

Couple escape twisted carnage

HOW close was this?

An elderly Brisbane couple managed to walk out of their car unscathed after it – and their caravan – careered over the top of an Armco railing, rolled down a steep embankment and into trees near Tanawha on the Bruce Highway yesterday morning.

Mike Clayton of Clayton's Towing said the couple were able to walk out of the car and onto the highway with the assistance of passers-by.

"The insured car and caravan were totally destroyed," he said.

The couple were driving their Ford Falcon towing the caravan southbound on the highway when it is believed the wind from an overtaking semi-trailer caused them to lose control at 9.20am.

One lane was closed for half an hour while emergency crews cleaned up the scene.



CRUMPLED WRECKAGE: A car and caravan lie in a tangle among trees off the Bruce Highway at Tanawha. PHOTO: JIM HOULIHAN/150