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Next Delegates Meeting

The meeting planned for 1st April 2020 has been cancelled.
The business of ACCSA will be handled by the executive until the next scheduled meeting which is now planned for Wednesday
7:00pm for 7:30 pm
3rd June 2020
at
Walkerville RSL Hall
98 Walkerville Terrace
Walkerville

PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

CARAVAN AND CAMPING SHOW

FEBRUARY 2020

The attendance of ACCSA at the Caravan and Camping Show once again proved to be beneficial. It provided an opportunity to renew and liaise with the members of the Caravan and Camping Industry Association and to further enhance our recognition within the Industry. In addition, members took the opportunity to distribute the Sponsorship and Trade Fare information to potential sponsors and exhibitors for the 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally 2020.

The major reason for our attendance was to recruit new Caravan Club members and I am advised that some Clubs have already received calls from potential members. To be successful it is essential that the Clubs seeking new membership be present at the time. The people making enquiries invariably ask, "WHAT CLUB DO YOU BELONG TO" and immediately increase their interest when their communications is with a member of the recruiting Club. The next step is to obtain their contact details and ensure that follow up enquiries are made by the Club.

If you are seeking new members it would be great to have you on board at the Caravan and Camping Show in July. I would arrange to have you work with those that have had experience recruiting at the show.

I wish to thank the Clubs that assisted in staffing the site; Carefree Caravaneers of SA, Elizabethan Caravan Club, Family and Friends Caravan Club & Southern Cross Caravan Club.

STATE RALLY 2020

Providing all goes well we are now planning to stage the State Rally from the 5th to 8th March 2021. The good news is that there are plenty of large sites and you will not be crammed into a small site and charged a hefty price like I found last time I visited local parks and travelled to the Eastern States. A further benefit is that you will be entertained the whole weekend at a minimal cost.

The major benefit is that you will be helping the local Riverland Community. Your attendance will also assist the National Committee to conduct a rehearsal for marshalling the caravans on site and further test the amenities for the 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally in 2022.

Regards and Safe Travelling

Graham Brown, President ACCSA.

ACCSA Mission:
"to promote caravan clubs to the general public, represent caravan clubs at a public and industry level and assist all members to safely enjoy the caravan and camping lifestyle."

FROM THE EDITOR:

Well, we are at the end of March already, the year is flying by. What an extraordinary month March is turning out to be. The situation around the coronavirus is very fluid and changing almost every day. Therefore, it is difficult to keep you up to date with every aspect of the coronavirus via The Journal. Look after and protect yourselves, be careful. The work of ACCSA and the 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally 2022 is continuing, albeit under some difficulties Given the current circumstances meetings are being handle by email and phone calls.

In this issue: Presidents Chatter from Graham Brown and don't forget our all-important sponsors: EBS, Adelaide RV, Kui Parks, North East Isuzu and Northern Caravan Storage and there are other items of interest from our affiliated clubs.

Enjoy the Journal, oh I nearly forgot, have a Happy Easter despite the difficult times we are in now.

Take Care, Robert Hart

NOTE: Please submit items for the next Journal by 22nd May 2020

Activity suggestions for the 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally 2022

Roy Turner the Entertainment Co-ordinator has been tackling the daunting task of putting together the program for the 10 days of the 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally 2022 and what a great job Roy has been doing putting together a program for everybody's enjoyment.

Entertainment already pencilled in includes The Borderers, Flaming Sambucas ABBA Gold Show, Redgum Rebels, Heartland Steppin Back, The Hoffmans Duo and the SA Police Band.

