

# GROPER'S GOSSIP

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## DWELLINGUP RALLY - 8-12 AUGUST, 2019

Thursday saw just four vans arrive – Fullerton/Nicoll, Bizzill, Lundy and Forbes. The weather was cool and cloudy, with just a few light showers during the afternoon. The setting at the Dwellingup Caravan Park is really lovely, with generous sites, all with a fire pit, and surrounded by tall trees which are illuminated at night. The campfire was lit for happy hour and enjoyed again after dinner.

The remaining vans arrived over Friday morning and afternoon – Kirby, Schell, Adams, Olesen, Haig and second time visitors Cindy and Barry Jordan. Also Elva stayed in one of the cabins close by. Two campfires were lit for



afternoon tea and happy hour where a brief summary of the weekend plans was given and the rally was opened. The plan was fairly flexible depending on weather and energy levels. Friday night we all enjoyed a taco dinner



followed by sweets in the camp kitchen. The game of charades that followed was very amusing with many trying to figure out exactly what the performers were trying to describe. A fun night which I am sure everyone enjoyed.



A

few made it to the morning walk at 8.30 am and a few more to tai chi at 9.30 am, but everyone turned up for morning tea. Several options were given for the day's activities with most people opting to do their own exploring, particularly to Lane Poole Reserve. The weather was cool but pleasant, with many of us chasing spots in the



sun to relax, read and chat. The popular vote was to have dinner at the Dwellingup Pub on Saturday night and we were all well looked after. Following dinner a group of 15 sat around the campfire and related stories of their childhood. For me, this was one of



the highlights of the weekend, learning new things about our fellow members. Most of the stories were short and often about just one particular incident, but all were really great to listen to. Thanks to all those who participated.



Tai chi was not quite so well attended on Sunday morning, and the rally was closed at morning tea. Ian and Margot won the caravan prize which was donated by Alan and Rheta. Six vehicles then set off on an adventure to Marrinup Falls where we were hoping for a nice picnic area where some could sit, while the others did the loop walk around the falls. Unfortunately, that was not possible; the gravel road was very narrow with several large puddles of muddy water and when we arrived there was parking for only three vehicles and nowhere to sit. We were unable to find any additional parking nearby so turned around and headed to the abandoned prisoner of war camp a bit further back along the track. We were all able to squeeze into the parking area and had a pleasant walk through the remains of the camp where up to the abandoned prisoner of war

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walk through the remains of the camp where up to 1200 men had been housed, mainly in the years following the war to help with rebuilding and food production.

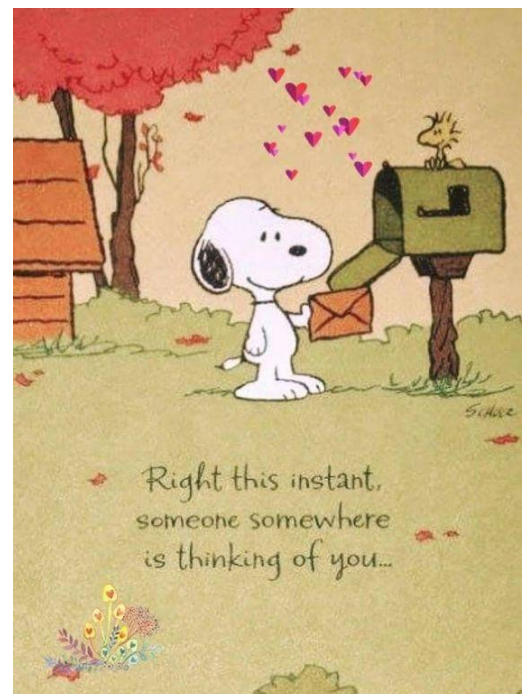
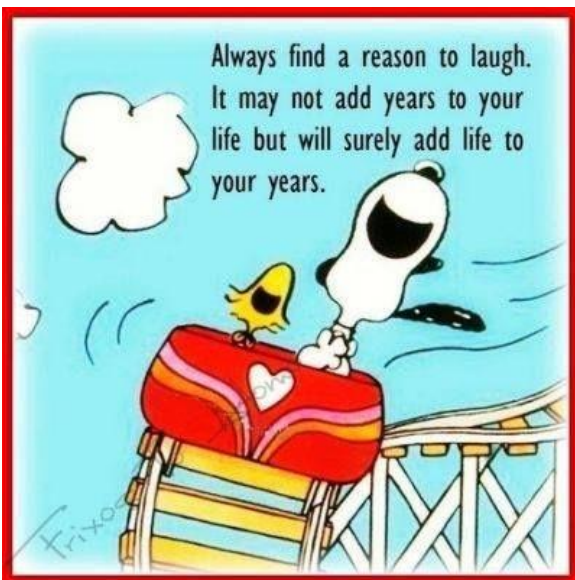


Apologies to Ian and Margot. As always Ian's car was perfectly clean and shiny before our adventure, but not quite so clean when we returned to camp. The Blue Wren Café in town was a popular spot for coffee and lunch. The afternoon was spent relaxing and chatting around the campfire.

Thanks to everyone for a very pleasant weekend – we enjoyed it, and hope everyone else did as well.

