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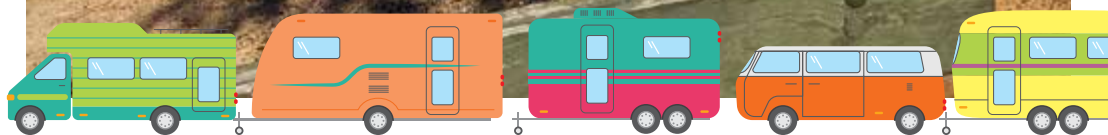
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Please ensure all newsletter material reaches the editor by the Thursday after the rally!



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the R.A.C.V. Caravan Club of Victoria Inc., will be held on 24th November, 2024 at The Basin Community House, 21 Liverpool Rd, The Basin Meeting commencing at 10.00 am.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello Everyone

Our AGM will be held on the 24th November at the Neighbourhood house the Basin.

A number of people are stepping down from committee positions, so now is a good time to think of putting your hand up and having a go. Have a chat with your divisional members, nomination forms for divisional committee positions are in this newsletter.

We all know that COVID lockdowns are a thing of the distant past. We are back to our regular rally calendar. Interestingly our rally attendances rates have dropped significantly on our pre COVID attendances, I would love to know why this is happening? Can we change this trend? I know some think this is great as the smaller groups are more enjoyable

Division 1,2,3 are working in harmony, the members are socialising happily together, the reported rallies and the ones I have attend were enjoyable. The combined rallies are proving to be a good thing. The three divisions are enjoying each other's company.

Division 1 and 2 have committees Division 3 does not. The Div 1 & 2 member numbers attending rallies are ok while Div 3 attendances are very scant. I am reluctant to close down a Division so I support the combined rallies in their current configuration continuing.

ALTERNATE RALLIES

Another prompt, I mention this in the last newsletter. The next State Rally will be at Eastern Beach Holiday Park, Lakes Entrance over the weekend 14th, 15th – 16th March 2025, it's an alternate RACVCC Rally. There are lots of

interesting and fun things planned for the weekend. If you wish to join the rally, book your site at Lakes Entrance and inform the Association of Caravan Clubs of Vic Secretary by email admin@accvic.org.au RACV Caravan Club will be running a Tag a Long tour leaving from this rally. If you wish to participate please contact either the Div 5 VP or Secretary.

The 2025 National Rally hosted by the NSW Association will be held 29th Sept to 8th Oct 2025 at the Australian Rural Education Centre Mudgee. They have both powered and unpowered sites available. You can book now, for more information go to their website: www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

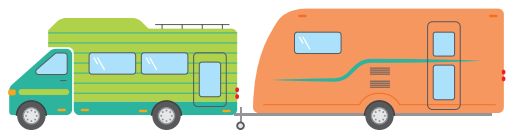
WARNING

The scammers have not let up. Please be careful of how you respond to emails from Committee Members. I will never ask a member to purchase items or provide funds without first chatting to them. If in doubt about an email do not reply to it but do ring the sender.

CAMP GROUND

Our hunt for a suitable camp ground continues. There have been a number of properties identified that were in our range. Some we were not quick enough to action due to our processes, others did not have the required zoning.

A property 10 minutes out of Nagambie was recently identified; it appeared to meet our requirements and was well within our budget. David Breese and I accompanied by our wives took a drive to inspect the property. The visit



indicated the property warranted further enquires. We contacted the local shire and sought advice with regard to our intended use of the property. The Shire Engineer contacted us for further information regarding our plans. Unfortunately the information that came back was not in our favour the shire advised they would not support us using it as a camp ground. So, unfortunately we are back to searching.

David and I did visit the local Real Estate Offices while we were in Nagambie, asked them to keep us in mind if a suitable property becomes available.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Our financial year ends 31st August, membership fees fall due on this date. Members have 3 months to renew their membership. People who are not financial after the 1st December will have to apply to re-join the club if they wish to continue.

Our fees increased by \$12, \$1 per month. This increase does not cover the clubs annual costs. Our operating costs have increased significantly and unfortunately our income has not.

