



19TH NATIONAL CARAVAN CLUBS RALLY 2025

MUDGEE, NSW

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The Australian Rural Education Centre
267 Ulan Road, Bombira NSW

Monday 29th Sept. to
Tuesday 7th Oct. 2025

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National Rally Programme

Our small National Rally committee is working very hard to add a variety of events that will hopefully appeal to our visitors. The programme is a 'work in progress' as ideas come to fruition and other ideas are rejected. We continue to assess numerous entertainers and negotiate deals.

Early Arrivals

There will be no access to AREC prior to Monday 29th September 2025, except for people who have volunteered to help with the setup and others who have received an invitation to arrive earlier.

These invitations will not be issued until the ground management plans have been finalised and if finances allow us to subsidise more early arrivals.

Please be aware that the national rally will be held during NSW school holidays and accommodation in the Mudgee area may be limited. If you wish to book into a caravan park or showground that is close to Mudgee, please think about booking very early.

Repeated Information

You may notice that some topics may be repeated in several newsletters and extra information may be added to these subjects. For those of you who like to find the information online, topics are added to our website. www.19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

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Souvenir Shirts

Men's and ladies' shirts are now available in sizes S to 5XL for men and sizes 10 to 22 for ladies.

All men's shirts have pockets and are priced at \$42. Ladies' shirts are slightly fitted and cost \$40. Some ladies may prefer to order the buttoned shirt for themselves.

Souvenir badges cost \$8. Postage is \$10.90 for any item under 5kg weight.

Please contact Anne Carragher if you wish to order any merchandise.

secretary@19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

First Aiders Wanted

Thank you to the two men that have volunteered to assist us with First Aid.

We will require quite a few more during our national rally. If you have the qualifications,

We would be grateful to hear from anyone who hold a First Aid Certificate and it will be current in October 2025.

Please contact Anne Carragher
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Some More Heteronyms to Ponder Over

- The insurance was invalid for the invalid in his hospital bed.
- There was a row among the oarsmen about who would row.
- They were too close to the door to close it.
- The buck does funny things when the does (females) are present.
- A seamstress and a sewer fell down into the sewer line.
- To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- The wind was too strong to wind the sail around the mask.
- Upon seeing the tear in her painting, she shed a tear.
- I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend





Mini Golf

We have purchased twenty putters and golf balls for those who wish to have a friendly game on the best (and only) golf course in AREC. The 9-hole course hasn't been created yet but we're sure it will be great.

A score card will be issued for each team. We ask each team to please bring your own pen for scoring and the 'marker' signs for the team, stating how many putters your team is using.

The equipment can be collected from hut 7 and will be available from 9:30am to 4pm, on Tuesday 30th Sept to Tuesday 7th Oct.

Be aware if your opponent can't remember if he shot a six or a seven on a hole, chances are he had an eight on it. Golf is sometimes a game in which you yell 'fore', shoot six and write down five.

Photo Competition

For those keen photographers, keep an eye out for some interesting photo opportunities to submit for the Photo Competition. You may be submitting the winning photo! You never know, you may come across the Easter Bunny on your travels.



The photographic competition will have five categories:

- Caravan Life
- Scenery/Sunsets/Seascape
- Wildlife
- Black and White
- My Favourite Photo

It will cost \$2 per photo to enter the competition. Prizes will be awarded for first and second places. You may enter two photos in any or all categories. Your photos should be 13cm x 18cm (7" x 5"). Please write your name and the category on the back of your photo. The photos must be taken in Australia and no photoshop used.

The photos will be displayed in the large pavilion.

Your photos can be collected on the last day (Tuesday 7th October) between 9:30am and 1pm. We will not be posting photos back to you.



Disc Bowls

The first round will be held on Wednesday, 1st October (weather permitting). The decision to commence this competition early, on the third day of the rally, was made to ensure that wet weather doesn't cancel the competition.

Each caravan club may submit one team (2 people) to represent their club. Therefore, clubs have just over a year to determine who will represent their club.

We will also require the assistance of clubs to loan us their disc bowls sets, and if possible, two people from each participating club to assist. One person to umpire and another to be a scorer, particularly during the first round. The disc bowls rules can be located on website: (19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au)

Some of our club members may also belong to other clubs (CMCA) and play by another set of rules. Below are a few points that may differ from ours.

