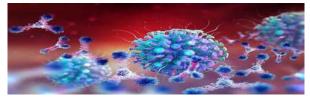
Pharmacy: Allora Pharmacy 42 Herbert St Allora 07 4666 3100 Closed Sundays

#### How To Get There Venue GPS: -28.0393207 S 151.9884564 E

#### Nearest Intersection: Cnr. William & Darling Streets

West to Warwick on Cunningham Hwy. Turn Right onto New England Hwy (near Warwick). Turn Left into Darling St and Left into William St. Entrance on Left. Or Gatton to Ma Ma Cr Road. Left at New England Hwy to Allora. Turn Right at Darling Street & Left

into William St.



#### **COVID-19 REMINDER TO MEMBERS**

Your RAT's need to be stored appropriately between 2 to  $30^{\circ}$  Celsius to work as intended. CHECK THE PACKS HAVE NOT EXPIRED. An expired RAT can give a false result.



After testing positive, following a Rapid Antigen Test. \* Isolate immediately. \* Wearing masks in crowded areas has been strongly recommended.

#### **DO NOT BECOME COMPLACENT BE COVID AWARE.....BE SAFE**

•For information about

- •CCQ Website <a href="http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au">http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au</a>
- •State Rally http://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au
- •NACC https://www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au
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#### CYBER & CRIME PREVENTATION

Saturday 10.30am

A must for all to hear, learn and be aware of Financial & Cyber Crime. Scammers target everyone including vulnerable persons and seniors. Not just kids and other adults.

**DO NOT MISS OUT** 

Presentation by Ian Wells Detective Sergeant from Cyber Prevention and Engagement Team will discuss Financial, AI & Cyber Crime Awareness.



#### HEARTSINE 500P Defibrillator

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

**HeartSine 500P Online Training** 

#### FIRE SAFETY IN YOUR CARAVAN

Hello Members

The following is a brief description on maintaining your Fire Extinguisher fitted in your caravan.

As many of you know my previous job was a Firefighter/fire inspector and in this job I attended many caravan fires and sadly some with fatalities.

This is why I have put this simple service check on your fitted fire extinguisher.

- Remove fire extinguisher from bracket used to secure your fire extinguisher.
- Take your extinguisher outside of your caravan.
- Lightly tap your fire extinguisher with a rubber mallet around the base of your extinguisher turning the extinguisher as you tap.
- If you don't have a rubber mallet, tap your extinguisher on your van tyre lightly.
- Check your fire extinguisher is still in serviceable date.
- If in doubt a new fire extinguisher is only about \$40 or less, which is cheap.
- Check the gauge on your fire extinguisher to make sure it is in the green area.
- Re install the extinguisher back in the bracket in your van.

## I must stress that if a fire starts in your caravan vacate your van immediately **DO NOT STAY IN YOUR VAN TO TRY TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE**

Your life is worth more than your caravan. A caravan can be replaced, you can not be replaced. If you have any questions do not hesitate to give me a call or I will come and look at your van's extinguisher at a future rally.

Prepared by Bob Chaffey, GIFireE Retired Fire Inspector



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#### Thursday: 10 Oct

6am Walkers
1pm Card Making
2.30 Art
7pm Cards & Board Games



#### Friday: 11 Oct

6am Walkers

7.30 Golf

8am MH&WB Challenge WEIGH-IN

- 9am The Crafty Ladies Chat Group
- 9am Quilting with Fay Bell
- 11am Committee Meeting
- 1.30 Sewing with Olive Jones
- 2pm Lawn Bowls
- 7 pm Cards & Board Games

#### Saturday: 12 Oct

6am Walkers

NOTE TIME CHANGE

9am Club Forum and General Meeting Followed by Morning tea Bring a plate of goodies.



10.30 CYBER & CRIME PREVENTATION Presentation Ian Wells from Cyber Prevention and Engagement Team will discuss Financial, AI & Cyber Crime Awareness.

2pm Horseshoe Pitching *REMINDER please bring gazebos to the rally.* 

7pm Witches & Warlocks Halloween Games Night

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#### Sunday: 13 Oct

6am Walkers

- 8.30 Pay Treasurer
- 9 am Morning Tea
- 9.30 Club Forum

4pm Happy Hour followed by BYO Sausage Sizzle. This event will be confirmed at Sunday Club forum.

