



THE STATE ASSOCIATION FOR QUEENSLAND CARAVAN CLUBS  
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# THE BULLETIN

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year got off to a worrying start for the NACC with the difficulties concerning the renewal of the Public Liability Insurance. Hopefully it will be much smoother process this year.

The National Rally went very well with our South Australian friends putting on a good show. I looked on enviously at the grounds with the existing layout of water and power and compared that with the time and effort that was put in at Rockhampton. They even had street signs supplied. But we did have a big hall which was air conditioned.

Unfortunately, some people took away a memento that they would have preferred not to have. One benefit of an interstate rally is that we can often incorporate an interesting and enjoyable trip travelling to and from the event, and I do hope that you all have reported your spending going to, whilst there and returning home.

While on the subject of rallies, we do have our State Rally coming up in October later this year at Millmerran, where Barb and I had a couple of meetings with the locals on our way to Barmera. We will soon be looking for support and expressions of interest from the clubs for next year's State Rally, so please keep that in mind and talk to your clubs.

This year, after a two-year break, we will have a stand at the Caravan and Camping show, and I know that Barbara has had good support this year, but there is always room for more.

Now that we have our own Zoom licence, I would like to look into the possibility of combining it with our face to face meetings to see if it is a viable option for bringing in not only our northern cousins, but also the flexibility of our more distant locals.

The NACC is currently looking into the idea, and we did have a trial at the directors meeting held in Barmera. I would be interested if any of you have any experience, or know someone who might be able to enlighten us on the idea.

RVCAL (RV Clubs of Australia Ltd) is in the process of changing its structure and identification and I will keep you up to-date as these progress.

I am taking this opportunity, on clubs' behalf, to thank this committee for their service this year, from Bob Barnett who has looked after our web site, been a great help with the LEOD scheme and acting as rally registrar, Barry Roberts who puts together our bulletin, Mark, Pat and Mike for their input with site visits, brochure printing, etc., Les looking after our finances and not forgetting the king (Queen) pin of CCQ Barbara who is a great asset to the CCQ, thank you for your efforts and support, as well to all your partners who stand behind you all. I will also single out Vicky who has organized our cuppers.

Adrian Skinner

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

It was great to meet up with many of our members at the Barmera National Rally – if not at the Rally itself but on the trip to and from as well. We must thank the organisers of the Rally for a job well done especially under what must have been very frustrating and trying times working around the pandemic and having to postpone the event for another twelve months. But it was worth the wait and all went off well in the end.

We were fortunate to be able to have a drive around the site of the next National Rally just out of Mudgee on the way home as well as spend some time (and money shopping– hey girls) in the lovely town of Mudgee. The grounds were impressive and their close proximity to the town was a bonus.

As most of us are back home in SUNNY Queensland (Victoria was freezing as we made our way home through some beautiful yet very cold country), it is time to start in earnest putting plans together for the State Rally. Mark your diaries now – Millmerran Showgrounds, 10-16 October 2023.

Lots of fun and exciting things are being put into place like:

- A delicious breakfast by the Lions Club.
- A scrumptious Pancake breakfast on another day
- A Sausage Sizzle
- A damper morning tea

Notice I am focussed on food – less cooking for me to do!!! But there will be lots of other activities as well like:

- Lots of craft classes – card making, sashiko, thimblepip
- A Country Ho Down dance night with lots of fun
- Disc Bowls
- Entertainers
- Barefoot lawn bowls at the local bowling green
- Market stalls
- Op Shop Fashion Parade is in the planning
- Trivia night

Plus tours including a farm tour which takes in 2 farms, morning tea, lunch and bus pickup and return. There will also be self-drive tours offered but I must keep some surprises for you. Just remember ***Millmerran is the place to be in twenty twenty-three!!!***

In other news, CCQ's application for a Stand at this year's Caravan Show has been accepted and, thanks to the many volunteers who have come forward to do a shift at the Show, it will go ahead after having not being able to staff it over the last two years. Be sure to pay a visit to the Show and the CCQ Stand whilst there – 6 – 11 June at the RNA Showgrounds, Site 587.

The CCQ held its AGM on Tuesday evening, 2 May. All Committee positions remained the same apart from Pat Mander moving on to become Vice President and we welcomed Yvonne Robbins as a new Committee Member.

Hoping to catch up with as many of you as possible in Millmerran if not beforehand.

*Barbara*

## DELEGATES' MEETING

The latest Delegates' meeting was held on Tuesday 2nd May at the Salisbury Senior Citizens Hall.

The major issues arising from the meeting were:

### STATE AND NATIONAL RALLIES

#### 2023 State Rally:

Millmerran Showgrounds, 10-16 October 2023  
Lots of activities have been planned with the help of the townspeople of Millmerran.  
Registration forms to be out soon.

#### 2024 State Rally:

Delegates were asked to take back to their clubs to think about finding a location and organising a State Rally in 2024. The President suggested that North Queensland Club be contacted as they had expressed interest in the past.

#### Queensland National Rally 2031:

Because Queensland would be required to give a presentation of their 2031 National Rally at the 2028 National Rally in Victoria, it is necessary for Queensland to come up with a site before then and an initial Committee needs to be formed. This may not be the Committee who takes the task through to the final event and could be a separate incorporated body. Delegates to take back to their clubs for ideas and suggestions.