A reminder to all a condition of being a member of our club is that you accept the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by it and agree to abide by the Constitution of the Club. Payment of your membership fees is your acceptance to comply with the Clubs Code of Conduct and Constitution.

The Membership Renewal form is contained in this newsletter. To renew your membership deposit \$60 into our Bendigo Bank account fill out the form and forwarded it to our Club Secretary, email is good, post is fine.

COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Nomination forms for Divisional Committee positions are in this Newsletter. Nominations needed to be with the Club Secretary by the 12th November 2024.

We are looking for a new President and Secretary. I am not continuing someone else needs to stepped up and take the helm. Our Club Secretary Heather McTaggart has submitted her resignation. We need someone to take on this role.

Please speak with Heather McTaggart, Ric Luif or myself for more information regarding either of the roles.

The 'Duties of Officers and Committee Persons' are recorded on page 8 of the "Constitution and Bylaws of the RACV Caravan Club of Victoria Inc." a copy is available on the RACVCC website.

THE 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year's AGM will be held at The Basin Community House, Gate 2, 21 Liverpool Road, The Basin (grounds of The Basin Primary School) commencing at 10.00 am. on Sunday the 24th November. Minutes of the last AGM are included in this newsletter.



STAY SAFE

ROB TAYLOR

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2024 AGENDA

RACV CARAVAN CLUB

NOVEMBER 24TH 2024, 10AM

THE BASIN COMMUNITY HOUSE, 21 LIVERPOOL RD, THE BASIN

AGENDA

- Welcome by President Robert Taylor
- Confirmation of Minutes of Annual General Meeting held November 19th, 2023
- President's Report.
- Adoption of Treasurer's Financial Statement.
- Election of Office Bearers
- Election of Activities Director and Financial Review Committee.
- Election of Divisional Committees.
- Set the Entrance Fee and the Annual Subscription.
- Deal with any proposed amendments to the Constitution.
- Ratification of any changes to the By-laws.
- Other Business of which notice has been received.

ELECTIONS

In accordance with the rules and the Divisional organisation of the Club, nominations for the Office Bearers of the Club, namely: President, Secretary and Treasurer, closed with the Club Secretary on the 10th August, 2023.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconder
President			
Secretary			
Treasurer	Ric Luiyf	Robert Taylor	Ken Preston

OTHER NOMINATIONS

Position	Nominee	Nominated by	Seconder
Activities Director	Anne Cecil	Steve Clark	
Financial Review Committee (2)			

Nominations are called for **Committee** positions of each of the six Divisions, Namely: Vice President, Divisional Secretary, Divisional Treasurer, Divisional Marshall and Divisional Assistant Marshall. These nominations should be in the hands of the Club Secretary at least seven days before the commencement of meeting (ie Sunday 12th November, 2024). Nomination forms must be signed by the nominee, nominator and seconder in each instance. A nomination form is printed in this newsletter. Voting for each Divisional Committee will be confined to the members of each respective Division.

Div.	VP	Secretary	Treasurer	Marshal
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

APPOINTMENTS

- Public Officer –
- Newsletter Editor - Julie Mason
- Delegates (2) to the Association of Caravan Clubs of Victoria. David Breese, Ken Slade,
- Membership Specialist – Von Montauban & George & Voula Haig
- National Rally Coordinator – Stella Breese

GENERAL BUSINESS

Meeting closed:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2023 MINUTES

RACV CARAVAN CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

1. **Welcome by President Robert Taylor**

2. **Meeting commenced: 10.03am**

3. **Apologies:** Linda & Gregg Richmond, Robert & Julie Booth, Keith & Helen Booth, Dot & Graeme Penny, Robbie & Donna Booth, George & Sandra Eldridge, Greg & Hayley Hatzivagiannis, Roz & Charlie Alan, Brent & Debbie Mudie, Ken Preston, Michelle & Philip Bright, John Stone, Bill & Lyn Penney

Present: Div. 1 – 13, Div. 2 – 6, Div. 4 – 17, Div. 5 – 2, Div. 6 – 8 Total: 46 as recorded on sign in sheet.