Activity suggestions already/proposed arranged are Acrylic Painting, Book Exchange, Bingo, Choir and Crafts. Other activity suggestions are 4WD – OFF SITE - course / instruction, Author Workshop – Wendy A, CFS – Demonstration – extinguishers – caravan safety, Computers, Crafts, Croquet – OFF SITE - Berri - golf croquet?, Dog Demonstration – ON SITE AT DOG AREA (Local Dog Club)– Obedience / Training / demonstration and tips, Exercises for Older People, Gardening – Workshop – Trees for Life / Roses (Home of Renmark Rose Festival), Healthy Cooking – TAFE?, Hot wheels Racing – Bert, House Boat Catering – afternoon tea – morning tea, Karaoke, Landscape painting for beginners, Lawn Bowls – OFF SITE Barmera, Line Dancing, Men's Shed – Barmera – Furniture Restoration?, Photography - Workshop, Quilting, RAA – Roadside repairs – what spares to take – workshops, Recycling – What is suitable – Types of Plastic, etc., SAPOL – National Caravan Laws, Table Games – Participants to supply - Cards / Scrabble, Tai Chi – morning exercise.

Roy is looking for rally participants to recite their original poems to be presented during intermissions during the rally. If you have a talent in writing and reciting poetry Roy would be pleased to hear from you.

Please contact Roy on mobile 0417 084 077 or by email to renreturr@gmail.com

On the ACCSA website there are links to the NACC: National Association of Caravan Clubs Ltd., and other State Associations: Association of Caravan Clubs of Victoria Inc., Canberra Caravan Club Inc., Caravan Clubs of Queensland Inc., NSW Association of Caravan Clubs Inc., Western Australian Association of Caravan Clubs Inc.

Check on the links, there is lots of information to read.

The 18th National Rally of the Caravan Clubs of Australia will be held at Bamera SA from 28th March to 7th April 2022 (10 nights)

To keep up to date with Newsletters & additional information following link:

https://www.18thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

18th National Caravan Clubs Rally Mission Statement:

"to organise the 18th National Rally of Caravan Clubs and to promote South Australia as a tourism venue for caravanners."

Where Clubs are Rallying or Not Rallying in April 2020 & May 2020

	April 2020	May 2020
Adelaide Caravan Club	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Barossa Valley Caravan & Camping Club	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Caravan Club of South Australia	Balaklava 9-13	Aldinga 1-3
Carefree Caravanners of SA	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Coromal Caravan Club of SA	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Dave Benson Caravan Club	Kingston on Murray 17-24	Hummocks Station 15-22
Elizabethan Caravan Club	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Family & Friends Caravan & Camping Club	Eudunda Area School 9-13	Kapunda 8-10
Jayco Caravan Club of SA	Rally cancelled	No Rally
Jayco Jaybirds SA	Port Elliott 3-4	McLaren Vale 1-2
Port Augusta Caravan Club	No Rally	No Rally
Riverland Caravan Club		
Southern Cross Caravan Club	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled
Wanderers Caravan Club of SA	Rally cancelled	Rally cancelled

