

### NEWSLETTER No 52 – FEBRUARY 2011 PO BOX 4028 Lake Haven 2263

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**February Meeting Venue Change:** The February meeting will be held at **10.00am** on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February at **Happy Hallidays Holiday Park**. See details why the change

2011 February Meeting :Last February 2010 we had (28) vans attend Happy Hallidays this was about 56 members. At the same time we had (32) members only attend the February meeting at Halekulani. Next February 2011 we have (47) vans booked to attend Happy Hallidays this is about 94 members. There will also be a number of vans staying on for a few weeks Due to these facts the at Tuncurry. Committee of Management advised the November meeting that due to the small number of members that may attend Halekulani that the February Meeting will be transferred/held at Happy Hallidays in 2011

**Movember Moustach Money;** At the November meeting members donated \$120 towards Bill Rigger growing a moustache for charity. Beryl Howard collected the monies and forwarded them on. Well done folks

**TLC Books Never Closed**: It is interesting to look back and observe that the membership of our club has never been officially closed. At one stage due to a rush of new applicants at a meeting in May our membership grew to 137. But that was corrected by people not renewing their membership in June. We currently have 121 vans and 4 Friends of TLC

**2011 Narrabeen Rally**: The general meeting was informed that the 2011 Narrabeen Rally would be extended to cover 8 nights commencing Thursday 27th October to Thursday 3rd November. (Melbourne Cup will be on Tuesday 1st November) This extension of dates was to

accommodate the hiring of the Marquee and to fit in all the activities.

**2011 Narrabeen Site Costs**: At this stage the park have confirmed that each caravan site will cost \$25 per night. The price will remain at this level but we are required to totally manage our own caravan club booking. Park management requires NO DEPOSITs to be paid. So under no circumstance should any member contact the park office. The Committee has determined that all contact with the park will be through Vice President Gary Johnson.

**2011** Narrabeen Rally Fee Increase: Because of an increase in costs the organizing committee has found it necessary to increase the Narrabeen fee's to \$20 per person. The \$20 pays for the Hire of the Marquee, Melbourne Cup luncheon and Wines with lunch. It also provides tea/coffee, milk and sugar for the 8 days also a morning tea consisting of piklets, jam & cream. Also any other item/meal planned by the committee

**2011 Narrabeen Site Booking**: The committee have agreed that members who attended the rally in 2010 can re-book on their same site. The confirmation of your site will occur once members pay their \$20 per person Narrabeen Fee's direct to the Treasurer. Members have until the general meeting on the 19th June to pay the \$20 then after that all sites will become available. Once members pay their \$20 fee then Vice President Gary Johnson will allocate them a site.

**External Hard Drive:** The committee approved that the Treasurer and Secretary each purchase a small external hard drive for the purpose of backing up the clubs records. These Hard Drives will be then be handed on to future Treasurers and Secretaries. This ensurer's that all of our clubs records can be backed up and stored for future reference.

Vehicle Stickers: The general meeting approved the purchase of 500 car stickers. These stickers will be sold to members for their cars for \$1.00 each. Committee member Irene Woods will manage the sale of stickers and collection of monies also the record keeping associated with this. These stickers will be sold at each meeting and the funds returned to the treasurer and receipted.

**Sound System Update on Sale**: The committee has approved the sale of the pieces of the original sound system that we do not use and John Fabien and Irene

Woods are both researching where these could be sold.

State Association Matters Review of First Aid Courses: It was felt that recertification was a personal matter for club members. That the State Association take no further action in respect of First Aid Training and that clubs arrange any further training independently. Clubs could subsidise members costs if they so wished.

**Constitution Review** The approach taken in the review was to follow the advice of Dept of Fair Trading officers that is to keep the constitution as simple as possible by only making necessary changes to the Model Constitution.

**Organising Group for State Rallies**: That Clubs be circulated asking for volunteers to serve on an organising group on a rotational basis. Experience is desirable but not essential. It is envisaged that a group of 4 be responsible for organising rallies from 2012, the group being chaired by a member of the Committee of Management.