#### Monday: 14 Oct

Travel safely.

SAMFORD RALLY 6 to 11 November



#### **SPECIAL NOTICES**

•For all matters relating to the club you should contact the Secretary Pat Mander on phone, text or email. Ph: 0407 150 831

Email: queenslandcarvanclub@gmail.com

•Please contact our Secretary, <u>if you are OR if you</u> <u>are not</u> attending the Rally. The list of members thought to be attending the next rally will continue to be emailed to members prior a rally.

•Remember to check the rally noticeboards for changes to the published programme.

•All persons attending a QCC rally, whether members or visitors, must register in the Attendance Book. Please print your name clearly.

•Remember to record all spending in the local area.

•Pets - allowed. Page 11 - Pet Policy at QCC.

•When you are the first to connect to a tap, attach a two-way connecter.

#### 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

#### PLEASE BE AWARE



If for Medical or Mobility reasons you want to be parked close to the

amenities you must, at least 7 days prior to the start of each rally, tell either our Chief Rally Marshal, **Noel Jones 0418 885 584** or our Secretary **Pat Mander 0407 150 831** of your requirements.

Late notice by you may come at a time when all sites near to the amenities have been taken. Sites will be filled in the order that notifications are received. You should give this notice for each rally you attend.

If you intend to arrive at a rally late in the day please give a curtsey call to either **Noel on 0418 885 584 or Olive 0407 640 993** 

#### RALLY FEES

Site Fee per night - Power & Water \$25 Unpowered \$15

Administration Fee \$ 3.00 Hall Hire Fee \$ N/C



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

Any queries contact our Treasurer Bob Thomson on 041715020.

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#### CARD MAKING with Bev Green Thursday at 1.00pm

Card Kit will cost you \$5

You need to phone or text Bev on 0418 881 890 before 2nd October if you want to join the class at Allora.



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 add to your supply a larger pair of scissors **%** Larger than craft size scissors.

#### ART sday at 2.3

**Thursday at 2.30pm** Development of skills already learnt. We have no teacher with us over the next few rallies and with that in mind we have been given tasks to complete



at each rally. Allora rally is the backyard Dunny.

#### SEWING Friday at 1.30pm



You can make these bowls in three sizes; the large is serving bowl size, medium is dessert bowl size and the small is suitable for bowls 3 to 4 inches in diameter.

#### Requirement

**Large:**1 (one) x 14" square each of Outer fabric, Inner Lining and cotton wadding.

**Medium:** 1 (one) x 12" square each of Outer fabric, Inner Lining and cotton wadding.

**Small:** 1 (one) x 11" square each of Outer fabric, Inner fabric and cotton wadding

Cotton to match, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" foot for sewing machine All regular sewing items.

The pattern/s will be provided at the rally. I will have some cotton wadding available for anyone who needs it. Please phone/text me if you have any questions. Olive Jones mb 040764099



#### GOLF

**Friday 7.30am START** Allora Sports Club Golf Course 3 New England Hwy, Allora

Green fees 9 holes \$15. Buggy fees 9 holes \$20 Buggies book with Wendy Ellwood 0437 342 870

#### MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING CHALLENGE

**Friday 8.00am WEIGH-IN Our aim is to stay healthy by maintaining a healthy weight.** Further information contact



Minnie 0431210278 or Robyn 0427495167.

#### THE CRAFTY LADIES CHAT GROUP Friday at 9.00am

Check the whiteboard for location.

#### **QUILTING** with Fay Bell Friday at 9.00am





Fay is happy to be available for one-on-one lessons if you feel this is needed.

#### LAWN BOWLS



#### Friday 2pm Cost \$5 per person

Allora Sports Club 3 New England Hwy, Allora Register by printing your name in the Lawn Bowls book.

#### HORSE SHOE PITCHING Saturday at 2.00pm

Those members carrying gazebos please bring them to the rally.

All welcome to play.

Come along and join in the fun.