Collective Nouns

A choir of singers

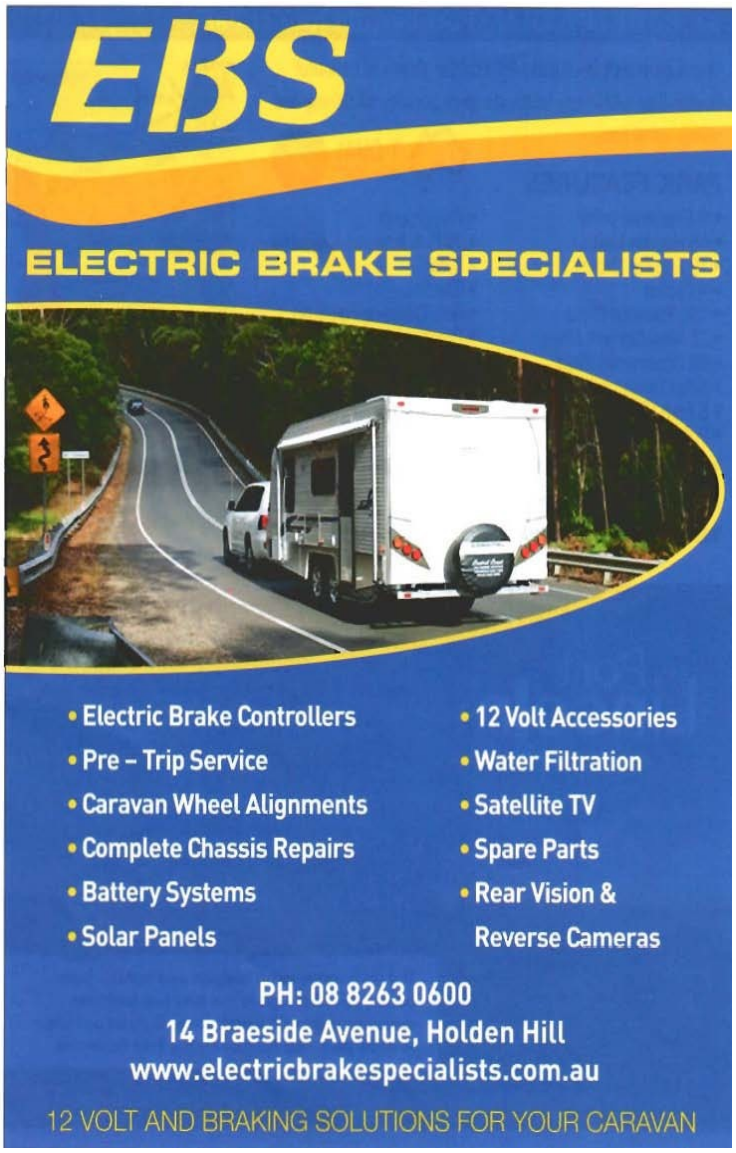
A gaggle of geese

A bunch of keys

Check out the Notice Board section of the ACCSA website for notices of interest

Current items listed are:

- **Southern Tasmanian Caravan Club Quarterly Newsletter.**
- **Kui Parks Nomad News.**
- **EBS Car & Caravan Weighing Guide.**
- **Jayco Caravan Club Newsletters**
- **Jayco Jaybirds Caravan Club Newsletters**



SA Police warning
re offenders removing split pins

SAPOL have put out a warning that they have received several reports of split pins (also known as R pins) being removed from Hitch Pins which secure a tow bar to a vehicle (trailer ball mount).

Removal of the split pins is a serious safety concern, especially if a towing vehicle is travelling at speed.

Please check that the split pin is still in place prior to moving off.

It is highly recommended that the purchase of a lockable Hitch Pin would be a deterrence and give peace of mind.

ELIZABETHAN CARAVAN CLUB INC.

February: 14th to 16th February 2020 at Port Hughes Caravan Park. (6 vans, 12 Adults & 2 dogs)

Expenses incurred: Park fees: Nightly rate $38 total: $588 (most had a travel auction). Approx. other expenses $820 in total: $1,408

On Arrival: Clean & tidy, receptionist pleasant.

The park and surrounds: Quite a few other campers around, neat and clean area, great new camp kitchen & BBQ area with toilets, showers for pool area. Needs air con/heating, television, crockery, pans, cutlery, etc. dishwashing liquid, sponges, tea towels, etc. Kitchen was not decked out with crockery, etc. Great new swimming pool but no shade. One of the group was not put with the main group (there were quite a few other vans in between). When staff was approached about changing this they said that their deposit was paid after the due date and therefore they were just placed anywhere in the park and moved them slightly closer but still not with the group (and there was plenty of room) even with other vans coming in. We were not happy with this decision.

Do you recommend this park for future rallies? Park not to bad, but need to make a few adjustments.

Was a deposit required? Yes (don't be late paying)

Things we did at this rally: Café Moonta for morning & afternoon tea with outside area for dogs, op shop, walking the boardwalk to the beach, dog park for dogs to play at caravan park, shopping, walking around the area & Moonta, fishing on jetty, chatting/socialising, swimming in the pool at caravan park.

