

# BALLARAT CARAVAN CLUB INC.

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2019

### January 2019

Terang Caravan Park  
January 17/18/19  
Phone 5592 1687  
\$22.00 per night  
Closing Date Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>

### February 2019

ACACIA Caravan Park Ararat  
February 14/15/16/17  
Phone 5352 2994  
\$30.00 per night  
Pay for 3 4<sup>th</sup> night free  
Closing Date 31<sup>st</sup> Jan

### Monday Feb 26th—General Meeting

R.S.L Hall, Sebastopol  
7.30pm—Please bring a plate

### March 2019

Dunkeld Caravan Park  
March 14/15/16  
\$55.00 for 3 nights Per Van  
Phone 0409 942 578  
Closing Date 28<sup>th</sup> February

### April 2019

St Arnaud Caravan Park  
April 11/12/13  
Per Night \$25.00  
Phone 0418 201 952  
Closing Date 28<sup>th</sup> March

### Monday Apr 29th—General Meeting

R.S.L Hall, Sebastopol  
7.30pm—Please bring a plate

### May 2019

Broken Creek Bush Camp  
100 Quinn Road, Nathalia  
May 16/17/18th  
\$5.00 per person per night  
Phone 0428 574 799 Cath or Doc  
Closing Date 2nd May

### **June 2019**

Bendigo Avondel C/P  
723 Calder Highway, Maiden Gully

June 13/14/15th

\$33.00 per night

Phone 5449 6265

Closing Date 30th May

### **Monday June 24th—General Meeting**

R.S.L Hall, Sebastopol  
7.30pm—Please bring a plate

### **July 2019**

Kyabram Western Gums C/P  
120 McEwin Road, Kyabram

July 18/19/20th

\$32.00 per night

Phone 03 5852 2885

Closing Date 4th July

### **August 2019**

Moama Merool C/P  
Aug 15/16/17/18/19/20/21

\$100.00 for 7 nights

Phone 1300 637 665

Closing Date 1st Aug

### **Extra Moama/Merool Information**

For those that want to go to Merool we need a deposit of \$10.00. **Non refundable ASAP.**

Full payment 3 weeks prior to going.

\$100.00 for 7 nights

### **Monday Aug 26th—General Meeting**

R.S.L Hall, Sebastopol  
7.30pm—Please bring a plate

### **September 2019**

Edenhope C/P Lakeside

Lake Street, Edenhope

Sept 12/13/14th

\$32.00 P/N Less 10%

Phone 03 5585 1659

Closing Date Aug 29th

### **October and November TBA**

### **President's Report**

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the New Year, I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas, the break has certainly gone quickly.

Thankyou to Rae and Marion for organising our Christmas Dinner.

I believe those who went to Terang enjoyed themselves, I am looking forward to catching up with many members in Ararat.

The Rally Committee have met and planned some great spots to visit in the coming year, we appreciate their efforts, it is not an easy task.

Thoughts are with all who have been unwell

over the past month or two, I hope you are able to join us at a rally soon.

Don't forget our first meeting of the year on Monday. 25th. February.

Travel safely on your journeys in the great outdoors and remember when things are bleak, turn your face to the sun, the shadow will always fall behind.

Cheers, Stella .

PS: On behalf of the Members our condolences go to Lyn and Ian King and family on the passing of Lyn's mother.

### Touring Rally Report

We started the long rally in Rochester with 11 vans on Thursday. Friday was a free day. Saturday we had lunch at the local hotel then some went to have a look at the big auction that was on Sunday so the girls went back to camp or shopping. Robin came up with an idea of things we had to find like a pine cone, a map, a leaf, a feather, a pink flower and antlers. It took awhile but was a lot of fun and Colin was the winner. Sunday we had a quick cuppa and headed off to Deni. Val and Graeme had to go home which was bad luck. Deni was a lot warmer but there was a fair bit of shade around which was good. It was a nice park with a big lunch room. We had a quick look around town. That night Stella, Robin, Barry and Brian cooked our evening meal, baked potatoes with all the trimmings plus desert. After our meal Stella drew three big cats on paper and blindfolded some of us and had us fill in the extra bits such as legs, eyes, noses etc. there were lots of laughs then we all received chocolates for our achievements. On Tuesday we headed to Cobram like a line of caterpillars. But a couple of us stopped at Finley for a look around and a cuppa then on our way. The caravan park was excellent with drive throughs and a nice lunch room. Ellie and I were down the street, she said look at the smoke, it wasn't, it was dust and