1. The arena is a rectangular area, 9 metres by 3 metres wide, not 2.5 metres wide.
2. A game will be played over five (5) ends, not 6 ends. Semi-finals and finals will be played over ten (10) ends.
3. After the Lead player rolls the kitty into the roped off area, the Marker centralises the kitty between the two sides of the arena and at least one metre from the far end of the arena. In other associations, the kitty is not moved forward to be 1 metre from the back rope.
4. If any part of a disc or kitty is not completely outside the rope, it will be deemed to be still in play. The Marker will judge in this situation. This rule is different to other rules where the disc only has to touch the rope and it is deemed to be out.



Ken Baskerville Memorial Trophy for Disc Bowls

Who is Ken Baskerville you might ask....at the National Rallies the state teams play for the Ken Baskerville Memorial Trophy so here is a little background as to who Ken Baskerville was.

Ken Baskerville held numerous positions in his 20 plus years with the Sydney based Caravan Club of Australia (CCA). Along with his wife Betty, they were always very involved in the administration and activities of the club and Ken was President of the CCA from 1984 until 1987.

Ken was instrumental in the formation of the NSW Association of Caravan Clubs and was also involved in National Rallies. Together with Ray Biddle (another CCA member) he standardised a set of National rules for Disc Bowls as the States, at that time, played under different local rules.

Ken and Ray were both Technical College Teachers at Ultimo in Sydney and it was those two mates who made the original set of disc bowls for the National Rally.

The Caravan Club of Australia (CCA) was the first NSW caravan club to be formed and the second caravan club in Australia.

Entertainment Change

We previously advertised the *Baby Boomers Comedy & Music Show* and stated that this show would be on Saturday, 4th October. Since then, this group has requested that they change their performance date to Thursday 2nd October 2025.

We have now selected Brian Lorenz who we saw perform at Panthers, Penrith and we were very impressed with his performance.



Brian Lorenz

Brian is one of Australia's brightest talents and has received a number of awards for his performances. He is an award-winning singer, dancer and teacher, Brian mesmerizes in four languages from Musical theatre to pop to opera. His global accolades showcase his exceptional skills.

Brian possesses a magnetic personality that leaves audiences clamouring for more. His stage presence lights up every corner, and he has the rare ability to connect with his audience on a deep and personal level, creating unforgettable experiences at every performance.

Much Appreciated!

Thank you to everyone for using your unique ID code when transferring payments. This has made the bookkeeping process so much easier.

The payment schedule for the National rally is:

	Powered Site	Un-Powered Site
	\$560	\$460
After Registration Acceptance	\$50	\$50
Second Payment by 30 th September 2023	\$170	\$130
Third Payment by 30 th September 2024	\$170	\$140
FINAL Payment by 30 th June 2025	\$170	\$140

If paying by EFT (electronic file transfer) the details are:

BSB **112879** Account **416061843**

If paying by cheque / money order please make payable to:

NSW Association of Caravan Clubs and post to:

The Treasurer, NSW Assn of Caravan Clubs
47 Emily Street, Mount Druitt NSW 2770

Please contact Bev Wood if you have any questions **0411 214 272** or email to

registrar@19thnationalcaravanrally.org.au

Drag Racing Competition



Have you found that special hot-wheels car yet? You may enter more than one car. \$2 per car to enter the competition.

There will be two days set aside for practising. The competition will then commence on the third day. Children will be given separate time to compete.

Anne Carragher – Secretary/Treasurer for the National Rally

Anne, and her husband Merv, have been members of Prospect Caravan Club since 2009.

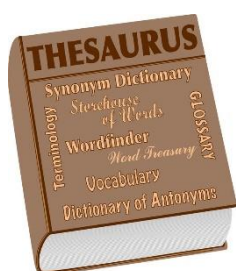
It took Anne over a year to talk Merv into buying a caravan and then quite a few months to persuade him to join a caravan club. Since then, they have enjoyed so many memorable rallies and made some wonderful friends.

Anne has served on the PCC committee in numerous roles, including the three executive roles (President, Secretary & Treasurer) and administered the club's website for ten years.



Anne has also been the Secretary / Public Officer for the NSW Association since 2014. In those years, she had the pleasure of getting to know many people from other clubs.

She is also a committee member of her local Senior's club where she enjoys playing carpet bowls, 2 or 3 days per week.



Don't use a big word when a singularly unloquacious and diminutive linguistic expression will satisfactorily accomplish the contemporary necessity.