Next Rallies / Activities: - March 13th -15th Clare Caravan Park then April 3rd – 5th The Bend (Tailem Bend)

ACCSA is asking that affiliated clubs to include the following requests in their forward planning for 2021

2021 – Please plan your February 2021 rally to avoid clashing with the Caravan & Camping Show 2021. This request is particularly for clubs that are looking for new members to assist at the Show. We are still waiting on the dates for the show which will be forwarded to you as soon as we have them.

2021 – ACCSA is requesting Clubs to include the 2021 State Rally as their March 2021 Club Rally. The dates of the 2021 State Rally are Friday 5th March 2021 to Monday 8th March 2021. Please put the 2021 State Rally in your clubs' calendar.

It is important that all affiliated clubs support these events please.

Got something to sell? List it in the classified section on the ACCSA website.
Contact Robert Hart, ACCSA Editor at editor@accsa.asn.au

From around the clubs:

The **Adelaide Caravan Club** held rallies at Victor Harbor in January/February and at Coobowie in March. The Club has cancelled their April rally at this point but anticipates cancelling the next two rallies and we will probably not hold any rally until at least August, depending on what the situation is like then. Further information about the club can be seen on their website https://www.adelaidecaravanclub.com/

Thirty-two from the **Barossa Valley Caravan & Camping Club** attend a luncheon in January at The Watermark, Glenelg then held rallies at Port Turton in February and at Waikerie in March. The club has cancelled all rallies until the end June.

The **Caravan Club of South Australia** rally on the Australia Day weekend was at Nuriootpa with 8 vans in perfect weather. At Christies Beach in February they had a small attendance & enjoyable rally. Their March rally was at Waikerie. The clubs Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/The-Caravan-Club-of-South-Australia-Incorporated-234448623351855/timeline/ have some interesting postings.

The **Carefree Caravanners of SA** had lunch at the Barkley Tavern in January followed by their February rally at Goolwa and March rally at Port Broughton. The club have cancelled three rallies up to June 2020. Their website at http://carefreecaravaneers.org.au/ is the source of further information to read.

The **Coromal Caravan Club of SA** did not hold a rally in January, however in February they had a good rally at Port Vincent and in March their rally was at Corny Point. The Coromal Club have cancelled rallies until the of June

The **Dave Benson Caravan Club** did not rally in January, in February they had a enjoyable rally at Port Turton where they helped the economy of the Yorke Peninsula. In March their rally was at Kangaroo Island without caravans, yes, they hired cabins to help the Kangaroo Island economy. We are looking forward to their March rally report.

The **Elizabethan Caravan Club** held their AGM in January and at Port Hughes had 6 vans at their February rally and in March held their Clare rally. The Elizabethan Caravan Club has cancelled meetings and rallies up to and including June and will then reassess the situation. Check out their Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/Elizabethan-Caravan-Club-171615792858135/timeline/ for more information.

The **Family & Friends Caravan & Camping Club** Australia Day weekend rally was at Lake Bonney where 14 vans attended, and a great weekend was had by all. The February rally was held and Goolwa and in March the Port Broughton rally was be held. The clubs website at https://ffccc.com.au/ and the Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/Family-and-Friends-Caravan-and-Camping-Club-formerly-SAPI-134938026579989/timeline/ are good reading about the club and their activities.

At the **Jayco Caravan Club of SA** January/February rally at Tanunda they held their AGM. Around 20 vans attended and congratulations to the election of Barry Griffith as President, Marlene Landorf as Secretary, Kaye Rogers as Treasurer and others to various positions. The clubs March rally was held at Berri. The club has cancelled their April rally to Victor Harbor and do not have a rally organised for May. They will review the state of affairs again before the rally organised for June. The club's website can be viewed at http://www.jaycoclubsa.asn.au/

The **Jayco Jaybirds SA** had a luncheon in January and a January/February rally at Moonta Bay. A February/March rally was held at Kapunda to coincide with the Angaston Show. The club's website http://www.jaycojaybirds.com.au/ has further information of interest.

