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Thank You from Josie Herod: I would like to write a little thank you note to all members regarding Roberts passing. I am just so grateful for all the support you gave me at Happy Halliday's also all the continued support. You have given me something I will never forget, I was very glad that I came to the meeting on Sunday. I was a bit hesitant about attending at first but am so happy I decided to attend. I am going to the luncheon on 15th October so maybe will see you there. Josie xx

President Position at 2014 AGM: In the August Newsletter I advised members that I would again nominate for President at the forthcoming November AGM. At the October General meeting I informed attendees that I had had a change of mind. That after eight and a half years I considered that now was the appropriate time for me to retire as Club President.

Moama Report. Moama NSW side/Echuca Vic side of The Murray. A bit tricky finding this park, a little way out of town and very new, only been open 22 months. Upon arrival I looked at my tablet box and thought oh my gosh, I've forgotten to take my Tuesday tablets (1.30pm by then), so tipped them into my mouth, then realised oh my gosh (again) it's only Monday, so spat them back out and put them back to dry off – oops. Hadn't brought enough with me to throw them away.



The shower heads were huge, but were on the ceiling, so if ladies didn't want their hair washed, shower caps were the order of the day. I was showering and suddenly I couldn't see, realised I'd left my glasses on – oops. Obviously I'm getting sillier, just ask Roy. The camp kitchen was a bit far away, so we used the laundry with the added bonus that it was warmer and drinks/ food could be placed on the ironing boards if you were sitting near one. Roy cooked spaghetti bolognese for all with the leftovers from pizzas we'd made at Corowa.

Enjoyed shopping at the Ardmona factory outlet and really enjoyed Cheap as Chips shop next door. Chris Baird went to the original Ardmona outlet – oops, the woman there couldn't tell him where the new one was. Next on the agenda was Tatura for pies, vanilla slices and the local museum. Pies okay, vanilla slices

yummo, the museum, some enjoyed it some almost nodded off. Oh dear. Our paddle steamer outing was lovely, sitting there in the sun looking at the sights along the river. All who took part enjoyed it. Then we all met at Shamrock Hotel for a chicken parma lunch. So many varieties you wouldn't believe. The servings so big that Roy had to ask for a doggie bag. I didn't (his was larger than mine).

Wagga Wagga Report: The caravan park was next to the river & walking distance to shopping centre. The group of 7 vans 13 people headed for the Thirsty Crow. It's a pub that brews craft beer & cider. After much discussion it was decided to purchase a few tasting trays of selected brews, as we were all sharing we used straws to taste with. The brews went from not bad to that is disgusting we left one we couldn't drink it. Bev & Bob S

Quarantine Travelling along the Murray it was so hard to decipher the rules of where the area begins. A few vans stopped at the bin area and juiced & juiced in one case ended up with about 6 litres of juice others cooked there fruit and veg and a couple of naughty people forgot they had lemons in the van. Ah bugger

Corowa Report: The caravan park is fairly close to town. It has reasonable facilities and has a large "Winery building" which we used as our camp kitchen.

They also had a wood fired Pizza Oven which management fired up at 2pm one afternoon and we cooked six beautiful Pizzas that evening.

Three of us went for a river walk where we passed a LOL (little old lady) digging in a

drain. I said to her "they told us to watch out for you as you may attack us". She replied "Yes! I will but I always take my teeth out first so I leave no evidence".. The first drive day we visited wineries at Beechworth and also returned to the Beechworth Bakery for some of the best pies in Aussie. A visit to the local Chocolate factory saw members buying icecreams and chocolate but no tours were available



Goulburn Stopover: Goulburn lived up to it's reputation, it was cold. But a hot shower and half an hour in bed with the electric blanket on 3 got me back to normal in time to enjoy a few drinks and the company of the rest of the group. In a new magnificent lovely warm camp kitchen. Chris Baird

Swan Hill Report: The trip was uneventful the road was flat & straight. Some of the group called in at Lake Boga where the Catalina planes were serviced during WW2. The Flying Boat Museum is a huge hangar that houses a Catalina a mini theatre where you can watch a 20 minute video that tells the history of Lake Boga

and the Catalina's, Also an array of plane engines etc very impressive. The park at Swan Hill was old but clean & had friendly staff, We found a sunny spot each afternoon to have happy hour & catch up. A number of the group spent Sunday at the Pioneer Village it was very interesting with its old buildings beautiful church with stain glass windows and Machinery especially the old tractors, a working Black smith, vintage cars, horse Drawn cart which we had to have rides in. The town was average size it had a good array of shops. It is the town with a statue of a huge Murray Cod. We had a great lunch at the golf resort to farewell Chris & Nev who were leaving the trip to head for Melbourne than onto Tassie. Joy & Lou D'Adam

