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2010 Annual Fees: It's close to that time again folks. Please fill out details on the Membership Renewal Form. The fees **must** be paid by 30th June

Newsletter Trip Report Change: For the past five years we have included/printed all names that were listed on the Trip Sheets in the Newsletter. The sheets have proved to be very inaccurate (10% - 50% wrong) with many members forgetting to remove their names if not attending or not putting their name on the sheet. So from now on we will only list the names of members who have actually booked into a caravan park or paid a deposit to our Treasurer. **So please remember to notify the Editor by email or phone if you have booked into any trip.**

Snowy River Bush Fest: A funny thing happened on leaving our overnight stop at Jugiong on our way to Corryong we came

out the wrong road – woops!!!, and were heading back to Sydney. We did a U turn at an emergency break in the road and when Coral called us on CB we were back on track. Then at Jingellic we all went for a walk to the river. We climbed through a barbed wire fence. Peter and Roy held the fence wires apart and Coral climbed through then helped me. First she had to unhook me from the fence then she had to push my rear end down as I couldn't get low enough. She said it would have made a good photo. Thank goodness she couldn't get to her camera. Then we had to cross the river to get back to camp over the stepping stones. We all had a long stick for balance. Peter went across, Roy took off his shoes and socks and stood in water, Coral then crossed with her stick to balance and Roy holding her other arm. Norm piggy backed Joy over, Then it was my turn. Stick in one hand and Roy holding my other arm I stepped on to the stones, started to overbalance, one foot went into the water, by then I was laughing so hard I couldn't balance at all, so just waded through in my

joggers, squelch, squelch, squelch. Then Roy struggled to get the lock open on Chris' tow bar and then she realised she had given him the wrong key. Des was waiting in Corryong to lead us to the golf course. His voice over the CB 'turn right at 2nd roundabout, Coral, - that's the 1st, never mind that's alright,' but then Chris - 'I've gone through, I'll turn around', Norm went somewhere, I called that we were at 1st roundabout was that wrong, Des said 'no, no, take 1st roundabout', the Steeles followed us and the Eadies were next. Des was calling on CB which street we should take, but we went too far and other voices on CB 'you've gone past, turn around'. (Are U still following) However, eventually we were all settled on to sites. The Lalors and the McGowan's got lost and came to a tiny little town, but had the best coffee and raisin toast there, and had the most picturesque trip around a lake. I think poor Rhonda Webb must have been pulling her hair out trying to get us organised. Thanks Rhonda for a good job. We were leading the way to the Man from Snowy River re-enactment

when someone called over the CB, 'you've gone past the turnoff'. When we did a U turn about ½ dozen other cars had followed us (we weren't allowed to lead after that). We went to the poets breakfast, Des was waiting his turn to perform and asked Alice for water. He took a sip and whispered 'this is warm', she whispered back 'it was out of the kettle, I didn't want to waste it and you have it hot in tea'. We went to have a look at Bluff Falls, very beautiful. Coral drove and on the way back we got to a T intersection and Peter told her to turn left Coral wanted to turn right but Peter said left. We followed on, then Pete's voice over CB 'I think we may be going the wrong way, I'll just look at the map. Yep, let's turn around up here'. Never a dull moment on a trip. Laurel XXXX

From The Howards: We have recently been over in South Australia to attend the Dry Salt Lake Races. However it was very wet and windy and we were disappointed as they had to cancel the race due to too much water on the lake. This is the second time this has happened. Beryl/Alan xx

Site Signs: A few of us experienced major problems trying to find members at Happy Hallidays. The March General Meeting agreed that all members should have some form of site sign on the front of their caravans. Clarrie Stevens will produce a coloured plasticized sign for \$5 or you can print or create your own. Models were displayed at the meeting. Please assist us by displaying a sign

SOCIAL DIRECTORS REPORT; Update on Xmas in July Swansea Gardens: The 57 fifty seven seat Bus Trip is full and we have started a reserve list of names. Members must pay the

\$45 cost of the bus trip and Dinner or \$35 for dinner only to the Treasurer by the June Meeting. If you have not paid your bus money then you will lose your booking and the first person on the reserve list will be offered your seat.

