

Tuggerah Lakes Caravanners Inc.



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Dear friends and members of TLC,
Just putting this note in our club's newsletter to thank everyone who has contacted Bill and myself in the past month, to enquire about my health, after my recent experience with the blood disorder called THROMBOCYTOPENIA (low blood platelets, sounds much better) Also a big thanks to our club's Welfare Officer, Irene Woods, for her phone calls to me, and the lovely get well card that I received from her on our club's behalf, it really was nice to receive, and cheered me up at the time. She really does an excellent job. I spent a week in Gosford Hospital, and have much praise for their doctors, nurses and other staff, they do a great job, not to mention their yummy food. Interesting to note there is another member in our club that I know of, who had this same blood disorder, about 15 years ago, and he has been very lucky that it has never re-occurred, I hope I'm going to be that

lucky too. As we are such a large club with so many members, I would be very interested to hear from any other member who has at any time also had this condition. The doctor says this condition can be caused by a recent viral illness or in some cases by causes unknown. I should mention how great it was to have our daughters, and families rallying around me also my wonderful husband Bill Once again many thanks regards Robyn

Caravan Loo's--what to Use: Recently a number of members were sitting around a campfire at Hartwood discussing important issues. A member then asked could we talk about the best chemicals to use in loo cassettes. It was surprising to hear that a lot of Caravan Forums on the Web state that Napisan purchased from Woolies/Coles is as good as it gets. It does the same job but is much cheaper. This subject of ones

and twos was then discussed at the May General meeting. Naturally you will need to decide for yourself. So why don't you compare the product you use with Napisan just read the ingredients and compare. You will be surprised at the difference in price. You will also be surprised how clean the inside of the cassette will become.

Signing In Process: The committee have determined that due to the confusion caused by members having to individually print and sign their names in the Attendance Book. That in future we will return to the status quo – so just sign is as we did in the past. Good a !!!!

Charity Collections: Over the last few years we have had a number of collections for different charities for example prostate cancer, breast cancer also the Biggest Morning Tea etc. The latest collection was at Hartwood when

Beryl Howard collected \$100 for a charity. The committee and May general meeting determined to match this figure and write a cheque for \$200.

TLC Charity Officer: During the year there are a number of charities collections to which our members readily donate. The members have observed that Beryl Howard is very active in assisting to collect for the charities. As a consequence the May General meeting agreed to create a position described as The Committee of Management asked Beryl Howard to accept nomination and appointment to the position.

Coopers Trip Report: We went on a 6 week trip to Kurumba Qld. Our first stop was in the Showground at Dunnedoo then to Nyngan to where then best apple pie & cream are made. We saw a lot of wide loads but one in particular had about 10 Police cars escorting it. We saw no flood waters but a fair bit of bitumen damage by floodwaters and trucks. At Bourke we stayed at The Kidman Camp C/Park. A really nice stop – we visited their new Information centre plus tour. We also had a one hour River Cruise and saw hundred or maybe thousands of dead fish everywhere along the banks mainly all carp killed by black water. The park put on a Bush Poets/Country Music B_B_Q night. of course Des presented a couple of poems. Management then invited him back the next evening as a presenter and he received \$90 for the night. Next stop Cunnamulla and early next morning we fished the Warrego River at the weir

and caught two big carp and one tortoise. Then onto Nardoo Station which is closing in three weeks. Heaps of emus, roo's and road kill and miles of high grasslands. At Charlyville we went one cold night on a Planets at Night tour. This was a very interesting. We travelled in 'Light Years' and saw Saturn with its rings so close. WE also sat BY A FIRE OF Gidgee coals. We actually "bush camped" on river banks and lagoons for the next ten 10 nights fished a lot of rivers. We intended to stay at Winton for one (1) hour and stayed for three days what an interesting place. We went out 110K to see 3300 dinosaur footprints, saw the bones, played the musical fence and five other touristy thing. At Longreach we camped 4K out of town on the Thompson River along with about 50 other vans we could fish within 200M.. etc.

Stockton Trip: Rod and I attended the Stockton trip from the Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd May. We checked with management and they had no one say they were from Tuggerah Lakes Club. The park was booked out on Saturday night. We had a great time the weather was perfect lovely sunshine, we had an excellent meal at the RSL club Friday night (won a meat tray and went for walks around the harbour foreshore. Jan and Rod Thomas

The Bromleys: We will be away for the next 5 months and be back home mid October in time for Narrabeen. We will try to email trip reports. We're travelling to Lake Eyre then up the Strzelecki track to do some gold prospecting in

Milparinka on a property at Mt Brown. We then go to outback Queensland to volunteer for a few weeks on a station property finally reaching Port Douglas to visit family. Lyn/Philip