The **Port Augusta Caravan Club** did not hold a rally in January. Their February rally was at Wirrabara where there is a great painted silo. In March their rally will be to the Painted Desert. We are looking forward to a rally report of the Painted Desert rally.

We are looking forward to hearing from the **Riverland Caravan Club.** Other clubs keeping ask how you are going.

January saw the **Southern Cross Caravan Club** attend a luncheon at the Lakes Hotel West Lakes, a great day was had by all. 14 vans attended their February rally at Port Hughes. Unfortunately, the fishing wasn't too good. A silo tour is organised for the March rally staying at Meningie, Bordertown, Horsham, Beulah and Lameroo. It should be a great ten days for the 13 vans attending. The Club has suspended the next two rallies, April/May and June and do not have a rally scheduled for July. The club's website at http://www.scccsa.asn.au/ is a great source of information.

The **Wanderers Caravan Club of SA** 16 vans attend their January rally at Meningie for another very enjoyable rally. The clubs February rally at Tanunda was attended by 21 vans. What a great weekend it turned out to be and we sadly packed up and left for home with pockets full of new memories. March rally will be at Port Willunga where attendees will enjoy another great weekend. The Wanderers Caravan Club have cancelled the next 3 rallies (i.e. Jamestown, Crystal Brook and Kingston-on-Murray). Further information can be read on the club website http://www.wccsa.org.au/

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Membership closed at present

A young man named Donald bought a horse from a farmer for $250.

The farmer agreed to deliver the horse the next day.

The next day, the farmer drove up to Donald's house and said, "Sorry son, but I have some bad news, the horse died."

Donald replied, "Well, then just give me my money back."

The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already."

Donald said, "Ok, then, just bring me the dead horse."

The farmer asked, "What ya gonna do with him?"

Donald said, "I'm going to raffle him off."

The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead horse!"

Donald said, "Sure I can, Watch me. I just won't tell anybody he's dead."

A month later, the farmer met up with Donald and asked, "What happened with that dead horse?"

Donald said, "I raffled him off. I sold 500 tickets at five dollars a piece and made a profit of $2495."

The farmer said, "Didn't anyone complain?"

Donald said, "Just the guy who won. So I gave him his five dollars back."

Donald has since moved into the White House.

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"Okay your father managed to get a mouse. Now how do we use it?"

The 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally will be held at the
Riverland Events Centre, Barmera, South Australia on 28th March to 7th April 2022 (10 nights)

7th to 10th February 2020 at Point Turton Caravan Park

Site fees: Powered $30 off peak, $35 Peak. Total Site Fees $900, Total other Expenses: $1,583.

No of Vans: 6 members 12 adults for five days

On Arrival: Park Managers Malcolm and Dani Wheadon were very helpful, and client orientated.

Park & Surrounds: The park is well appointed, grassed sites, clean amenities, camp kitchen. The Park is nestled in the disused historic flux quarry and overlooks the jetty and boat ramp.

Would we come back: Yes, we would. Park and Surrounds are excellent and there are many superb eating venues around the Peninsula & sights and places to visit.

Things we did at the Rally:
Thursday 6th 3 vans free camped at WAROOKA football oval, water, dump point and toilets facilities. The area is clean, flat and ideal for overnight stays. Donation Envelopes are provided and placed in the local post office box. The bowling club provided us with a two-course meal for $15.
Friday 7th 6 vans arrived at the park with a trip to Yorketown bakery & Op Shops, Happy hour & tea.
Saturday 8th Morning walk around town, followed by a sausage sizzle at the jetty run by the sailing club. In the afternoon Janice McEvoy (line dancing instructor) from WAROOKA demonstrated line dancing with 6 active participants in the camp kitchen.
Sunday 9th, Nine members attended at the "HOWLING DOG TAVERN" at Corny Point about 30 kilometers west of Point Turton. The tavern is owned by Tanya BARON (who is a qualified chef) and Peter GANT. The tavern is well set up, clean and meals ordered were a good size and value, main courses ranged from $18 to $27.50. "Would I eat there again?" "YES".

