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## **NEWSLETTER No 29 – January 2009**

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**Central Coast Caravans:** We returned home from Narrabeen on the Sunday and just slept all day. Early Monday morning Cameron Cole from Central Coast Caravans rang asking for the name of the winner of the Shadewall Raffle Prize. Cameron then contacted Jim//Lorraine Holmes on that same day to make arrangements for the supply and fitting. Special thanks to Cameron for the wonderful prize and prompt action.

**Golf Competition Narrabeen:** Ten people lined up for an on again off again golf day on a nine (9) hole course. The course had plenty of hills and slope. Lots of rain arrived to finish the day off. Don Gordon provided (4) four trophies for the winners. (Don won two of them) It was a fun day and will now be a part of our Narrabeen Golf Championships .So be ready for next year *Len Field*

**Lucky Gate Prizes at Narrabeen:** The C of M determined this year that the three (3) gifts of a 2 night stay at Narrabeen in an en-suite be drawn out of a hat. This

resulted in 56 names being placed in the hat and the winners were; Col/Lee Chambers, Wayne/Maureen Morris, Gai/Peter Johnson and Max/Helene Eadie. Congratulations folks

**Tamworth Country Music Trip:** Lloyd & Anne Purnell/Filmer have listed a trip to Tamworth for the January Country Music Festival. Apparently they have a friend who will allow us to locate a number of vans on their property. This is wonderful that we now have an in to the music festival and we hope it may continue into future years. **BUT** did you know that Lloyd and Anne, to make sure that everything would be OK for our members, left home at 5.00am drove to Tamworth checked out the parking area, spoke to the owner and then returned home late that same day. Congratulations to the both Anne/Lloyd for listing the trip and your dedication to our club and it's members

**Mobile Phone List:** The latest updated Mobile Phone list will be sent out with this January Newsletter and sent by Email to

members. It will also be posted on our Webpage for ready reference.

**Current Trip Sheet:** The Trip Sheet attached on the back of this Newsletter records the names of members who have paid deposits on trips. (Where deposits are required) For example the Beechworth Trip has four (4) names listed as having paid a deposit. The Club Notice Board Sheet has fourteen (14) names on the list to attend

**Xmas Party Hams:** The C of M also organized (2) two ½ hams and five other prizes for the Xmas Party. The Committee agreed not to conduct a raffle that they be drawn as a lucky door prize. Mick/Stella Roberts and Lee/Barry Green were the lucky winners of the hams.

**Hartwood:** It is suggested that if you are going to Hartwood April 6 – 13th 2009 that you look up the latest information on our Webpage. Simply go to the Members Page and then Click on Calendar and arrow down to the Hartwood trip. It has all the

information you need. We will send out copies of the trip and attach information on our Notice Board at the Jan/Feb meeting

**Security Warning from the Steeles:** We are currently staying at the White Albatross at Nambucca Heads. Last night we were robbed within 1 minute of my walking out of our van and crossing the road. Fortunately an observant neighbour saw the fellow run in and out of our van and he ran out of his van to call me. My reason for telling you is to make people aware of how quickly theft can occur. I am constantly locking my door and tell friends to do so. My one slip up and look what happened. We were lucky he only took Bob's wallet (and would have been disappointed to only get \$15 but it is the inconvenience of having to stop all cards and go through the replacement procedure. Would you please put an item in the next newsletter reminding people to be ever so vigilant in locking their vans and keeping their items secure. Regards *Robyn Steele*

**2008 Number of Trips:** What a busy year we have had as far as trips go. We just did a count of trips for 2008 and were surprised to find twenty (20) trips listed in our Newsletters. A count of available trips for 2009 up until July confirm we have twelve (12) trips to consider.