Advertising in our Newsletter: We currently have five business houses that have taken out ads in our Newsletter for one year. They are supporting our club by advertising in our Newspaper. We should support the advertisers if possible. But this does not mean you are obligated to accept their quote. But at least give them a chance to quote on any product that they may assist you with. **But be sure to tell them you are from TLC**

Travelling Tip: Tip for those going on extended trip – take a suitcase with you (which complies with the airline sizes for carry on luggage – obtainable off the internet) because your wife may need to fly home for a grandkids "fix" or some emergency may arise at home which requires your immediate attention. You can store the suitcase under the bed with miscellaneous items inside to save space. Tom Fuller

Cleaning Water Tanks: At the May meeting a member asked how to clean his vans plastic water tanks. Just put about 20 litres of water in the tank with half a packet of bicarbonate of soda and go for a drive (eg. the first day of your trip). Drain and then refill with fresh water. It works a treat! Always make sure you are using fittings and hoses rated for drinking water otherwise nothing will improve the taste. Note: All

this assumes that drink safe hoses/connections are used and that they are black (i.e. no light can get into the system to allow algae to grow.

Smoke Alarms: On February 25, 2011, changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation came into effect, making it mandatory for smoke alarms to be installed in moveable dwellings where people sleep. This includes caravans, campervans, holiday vans, park van annexes and associated structures. Caravan owners have been given six months to comply and as from 25th August 2011 on the spot fines of \$200 will be issued. Below are links with further information. [Fire&RescueNSW link: http://www.nswfb.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=948](http://www.nswfb.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=948)

Canberra Country Music Festival: This festival is being held at Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC) during the third weekend of November this year. With the large 70 hectare site comes quality camping sites and a huge program across 5 stages. Performers from Australia, New Zealand, Europe and the United States make this a truly international country music festival. They have invited various media including Macca's "Australia All Over", Artists will be announced progressively from the end of June. If you are interested in attending notify the Tour Director by the July 17th meeting and he will organize a group site booking.

The Cooking Show: *Hi everyone just a note to let you know Phil & I are on Ready Steady Cook on Tuesday 12th July at 2.00pm on Channel 10 in NSW. There have been quite a few of you have been asking for the date*

You can see me make an idiot of myself. Luv Cheryl Ducker

Celtic Festival – Glen Innes: Laural Curnow is listing a trip to the above festival for 2nd to 6th May 2012. Laural has 10 Sites tentatively booked. These will be doubled up, some without power and some on ash-phalt. A \$25 non refundable deposit is required, this is to be paid to Laural by August meeting. You must stay for the 4 days of the Festival, but could stay longer if you wished to look around the area. Approximately 1st February the caravan park will send me the cost per night and at that time 2 nights fees have to be paid. The deposit must be paid to me and I will send it to the Glen Rest C/Park. If anyone thinks they may be interested in this trip, Roy and I will be at Swansea on 21st July to discuss trip with you and take your \$25 deposit. We stopped at the Glen Rest on our way up north in June, it is a nice little park and the managers and owners seem really friendly. See notice and Trip Sheet Board. Laural XX Mob: 0417 656264

SOCIAL DIRECTORS UPDATE: With regards to Xmas in July at Swansea Gardens. I am happy to let you know that 83 members have booked and paid for the Bus Trip from Swansea Gardens to Drovers Camp at Branxton. We have two (2) buses booked to carry the members to the dinner. **THOSE MEMBERS WHO ARE BEING PICKED UP AT HALEKULANI MUST RING ME TO CONFIRM THEIR SEAT ON THE BUS.**

The members who are **not booked into Swansea Gardens** and are attending the Friday night free club dinner please let me know ASAP for catering purposes.. A Program for the seven days has now been prepared and members will be briefed at Swansea. I would also like to thank the 35 members who attended the luncheon at Wyong RSL. I am looking at scheduling our next luncheon at the Shelly Beach Golf Club. I will provide more details later. Please ring me on 4333 9738 Coral

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Remember to let me know if you buy or sell any item. Alice xx

**Next ---General Meeting
Sunday 17th JULY 2011**

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McCann D/S	June
McDonald P/E	July

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BIRTHDAYS

JULY

Thomas Betty	3-Jul
Newbold Moira	5-Jul
Capps Trevor	9-Jul
Beesley Robert	10-Jul
Murgatroyd Roy	10-Jul
Dew Cheryl	12-Jul
McDonald Philip	13-Jul
Burrows Ann	15-Jul
Filmer Anne	15-Jul
Lavis Lorraine	17-Jul
Benger Kay	18-Jul
Brown Joy	20-Jul
Wildman Hazel	20-Jul
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Sutton Margaret	24-Jul
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ACTUAL ATTENDANCE LIST