by the time we headed home it was pouring rain. The next morning it was all gone and the park managers put on a beautiful breakfast for us. After that some of us went shopping then came back for happy hour. That night some of us went on the community bus to the hotel for awhile. Thursday morning was fine when we left but the further we went the more rain we got. When we reached the lake Waranga caravan park we were told not to feed the pet kangaroos but later some guy couldn't help himself and took a selfie. A person who is allergic to bees was in a park right next to a hive of them, lucky for them it was cooler weather. Friday we decided to have a meal in camp and Stella set the tables up like Christmas with table cloths, decorations, lollies and candles. We all brought a salad or sweet and the men cooked the meat it was very relaxing. We didn't have happy hour. The next morning we had a quick cuppa then we were on our way. On the left, on the way out of the park there was a paddock which looked like it was full of sheep but it wasn't it was full of kangaroos. We all had a really good time as usual and we hope you all voted on the way home.

See you all at the breakup

Noel and Eileen

### Terang Rally

Marion took charge and opened the rally, consisting of 7 vans. Noel and Graham made sure everything ran smoothly in the park. Overall the weather was fairly kind to us. Some energetic souls chose to do the 4.5km Lions Trail walk that took them around the edge of the huge, dry bed of Lake Terang. There were also historical sites on the walk. Hard to believe that with the early settlers of 1840 there was 40 feet of water in the lake. Today the town has chosen to keep the lake dry for recreational purposes, but in the future, hope to develop a wetlands area. A few members chose to have a day at the coast, Warrnambool or Port Fairy. Brian and I ventured only 2 kms. out of Terang to Noorat, the birth place and home of author Alan Marshall, who wrote 'I can jump puddles'. While here we visited the

Presbyterian Church, 1883, a memorial to Neil Black (1804-1880) an early pastoralist and colonial politician. On Saturday we all had a very good lunch and excellent service at the Wheat Sheaf Hotel 1902. At happy hour Marion and Brian entertained us with their very funny jokes. Elly spoiled us with her freshly baked Savoury, and jam scones. Bill Daniell was the lucky winner of the raffle. Marion closed the rally, wishing all a safe trip home.

A good time was had by all.

Cheers

Dru Parker

Meeting Dates 2018

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETINGS

Committee Meeting Dates 2018-2019 starting at 1-30 pm  
Alternating between Janice's (Nov 2018) & Barry and Stella's ( Feb 2019)

2019

11th February  
8th April  
3rd June  
12th August  
14th October  
11th November

25th February  
29th April  
24th June  
26th August  
28th October (AGM)  
25th November

Ballarat Van Expo 2019

The Great Outdoor and 4X4

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📅 Friday | 12th April, 2019 | ⌚ 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

📅 Saturday | 13th April, 2019 | ⌚ 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

📅 Sunday | 14th April, 2019 | ⌚ 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

📍 Ballarat Showgrounds | Cnr Creswick Rd & Howitt St, Ballarat

💰 Adults \$15 | Concessions \$12 | Children Under 16 Free

☎ 0468 370 975

## Rally Report

Hi Everyone,  
I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and good new year.  
Well we started off the 2019 year with a rally to Terang, there was only a few vans going as a lot were away over the Christmas break.

The rally committee has been busy getting the rallies organized for the coming year . I hope you all support and enjoy these rallies as it is getting harder to find parks we have not been to and to keep your costs at a minimum.

We have booked Merool again this year as

we had many requests to go back .  
The costs will be the same \$ 100.00 for 7 nights we will be needing payments for this.  
Check rally book for information.  
If you would like to go anywhere please let one of the rally committee members know and we will do our best to get you there .



Barry.



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Trevor Parkes



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