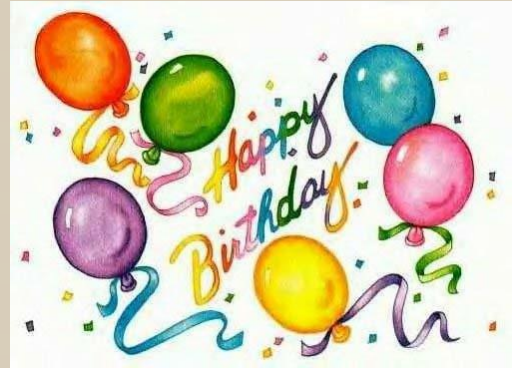
**Venue Officers: Brian and Helen Bizzill**

Those present were: Brian & Helen Bizzill, Roy & Maureen Lundy, Alan & Lynne Kirby, Kevin & Thelma Forbes, Kel & Glenda Olesen, Brian & Ronnie Adams, Ian Fullerton & Margot Nicol, Colin & Linda Haig, Jim & Helen Schell and Elva Littlely. Visitors Barry & Cindy Jordan



## AUGUST 2019

Alan Foote            8th  
 David Hiscock       17th  
 Kel Olesen            27th



## AUGUST 2019

Robin & Di Ashford      2nd August



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### ATTENDEES for Airport Caravan Park

Roy & Maureen Lundy	Helen & Jim Schell
Brian & Ronnie Adams	Alan & Lynne Kirby
Kel & Glenda Olesen	Haig Colin & Linda
Brian & Helen Bizzill	Foote Alan & June
Ian Fullerton & Margot Nicoll	Gough Graham & Clelia
Hiscock David & Paula	VISITORS:
Kent Graham & Cheryl	Cyndy & Barry Jordan
Neale Peter & Mary	
Young Chris & Di	

# SANDGROPER'S 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY RALLY

13-16 SEPTEMBER 2019

DISCOVERY PERTH AIRPORT CARAVAN PARK

186 HALE ROAD, FORRESTFIELD

## PROGRAM:

<b>Friday</b>	Arrive and settle in
5.00pm	Happy Hour and opening of the rally
6.30 pm	Communal barbecue dinner
<b>Saturday</b>	
9.30 am	Morning tea
10.00 am	Annual General Meeting
12.30 pm	Anniversary Lunch at Hillview Golf Club 350 Kalamunda Road, High Wycombe
5.00 pm	Happy Hour
<b>Sunday</b>	
10.00	Morning tea and closing of the rally

## UPCOMING RALLIES

**September 12th – 15TH      AIRPORT CARAVAN PARK**

Hale Road Forestville

**SAT 14th      ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING at 10.00 am**

**SAT 14TH      20th BIRTHDAY LUNCH    12.30 pm**

**At HILLVIEW GOLF CLUB**

350 Kalamunda Road

High Wycombe

**October 14th–22nd    NATIONAL RALLY**

**ALBANY**

## THE SANDGROPER'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held

At 10.00 am

On Saturday 14th September 2019

At

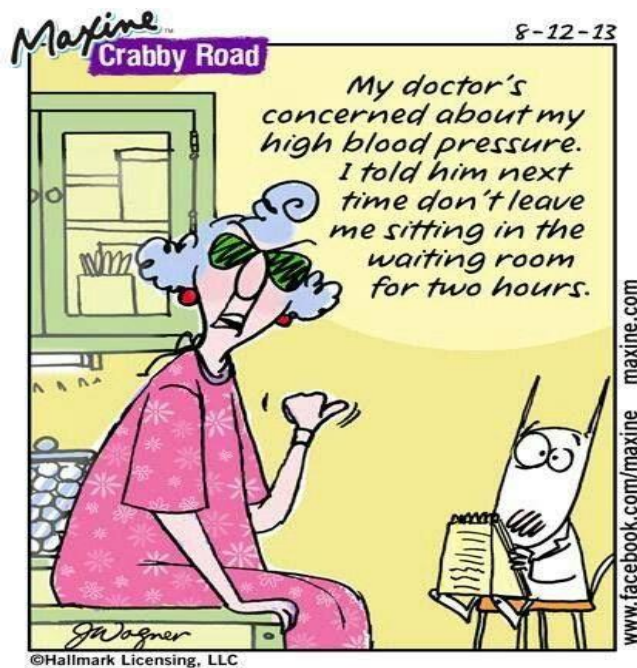
Discovery Parks-Perth Airport Caravan Park

186 Hale Road

FORRESTFIELD

All committee positions are open and a Nomination Form is attached to the Gossip. Please give serious thought to nominating for a position. Completed forms should be given or sent to David Hiscock (President) or Di Young Secretary.

The Sandgroper's 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Lunch will be held at 12.30 pm at Hillview Golf Club on the same day



**SANDGROPER CARAVANNERS INC.**  
**NOMINATION FOR COMMITTEE FORM**

Date: .....

A. I .....,

as the Nominator hereby nominate

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for the position of .....

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Print Name: .....

B. I .....

as the Nominee and not being excluded by the Rules of this Association, in accord with Part 4 Div. 1 Section 39 of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015, acknowledge my compliance with this Rule by ticking this box

Accept this nomination .

Signed: ..... Date: .....

Print Name: .....

Received by the Secretary ..... Date: .....

ACTION: .....