**Time Moves On:** I often hear members referring to our club as "our new club". It's a wee bit scary when we say that our new club will enter its fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) year of operation in June this year. We have come along way in a very short time. We have an incredible Sound System and a very active Website and Webpage

## **NARRABEEN RALLY HIGHLIGHTS 2008**

**THE CURNOWS.** Curnow's highlights of the week good and bad were; Good - the evening entertainment, particularly the 2 shows with Coral, Hazel, Jackie and Lyn. They kept everyone in stitches. A certain lady who shall remain nameless, but whose name begins with G, going into the amenities and because she entered from the other side somehow got confused and used the gents, (and she doesn't even drink) but she made a hasty retreat when one of our male members went in just as she was about to wash her hands, I don't know who would have been the more surprised. Just chatting to people you see and say hello to at our monthly meetings, but don't really get a chance to get to know. The great dinner at the International Hospitality School at Manly, the venue and the food was first class. Bad – my knocking over a glass of cold water at the Manly dinner and poor Phil Webb wearing it. So sorry Phil. Sunday – shades of Blacksmiths; a strong wind blew up and Claire and Lino's awning tore off. Awnings everywhere were rolled in, and annexes tightened up, the marquee walls were dropped down and we all hoped for the best. Narrabeen is one of our favorite trips and it didn't disappoint this year.

*Laurel & Roy*

**THE JOHNSONS** Narrabeen being our first trip away with the club, we were a little apprehensive as to what would be expected of us. Well, we needn't have worried!!! Everyone was so friendly and welcoming and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. The entertainment was excellent and gave lots of enjoyment and many laughs especially when we all had a turn at Karaoke. The BBQ night was a great success as was the food. All the effort being put in by the helpers was

greatly appreciated. Pikelet day was great and the pikelets were very yummy – who's worrying about their waistline? The nighttime shows, dress ups night and singing was very funny and most enjoyable. The weather was a bit dicey but we managed to survive and are looking forward to next year. *Gary & Leonie*

**THE PURCELLS** Average weather at a superb location. Great entertainment, jokes, trivia and poetry. We enjoyed the BBQ meal provided by the club and company of all the members. Many thanks to all involved and looking forward to returning in 2009. *Max & Lyn*

**THE JONES** Circumstances during the past year or so have stopped us from joining in the TLC trips. Well, what we have missed is the wonderful friendly company. The entertainment was absolutely superb then came the lovely BBQ and much more fun and things to do. Thank you to all the committees and individuals for the time and effort you put in to make sure everything ran so smoothly. Merry Xmas and Happy caravanning in 2009.

*David & Beverly*

**THE BEESLEYS** I am sure lots of other people will have stories about the wonderful events of the week at Narrabeen. I could not overlook thanking everyone for being so caring when my father died. I hope we go back to Narrabeen next year. We are all trying not to get into a rut but I don't think there would be anywhere in NSW that would be as good as Narrabeen and have such a variety of activities to choose from. Of course, the main attraction is the International Catering School – can't wait to go back there. The bad weather has even been forgotten. We went to Watsons Bay with Roy and Dawn Murgatroyed

yesterday and they now have a fast ferry to take you straight to Watsons Bay from Circular Quay. We got fish and chips in a box and sat in the restaurant on the wharf with a bottle of wine and a ringside view of the water. We paid a fraction of what they would have paid in the flash restaurant but we enjoyed it just as much. *Robyn/Bob*

**THE McDONALDS** This being our first trip away with T.L.C. we were mightily impressed. Everyone was so friendly, and it had a "family" atmosphere, and we were made feel very welcome & part of it all. We would like to thank the leaders & organisers, for all their hard work especially Des, Clarrie, Mike, Robyn & Bill, Coral & Peter, Laurel & Roy, and the list can go on...., and a big hand to our entertainers, especially the 'ABBA' girls. Well done. We plan to see you there again next year. Happy Campers *Phil & Beth*

**The True Meaning of TLC** Everyone knows that TLC stands for Tuggerah Lakes Caravanners but it also stands for "tender loving care". This was very evident at the Narrabeen Rally when my father died. I received so much TLC from all the members at the rally – delivered in a subtle, not overwhelming style. At one of the first meetings, Des stated that the caravan club would become like a family and I can say that is very true. Thanks to everyone for being so caring and thanks to all the organisers who put together a fantastic annual club rally. Can't wait for next year's. *Robyn Beesley*