Name Badges: We are a large club with many new members. The March general meeting confirmed that members must wear name badges at meetings and trips. If you attend a meeting and forget your badge a replacement will be provided. If you forget a second time then you will pay \$1 for the card holder.

Happy Hallidays Donation; It was really a surprise to receive a nice letter from Happy Hallidays congratulating our members who attended their park. They also forwarded us a donation of \$150 towards our 2011 February B-B-Q night. They have also committed a promise of \$200 for next year 2012. Wowwwwww

Tow Balls & Stress: The April general meeting talked about Tow Ball failure. It appears that the constant movement sets up stress in the neck/thread area. It appears that the tow ball should be replaced after a 2/4 year period (not held onto forever). But remember to always buy a STAMPED RATED tow ball. Your choice

Marquee for Narrabeen: We have already booked the same marquee for Narrabeen as last year (10M x 10M). However depending on numbers who actually pay a deposit we may need to change it to the largest marquee (10M x

15M). **So you can assist us in this matter by booking and paying your deposit ASAP to the Treasurer** so we can then confirm our Marquee size or we may miss out on the bigger one.

One Mile Beach Anna Bay: Here is a new trip organised by G/L Johnson and Mac/V Henry. The date is 31st August to 7th September and this fits in by members continuing on to the Sandbar Trip. The costs per site will be \$35/night. But if you stay 7 nights you get 2 nights free (still with me) so a 7 night stay costs \$175 or \$25 per night. PLUS they give you a B-B-Q breakfast FREE (still there?). So get in early and get a good site. This trip and the Sandbar trip should be put in your tour diary now.

Nathan Hindmarsh Transfer to Queensland: Received an SMS text stating Hindmarsh had transferred to the Bronchos for 2012. Des ranted and raved and told a lot of people. About two (2) hours later received a SMS text saying "gotcha" it's "April Fool's Day

Along The Mighty Murray: Left Corryong for Corowa what a beautiful trip. Up over the mountains we were getting slower and slower. Jim said he could see my feet pedalling like mad under the car and hear Roy saying, run faster Laurel. Corowa is a lovely town with an interesting museum, op shops, bargain shops & much more. Then off to the Rutherglen wineries then Cobram. The camp to which we were heading had been closed due to flooding. A local came along, saw 11 caravans pulled to the side of the road & stopped to see whether he could help. He took Jim all over the place & found us an alternative site, what a good

Samaritan. Roy caught a couple of fish, a chap caught 2 huge murray cod. Two groups of us were sitting playing cards when the generator ran out of petrol & we were plunged into darkness, so we balanced our torches in one hand & bravely soldiered on, bombarded by insects both large & small, Jim didn't have a torch so he was at a distinct disadvantage. The 2nd group had 1 torch between them, so passed it round & round. We retired reluctantly at 10pm, struggling back to vans with our bits & pieces, brushing insects from our hair. We walked 200 or 300m from camp to see a koala Bob had spotted, then we came back & saw another in a tree right above Max & Elaine's caravan. What excitement, everyone photographed him from every possible angle. On our last night 2 young guys also caught a big murray cod Then more excitement getting out in the morning as we'd had rain overnight & the deep wheel ruts were now filled with water. Coral had to put their car into 4 wheel drive to get through. Echuca very expensive, so off to Town Beach Camp at Tocumwal now for 2 nights. Water on tap, hooray, toilets & cold showers (with plenty of bogon moths) – ugh, & big grasshoppers, ugh again. Am I becoming a bush camper? Nearly. Roy & Max Eadie went off to town to enquire about fishing licences, where they discovered you are not allowed to keep silver perch, whoops!!! – luckily I had already eaten them, 'What silver perch?' Lots of rain so a pleasant morning was spent in local Laundromat with Coral & Peter & some chatty locals. Off to Aria Park this is a lovely very little town. Van park \$10/night with 3rd night free. Power, water, toilets, showers & a free washing machine. Pay at post office, which also sells bread, milk, soft drink, chocolates etc. We went to the pub for dinner, great food & lovely people. The take away/coffee shop also sells groceries, fruit &

