



Jayco Jaybirds SA

December 2018

From The Editor

Welcome to the last Jayco Jaybirds SA club newsletter for 2018.

This will also be my last newsletter as editor, as Alison and I are leaving the club to pursue other caravanning interests.

As we did not have a newsletter in November, this edition includes the Victor Harbor Rally report written by Dean as well as Phil's report on the Christmas Rally at Tanunda. Phil also supplied the Xmas photos. Many thanks to both of these contributors.

Alison and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year.

Keith Greenlees (Happy caravanning!)

Victor Harbor Rally Report Victor Harbor Beachfront Holiday Park

Victor Harbor Rally, November 2 & 3 2018.

Once again we descended on this quiet coastal resort town of Victor Harbor. Was it like schoolies weekend, the locals saying "OH NO Jayco Jailbirds are back". Well they could have.

The Beachfront Caravan Park had allocated us a patch in the far corner big enough for the vans of Phil & Lin, Alan & Jan, Bev & Dean, Peter & Ellen, Mal & Kev, Glenda & Martin, Hal & Marie.

And just enough space for Judy's van as she joined us on Saturday and Sunday Night.

As always there were the early birds who arrived Thursday. Friday night we ventured to the Beach house cafe at Encounter Bay for pizzas where we were joined by our old friends Don & Anne Hollaway who just happened to be in town. Then on Saturday night after happy hour we all cooked our meat at our vans, unfortunately this park is short on common facilities in the far corner, and enjoyed our meals adjacent to Mal & Kev's semi of a van. This was a good wind block if there had been any wind. Again we had visitors who decided not to stay the night, being new members Kevin & Sherrill, and old members Anne & Brian. Brief entertainment was provided by Lin, who gave us a few minutes of laughter as she recalled, with expressions, fond memories and funny moments enjoyed with our late friend Allan.

Sunday we awoke, fortunately, to a very pleasant morning. Some had to pack and go leaving 5 vans for an extra night. The stayers wandered into town, as you would do on a Sunday morning in Victor, to the weekly micro markets opposite Woollies, at the pedestrian crossing, the only traffic lights



in Victor. Most went on to the markets at Goolwa and a cooking ' food smoking competition' event next to the RSL. Sunday night we enjoyed our nibbles, this time under Phil & Lin's awning as the rain was starting. Lin provided the main course which was a magnificent sponge filled with strawberries and cream, firmly infused together with a firm hand from Lin. As the weather worsened we all wandered to our vans around 8.30pm.

What a great night !! the vans were a rockin , the wind was a blowen, the next morning when I greeted Martin G " how are you' he replied " buggered", so there you go what a great storm can do to a night's sleep !!.

And so until next time this is this rally's event writer signing off.

Christmas Rally Report Holiday and Caravan Park Tanunda

Well here we were – another Christmas Rally – 12 months since the Wirrina Rally. How time files (even in retirement). This time we are at Tanunda. We welcomed Greg as a guest for the weekend (hope you enjoyed your first outing with the Jaybirds)

A few of us ventured in on the Thursday with the main group arriving Friday.

A quiet night Thursday with a sensible few. Then Friday night arrived and the Fun Committee got us in the mood with a game or two while some of us went off to see Comedian Kitty Flannigan. Lots of laughs and a fun evening. When we returned to camp we found that the main group was well and truly in to it. Drinking and laughing and generally having a good time. Well.....that went on and on well after quiet time of 10pm. A certain person who shall remain nameless lost her keys under the Stephenson chairs but blamed her husband Ray. From what I recall it was after 12.30 am when we decided enough was enough and time to go to bed.

Saturday morning arrived for some while others struggled and just managed to rise before mid-day.





At 11.00 am the Committee treated us to egg, bacon and fried bread brunch near the Water Park. The food and company was great but the noise from those kids!!!!

As happy hour approached the Fun Committee kicked into gear again and had us playing games. They tried their hardest get us organised but it was like herding cats.

We did have a lot of fun and everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves.

The evening came and across to the Camp Kitchen we ventured with drinks in hand and spirits high. Conversations abound and laughter everywhere. We were then served a fantastic Christmas Dinner by the Tanunda CFS who catered for the evening.

Roast chicken and lamb, and fresh salad and roast veggies – a well prepared and fresh and delicious meal, followed by Christmas pudding and custard. Well done Tanunda CFS.



Just when we thought we'd had enough laughter a short and fat Santa entered the room with her 2 elf helpers. Well that was a sight to behold. I am sure Santa was drunk. She not only couldn't stop laughing, she couldn't even stand up.

Presents were provided to everyone courtesy of Australian Caravan Company. A great Christmas dinner and lots of fun. Eventually we managed to get

back to the camp where the strong ones among us sat around having a few more drinks and laughs. The party was over by 10.00 pm as we couldn't cope with two late nights in a row.





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A great night was had by all.

Sunday saw most of the group head off with some having to go back for work on Monday (ha ha ha ha ha). Some of us stayed on but it was a quiet day, sitting around having a chat.

Monday it was all over again for another year.

A fantastic weekend.

Thanks to the Fun Committee for their commitment to making us laugh.

Thanks to everyone for just being there.

Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe New Year to everyone. Spend time with family and friends and appreciate the small things in life.





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Upcoming Rallies - 2019

January 20th Lunch at the Watermark Hotel

February 1st - 2nd Edithburgh

March 1st - 2nd Cape Jaffa

(3rd - 7th Tagalong tour to Robe Lakeside Caravan Park)

April 5th - 6th Snowtown

April 26th - 28th Hindmarsh Island

May 31st - June 1st Mannum

July 5th - 6th Kuitpo Forest

August 2nd - 3rd Point Turton

September 6th - 7th Punnyelroo

October 11th - 12th Keith (Keith Show)

November 1st - 2nd Morgan

December 6th - 7th Nuriootpa

Booking into a Rally

If you wish to participate in any rallies, you will need to :

- Advise Dean Carruthers by email or telephone of your intention to participate **four weeks** before the rally date.
Phone: 0418 821 350
- ALSO, should you wish to arrive earlier or depart later than the dates booked by the club, you will need to communicate **DIRECTLY** with the caravan park concerned to discuss your dates of arrival and departure. Could you please also let Dean know that you have done so?

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