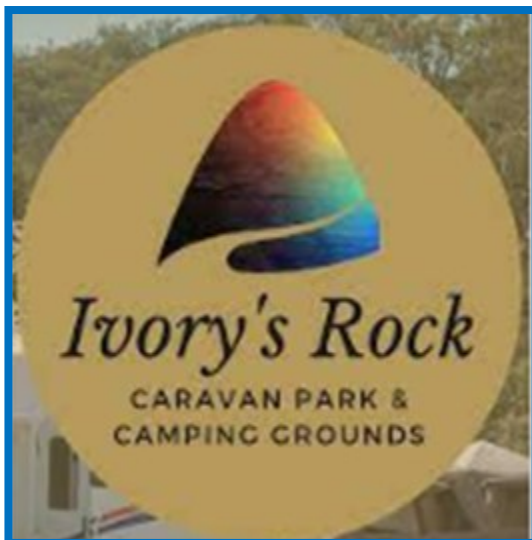


Peninsula Caravan Club Inc.

MAY 2022 NEWSLETTER



Ivory's Rock Camping Grounds

15- 21 June 2022

310 Mount Flinders Rd, Peak Crossing
Phone: 0475 265 497

Reminder—Camp Oven Damper Competition in June
Full details inside this newsletter

Location

Ivory's Rock is located 20 minutes from Ipswich and 45 minutes south west of Brisbane or an hour's expressway drive from Brisbane International/Domestic Airport.

Travelling from Brisbane

Take the Ipswich Highway (15) to Goodna and then the Cunningham Highway (15) towards Warwick and Amberley. After 15kms, take the Boonah exit and turn left on the Boonah-Ipswich road to Boonah. Mt Flinders Road is about 13kms on the left; Ivory's Rock is about 3.5kms down this road.

Travelling from the South

Ivory's Rock is a 90 minute drive from the Gold Coast taking the Logan Motorway. From the Pacific Highway take the Logan Motorway (north of Beenleigh) towards Ipswich. Continue towards Ipswich until the motorway joins the Ipswich Motorway at Gailes, and then follow the directions as if travelling from Brisbane.

Things to do:

- Harrisville has a Historical Museum.
- Kalbar we visited in April, plenty to see and do
- Bush walking in Flinders-Goodman Conservation Estate access via Mt Flinders Rd Peak Crossing has a wide range of trails
- Peak's Crossing pub known as the 'Peak Pub' has meals., etc.

Rally Co-ordinators Report continued...

Our memories of this Stanthorpe Rally involve cold, rain, mist, cold, slush etc. You'd be forgiven for thinking, given that introduction, that it was a wipe-out. Happily, that definitely wasn't the case despite the stated rain and cold! As always, we found ways to have fun together and were very grateful to the committee for paying for the use of the Tea Pavilion for the three days. This was a large, enclosed space which hosted all the Happy Hours, several morning teas and the great Saturday activity.

Eight vans arrived on Wednesday, seven on Thursday and the remainder on Friday. The Stanthorpe Showgrounds kindly organised a good market in their big shed and many of us enjoyed that.

On Monday, seven vans departed on the Tagalong organised by Barb R and Les. This went really well particularly when we hit the sunshine and warmer temperatures very quickly! Despite some illness and car trouble, we all enjoyed each other's company as well as the tours and areas we visited.



Important notes for Ivory's Rock in June:

- There is **no individual connection to water taps**. Water is available from a central point for people to access for drinking etc, however you do need to basically **"bring your own water"**.
- Campers are asked to **bring firewood** as we can have open fires in a communal fire pit which will be used for the planned Saturday Activity.
- Individual **braziers** are also allowed.
- If you haven't already noted your attendance on the rally sheet, could you please respond as soon as possible to Bernie. In these busy caravanning times, the venue always appreciates early confirmation of numbers.
- Gazebos are not required.

From your Rally Co-ordinators
Darryl and Bernie

Birthdays for June

Happy Birthday to Helen H, Ted, Gayle, Barbara Ro, Nicole, Eric and Dave B



Anniversaries for June



Congratulations to Derek & Ann, Debbie & Dave, Nicole & Peter and Noel & Yvonne

Reminders

Members are expected to wear their Club Shirts at "Official" Club gatherings and any other designated Club Activities, gatherings or functions as stated by the Committee.

Only the officially sanctioned shirt is acceptable as stated by the Committee.