- Nominations close 5pm on Friday - see Ray Caddies
- 1.30pm Help erect the gazebos
- ♦ 2.00pm Games begin





#### HALLOWEEN NIGHT of WITCHES and WARLOCKS

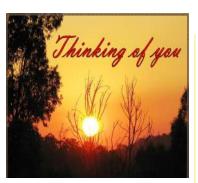
Ghosts and Witches and Creatures of Fright, dress to possess in your sight of freights. Be ready for games, no tricks, just treats. So join us for a spooktacular night **Saturday from 7pm** 



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#### **SUNSHINE REPORT**

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. Special thoughts are extended to the McNab family, Michael Lillis, Brenda Usher, Bill Waycott, Jacky Smith, and Alf Hinson. We were thrilled to see Merv Kahler, Yvonne Robbins and Carmel Abraham at the Pittsworth rally.





#### VALE – Dell McNab

Dell, along with Ken, became members of the Queensland Caravan Club on 10 September 1994.

During her time in the Club, Dell held the positions of Assistant Secretary and Treasurer and was always a loyal and valued member of the Club, helping out wherever she could. Dell was also responsible for introducing our current rally shirt to the members way back in 2002.

On 1 December 2012, Dell and Ken were made Life Members of the Club. Dell was also active within the State Association, as she supported Ken when he was President of what was then Combined Caravan Clubs of Qld and took on the role of Editor of the State Newsletter, The Bulletin for many years.

Always a willing volunteer, Dell was also very involved in the National Caravan Rally held in Rockhampton in 2013 when she took on the huge task of looking after the Rally shirts. She was also National Rally Liaison Officer for the QCC for many years.



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#### PITTSWORTH CHARITY WORK

The Charity sewing and card making was done for 'Bright Bags' a Not-for-profit organisation based in Wamuran that support children in crisis.

The organisation receives requests for help from places like Children's Services when children are going into care, Domestic Violence Support, Church groups and even on occasions schools.

This Christmas this organisation has been charged with supplying 1443 Christmas gift bags.

The sewing groups at the Pittsworth Rally provided 95 bags which will be filled with gifts for children for this upcoming Christmas season.

Individuals can sponsor a child by providing gifts for these bags by contacting the organisation.

Bev Green also made 120 gift tags to go on these bags.

The card making group made Birthday cards which will be included in 'Birthday Bags' for children in need during the year.

More information about the group can be found on Facebook by searching "Bright Bags Qld".

Thank you to all those who worked endlessly to complete so many of these gift items.





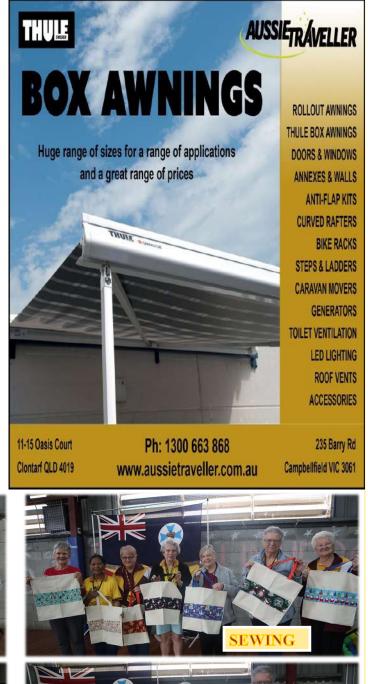


#### WANTED - SCRAPS OF MATERIAL



Continuing with our Charity work we are in need of material. Scraps of fabric, any size, any colour, to be taken to Allora rally. The fabric will be donated and used to make-up some personal items for young girls in need.

Further details check with Secretary Pat Mander.





