

The GREAT Breakaways' Bolt

Saturday 31st May 2014

The GREAT Breakaways' Bolt is back, but on a new date in 2014! An annual weekend has been set for the 'Bolt' allowing for further planning and promotions, especially for those travelling. **The date for the 'Bolt' this year is Saturday 31 May.** We aim to see the 'Bolt' grow into a major event with international entrants and media coverage in future years. Consequently, we encourage you, the community, to get on board and challenge yourself by participating in this great local event.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you don't think you would make the distance but would still like to be involved, we need volunteers for a range of different tasks including; manning checkpoint stations, record keeping at the oval, etc.

ENTER TODAY

You can collect a participant form at various outlets around town, including Council Main Office, Miners Store and IGA or download the form from the Tourism Website. **Please have your forms, along with payment in by Friday 23 May.** For more information contact Clair Alford during business hours on (08) 8672 4624 or via email: calford@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au

APPLY FOR PROCEEDS RAISED

The 'Bolt' Committee are currently inviting Coober Pedy Community Groups or Causes to apply for the proceeds raised from The GREAT Breakaways' Bolt in 2014. Please be aware that the proceeds are yet to be raised and the total amount is unknown until after the event has taken place on Saturday 31 May 2014.

All applications must be written:

- Addressed to The GREAT Breakaways' Bolt Committee
- Outline what the money raised will be used for within the Group or Cause
- Outline how the use of the proceeds will benefit the local community
- Include contact details (postal address, phone number and email address) of Chairperson / President and Secretary

Completed applications are to be forwarded to:

Clair Alford, The GREAT Breakaways Bolt Committee
District Council of Coober Pedy
PO Box 425 Coober Pedy SA 5723

Or via email: calford@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au and must be **received by close of business on Friday 16 May.**



Coober Pedy Opal Festival

COOBER PEDY OPAL FESTIVAL 2014

A fantastic day was enjoyed by all who attended the 2014 Coober Pedy Opal Festival on Saturday 19 April at the OZ Minerals Oval. Adults and children appreciated the all day activities of carnival rides, stalls, displays, noodling pit, native animal display and Kids Fun tent. Other attractions were the SES mine rescue demonstration and a local music performance.

Novelty events were well supported by young and old(er). The Backhoe competition required concentration, skill and dexterity to move golfballs with a spoon. A fierce battle was fought for the men's Holding Sacs of Opal contest where the winner, Paul Pouliivaati lasted 7 minutes, a mighty feat! Another highlight was the Opal King and Queen competition; an entertaining event where participants completed a variety of challenges including rolling a swag, eating a dry weetbix, ramming a claim peg into a bucket of sand and cracking the whip. An excited crowd actively encouraged the entrants by running alongside and wildly cheering. The Tug of War was again won by the powerful Lin Andrews team. Full competition results are shown below.

As the light faded, the entertainment continued with Psycus Fire Theatre, a dramatic fire show with individuals selected from the crowd to participate as assistants. The engaging busking performance was well received by the large gathering of enthusiastic spectators. Next was the spectacular fireworks display which dazzled the town for more than 10 minutes and finished with a bang. The festival concluded with a live music performance by the Barking Ants, a five piece rock band who played a great selection of rock classics and favourites.

Thank you to all the sponsors who made this event possible. We would like to say a special thanks to those who worked tirelessly over the day, especially all the volunteers.

EVENT RESULTS

Holding Sacs of Opal – Ladies (Imparja)	\$80	Rachel Hall
Holding Sacs of Opal – Mens (Imparja)	\$80	Paul Pouliivaati
Toss the Sausage – U16 Girls (Mike Maylin Construction)	\$20	Jezabelle Pouliivaati
Toss the Sausage – U16 Boys (Mike Maylin Construction)	\$20	Jack Gountounas
Toss the Sausage – OPEN Ladies (Mike Maylin)	\$60	Eva Furst
Toss the Sausage – OPEN Mens (Mike Maylin)	\$60	Steven Swayne
Water Slide Contest – OPEN Ladies (CFS)	\$50	Sharni Gardner
Water Slide Contest – OPEN Mens (CFS)	\$50	Zed Knight
Water Balloon Toss – 15 & U (Radeka's Down Under)	\$20	Jake & Jaydon
Water Balloon Toss – Parent & Child (Radeka's Down Under)	\$20	Esperito & Georgia
Water Balloon Toss – OPEN Pairs (Radeka's Down Under)	\$20	Luke & Stacey
Backhoe Contest (Arrium Mining)	Aboriginal Art	Mark Hoad
Opal Queen (Coober Pedy Glassworks)	\$200	Tanya Musolino
	\$100	Victoria Nikoloudis
	\$50	Georgia Musolino
Opal King (Coober Pedy Glassworks)	\$200	Esperito Musolino
	\$100	Arthur Kyrtzaliotis
	\$50	Peter Kyrtzaliotis
Tug of War (Shell Coober Pedy)	\$600	Lin Andrews
	\$240	CFS

PARADE PERFECT

Conditions were perfect on Saturday 19 April for the 2014 Coober Pedy Opal Festival Parade; pleasantly warm with not a breath of wind. A good crowd of locals and visitors lined the main street to watch the parade pass by on its way to the town oval. Spectators were well rewarded with a variety of colourful floats and treats being tossed to the children. Joining the parade was Psycus Fire Theatre van and vehicles from the Queen of the Desert Festival, an outback trek from Maree to Coober Pedy. Thanks to everyone who put in countless hours making the floats.

FLOAT RESULTS

Carter's IGA - Overall Best Float
\$1000 Catacomb Church

John's Pizza - Most Creative or Original
\$250 Ayla-Jane (presents float)

Oasis Caravan - Celebrating Mining & Opal
\$250 SES/Mine Rescue

DCCP - Best Costumes
\$250 Fight for Health

Regional Express - Best Use of Colour
\$250 After School Care (Horse)



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