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PRESIDENT'S CHATTER

INVITATION TO STATE RALLY

As the President of ACCSA I extend to you all a very warm welcome to join us at the State Rally to be held in March,2019, please come along and join in the fun.

The 30th ACCSA State Rally - "The Excitement is Building"

Registration Forms are on the State Rally website

refer to page ?? for further information.

NATIONAL RALLY LAUNCH

WE NEED YOUR IDEAS

The State Rally in March 2019 provides an opportunity for the Caravan Clubs of South Australia to launch an objective to make the 18th National Rally the best Rally held in Australia. South Australia has been recognised in the past for organising excellent rallies and our challenge is to maintain that reputation. To do so we need all Clubs within SA to get on board and support the hard-working Committee. We have a lot of experienced and talented people within our Clubs and we need your help. The challenge is to be creative and develop a program that will attract caravanners from all the Clubs throughout Australia. SA is recognised for major events in March and if we can attract our visitors to this State to attend these events and to promote the idea that to attend the National Rally after to round off a great holiday could be a worthwhile project. To generate a talking point the operation of River Boats along the Murray River was a prominent part in the history of this State and with some innovative ideas we could create this as the theme for the Rally. This idea was highlighted recently when our Club as at Waikerie and the MV Marion was tied up at the dock. Discussion with the crew created great enthusiasm to work with us to progress this idea. ***YOUR THOUGHTS?***

S.A. LETS GO CARAVAN AND CAMPING SHOW-FEBRUARY 2019

ACCSA has applied for a Sponsored site at the ***S.A. LETS GO CARAVAN AND CAMPING SHOW*** to be held from Wednesday the 13th to Sunday 17th February 2019. If we are successful, we will need volunteers to operate the site. **Please discuss this at your next Club meeting.** Even if your Club is not seeking new members you can still help to promote ACCSA as a voice for caravanning and help other Clubs wanting new members. It is a good feeling helping other people.

Safe Travel

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.*"

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Next Delegates Meeting

Wednesday
7:30 pm
5th December 2018
at
Walkerville RSL Hall
98 Walkerville Terrace
Walkerville

7:00 pm for Coffee
All Welcome!

FROM THE EDITOR:

We are now at the end of November and Christmas is only weeks away.

In this issue: Club reports of their experiences at their rallies, where clubs are rallying in December & January although I have not received details form some clubs. There are State and National rally updates and don't forget our sponsors: EBS, North East Isuzu, Savvy Level and Pedders - Salisbury & Prospect.

Thanks to all the club representatives for their rally reports. Don't forget to let me know of any significant event that happens in your club, e.g. club anniversary event, a special birthday of a member, a special award to a member, etc., etc. Photo's of significant events are welcome for publication. Members of affiliated clubs look forward to reading the rally reports of all the clubs so please keep the reports coming in. The website link of clubs in the rally reports header can be used to check out further affiliated club information. If your club has a website and it is not listed, please email me. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Enjoy the Journal.

Take Care, Robert Hart

NOTE: Please submit items for the next Journal before 23rd January 2019

The 30th ACCSA 2019 STATE RALLY - "The Excitement is Building"

Access to the 30th ACCSA 2019 State Rally website
will be available from 1st December 2018
and can be accessed from the menu item (30th ACCSA 2019 State Rally)
on the ACCSA website.

The home page of the website will have Rally Updates, the Program for the Rally and items of interest.

In the "Registrations" menu item there are two options available
"Register On-Line" and "Download Registration Form"

The "Download Registration Form" option is for an applicant to download the Registration PDF Form to complete and mail to the Registrar/Treasurer (Frank Gratton). Frank will manually enter the registration.

The "Register On-Line" option allows an applicant to enter a registration On-Line.
Should an applicant lodge a registration by mail or online and needs to amend the registration, the applicant will need to phone Frank to make the amendment.
Once an applicant has entered an on-line registration they cannot amend the registration,
it needs to be done by Frank.

WANDERERS CARAVAN CLUB OF SA INC.

http://www.wccsa.org.au

The Wanderers Caravan Club activities since September have been rallies to Renmark (October), Mannum (November).
Rally reports can be found by reading their newsletters on their website.