Saturday is official Club rally day (Club shirt day)

President's Report



Just because the weather wasn't the greatest doesn't mean we didn't enjoy a good time. Our dinner at the RSL on Friday night was very enjoyable after which we headed to the shed to play some cards and other games. The Saturday morning drive was cancelled due to the weather but we had a lot of fun with some new activities in the afternoon. Congratulations to Dave & Debbie as well as Dave & Doreen for coming up with these exciting games. After dinner some of us returned to the shed for more cards etc.

On Friday the weather turned wet, windy, cold and unpleasant. What a grand decision it was to pay the \$50 per day for the use of the shed on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. We had purchased a 5-fin oil heater from Big W to take to Stanthorpe. We turned it on Thursday night and switched it off on Monday morning when disconnecting the power.

The Sunday Markets in the large shed were popular with many of us making purchases.

A big thank you to the ladies who put together the High Tea on Sunday with a fabulous selection of cakes and biscuits – well done ladies. Not that I saw too many drinking tea.

A big thank you also to Rod for his Mulled Wine. There was a steady stream of eager wine drinkers to taste his concoction with none left at the end of the day.

We will be missing from the next rally at Ivory's Rock as we are headed to Sydney for the 21st Birthday of one of our Granddaughters. Hope you all have a good time and enjoy sampling the camp oven cooking.

Neil Wagstaff

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2022

June



Ivory's Rock
Camping

July



Blackbutt
Showgrounds

August



Rocky Creek
Scout Camp
(Landsborough)

September



Laidley
Showgrounds

October



Samford
Showground

November

Big 4 Maroochy --
River Caravan
Park

December

Christmas Luncheon

*denotes Dog
Friendly*



Secretary's Report



We had 17 RV's and 1 day visitor couple attend our May rally at Stanthorpe Showgrounds and did they loosen the purse strings with \$10,884 being injected into the local economy.

Members would remember that when joining the club, you nominated an 'In Case of Emergency' (I.C.E.) contact which is normally a relative or friend. I will shortly send out your I.C.E. contact details so that you can confirm they are current or need updating.

The committee is nearing the completion of the review of the clubs Constitution & By-Laws and intend to hold a special zoom meeting on the 8th June to finalise the various proposed changes. If you have anything you believe should be reviewed, please contact the committee via the club email account.

A full list of the proposed changes will be sent to the membership prior to being presented at a future General Meeting for approval.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next rally at Ivory's Rock.

John Hunter

Treasurer's Report



The Club is now in a strong position financially and we have certainly made some savings over the past months with not having to pay expensive hall rental fees on our rallies. Our Stanthorpe rally hall costs were only \$50 per day and with the extremely cold weather we had there, the use of the hall was certainly needed. The wind was icy cold and the comfort of the hall was certainly appreciated. Our raffle was once again well supported by all the club members. Thanks to Derek and Ann we made \$90.

Barbara Richardson



Constitution and By-Laws

Members are reminded of the following PCCI Constitution section 28 By-Laws:

The management committee may recommend making, amending or repealing by-laws, not inconsistent with these rules, for the internal management of the association, which would then be decided by a vote of the members at a general meeting of the association.

RAFFLE ROSTER

June: Dave and Andy
July: Les and Bernie
August: Eric and Bev

ACTIVITY ROSTER & REPORTERS

June: Darryl & Barb with Noel & Yvonne
July: Paul & Vickie
August: Mick & Faye and Rick & Helen

If you are unable to attend your nominated rally, please get in touch with the next member on any of these two lists. Should you be unable to find a replacement from these lists, please contact our Vice President, Les.

Medical Information

Ipswich Hospital,
Chelmsford Avenue, Ipswich
Phone: 07 3810 1111

Gossip Line

- Who borrowed a battery operated chainsaw from another members, carried it 100m or so, only to realise he forgot to grab the battery?
- Who knocked over a temporary fence rather than use the gate?
- Who couldn't hold their red wine at the RSL on Friday night?
- Who whinged AGAIN about the loose interpretation of the rules?

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Information for the June Camp Oven Damper Competition

The June Activity at Ivory's Rock is a "Camp Oven Damper" competition hosted by Noel & Yvonne and Darryl & Barbara. Just a few things to note....



To register for the competition see Noel or Darryl on or before Saturday.