Mildura Report: The park was lovely & on the banks of the Murray river. Some of us went on a trip on the paddle steamer PS Melbourne it was built 102 years ago at Koondrook it was built from red gum. The steamer took us through Lock 11. The water lowers 6 metres. So the boat lowers down to the river on a lower level. Then on the return trip The Lock raises the water level. The Lock was built in 1924 at a cost of 300,000 pounds We had a trip out to Red Cliffs so see Big Lizzie the Tractor built in Richmond Vic in 1915. We went on a trip out to Wentworth to see the Gaol and where the Darling & Murray rivers join also had a look at Lock no 10 than lunch at the pub. Lyn & Ron Belshaw

Griffith Report: A nice friendly park some of the group visited the local wineries, A group of the men were invited to the local mens shed for morning tea. Than on there return 7 of us headed to the fruit salad farm very interesting talk on the history of the farm and the Local area, and we tasted some lovely jams, chutneys, honey, wine, nuts & of course mandarins & prunes.

Sandbar Report:; Four caravans went to Sandbar. We had a lovely restful week with rain, gale force winds, storms and cold winds plus more and more rain. Oh yes, the sun did surface for a few days. Barry arranged car tours over to the beach so everyone could see the (5) five meter seas pounding the sandbanks. We went to Frothy Coffee on Thursday afternoon it was shut so Sue said "Off to Blueys". we found a lovely little Coffee Shop, service and coffee were great. Leona was disappointed she could not have a game of golf due to a waterlogged course. Dinner at the club was perfect as usual.. A few fish were caught and everyone is keen to go back. Trevor S had his first fish on the beach, came home wet but still smiling. Deb and Barry xx.

WORLD TRAVELLERS



Balrland Report: The Caravan Park is one of the best parks ever it has the river on its edge, with fishing 20M away from our vans. Park costs are \$25/van. An interesting fact about Balranald is that the first telephone to be used in Australia was installed at nearby Yanga Station. The telephone was required for communication between the homestead and the shearers' quarters and installation was carried out by James Cromyn under directions forwarded from England by his uncle **Alexander Graham Bell**.

Today the population of Balranald Shire is approximately 2,500 people and the township has become renowned for the habitation of a frog! But, not just any frog; Balranald is home to the highly endangered Southern Bell frog species, which is listed on the NSW Endangered Species List.

The perfect stopover, Balranald offers plenty of free parking in close proximity to the shopping district and an array of walking trails, bird watching, and other outside activities are available. Highly recommended Des/Alice C

Sandbar Report: Rain, rain, rain..... no worries we were going to enjoy Sandbar.....and we did just that! The sign on the way in advised the golf course was closed and gave some insight as to what the weather had done. Although it was disappointing not being able to play golf, it did not deter us from enjoying ourselves. Picture this: rugged up in wet weather gear, scarves, beanies etc. we gathered on a cabin verandah to enjoy our morning tea when it was raining. The birds, as usual, did not take long to find us.

Clever little critters, they even tried to peck their way through plastic containers to share our morning tea. Barry took us in his four wheel drive for a look see at the spectacular ocean swell. The state of the ocean made it difficult for the fishermen amongst us. However, our one and only fisher woman managed to catch two fish. This was Deb. Barry caught one fish, and Trevor 'almost' caught one. Allan, with his bag of tricks, helped out those in need, including some other caravanners we befriended. These new friends joined us on our second trip to the bowling club. Next time you are staying at Sandbar we encourage you to go for coffee at Blueys Beach. Not only was the coffee great, but our waitress was full a bundle of fun. Trevor & Leona

The Hose Bag Products: If you wish to protect your Gas Bottles and Hydraulic Jack with a great cover have a look at the Hosebag website. We have purchased the storage bags for waste water, drinking water and electrical storage they are an excellent purchase.



Mildura Report: We all went on the "SS Melbourne" Steam Paddle Wheeler. We sailed down the river through No 11 lock. How very interesting to see the way the river is lowered & raised at a level of 4 metres. After our trip on the river we all went to "the Gateway Hotel" for a

scrumptious lunch (that had been recommended by Des). The Guinness Beef Pie was just perfect (ask the Pie-alitous man (Roy)!!

Once again a wonderful sunny day, and off we went to Wentworth. A visit to the Jail was very interesting, with our tour leader dressing up as a convict wench. We then retired to the Crown Hotel, with lots of laughter and a great meal.

Mildura really loved the Tuggerah Lakes Caravanners, as we added to the profits of the town by all the sales at "Cheap as Chips". Narelle & Phil Sansom.

At Qurinindi Visit Bob's Shed: Next time you travel through Qurinindi and you have the time pop in and visit Bob's Shed it's "The Place to Be". Cost's are \$6 per person which includes tea, coffee and hot chocolate.

Did you know by Flippo: Did you know that you can cut cake with dental floss, I have tried this and it works well, say you make a sponge and you need to cut in half to put jam and cream in the middle,

Phamplets will be available at the October meeting

place dental floss around the cake cross it over at the front and pull the ends it cuts through and the cake does not crumble, you can also use dental floss to cut a cake in slices without it crumbling.