**Annual Subscriptions**: Secretary advised that all clubs have paid their subscriptions. There are 35 clubs with 1,530 vans. Affiliation fees \$2,539 and insurance contributions \$5,250 were received

**Training of Officials for Disc Bowls:** It was decided that members who volunteered to act as referees at Narrabeen will gather at Norm Moore's residence prior to Narrabeen Rally. The purpose of this is to agree to and conduct a familiarization

session for the members who will be the officials at the Disc Bowls.

**State Associations Operational Orders**: It is interesting to note that the State Association of Caravan Clubs is about to adopted the same Model Rules from the Department of Fair Trading that our club operates under. They are going to make a few minor adjustments. We have been operating under the Departments Model Rules for the past 5 years and it appears quite satisfactory for our purpose.

**Committee of Management Meetings**: The committee agreed that future Committee Meetings would be held at committee member's homes. It was also agreed that we would hold a Mini Committee Meeting at 11am immediately prior to the monthly general meeting. A report of all committee actions and decisions will be reported by the President to the next General Meeting.

Annual Charities Donations: Beryl Howard and Bill Rigger collected \$120 for the "Movember" prostate cancer research appeal.. The committee decided to maintain our annual donation to The Royal Flying Doctor Service and Childrens Medical Research Institute. Throughout the year the Social Director will notify members of other charitable fund raising events such as Breast and Prostrate Cancer appeals.

The Jones Flooded In Queensland: We had to go to Cairns to settle Mum into new care facilities So we made the decision to hook up the van and make a holiday of it on our way home—Wrong move!!! We stayed

in Cairns for two weeks the humidity and tropical rainfalls were too much. When the Highway appeared OK we took off South dodging all the giant potholes in the Bruce Highway. Now (6<sup>th</sup> Jan) we are stuck about three (3) hours North of Rockhamption!!! by flood waters to the South as big as Texas. But we have been lucky enough to score a powered site at Clairview. We have a magic spot beautiful blue waters, lovely islands but no swimming due to stingers however David is happy fishing. At least we have a roof over our heads not like many others so we are counting our blessings (besides a few choice words of frustration). Happy New Year to all members. Beverley & David xx

### FIRST AID KIT LOCATION

<u>No1</u>	_First Aid Kit	RoyCurnow 43695954
No2	_First Aid Kit	Des Cooper 43933383

#### **DISC BOWLS LOCATION**

<u>No1:</u>	Disc Bowls	Bill Rigger 43328539
<u>No2:</u>	Disc Bowls	Roy Curnow 43695954

**CIL Caravan Insurance**: The National Association of Caravan Clubs have brokered a deal with **CIL Insurance** that if members insure with them then they will give 5% commission to the State and the caravan club itself. We have already received a few commissions. So when you start your research for the "best price Insurance for your caravan please give CIL a ring and get a quote from them. If they are cheaper then you may decide to insure with them. If you do decide to insure with CIL please ring Katie Patterson and let her know.

**Insurance Claims**: It was interesting to read that the NRMA statistics show that claims for caravan are 41% for collisions, Awning are 31% and hail damage 17%

### SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Remember we have a Luncheon booked for Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February at Ourimbah RSL we already have around 30 members on the list . Please ring me on 4333 9738 or Gary Johnson on 4328 3743 if you wish to attend.

Remember that if you are attending Happy Hallidays in February then the "Theme color is PURPLE". A number of members are arriving a few days early but the official welcome will be at Afternoon Tea at 4.30 pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February .Members will then be briefed on the weeks program. Coral

Halekulani Signing in Procedure: For Insurance reasons we need to change the way we sign the TLC Club Attendance Book at our meetings at Halekulani. <u>Each</u> <u>member</u> must <u>print their name and then</u> <u>sign their signature</u> in the adjacent column as they enter the meeting. Our State Association Representative Katie Patterson has volunteered to oversee this exercise at the entry door. At the moment we are not covered if someone were to hurt themselves.