1. For those who do not have a camp oven do not despair as a few members have indicated that they have a spare one or two that they are willing to loan out on the day. See Noel or Darryl and they'll point you in the right direction.
2. You can start cooking whenever you like on the day however our 4 judges will not start sampling until 5.00pm and the winner will be announced just before dinner commences at 5.30pm.
3. Dinner will be under the covered area. Please BYO tables, chairs, plates, cutlery, butter and/or condiments. Yvonne & Barbara (gloves, knives & tongs) at the ready, will serve you pieces of any damper you wish to sample. Participants can claim any leftover dampers at the end of evening.
4. **Dinner is not part of the activity, merely a way for us all to enjoy each others company so feel free to bring your own choice of dinner. If you wish you can share but sharing is not compulsory. It's whatever you feel comfortable doing.**
5. Can everybody please bring **some firewood**.
6. And lastly, in case of inclement weather we do have Plan B ready to go so just put on your happy face and enjoy the day.

Noel, Yvonne, Darryl and Barb

Hi all - Bombshell Announcement!

I'm pleased to let you all know that I, Riccardo 'Oliver' will once again produce my eye watering, mouth watering, delicious Cannonball Damper. Thanks to my friends Yvonne and Noel allowing me to reproduce my masterpiece so new members will have the chance to droll over my creation .

I think my creation this time will be explosive.

Cheers Rick



Friday Night 's Dinner at the RSL



Friday night's dinner was well attended by club members - a welcome retreat from the cold and wind and a lovely warm meal to comfort us



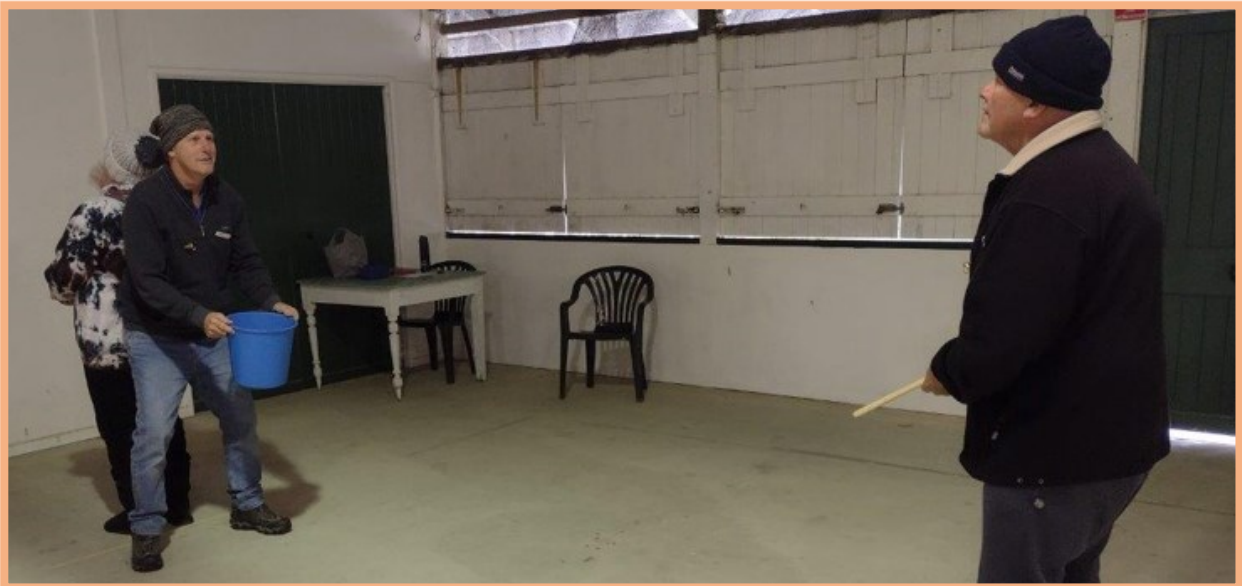
Saturday's Activity Report from Stanthorpe

Hosts: Dave & Deb and Dave & Doreen

'Ball Games'

The activity for this rally consisted of 3 separate Ball Games with the intended purpose of challenging the team building skills of our members. (There were 5 teams consisting of 6 players in each team).

The first game of 'Bat & Catch' required 2 members to stand back to back with one person throwing the ball over their head backwards, to be hit with a bat by a 3rd person for the second person to catch in a bucket. This game was won by the Blue team.



The second game was the 'Rope Ball' challenge, where 2 players held 2 lengths of rope while the third player placed a tennis ball on the rope to balance and roll along the ropes and then drop into a bucket. This game resulted in a tied finish between the Red and Purple team.



