
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE APRIL 2023

Thanks to Ray Gardner for once again a great rally at Gilgandra. It was good to catch up with Ann and Tony, as our guests, who were the hosts at their property at our last rally at Gilgandra.

Caught up with Col Every recently for lunch and he sent his regards to all the members and looks forward to catching up some time in the future.

Joy and I will be travelling for the next three months but I will have my laptop with me in case you want to keep in touch. May not be able to get back to you straight away if I don't have wi-fi access.

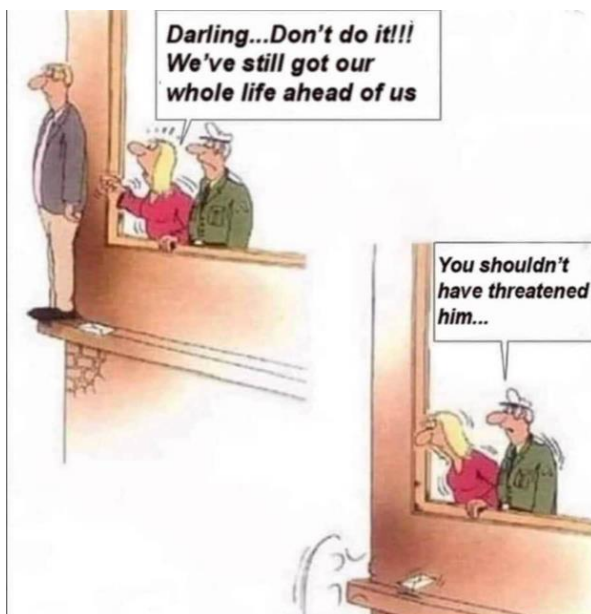
A reminder that details of the 19th National Rally at Mudgee in 2025 is on the website (19th National Caravan Rally.com.au) and a newsletter will be produced shortly.

Registration for the State Rally at Clarendon from 30 September 2023 to 2 October 2023 is still open. Details on Association web site (NSW Association of Caravan Clubs.com.au under State Rallies)

Hope to catch up with you in September at our Mudgee Rally.

Until then...carry on caravanning.

Neville Henderson OAM JP



GILGANDRA

Rally Wrap Up - April 26 – May 3rd 2023

Gilgandra Rally - Attendees

Lorraine & Terry Bain	Carline & Ernie Ross	Joy & Neville Henderson
Ray Gardner	Chris & Ian Barley and Ralph	Lyn & Michael Robinson
Judy & Greg Cavanagh	Wyn & Peter Lowe	Liane & David Dijan and Narla
Dorothy & Robins Wells	Karen & Kevin Hurley	Day Visitor: Anne Hall and Tony

Gilgandra is famous for the number of windmills, some 360 were dotted across the landscape to tap into the underground water. In 1966 this changed to central water being supplied.

Gilgandra often called "Gil" is well known for the Coo-ee walk, in 1915 25 men left Gil to walk to Sydney for recruits for World War I. This walk was over 545 kilometres, when they reached Sydney there were 263 Men walking.

There is a great walk (along the river) from Town to the Cooee Centre (information centre) which is just under two kilometres. This walk highlights a number of windmills all painted different colours, each having their own sign which gives a brief history on each windmill.

Gilgandra is the cross roads of three highways, Newel, Castlereagh and Oxley. This helps explain the number of trucks which pass through the town.

Gilgandra has a population of 4295 people. Castlereagh River is sometimes called the Upside Down River as most of the water flows under the sand. Gil is also the gateway to the Warrumbungle National Park.

We had 11 vehicles attend the get together with most arriving on Monday 24th April prior to Anzac Day. This get together seemed to run Monday to Sunday as seven vehicles left by the following Monday.



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Thursday started off with morning tea at 10.00am with Judy and Greg handing out a list of trivia questions to everyone with the answers discussed at Happy Hour. Lunch was at the Services Club, we had a great meal and of course there was great company as well! Happy Hour involved a game of disc bowls.



Friday started off at morning tea with Lyn and Chris handing out more Trivia Questions. These seems easier than the day before with answers at happy hour. We had two guests for morning tea with Ann and Tony, most people will remember then when Paul and Helen were hosts the last time in Gilgandra. The Jayco group all enjoyed morning tea and lunch at their farm which is situated 12 kilometres from Gilgandra on the road to Warren. Morning tea was great thanks to Liane. Dorothy and Robyn organised a competition of disc bowls with six ladies taking on six men. The men won by a small margin, words from the bookie was who won will have to cook the BBQ! About 1pm we all enjoyed our Sausage Sizzle.



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Saturday was show day, with plenty of rain all day. There were free camel rides, side show alley, lawn mower racing and fireworks. We watched some racing were the drivers started out with their brightly coloured vests and within one lap they were covered in mud.

