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**Tagging of Electrical Leads:** The following replies were received regarding authorised tagging of leads. Remember you will need 25M leads  
Russell Moore 0418 435 455  
Appliance Tagging Service 1300 287 669

**Tyres:** How important are they? Most members when they brought their last caravan saw that it had two or four wheels, with a black rubber tyres and a spare, all had air in them so they took delivery without any questions. How many actually know how to read the tyre details on the side of the tyre and see if they are correctly rated to suit their van? During my search for a new van I have taken everything into consideration, probably one reason why I have been without a van for four months. One of the brand new vans I looked at, ready for delivery to some unfortunate customer, I found it had under-rated tyres on it.

Tyres have a lot of numbers on them to confuse people, what all the numbers mean you can find out on the WEB and if you don't know what your tyre rating are I am sure your insurance company will if you try making a claim from a tyre related accident. Back to the new caravan, the tyres had a load index of 108 which is 1000KG. The Van had two wheels so the total maximum legal weight they can carry is 2000Kgs. The van had a GTM weight on the tyres of 2241Kgs, 241Kgs over this would be a good out for an insurance company. On my old van which I brought new, I didn't discover until it was over twelve months old that it came with three tyres, all different brands and slightly different ratings. The only common thing they were all the same size, but with all different tread patterns. Don't leave this until it is too late, manufactures and caravan salesman will try and get away with whatever they can. The salesman was advised of the underrated tyres, but if any action was taken I don't know. Max. M

**2013 Happy Hallidays:** We all arrived safe and sound at Happy Hallidays 46 vans, 2 cabins and 6 cancellations, another wonderful rally jam packed with things to do. Ladies & a few gents enjoyed the water arobics led by Wendy Angel in the the heated pool, cards, secret mens business & well attended bare foot bowls. A great Saturday night at "the Trocadero" for the roaring 20's night everyone looked and dressed fantastic and danced the night away with the DJ. The Nordic people came alive when Abba's Dancing Queen was playing & we enjoyed "Wild Thing" with Clarrie at the mike. Peter & Coral came to the party again with there

wonderful organising of great food & activities. You never leave hungry from any of Coral's sausage & hamburger nights. We had a little rain but it didn't let it dampen our appetites to having a good time. A member organised a guessing competition for all to participate, for \$2.00 and daily clues put up on the notice board to help you guess what it was. What a great idea!!! To find out at the end it was a "SHADOW" and the first 2 correct entries won the pool, not a bad prize. Thanks to Barb & Adrian & Jodie & Mark for all there help with giving us the DJ and Bingo prizes and keeping everything running smoothly. Safe Travelling to all Cheryl Duckerxxxx

**2013 Annual Fee's:** Due to the changes caused by the State Association requiring final membership numbers for Public Liability Insurance on the 1<sup>st</sup> May TLC members need to pay their Annual Fee's by the 30<sup>th</sup> April.

**So folks you have two months left to pay your annual fee's to the Treasurer**

**July Meeting Date:** \_Due to a number of reasons the Committee has had to change the July meeting date. The meeting has been brought forward one week to the second Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July. A lot of reminders will be sent out re the date.

**Name Badges:** Lorraine Laney has volunteered to look after the printing of name badges for members. Contact details for Lorraine are Ph: 4399 1738 Mob: 0414 691 738

Email [loric2@bigpond.com](mailto:loric2@bigpond.com)

**Dropbox:** This is a photo sharing site. Members can log in and view and copy photos as they require. Shortly we will post 2013 Happy Hallidays photos on the site. Sue Reilly has volunteered to be the administrator of TLC Dropbox activities. Shortly all members will receive an email from Sue inviting them to join TLC Admin. **DO NOT JOIN DROPBOX UNTIL YOU RECEIVE THIS INVITATION FROM SUE.** Sue will send out details on how to access Dropbo. So for now just wait to be contacted by Sue. Des C

**Dropbox Information:** TLC has decided to use Dropbox to enable the sharing of photos with the members. Dropbox is a commonly used program available at no cost. Only invited guests are able to access the TLC Photos folder, so is it quite safe to use. You can join the TLC Dropbox team by sending an email to Sue Reilly at [tlcadmin@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tlcadmin@optusnet.com.au) and an invitation will be sent to you. When you receive an emailed invitation, you just follow the prompts, **ACCEPT** the invitation to the TLC Photos folder and download Dropbox onto your computer.

The rules are very simple; An information sheet will be sent out to all participants. It is also available in the TLC Dropbox folder. The main rule is that you never delete any photos from the folder. That will be done by the Administrator only. All photos will be available for a period of 30 days and will then be deleted by the Administrator. If you want a copy of any photo after this, all you need to is send

me an email and I will be happy to get it to you. If you want to retain a copy of any photo you will need to COPY the photo and then PASTE it into a folder on your computer.