4. **Motion:** that the Minutes of Annual General Meeting held November 20th, 2022 be accepted

Moved: Bob Jobling **Seconded:** Leisa Stone **Carried:** Unanimously

5. **Reports:**

- 5.1 **President's Report:** as tabled and presented to the meeting

Motion: that the President's report be accepted

Moved: Alan Jennings **Seconded:** Carol O'Hagen **Carried:** Unanimously

- 5.2 **Adoption of Treasurer's Financial Statement.**

Presented by Ric Luiyf to the meeting. Treasurer thanked Financial Review Committee & Anne Cecil & Steve Clark for their support.

Motion: that the Treasurer's Report be accepted

Moved: Ric Luiyf **Seconded:** Alan Jennings **Carried:** Unanimously

Motion: Entrance & Annual Fees (13.1.1.4)

Motion: Membership/renewal fees increase from \$48 to \$60 from 1/9/23 – Joining fee \$40 + pro rata \$5 per month

Moved: R Luiyf **Seconded:** A Jennings **Carried:** Unanimously

Motion: That membership fees for Associate members increase from \$0 to \$40 from 1/9/23

Moved: R Luiyf
Unanimously

Seconded: A Jennings

Carried

Motion: That the July club newsletter be a trial electronic email version with hard copy paper version sent to those without email

Moved: R Luiyf
Unanimously

Seconded: L Anders

Carried

6. **Election of Office Bearers**

President

Nominee: Robert Taylor

Nominated by: Heather McTaggart

Seconded by: Alan Jennings

There being no other nominations, Robert Taylor was declared President

Secretary

Nominee: Heather McTaggart

Nominated by: Robert Taylor

Seconded by: L Anders

There being no other nominations, Heather McTaggart was declared Secretary

Treasurer

Nominee: Ric Luiyf

Nominated by: Robert Taylor

Seconded by: L Anders

There being no other nominations, Ric Luiyf t was declared Treasurer

6.1 **Election of Activities Director and Financial Review Committee.**

Activities Director

Nominee: Anne Cecil

Nominated by: Robert Taylor

Seconded by: Heather McTaggart

6.2 **Financial Review Committee**

Nominee: Leigh Dudman & Linda Crispin

Nominated by: Ric Luiyf

Seconded by: R Taylor

There being no other nominations, Leigh Dudman & Linda Crispin were declared as the FRC Committee

7. **Election of Divisional Committees.**

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Appointments

- Public Officer – Heather McTaggart
- Newsletter Editor - Julie Mason
- Delegates (2) to the Association of Caravan Clubs of Victoria -Ken Slade & Bob Jobling
- Membership Specialist – Von Montauban & George & Voula Haig
- State & National Rally Coordinator – Stella Breese

Awards: Rob Taylor announced Rally Attendance awards followed by Rally Awards – Continuous

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Stella Breese gave an overview of the ACCVIC State Rally at Kerang – March 15th to 18th 2024.
Great activities of offer.

Meeting closed: 10.42 am

DIVISIONAL RALLY REPORTS

DIV 1, 2 & 3 RALLY REPORT

COMMITTEE DETAILS

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	Div 2			
	Div 3			

BARWON HEADS

July

Our Barwon Heads Rally saw 7 vans in attendance, 5 Div 2 & 2 Div1.

Riverview Caravan Park is a huge park next to the Barwon River, plenty of walking tracks around – to the Beach & along the banks of the river, a large camp kitchen & good amenities.

A couple of vans arrived Thursday, the rest came Friday. Dinner out at the Barwon Hotel Friday evening, excellent meals, then back to the park to watch the footy. It was good to catch up with members we don't see very often.

Saturday a free day, plenty to see in the area – trips all about – Queenscliff, St Leonards, Drysdale, Portarlington to name a few. Mostly good daytime weather with plashes of rain overnight – very considerate of the weatherman. Peter & Fran making the best of the good weather with some long walks. Saturday happy hour showed evidence of Mike's support of the local wineries followed by a community casserole meal & dessert. Wonderful cooks within the group everybody enjoying the meal. Lyn & Martin just back from O/S & Africa showed a short video of a safari to a game park & views of Victoria Falls from a helicopter ride. Their adventures which was an eye opener to us who have not been to Africa. Sunday saw those left out to lunch at the "Rocket Man" Café in Ocean Grove then a free day to do your own thing.