Next Rallies: December at Goolwa, January at Milang and February at Port Broughton followed by the State Rally in March at Barmera.

The 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally will be held at the
Riverland Field Days Site, Barmera, South Australia on 28th March to 6th April 2022

From around the clubs:

Congratulations to Dave & Renee Spicer who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary (50th) on 28th September 2018. Dave is President of the Dave Benson Caravan Club. The photo on the right is Dave & Renee at Happy hour at Avoca Del Caravan Park.

The Dave Benson Caravan Club is awash with Golden Wedding Anniversary (50th) members: Val & David Manson (2011), Denise & Peter Gibbons (2013), Rosemary & Robert Blenkiron (2013), Shirley & Allan Noble (2015), Wendy & Bob Schultz (2015), Jan & Peter Smith (2018) & Renee & Dave Spicer (2018). Congratulations to all.

Congratulations to Wilma & Graham Walker (pictured on the right) were presented with their 150 Rally Certificate at the Barossa Valley Caravan Clubs October rally at Milang. Also, Colleen & Doug McNicol were presented with their 50th Rally Certificate, well done.

CARAVAN CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.

October Rally: 29th Sep to 1st Oct at Port Broughton, 5 Vans & 1 Cabin (13 Adults & 4 Children)

Expenses incurred: Park fee $38 per night Total $7174, Other expenses approx. $400 in town. Deposit was required plus minimum stay of 3 nights.

Opinion on Arrival: Ok, sites & cabin were vacant ready to occupy immediately upon arrival. Facilities good recently updated.

Park and Surrounds: Surrounds were grassed but sites were gravel. Swimming pool & jumping pillow had shade this year. Pizza oven available also.

Would you recommend: Yes access to shops & surrounding towns made it a great home base.

Things our Club participated in: We went to the markets, watched the annual duck race, travelled to Mundoora for Saturday night meal. Also had a sausage roll bake off in camp kitchen. Children played volley ball, swam, hired trikes and as it was also school holidays movies, slushies, etc. were also available.

Next Rally: Semaphore in November.

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The 17th National Rally of the Caravan Clubs of Australia will be held at Albany. WA from 14th - 21st October 2019.

Western Australian Association of Caravan Clubs Inc

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

https://www.17thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

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Where Clubs are Rallying in December 2018 & January 2019

	December	January
Adelaide Caravan Club	McLaren Vale 7-9	No Rally
Barossa Valley Caravan & Camping Club	Ardrossan Nov 30-2	Lunch Cruise 13
Caravan Club of South Australia	Tanunda	Barossa 25-28
Carefree Caravanners of SA	Riverton 6-9	Lunch 11
Coromal Caravan Club of SA	No Rally	No Rally
Dave Benson Caravan Club		No Rally
Elizabethan Caravan Club	Tanunda 14-16	AGM
Family & Friends Caravan & Camping Club	Gawler 7-9	Port Germein 25-28
Jayco Caravan Club of SA	Nuriootpa	
Jayco Jaybirds SA	Tanunda 7-8	Mannum 11-12
Masonic Caravan & Travel Club of SA	Luncheon	
Port Augusta Caravan Club	AGM & Dinner 14	No Rally
Riverland Caravan Club		
Southern Cross Caravan Club	Victor Harbor 6-9	Luncheon 14
Southern Nomads Caravan Club SA	Middleton Nov 30-2	TBA
Wanderers Caravan Club of SA	Goolwa 7-9	Milang 18-20

DAVE BENSON CARAVAN CLUB

October Rally: 15th to 22nd October at McLaren Vale Caravan Park - 4 vans plus 1 van prospective member.

On arrival. Very friendly and helpful reception. Free Wi-Fi for 2 hours per day, which was appreciated. The park is well laid out, grassed sites, some bare patches at the most used part of a site. On the whole nice and green and well kept sites. Most sites are situated around the amenities block. Clean and tidy but a little small in the cubicles. Big camp kitchen but open on 3 sides, would be better with some wind break. Easy walk into town which some made use of. Nice park would visit again.