The instructions for doing all this are on the information sheet. Some of the photos from Happy Hallidays are already available in Dropbox to those members who have already joined the team. Sue Reilly  
PS. Remember DO NOT DELETE . Ed

### **Instructions for using TLC Dropbox.**

Welcome to TLC Dropbox. This process is absolutely safe, only those people invited by the Administrator will have access to the folder.

When you are connected to the folder there are a couple of very simple rules that need to be followed.

If you want to view any of the photos, simple double click on them and you will be able to see them on your screen.

It is imperative that you follow these instructions so we can all share the photos.

If you want to be able to retain a copy for your use, COPY the photo from the Dropbox folder and then PASTE it into a folder on your own computer's hard disc.

The easy way to do this is the left click on the photo you want. Right click and go down and select COPY. Then go to your selected folder which is usually in PICTURES and then MY PICTURES. When you are in the folder you want the photo, again Right Click and select PASTE. This puts a copy of the Dropbox photo onto your computer for you to use.

The Dropbox photos will be available in the TLC Dropbox folder for a period of 30 days only. The Administrator will then delete

these photos and they will then automatically be deleted from all TLC Photo folders that are linked to it. If you do not want the photos to be on your computer for the 30 days, please advise the Administrator and I will remove you from the TLC Dropbox family. All the photos will then be deleted from your TLC Photo Dropbox folder. This will then exclude you from the TLC Dropbox family. Please remember, if you delete the photos from the Dropbox TLC Photos folder on your computer, you delete them from ALL connected folders. No one will have access to the photos. We ask that under no circumstances should you delete any photo that the Administrator has posted into Dropbox.

If you want a photo of yourself deleted, we ask that you send an email to the Administrator and it will be removed.

Sue Reilly Administrator  
[tlcadmin@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tlcadmin@optusnet.com.au)

**Monthly Raffle:** On Sunday the members witnessed an incredible unnatural unbelievable event. The three winning tickets to the value of \$100 drawn from the bucket were Blue E6 -Blue E7 and Blue E9. All three were held by Barry Webster.

**Sandbar Trip:** Ma/Pa Kinnell have a program arranged

- 7<sup>th</sup> Arrive & Set Up
- 8<sup>th</sup> Fishing Competition Starts
- 9<sup>th</sup> Dinner at Club
- 10<sup>th</sup> Piklet Morning Tea
- 11<sup>th</sup> Turbo Cooking /Night Showtime
- 12<sup>th</sup> BBQ Sausage Tea
- 13<sup>th</sup> Fishing Comp Finish
- 14<sup>th</sup> Home.

Ma said come hungry as there will be long morning tea's with lots of Turbo cooking.

**Members Touring:** A message to members touring in Tasmania, Queensland or "elsewhere". If you have an hour to spare could you write a short story/report about your trip. The rest of us stuck at home would like to read about your activities and where you have been or are going.

**New Members:** Whilst we were at Happy Hallidays in February having a heap of fun a couple Ray/Meg Russell who were holidaying in the park joined our club. At the February meeting John/Helen Smyth also joined TLC. Since returning from H/Hallidays we have had two (2) enquiries for application forms. Mmmmmm

**Buying Fuels:** Only fill up your vehicle in the morning when the ground temp. is cold. All service stations have their storage tanks buried below ground. The colder the ground the more dense the petrol. When it gets warmer petrol expands so when buying in the afternoon....your litre is not exactly a litre.. When filling up do not squeeze the trigger of the nozzle to a fast mode The trigger has three (3) stages: low, middle, and high. You should pump on low mode minimizing the vapors that are created while you are pumping .All hoses at the pump have a vapor return. If you are pumping on the fast rate, some of the liquid that goes to your tank becomes vapor. Those vapors are being sucked up

and back into the underground storage tank so you're getting less worth for your money. One of the most important tips is to fill up when your Petrol Tank is HALF FULL. The reason for this is the more petrol you have in your tank the less air occupying its empty space. Petrol evaporates faster than you can imagine. Petrol storage tanks have an internal Floating roof. This roof serves as zero clearance between the petrol and the atmosphere, so it minimizes the evaporation. Also if there is a Petrol truck pumping into the storage tanks when you stop to buy Petrol, DO NOT fill up. Most likely the Petrol is being stirred up as the petrol is being delivered, and you risk picking up some of the dirt that normally settles on the bottom. Mmmmm

**RTA E- Toll Tag:** Club members should give serious thought to purchasing an E-Toll Tag. For infrequent users the Tag costs \$40 plus an account of \$50 a total of \$90. The money remains in your account until you actually use it. Once the account drops to \$40 it is automatically topped up from your credit card. Should you wish to travel South to Wollongong or Canberra it is now so quick and easy to turn off at Pennant Hills and take the M2 M7 to the Hume Highway.. (*Saves us ladies reading the map*) *We used it on our trip to and through Melbourne it was wonderfull to travel so easily around the two cities with no worries. (Reprint)*

