

# Tuggerah Lakes Caravanners Inc.



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**2012 Xmas Party** Without doubt yesterday's Xmas Party had to be the "best ever". It was a very happy colorful group of members that arrived at 11am and the majority remained until after 3 pm and the last had to leave at 4.00pm due to the Club needing the Hall for other functions. The Hali staff did an excellent job in decorating the table and the room in general. Everything just rolled along so smoothly

The three course Xmas Dinner was again of a very high standard and not many went back for seconds. The service was very quick and the staff very pleasant. Many members congratulated Coral Kane and I on the wonderful day. It was pleasing to note the only complaint Des heard was one lady members saying she had lost her voice from too much talking. (No it was not Val Kinnell). Special thanks must go to Val/Doug Kinnell for spending about (4) four days preparing, cooking,

constructing and decorating some (20) Gingerbread Houses. They looked wonderful and were so well presented in cellophane wrapping. Of course Ma & Pa made some extra little house that they presented to "some special achievers".

While presenting a Stirrers Award to Barry Latham Ma bought the house down when she told the story of Barry setting her up to buy a Vibrating Saw at Bunnings. Ma was told the only vibrating things Bunnings staff know of are available in Sex Shops.

Peter Flippence entertained the crowd with a Skit involving about 8 members. It was very funny and even the club waitresses were very impressed. Even staff inside the Kitchen came out to watch. Have you noticed that many male only members are now starting to do the "hitch up of pants" like Peter

Debbie Latham provided each member with a little cellophane pack containing a

small amount of clean dirt and ½ dozen peas with the caption "Peas on Earth".. Very nice

Bruce Sommerville recited a poem he had written about Peter Flippence when Peter was at Hartwood and Peter slipped and kinda fell into a Porta-Loo. Very funny

John Fabien again attended and played selected Xmas music for the day. The last song of course being "Old Lang Syne" and it was played right on 4.00pm Many thanks John/Margery. It is incredible the amount of effort some members go to assist our club. A special thank you from the C of M and club members to those special people .

**HAPPY XMAS TO ALL MEMBERS  
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR ACDC xx**

**Wow** The tables looked spectacular the ginger bread houses and box's the decorations were wonderful- many thanks to the Kinnells & Lathems and

helper's. The food was beyond description Bob and I only had what was served. We'd saved our hunger and hadn't had much breakfast. Guess what we didn't have dinner either. Thanks to the Hali for a great Xmas Dinner. The company was good we caught up with a few members we hadn't seen in a while. OH YES we did have seconds of crackling YUM. Coral put on a splendid function. Thanks for a great day. Hope members have a safe & merry Xmas and a happy New Year. Bob & Bev S xx

**Missing November Birthday List:**  
Sorry about missing the November list in the last Newsletter Alice xx

**NOVEMBER**

McGowan Barry	1-Nov
Steell Charles	5-Nov
Herod Josie	7-Nov
Latham Barry	9-Nov
Maughan Max	11-Nov
Kane Peter	12-Nov
Olesen Carole	12-Nov
Brown Betty	14-Nov
Spath Heather	16-Nov
Johnson Gary	16-Nov
Pollard Christine	17-Nov
Cooper Ken	19-Nov
Dew Al	19-Nov
Evernden Fay	20-Nov
Thomas Laurence	23-Nov
Latham Deborah	25-Nov
Pfyeld Keya	27-Nov
Reineker Joe	28-Nov
Rohwer Peter	28-Nov
Channon Jessie	29-Nov

**TLC Recipe Book:** The Committee have approved the second print of the TLC Recipe Book. This is now being organised and I ask that any member

who would like to submit a recipe to please send it to me for inclusion in version 2. All the new recipes will be sent to those members who have purchased version 1. Please send me your favourite recipe so we can all enjoy them. Sue xx

So come on members please send your favourite recipe to Sue on email [a.s.reilly@optusnet.com.au](mailto:a.s.reilly@optusnet.com.au)

