

BALLARAT CARAVAN CLUB INC.

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Rally Dates

October 2024

Portland Bay Holiday Park
186 Benitnick St, Portland
Date: 14/15/16/17/18/19 October
Ph: 1800 622 005
Cost: \$37.00 p/n
Closing Date: 2ndOctober

November 2024

Acacia Caravan Park
6 Acacia Ave. Ararat
Date: 14/15/16th November
Thurs to Sat 3 nights
Ph: 5352 2994
Cost: \$35.00 p/n
Closing Date: 1st November

Echuca Rally August 2024



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

OCTOBER 2024

To those members feeling unwell, I wish you a speedy recovery and to those who have celebrated or are celebrating a birthday or anniversary I hope your special day was/will be one to remember. To all those who have had sickness in the family we wish them a speedy recovery.

Condolences to Val and Family on the passing of Harry Graham Coulter

Financial Members

Please Note

The future of the Ballarat Caravan Club Inc. is in your hands.

For the Ballarat Caravan Club to keep operating we need to fill all the positions for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Two Committee Positions, Rally Co-Ordinator, Newsletter Editor, Webmaster.

Failing to get any of the **first four positions** filled the Ballarat Caravan Club may have to fold.

Any members who are not financial and wish to be heard, vote or hold a position will need to renew their membership prior to the commencement of the Annual Meeting on Monday 28th October 2024 commencing at 7.30pm.

The committee will be asking for members to organise Rallies, Christmas Break Up, Luncheon outings and New Years Day during 2025.

Please give this a thought as we cannot keep having the same members always putting up their hand. The time has come for other members to step in and let those members who continue to make these events happen, have a rest and be able to sit back and relax and enjoy these events for a change.

Kevin Doherty
President



RALLY COODINATORS ANNUAL REPORT 2024

The rallies for 2024 started off with a reasonable number of vans attending. June rally was very disappointing with only 2 vans going to this rally. We averaged around 8 vans per rally for the rest of the year. The first rallies for 2025 will be selected next week.

Another meeting will be held in the New Year to select the rest of the rallies for the year.

Bendigo have asked for a combined rally in April at Tocumwal (333 km .) need to know if members wish to go.

The rally to Moonambel was a great rally and enjoyed by all who attended, thanks to everyone who supplied food, wood and assisted in this rally.

Thanks to Brian and Steve for picking rallies

for all of you to enjoy. A special thanks to everyone who helped at all rallies, without your help these rallies would not be as good as they are.

The next rally for October is at Portland . The last rally for the year is at Ararat in November.

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO
BE CRAZY
TO CAMP WITH US
WE CAN TRAIN YOU**



Barry



**Echuca
Holiday Park Rally August 2024**

Our week at Echuca was lovely. There were 6 vans and we were lucky enough to have a driver take us and share a cabin which was very nice. We celebrated Steven's birthday. Some of the group went to the winery and chocolate shop.

We had morning and afternoon get togethers. Of course, there were visits to the Op Shops with plenty to look at and buy. Bill purchased some lovely little items for his garden. Believe it or not all the clothes stores had sales on and who can resist good sales?

Some of the group went to dinner at the Echuca Working Men's Club one night. Marion and Deb arranged for a BBQ lunch on Friday and Brian and Ian did a good job with the cooking. Thank you.

Pam, Wayne, Bill and myself were given a tour of the Uniting Church which was really

lovely, it was built in the 1800's.

The courtesy bus took us out and brought us home after we had the Carvery at the RSL. Most enjoyable meal.

It was nice to have Kevin back after his long trip around an extensive part of Australia. The raffle was won by Ian with 2nd prize to Kevin.

Great week and a happy time was had by all.

On a personal note – We would like to thank everyone who has offered assistance whilst Bill is not driving. Thank you very much. It is very difficult to ask for help when you are usually independent.

Noreen.



More photos from Echuca Rally



BCC bi - monthly lunches

July—Bunch of Grapes Hotel

Thank you to the 12 who attended the lunch, hope those who were not well and unable to attend are now feeling better. There was plenty of laughter and chatter. All enjoyed their lunch and had a good time.

September—Golf House Hotel

Thank you for all who attended this lunch, everyone had a great time, it must have been, as the noise that we made talking and laughing was heard from near and far.

There will be no Lunch in November as the Christmas Dinner is close in December.

Jennifer Parkes



**Moonambel Rec Reserve Rally
September 2024**

9 vans attended the rally at the Moonambel sports reserve where we had power but no water. The toilets and showers were good and cleaned daily.

Wednesday happy hour started off the activities and Barry was back from Queensland to declare the rally open. Our tent sides were erected to provide a wind break under the pavilion roof.

On Thursday Lucy from Summerfields Winery took us through the traditional method of wine making following which we enjoyed pizzas in their cafe also a little wine tasting.