It was a good rally & gave us a good chance to mix & get to know other members from sister Divisions.



HEATHCOTE

August

This was the Eighth Rally for 2024 , we had a Total of 9 Caravans and 1 Cabin, 6 Vans and a Cabin from Div2 and the other 3 Vans Div 1 some arriving on the Thursday with the remaining vans arriving on Friday.

We had Happy Hour late Friday Afternoon followed by a Sausage Sizzle Dinner that was provided by the Caravan Park. Div2 kept up Their Tradition by presenting Allan with a Rose in memory of his Late Wife Dianne.

On Saturday Pat organised a walk in the local National Park heading for the Viewing Rock at the Top, it turned out to be a challenging walk but we all made it back safely, whilst others explored Heathcote.

Saturday Afternoon we all enjoyed the late Sunshine with an Alfresco Happy Hour, followed by Dinner at the Union Hotel that provided excellent service and Meals.

Sunday Morning some explored Heathcote and were surprised to find the town very busy as there was an impromptu gathering of Classic cars all along the main street that I later found out this occurred on a regular basis, very good for the Town.

Sunday 2 Div 1 Vans Departed , everyone else stayed until Monday, but not before we had lunch at the Tooleene Hotel (organised by Pat) that was a short Drive away from Heathcote and afterwards some drove to a local lookout at Chinamans Bend.

On Monday the remainder of members headed off, most heading home whilst others were going on to another Location, all in all a good weekend with very cold Mornings and Evenings but lovely Sunny days with everyone enjoying each others company.



LANG LANG

September

Lang Lang Caravan Park is situated right on the muddy beach flats of Westernport Bay. The recent storms and King tides left the caravan park a little muddy. The park had to evacuate residents during the week.

We had 13 Van and 2 Cabins for the rally and this included Greg and Hayley from Div 6. Nearly everyone arrived by Friday and so had the rain. Fivies were in the rotunda and Darryl from Div 1 and his friend Katrina popped in for a visit. At 6 we all headed off to the Lang Lang Golf Club which was a warm and cozy with the fire burning. The caterers had cooked a wonderful roast pork dinner and a very yummy bread and butter pudding for us. Two members of Div 1, Darryl and Shane are members at the golf club and had organized this dinner at \$15 per head. Thanks guys! After Dinner everyone headed back to the park and into their warm vans.

The sun came out on Saturday morning and it was still a little windy but that helped to dry out the ground under foot. Some of us headed to the rotunda for morning tea and chat before heading to the Lang Lang shops for a look around or lunch in the local bakery. The tide went out a long way so most people took advantage of the sand and went for a walk along the beach in spite of the wind.

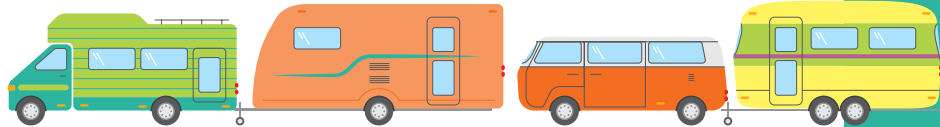
At 2pm some of us headed off to the Lang Lang Cemetery for a walking tour of graves with the WW1 theme. Kerryn ran the tour that had been written by members of the Narre Warren Family history group. It was nice to be out of the wind in the shelter of the cemetery

Fivies time came around again and we had a very special Birthday to celebrate. Valentine the seeing eye dog for Terri turned 3 on Saturday. He had a birthday cake and got a present too. We all enjoyed some cake too. Saturday Dinner was everyone bringing a plate of finger food to share. We had a tasty assortment of food and the fire was lit in the fireplace for a little warmth. It was a nice night of food and catching up with everyone.

Sunday morning saw most of us packing up and farewelling those lucky to be staying another night. Hopefully we can all get the muddy floors of our vans cleaned up without too much trouble.



Valentine the seeing eye dog for Terri turned 3 on Saturday. He had a birthday cake and got a present too.