Game 3 Balloon Shuffle

The last and most frantic game of 'Balloon Shuffle' was the most controversial. This game required all six players to hold a balloon between their bodies and walk a course without touching or dropping the balloon. Two teams were disqualified for 'cheating' by holding the balloon with their hands and not their body. The Purple team was declared the winner of this challenge.



Please click on the link below for a short video of the 'balloon shuffle'

[Balloon Shuffle](#)

The scores were combined for all three games and the overall winning team was the Purple team. If nothing else was achieved, we kept warm on a cold rainy day and shared lots of fun and laughter.



The Purple team was declared the winner of this challenge. They were: Dave S, Noel, Helen H, Wally, Trevor and Carol with organisers Dave B, Doreen and Debbie.



**Happy Birthday to
Debbie, Yvonne and Derek for May**



**Celebrating their Anniversary were happy
couple Andy and Dave**



**Derek and Ann presented Raffle winner
Carol with her prize**

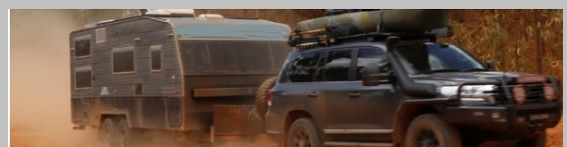


**Rod mixing his very popular concoction of
mulled wine - very studiously!**

Tag-along

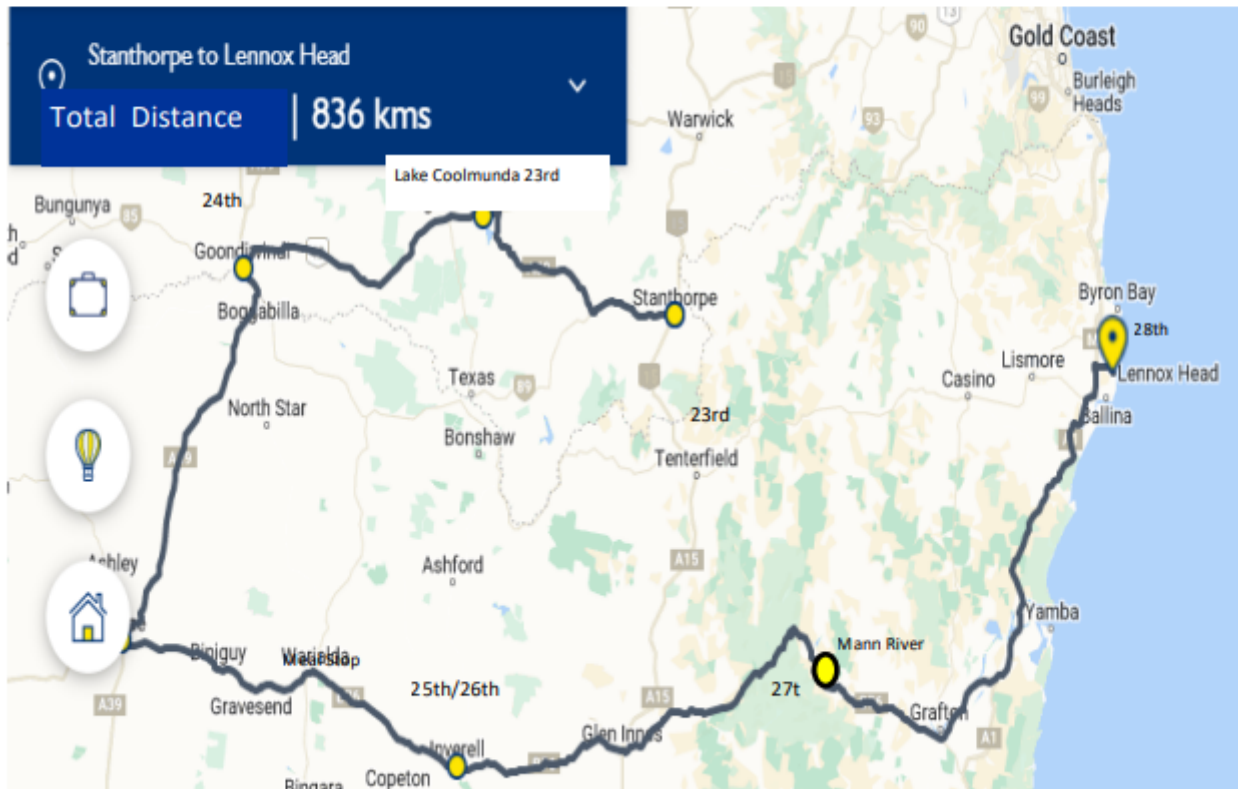
Many of you may have noticed that eight vans left together after the Stanthorpe rally and ventured on a tag-along for a week from Stanthorpe then west, through upper NSW and east to Lennox Heads before returning home.