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### BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

- 03 FLINN Peter 03 GOWER Pat 05 HOGAN Kerry 06 GAUNT Robert 07 KERKIN Susan 07 WILSON Roger 08 COX Des 08 LACEY George 12 USHER Brenda **15 MARTIN Mavis**
- 16 GIBSON Barry **18 HORNIBROOK Stewart** 19 COOK Barbara 19 LOWE Del 19 VAN WYK Richard 20 ROBSON-PETCH Ron 21 JUDGE David 23 ZALEWSKI Carolyn 26 DALE Mal **28 BREARLEY Paul**

28 ADAMS Roger **31 EDNEY Dennis** 



#### ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

03 KENNEDY Paul & Joanne 05 SKINNER Adrian & Gayle 10 RUTHERFORD Bob & Barbara 10 LILLIS Michael & Susan 12 HOGAN Kerry & Dianne

14 MANTTAN Terry & Elaine 21 SMITH Tom & Jacky 28 MAC DONALD Ray & Pam 28 LACEY George & Yvonne









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#### LUCKY CLUB MEMBERS

#### Lucky Van Winners are:-

- Rod & Bev GREEN
- Noel & Margot KITCHINER
- Tony & Nida CUZZOLARO

Each of them have won two free

nights at the next non-caravan park rally they attend. Lucky No.

\$50 won by Brian MARRINAN donated by QCC. **Club Raffle** 

\$50 Gift Card donated by QCC was won by member Nida CUZZOLARO.

#### **Raffle Items**

Won by :

John ADAMS - Portable Oven Robyn LANGLEY - Pillow Book Richard VAN WYK - Mugs and Plates

Key rings won by Elizabeth HOLMES, Heather & Dennis EDNEY, Wendy & Barry GIBSON, Jan & Ross MUNRO.

QCC's contribution to PITTSWORTH community:

Site fees	\$ 1,323.00
Other	<u>\$ 6,430.00</u>
Total	\$ 7,753.00



Winners! 5

Oh my! You WON!

Three

Cheers!



36.5 36.75 38.5

Pittsworth \*9 Golf players \*18 Lawn Bowls players

#### SWAP-SELL-GIVEAWAY -TRADE-BUY

Check out QCC's noticeboard. See Jenni McGowan if you have any questions.



**CWA** Charity Collection. We are still collecting:-Medication – tablet seals/blister packs. Hearing Aids. Plastic bottle tops (milk and soft drink bottles) Plastic bread bag tags. Disused but clean bras. Flannel, flannelette, and Muslins. Used Spectacles. Other assorted cloth and material. Ribbons and lace. Wool. Motel soap, shampoo, and conditioner Used greeting cards and old calendars. Tea bag paper tags.

LOCATED IN GEEBUNG QLD E: TPC@CRUISEMASTER.COM.AU

If you would like to collect any of these things, please give them to Linda Jones or Lyn Cragg.



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FIRST TIMERS Mal & Geraldine BEVERLEY

DAY VISITORS: Merv & Carolyn KAHLER

#### PET POLICY AT QCC RALLIES



This Policy applies whilst at a rally site <u>for the whole duration of the rally dates</u>, i.e. upon arrival on site until departure. This Policy runs in conjunction with any other "Pet" policy imposed by the venue at which our rally is being held.

We must remember that although many of us enjoy pets, not all club members are pet lovers. However, if we abide by a few simple rules, there is no reason why we cannot all be happy. (Refer to the By-Law No. 19 for further details).

## It is important to be aware that: **Pet owners/carers are responsible for keeping their pets quiet at all times. Barking dogs will not be tolerated as this can be disturbing to other members.**

- Pets must be restrained and kept within the confines of the owner/carer's caravan/annex.
- Pets are always to be kept on a short leash or other type of restraint.
- When walking a Pet, it must be on a short leash or other type of restraint and be in the hands of a responsible adult.
- Pets must not be off their leash anywhere on the rally site. (The only exception to this rule is if a specific area designated for this purpose is provided by the venue.)
- Pet owners must clean up any mess their pet makes
- Pets are NOT permitted in the following areas:
  - a. where food is eaten, being prepared and/or served,
  - b. Toilets/shower facilities,
  - c. The Hall or Meeting area or anywhere members gather for any social gatherings.

If you are attending a rally with a Pet, please advise the Rally Marshal on your arrival.

#### IF WE ALL EMPLOY A LITTLE BIT OF CO-OPERATION AND COMMON SENSE, OUR MEMBERS WILL BE HAPPY NEIGHBOURS.





Merv Kahler, Yvonne Robbins, and Carmel Abraham all making the Pittsworth rally.