DIV 4 RALLY REPORT

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*...a long weekend
getting to know many
of the wonderful new
families...*



June

What better thing to do with a weekend than head away in the caravan with the caravan club and meet some wonderful new people. The June Rally was exactly that with an additional day being a long weekend getting to know many of the wonderful new families who joined us for a trial at Yea. We had a total of 28 vans - 9 of those being new families trialling the club and 2 returning for their 2nd or 3rd trial. Most couples and families arrived throughout the afternoon and evening on Friday, with a couple arriving on Saturday. Those there before 5pm on the Friday came together for a small 5zz in the meeting room.

Saturday

On Saturday morning our wonderful committee put on a Morning Tea with tea, coffee and lots of delicious treats at the meeting room and we were all able to come together and get to know people with many of the kids getting to know each other on the Jumping Pillow nearby. Wow doesn't time fly when you're having fun, before we knew it was 11:30am and time for the 12pm Wine Tasting group to head off to the Yea Winery Cidery and Brewery where we were greeted and served by some very lovely staff and nothing was too much trouble for them, getting to sample many of the Ciders, Wines (Both Red & White), Port & Liqueurs they had on offer.





At 1pm back at the Caravan Park everyone came together once more and brought a plate to share for a communal lunch to celebrate Laurie's 80 th Birthday, with a Face Painter arriving at 1:30pm who did some wonderful face painting for the Kids. It then neared time for the 3pm Wine Tasting Group to head off, but before they did, we found a free fire pit available at the Caravan Park, placed some chairs around it and got the fire started so there would be somewhere nice and warm for everyone to sit & relax on Saturday Evening.

The 3pm Wine Tasting Group then headed off to the Yea Winery Cidery and Brewery shortly followed by the 4pm Group.

Throughout the afternoon a number of those who remained at the Caravan Park sat around the fire chatting and relaxing.

A number of people then headed out or back to their vans to have dinner, and after dinner many came together again around the fire in the evening and stayed up chatting till it was late.

Sunday

On Sunday morning our wonderful committee put on a cooked breakfast for everyone of Bacon and Egg sandwiches with Tea, Coffee and Juice
****Those sandwiches were delicious****

After breakfast the raffle was drawn and the committee presented Laurie with a cake and we all sang Happy Birthday and took a Division 4 group photo of those still in the park.

Raffle Winners:

1st Prize: C Gear Mat donated by CGear and a 4 pack of ciders donated by the Yea Winery Cidery and Brewery– Paul and Mandy

2nd Prize: 2 Night Stay at Yea Riverside Caravan Park donated by the Yea Riverside Caravan Park- Katherine

We also had 5 other winners of a 4 pack of Cider donated by the Yea winery Cidery and Brewery

After Breakfast many couples and families headed off to the Alexandra Truck Show for the day to have a look around, with some stopping off at Cheviot Railway Tunnel on the way back to the Caravan Park.

At around 4-5pm after the days activities, a number of people came together around the fire again and shared conversations, stories, drinks & snacks (5zz), with many people staying around the fire chatting and playing games until late in the evening. A special thank you to Belinda & Steve for heading out and sourcing wood on Saturday and Sunday to keep the fire roaring, keeping us nice and toasty over the weekend.

Monday

For those that didn't leave Sunday it was time for everyone to pack up and head home.

Thank you everyone for a great weekend, we hope to see all the new families again and wish all those heading up North a safe trip and we look forward to seeing you all when you are back.



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July

Some went to work, some didn't, but we all started to arrive at Yarram Caravan Park, on Friday afternoon and early evening, 11 caravans and 2 cabins.

Some travelled very fast, some just took their time, some travelled well, while others ploughed their own driveway getting out.

It didn't take the kids long to find the pool for a quick swim, while some of the adults started to gather near the unlit fire. Steve decided to light the fire, however just after Steve gets the fire to take, along Colleen who was able to dismantle the fire in just seconds. Steve was quick to attempt to get it going again but was struggling, so Keith wandered off and came back with his magical blower, where he was able to blow smoke onto everyone, but with Keith's persistence the fire finally took off and became a great centerpiece for us all to gather around and talk. I must say some very interesting conversations came up and got discussed.