Barbara Ri. has kindly put together the following pages for our viewing pleasure. A lot of time and dedication was put into this presentation (from the poem to the photos and information). We hope you enjoy reading all about it.



TAG ALONG TRIP 23rd –29th May 2022

**From STANTHORPE to GOONDIWINDI
back through MOREE to INVERELL
then onto MANN RIVER then LENNOX HEADS
then amble back from Lennox Heads at your own pace**



Those who went were:

John and Helen

Dave and Andy

Derek and Anne

Wally and Lynda - left at Inverell

Barrie and Barbara

Les and Bernie

Vicki and Paul

Mark & Diana left at Goondi

This was not an official club event but consisted of 8 members joining together for a 7 day trip around South West Qld and Northern NSW

THE GOONDI TAG-ALONG

It was on a Monday Morning that we left the Stanthorpe meet
There were eight vans in the line as we drove off down the street
The Tag Along had started, it was going to be fun
We were all just quite excited, for the trip that had begun.

Our first stop was Lake Coolmunda on the grass beside a tree
Then that arvo we toured the Olive Farm that served afternoon tea
Next day we passed the painted silos at Yelarbon on our way to Goondi town
Time was short to see it all and have a look around.

With a pick up in the Mini Van for the Cotton Tour to go
Followed by a cuppa and a damper - more food for us you know
It is here we had 1 van leave us - it was Mark and Di
They are travelling further on, so we had to say Goodbye.

And now it's time to head down south with a stop in Moree town
A short break for something to eat, but not much time to look around
Inverell was our next stop and our nights here were two
Out to dinner at the local pub that night is what we all like to do.

A visit to the Woodcraft Man a short distance out of town
Was oh so interesting looking at all the things we found
He is a master at making and playing the didgeridoos just great
With a real Aussie manner what a great Aussie mate.

Then off to the Wing Hing Long Museum at Tingha only 20k away
For only \$8 a trip into the past and then for Scones and Cream we stayed
Now take note all you people you will not hear of this again
Stay and eat and drink extra it is all free you can have more of the same.

Friday morning time to leave and one by one we go
And John decides to check his car—That is John you know
A case of flimsy fingers and his radiator cap did fall
Where has it gone? He does not know—cannot find it at all.

Kind Paul takes John up into town to purchase a new one
Then on the road they both set off and the fix up all is done
Linda was not very well and each day she was not better
So here she and Wally decided to head home or they may live to regret it.

Heading back towards the coast through Glen Innis on the route
Mann River was our Friday stop, a lovely country setting—what a whoot.
The journey here was just a short run only 2 hours on the map
But on arrival we were one short—where were they? Maybe a mishap?

A wrong turn at the beginning sent Dave and Andy far and wide
And 5 hours later they turned up, they had finally arrived
The earth here was very wet under foot and the ground it was quite muddy
And Derek 's car it got quite stuck and was not going anywhere in a hurry.

Now time is running out with only one day left and so
Our last day of travel to the beach will now will go
Lennox Heads is our last day and night before we all will part
The time it has just flown it feels not long since we did start.

What memories, what friends, what mates, what fun
our Tag Along trip it is now done
But let's hope we can plan again and hit the road once more
We have now all caught the tag a long bug , of that I am quite sure.



Monday at Lake Coolmunda Caravan Park first night



Monday afternoon we had a guided tour of the Coolmunda Olive plantation followed by afternoon tea with olives and cakes.



Vicki was our homemade scone cook. Morning Tea on Tuesday morning before we left Lake Coolmunda we enjoyed Vicki's Pumpkin Scones with jam and cream.

We also got more scones for happy hour on Saturday afternoon. Thank you Vicki we all enjoyed your cooking.



Tuesday we saw the painted silos at Yelarbor on the way to Goondiwindi for our 2nd day and night.



After lunch on Tuesday a tour of a cotton farm and with a very informative tour guide telling us all about the cotton industry.