13th to 15th March 2020 at Waikerie Caravan Park

Site fees: Powered $30.60 per night. Total site fees $1,432 Total other Expenses: $2,821.50

No of Vans: 12 members, 1 prospective member, one ensuite cabin.

On Arrival: Arriving at reception, we were met with polite staff**,** no deposit was required.

Park & Surrounds: The park is kept in excellent condition, lawned and gravel sites, two sets of toilet/shower amenities, camp kitchen, recreation room, jumping matt and swimming pool.

Would we come back: Yes! Manager & Staff are very supportive and friendly and the tourism attractions around Waikerie were too much to take in, in one weekend.

Things we did at the Rally:
Friday 13th People arrived followed by a Committee meeting, then General meeting, Margaret Shilton talked about a possible extended rally to Kangaroo Island to support the local economy. Three Members & two prospective members were welcomed into the club. Dinner was held at the local RSL Club, investigated their fantastic Museum. BBQ meal of steak, sausages and rissoles followed by desert made by the volunteer members with the tiramisu standing out embossed on top was the image of a caravan. The cost of the meal was $12.50 per head the RSL don't have meals on Friday, we had sufficient numbers to warrant catering.
Saturday 14th Lunch at Newland Bakery, then visited Illalangi Gourmet Foods. Followed by a visit to Riverglen View Art Studio and Gallery at Good Hope Landing. This is run by Liz and Clint Frankel who create wonderful items using recycled glass into kiln fired glass, then a short talk and a look & purchases at the gallery, we finished the tour with Tea, Coffee and Cakes for a gold coin donation. Stunning views of the Murray from their fabulous house built using recycled material, a place to visit.
Sunday 15th We had lunch at the Bella Lavender Estate, Glossop, where we enjoyed various Italian dishes and a walk around the gardens, then back to the Park for happy hour, tea & bed.
Monday 16th Pack up and head for home, the prospective new members said they had enjoyed the weekend and it has been a while since they had met such a friendly group.

Rallies until the end of June have been temporally cancelled in response to the coronavirus.

ACCSA is asking that affiliated clubs to include the following requests in their forward planning for 2022

ACCSA is requesting Clubs to include the 2022 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally as their March 2022 Club Rally.
The dates of the 2022 National Rally are Monday 28th March 2022 to Wednesday 6th April 2022 (10 nights)
Please put the 2022 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally in your clubs' calendar.

It is important that all affiliated clubs support this event please.

Correspondence dated 23rd March from NACC for your information

Hello Directors/Alt Directors and State Secretaries,

Due to the latest government advice regarding best practices for minimizing the spread of the coronavirus, I was asked to check the position of our public liability insurer in terms of club rallies.

Generally speaking, most of our clubs would not have rallies where there were more than 100 members present (indoors) but there are a few clubs where this could be the case.

Our insurer has confirmed that, providing we follow the government advice, there is no issue with insurance cover.

Please note that the advice from the government is likely to change as the spread of the virus continues.

When in doubt, it may be prudent to cancel a planned rally rather than place club members at risk of spreading/ contracting the virus.

Can state secretaries please pass this information on to their affiliated clubs so club members are aware of what may affect their planned rallies.

Regards,

Rin Klasen
Director/Company Secretary/Public Officer
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Hello Directors/Alt Directors and State Secretaries,

This is a follow-up to my email last week concerning the need to review upcoming club rallies due to advice from State and Federal governments.

Overnight, the number of restrictions on travel and social distancing have been increased to the point where gatherings of people are now severely curtailed.

As the national organization representing caravanners, we are strongly recommending that all affiliated clubs now review their planned rallies and decide if the best option is to cancel rallies for the next few months.

No-one can predict what the situation will be like in the coming months so please be extra cautious and avoid any events/rallies which could put anyone at risk.

Unfortunately there is no clear advice for those who live full time on the road other than to minimize any unnecessary travel. Crossing state borders will most likely mean that you will have to self isolate for 14 days and a caravan/ motorhome is NOT considered suitable for self isolation. In these cases, please seek advice from your local state health authorities.

