

## NEWSLETTER No 60 – OCTOBER 2011 PO BOX 4028 Lake Haven 2263

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**Swansea Report**: Even after packing in the rain and setting up camp in the rain it didn't "dampen" anyone's enthusiasm to have a good time. So what did we all do, we got out our gumboots and formed the Gumboot Brigade.

Friday Soup and Sausage night was well attended plus a few extra club members drove up for the night and really enjoyed the heart warming soups, bangers & lamingtons.

All Happy Hours & community BBQ's were great, only one problem, the management, kicking us out at 8.00pm every night. Quite a few expressed their feelings but it fell on deaf ears of the management.

My card classes were well attended and I hope all enjoyed our creative fun together. Maybe we can do it again. A couple of ladies scissor's made a wrong turn while cutting out their boxes but all was rectified. The boys didn't know what to do with themselves so they decided to move Coral & Pete's house to higher grounds.



**TLC GUM BOOT DANCERS** 

Val (Ma & Pa) did a jewellery demo and Debbie brought along her beading and both had a lot of ladies gathering around and I think they made some good sales.

"Christmas in July" Drover's Run at Branxton was a great day of good food and wonderful entertainment. Loved his poem on Prostrate. We enjoyed a scenic drive home on the shores of Newcastle and a visit to Mrs Millers at Kurri Kurri.

We had some fine days where a few went fishing and caught a few leather jackets. A couple of funny things happened over the week not to mention any names.....but a certain lady was left standing in the bolicky waiting for the hot water to come thru the shower only to realise she had pushed the next shower's button by then all the hot water wash used. She didn't make that mistake again.

Lunch at the Workies Club a certain male was charged full price by the lady at the register, he asked why? she said you look like you would eat too much.

After having X-Rays today I found out I had no broken bones just bruised knee & ribs but I am still sore but I will stop whinging. It was a great week and look forward to 1 mile Beach. Thanks to all the workers. Happy Camper. XxX LOL Cheryl Ducker

Elvis Presley Festival NEWSFLASH – The dates published in the last Newsletter are WRONG. The correct dates for the Elvis Festival at Parkes are 11 - 15 January 2012.

**LED Light Stuff:** A member purchased a couple of the first LED lights listed on the information sheet made available by Dennis McCann. He found these two test Led's SO GOOD that he purchased another six. These are LED replacement/insert units so you remove your original light bulb and replace it with one of these units. All their overhead lights have had this conversion (very easy). They are very happy with the end result Des saw the results and was most impressed

**Torch Purchase Roma Q**: Whilst in Queensland on our recent trip Des found a man's shop selling two LED torches for \$4.50. There was a large and small torch in rubber casing and they look very impressive. Des was so impressed he went back and purchased a second pair. When we reached Chinchilla I had to purchase batteries and Des was not impressed when the bill was \$28.

**CRAFT MORNING** At the Narrabeen Rally on Saturday 29th October Cheryl Ducker will be conducting a CRAFT MORNING. Cheryl needs to prepare a "craft package" of goodies for each member who wishes to attend the morning lesson. Please ring Cheryl on 4333 3343 to HAVE YOUR NAME ADDED TO THE "CRAFT LESSON LIST"

The Swansea Lamont: July 2011 We packed the van and off we went, To where we wished to be, A lovely little place, That we all call Swansea

The wind did blow The rain did fall With water views all round Even in the annex water views abound

I asked were there flippers And snorkels with every site NO --but there is a rowboat For a "loo" trip in the night

Regardless of the water, And all the sloppy ground, Happy times were had by all And smiles were all around By --Val Kinnell (Ma)

**AGM Nomination Forms:** Remember your nomination form for office position must be lodged with the Secretary by the 16<sup>th</sup> October