Things we did at the rally. A couple of tag along drives. One along the coast to Maslin Beach, Moana, Seaford, Port Noarlunga, Christies Beach and Hallet Cove. Had lunch at The Boatshed Cafe Hallet Cove. Good food at reasonable prices. Recommended. The other tag along to the wineries in the area. The d'Arenburg Cube is a new attraction in the wine region, worth a visit. It is different to say the least. Willunga farmers market on Saturday morning, plenty of stalls.

Appox spend for the rally. Accommodation $35 per night with Top Tourist discount. Deposit required. Total $1225. Other spend $1500.

Next Rally: Goolwa 16th to 23rd November 2018.

Yes, we are looking for sponsors

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Contact: treasurer@accsa.asn.au or **0413 596 852**

JAYCO JAYBIRDS SA

http://www.jaycoclubsa.asn.au

The Jayco Jaybirds SA October (5th to 6th) Rally was at Coobowie and in November (2nd to 3rd) at Victor Harbor. Rally reports can be found by reading their newsletters on their website.

Next Rally: December (7th to 9th) at Tanunda.

ADELAIDE CARAVAN CLUB INC.

https://www.adelaidecaravanclub.com

October Rally: 19th to 21st at Tanunda Caravan Park.

Expenses Incurred: Park fees: $2,296 ($40 per night or pay for 3 get 4), Other expenses $1794.

Rally Report: 14 vans attended our AGM rally which this year was held at Tanunda instead of the usual Nuriootpa venue due to the latter's inability to site us together and their insistence on us paying a deposit very early on. Tanunda did not ask for a deposit although those who did pay received a discounted site fee. The Tanunda park is located conveniently to the town and has spotlessly clean facilities including a large, well set up camp kitchen and barbecue area. The park is ideal for children as there is a jumping pillow, huge heated swimming pool and waterpark and movie Amphitheatre. Unfortunately, the weather didn't entice us into the pool! Some sites were rather muddy after some heavy rain earlier in the week and some were rather uneven. However, the majority of the park is neat and well cared for. We all ventured to the Vine Inn at Nuriootpa for our Annual General Meeting on the Saturday night and after enjoying a lovely meal, had a quick and successful meeting. Other activities included visits to the Angaston markets, local coffee shops, wineries and op shops.

November Rally: 8th to 10th Port Vincent Foreshore Caravan Park.

Expenses Incurred: Site fees: $28.75 per night. Other expenses: $1454.

Rally Report: 24 members in 12 vans, four member elects in 2 vans and 2 guests of members attended this lovely venue, enjoying perfect weather and a quiet, albeit almost full park. The only negative was that because the park was so busy, we were a little more spread out than what we anticipated. The park is clean and well cared for and fronts the sea on two sides, leaving plenty of scope for walks on the sand, crabbing, fishing or swimming. The town is small but has a few interesting gift shops, a great coffee shop, local takeaway and a large hotel. We visited the coffee shops, op shops and a group of us had dinner at the hotel on Saturday night while others enjoyed the great barbecue facilities at the caravan park. Another great rally.

Next Rally: December 7th to 9th at McLaren Vale.

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28th March to the 6th of April 2022

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18th National Caravan Club Rally Committee Report.

Our enthusiastic Committee is making steady progress with the Planning of not only the National Rally in 2022 but also the next State Rally in 2019.

We had a planning day at the Riverland Field Days site back on the 17th of October which went rather well by exchanging ideas with three members of the Riverland Field Days Admin and who are now part of our joint committee.

We have also had a meeting with Berri Barmera Council personnel in relation to any assistance that they may be able to provide for the National Rally. This will be on going at this stage.

Contact has been made with several businesses for sponsorship.

Programming for the State Rally is almost complete and the registration form will be activated on the ACCSA Website soon.

Extra showers have been booked and confirmed for the State Rally.

The Motif and design of the 18th National Rally badge is complete and will be released for viewing soon and so we can now work on design of the Rally t-shirt.