<u>LOOKING FOR</u>	<u>SEE ME</u>
Overtaking Signs:	Katie Patterson
Site Signs:	Clarrie Stevens
Caravan Stickers:	Clarrie Stevens
Change of Details:	Alice Cooper
Trips:	Clarrie Stevens/Roy Curnow
Discount Cards:	Clarrie Stevens
Name Badges:	Clarrie Stevens

**For Sale Items:** Please confirm with the Editor that you wish to continue advertising the listed For Sale items in the **February** newsletter. Please contact the Editor prior to February 10<sup>th</sup> or **all the adds will be deleted**

**Disc Bowls Championships Narrabeen**

**Mens**

**Winner:** Roy Curnow  
**Runner up** Roy Murgatroyd

**Ladies**

**Winner** Robyn Beesley  
**Runner up** Hilary Gordon

**Mixed**

**Winners:** Ken Cooper & Cheryl Dew  
**Runner up:** Ralph Teesson & Maureen Morris

***FOR SALE***

**Brand new (never used) caravan window protector** to suit window 380h x 1524w. This is a regular 2 Radius corners shade, white powder-coated, purchased from Caravans Plus in Queanbeyan. Cost \$205.25 which included packaging surcharge and courier delivery we would be very happy to accept \$175. **Ring: Pat Ryan Tel: 43629936**

**Ladies Ken Nagle Golf Clubs** R/Hand, includes full set of Irons plus 1 ½, 3, 5 Woods plus Bag. Good Condition \$100 **Coral Kane 4333 9738**

***FOR SALE (continues)***

**2005 Paramount Golden Eagle Pop-top 17ft 6in** Double Island bed, 3 way fridge, single axle, roll out awning, very nice van excellent condition' light blue trim \$20000 **ONO Ring Kevin Steele 49720362/ 0413441674**

**2003 Jayco Freedom 16'9" Pop Top**, Twin singles, 3 Gas, 1 electric plus grill/micro wave. Excellent condition, June registration, torsion bars, plus bike rack, and many extras. Front boot **Mitchel 0422194222 or 4332 9669**

**Gas Primus Hot Water Camp Shower.** Brand new has never been used it is still in box. Also a shower tent which is as new. \$280 the lot **Ph Rhonda Stewart 0409 306 508**

**SOCIAL CALENDAR**

**Lots of action coming so watch this space**

***Congratulations to all our Champion Narrabeen Disc Bowls Winners***

**Social Director Coral Kane 4333 9738**

## Social Directors Report Narrabeen 2008

Our club has had another successful year of trips, entertainment and fun with the final trip being our **2008 Narrabeen Rally**. We had a total of 56 caravans and two families in cabins. This year Narrabeen was such a wonderful fun filled week that I wish to now review/record a few of the events that occurred. Our first outing was (68) members attended a Dinner at the “A La Carte **International School of Catering**” at **Manly** The reports from members confirmed that this was a very special evening and it appears members want to return next year. Then we had our **Sixties 60’s Night** where we ask members to dress up in costume from that period. I was astounded to see every member turn up in some of the most incredible dress (clothing). We actually had **Elvis Presley** (The King) turn up in his full regalia, in fact we had (5) Elvis’s in attendance. What a night of laughter and fun and if you want to see the outfits people wore just go to our Website there are photo’s of every person. Special thanks to all of you for “getting so involved” No! I did not dress or design Peter’s fancy dress he thought that up all by himself. I do not want to mention any person in particular but wasn’t Betty T perfect in her mini dress. Laurie T said it was the one she wore in 1959. The entertainment that followed was a great surprise with a special visit from **ABBA**. The four members of the group certainly spent some time rehearsing and preparing for the night. The dancing and songs took us all back in time and caused many members to get involved in the singing and dancing. What a wonderful night, the Marquee was fairly bouncing. The next night we were entertained by Clarrie Stevens with a musical quiz.