**"D" Shackles**: It is essential that the "D" shackles that secure your safety chains from your van to the towing vehicle have the correct rating

Internet Sites: These are a few sites you may like to have a look at: http://www.caravanning-oz.com/ http://www.australiainpictures.com http://www.caravan-camping.com.au/ http://www.discoverdownunder.com.au/ http://caravanersforum.com/viewforum.php http://caravanningnews.com/ http://welovethiscountry.com.au

**Caravan Check List**: For members who use their vans once or twice a year a Caravan Towing Safety Check list is an important safety tool. What appears to be important is that members go through a set routine in setting off to tow the van to make sure everything is OK. We often have members wishing to assist in setting up and in readying the van for the road. The caravan magazines/Internet sites seem to suggest we as individuals do our own hook up -set procedure to make sure everything is OK.

It's a Small World: At yesterdays meeting two of the new male members recognized each others names as they were introduced. They had not seen each other for 50 years .Wow

**State Rally Cowra:** At Sundays meeting Katie Patterson spoke about the State Rally at Cowra. For members who have never attended a State Rally this is a golden opportunity. Just give Katie a ring on 4390 5658 and ask about the "special deal" available for Cowra.

The Cold and Shopping
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Des	Cooper	2006

In 2006 Alice developed a very bad cold accompanied by a harsh cough. . She was very ill for three weeks and so this is a part of the story.

Where did it come from somebody said, How did the bloody thing get into your head, And look at your nose its all red and runny, In fact right now you are looking guite funny.

You've been to the Dr. who with a shake of his head, Ordered you home and said go straight to bed, All you have is a cold which is not very nice, In fact the bug that you have is a new summer virus.

We have no name for it- its' simply a cold, But a cure for it would be worth its weight in gold, They change each winter to come back in new form, The cures that we have are not for the norm.

So go home dear sweet Alice and hop into bed, Let your husband go out and do the shopping instead Just forget all the washing and cloths on the line, Let old hubby get into it he'll do it just fine.

Now go straight to your bed and lay down and rest, If you don't the cold may go straight to your chest, Please think of your hubby and think how he feels, If the cold gets worse he might have to cook meals.

There was worse to come for the Mum who is best, The cold travelled down deep into her chest, This impact on hubby saw him really toe the line, For the need to go shopping -was now on an incline.

Then with a 'list' in his hand and money in his pocket, He set off for Coles- like a bloody sky rocket, He was first into the store with morns early light, And he got stuck with a trolley that wasn't quite right.

Quickly scouting the isle looking for 'stuff' on his list, It was not very long and you could see he was p...missed,

Then out into the isles -came angels in green, Who helped poor hubby find the things he'd not seen

He thanked them profusely their help was just great Cause the last time he went shopping ---..was 1958

### FOR SALE.

Sunbeam BBQ hotplate/grill, with windbreak. good condition \$50.. Foot pump for airbeds \$10. Shepherd hooks four (4) plus tow ball aid \$70. Bill Rigger 4332 8539

Shower/Toilet Porta Loo also Oztent Ensuite Tent (never used). Solar Shower Bag \$165 O.N.O . 4389 7202 or 0458-645-979

**2003 Holden Commodore VY Lumina** – V6 3.8 ltr, 165000Klm, 15" wheels, Sports suspension, air bags, cargo barrier, only 2 owners, \$9990 **Barry Lambert 6555 9957 0412 247 050** 10/10

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B-B-Q Webber Baby Q 100 exc. Condition with cover \$250 Phone Ron 4392 3375 1/11

**Queensland Flood Appeal:** At our meeting on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January we had a Queensland Flood Bucket Donation Appeal at the door for members to assist the Queenslanders in their time of need. The amount collected on the day was \$351 and the general meeting agreed to round the figure up to \$750 in total. Well done

**New Members**: During the last six weeks we have had six vans join the club. We wish the new members a happy time with us.

**Trips on the Board:** The number of trips listed on the Trip Board will reduce dramatically after February. However we will always have the usual trips listed for members to attend. An extract from our General Information Sheet states "The committee will put up a number of trips each year. All other trips will be proposed by the <u>members</u> putting trips on the notice board. So now its time 4 U 2 start listing trips

**Booking/Cancelling Trips**. It is a member's responsibility after placing their name on the trip board to contact the Caravan Park and book in and pay a deposit. Also it is the member's responsibility to notify the park if they wish to cancel from the trip. The member is responsible to apply for a refund of deposit.

