



GREEN HEAD RALLY NEWSLETTER 16-19 OCTOBER 2025

**Another Great Day
In Green Head, WA**



Green Head Caravan Park and Dynamite Bay

(Image above, courtesy Ben's Drone from a previous rally)

Green Head is a small Australian Coastal Town in the Shire of Coorow. The town is situated between Geraldton and Perth in the Mid-West Region of Western Australia along Indian Ocean Drive. Its beaches and lifestyle provide a relaxed holiday atmosphere. Dynamite Bay got its name from a treasure hunter (Frank Moore) who reputedly had been shown an old Dutch map of the area detailing where chests of silver had been hidden. Frank was using explosives to try and clear the area and find the lost treasure.

No treasure was ever found.

Attendees: Peter & Di Butler, Rick & Mim Taylor, Alan & Sandra Phillips, Anna Percival, Terry & Glenis Cahill, Dave & Joyce Trott, Liz Gordon, Sean McTernan, Jeanne Clark, Brian Cotterell

Rally Report: Sunshine at last!!! Good choice of venue thanks Mim. The Green Head Caravan Park offered a stay 4, pay for 3 deal so there were some early arrivals on the Wednesday, Liz & Sean, Anna and Dave & Joyce. Simba & Molly wondered “What the heck is this thing” when a bobtail goanna came out to play and chased the dogs. (sorry no photo) Anna’s Engel fridge stopped working so there was a dash to the camp kitchen fridge to store her food.

Liz realised she had forgotten to bring Molly’s dog food and while at the café having a drink she asked where she could get some and lovely lady at Dynamite Diner said there was nowhere in Green Head but come back in the morning and she would bring Liz some. Liz returned early on Thursday morning and the lady at the café had bought her a generous bag of dog food. When Liz offered to pay lady said no charge and later on when the club went there for lunch on the Friday, she bought out a couple of treat bones as well. Country hospitality is so fantastic!



“Caravan Pk Entrance”



“Mural on the office wall”

The rest of the troupe travelled up on Thursday and once again there was a nasty traffic accident on Indian Ocean Drive at the Cervantes turn off. Mim & Rick and Terry & Glenis got through minutes after it occurred but a short time later Alan & Sandra and Di & Peter were stopped by the road closure and were diverted into Cervantes to wait till it was clear to proceed. Eventually all travelling that day arrived safely and set up. The poor retired truckie didn’t look at his site map close enough or it may have been his navigator and drove through into the site and proceeded to set up. When all was almost done another motor home can into the back of site before the penny dropped and Terry realised, he was facing the wrong way around and had to pack up again, re-hook up and move to the correct orientation and back in and set up again. Anyone know how to fix a Jayco water pump? As the pump wasn’t working in the Jayco. later on, when the Cahill’s turned the kettle on the fridge changed over to gas instead of staying on 240v power.

More troubles when Glenis misplaced her watch in the amenities after her shower. She went back to check and couldn’t find it.

In Elma’s absence who is enjoying the coolness of Tasmania, Alan opened the rally on Thursday afternoon at 4pm happy hour and presented our newest member Sean with his membership badge. Congratulations Sean.



“Sean being presented with his Club Badge from Alan and Liz pinning it on”

Terry & Glenis also received their replacement Club name badges that also disappeared some time ago.



Morning tea/coffee was held in the camp kitchen on Friday followed on by a delicious lunch at Dynamite Diner just outside the park opposite Dynamite Bay. Thanks to Sandra for arranging the venue.



"Dynamite Bay"
Lunch at the Dynamite diner.



The tables were all set up waiting for us in the Alfresco area where dogs were allowed so Molly joined us for lunch but fell asleep under the table. It was quite noisy with everyone chatting till the food was promptly served. "Silence is Golden" that stopped everyone talking while everyone chowed down on the scrumptious lunch. Milk shakes were the popular choice of drink by many. Good news Glenis got her watch back after being hand in. Jeanne looks like she finally got a trailamate jack so she doesn't have to fight with a jockey wheel anymore.



For those who went on the roving rally last month you will remember at Mingenew caravan park the Trott's had a mishap with the weather and the awning bent, well they have a brand-new awning already. Not without its problems though. They got it back from the repair yard, took it home and low and behold it had the wrong legs on it which were too short for the van and the awning couldn't be opened. Back it went to the repair yard on the Monday morning and after some Trott persuasion the problem was sorted that day and they can now use the awning again.



Alan & Sandra are also the proud owners of a new very strong anti-laminated awning skin due to a tear in the old one. Starlink? What Starlink, Sandra & Alan checked at home and it was all working but when they got to Green Head, no response. Once Brian arrived on Friday afternoon a long ladder was borrowed and it turned out the Starlink was full of water from the recent rains in Perth. A replacement has been organised and on its way.

Saturday morning after a shower of rain overnight it was a short stroll along the pathways to admire the views of the bays or drive for some to the Gallery Café. A sea eagles' nest was spotted by those who walked.