We have tried a number of the recipes we loved them all. Alice xx

**The Peter Flippence Trial:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

November was a day of anticipation with the start of T.L.C. Disc Bowls Tournament. The sun was shining, there was a nice breeze and the members gathered, chair in hand to not only participate in this annual event, but to also cheer on friends and fellow members. Early games were played with tense excitement and sportsmanship much to the delight of all concerned. Then through the microphone we heard the familiar tones of Coral Kane announce that Peter Flippence and Al Dew were required on court No 3 to play their singles rubber. The game started at a frantic pace and Peter quickly realized that he was up against an opponent of outstanding talent. Al raced to a lead of 7 to 1 with one end remaining., Peter in Peter style picked up 2 extra discs and played them in an effort to make the game a little closer even though he could not win. Peter was immediately disqualified by the official table. At Happy Hour, a panel was formed so that Peter could put his case forward in a fair and just manner. The panel consisted of Coral Kane, Roy Kurnow and Rhonda Stewart. . Peter was allowed representation and was professionally represented by Jackqueline Pollard. Jacky is a legal person held in high esteem. Peter was charged with cheating to gain

advantage, bringing the club into disrepute and gross character assassination of an umpire. Peter was allowed far more latitude than normal to explain his actions and was very professionally represented by Jacky who pleaded with the panel to consider Peter's subnormal mental state before making a final decision, although she did say that the public hanging of Peter would be a good idea and should be considered, which was applauded by all of the members. The panel listened with intensity to Peter's evidence and to Jacky's pleas for leniency. Peter said in his final plea to the panel that he was sick and that nobody cared and that he was the victim of uncaring people. After all evidence was taken into account, the panel announced that Peter was guilty of all charges and his punishment was a choice of 2. The first was that Peter had to be completely silent and not say a word to anyone for 24 hours OR he was to collect every Caravans rubbish for 24 hours and dispose of it in the Bins provided. As Peter stated that being quiet was an impossibility for 24 seconds let alone 24 hours, he elected to accept the second punishment of rubbish collection. I have to finish this report and say that Peter failed to fulfill his punishment with rubbish piling up all over the Caravan Park. He obviously is a man affected by his special mental & health condition and special care should be arranged for him at future club outings. Steve Crocker

**2012 Trip to Cape York** In July Phil & I met his brother, sisters & partners in Cooktown for our first trip to the Cape. 8 people three Toyota Land cruisers & our Suzuki Vitara we tow behind our motorhome. Our m/home left at the Cooktown caravan park storage (at \$5pd). Two vehicles had campervans one a roof top camper and us with our tent. Heading

through Lakefield National Park we travelled through old cattle stations crossing creeks (none deeper than 12") passing beautiful billabongs full of water lilies and lots of birdlife. First night stop was Musgrave Station with a good lawn camping ground, fuel, shop and meals if needed. This was our chosen camping all the way to the top, there are roadhouses at approx. 8 hr intervals with fuel, food camping, rooms etc. We stayed on the Development road for the trip, this road was like a dirt highway most of the way with some short sections tar sealed (approx. 10% of the road is sealed) there was also quite a few sections of very corrugated road, but all in all it was a lot better road than we thought it would be. We crossed the Jardine river ferry, (\$66 return) We took detours to waterfalls, safe swimming holes, ww2 plane wrecks etc. all the way. We gave all the adventure tracks a miss, there were plenty of crazy 4wd owners willing to damage their vehicles on these. When reaching Bamaga near the tip the local vehicle repairer/assessor had already written off 16 vehicles for insurance companies putting them on the coastal trader back to Cairns and it was only half way into the season. 25,000 vehicles travelled to the tip in 2011. On reaching the top we stayed 3 days at Seisia beachfront c/Park where we did a boat trip to the very interesting Thursday Island for the day. Then another 3 days at Punsand Bay beachfront resort/camping ground. There were magnificent beaches everywhere but very frustrating as no swimming because of the crocs in all waterways. Temps were a very pleasant 30 deg daytime, around 20 overnight. We didn't have any rain on the 2 week trip. The last 20km to the tip was through beautiful rainforest and the day we were there so were about 20 other vehicles 12 motorbikes and two 4wd tourist busses. I was still a great thrill to stand on the tip with

the sign saying we had made it. We did the five beaches trip back to camp to finish a wonderful day. Return trip we called into Weipa for 3 days in the c/park on the beach and did an interesting tour of the mine and the town. We thoroughly enjoyed the whole trip, dozens of easy river & creek crossings none deeper than around 15" (this depends on when you go) fuel from \$1.50 to \$2.05 Lt, we did 2,195 km from Cooktown return. Fuel cost approx. \$500. Total trip cost approx. \$1500 incl boat trip to Thursday Island. It took us 15 days. Only put Suzi in 4wd once on the 4 beaches drive. None of the 4 vehicles had any problems. Not even a flat tyre, one vehicle replaced a battery. We will go again but for longer next time. Lyn & Phil Bromley....."Life as good as it gets"

#### **The Other Side of Narrabeen:**

Monday: Arrived at Narrabeen at lunchtime and set up the van. Everyone had gone to the city so no one to welcome us, very inconsiderate of them, at happy hour that night Roy Curnow and another gentleman were sitting at one of the park tables when they both leaned back laughing and Roy fell on the ground, while he lay there on his back floundering about like a beached whale all I could think was when he fell off he spilt the gentleman's beer, very inconsiderate.