As caravanners, we need to do our utmost to limit the spread of this virus. Your cooperation by not holding rallies is one positive measure.

If you have any questions, please refer to https://www.health.gov.au

State secretaries, please distribute this advice to all affiliated clubs.

Thanking you,

Regards,

Rin Klasen

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February 2020 Rally to Port Hughes Tourist Park: 6th - 10th February. 15 vans, 1 Cabin. Powered site fee was $38 (with 5% club discount).

On arrival: The check in time is not prior to 12 noon. Staff were friendly and courteous.

The Park and surrounds: The park is split into two sections separated by housing. We were placed in the top section away from the coast. It has large sites with shade cloth on the ground for awnings or annexes. The new pool and camp kitchen were fantastic, and the ablution blocks were cleaned regularly and there was ample room in the cubicles. Some of the sites need attention as there are exposed tree roots and stumps and uneven ground due to wash a way.

Would we come back? YES.

Things we did at this rally: Most had arrived by Thursday afternoon and settled in and then gathered for happy hour. Friday saw more members arrive whilst the rest had free time. We all gathered in the brand-new camp kitchen at 4pm for the President's Meet & Greet meeting followed by the Club Committee Meeting. Later that evening 30 members attended the Port Hughes Tavern for dinner which was of excellent quality. All were impressed with the array of the smorgasbord and the service from the friendly staff was excellent. Saturday morning a few hardy members woke early and ventured to the towns jetty to endeavour to catch anything for the Club's Fishing Competition but alas, nothing was caught. Members spent the day touring the area and visiting Moonta, Wallaroo and Kadina, especially the Kadina Aldi where caravan items were on sale in the centre aisle. We all gathered again for happy hour at the old camp kitchen followed by a BBQ put on by the Rally Officers and salads and desserts from members. Later, our members were divided into groups of five to attempt to answer a very difficult quiz. The winning group answered 11 correct out of 25 questions. Sunday saw us gather again in the new camp kitchen for coffee and cake put on by the Rally Officers. There followed more free time until we gathered for Happy Hour and traditional fish & chips. Most went home on the Monday morning leaving 3 vans behind to enjoy another day.

Approx. Spend this rally: Accommodation: $2,538, Other Spend: $2,472.

March 2020 Rolling Silo Tour Rally: Our rally was to go to: Meningie (17th-18th March), Bordertown (19th March), Horsham (20th-22nd March), Beulah (23rd-25th March), Lameroo (26th March), however it was terminated on 24th March.

Meningie Caravan Park: Always a pleasure to return to this park. The staff were fantastic, and the sites were large and green. The weather was perfect, and the Lake was like a millpond. Outside dining at the Coorong Brewing Co. Restaurant (next door to the caravan park). Most had the $10 Seniors Schnitzel. Very nice and reasonable size. No grumbles, so it must have been good. Salad bar was closed because of the coronavirus. 3 Vans turned up on the 16th then 8 vans on the 17th making our numbers 11 vans at $34 per night.

Meningie Caravan Park: 19th March Pulled out of Meningie and stopped at Coonalpyn for coffee & cake and took photos of the first silo.

Bordertown Caravan Park: This now a Council Park. We were greeted by a nice young couple who made the check in process pleasant. We all took up drive through sites and were joined by one more van, making 12 vans overall. A Council official addressed us on the plan's council have for the park and also a camping area across the road next to the pond. Site fees were $30 per night.

Horsham Riverside Caravan Park: Pulled out of Bordertown and made our way to Horsham Riverside Caravan Park ($35 per night). A nice park, mostly gravel sites. Many trees which encouraged many parrots to roost overnight. Stayed mostly in the park and kept to ourselves because of the coronavirus issues. We did a day tour and stopped at the Murtoa Stick Shed which is a huge disused silo/shed which was erected in a matter of months using local trees. We then ventured into downtown Murtoa and had coffee and cakes at the local bakery. Then viewed silos at Rupanyup, Sheep Hills and Brim where we stopped for a picnic lunch next to the river.