Saturday a new day with a new arrival with our fearless VP getting his camp set up in time to head to the local bakery for coffee and cakes, oops some more than others, thanks for the donut, Josh.

After our morning tea feast at the bakery, it was time for us all to have some fun and wander around town looking for some great art in a competition which I might add I didn't win, but Lauren and Brad did, well done guys. We also had many others come second taking a bag of lollies home each.

As we all arrived back at the caravan park someone had already lit the fire for us to gather around for the afternoon with the committee putting on a fantastic sausage sizzle, where we all got to eat some more. The kids ate and then disappeared back to the pool for an afternoon of fun. We drew the raffle with Steve & Belinda winning the Flat out Multi Reel donated by Flat Out Multi Reel, Josh taking out second with a \$50 Gday Parks voucher donated by Yarram Holiday park and third was Robbie with a Map donated by Hema Maps.

Before we knew it, it was time to get changed and head up to the Victoria Hotel at Alberton for dinner and drinks. I believe everyone had a good meal and sang Happy Birthday to Imogen followed by Birthday Cake. After dinner we all went back to the Caravan Park where some disappeared and others sat around the fire chatting till late into the night.

Sunday morning the packing up began with the departure of the one's that needed to leave early heading off. A little more socializing for the rest of us, and before we know it it's midday and time for us to leave. Away we go, and then in comes a phone call asking why don't we stop at Meeniyan for lunch so we did only to find 5 others all had the same idea. We had a great lunch with good company but finally it was time to go home, so goodbye for now.



BELLARINE

August

23 vans and 1 cabin in attendance.

Welcome to our visitors, Chris and Rebecca and their daughter Ilah, Anita and Jon and their son Jonathan, Anita and Ben and their children Winston and Harrison.

With all attendees arriving Friday to a cold winters day. Many gathered in the camp kitchen until gone 10 pm when they were POLITELY requested to vacate the camp kitchen. Several went back and partied in Colleen and Travis's van until 3 am. Not sure how many alcoholic beverages were consumed but I believe someone fell into the garden. :)

Saturday brought beautiful weather. Our members enjoyed an array of delicious treats for morning tea supplied by many of those who attended the rally. Some then went to the fort at Queenscliff, others went for a walk, while the rest of the group stayed behind and enjoyed what the park had to offer, a couple also slept the day away after their big night.



We all came together for a hectic but yummy dinner supply by all of those that attended the rally. Following on from dinner, MICHELLE had arranged an awesome fun game of music bingo. Starting with the children's game themed Disney which was won by Beverly and Kerry's granddaughter. The Adults then had their go with 3 rounds.

The first win was presented to Rebecca and Chris who got to choose some Fusion Locs. The second win was Caroline Lee with a return stay to Bellarine Big 4 and the third win was Brad Lee with a \$25 dollar gift voucher for Recycled Mats. Thank you to Fusion Loc, Big 4 Bellarine and Recycled Mats for your lovely donations.

Sunday morning some children enjoyed the beautiful warm pool before a late checkout of 12, while others took advantage of the Stay for 4 Pay for 3 deal and headed to Port Arlington to the Bakery and then to Flying Brick Cider.

Lastly, I would like to thank the committee again for all your hard work and efforts that you bring to the table every time that we come to a rally. We look forward to seeing you all at Erica in September until then. Safe travels.



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DIV 6 RALLY REPORTS

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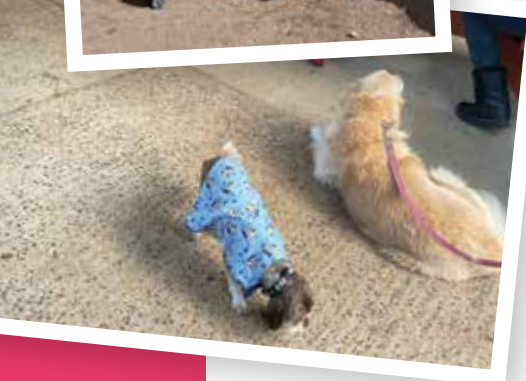
COBRAM

July

The July Rally started off with two vans, one visitor and one couple in a cabin arriving at the Daylesford Holiday Park on Friday afternoon. The park is a pet friendly park, Meg and her friend Gab brought their fur babies along. Gab visited to find out what the RACVCC is all about.

