



ULYSSES MEMBERS RV GROUP



The Kermit Kronicle



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From the Editors Desk.

The 3rd AGM has come and gone and what a tremendous event it was. 106 people attended the lunch and meeting at Jackie and Kevin's place at Kendall to be served up BBQ'd sausages and chicken wings, salad, along with tea, coffee and cold water. The cost per head levied was \$5.00, but after Jackie covered her costs for the food etc, there was \$183.00 left over which was presented to Kim Kennerson, the Ulysses Club UCARF coordinator as the RV Group donation to the club's arthritis research program. Thanks to Jackie and Kevin and their local branch helpers (RV'ers as well) who got stuck in and cooked and served.



The meeting itself started shortly after 1.00pm, and the members present by acclamation elected Rick to continue as National Coordinator, with Ken Tacon taking on the role as National Co-coordinator.

Phil Johnston put his hand up to be NSW Coordinator again, and someone whispered to me later that Tom Dudley wanted also to continue in that role as well.

Although they were not able to make the meeting, Richard and Marilyn Flinders had indicated they were willing to continue as Victorian Coordinators, and Gary Calder also put up his hand to assist them when his and Jo's travels take them back home to Victoria. Bev Driver has also said she would continue in the same role in South Australia, and Sandy Thornthwaite was also elected in her absence to continue in Queensland along with Ken Tacon.

Rick produced a statement to show how the money raised in the raffles at the 2nd AGM had been spent, basically paying for our website and purchasing stock for the gear shop.

It was decided that there would be a sub committee appointed to find a venue and get the 4th AGM (2011) organised, and Phil and Fay Johnston, who did such a sterling job with the North Haven event was quick to volunteer again. Di and Keith Blessing, who were part of the 2007 Coffs Coast Ulysses Club AGM organising committee along with Fay and Phil also volunteered to assist, as well as

Marie and Jurgen Von Ahn. I'm sure that the six of them can come up with and organise a superb event again.

The North Haven venue was first class, and the caravan park was a great place for us all to stay,



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even if we had to send a couple on overflow to the the caravan park just up the road.

Fay had been busy selling tickets for a monster raffle, and in all she had 19 prizes in the draw, raising a grand total of \$450.00 for the group. Thanks everyone who dug deep and bought tickets, especially Ge-

off who forked out \$100 for a whole book of tickets., and then several times when his number was drawn, donated the prize straight back so that someone else could win the prize.

served up an excellent meal. I did not hear any complaints from amongst all those gathered there, and I know my tucker was first class. Again thanks to Phil and Fay and Di and Keith for going round and collecting the \$20.00 per head and giving out the wrist tags so that everyone got their meal. The local radio station was doing a Coca



Ruth Rawlings donated a basket to the value\$350.00 of Mary Kay products again and ran a raffle as well, which was drawn on the Saturday night at the Bowls Club. For those of you that know Bundy, be sure to check on his skin tone and complexion next time you see him. Ruth's raffle raised \$550.00 for the group, and thanks to Ruth and Sherol for all their work in getting people to fork over their hard earned for tickets.

On Saturday night at the Bowls Club 115 of us were

Cola presentation night after the meal at the club, playing what they thought was Rock and Roll that we would enjoy, but I think they missed us all by a decade or so. Anyway, some got up and danced and enjoyed their time on the dance floor.

The camp kitchen at the caravan park was also the venue for get togethers on Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday night after the dinner and Sunday night, and probably other nights that Sherol and I weren't there yet. Put a bunch of old Ulyssians together, a bit of booze, food and you are sure to have a good time, and that was evident each night.

Over the weekend, we sold out of the large 200 mm stickers, and most of the 90mm stickers, as well as



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about 20 patches. Since then I have replenished the stock in the gear shop and we have plenty of each available.

Those members who bought the new stickers I think will testify to their quality, and the big sticker looks really good on the rear of the vans and motorhomes of the people who bought them.

So now we enter a new RV Group year, and already we have organised a Christmas WGT in Qld for the weekend 10th - 12th December at Atkinsons Dam Waterfront Caravan Park. I believe that Richard is already working on a WGT for Victorian and S.A. members, and Phil is looking at a WGT at Evans Head in February. Qld member Janet Latimore is hoping to organise a WGT at Kilkivan over Easter and she has make a tentative booking with the local council to reserve spots for us at the camping area there. Keep your eye on the forum page for other announcements.

