



Towing Tales

Concord Caravan Club of WA

June

Roving Rally

Our rally commenced on the Saturday and by the time we reached Tomeo's Garage in Karragullen in the morning the sun was shining. Fortunately for us the prediction of rain was incorrect.



After receiving our itineraries for the day, we set off in convoy to our first

destination, St Johns in the Wilderness Church at Dale. This little church was built almost single handedly in 1895 and it was here we had our first morning tea of the rally.



From there we travelled on through Beverley to Gwambygne Free Camp for our overnight stay. It was at Gwambygne that the men had the chance to light up the first campfire for the year.

Is there anything better than a beef stew and dumplings on a campfire? Norma pre-cooked our stew prior to leaving home because of the weather forecast for rain, so all that was required on the night was to

heat it up in the hot coals. It was so delicious and filling, then to top it off we enjoyed more decadence with Apple Pie, Custard and Cream. It was also at this camp that our members participated in the game "the Price is Right" which some found a little tricky guessing the price for nappies and dog food. There were also a couple of quizzes throughout the rally which created some happy chat.



Next morning our destination was Toapin Weir. We stopped at Mawson for morning tea on the way. The farming lands were so picturesque and some of the views were breath taking. There were quite a few campers at the Weir, being a long weekend, but we managed to fit the vans in and remain together as a group. Many walked up to the Weir to look around the largest water reservoir in Western Australia, while others remained to set up and enjoy another campfire. It was then

time for afternoon drinks, nibbles and much footy talk.

On Monday we set off to Bruce Rock, our final destination of the rally, but first we stopped at Shackleton for more sight-seeing. This town once boasted the world's smallest bank and the name also pays homage to the famous Antarctic Explorer Ernest Shackleton.





The little town is steeped in history. We then headed to Kokerbin Rock, where the sun was out. Some walked around the base of the rock while a couple of others climbed part of the way up. The ascent was quite steep and it was so enjoyable to see the third largest monolith in Australia.

We stayed there for lunch and discussed monolith this and monolith that! The wheat belt is so unassuming from the outset, but so rich when you dig deeper (in this case: climb higher).





It was time then to head to Bruce Rock, book into the Caravan Park, refill the water tanks and have long hot showers. It was Arthur's birthday, so we all joined him to celebrate the occasion at the Bruce Rock Hotel that evening. It was there that many thanks were extended to all who participated in the rally to make the event so memorable.

Our Roving Rally for this year is now done and dusted but we are all looking forward to the next one, wherever it may be.

Big thank you to Kath Colmer for providing this month's commentary, as unfortunately Ray and I had to pull out at the last minute due to work commitments.