**Camp Oven Car**e. When you get your hands on a new cast iron camp oven take a bit of time to prepare it for the years ahead. You need to help prevent rust and help ensure it retains its nonstick qualities. Take off any labels and wash the oven and lid in warm water only. Then rinse and dry it completely. Wipe very thoroughly around the inside of camp oven and lid with cooking oil then whack it in an oven upside down for one hour at 180 degrees. Be sure to place aluminium foil underneath the oven rack to catch any excess oil. Alternately oil the camp oven as described then put it on a camp fire and heat it to 180 degrees or there-a-bouts. From then on all you've got to do is give it a wash clean then oil it down. Don't use detergents or your food will stick and taste funny Don't forget to get a lid lifter to remove the oven lid, and a trivet to sit inside the oven and keep your dinner off the bottom. When you're not using your camp oven rub a coating of oil in it and keep the lid slightly off and store it in a camp oven bag. Extract from a BCF document

**One Mile Beach**:: Centre link was a great night of fun. There were some incredible costumes, Cheryl D was accompanied by her 2 year old daughter in nappies (Gloria S) and she was not a very well behaved child. Hippy Debbie K. wore her best top even though it was full of holes.. Garys sing along and our ladies dancing were great. We even had the Mafia, a council worker and a centre link inspector to check us out. The Webb's arrived all battered and broken covered in bandages. I would also include this poem on reversing your car

Reversing Camera by Pa Sept 2011 If your camera beeps please do not ignore, There may be a steel post at your back door If you do not look just like Des you will find, A big light post and it's made of Iron So at One Mile Beach you will clearly see Des's big leaning post at 20 degrees Regards Doug Kinnell (Pa)

Wot's Going On:: We have heard about the member who went out to buy a carton of milk and returned home with a new caravan. Then there was the couple who stopped at a cake shop and his wife went in to buy a "tea cake" while she was doing this he went into the next door Real Estate office and bought a house (at Coolangatta). Then a couple on a trip out West purchased a new drain hose for their van but could not buy the correct fitting to attach it to the discharge pipe. So on return home they went to Tuggerah straight to buy the correct 27mm fitting and they ended up purchasing a new caravan for \$72,111. Mmmmmmmmm

**Sandbar Trip:** Our club arrived at Sandbar to find we were the only ones in the park. After a short hunt for water taps we all settled into our spots.

A few members went off fishing to test the waters. But alas there were very few fish caught but it was not for the lack of trying. Barry/Debbie Latham had their grandchildren visit over the weekend. The two kids went fishing and returned with two big flathead. This caused an immediate mass response from our members the park was left vacant for two hours. But alas no one caught a fish.

A Dingo was caught on camera by Richard M raiding the garbage bins. Peter Johnson was cooking four pieces of bacon and two eggs in a frypan over a gas cooker all under his awning. A friendly Kookaburra swooped down and pinched one of Gai's pieces of bacon from the pan whilst it was frying .(Lucky it was not Peters piece) Two days later whilst we were all having morning tea he again swooped and left with a big slice of chocklate cake.

On a couple of afternoons we had three dampers cooked at our campfire. It is amazing how quickly dampers, butter and syrup disappear. The pumpkin/curry damper was a new taste delight.

A few members played golf number of times on a great 9 hole course. It rained heavily one night and we had a few windy days.

A trip was arranged to visit Forster for a private viewing of Chris Doll Collection that she had gathered over 40 years. It was a great one hour visit.

Of course one evening we had pikelets jam and cream and this is the first time ever recorded that there were leftovers.

What's in a name ---on the Sandbar trip we had a hard time with names. Not in remembering them but in identifying the correct person. The problem was we had five (5) Peters in attendance. We ended up with The 1<sup>st</sup> Peter, vanilla Peter, the other Peter, just Peter and cooking Peter (I think that's right) Oh yes there was also Pete..

