



The Hervey Bay Sub-Region March 2009 Killroomer



Welcome to the March 2009 edition of Killroomer.

I would like to have started off this Killroomer with Happy New Year to everyone as it is the first edition for 2009. How could I, with all the tragedy and devastation that has and is affecting so many.

It would be amiss of me not to give thought to the many people of the flood ravaged areas of north Queensland who are deeply affected by the devastation that rain and water can cause and down south in South Australia, Victoria and some parts of New South Wales, sweltering heat wave weather has affected many with Victoria suffering tragedy after tragedy with the past 22 days seeing what the fury of fireball happenings can do to life and property in a number of communities.

I know many of us have watched the TV news and followed the bulletins and hoped that we didn't see one of our own, whether it be family, relatives, friends, police, IPA members and acquaintances suffering loss in one way or another. For me, four of my children and their families live within the affected areas in Victoria and, thankfully, they are all safe at this time.

I was deeply involved with the Ash Wednesday Fires of 1983 as I lived within one of the affected areas and appreciate the very stressful time our emergency service personnel and the many others attending to this current situation would be going through. The horrific scenes and the terrible tragedy has certainly shown that the people throughout Australia can band together to help in a time of crisis. Our own members within the Sub-Region have shown their individual gestures with donations as well as a donation to the Appeal Fund from the Sub-Region's coffers.

This is a happening, I believe, no person will ever forget.

DECEMBER MEETING

The December Christmas meeting was held on Sunday, December 7, 2008, at the home of **Gordon** and **June CLOSE** in Urangan. A small number of 16 made a very good and friendly gathering in their 'Christmassy' clothing. A number of members were still travelling and on the sick list. The superb Christmas dinner, side dishes and deserts were prepared by the ladies.

The Xmas raffle was a great success with the **RAFFLE WINNERS**: 1st - Prize - \$100.00 to **Val Benstead**. 2nd - Xmas Hamper to **Ruth Hoeter**. 3rd - A grog & chocolate package to **Gary Cohen**. 4th to **Joy Newman**. 5th to **Viki Cohen**. 6th to **Graham Newman**. 7th to **Heather Goonan**. 8th to **Jim Cook**. 9th to **Tora and Ian Tarlinton**, 10th to **Mary Braun**. 11th to **Mary Cook** and 12th to **Richard Coreless**. A **Big THANKYOU** to hosts **Gordon and June Close** for a very pleasant day. ***SORRY - No pictures available.***

The first meeting of the year was held on **Sunday, February 8**, at the business premises in Nikenbah, Hervey Bay of Chairman **Peter Goonan** and where the Sub-Region's IPA self contained accommodation is situated. A good turn-up of 20 enjoyed the IPA supplied barbecue and the side dishes and deserts supplied by the ladies. A couple of members had to leave directly following the meeting because of other commitments. **RAFFLE WINNERS:** 1st - **Viki Cohen** – 2nd **Val Benstead**.

The Sub-Region has a new member transferred to Hervey Bay from the Brisbane area. **Garry Raymond JAMIESON** (No. 7199) now residing in Toogoom. He will shortly be retiring from the QPS. **WELCOME to the fold Garry** – we hope to see you at our meetings and socials!

Picture Parade



Members gather around the table for the meeting



Gary Cohen, Dennis Hanrahan, Sunday McKenzie, Jim Cook and Bob Ball.



Frank Hoeter being attended to by Mary Cook with watchers-on wife Ruth, Viki Cohen and Val Benstead.

NOTICE BOARD

NEXT MEETING

!!!! MARCH MEETING !!!!

The **March Monthly Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, March 8, 2009**, at the home of our **Secretary, Val Benstead, 30 Hurley Street, Howard. Commencing at 11am Ph: 41294718** – e-mail<valrog@tadaust.org.au>the meeting will be followed by a “**POT LUCK**” Lunch. Please **ring or e-mail Val** for food arrangements.

WANTED

Plenty of non-perishable goodies especially in the early part of the year to fill the Xmas Hampers for 2009. The goodies can be delivered at each meeting throughout the remainder of the year and up to the December meeting. (Ideas!) – Tinned fruit meat or whatever – Grog (wine, six-packs, mixers etc – Chocolates and biscuits etc. – Food or condiment items – anything which will make a suitable hamper. --- To Viki Cohen, Mary Cook or Ruth Hoeter

LATE MEMBERSHIP FEES

There are a number of members who have not paid their 2009 subscription – PLEASE PAY

Should any member wish to pay their \$20.00 annual subscriptions by electronic transfer the following are the Qld Region IPA bank details.

Bank – Qld Police Credit Union

BSB number: 704 052 ---- ACCOUNT NUMBER: 100094

If you bank with the QPCU PLEASE use the following Account Number for the transfer:- 100094S9 – Account name :- International Police Assoc Qld.

**IF YOU PREFER TO DO THE ABOVE PLEASE ADVISE
TREASURER GARY COHEN Ph: (07)4124968.**

WANTED **NEW EDITOR/S**

I will be retiring from the position of Sub-Editor as of now.

1. Sub-Region editor for both the Killroomer and the Police Down Under Magazine as of the March Sub-Regional meeting. **OR**
2. Editor for the Killroomer **AND** 3. Editor for the PDU Magazine.

VISITORS

Christoff VIETGEN, a 40 year old serving German Police Officer from Luneburg near Hamburg, Germany, visited Hervey Bay on January 29, and was entertained at the RSL Club on Friday, January 30. Christoff is a Sergeant and shift supervisor- supervising 22 staff in general duties. ***SORRY – No pictures available***

SICKIES -----To our sickies – please try to recover soon.

TRAVELLERS--No information available from any travellers!



APRIL
BIRTHDAYS

8th Heather Goonan
16th Jim Cook
23rd Nancy Miller
24th Pat Young
18th Bev Coreless

MAY 2nd Val Osborne
6th John Braun
14th Joe Laskowski
29th Mel Lomax



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All for this time so keep on smiling and Take Care wherever you are.

Editor Cliff R.