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BACK TO NATURE RALLY

18th– 21st October 2018

The first at the rally was Elva, who arrived Monday, a real early bird. Thursday was when most of the members arrived with the weather being rather nasty with lots of heavy showers to dodge while setting up. Harry the owner was very particular which way we all parked so arrival was organized well. Friday the final few vans arrived. The total being 14 vans. The weather being so much improved.

David opened the rally at 5 o'clock with a sausage sizzle to follow. To top the evening meal off Jim supplied a delicious cake to celebrate Helens 70th birthday, which was officially on Sunday the 21st Oct. A game of card bingo finished the evening off. Saturday was another pleasant day weather wise. The morning was spent by a walk, Tia Chi and free time for generally catching up.



After lunch mini golf was enjoyed by the majority of the members with the overall winner being Ian Fullerton. Congratulations Ian. Rheta tried to kill off a few gold fish with her ball landing in the fish pond. Alan rescued her ball so she could continue with her game. A Devonshire tea, ice cream or both at the coffee shop was enjoyed before returning to the caravan park.



Left right and centre was played at happy hour with Jim winning the kitty. After dinner we gathered for a game of 30s. Two tables were set up. Maureen being the winner of one after snatching the lead from Elva at the last minute. The other table was won by Glenda and the 2nd game by Rheta. Sunday morning the rally was closed by David.

The caravan rally prize was won by June and Allan and donated by Kevin and Thelma.

14 vans attended the rally with 8 vans staying an extra day.

Those attending were Brian & Helen Bizzill, Elva Littlely, Ian Fullerton & Margot Nicoll, Alan & Rheta Parkinson, Roy & Maureen Lundy, Jim & Helen Schell, David & Paula Hiscock, Peter & Mary Neale, Jerry & Debra Curchin, Kevin & Thelma Forbes, Alan & June Foote, Chris & Di Young, Kel & Glenda Olesen, Alan & Lynne Kirby.

Report by Maureen Lundy.

**The police just pulled me over
and said, "Papers?"**

**I said, "Scissors, I win!" and
drove off.**

**I think he wants a rematch - he's
been chasing me for 45 minutes!**



**The older I get
the more I realize I don't
want to be around
drama, conflict and
stress. I want a
cozy home, good
food, and to be
surrounded by
HAPPY PEOPLE...**





PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dear fellow Sandgroppers,

I hope you are all well and preparing yourself for the upcoming festive season regardless of your denomination. Where has the year gone? We are in to November already and before we know it 2019 will be upon us. Due to work and personal commitments I find myself away more than at home for the remainder of the year, and to that this might be my last word for the year.

As I reflect on the year that is, it has been one filled with many wonderful caravanning memories, the welcoming of new members to the Club and of a new Committee. On a sadder note we also saw some of our long standing and not so long standing members resign from the Club for a variety of different reasons.

I am encouraged by the chatter that is about the Club, especially with regard to the type and location of future rallies, and after a chat with the two Ian's over the past couple of weeks we are starting to see shoots of these conversations being explored. We have a big year ahead especially with the 20th anniversary of the Club and the National Rally as well as the drafting of the new Club Constitution to be completed by mid year.

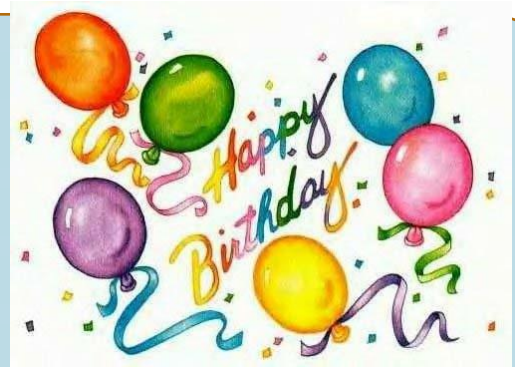
We wish good luck to Kevin Forbes who has nominated to be Chairman of WAACCI, you'll make a great Chairman with your "can do" attitude. For those on the National Rally Committee and our WAACCI delegates, again a big thank you for your above & beyond contribution. To all our members, if I don't speak to you or see you before Christmas, enjoy the upcoming Christmas rally in Cervantes (remember to bring a Christmas tree and decorate your van, prizes available for best night display and best daytime display), have a safe & happy Christmas & New Year and we look forward to seeing you at the club picnic in January.

Stay well, stay safe and enjoy caravanning..

David Hiscock
President - Sandgroper Caravanners Inc.

October 2018

Arthur Littlely 9th
 Ronnie Adams 10th
 Roy Lundy 10th
 Gerry Kerrigan 10th
 Helen Schell 21st



October 2018

David & Paula Hiscock 10th
 Peter & Mary Neale 18th
 Roy & Maureen Lundy 20th



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ATTENDEES for CERVANTEES

Brian & Helen Bizzill	Graham & Clelia Gough
Frank & Jan Alilovic	Kel & Glenda Olesen
Ian & Beth Moore	Brian & Ronnie Adams
	Lengkeek Bob & Diana
Alan & June Foote	Robin & Di Ashford
Kevin & Thelma Forbes	Peter & Mary Neale
Roy & Maureen Lundy	Alan & Lynne Kirby
Jerry & Debra Curchin	Kent Graham & Cheryl
Peter & Margaret Celenza	Alan & Rheta Parkinson
Ian Fullerton & Margot Nicoll	Doris Friend



PROGRAM FOR SANDGROPER 2018 CHRISTMAS RALLY – CERVANTES

Thursday, 29 November

Arrive and settle in

Friday, 30 November

Free day See list of things to do and see around Cervantes

3.00 pm Committee meeting

Saturday, 1 December

8.30 am Morning walk

9.30 am Tai Chi class with Brian

10.00 am Morning tea

Decorate your van for judging in the late afternoon and evening

Prizes for the best day and night vans

2.00 pm Father Christmas arrives to distribute presents to everyone

Each van to supply one gift to a value of up to \$20

3.00 pm Afternoon tea with Christmas delicacies supplied

5.00 pm Happy hour

6.00 pm Make your way to Cervantes Country Club, 14 Aragon Street,

Cervantes (within walking distance) for a pre-dinner drink

6.30 pm Our Christmas buffet dinner will be served – hot roast meats with
vegetables and salad, plus dessert – cost \$40 per head

Drinks available at the bar

Sunday, 2 December

10.00 Morning tea and closing of the rally.

Prizes will be awarded for the best day and best night van

**Merry
Christmas**



Thank You

I would sincerely like to thank Ron Halse, Jim & Helen, Mary & Peter, Brian & Ronnie, Brian & Helen and Alan & Rheta for their kind support at the recent farewell service for Colin. His battle is over now but he will be forever in my thoughts.

Doris

Am I getting to that age?

- I found this timely, because today I was in a store that sells sunglasses, and only sunglasses. A young lady walked over to me and asked, "What brings you in today? I looked at her and said, "I'm interested in buying a refrigerator." She didn't quite know how to respond.
- Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, "An ambulance ."
- The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.
- The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.
- Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.
- Some people try to turn back their "odometers." Not me. I want people to know **why** I look this way. I've traveled a long way and a lot of the roads were not paved.
- You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.
- Ah! Being young is beautiful but being old is comfortable.
- Lord, keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.

And lastly, may you always have:•

Love to share,• Cash to spare, • And friends who do care.