We also had a rush of people making Vanilla Slices. *No more food please* 

On Saturday evening the local cub sent a bus on a couple of trips to pick us up for dinner this was a great venue. Barry Latham demonstrated to all members how to repair stone chip damage. It is so simple when you know how. Barry Latham also demonstrated how to refigure your caravan handbrake to make it ten times more efficient. Val/Doug Kinnell



**One Mile Beach** –The Johnsons put a lot of work into this trip and it didn't disappoint. Management provided each van with a Breakfast B.B.Q. Pack (bacon, eggs, minute steak, sausages). Then as we drove to our site Leonie appeared at car window with 2 home made scones, jam and cream. What a lovely touch.

We cooked our Brekky pack that night on the B.B.Q, the only drawback being chasing the possums away from our food, - unfortunately they are very tame. The next morning Roy and I drove to Wyong as the Lusteds had very kindly invited us to a race day. We had a great day, and in my mind, if you put \$6 on a race and get \$2 back that's a win.

Management provided our club with platters of nibbles, meats, biscuits for our 'happy hour' on Thursday night. We were in time to see an old black and white movie of a concert with Roy Orbison, Bruce Springsteen, K.D. Lang etc. It was really entertaining, but I did try to explain to some of the men that as it was a movie they did not have to applaud the acts.

Friday morning Val and Doug Kinnell arrived, but couldn't find their site. Someone pointed out that it took 10 of us to help them. The moral is don't come away with our club if you want to be alone.

<u>Some highlights of the week</u>:- card making with Cheryl, she is so patient and I am so bad at it; patchworking with Leonie, luckily I was away that morning, so she didn't have to put up with me; our great Centrelink night (wear your best Centrelink gear). Some people are really clever. If I'd been giving out prizes for costumes and acting I think I'd have chosen Thelma, Lorraine L, Cheryl, Gloria and the Webbs.



Once again Gary Johnson led us on a singalong with his ukulele. What a fine time we all had;

Anna Bay markets, Nelson Bay markets; our trip on ferry to Tea Gardens and the lunch at the pub; morning tea at the bakery first where the owner rang for help as 28 of us walked in; morning tea at the tea rooms above Halifax Caravan Park, oh gosh wish I hadn't had a cooked brekky; Peter Flippence's vanilla slices – yum!; then Coral Kane's vanilla slices, made with lattice biscuits – yum again! Just what we needed to make sure we didn't lose any weight.

<u>Other-snippets:-</u> Driving to Salamander looking for a non existent caravan accessories place, Chris took us into 2 dead end roads looking for a short cut across to the highway that the Kanes had taken the day before. However, it's nice to have a good look around the area, & we're never in a hurry.

I drove Gloria and John to mass on Sunday, missed the turn, drove 2 streets too many, came back, then drove past the school grounds parking area, so up the hill and turned round again. John just said – 'lucky we're early Laurel'.

Walking up to 2nd amenities, forgot code, traipsed back to Kane's van, got number, back up hill, stood under shower, no hot water soooo 'lovely' cold shower (very quick).

Peter K spilling entire cup of black coffee on himself & seat at morning tea, notice, I didn't put it under highlights only snippets & only because he wasn't burnt. Bad week for poor Pete as his footy team lost too.

We were lucky with the beautiful weather, but, best of all – once again great company, lots of talking, laughing and being really silly if we wished. One of my grandsons made the observation that all our club members seem to do is dress up and drink. Now I ask is there anything wrong with that?

Club Cook Book: Whilst at Sandbar members started cooking their speciality for morning and afternoon tea. On two occasions there was still food left over. The members suggested we create our own TLC Cook Book. This book will be compiled by Sue Reilly. So folks send your favourite recipe to Sue on a.s.reilly@optusnet.com.au **Big 4 Karuah Jetty Caravan Park:** The Kanes and Coopers visited the park and observed a new amenities block and a good meeting room. Both a bit distant from the van sites. The sites were mostly on a slope. Eight 8 or more vans are \$20/ site. The Kanes/Coopers will not be putting up a trip to Karauh

#### FOR SALE.

Engel Frig. Freezer 60 litre, 12V -240V as new with protective cover and stand. \$1250 ONO. Ph David 4358 2041 Mob 0412 142 483 8/11

**Porta Pottie**: Sell for \$50 Ph Peter 49763476 8/11

#### Social Director Report

Luncheon at Wyong RSL on Wednesday 5th October it is a Smorgasboard starting 12.00pm.