A reminder, your annual membership fees are due by the end of the month 😊

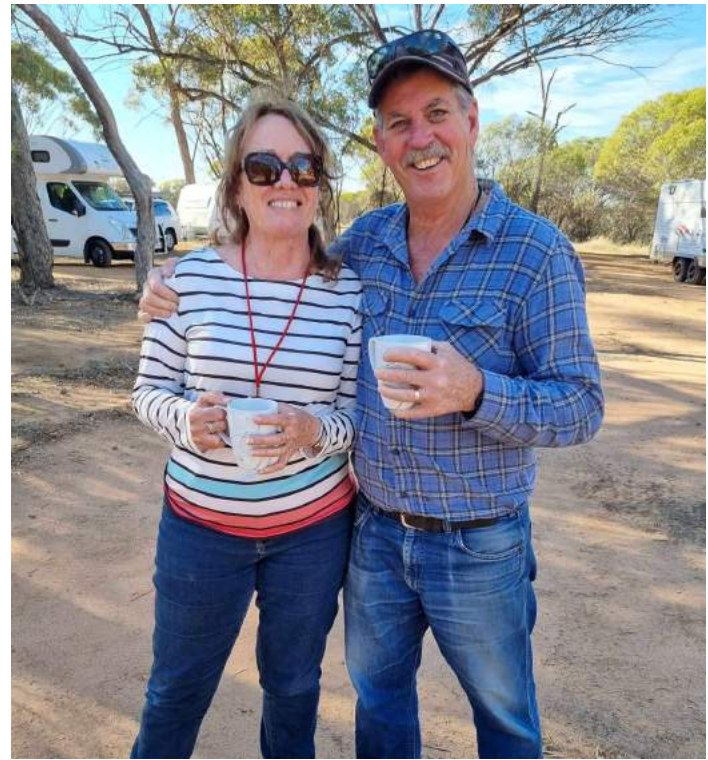
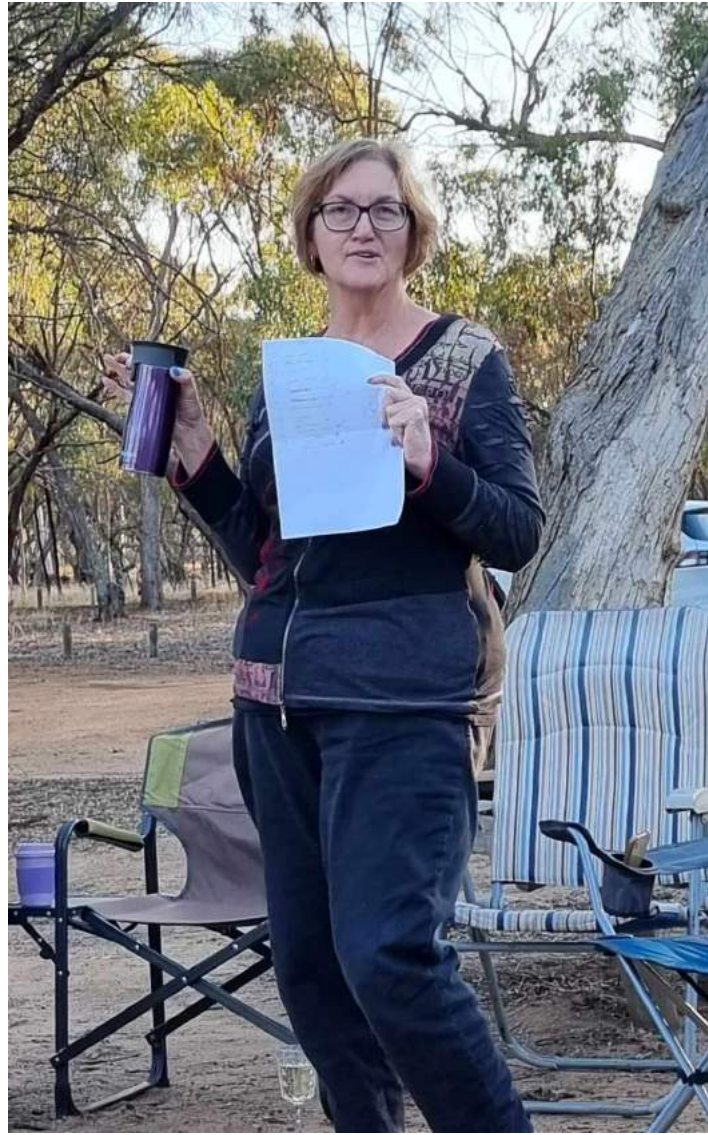
Thank you to all those who sent photos for consideration

Cheers Lisa (and Ray)



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July to August Birthdays

July – Trudi 28th

August – Sue 4th, Jack & Khaydan 7th, Daniel 11th,
Karen 15th, Beryl 16th, Paula 25th

For those on the sick list,
we wish you a speedy recovery & hope to see you caravanning soon.

Next Rallies & Events

- Social Event Byford Tavern 21st July
Abernathy Room 11.30 am for 12 noon start
(confirm to Robert by 14th July)
- AGM 18th August 10.30am
Followed by BBQ lunch
SES, Education Dr, Greenfields
- Harvey Rainbow Caravan Park 20th to 23rd September
(Cut off 20th Aug - see Robert for more information)
- Little Eden Pine Camp 25th to 27th October
(book on hicamp see Robert for more information)
- Xmas Dinner 30th Nov
(*and optional*) Swan Valley Tourist Park Rally 29th Nov to 1st December
Xmas Dinner to be a “bring a plate”, Salad or Desert, with cold meet provided by the club. Kath & Erica will coordinate what to bring. We will have Happy Hour at 4.30pm followed by the Xmas dinner at 6.30pm
(confirm availability with Robert before paying deposit, cut off 15/11/24)

Please assist our Treasurer by listing info on deposits as follows:

SURNAME Event description \$

Eg: EDWARDS Roving Rally \$20

Membership Officer is Arthur Pincham, please check your details & if any changes please let Arthur know npi14709@bigpond.net.au

Safety First Remember that you need to carry 2 fire blankets in your caravan, 1 in the front inside near the Entry Door & 1 in the back, plus 1 extinguisher near the front door. This is for your own safety.

Bookings for your Dairy 2024

All information is on your Rally Calendars

You must contact the Secretary to confirm your booking.

Please note cut off dates for Rallies

If you are not arriving on the due date, PLEASE let the particular caravan park know so they can re book that site for the night or if you require extra days.

Remember To keep your van & valuables locked. They cost too much to replace. Consider installing a tracking device for when your van is unattended and stay safe.

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