Well, that's about it from me for now. On behalf of Sherol, Ken and Doreen, and all the State coordinators, Phil and Fay, Tom and Mary, Richard and

Marilyn, Gary and Jo, and Bev and Ken, as well as the AGM organisers Di and Keith and Marie and Jurgen, I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Safe and Prosperous New Year. I look forward to catching up with as many of you as I can.

Rick Bedford
National Co-Coordinator.





Proposed Easter WGT - Kilkivan, Qld.

Chris and Janet Latimore have sent the following proposal for an Easter WGT in Queensland, next year.

We would like to do a week-end as we spoke of and like to do that at Kilkivan Bush Camping area. It has basic clean amenities and lovely area to camp with powered sites available for the group. Areas are kept for clubs so all in same area.

I will organise a few things to entertain with a Lunch at Goomeri. There is a cheese factory, a pub a bakery etc for those who want to have a look around and thought a 3 day week-end may be ideal or perhaps Easter. I wonder if people may get bored for five days. There is Gold panning at a very basic mine and some interesting little towns close by. Certainly no entertainment if people need that but I feel we could have a ball. We can put a projection screen on the side of the van if anyone wants to watch footy etc and a good old sing along of a night will be the theme.



Easter next year is Good Friday April 22nd including Tuesday Anzac Day on the 26th April 2011.

It will be bring your own everything with a fabulous butcher in Kilkivan a pub and not a lot else. We are six kilometres out of the town. Fires allowed and camp oven facilities are available if we want to do a group meal. BBQ's were very basic so I will look at that and see what can be offered. It will be just entertain yourself on site a couple of short

drives if anyone needs to be busy. I can organise a trival pursuit relevant to the area and or an observation short ride with winners revealed at the evening gatherings.

I say you may get some interest from the local Ulysses branch if that works with you guys. Look forward to hearing from you with what you think.

Cheers
Chris & Janet



And here is Janet's follow up email.

I have rung the camping ground and I believe they will be fairly full impacting on amenities etc. They are holding an area of 16 power sites and 6 unpowered sites for three weeks from yesterday awaiting response from me. It is a lovely flat grassy area and we will all be together. They are happy to do this but need to know how many and will require one nights deposit for each site after three weeks grace which we can work out once we see if anyone is interested. I don't know if you can gauge interest in that time but I understand that they could take bookings for the area so think this is fair of them.

They are happy to fit more vans in as each site is very large. If you feel another time is easier than Easter I am happy to be guided by you.

Heaps on at Easter but not sure how it effects everyone.

Google..... Rossmore bush camping Kilkivan. We can always make it another time if it is better for everyone and more can join in.

Cheers
Janet

OK - over to those of you who would be interested in going to this one next Easter. As you can see, Janet has a tentative booking which the camping ground is holding for 3 weeks. If you can confirm coming to this one, send an email to admin@ulyssesrv.org with your confirmation, no later than 25th November 2010.

SNIPPETS FROM THE AGM.

Lisle Lawson from Mudgee was stepping out of his van onto one of those little portable steps when he misplaced his foot and the stool tipped, causing Lisle to land badly on both feet breaking both of his ankles. Other members rallied around to lend Joan a hand over the weekend with the van. Lisle was being discharged from hospital on the Monday, and Joan was going to pick him up with the van in tow for the trip home to Mudgee.

Ken and Judy Irvine traded in their old van on the way to the AGM, and with teenage daughter in tow did the changeover on the way and arrived at the event with their new Jurgens. Judy was thrilled with the included dinner set, and Ken reckoned that that inclusion was what tipped the sale for them.

LATEST FROM THE MERCHANDISE SHOP.

Now in stock.

200mm Ulysses Members RV Group stickers. These stickers are printed on 7-8yr exterior grade Oracal vinyl with a clear UV laminate to give durability and fade resistance.

Also in stock new 90mm stickers of the same quality as the 200mm stickers.

These stickers are from the same manufacturer who produces stickers from the ACC, CMCA and Caravaners Forum and are of the highest quality.

200 mm stickers can be purchased from our shop for \$11.00 + \$1.60 postage.

90mm stickers are available at \$1.00 each + \$0.70 postage.

Cloth patches - \$5.00 each plus postage.

Please note - when ordering shirts from the shop make sure you choose the correct size from the drop down box, and also choose whether you want names embroidered on your shirt. Please include the names to be embroidered in the comment box.