Clarrie had put a lot of effort into getting the questions and answers well documented for our entertainment. Many of our musical people won gifts for their skills in answering the questions. Clarrie certainly did a nice step to the music he played Then we had our **Comedy Night** consisting of jokes, a bit of poetry and Karaoke which involved each table group getting up and singing. Then it was pairs or any person could get up and have a go It is very clear that members like to get up and be involved in entertaining themselves/ourselves. Our **B-B-Q Dinner** that was provided by the club was a huge success The meal started right on time with more than enough food for all. In fact we still had a little wine left over. It takes a little organising but the joy of seeing everyone enjoy themselves is worth it. We may do it again next year. Then on the Saturday night we had our **Cabaret Night**. This was a night that will last forever in our memories. I only hope we have captured all of it on video so that we can have copies or post it on the Web. We were just so lucky that **Shirley Bassy** was in town and agreed to pop in for a (30) minute segment of songs and dancing the members certainly were vocal when she wanted to leave. Shirley certainly had the audience bouncing in their seats. What a huge surprise for our club members. We just started to relax and have a drink and who do you think ran onto the stage non other than **Dolly Parton** herself; WOW. Dolly threw herself into her act of singing and dancing and we were entertained by her presenting some of her best songs. At one stage Dolly got so involved with the audience that she walked down among us. The songs, singing and timings were perfect.

We all love you Dolly Then just as members started to relax **Dame Edna Elveridge** walked in the door. When she started to speak everyone was very very quite in case they were selected for a spot in her act. Even Pres. Des was very quite. As Dame Edna walked amongst us she selected a few members for special attention. We were all

so glad it wasn’t us. This visit was a total surprise to all and even now we cannot believe she was with us. I do remember her giving some flowers (with soft stalks) to a few ladies. She must have a wonderful memory to remember all those lines. Special thanks Dame Edna. Then when we thought that was it for the night who should burst onto the stage but **Tina Turner** this was nearly too much for the members to take in. The marquee was really moving with the singing and dancing. Tina was wonderful and the members really enjoyed her performance. Our **Pikelet Morning Tea** was the first morning where everyone gathered early with a look of anticipation. We received excellent feedback from members on the quality and quantity of the morning tea. Next year we are considering introducing **Pole Dancing** lessons for those who wish to participate. Two of our ladies were really great until they moved too fast and slipped off the pole and fell over. **A Special thanks to our Musical Director Mike Wildman for all his efforts in organizing and directing a wonderful week of entertainment** Special thanks to all of the people who were involved in any way with the splendid running of the Narrabeen Rally. I always say that a club is only as good as its workers make it. My message to all members who were unable to attend the Rally is that this trip is the pinnacle of our year and you missed a wonderful week.

*Coral Kane Social Director*

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D Gross \$10 February  
D/R Hart/Hayes March  
J/R Hendy April

**Would you please supply the \$20  
direct to Treasurer Bill Patterson.**

## TLC Birthdays.

### FEBRUARY

Chambers Lee	1-Feb
Hunt Les	4-Feb
Stewart Rhonda	10-Feb
Maslem John	15-Feb
Spittal Russell	15-Feb
Dungate Judy	16-Feb
Newbold Ken	19-Feb
Williams Robert	19-Feb
Holland Greta	20-Feb
Wardrop Gary	21-Feb
Rigger Bill	23-Feb
Eadie Helen	25-Feb
Maslem Val	26-Feb
Beesley Robyn	29-Feb



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**CURRENT TRIPS -- (With Deposits Paid)**