Tuesday: Went into the city by Bus & Ferry, there was a 1/2m swell on the harbour made me feel rather queasy, you would think the ferry captain could have steered around the swells. Went to see a fellow caravanner in hospital, what a depressing place, everyone was sick, I even started to feel sick myself and it stayed with me the rest of the week, then caught a ferry to Doyles at Watson's Bay, Had to pay for wife's lunch, will the costs never end, first I had to fork out \$2.50 for her bus & ferry ticket, Got ferry to the Quay then ferry to Manly then bus to

Narrabeen, was very tired and wanted to get back, the bus driver kept stopping to let people off very inconsiderate, didn't he know I was tired, got back to the park and the Marquee was up all the tables and chairs were there, so sorry I couldn't help He-He-He, had happy hour & BBQ

Wednesday: Not much happened today had to get over the stress of yesterday outlaying all that money, more vans arrived.

Thursday: Lots more vans arrived today as it was the start of the rally, at happy hour someone forced me to drink scotch, I don't remember getting home, I just wish people would be more considerate and watch where they put there tie down ropes as I kept finding them with my feet.

Friday: Disc Bowls, WHAT A FARCE, I saw what I can only describe as the most disgraceful act ever perpetrated on a person, when a totally innocent Gentleman was accused of cheating and was disqualified from the game, he may have bent the rules a little but to treat the man this way was abhorrent, and there is only one person to blame for this disgraceful act, THE UMPIRE who I feel was not able to cope with the situation and went crying to the officials. And then just before happy hour when the Gentleman was relaxed he was put before a Kangaroo Court with a bias judge, a one-eyed official and the Umpire (if you call her that) as the Prosecuting Attorney and they wanted him hung (he said no need he already was, very well), they stated their case which in my honest opinion had no grounds. The Attorney for the Defendant was an inexperienced but very lovely young lady who said her client was innocent but said she would like to see a hanging, he was then forced as punishment against his will to put glass bottles in a red garbage bin. I think that the committee should look into

this matter and give full absolution to the Gentleman.

Saturday: Disc Bowls finals, who cared I wasn't in it. Concert night was utterly disgraceful there was a very pregnant lady throwing her self at men in the audience while her husband was serenading her, a couple singing "I've got you babe", yeah well I know what she wanted, a young lady singing "My boy Lollipop" well I ask you what do you do to a lollipop, a song about a mother from Harper Valley not bring her daughter up properly, a couple singing "Will ya Boogie with me Baby" while trying to exchange PK and Juicy Fruit while they were chewing it, and I ask you what is a Boogie.

Sunday: Flowers the women gathered to make corsages in the marquee, several Gentlemen sat down to have coffee as it was morning tea, and we were set upon with verbal abuse and told we were too loud and to shut up or leave the area, well I turned 50 shades of grey as I felt like I had been whipped by the limp stork of a calla lily & then flayed with a flaccid celery stick.

Monday: Wife went to city to see her sister, very inconsiderate as I had to get my lunch & afternoon tea. It was piklet morning (so that took care of morning tea) cooked by the ladies, I don't know why they have to muck up a good thing when the men used to do an excellent job, sorry ladies but they were not up to the men's standard, one lot of cream was superb.

Tuesday: Melbourne Cup Day what a FARCE, those three bookies, incompetent, I asked for the winner and they gave me the last placed horse, you can't trust them. Best hat parade, I think that Gentleman that had flowers growing out of his head was miles above everyone else, he told me had watered and used Dynamic Lifter every day for the past 2 weeks to get the blooms that he had. The Chef was excellent but the

waitering staff left a bit to be desired, I don't want to start any rumours but I heard that they were not being fed and were told to take a piece of food off each plate as they were serving (as I said just a Rumour).

Wednesday: Breakfast morning, cooked by the men so it would be done right, but one of the cooks was a bit of a wimp and kept complaining about being splattered by fat by the efficient other cook, but I think he was just looking for sympathy and attention. Now about Nova Caravans what can I say they bring in their vans for us to give up our valuable time to look at, and cook us a mediocre meal, I think that next year we should ask for Prawns, Oysters and Lobster to fit in with the standard of our caravan club (that some people brought to it's lowest ebb this year).