Plans are underway for a promotional video which has been allocated to Ian Johnson who will work on this with Tim Grieger to be completed by the end of June next year ready for showing at the Albany National Rally in October 2019.

Planning continues regarding Tour packages, extra marquees, items for gift bags, assistance from local service groups, local & outside caterers, bar coding & scanners for security, test & tagging, plus much more.

Our next meeting for the National Rally Committee will be at 11am on Wednesday the 19th of December at the Elizabeth Lions Club Rooms, Hilcott Street, Elizabeth North. All are welcome to attend especially if you have any knowledge or skills which can assist us in this great adventure.

Regards,

John Baans

ACCSA & National Rally Committee Secretary.

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."*

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JAYCO CARAVAN CLUB OF SA INC.

http://www.jaycoclubsa.asn.au

October Rally: Naracoorte 28th September to 1st October. 8 Vans (16 Adults)

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees: $35 per night less discount. Other expense approx. $100 per couple. A deposit of one nights site fees was required to be paid.

The Park and Surrounds: The park had a spacious Camp Kitchen which was enjoyed by members as it was raining outside. The Club put on Scones as a morning tea for members which was appreciated.

Things we did at this rally: On Saturday everyone drove to the Naracoorte Caves and did self-guided tours. We had lunch at the Caves Café where they organized tables for us. In the afternoon, some people went on a guided tour of the Alexandra Cave, while others went to the historical Yallum Park to see a magnificent old two story home built in 1880. Others returned home to watch the football Grand Final. Some members played golf whilst others went to Penola for some retail therapy.

Do you recommend this park for future rallies?
Yes

November Rally: 3rd to 5th November to Normanville. 20 Vans & 1 Cabin (23 Adults)

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees: $34 per night including discount. Other expense approx. $100 per couple. A deposit of one nights site fees was required to be paid.

The Park and Surrounds: The park has a spacious Camp Kitchen which was enjoyed by members at various times over the weekend. The park grounds looked very green and looked in great condition. There are many TV channels available in the area which is great for members.

Things we did at this rally: We used the Jetty Café for coffees and for dinner on Saturday night. Members visited both Normanville and Yankalilla towns and some of the ladies even went on a shopping spree. The Club had a Melbourne Cup morning tea with a photo competition and a "Last man standing" game. All very successful and fun. Other times we had members learning a new card game and some craft activities for the ladies. Other people used the sports room at the park. There is lots to do in this area plus miles of beach walks to go on.

Do you recommend this park for future rallies?
Yes

Next Rally: 30th Nov to 2nd December – Nuriootpa Caravan Park

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 them, there is lots of information to read.

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BAROSSA VALLEY CARAVAN & CAMPING CLUB

October Rally: 5th to 8th at Milang Caravan Park. 13 vans paid $27-00 per site for a very pleasant park, no deposit required. Yes we will return.

Expenses Incurred: 41 nights accommodation $1,107, Total $3,080 = $75-00 per day per van.

On Arrival: The temporary manager was very helpful and informative. Park is community owned and is great, protected from the wind with a camp kitchen and fire pit and sheltered BBQ area. The completion of the new amenity will be greatly appreciated.

Things we did at this rally: Happy hour and BBQ tea on the Lake Reserve opposite the park. Enjoyable $7.50 - $10-00 meal on Friday at the Bowling Club. Bakery, Newmans Horseradish and Op shop visits. Great Lunch at Finnis General Store. Club meeting in the camp kitchen. Some excellent walking trails around the lake and town. Presentation of the 150th Rally Certificate to Wilma & Graham Walker and 50th Certificate to Doug & Colleen McNicol.

Bra Hat Competition

November Rally: 9th to 12th at Point Turton. 17 Vans attended this Rally. This is a total of 58 days at a total expenditure of $5590.00. Our contribution to the local community is $96-00 per van per day.

On Arrival: Point Turton Caravan Park did not require a deposit and could not have been more obliging. Dani & Malcolm Wheadon the new managers, assisted in parking all vans and seeing to our needs. $30-00 per night.

