National Veteran Vehicle Rally 24 – 30 September 2017 Clare Valley, South Australia

Sporting Car Club of South Australia Inc. and Veteran Car Club of South Australia Inc

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RALLY NEWS UPDATE - August 2016

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ROLLING IN!

The momentum has already begun to build for the 2017 Rally and so far we have 91 entrants registered in 48 vehicles. The Rally Committee has made several visits to Clare and the surrounding townships, and planning is well underway for the event. We have made contact with all of the principal venues for our activities and we are at the closing stages of choosing a principal sponsor.

ACCOMMODATION

Our accommodation venues are starting to receive bookings, with the three principal motels and the caravan park reporting bookings. Contrary to some rumours we have heard, the Caravan Park still has cabins available, but we recommend that you make your booking (mention the Veteran Rally) as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

PROPOSED PROGRAM OUTLINE

Some wonderful attractions are to be included in the 2017 Rally and we will be welcomed by some of South Australia's premium attractions. We are making arrangements for visits to the following;

Bungaree Station is located just north of Clare and was established in 1841. It became an extensive sheep station with 100,000 merino sheep by the 1880s. A substantial and historic property, which over 170 years later is an efficient mixed farm run by the descendants of the original founder. Consequently Bungaree Station is not a museum, but rather a living record of rural Australia since 1841. Tours, including lunch and possibly shearing, will be the highlight of Monday's outing.





The Farm Shed Museum at Kadina will see us on a longer run on the Tuesday, but to see this huge display of dry-land farming and country life history it is well worth the trip. Every review on TripAdvisor rates it as 'excellent' and that is no mean feat for any attraction, let alone a Museum!

The fabulous Mortlock family home of **Martindale Hall** at Mintaro is scheduled for our visit and lunch (subject to tenure issues) on the **Wednesday** following a morning tea with the students of the Balaklava High School and their guests from the adjacent primary and private schools.

Peter, Phil and Tim checking the driveway at Martindale Hall for potential photo opportunities.





Thursday will see us on another good run, this time to Anlaby Homestead and Gardens. This outstanding property was the home of the Dutton family and the centre of a huge sheep station. Henry Dutton Jnr (with Murray Aunger) was the first man to drive from Adelaide to Darwin in 1908. The new owners are restoring the homestead and its gardens to its original magnificence and you will be astounded by the progress to date.

Moving on from stately homes, our last day on **Friday** will see us visit the nearby town of **Burra** and the humble miner's cottages, once the centre of one of the richest copper mining areas in the world. Today the town continues as a centre for its surrounding farming communities and, being one of the best-preserved towns of the Victorian era in Australia, as a historic tourist centre.



From the Welcome Reception to the Farewell Dinner we can promise you a wonderful week of entertainment, attractions, great drives and wonderful company. Don't delay but book now and reserve your place for this outstanding event.

A copy of the registration for expressions of interest is attached so if you haven't done so send it in now, or pass it on to your friends for a motoring experience bar none!

If you know anyone who has a spare veteran vehicle to lend, or would like to borrow one to attend the Rally let us know their details and we will put them in touch!

Please note that all Rally entrants must be associated with a specific veteran vehicle.

NATIONAL VETERAN VEHICLE RALLY - CLARE SA - 2017

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

You are cordially invited to join the 2017 National Veteran Vehicle Rally in the picturesque and historic Clare Valley, South Australia. Coordinated by the joint efforts of members of the Sporting Car Club of SA and the Veteran Car Club of SA the 2017 rally will be based in the regional township of Clare, the focus of the Valley's rich blend of attractions and activities, including vineyards and wineries as well as regional mining and pastoral commerce.

Daily outings planned will include the historic towns of Burra and Mintaro, Kadina at the Copper Coast, Anlaby Homestead and Bungaree Station. The terrain is mostly gently undulating and serviced by good sealed roads (for all but part of one of the outings).

The variety of attractions, the welcoming inhabitants and delightful springtime scenery will alone be enough to attract a significant attendance at this rally but with the added bonus of the highly-regarded food and wine reputation of the Clare Valley you would be well advised to get in early!

When? Plan to arrive Sunday 24 September for the evening welcome

reception and check-in. Leisurely departure from Saturday 30 September after a sumptuous farewell dinner on Friday evening!

Where? Clare, South Australia (140 km north of Adelaide)

What's on? Daily runs between 80 and 200km round trip from Clare

Roads? All sealed (except 20 km on the Anlaby day but there may be an

optional bus available). Roads in excellent condition with only

one or two climbs.

Extras? Motorfest SA outings based in Adelaide from 18-23 September

and the outstanding Vintage Collingrove Hillclimb on 1 October

on your way home!

DO NOT MISS THIS WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY REGISTER YOUR INTEREST NOW!

Accommodation Options with distance from the Rallycentre at the Clare Oval

The following excellent venues have been block-booked for our Rally so please ensure that you book early to avoid disappointment. Don't forget to mention that you are part of the National Veteran Vehicle Rally.

Clare Country Club 1.5 miles north08 8842 1060 (note – the above venue is offering a special rate for our Rally – quote 'Veteran' to grab one! Comfort Inn Clare Central 0.8 miles north08 8842 2277 Clare Valley Motel 0.9 miles south08 8842 2799 Discovery Holiday Park2 miles south08 8842 2724
plus many other high quality B&B's, cabins and hotels in the Clare Valley.
Please book early! This is a popular tourism venue
Rally Costings: \$125 per vehicle with one rider/driver plus \$50 for eac passenger and/or supporter.
Please email the following information to rally2017@vccsa.org.au or post to National Veteran Vehicle Rally Clare 2017, PO Box 2, Glen Osmond SA 5064.
Name
Address
Number of additional passengers/supporters
Email (highly recommended)
Phone number
Mobile
Vehicle make /model / year
The Expression of Interest Fee is \$25, which will be deducted from your entry fee. Please send funds by direct deposit to the NATIONAL VETERAN VEHICLE RALLY

CLARE 2017 account as below, or by cheque with your entry details.

Bank SA BSB: 105 011 Account: 110318040 Reference: Initial & Surname .

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