Monday 23rd March news arrived that yesterday afternoon that the SA Govt. are going to close the borders due to the coronavirus pandemic. As a result, nearly all but two vans pulled out and went home. Two vans ventured further north to view more silos but did manage to leave Victoria. One van stayed overnight at Lameroo and one van stayed overnight at Keith.

SCCC has suspended rallies until August at this stage due to the coronavirus.

Approx. total spend: Accommodation: $2,718.00, Fuel: $1,285.95, Other: $2,840.00, Total Cost: $6,843.95.

The 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally will be held at the
Riverland Events Centre, Barmera, South Australia on 28th March to 6th April 2022 (10 nights)

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February 2020: 13th to 17th at Goolwa Camping and Tourist Park

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees $40 per Night Powered Site with Discount for Caravan clubs $36 - Total $3,040 Other Expenses $393 Total spend $4,402. (20 Vans, 38 Adults)

On arrival: Warm, friendly and informative reception

The park and surrounds: Very well maintained, camp kitchen good for clubs plenty of room and interesting. Toilets very good very well maintained cleaned regularly.

Would definitely come back.

No Deposit Required

Things we did At this rally: Hotel Luncheon, music entertainment, Goolwa to Victor Harbor cockle train ride, walks.

March 2020: 18th to 22nd at Port Broughton Tourist Park

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees $40 per Night Powered Site with Discount for Caravan clubs $36 - Total $1,454 Other Expenses $575 Total spend $2,191 (10 vans, 17 Adults)

On arrival: Management very good

The park and surrounds: Very well maintained toilet blocks given special attention due to the Virus issue, very good camp kitchen and swimming pool excellent.

Would definitely come back

No Deposit Required, Holiday auction vouchers accepted

Things we did At this rally: Swimming, Disk bowls, walks, a Treasure hunt from the caravan park to the Jetty, afternoon tea at the cafe, Dinner at the local hotel, meals very good delivered almost all at the same time.

Next Rally The club wishes to advise that Rallies have been suspended for three months after which time the committee will re-assess.

DAVE BENSON CARAVAN CLUB

February: 14th to 21st February 2022 at Point Turton.

Great park, with no deposits required and a welcome at reception with an offer to park our vans, which we all gratefully accepted. Updated camp kitchen, outside BBQ"S and tables & chairs and a night of entertainment thrown in especially for the Club, what more could you want.

Some fishing, drives, lunch at Marion Bay Tavern and Yorketown Hotel, visiting OP Shops, dress shops, camping shops where we helped the economy of the Peninsular.

Estimate spending was about $4,000.

March: 13th to 20th March 2020 at Kangaroo Island.

After arriving in Penneshaw we drove to Kingscote Caravan Park where we had booked 7 Units for our stay instead of bringing our vans. We visited most of the tourist sights which we all enjoyed, but it was sad to see all the bush fire damage and areas which we couldn't visit.

We ate out most days in some lovely areas, spending our money to help KI's economy going.

After hearing a request for animal food, we took between us 18kg of sweet potatoes & 20kg of carrots, which was gratefully received, to be distributed into feeding stations for the wildlife.

Some of the men went on a fishing charter and shared their catch with all.

The Park was old, but the units were clean and the park owners friendly and available.

Estimated expenditure including ship, accommodation, dining out, tourist attractions were $13,000, but well worth it.

A great trip with great company.

I was in the McDonald's drive-through this morning and the lady behind me honked at me and flipped me off because I was taking to long to order.

I moved to the first window and paid for my order and also her order.

When she moved to the first window, she leaned out the window looking all crazy at me because the teller told her I paid for her food. She felt embarrassed.

When I got to the second window to get my food, I showed them both receipts and took her food too! I paid for it, it's mine!

She then had to rejoin the long line of cars and wait even longer to place another order.

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