<u>The Xmas Dinner Party</u> List will be at the October meeting . Members will only pay \$25/ person for the three course dinner. You must pay the \$25 to the Treasurer to confirm your attendance.

2011 Premiers Concert Entertainment Centre Sydney Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December I have 30 tickets. Ring now **Coral 4333 9738** 

Next ---General Meeting Sunday 16th October 2011 Email:desmond.aliceccooper@bigpond.com

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### **BIRTHDAYS**

<u>OCTOBER</u>	
Brown Don	2-Oct
Williams Karen	3-Oct
Hogan John	6-Oct
Clarke Lynette	6-Oct
Holy Jane	7-Oct
Henry Mac	8-Oct
Purcell Lyn	11-Oct
Burrows Barry	13-Oct
Wilshire Robyn	13-Oct
Rance Cecily	14-Oct
Holmes Lorraine	15-Oct
Riley Rick	18-Oct
Woods Irene	19-Oct
Bunnett Caroline	20-Oct
Browning Jean	22-Oct
Brown Bob	21-Oct
Hansell Bill	22-Oct
Somerville Wendy	23-Oct
Woods Mick	27-Oct
Payne Cecilia	27-Oct
Cooper Alice	30-Oct
Rohwer Pat	30-Oct
Riley Maureen	31-Oct
Wilton Kerrie	31-Oct

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# 2011 -- LIST of TRIPS

<u>Sept 20 – 27<sup>th</sup></u>	BEDGEYABONG MUSIC CAMPOUT - FORBES	Contact The Group	
	Howard, Moore, Rigger, Holmes, Reilly		
Sept 28 –Oct 27	GREAT SOUTHWEST RAMBLE	Contact Clarrie Stevens.	
	Coltman, Clarke, Cannard, Davidson, Stevens, Brady, Fletcher, Morris, Belshaw, Easte		
and a cord		Ormitant	
Oct 19 – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	ROSEWOOD ROUNDUP COUNTRY MUSIC Near Tumbarumba   Howard, Reilly, Webb Near Tumbarumba	Contact	
	Tiowald, Reilly, Webb		
Oct 27- Nov 3	2011 NARRABEEN RALLY DO NOT RING	Contact Kanes/Coopers	
	Angell, Bromley, Burrows, Coltman, Cooper D/A, Flippence, Kane, Hennessy, Marsland,	McGillicuddy, Shawcross, Thomas B/L, Ducker, Chambe	
	Laney, Lee-Sing, Stewart, Holmes, Sommerville, Schoobert, Belshaw, Rigger, Stevens, Jones, Moore, Smith, Howard, Steel, Fletcher, Field,		
	Brown G/J, Holland, Davies, Pollard, Williamson/Edwards, Cannard, Morris, Eadie, Wallace, McDonald, Majchrowski, Brown L/J, Dew, Dunn, He Johnson G/L, Haberfield, Brady, Russell, Curnow, Davidson/Whitehead, Reilly, Svensson, Steell, Rohwer, Luttrell, Teesson, Williamson G/San		
	Johnson G/L, Haberlield, Brady, Russell, Curnow, Davidson/whitehead, Relly, Svenss	on, Steell, Ronwer, Luttrell, Teesson, Williamson G/Sar	
Nov 17 – 22	CANBERRA COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL	Contact Tour Director	
	Nil		
	2012 - LIST of TRIPS		
Jan 11 -15	ELVIS PRESLEY FESTIVAL TRIP -PARKES	Contact	
:	Sheehan, Aylett, Herod, Williams, Meatheringham		
Jan 20 – 27	TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC	Contact	
	Sheehan, Aylett,		
Feb 1 – 9th	TUNCURRY CARAVAN PARK 1800 227 275	Contact The Howards 4353 3700	
:	Bickley, Curnow, Howard, Thomas B/L, Pollard, Jones, Morris		
Feb 9 – 15th	HAPPY HALLIDAYS 1800 555 454	Contact The Kanes 4333 9738	
	Bromley, Cooper D/A, Coltman, Curnow, Ducker, Kane, Shawcross, Flippence, Henness		
	Shoobert, Davies, Bunnett, Majchrowski, Smith T/L, Russell, McCann, Morris, Laney, ,	Luttrell, Kinnell, Jones, Woods, Williams G/K,	
thnd			
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>		Contact Clarrie Stevens	
	Curnow, Stevens, Maughan, McCann, Majchrowski, Pollard, Webb		
Feb <b>20 -27th</b>	TAMWORTH FESTIVAL at THE BALLADEERS HOMESTEAD	Contact	
	Nil		
<u> Mar 2 - 8th</u>	THE BAY CARAVAN PARK at ANNA BAY	Contact	
	Nil		
Mar 8 - 14th	SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK (4 day 9 -12 <sup>th</sup> ) (Fishing Championship and Golf Trip)	Contact	
	Cooper, Kinnell, Johnson, Latham, Reilly, Webster,	Contact	
	cooper, ramon, connect, Lundin, romy, Webster,		
<u> Mar 2 - 4th</u>	NSW STATE RALLY Nil	Contact	