Brian and Robyn brought darts and bow and arrows, after some practice

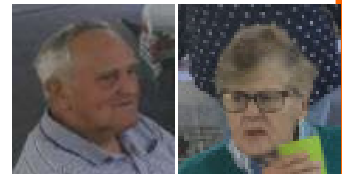
some games were played where Bill won the darts and Deb won the bow and arrows.

Friday night was barbeque night and for Saturday lunch a casserole and sweet menu was enjoyed by all.

Winners of the raffle were Ian 1st. Colin 2nd Robyn 3rd Bill 4th.

Thankyou to all those who provided meals and also the people who worked to make a most successful rally that everyone enjoyed.

John and Naomi Howard



 **CHRISTMAS DINNER.** 

The Christmas Dinner will be held at Ballarat North Sports Club.



Friday December 6th.

6 p.m

Meal to be served at 6.30.



3 course. \$26 per person.

Soup

3 meats and veg

Choice of Christmas pudding or Christmas pavlova.



Names to Stella 0429179405.

Payment if possible at October Meeting.

Last Chance to nominate

If we fail to fill all the major positions on the Committee,
the club may have to fold.

It's up to you!

Ballarat Caravan Club

Nomination Form for Committee Positions

Positions available: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor, Rally Co-ordinator, Web Master & 2 Ordinary Members

I wish to nominate: (Name) - _____

For the position of: _____

Nominator: (Name) _____

(Address) _____

Signature _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Secunder: (Name) _____

(Address) _____

Signature _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Nominee: (Name) _____

(Address) _____

I accept the nomination for the stated position, and I declare that I am a financial member of the Ballarat Caravan Club Inc. in accordance with the rules,

Signature _____

Phone _____ Date _____

NOTE: If you cannot attend the Annual General Meeting and wish to lodge a vote, please contact the Secretary on 0423 648 330 for a Proxy Ballot Form.

Committee Only

Date Received: _____ Secretary's signature _____



Moonambel Rally September 2024



**A Guest Speaker has been organized for our
November Meeting on
Monday 25th.**

The Guest Speaker will be **Dion Henderson** from the RoadSafe Central Highlands Caravan Safety Program.

- A Safe Towing Brochure.**
- An Education session on Safe Weights for Caravans and other towed vehicles.**
- A subsidy program for Caravaners who get their vehicle and Caravan weighed through the mobile weigh station partnership.**

The weighing of the vehicle and caravan subsidy meets about 60% of the cost of the exercise and report produced.

Kevin Doherty
President

Running a Rally

1. If you need to purchase food for rally or prizes for games/ Trivia please give receipts to the Treasurer for reimbursement.
2. Organise dinner Thur, or Sat. Night e.g.:-
3. BBQ everyone brings their own or YOU supply, maybe share Salads and Sweets, maybe half bring Salads and half bring Sweets.
4. Casseroles to share, maybe half bring Casseroles and half bring Sweets.
5. Eat out at a Hotel, Restaurant, Café, Club or Eat in and everyone purchase or bring their own meal and eat together.
6. None of the above. You might like to organize Breakfast, Lunch or something totally different. The Choice is yours.
- 6 Prior notice would be appreciated if BBQ, Casseroles, Salads and Sweets are required.
8. May organize activities Thursday night, Friday Morning/ Afternoon/Night or Free Time.
9. Keep your receipts and give them to the Treasurer for Reimbursement .
10. **REMEMBER DO NOT MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR YOURSELF, YOU ALSO HAVE TO ENJOY THE RALLY.**

SOMETIMES LESS IS BETTER.

Reminder that Subs are well past due.

\$35.00 Caravanners.

\$17.50 Non Caravanners.

Just a reminder to those Avan Owners in our club, the sponsor has a new Sales Executive and his details are below.

The Contact is:

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Meeting Dates 2024

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

GENERAL MEETINGS

Committee and General Meeting Dates

Committee Meetings at Marion's Home: 12 Miles Street, Sebastopol
Starting at 1-30 pm

General Meetings at RSL Hall, Cnr Beverin & Birdwood Sts, Sebastopol.
Starting at 7.30 pm

Committee

General

2024

9th October (Note change of date)
11th November

28th October
25th Nov

Luncheons There will not be a lunch in November 2024

A full version of the **model rules** is available on our web site at

www.ballaratcaravanclub.org.au

For your perusal.

To Access the Ballarat Caravan Club's Web page log on to:
www.ballaratcaravanclub.org.au

If you wish to have an item put onto the Web Page send it to:
admin@ballaratcaravanclub.org.au

Newsletter Editors Report.

If you have items to go into the newsletter please get them to me either by emailing them to:
trevorparkes1@bigpond.com or by normal post to **11 Kerry Way, Invermay Park. 3350**. Please submit articles at least 2 weeks before the meeting date due to proofreading and printing requirements, etc.

Trevor Parkes

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