While some took their dogs for a walk around Daylesford lake, others took a walk around the park to check out the facilities such as the sequoia lodge with its open log fireplaces. Then it was time for fivesies, we shared nibbles and had a few drinks beside Megs van and got to know their dogs. Later that night Roz and Charlie arrived and had to reverse around a big tree in the dark and mud to get into their site, luckily Kev was around to help guide them in.

On Friday night a couple of other members stayed at the Newstead racecourse to check it out for a potential rally venue. On Saturday morning on their way from Newstead to Daylesford they stopped off at Mt Franklin, purchased some bacon; and chocolates from the Chocolate Mill. While the couple in the cabin went for a lovely breakfast in town at Hotel



Frangos and then had a look around the shops. The Luiyfs arrived in their new van, so we had to check that out while the rest of the vans started to arrive.

We had a great turnout at this rally with eight vans, one cabin and one visitor attending in total. We even had a visit from previous club members Sue and Michael. Fivesies on Saturday evening were spent catching up in the camp kitchen, chatting about holidays, grande children, families, future rallies and the trials and tribulations of purchasing new cars and caravans post Covid, and as the temperature dropped we moved into the sequoia lodge to keep warm by the open fire.

Saturday night several of the group went to the Daylesford Bowls club for dinner, where the lamb shank pie was the meal of the night. Spotted in the club was Peter Ford, entertainment reporter for channel 7. Being the party animals we are in Divi 6, the kitchen closed, we had to get our tea, coffees and hot chocolate from the pokie room for free and we were the last ones to leave. Back to the park and the sequoia lodge to keep warm where the VP gave his speech and confessed that he had lost the flag stand, he thinks it's at The Ranch.

Everyone left on Sunday, except for the Arendses' who stayed until Monday. Lindsay and Gill stopped in Trentham on the way home to take a photo at the old train station.

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September

What a whirlwind of fun and frolic we had last weekend in the sun-drenched haven of Ballan! Our caravan crew arrived in style, with six rigs rolling in to soak up the sunshine. Some folks kicked off the weekend early, arriving on Friday night, while the rest of us leisurely joined in on Saturday.

For one member the weekend began with a small scare when Meg had a bit of a mishap leaving her driveway. Thankfully, everything was swiftly sorted and Meg was soon back on the road without any damage. Phew!

One caravan made a grand entrance late Saturday afternoon after spending a delightful day exploring the Moorabool Waterfalls. Meanwhile, John decided to sample the local pies and gave the bakery his tick of approval. We're thinking he might want to start a blog about country bakeries—he's certainly tasted his way through enough of them!

The two doggies in our group were living their best lives, running freely and joyfully without a care in the world—pure canine bliss. As for Kailey, our unofficial club mascot, she had her own adventure when she grabbed a stick from the firepit, thankfully before the fire was lit. Her mischievous spirit continues to add charm to our gatherings.

The night weather played a bit of a game with us, drizzling on and off, but it didn't dampen our spirits. We got creative, some of us set up under umbrellas while enjoying our time around the fire. David, ever the entertainer, introduced a new game where we had to fetch items from the van based on a letter. The competition between David and a youngster was a highlight, especially when David tried to bend the rules to his advantage!

Our VP delivered a speech and discussion new committee positions. Shaz, as always, wowed us with a spread of fives that ensured no one went hungry after a night of drinks, nibbles, and laughter. Lucky because some members did not make dinner.

As Sunday rolled around all too quickly, members began to drift off to their next adventures. Some of our crew took a detour to town of Trentham, where they were surprised by an usually sight: a Kangaroo jumping down Main Street!

From campfire tales to spontaneous games, this weekend was great. Thanks to everyone for bringing your unique flair and making the getaway memorable. Until next time, keep the wheels turning and the spirits high. Safe travels and see you on the road.

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Nominee: _____

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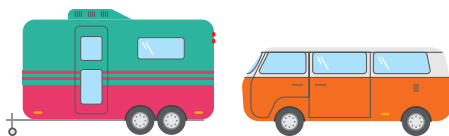
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