#### Boosting Club Membership

Ideas for boosting club membership were discussed. In particular, it was suggested that clubs who had a ceiling on membership and were holding a waiting list might consider referring those on their waiting lists to other clubs who are very low in numbers or refer them to the CCQ Secretary for passing along to appropriate clubs.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General meeting of the CCQ was held directly following the delegates' meeting on Tuesday 2nd May. The major business of the meeting was to elect the Committee for the next twelve months. This was duly done and the committee for 2023/24 is:

<b>President:</b>	Adrian Skinner	(QCC)
<b>Vice President:</b>	Pat Mander	(QCC)
<b>Secretary:</b>	Barbara Rutherford	(QCC)
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Les Calvert	(Bayside)
<b>Committee:</b>	Mark Brookfield	(Family)
	Mike Holden	(Roustabouts)
	Yvonne Robbins	(QCC)

#### Appointments

Editor: Barry Roberts

Webmaster: Bob Barnett



Those of the committee in the photograph are from the left: Adrian Skinner, Les Calvert, Pat Mander, Barbara Rutherford, Mark Brookfield and Bob Barnett



## 18<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL RALLY PHOTOGRAPHS



The marquee being erected



Gathering of the clubs







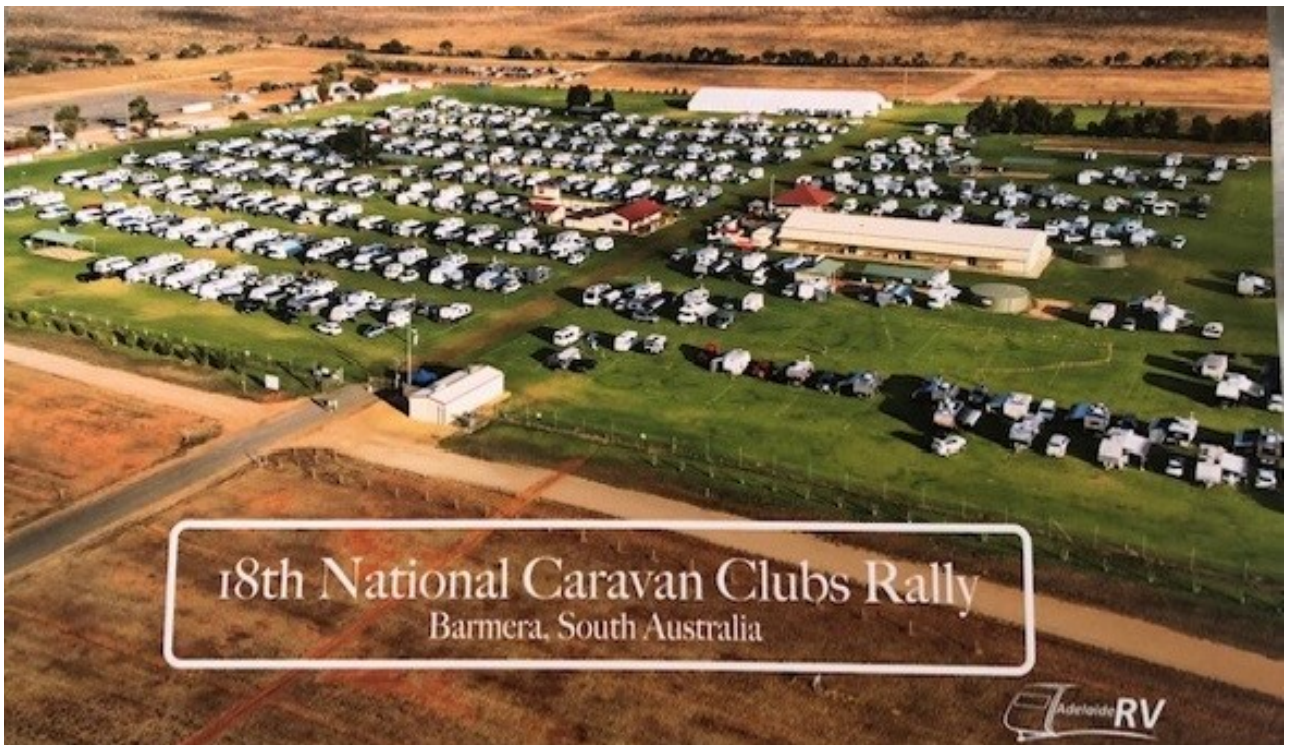
Street breakfast



Bill, serious with the disc bowls



Not so serious with the egg and spoon race



18th National Caravan Clubs Rally  
Barmera, South Australia







Where: Millmerran Showground

When: Tuesday 10 - Monday 16 October 2023 (6 nights)

Hosted by: Caravan Clubs of Queensland

Cost: TBA

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Would you like to be involved with organising or running of this rally?

Would you like to assist in any way with this rally?

Do you have any suggestions for this rally?

If you answer "yes" to any of these questions please contact the Secretary to find out more.

### **THE LOCALS**

The townspeople of Millmerran are really keen to host the Rally in their town and, with their input and vast experience with the Camp Oven Festival, it will be a State Rally not to be missed.

<https://www.caravanclubsqld.org.au/>



### **19TH NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY - 2025**

Australian Rural Education Centre  
267 Ulan Road Bombira NSW (Mudgee) 2850

Monday 29th September to Wednesday 8th October 2025

NSW Association of Caravan Clubs

<https://www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au/>



#### **CCQ Executive**

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