After the cotton tour we were taken to the Goondiwindi Customs House with a museum of old time items which included a damper afternoon tea





Day 3 was via Moree and we stayed for two nights at the Inverell Caravan Park.



A visit to The Woodcraft Man in Inverell. He is an expert in making didgeridoos and playing them.

He also makes all sorts of things from scrap metal and carves faces into tree trunks.



An afternoon trip to a little town called Tingha about 20k from Inverell for a visit to the Wing Hing Long Historical Museum. For a modest fee of \$3 entry you can see everything from grocery items, clothing, old irons, kitchen equipment, handyman tools and farming tools were all on display. Certainly a trip back in time when we identified with so many items we all remember seeing or even using.

Here for a fee of \$5 volunteers will serve you 2 scones with cream and jam. The maker of the scones is 92 years old and this is her contribution to helping the museum. If you have not had enough with your serves then you can have anything you like more for free. You know it — John decided to do it all again and have a double helping of everything. Good one John.

Friday saw us travel from Inverell to Glen Innes and just out of here is this wonderful memorial to the Celtic People. This is called the Australian Standing Stones



After leaving here we travelled east to our next scheduled stop at Mann River.

A beautiful caravan park with a lovely country setting.



There is nothing nicer than relaxing around the Open fire—that is when you can get it to burn.

The thought was that the pit was too low and did not allow enough air to circulate to allow it to burn.

But many hands make light work so as you can see we all enjoyed a blazing fire into the night.



Ann was our Cheese ball Lady who made one for us for Every Day



Les was our Rally Co-ordinator who discussed our program at Happy Hour for the following day with the group. He was also the official photographer.

Saturday was our last day of travel from Mann River to Lennox Heads. We stayed at the park on the lake. A beautiful park and by now we were all thawed out from the very cold nights we had experienced out west. It was good to feel the warm sun again.

Sunday morning was our last day as we packed up and headed for home. What a wonderful trip we all enjoyed so much.



.....Note from your Editor

All the old club newsletters going back to the first in October 2005 have now been published onto the website.



If you have **any photos / gossip** from Rallies or articles that you wish to have published, please email them to me at robdi19@hotmail.com

Cheers Diane

EMERGENCY DETAILS - MEDICAL

To seek urgent help, continual quick short blasts of a whistle or car horn (3 seconds on/off).

Upon hearing this, members are requested to proceed in an orderly manner to the site of the whistle or car horn bringing with them mobile phone, fire extinguisher, water bucket, fire blanket, torch and first aid kit where available.

It has recommended that members have a Emergency booklet, which is available from most chemist, displayed in your RV to assist Ambulance staff etc. in case of an emergency. This information should include any Medical Conditions, medications & ICE contact/s.

This information can also be stored in your smart phone for those times you are out & about.

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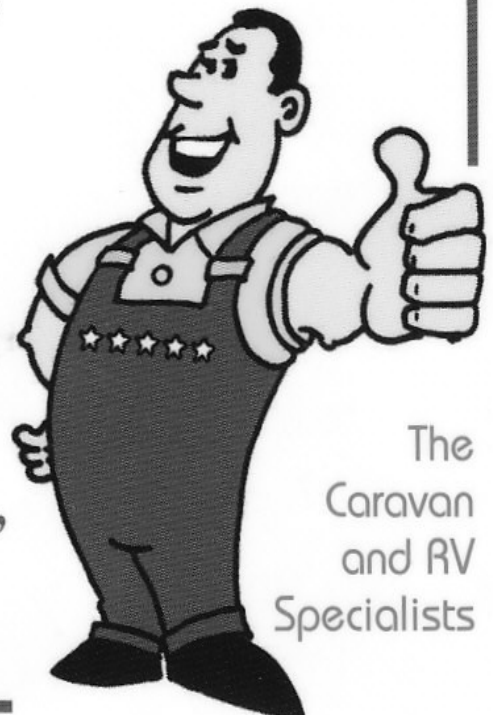
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Nearly forgot to mention a very special High Tea that was held on Saturday afternoon. Many thanks to Gayle and her helpers. A beautiful presentation, enjoyed by all.

Friday Morning Craft

Ladies and Gentlemen, come along on Friday mornings at 10.00am for our regular 'Chat n Choose' session.



Bring your craft or board games / cards / art works / whatever you do. You choose whether you do your craft or just chat.



Don't forget your tea or coffee! See you there.

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