### **LUNCH WINNERS**

*Halakulani lunch winners from the Members Sign in Book.*

# Val Kinnell

# Debbie Latham

### **MONTHLY CLUB RAFFLE WINNERS**

*Winners of the monthly raffle*

*\$50 Barry Webster*

*\$30 Barry Webster*

*\$20 Barry Webster*

### **FOR SALE.**

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**Solar Panel for Sale:** 250 watt size 1070 wide 1600 long Selling Price \$450 Ph. Peter 4333 9738 mob 0412605887 **12/12**

**Next ---General Meeting**

**Sunday 17th March 2013**

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## 2013 LIST OF TRIPS

<b>Mar 5<sup>th</sup> – for 7 nts</b>	<b>TERARA COUNTRY MUSIC CAMPOUT</b>	<b>Contact</b>	
<b>Mar 8<sup>th</sup> –28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Southern Surfari</b> Belshaw, Coltman, Davidson, Hennessy, Stevens, Thomas L/B, (8)	<b>Contact</b>	<b>C/P Stevens 4369 2759</b>
<b>Mar 3 -7</b>	<b>JIMMIES BEACH</b> Crocker, Ducker, Flippence, Henry, Kinnell, Latham, Lee-Sing, Rohwer, Riley, Stewart, Svensson, Teesson,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>P/D Flippence 4976 3476</b>
<b>Mar 7- for (7) nts</b>	<b>SANDBAR CARAVAN PARK</b> 6554 4095 Brown, Cooper, Crocker, Curnow, Dauncey, Ducker, Flippence, Henry, Insull, Kennedy, Kinnell, Latham, LeeSing, Luttrell,, Reilly, Rohwer, Majchrowski, Pollard, Shawcross, Smith, Stewart, Teesson, Wallace, Webster,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>D/V Kinnell 4390 8933</b>
<b>Mar 1 - 3rd</b>	<b>STATE RALLY</b>	<b>Contact</b>	
<b>Mar 24 – 31st inc</b>	<b>HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC</b> Brewer, Bromley, Burrows, Cooper D/A, Cooper K/R, Curnow, Eadie, Geale, Hansell, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Latham, Luttrell, Olsen, Majchrowski, Meatheringham, Pollard, Ranse, Reid, Shawcross, Sheehan,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>P/C Kane 4333 9738</b>
<b>Apr 4 – 8 inc</b>	<b>BRIGADOON AT BUNDANOON</b> 5 nights Cannard, Cooper D/A, Curnow, Ducker, Edwards/Williamson, Flippence, Geale, Hansell, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Majchrowski, Moore, Pollard, Reilly, Rohwer, Smith, Smyth, Maslem, Migillicuddy, Shawcross, Steele, Merritt, <u>Rohwer, Teesson</u>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>A/S Reilly 49720170</b>
<b>Apr 4 -7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SNOWY RIVER BUSH FESTIVAL CORYONG</b> 6076 1992	<b>Contact</b>	
<b>May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>BUSH CAMPING TRIP</b> (Low Cost & Free- one month or part thereof) Maughan, Lindfoot,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>M/E Maughan 4328 1411</b>
<b>May 19 – 27</b>	<b>CASINO BEEF WEEK</b> Cooper, Kane, Moore, Curnow, Fletcher, Geale, Pollard, Howard, A/SReilly, Rohwer, Ducker, Edwards/Williamson, Stewart, LeeSing	<b>Contact</b>	<b>P/C Kane 4333 9738</b>
<b>Jul 15 – 22nd</b>	<b>XMAS in JULY</b> Angell, Brewer, Cooper, Crocker, Curnow, Dennis, Ducker, Fletcher, Flippence, Haberfield, Hendy, Hennessy, Henry, Herod, Howard, Kane, Kingma, Kinnell, Lee-Sing, Maughan, Oaks, Olsen, Pollard, Reilly, Russell, Shawcross, Shoobert, Smith, Stewart, Thomas, Williams.	<b>Contact</b>	<b>P/C Kane 4333 9738</b>
<b>Jul 22<sup>nd</sup>-17 Sep</b>	<b>Winter Escape</b> Cairns, Atherton, Underra, Charters Towers, Carnarvon Gorge, Roma Ltd Numbers Cannard, Curnow, Pollard, Holland, Bickley/Geale, Fletcher, Kane, Merritt/Wright,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>L/R Curnow</b>
<b>Sep 23 – Oct 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>NATIONAL RALLY ROCKHAMPTON QLD.</b> Belshaw, Cooper K/R, Davidson, Edwards/Williamson, Meatheringham, Reid, Roberts, Ranse, Shoobert, Sutton, Sheehan/Aylett, Morris,	<b>Contact</b>	<b>K Patterson 4390 5658</b>

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