Date	Venue	Phone	Pets	Dep	Cards	Trip Leader	Phone
Jan 17 - 27	TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC	4357 1022	Yes	Yes	Cash	L. Purnell	4357 1022
<u>ATTENDING</u> Purnell/Filmer, Stewart, Gordon, Bullock/Browning, Teeson, Beesley Total (6)							
Mid Jan - Feb	Great Southern Trek	4325 0668	No	No	Yes	David Gross	4325 0668
<u>ATTENDING</u> Gross, Cain, Ryan, Salmon Total (4)							
Feb 1st - 7th 2009	BLACKHEATH	4787 8101	No	\$29.50	Yes	Clarrie Stevens	43692759
<u>ATTENDING</u> Cooper K&R, Courts, Davies, Stevens, Curnow, Gordon, Brown D&B, Cain (Total (8)							
Feb 21 <sup>ST</sup> -27 2009	TUNCURRY BEACH	1800 227 275	No	Yes \$30.00	Yes		43692759
<u>ATTENDING</u> Clarke, Curnow, Stevens, Lambert, Kane, LeeSing, Stewart, Evans, Fletcher, Thomas, Woolfe, Wallace, Wardrup, Broadhurst/Hoye, Easter, Moore, Bickley, McGowan, Davies, Smith, Reynolds, Dew, Howard, McNamara, Fisher, McAndrew, Rigger, Thomas R/J, Maslem, Beesley (Total (30)							
Mar 8 <sup>th</sup> -15	STATE RALLY – BERRY	Katie Patterson	NO	\$15.00 with	No	Katie Patterson	4390 5658
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Stevens, Curnow , Roberts, Patterson, Holland, Beesley, Ryan, Lambert, Fletcher, Purnell/Filmer, Wildman, Webb, Lanci, Pancini, Brown L/J, Teesson ( Total (16)							
Mar 15 <sup>th</sup> -21	GERROA SHORES	4234 1233	No	Yes	Yes	Clarrie Srevens	43692759
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Stevens, Curnow, Beesley, Woolfe, Fletcher, Bengel (Total (6)							
Mar 24th - 30th	MEET & GREET CESSNOCK		Yes	\$15 to Treasurer	Cash/Cheques	Committee	Committee
<u>ATTENDING</u> Cooper R&K, Cooper A&D, Webb, Sutton, Sheehan/Ranse, Courts, Holland, Curnow, Howard, Grady, Kane, Maclean, Eadie, Stevens, Paterson, Stewart, Marsh, Reynolds, Brown, Purnell/Filmer, (Total (20)							
Apr 6 <sup>th</sup> -13	HARTWOOD 2009	Des Cooper	Yes	No	CASH	Des Cooper	43933383
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Cooper D/A, Carr, Sheehan, Bickley, Kane, Lambert, Beesley, Cooper K/R, Sutton, Rigger, Broadhurst/Hoye, Mackay, Howard, Holmes, Brown, Fuller, Fletcher, Burrows, Gordon, Courts, Coles (visitors), Fenning (visitors), Lamrock, Ranse, McGowan, Eadie, Filmer/Purnell, Webb, Lanci, Pancini (Total (30)							

Date	Venue	Phone	Pets	Dep	Cards	Trip Leader	Phone
Apr 13 <sup>th</sup> -18	WARRUMBUNGLE	DO NOT PHONE	No	No	Not Sure	????	??
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Howard, Fuller, Holmes (Total 3)							
April 20th - 23rd	GUNDAGAI	DO NOT PHONE	No	No	Cash only	Clarrie Stevens	4369 2759
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Clarke, Green, Evans (Total 3)							
April 24th - 30th	BEECHWORTH	03 57 28 1421	No	\$25.00	Yes	Des Cooper	4393 3383
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Clarke, Fisher, Cooper D/A, Williamson (Total 4)							
2nd - 8th June	NELSON BAY Ctry Music	1800 600 200	No	\$50.00	Yes	???	???
<u>ATTENDING:</u> Hughes, Curnow,, (Total 2)							
July 09 (Sometime)	STOCTON BEACH		Yes	Yes	Yes	Committee	Tour Director
<u>ATTENDING:</u> NIL							

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