The Park and surrounds: The well equipped new camp kitchen was the venue for our tea Sunday night and the bingo, wine tasting and music afternoon on the lawns, organised by the park management.

Things we did: Visited Bublacowie Military Museum for Remembrance Day Service, Watsacowie Brewing Company, Information Centre and Bakery at Minlaton, Bra Hat competition and dinner at the Progress Ass Hall, Fishing Charter with "Reel Screamer" where they all bagged out on whiting. As one of our members has a holiday house at Point Turton we had an amazing shared dinner there on Friday night overlooking the bay.

Next Rally: Ardrossan Highview Holiday Village 30th Nov to 2nd Dec.

Merry Christmas and great Caravanning in 2019.

COROMAL CARAVAN CLUB OF SA

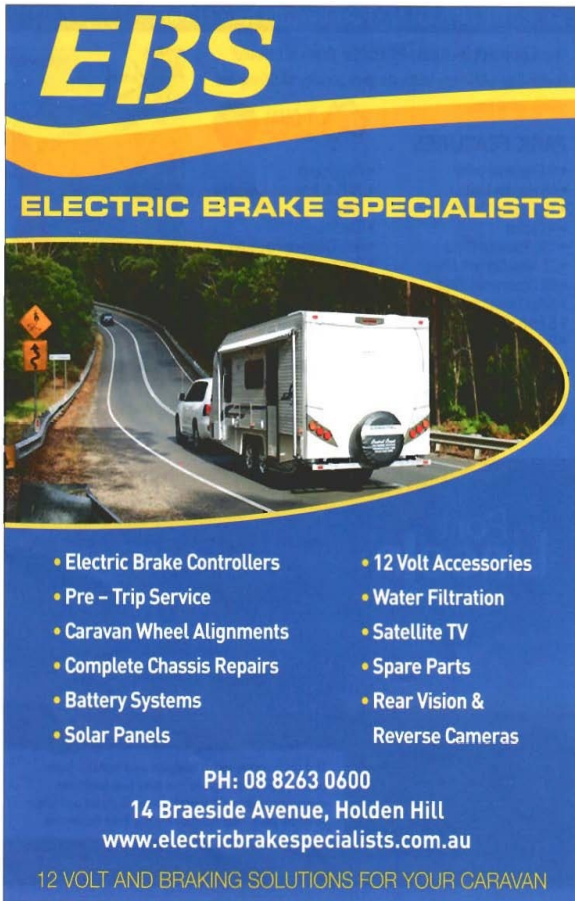
The Corrimal Caravan Club held a rally in October (18th to 22nd) at Crystal Brooke and in November (15th to 19th) at McLaren Vale.

Next Rallies: No rallies will be held in December and January.

PORT AUGUSTA CARAVAN CLUB INC.

The Port Augusta Caravan Club had a rally at Edithburgh in November. Their AGM will be held on14th December, 2018 followed by a Dinner that night. Generally the club meets monthly for lunch or at various locations.

Check out the ACCSA website
classified section
for Items that are for sale



ELIZABETHAN CARAVAN CLUB INC.

October Rally: 19th to 21st at Wellington Caravan Park. 14 Vans (27 adults & 1 Child)

Expenses incurred: Park fees: Nightly rate ($28 - 10%) $25.20 - total: $1411. Approx. other expenses $2393. in total: $3804. No deposit required.

Park On Arrival: Looked clean & tidy, manager very helpful & polite, took us around & showed us the area for the club to use & could pick where we wanted to go, he did this as every van arrived - showed them personally.

The park and surrounds: Clean & tidy, Town was neat & clean, amenities cleaned daily, great having the 3 ensuites for all to use in the back section of the park, easy walking distance to hotel & café, café caters for dogs to be there also & has a section to sit and look over the river. Hotel overlooks the river – great view.

Do you recommend this park for future rallies?
Yes

Things we did at this rally: Coffee at goal café (a few times), dinner at Wellington hotel (great food), disc bowls on lawned area in caravan park, drive to Tailem Bend (The Bend Race Track) shopping, bike ride around town.

