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Issue 18

## G'day to you all.

Well the time has come the Walrus said, to speak of many things.

The first was the great togetherness at Bellingham. A 75% attendance, with three new members joining the Chapter. (more on that latter)

Secondly some good discussion, albeit with yours truly doing most of the speaking, re the CCR 2008 at George Town. September will hopefully see us all together again and we will need to start working in earnest on the CCR.

Thirdly, the election of a Junior Vice President to assist both the Secretary and the Vice President, during the absence of the President for the next months. Danny Kelly was the nominee and accepted the position.

Congrats Danny we appreciate your assistance.

Now the actual rally. A great Friday night of viewing the fabulous movie "The Worlds Fastest Indian" - some good laughs and an enjoyable night.

Saturday saw us having our General Meeting and a number of matters were discussed. The Treasurers position was filled by Sue M with Sec Jacqueline handling the task till Sue returns from the mainland. Allocation of some of the roles for the CCR 2008 was confirmed. Discussion on future rallies (with some changes) occurred - see separate item and attached calendar (upgraded). Brain Coward came along to assist with some work on members laptops and that was very much appreciated.

The evening meal: Doug L accepted the role as "chief kitchen bit- -" and with the assistance of the ladies provided us with a wonderful baked meal. This certainly taught me not to worry about things as the Chapter members have some wonderful organizational skills as was proved in this instance. Than you all for bringing along the ingredients. Beautiful to see.

Good participation in the auctions as well.

After the meal some good opportunities to simply sing along "with the words on the wall". Sunday saw the drawing of the rally raffle with the newly agreed position (see separate item). Sue & I and no-doubt Barry & Claire wish you all the best over the next few months as we head across the creek to the great north island. We will keep in touch and sends some items for the Newsletters.

Regards Don M T16082 President Dalrymple Drifters

New Members who joined at Bellingham Rally—April 2007



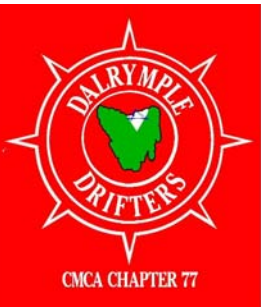
Joan Smith

Rosemary & Reg Rigby

Greg & Sue Cash

All enjoying a great evening meal on Saturday night

# Dalrymple Drifters "Communique"



## Members absent over the next few months:

Francis Shields - sailed early April should be back around June. Francis is then moving to Latrobe.

John Pether—sailed April 2007-heading north to Barcaldine –should be back around Oct/Nov

Barry & Claire—sail 20/4 Barcaldine and then “around” - should be back early 2008 (we hope)

Don & Sue - as above -back first week in Sept 2007 if all is well.

Doug & Veronica – sail early May - east coast—Barcaldine etc—back around July/August

Sam & Barbara—sail end of May—back Novemberish!!

Greg & Sue C – sail early May - back around Aug/Sept

Don & Sarah G—sail early May – heading north—back “who knows when”

**Safe travel to you all - may the wind be on your back and the sun showing you the way.**

### Elections at April Gen Meeting

The Treasurers position was filled by Sue M after being vacant since the passing of Quade W and the latest nominee Peter Harris indicating that due to ill health he could not take up the position.

A new position of Junior Vice President has been established to facilitate assistance in the absence of members of the Executive.

Danny K was nominated and accepted this position.

### August Rally

Recently three of the Chapters predominately based in the north of the State suggested that the winter months have seen reduced number attending rallies.

In August we will be having our rally at Blessington hosted by Danny & Rhonda and assisted by Lyn & Glen. We should/could expect members from both the Van Demons and the Island wanderers Chapters. Site fees will be \$12.00 per rig per rally.

We will arrange some wood for the fires.

Some competitions and no doubt disc bowls would be great. (music—dance time)

### Rally Raffles and rally site fees.

In future (as we did at Bellingham), site fees will be expressed in a cost per rally (not per rig per night). Generally speaking the costs will be \$10.00 & \$12.00 per rig per rally. (irrespective of one or two nights attendance).

The rally raffle has changed minimally, to facilitate a \$2.00 contribution per member (eg: Don & Sue - or any other couple) would collectively pay \$4.00—\$2 each). We still, provide a raffle prize and wrap it in newspaper.

50% of the raffle contributions will be set aside and will reduce the costs of the annual dinner for each member contributing to the raffle. (this year scheduled for Nov at George Town). No raffle tickets are required as we have typed up tickets for each rally held.. (with Secretary).

So simple put when registering for a rally a couple will contribute \$either \$10 or \$12 for site fees and \$4 for raffles - a total of \$16 (max). This is handled by the rally hosts at the sign in point.

The above was cried at the general meeting on 14/4/2007



## Next Rally Piper Brook Fire Station

Deb & Norm hosts 18th 19th & 20th May 2007 0400 755 666

**No power (minimal medical) - Toilets**

**\$10.00 per rig for the rally**

Refer web page for more details etc

**This rally has been moved back in the month - please note change of dates.**