Here is an entry for your "Did You Know by Flippo". (By Lorraine Laney, When you are using baking paper to make a lining in your turbo oven (or cake/slice/meat loaf tin), be sure to "scrunch" the piece of baking paper

that you are going to use. When it is then "unscrunch", you will find it much easier to use as it will sit, rather than wanting to keep curling

Did you know a cow has no upper teeth and a healthy cow can give up to 200,000 glasses of milk in a lifetime

By raising your legs and laying on you back you can't sink in quicksand, (thought this may be useful)

September Meeting:: We had (105) one hundred and five members and 2 two visitors attend the September meeting.

New membership applications were received from:

Anderson Paul/Helen

A warm welcome to our newest members

BIRTHDAYS

October

Mallie Sue	2-Oct
Williams Karen	3-Oct
Barker Vickie	4-Oct
Reilly Allan	4-Oct
Clarke Lynette	6-Oct
Holy Jane	7-Oct
Henry Mac	8-Oct
Purcell Lyn	11-Oct
Holmes Lorraine	15-Oct
Riley Rick	18-Oct
D'Adam Louis	19-Oct
Belshaw Lyn	21-Oct
Hansell Bill	22-Oct
Crocker Kate	23-Oct
Somerville Wendy	23-Oct
Cooper Alice	30-Oct
Rohwer Pat	30-Oct
Riley Maureen	31-Oct

FOR SALE

Crusader Excalibur Caravan; Brand new 19'6" ,Its a total package having all the Bells and Whistles. Ring Josie 0413 262 421

Camper Trailer with Side Fold:: Large tent, electric brakes. Excellent unit. Too many extras to list \$4500. Peter/Gai 4393 1040 0421 312 501

Caravan Cover: Pre-loved 19ft caravan cover free to a good home. Ring James 0427 917 520 6/14

**Next ---General Meeting
Sunday 19th October 2014**

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2014 LIST OF TRIPS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRIP</u>	<u>NAMES</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Oct 30 – Nov5 inc	9 th NARRABEEN RALLY (DO NOT RING PARK)	Baird,Barnes,Bickley,Brewer,Brown,Coates,CooperCrocker,,Curnow,Davidson,Dew,Ducker,Eadie,Field,Fletcher,Flippence,Geale,Hansell,Henry,Holland,Holmes,Howard,Insull,Kains,Kane,,LeeSing, L Lindsay, Luttrell, Majchrowski, Marsland, McGillicuddy,Merrett/Wright, Moore, Oaks, ReillyS/A, Roberts, Rohwer, RussellT/B, Ryan, ,Shoobert, Smith, Smyth, Steele L/K, Stevens, Stewart,Thomas B/L, Wells, Williams, Williamson 50	C/P Kane	4333 9738
<u>2015 LIST OF TRIPS</u>				
Feb 5 th –12th	HAPPY HALLIDAYS	Baird,Brooks,Brown,Cannard,Collins,Cooper,Curnow,Ducker, Edwards/Williams, Flippence, Haberfield, Hansell, Henry, Howard, Jager, Kane, Latham, Lenane, Lee -Sing, Lindsay, Majchrowski,McDonald, McGillicuddy, Oakes, Olesen, Palmer, Polloard, Reilly,Rohwer, Russell B/T, Ryan, Shawcross, Shoobert, Smith, Stewart,Thomas B/L, Wells, Williams, 39	C/ P Kane	4333 9738
Feb 12 th -26th	SHOAL BAY HOLIDAY PARK	Barnes,Chambers,,Collins,Coltman,Eadie,Hassall,Henry,Hoff, , Howard,Lindsay,Majchrowski,Reilly S/A Rohwer,Sansom, Stevens, Wells,,Williams ,Zammit 18	P/C Stevens	4369 2759
Mar 20 – 22 nd	2015 STATE RALLY MANILA	Davidson,Maughan,Shoobert 3	B Shoobert	4390 2277
Mar 5 – 12	SANDBAR FISHING/GOLF	Cooper,Crocker,Curnow,Henry,Kinnell,Latham,Lindsay, Majchrowski,Pollard ,Smith 10	V/D Kinnell	4390 8933
Mar 16 -28	KIAMA -	12 Names listed	Duckers/Henry	0414 935 355 0417 431 179
Mar 16 - 28	LAKE CONJOLA	12 Names listed	Duckers/Henry	0414 935 355 0417 431 179
Mar29 – Apr 6	HARTWOOD COUNTRY MUSIC	14 names listed	C/P Kane	4333 9738
Apr 1 - 12	CORRYONG BUSH FESTIVAL	1 Name	A/B Howard	4358 4224
Apr 23 -27th	BOGGABRI DROVERS CAMP	39 Names listed	K/S Crocker	0414 890 403
Apr 10 -15	OBERON MAYFIELD GARDENS		A/S Reilly	49720170
Apr 28-May 2	GLEN INNES CELTIC FESTIVAL	12 Names listed	L/R Curnow	4369 5954

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