November Rally: 16th to 18th at Moonta Bay Caravan Park. 9 Vans (17 Adults & 3 Dogs)

Expenses incurred: Park fees: Nightly rate $33.80 (inc club discount) total: $1,299. Approx. Other expenses $2,087. in total: $3,386. A deposit was required to be paid.

Park On Arrival: Entrance to park was having work done, concrete being poured ready to have boom gates installed. Staff polite and happy to answer any questions, wished us a good stay.

The park and surrounds: Clean & tidy, bins emptied regularly, amenities clean & tidy, town a short drive, dog friendly, walking to end of park and along the jetty, café at end of park (walking distance)

Do you recommend this park for future rallies?
Yes

Things we did at this rally: Coffee at a few different café's, op shopping, general shopping, lolly shop, drive to Wallaroo & Pt Hughes, dinner at Moonta Hotel, visit train station, Moonta mine cottages, walks on the beach, chatting & socializing together.

Next Rallies / Activities - Location and dates:
Dec – Riverton C/P 14th – 16th (Christmas rally, Secret Santa)
Jan – Club BBQ – 13th Robert Bowey Reserve
Jan – Club AGM – 20th Lion's Den, Playford
Feb – Port Rickaby C/P 15th – 17th

SOUTH AUSTRALIA - 2022 NATIONAL RALLY

To be held at Riverland Field Days site at Barmera, South Australia
28th March, 2022 to 6th April, 2022

The SA 2022 NATIONAL RALLY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE is:

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Frank Gratton, Peter & Michelle Justice, Phil Chandler
Robert Hart (ACCSA Editor), Kay Parrota

Others may be interested to join the committee at another time

The next meeting of the SA 2022 National Rally Planning Committee will be at 10:00am on Wednesday 19th December 2018 at the Elizabeth Lions Club Rooms, Hilcott Street, Elizabeth North. All interested ACCSA Affiliated Club members are invited to attend.

SOUTHERN CROSS CARAVAN CLUB INC.

October Rally: 18th to 21st at Gladstone Caravan Park. 10 Vans.

On arrival: A friendly welcome from the Manageress and the booking in process was relatively pleasant.

The Park & Surrounds: A neat little park with gravel sites some of which sloped away causing draw bars to nearly touch the ground. The amenities were good and clean and the showers are extra large. The park was clean and tidy and the kitchen was well equipped. We erected our Club Gazebo on one of the large drive through sites. We would definitely come back.

Things we did at this rally: Had an evening meal at the North Laura Hotel, coffee at the Happy Rock café, checked out the Op Shop, attended the Fete in the main street, travelled to Jamestown for the air show, also Wirrabara for their fete and checked out the new mural taking shape on the towns silos. Lunch at the Stone Hut Café and some members drove to Pt. Pirie. Happy Hours and Club meeting and Aussie movie night in Club Gazebo. BBQ tea for Saturday night with members sharing yummy salads & desserts.

Approx. Expenses incurred: Site fees were $28 & no deposit required. Accommodation $1,112, Other Spend $2,590.

(P.S. 4 vans attended the Riverland Field Days Site 16th -17th Oct. for National/State Rally Planning & spent $550 in the local area prior to attending Gladstone Rally.)

November Rally: 15th to 18th at Clare Caravan Park. 9 vans.

On Arrival: Most felt welcomed by the office staff. One couple had difficulty over the phone whilst enroute due to being late. Some issue with unable to deal with cash.

The Park & Surrounds: It is a lovely park with large shady trees. The sites are all of quarter inch gravel. The park was very busy with through traffic and two large groups. It was disappointing that we had to pay site fees for our Club Marquee, especially when the other group took over the camp kitchen 3 out of 4 nights. The park and amenities were kept clean and tidy. We do like this park and would come back in the future.

Things we did at this park: Evening meals at the Timinga and Seven Hills Hotels. Coffee & cake at the Bakery Hotel (nearby the park) and also the Bakery in the main street. We had a shared meal in the Club Marquee on the Saturday Night followed by a movie.

Approx. Expenses incurred: Accommodation $1,287 ($33 per site & Deposits were required). Other Spend. $1,965.