Thursday: Time to leave for home, had the time of my life for 10 nights could not have been better wouldn't change a thing. Anonymous "Who tells it like it is"

#### **LUNCH WINNERS**

*Halakulani lunch winners from the  
Members Sign in Book.*

*\*Des Cooper*

*\*Lorraine Holmes*

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Jan 9-13	<b>PARKES ELVIS FESTIVAL</b> Sheehan, Aylett	Contact
Jan 24 <sup>th</sup> 5 Days Only	<b>HAPPY HALLIDAYS GRANDPARENTS TRIP</b> 1800 555 454 Cooper, Ducker, McDonald, Shoobert, Stewart	Contact R/R Stewart
Feb 3rd -???	<b>TUNCURRY CARAVAN PARK</b> 1800 227 275	Contact ????
Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> for (7) nts	<b>HAPPY HALLIDAYS</b> 1800 555 454 Angell, Brewer, Cannard, Coltman, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Davidson, Dennis, Dew, Ducker, Eadie, Fabien, Hennessy, Henry, Herod, Hoff, Holmes, Howard, Insull, Lewis, Kane, Kennedy, Kingma, Kinnell, Laney, Lee-Sing, Luttrell, Majchrowski, Meatheringham, Oakes, Pollard, Reid, Reilly, Reineker, Robinson, Rohwer, Russell, Shawcross, Shoobert, Smith, Stevens, Stewart, Svensson (43)	Contact P/C Kane 4333 9738
Feb 14 <sup>th</sup> for 7 nts	<b>SHOAL BAY HOLIDAY PARK</b> 1800600 200 Eadie, Hansell, Henry, Howard, Johnson L/G, Majchrowski, McDonald, Olsen, Steele, Stevens, Thomas L/B (11)	Contact C/P Stevens 4369 2759
Mar 5 <sup>th</sup> - for 7 nts	<b>TERARA COUNTRY MUSIC CAMPOUT</b>	Contact
Mar 8th -28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Southern Surfari</b> Belshaw, Coltman, Davidson, Fletcher, Hunt/Holly, McCann, Stevens, Thomas L/B, (8)	Contact
Mar 7- for (7) nts	<b>SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK</b> 6554 4095 Cooper, Crocker, Curnow, Dauncey, Ducker, Flippence, Geale, Henry, Hoff, Kennedy, Kinnell, Latham, LeeSing, Luttrell,, Reilly, Rohwer, Rigger, Majchrowski, Pollard, Shawcross, Smith, Stewart, Teesson, Wallace, Webster, Williams G/K, (26)	Contact D/V Kinnell 4390 8933
Mar ????	<b>STATE RALLY</b> Patterson	Contact K Patterson 4390 5658
Mar 24 - 31st inc	<b>HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC</b> Bromley, Burrows, Cooper D/A, Cooper K/R, Curnow, Eadie, Geale, Hansell, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Latham, Luttrell, Olsen, Majchrowski, Meatheringham, Pollard, Ranse, Reid, Rohwer, Sheehan, Smith, Smyth, Steele, Sutton,, Williams G/K, (26)	Contact P/C Kane 4333 9738
Apr 4 - 8 inc	<b>BRIGADOON AT BUNDANOON</b> 5 nights Bickley, Cannard, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Ducker, Edwards/Williamson, Flippence, Geale, Hansell, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Majchrowski, Moore, Pollard, Reilly, Rohwer, Steele, Smith, Smyth, <u>Neill Power</u> Maslem, Migillicuddy, Steele, (23)	Contact A/S Reilly 49720170
Apr 4 -7 <sup>th</sup> May 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL CORRYONG</b> 6076 1992	Contact M/E Maughan
Jul ?	<b>XMAS in JULY</b>	Contact P/C Kane 4333 9738 Cooper 43933383
Sep 23 - Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>NATIONAL RALLY ROCKHAMPTON QLD.</b> Belshaw, Cooper D/A, Cooper K/R, Davidson, Edwards/Williamson, Meatheringham, Majchrowski, Patterson, Reid, Roberts, Ranse, Shoobert, Sutton, Sheehan/Aylett, (14)	Contact K Patterson 4390 5658

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Luttrell David	3-Jan
Wildman Michael	4-Jan
Johnson Leonie	5-Jan
Johnson Peter	6-Jan
Keith Kennedy	6-Jan
Dennis Jan	7-Jan
Moir-Nunn Rosalind	9-Jan
Stewart Ron	12-Jan
Marsland Ellen	13-Jan
Brady Noelene	14-Jan
<b>Linfoot Russell</b>	<b>15-Jan</b>
Carr Jim	17-Jan
White Paula	18-Jan
Fabien John	19-Jan
Davidson Peter	21-Jan
Woolfe Pam	21-Jan
Palmer Janice	22-Jan
Lanci Ricky	22-Jan
Brady John	25-Jan
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