Sunday I was up early to the newsagents for coffee and the Sunday papers. Most of the people I spoke to about the rain on show day all told me they need the rain and will bring more dollars to the town in the next three or four months.



Sunday's morning tea we had no trivia but we had two models thanks to Mick and Wyn. Everyone was given a ticket and had to draw an ear, mouth or hair on the large sheet of paper so we could capture the real looks of our models. As your number was called you were told to draw one item only, the results were great!

Lunch was at the Sports Club for Chinese. After lunch Tony and Anne arranged an "Old Time Dance" for those that wanted to attend. One young lady was only 11 years old and there with her Grandmother. A good time was had by all and all money raised went to support the Cancer Council.

Monday/Tuesday we only had four vehicles left but being the 1st of May, the park lit the firepit which was great for happy hour, drinks and chats around the fire.

Special thanks to Liane, she is a **5 STAR** in the way she takes the photos and puts our week together in a short video with music for everyone to see!

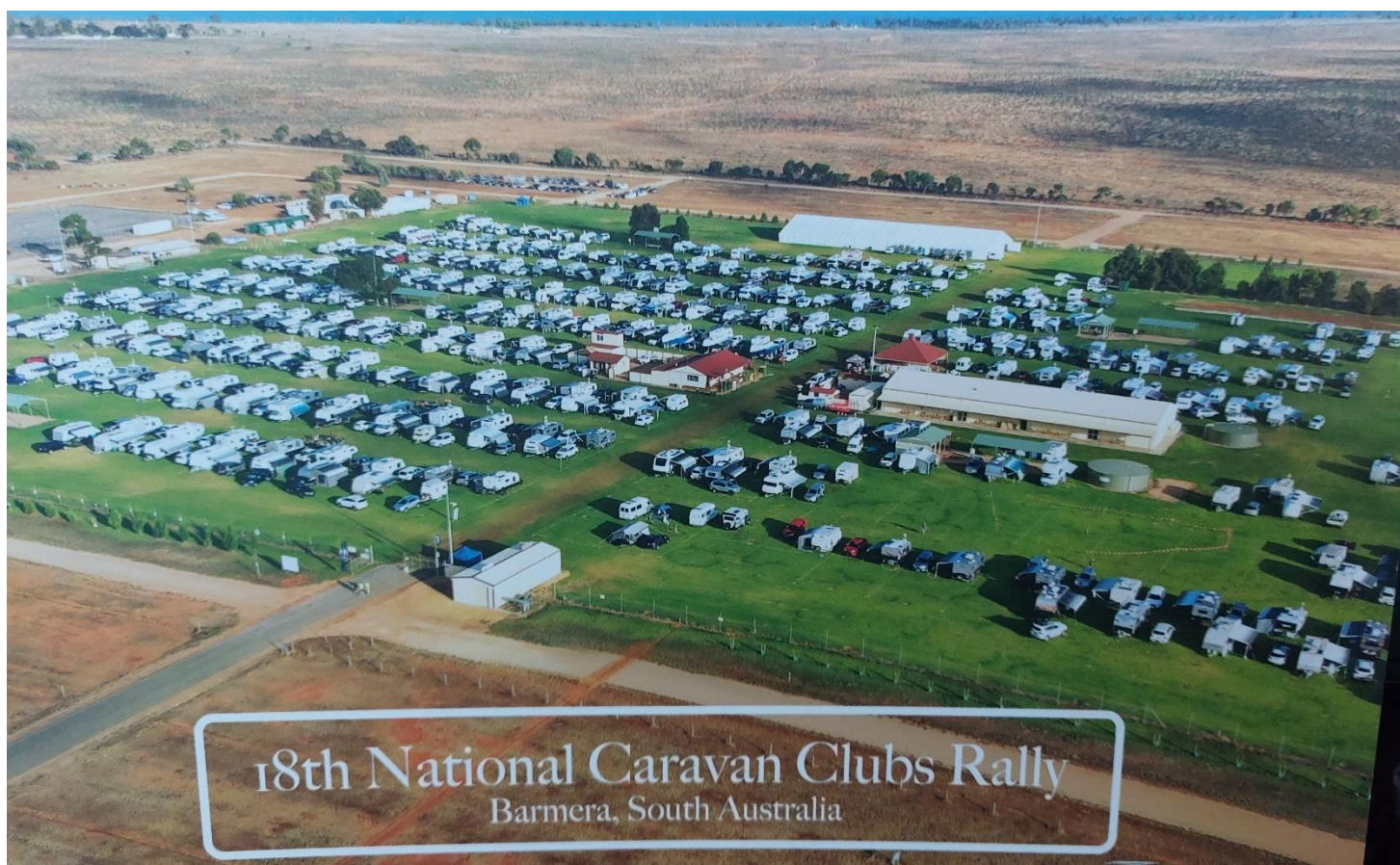


SAFE TRAVELS TO THE NEXT TIME AT BERRY!