Next Rally: Victor Harbor (Cabin Park) 6th-9th December 2018.

For General Information:

During last month I received a phone call referred to me from one of our sponsors, EBS. The caller was trying to find out information about the use of "Do Not Overtake Turning Vehicle" signs displayed on caravans.
This prompted me to contact both the RAA and the department of Planning and Infrastructure.
My enquiry was: as editor of the ACCSA newsletter I have been asked about "Do Not Overtake Turning Vehicle" signs in relation to Caravans. Are you able to advise what are the rules regarding displaying these signs on caravans and the location of the signs on a caravan? Are they compulsory for a towing vehicle & towed caravan over a certain length? Are the rules the same in all States and Territories of Australia? Any information available would be much appreciated.
RAA's response was:
"Do not overtake turning vehicle" signs are not compulsory for a towing vehicle and caravan but are an option to be fitted to any vehicle or combination that is 7.5 metres or longer. Having those signs fitted to a vehicle is a prerequisite to enable a longer vehicle to use more than one lane when turning either left or right if the turn cannot safely be made from the normal turning lane.
The Australian Road Rules do not set out where the signs should be displayed and I have always suggested to those who enquire, that they contact the Department of Transport at Regency Park for further advice on where to obtain the signs, which of the two available signs are appropriate for the use on caravans and where they should be placed on the van.
They should be able to provide you with any answers that you need and in fact they may even have a Fact Sheet that they can refer you to."
I have not heard from the Department of Transport yet. I will keep you informed when I get a reply.

Robert Hart

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October Rally: 18th to 22nd at the Waikerie Holiday Park 25 vans (47 adults)

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees $30.60 per night powered site with discount Total $3,206.20 No deposit required. Other expenses $4,466.26

On arrival: Very friendly and welcoming park, could not fault any of the staff or management.

The park and surrounds: First class, the sites cater for all needs, grassed, gravel with floor mats, drive thru and some shady. The amenities are wheel chair friendly, spotless, serviced regularly and well maintained. Probably need more shady trees.

Would definitely come back: Yes

Things we did at this rally: Visited Caudo Vineyard for tasting and lunch of platters with mini BBQ's right on the river. Organised a communal dinner with Kim's Chow using the lions shelter shed near the ferry, Loch Luna Cruisers out of Kingston on the Murray, Banrock Station, Waikerie flower show, sausage sizzle with salads supplied by the park, the many walks from this park, (bird hide, cliff top, and Hart Lagoon) there is much more that we could have done if time allowed.

November Rally: 15th to 29th at McLaren Vale Lakeside Caravan Park. 16 Vans (31 Adults)

Expenses Incurred: Park Fees $39.00 per night powered site with discount Total $2747.50 Other Expenses $3298.25. A deposit was required.

On arrival: Office staff very professional courteous and friendly, unfortunately some did not experience the same as us. It is prudent for members that if they wish to arrive before the prescribed time, that they organised an early arrival time the day before, that way no one is disappointed. The park offers late checkout to12 midday for $10 fee as advertised on their web page and conditions of entry form. No truth to the rumour that late checkout by 10 min incurred a penalty. The boom gates operate 24/7 with a boom gate pin number, not as rumoured (locked at 10PM).

The park and surrounds: This park has had a transformation, the new management and staff need to be commended on how everything was presented to us, most sites fully grassed and serviced. The amenities very clean tidy and serviced regularly, the camp kitchen very clean and big enough for large groups. We made great use of the shade from the large trees out on the flat area good for Disc bowls. The park treats and double filters the bore water it uses.

Would definitely come back: Yes

Things we did At this rally: We had a nice platter lunch at Hugo's Winery, the bowling club once again supplied a great dinner with entertainment, lots of other wineries visited the **CUBE** at D'Arenberg, Serafinos, and walks along the old railway line. There are plenty of cafes, eateries and shops to visit, the weather allowed nice walks at the beaches, great happy hours under the stars, McLaren vale is a very good place to hold a rally.