veg & she has the key to the local tip. The service station only opens 3 days a week. Roy & Max went fishing at the dam, but caught nothing, but not a wasted morning as they went to the op shop where Roy purchased a hardly worn pair of joggers for \$2, or as he kept telling everyone \$1 each. I would recommend this as a stopover for anyone travelling in this area, quiet, pretty & good value, with friendly locals. Next stop Forbes, (Bob & Barry got lost on the way, we could hear them on the CB, I think they have now equalled our record). We stayed beside the lake & Lions Park, a very pretty spot. Walking distance to town where we found another bakery & more op shops. Then to Parkes (the home of the radio telescope), stayed at the showground with power, water & hot showers. Well hot showers for some, mine didn't have a proper rose, so the hot water cascaded down, passed the open window above my head & was cold by the time it got to me. I had to put my arm up so some of the hot water would run down & keep me a bit warm. A shower with a difference. An abundance of op shops, bargain shops & bakeries at all these little towns. Helene remarked that they pass the word on that we are coming. Our last day tomorrow before making our way to Hartwood. Jim and Lorraine put a lot of work into this trip & we really appreciate it & enjoyed ourselves immensely. Thank you from Laurel, Roy and Chris xxx

Happy Hallidays Trip: What a busy week that was. Des & I decided to list a few activities Coral organised for the week ie: Purple Dress Up night, Cocktail Party, group and couples photos, Bob & Dolly Dyer Show, visit from Dame Edna Everage, Bingo, Puppy Parade, Club B-B-Q Dinner and drinks, Pikelets Jam and Cream morning tea, Movie night

with Jaffa's, cards, disc bowls, tennis, golf plus heaps of swimming, Barefoot Bowls afternoon, Dinner at Club and a club General Meeting. *Howdy Customers*

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Remember to let me know if you buy or sell any item. Alice xx

Next ---General Meeting Sunday 15 MAYI 2011

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31 March 2013

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MAY

Evans Vera	3-May
Marsland Peter	8-May
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Roach Barbara	11-May
Field Gail	19-May
Luthje Laurie	19-May
Field Len	20-May
Lusted Joy	21-May
Morris Maureen	22-May
Stevens Pam	22-May
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ACTUAL ATTENDANCE LIST

<u>2011 - ELVIS FESTIVAL PARKS</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Jan 4 - 11</u>
Broadhurst, Bromley, Hansell, Kane, Majchrowski, Sheehan, (Total 6)		
<u>2011 - STATE RALLY -</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Mar 4 - 8</u>
Brown G/J, Fisher, Purnell/Filmer, Roberts, Patterson, Sutton, Sheehan, Teesson (Total 8)		
<u>2011- SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Mar 31 – Apr 3</u>
Brown B/J, Brown G/J, Brown L/J , Bullock/Browning, Cannard, Cooper, Coltman, Curnow, D/A, Chambers, Davies, Eadie, Howard, Holmes, Kane, Lalor , McCann, McGowan, Maughan, Moore, Payne, Pettigrew, Pollard, Steele, Webb, Woods, Total 25		
<u>2011 -HARTWOOD From Snowy River.</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Apr 4 – 11</u>
Bullock/Browning, Curnow, Eadie, Holmes, Howard, Kane, , Latham, Maughan, McGowan, Pettigrew, Pollard, Steele, TOTAL 12		
<u>2011 - LIGHTNING RIDGE GEMFEST:</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Apr 8 – 2 May.</u>
Cannard, Coltman, Fletcher, Gordon, Linfoot, Purnell/Filmer, Roberts, Rumble (TOTAL 8)		
<u>2011- HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC</u>	<u>ACTUAL ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>Apr 17 – 25 .</u>
Brown L/J, Carr, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Eadie, Edwards/Williamson, Howard, Holmes, Jones, Kane, Kennedy, Lalor, McGowan, Pollard, Ranse, Rigger, Somerville, Steele, Woods, (TOTAL 19)		