RAY

18th National Rally Barmera S.A.

27th March - 5th April, 2023.



Helen and I had a wonderful time at the National Rally. We suspect that NSW has a challenge in front of them as the South Australian Organising Committee did a fantastic job. The venue was terrific with water, power, disabled facilities and lush green grass everywhere. 69 clubs were represented with a total of 343 vans in attendance. Helen and I enjoyed the company of our street captains Margaret and Graham Shilton. They assisted in organising street happy hours, morning teas, whole street breakfasts, as well as keeping everyone informed of the day's activities and the distribution of the daily rally newsletter and generally assisting with any enquiries.

Margaret was also the co-ordinator of the donated crafts for charity. Thanks to Wynette for her lovely donation of a blanket and to Helen for her donation of jumpers, ponchos, and beanies. The quantity donated was fantastic.

There was a wide range of activities available, and I was able to join in a bowling activity at Barmera Bowling Club with their members as well as those interested from the rally. 40 rally participants also visited the local men's shed for the morning. Helen and I competed in the Rally Limpisc where Paul picked up a silver medal for the bean bag toss. The entertainment each evening was excellent.

Many attendees explored the surrounding district which contained many wineries and eateries. The weather was kind with only one day of light showers. Mostly sunny days and crisp evenings.

The rally came to its conclusion on the final evening with a fully catered meal, entertainment, and the handing over to the 19th National Rally Committee of NSW. Destination will be Mudgee!!

On our return journey home we stayed over at Balranald, a week in Griffith, Cootamundra and Gunning. We were away from home for some 6 weeks and managed to clock up a further 3,300 klm. We had a very exciting trip and we look forward to our next trip away

RALLIES

REMINDER ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Annual subscriptions are due and become payable by **May 31 2023**.

Payment of \$40 in cash or direct deposit to the following bank account.

Jayco Club of NSW Inc Westpac Dapto BSB: 032 686 Account #: 146093

Please ensure that you put your name in the appropriate area of the transaction, so we know who has sent us the funds.

Joy (Treasurer) hendosnj@bigpond.net.au

UPCOMING RALLIES

BERRY May 31 - 7 June	Berry Showground 35 Alexandra St BERRY 2535 Bookings online	Host Required	Bookings done Online at Shoalhaven.bookable.net.au \$133.00 pw	Market Sunday Pet Friendly
NORTH HAVEN July 12 - 19	North Haven Caravan Park 109 The Parade, NORTH HAVEN 2443 Tel: 6559 9193 Belinda	Bob & Liz Beesley	\$46 pn	Enclosed Camp Kitchen for Christmas in July Senior discount book 7 discount Pet friendly
ORANGE August 16 - 23	Colour City Caravan Park 203 Margaret St ORANGE 2800 Tel: 63938980	Greg & Judi Cavanagh	\$33 pn at moment	Pet friendly
MUDGEE September 20 - 27	Big 4 Mudgee Holiday Park 71 Lions Road, MUDGEE Tel: 6372 1090	Frank & Chris Peterson	\$287.10pw less 10%	Food & Wine Festival Pet Friendly

Reminder: when you book your site at a Rally, **please** let the Rally Host know so they know who to expect for organisation.

Joy

FOR SALE

Anyone interested in a Caravan Diesel Heater, discount price (never installed, still in box), Fold up chairs, Step, Tables etc. Please contact Rhonda MOUSLEY

Welfare

There have been no welfare issues reported this month. Stay well and safe over the Easter period.

For issues concerning the welfare of members and their families please contact:

Wynette Lowe

Happy Birthday wishes to our young members



May	Bob Purcell (1st); Steve Bigeni (7th); Neville Henderson (19th); Wynette Lowe (25th);
June	Robin Wells (1st); Dean Ritossa (6th); Helen Anderson (8th); Chris Bailey (10th);

Note: Committee Members & Members could you please forward your reports & anything else you would like to have in the Club Newsletter by the 20th of each month.

Greg Cavanagh
Newsletter Editor

2022/2023 Committee Members:

President - Neville Henderson

Vice President - Colin Every

Secretary - Liane Dijan

Treasurer - Joy Henderson

Rally Co-Ordinator - Joy Henderson

Newsletter Editor - Greg Cavanagh

Web Master - Lorraine Barrett

Committee Members - Mick Robinson, Ian Bailey, Robert Beesley, Shaun Bowers, Greg Cavanagh and Paul Anderson

Association Delegates - Robert Beesley, Colin Every

Welfare Officer - Wynette Lowe

Club Merchandise

The following endorsed merchandise is available through Lorraine or Terry Bain

Monte Carlo Shirts (white or blue) Biz Cool (Summer National State Rally)

Ladies 8-24 Men's S-5XL \$36.00

Poly Fleece Jackets Navy \$58.00

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