<u> Mar 29 – 1 Apr</u>	SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL CORRYONG 6076 1992	Contact	
	Nil		
<u>Mar 29 – Apr 1</u>	COOLAH MUSIC FESTIVAL (Weekend Before HARTWOOD)	Contact The Coopers	
	Cooper D/A		
<u>Apr 2 – 9th</u>	HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC	Contact The Kanes 4333 9738	
	Cooper D/A, Brown L/J, Jones, Kane, Payne, Reilly, Webb		
Apr 8 -15th	LIGHTNING RIDGE	Contact	
	Nil		
Apr 9 – 14th	BOGGABRI CAMPGROUND WEEKEND	Contact	
	Cooper D/A		
Apr 14 – 21	BURREN JUNCTIONHOT POOLS -FREE CAMPING-SHOWERS-TOILETS	Contact	
- <b>F</b>	Nil		
May 2 – 6 <sup>th</sup> CELTIC FESTIVAL GLEN INNES		Contact The Curnows 4369 5954	
	Curnow Pollard, Holland, Kane, Hogan, Lanci, Cooper D/A, Stevens, Clarke, Bickle		
<u>JUNE 8 - 14</u>	BATEAU BAY CARAVAN PARK	Contact	
JULY	XMAS IN JULY- SWANSEA GARDENS	Contact	
Aug/ Sep	ONE MILE BEACH CARAVAN PARK		
Sept	SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK		

# **2011 -- OFFICIAL ATTENDANCE RECORD for YEAR**

<u>JAN 4 – 10</u>	ELVIS PRESLEY FESTIVALPARKS	TOTAL 8
	Broadhurst, Bromley, Hansell, Kane, Majchrowski, O'Brien, Olesen, Sheehan,	
FEB 11 – 18 <sup>th</sup>	TUNCURRY CARAVAN PARK	TOTAL 20
	Bunnett, Bickley, Bullock-Browning, Clarke, Courts, Curnow, Chambers, Davies, Dew, Fletcher, Fisher, Howard, Johnson P/G, Kinr Murgatroyd, Patterson, Pollard, Stevens, Webster	ell, Latham, Majchrowski,
FEB 18- 25 <sup>th</sup>	HAPPY HALLIDAYS	TOTAL 47