2011-	HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC	ACTUAL ATTENDANCE	Apr 17 – 25	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,			
2011 –	STOCKTON BEACH	ACTUAL ATTENDANCE	MAY 18 -24	TOTAL 1
	Thomas J/R			
2011 -	BURREN JUNCTION --HOT POOLS	ACTUAL ATTENDANCE	JUNE 1 -8 th	TOTAL 1
	Svensson,			
2011 -	BATEAU BAY C/PARK	ACTUAL ATTENDANCE	JUNE 8 - 14	TOTAL Nil

TRIPS CURRENTLY LISTED on the BOARD

Jul 21 - 28	XMAS IN JULY- SWANSEA GARDENS	Ph. 1800 626 438	Contact Kanes/Coopers
<u>Park Site Booked:</u>	Angell, Brown L/J, Cooper D/A, Flippence, Hendy, Hennessy, Howard, Johnson G/L, Kane, Kinnell, Latham, Laney, Maughan, McDonald, Payne A/C, Roach, Smith, (Total 17)		
Aug 3 - 9	WOLLOMBI	BUSH CAMPING	Contact
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil		
Aug 31 – Sept 7	ONE MILE BEACH CARAVAN PARK	ANNA BAY 1800 650 035	Contact G/L Johnson
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Cooper D/A, Ducker, Kane, Johnson G/L, Mac Henry, (Total 5)		
Sept 7 – 13 th	SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK	Ph No. 6554 4095	Contact Kinnells/Lathams/Cooper
<u>Park Site Booked:</u>	Cooper, Flippence, Herod, Johnson G/L, Kinnell, , Marsland, Reillys, Rohwer, Webster, (Total 9)		
Sept 20 – 27 th	BEDGEYABONG MUSIC CAMPOUT	- FORBES	Contact
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil		
Sept 28 –Oct 27	GREAT SOUTHWEST RAMBLE		Contact Clarrie Stevens.
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Coltman, Clarke, Curnow, Cannard, Hunt/Holly, Maughan, Pollard, Stevens (Total 8) (NOTE Max 10 vans)		
Oct 19 – 23 rd	ROSEWOOD ROUNDUP COUNTRY MUSIC	Near Tumbarumba	Contact
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil		
Oct 27- Nov 3	2011 NARRABEEN RALLY	DO NOT RING	Contact Kanes/Coopers
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Angell, Bromley, Cooper, Flippence, Kane, Hennessy, Shawcross, (Total 6)		
Nov 17 – 22	CANBERRA COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL		Contact Tour Director
<u>Park Site Booked</u>			

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<u>Jan 4 – 11</u>	<u>ELVIS PRESLEY FESTIVAL TRIP -PARKES</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked:</u>	Nil	
<u>Jan 20 – 27</u>	<u>TAMWORTH COUNTRY MUSIC</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Howard, Sheehan	
<u>Feb 1 – 9th</u>	<u>TUNCURRY CARAVAN PARK 1800 227 275</u>	<u>Contact The Howards 4353 3700</u>
<u>Park Site Booked:</u>	Nil	
<u>Feb 9 – 15th</u>	<u>HAPPY HALLIDAYS 1800 555 454</u>	<u>Contact The Kanes 4333 9738</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Bromley, Cooper D/A, Kane,	
<u>Feb 20 -27th</u>	<u>TAMWORTH FESTIVAL at THE BALLADEERS HOMESTEAD</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>Mar</u>	<u>PORT MACQUARIE SUNDOWNER C/PARK 1800 636 452</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>Mar 2 - 4th</u>	<u>NSW STATE RALLY)</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>Mar 29 – 1 Apr</u>	<u>SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL CORRYONG 6076 1992</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>Mar 29 –Apr 1</u>	<u>COOLAH MUSIC FESTIVAL (Weekend Before HARTWOOD)</u>	<u>Contact The Coopers</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Cooper D/A	
<u>Apr 2 – 9th</u>	<u>HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC</u>	<u>Contact The Kanes 4333 9738</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Cooper D/A, Kane, Pollard, Webb	
<u>Apr 8 -15th</u>	<u>LIGHTNING RIDGE</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>Apr 9 – 14th</u>	<u>BOGGABRI CAMPGROUND WEEKEND</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Cooper D/A	
<u>Apr 14 – 21</u>	<u>BURREN JUNCTION --HOT POOLS -FREE CAMPING-SHOWERS-TOILETS</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	Nil	
<u>May 2 – 6th</u>	<u>CELTIC FESTIVAL GLEN INNES</u>	<u>Contact The Curnows 4369 5954</u>
<u>Park Sites Booked</u>	Curnow, Pollard, Holland, (10 sites available & Pencil Booked)	