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

Next ---General Meeting Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2011

Email:desmond.alicecooper@bigpond.com

#### The Snowy River Bush Festival Information

**<u>Camping</u>**: Camping will be on the local golf course located next to the showground. It is advisable to arrive early on the Wednesday morning as your early arrival will enable you to camp next to the grounds where there is a gate directly into the grounds with close location to all activities and sewered toilets.

**Toilets and Showers**:: There is one toilet block in the showground with three or four cubicles. There is another block in town approx 500 meters at the information centre. On the

Thursday there will be four semi trailers arrive. Last year one truck of showers and one of toilets were placed in the grounds nearby to all activities while the other two were placed in the recreation area leading into the showground. These were all adequate for last year. Bear in mind these are very basic showers and port-a-loos but do provide bush camping comfort during the festival.

**Power and Water**. There is no power supply on the golf course but generators are allowed. There is a tap as you enter the golf course and it is suggested you arrive at the camp with your water tank full as the tap is bore water. It would

be wise to bring bottled drinking water with you for the duration. Also bring a bucket to fill your tank from the bore water tap if needed.

**<u>Medical</u>**: We don't know if there is a doctor in town. There is no dentist. Ambulance and first aid facilities will be in attendance at the grounds.

**<u>Campfires:</u>** We have arranged for a trailer load of firewood to be delivered as you can have a campfire on the verge of the course.

Last year this was delivered to us free, but this year there may be a small dollar charge shared amongst us. We found the people of Corryong most welcoming and proud of there festival.

**Food:** Stock up on essentials before you arrive, there is a small I.G.A. store in town, There is a bank and most necessities are available. Free internet is available at library.

Activities: There are so many events going on all day and evening you will never be bored. The re-enactment of the horse from old Regret is held approx five kilometres out of town on a property where there is adequate parking. The festival organisers provide busses to shuttle visitors out to the area and these last year were free. Last year we had a beautiful sunny day and the whole show was really stirring.

**Web Address**: Please visit the website so that you can become familiar with all things on the program. The cost listed is \$95 per person concession but that includes the Lee Kernaghan concert. At this stage the Concession charge alone has been marked "to be advised". There is no urgency to purchase your ticket immediately. We will explain more at the Xmas Dinner www.manfromsnowyriverbushfestival.com.au

**Purchasing your Tickets**: Members can purchase tickets online and the costings are listed you just need to determine if you want to go to the concert. But at this stage maybe you should wait until after the 12th December (Xmas Dinner) before purchasing. There is really no hurry to purchase as everyone attending will be accommodated. **Refund on Tickets**: The Website states very clearly: There will be "no refund on tickets" under any circumstances

Joy Flights: Behind the rodeo grounds there is a glider airport where you can enjoy a flight if you wish. It is lovely to be sitting watching the events and to see a beautiful soundless aircraft floating noiselessly and gracefully above you. Corryong is surrounded by beautiful mountains ands is very picturesque with beautiful drives in the surrounding areas.

<u>Maps and Information</u>: We will have maps of the area and the golf course pinned on the Notice Boards at the Xmas Party and January meeting

The main points to remember is: Arrive early --maybe camp on a roadside stop outside of town. So if possible we can be in the same area near all the "happenings". Be aware we CANNOT-RESERVE-CAMPING SPOTS

**Cost of Tickets**: Tickets charges are \$100 (Concession rate) BUT if you are an early bird purchaser it will cost \$95 (This includes the Concert ticket)

**Festival Attendance Only:** If you wish to attend the festival only it will cost you \$50 per person The drum is that this is Lee Kernagahan's last concert and he will have his full band and other entertainers. Should be a good night The festival organisers do there very best to make you comfortable by providing necessities of camping, but it is BUSH CAMPING FACILITIES. FILL YOUR WATER TANK BEFORE YOU ARRIVE. AND YOU WILL BE ASSURED OF A GREAT TIME.