TRIPS LISTED on BOARD

<u>May 6 -12</u>	<u>WANGIE</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>ATTENDING::</u>	<u>Cooper D/A</u>	
<u>May 18 - 24</u>	<u>STOCKTON BEACH C/Park (4928 1393)</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>ATTENDING</u>		
<u>June 1 – 8th</u>	<u>BURREN JUNCTION --HOT POOLS -FREE CAMPING-SHOWERS-TOILETS</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>ATTENDING</u>		
<u>June 8 - 14-</u>	<u>BATEAU BAY C/PARK</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>ATTENDING:</u>		
<u>Jul 21 - 28</u>	<u>XMAS IN JULY- SWANSEA GARDENS Ph. 1800 626 438</u>	<u>Contact Kanes/Coopers</u>
<u>Park Site Booked:</u>	<u>Angell, Brown L/J, Cooper D/A, Flippence, Hendy, Hennessy, Johnson G/L, Kane, Kinnell, Latham, Laney, Maughan, McDonald, Payne A/C, Smith, (Total 15)</u>	
<u>Names on Trip Sheet:</u>	<u>(Total 41 }</u>	
<u>Aug 3 - 9</u>	<u>WOLLOMBI BUSH CAMPING</u>	
<u>ATTENDING</u>		
<u>Aug 31 – Sept 7</u>	<u>ONE MILE BEACH CARAVAN PARK ANNA BAY 1800 650 035</u>	<u>Contact G/L Johnson</u>
<u>Park Site Booked</u>	<u>Cooper D/A, Ducker, Kane, Johnson G/L, Mac Henry, (Total 5)</u>	<u>Names on Trip Sheet: Total 5</u>

Sept 7 – 13th SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK Ph No. 6554 4095 Contact Kinnells/Lathams/Cooper
Park Site Booked: Cooper, Flippence, Herod, Johnson G/L, Kinnell, , Marsland, Reillys, Webster, **(Total)** Names on Trip Sheet: (Total 0)

Sept 8 – 11 NANANGO COUNTRY MUSTER Qld.
_ATTENDING

Sept 20 – 27th BEDGEYABONG MUSIC CAMPOUT - FORBES
ATTENDING

Sep 28 –Oct 27 GREAT SOUTHWEST RAMBLE Contact Clarrie Stevens.
Names on Trip Sheet: Coltman, Clarke, Curnow, Cannard, Hunt/Holly, Maughan, Pollard, Stevens **(Total 8)** **(NOTE Max 10 vans)**

Sep 21 – Oct 5 DAMS TO NORTHERN TOWNS TRIP
ATTENDING:

Oct 19 – 23rd ROSEWOOD ROUNDUP COUNTRY MUSIC
ATTENDING

Oct 27- Nov 3 2011 NARRABEEN RALLY DO NOT RING Contact Kanes/Coopers
Park Site Booked Angell, Bromley, Cooper, Flippence, Kane, Hennessy, Shawcross, (Total 6) Names on Trip Sheet: (Total 0)

2012

Jan 4 – ELVIS PRESLEY FESTIVAL TRIP -PARKES Contact
_ATTENDING:

Feb 3 -10 TUNCURRY CARAVAN PARK 1800 227 275 Contact The Howards 4353 3700
ATTENDING:

Feb 10 -17 HAPPY HALLIDAYS 1800 555 454 Contact The Kanes 4333 9738
ATTENDING: CooperD/A, Kane

Feb 20 -27 TAMWORTH FESTIVAL THE BALLADEERS HOMESTEAD Contact
ATTENDING

Mar 23 -30 PORT MACQUARIE SUNDOWNER C/PARK 1800 636 452 Contact
ATTENDING:

Mar 2 -4th NSW STATE RALLY) Contact The
ATTENDING:

Mar SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL CORRYONG 6076 1992 Contact The
ATTENDING CooperD/A