Next Rally: Riverton Caravan Park Xmas Rally December 5th – 9th

Collective Nouns

The 18th National Caravan Clubs Rally will be held at the
Riverland Field Days Site, Barmera, South Australia on 28th March to 6th April 2022

SOUTHERN NOMADS CARAVAN CLUB SA INC.

http://www.southernnomadscaravanclubsa.asn.au

October Rally: 19th to 26th week long rally at Rawnsley Park in the Flinders Ranges. 3 vans (6 Adults).

Saturday: We packed picnic lunches drove to the Bunyeroo and Brachina Gorges which are very scenic, we had our picnic sitting in the shade of a large Gum in the creek bed. From there we went back onto the bitumen, Hawker Leigh Creek Road then followed Moralana Scenic drive back to Rawnsley. That road was a real bone shaker, so corrugated it could have loosened fillings in your teeth! Along the way we found an old bullock crush that used the trees and logs to make the run.

Sunday: Blinman was the place. There was an underground tour of the old copper mine with only the six of us it was really interesting and our guide, a near local, was very informative and passionate. Apparently there are only about 28 true locals who have no council or funding but along with others in the near districts they have cleaned up, dug out, put in safety requirements. The stories of the mainly Cornish miners, their difficult working conditions, early deaths were all made really interesting, we even got to hear a recording of a male voice choir, well worth it. Blinman Pub for lunch pies, huge hamburgers, equally huge steak sandwiches which we ended up using knives and forks for but, we voted, the chips were the crispiest and best ever. Pity Blinman is so far away. Later we went back to the mine and trudged all around the surface looking at the remains of old boilers, etc. Finding Malachite and interesting rocks, snake tracks, then saw what we think was a dingo disappear over a mound. We accompanied a large kangaroo in the search for a gap in the fence – Roo won, he got out first.

Monday: A free day for members to do their own relaxing. Shared BBQ evening meal was followed by a spirited couple of games of Rummikub.

Tuesday: Two cars were used to take the three couples back to Blinman to explore the very attractive scenery along the Glass Gorge Track followed by lunch at Parachilna in The Prairie Hotel. We returned to Rawnsley Park via the Parachilna to Blinman Road**.**

Wednesday: We left Rawnsley Park and drove to Appealinna Homestead Ruins which was about 2km off the main road. When we reached the carpark we followed the marked trail around the ruins. The homestead was set along a red gum creek which was dry. The original occupier was John Wills who was known for his cattle and goat breeding. After leaving Appealinna we travelled to Wood Duck Lake where we had a picnic lunch. While we were having lunch we were entertained by the birds and emus coming down to the lake to drink when the emu's saw us on the other side they watched us while they were drinking. Some drank small amounts of water and ran up the hill but returned for more water. Some kangaroos came to drink but saw us and waited amongst the trees until we left. Our next stop was at the Cazeneaux tree which was photographed by a New Zealander named Harold Cazeneaux. The tree was photographed with the back drop of Wilpena Pound in May of 1937, known as the spirit of Endurance was awarded many prizes. The last place we stopped at was the Sacred Canyon which was a creek bed in the canyon and you could see how the water had worn away the rocks.

Thursday: On Thursday morning couple left for home and after seeing them off we decided to look at Arkaroo Rock which was a 3km hike up a steep rocky hill to look at some ochre and charcoal Aboriginal images in a rock overhang. By the time we returned to the cars it was lunch time so we returned to the park for lunch and started to pack up for our return trip home on Friday.

Next Rally: November/December Christmas Rally at Middleton.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS CARAVAN & CAMPING CLUB

https://ffccc.com.au/

The Family and Friends Caravan & Camping Club activities since September have been a rally at Hindmarsh Island in October and at Belair National Park in November.
Rally reports can be found by reading their newsletters on their website.

Next Rallies: December (7th to 9th) at Gawler and January (25th to 28th) at Port Germein.

MASONIC CARAVAN & TRAVEL CLUB OF SA INC.

The Masonic Caravan & Travel Club held a rally in October (19th to 21st) at Gladstone and in November (16th to 18th) at Nuriootpa.
Next Rally/Activity: A luncheon in December.

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