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## BIRTHDAYS

Januarv Bruce Sommerville 2-Jan 28-Jan Ralph Teesson February Chambers Lee 1-Feb Hunt Les 4-Feb McCann Denis 7-Feb Lavis Gary 10-Feb 10-Feb Stewart Rhonda Maslem John 15-Feb Brown Jeanette 16-Feb Kinnell Doug 17-Feb Newbold Ken 19-Feb Williams Robert 19-Feb 20-Feb Holland Greta 20-Feb Tatham Noelene Rigger Bill 23-Feb 25-Feb Eadie Helen **Bromley Philip** 25-Feb Freeman Kim 26-Feb 26-Feb Maslem Val 29-Feb **Beesley Robyn** 

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## **TLC TRIPS ON THE BOARD**

Feb 11 – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Tuncurry Caravan Park: 1800 227 275 Contact The Howards 4353 3700				
ATTENDING:	Bunnett, Bickley, Bullock-Browning, Clarke, Courts, Curnow, Chambers, Davies, Dew, Fletcher, Fisher, Howard, Johnson P/G,				
	Kinnell, Latham, Majchrowski, Murgatroyd, Patterson, Pollard, Stevens, Webster TOTAL 20				
Feb 18- 25 <sup>th</sup>	Happy Halladays 1800 555 454 Contact The Kanes 4333 9738				
ATTENDING:		, Davies, Dew, Eadie,			
	Fletcher, Flippence, Hansell, Hennessy, Hogan, Howard, Hunt/Holly G/L,Kane, Kinnell, Lee-Sing, Latham, L				
	Moore, McDonald Olesen, Rigger, Shawcross, Shoobert, Stewart, Stevens, Steele, Smith, Teesson, Thomas B/L,				
	Vanderveer/Lang, Webb, Wallace, Wilshire, Woolfe , Woods (TOTAL 47)				
Feb 25 – Mar 3	3 Big4-Sundowner Breakwall C/Park Port Macquarie 1800 636 452 Contact The Riggers 4332 8	539			
ATTENDING:					
	L/B, Steele, Wilshire TOTAL 15				
Mar 4 – 8	State Rally Cowra ) Contact The Pattersons 439	0 5658			
ATTENDING:					
<u> Mar 7 – 18</u>	Home from State Rally via Cowrta, Bathurst, Orange, Wellington, Mudgee, Denman Contact Stella Roberts 439	<u>2 2428</u>			
ATTENDING:	Roberts, Patterson, Teesson				
Mar 21- 27	Cessnock Getaway Week Contact The Kanes/Coopers				
ATTENDING:					
	Holland, Kane, Payne, Pollard, Shawcross, Thomas, Webb TOTAL 18	, <b>,</b> , <b>,</b> ,			
<u> Mar 31 – Apr 3</u>					
ATTENDING	Bickley, Brown B/J, Brown L/J, Bunnett, Bullock/Browning, Cannard, Cooper, Coltman, Curnow, D/A, Cham				
	Howard, Holmes, Holland, Johnson P/G, Kane, Lalor , McCann, McGowan, Maughan, Majchrowski, Moore, Payne, Pollard, Smith, Steele,, Stewart, Webb, Woods, TOTAL 31				
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<u> Apr 4 – 11</u>	HARTWOOD From The Snowy River Bush Fest. via Murray River Towns (Bush Camping) Contact				
ATTENDING:	Curnow, Cooper D/A, Eadie, Holmes, Howard, Kane, Pollard, Steele, Stewart, Sommerville TOTAL 10				
Ann 9 - 2 May	/ Lightning Ridge Gemfest Contact Stella Robe	*10			
<u>Apr 8 – 2 May</u> ATTENDING:		<u></u>			
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<u> Apr 17 – 25</u>	HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC Contact The Kanes 4333 9738	<u>.</u>			
ATTENDING:		Ranse, Rigger,			
	Sheehan, Somerville, Steele, Woods, TOTAL 18				
Apr 25 –May 4	4 Moree Hot Pools 6752 2723 Contact				

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