Angell, Bickley, Broadhurst/Ekin, Bromley, Bunnett, Burrows, Chambers, Cooper D/A, Curnow, , Brown L/J, Davies, Dew, Eadie, Fletcher, Flippence, Hansell, Hennessy, Hogan, Howard, Hunt/Holly G/L,Kane, Kinnell, Lee-Sing, Latham, Lancie, Majchrowski, Moore, McDonald Olesen, Rigger, Shawcross, Shoobert, Stewart, Stevens, Steele, Smith, Teesson, Thomas B/L, Vanderveer/Lang, Webb, Wallace, Wilshire, Woolfe, Woods

<u>EB 25 – MAR 3</u>	BIG4 SUNDOWNER PORT MACQUARIE	<u>TOTAL 15</u>
	Chambers, Curnow, Dew, Green, Henry, Johnson G/L, Kane, Majshowski, Moore, Patterson, Pollard, Rigger, Shooberg, Thomas L/	B, Steele, Wilshire
AR 4 – 8	STATE RALLY COWRA	TOTAL 8
	Brown G/J, Fisher, Purnell/Filmer, Roberts, Patterson, Sutton, Sheehan, Teesson	
AR 7 – 18	Home from State Rally via Cowra, Bathurst, Orange, Wellington, Mudgee, Denman	TOTAL 3
	Roberts, Patterson, Teesson	
AR 31 – AP 3	SNOWY RIVER BUSH FEST.	TOTAL 24
	Brown B/J, Brown L/J, Bullock/Browning, Cannard, Cooper, Coltman, Curnow, , Chambers, Davies, Eadie, Howard, Holmes, Kane, McGowan, Maughan, Moore, Payne, Pollard, Steele, Webb, Woods, Pettigrew	, Lalor , McCann,
PR 4 – 11	HARTWOOD From The Snowy River Bush Fest.	TOTAL 9
	Curnow, Eadie, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Pollard, Steele, Stewart, Maughan	
APR 8 - 2 MAY	LIGHTNING RIDGE GEMFEST	TOTAL 6.
	Coltman, Fletcher, Gordon, Hennessy, Purnell/Filmer, Roberts,	
PRIL 17– 25	HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC	TOTAL 19.
	Brown L/J, Carr, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Eadie, Edwards/Williamson, Howard, Holmes, Jones, Kane, Kennedy, Lalor, McGowan, Pollard, Ranse, Rigger, Somerville, Steele, Woods,	
IAY 18 -24	STOCKTON BEACH	TOTAL 1
	Thomas J/R	
UNE 1 -8	BURREN JUNCTIONHOT POOLS	TOTAL 1
	Svensson,	
UNE 8 - 14	BATEAU BAY CARAVAN PARK	TOTAL Nil
UNE and IUU X	QUEENSLAND WANDER	TOTAL 4
	Curnow, Holland, Majchrowski, Pollard,	
ULY 21 - 28	XMAS IN JULY- SWANSEA GARDENS	TOTAL 28
	Brown G/J, Cooper D/A, Fabien, Flippence, Henry, Hendy, Hennessy, Howard, Kane, Kinnell, Latham, Laney, Majchrowski, Roach, Belshaw, Lee-Sing, Stewart, Jones, Ducker, Scally, Curnow, Pollard, Holland, McCann, Steell, Somerville,	
ug 31 – Sep 7	ONE MILE BEACH CARAVAN PARK	<u>TOTAL 24</u>
-	Coltman, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Ducker, Flippence, Hennessy, Howard, Laney, Kane, Johnson G/L, Kinnell Latham, Marsland, M Majchrowski, Pollard, Shoobert, Shawcross, Teesson, Thomas, , Williams Wallace, Webb,	lac Henry, Murgat

#### Sept 7 – 13<sup>th</sup> SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK

Cooper D/A, Ducker, Flippence, Herod, Johnson G/P,, Kinnell, Latham, Marsland, Majchrowski, Reilly, Rohwer, Webster, Kane, Riley R/M, Henry, Smith

TOTAL 16