Tea/coffee and cakes were all enjoyed at the Gallery café, thanks to Anna arranging this. Outside the café it was discussed as to what sort of tree was this before google help out with the answer. (eA White Cedar)



Saturday afternoon at happy hour Alan presented Brian with his 75-rally badge, along with Sandra & Alan who also received their 75 rallies recognition from Rick.



The raffle was drawn by Sean and congratulations to the winner Alan with Anna presenting the \$25 voucher prize while the photographer was otherwise engaged.



Saturday night was a combined BBQ and shared salad and thanks to everyone who supplied the delicious salads. The Cahill's had forgotten the BBQ meat so it was a short drive to Jurian Bay in the arvo to the shop to get the chops!

We decided to get in early to start cooking as there were quite a few other campers here that also need to use the BBQs.

It was a very relaxed weekend even though the cool evenings did not didn't give much opportunity for games.



Sunday after another short rain shower overnight it did warm up some till the wind came up and cooled things down a lot.

All the members that arrived early on Wednesday left for home and so did those who had medical appointments. Brian & Jeanne went off exploring for the day to Leeman and surrounds but it was a bit cool for a dip in the ocean. A short drive to Leeman for the Phillip's and Taylor's to the Fish Factory only to find out that it closed at 11am and it was 20mins past when they arrived.

Everyone else who remained on Sunday for their free extra day enjoyed much chatter in the camp kitchen during the afternoon and into happy hour before returning to the vans out of the cold and preparing for their onward travels home or elsewhere on Monday.

Announcements:

Just a little reminisce from the past, back in 2023 Len Butler chased down an ice-cream truck at Wongan hills and sent the van to the caravan park. Rick was first in line and as he has such a great passion for ice-cream from an original photo a caricature model has been 3D printed which was displayed to all at Green Head.



A reminder to all members that we actually have a web site, and below is the QR code that can be scanned with your phones for direct access to the site: The actual web address is <https://familywestccc.com>



There is a whole list of information including rally schedules and previous newsletters. In the members tab in the menu at the top of the page is a link to members info that requires a password to access the Club documents, such as the constitution and the bylaws. The username and password included on the email that sent this newsletter so you can access the documents if you desire.

Please Note: The Suggested new Club logo on the header of this newsletter is for your consideration. On the roving rally a letter head from one other club on a notice board at Dalwallinu caravan park and one other Club as well have been identified as using the same logo as our existing pop-up caravan logo, so to eliminate any copyright infringement as to which club used the logo first it is suggested to update our club logo for a more modern original image that has a documented origin. Thanks to John Nightingale who designed it and has given his permission to use it for our Club.

As a result of this, there will be a general meeting at the Maranup Ford rally in November where a motion is being tabled to vote on by the membership to be ratified or not to make the update. Info of the general meeting will be emailed shortly on the 29th of this month. For now, just give it some thought on how you all feel about an replacing the current logo image??? Even if you will not be attending the general meeting there is an opportunity for members to email your vote to be counted at the meeting.

Also, the General meeting you are welcome to be part of the discussions and contribute any ideas you have for the Club into the future.

Reminder to all members regarding rally attendances.

Just a gentle reminder.

It is a required by our constitution to be able to retain your Club membership that members attend a minimum of 2 rallies per financial year unless there are extenuating circumstances or a leave of absence is submitted. This year is relaxed as it is our 20th birthday year and no annual fees were collected anyway.

FWCCC Rally 13-16 Nov 2025	Maranup Ford. 600 Maranup Ford Rd. Maranup (Via Greenbushes)
	Phone: 0448600190 Email: stay@maranupford.com.au \$45/Night 2 people. No Cabins available. See additional notes for other info Make your own booking then advise Mim via email at familywestccc@gmail.com or FWCCC Facebook closed group or 0437151317. Booking cut-off date: 12/October/2025

FWCCC Rally 4-7 December 2025	Busselton RAC Holiday Park. 97 Caves Road. Busselton
	Phone: 97554241 Quote Booking Reference Number #80044 for FWCCC RAC & non-RAC 10% discount off standard rate \$64. Deposit of 1 night required. Make your own booking then advise Mim via email at familywestccc@gmail.com or FWCCC Facebook closed group or 0437151317. Booking cut-off date: ASAP. Must advise if you are bringing a pet to go onto a pet friendly site.

Club Picnic will be the 11th of January 2026

RALLY TALLY Note: Rally counts have been readjusted for those on the roving rally who stayed overnight at each venue. Counted as 1 rally per location stayed at.

		RALLY TOTAL
Butler	Len & Helen	201
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Cahill	Terry and Glenis	103
Clark	Jeanne/Tim	48/6
Cotterell	Brian	76
Gilbert	Stephen & Melissa	7
Gordon/McTernan	Liz/Sean	9/4
Hille	Ben and Corrie	99
Hosken/Fitzpatrick	Helen & Damian	17
Nightingale	John and Chris	118
Percival	Anna	65
Phillips	Alan and Sandra	76
Sofield	Wendy	55
Taylor	Rick and Mim	111
Trott	Dave & Joyce	42
Vreeken	Bert and Elma	78
Wilton	Ron & Margaret	14

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