



# Family West C&C Club

## RALLY NEWSLETTER

### Laze Away Caravan Park Popanyinning

8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025



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**Attendees:** Peter & Diane Butler, Brian Cotterell, Mel Gilbert with Levi & Regan, Ben & Corrie Hille, , Rick & Mim Taylor, Dave & Joyce Trott, Ron & Margaret Wilton.

**Rally Report:** Thursday afternoon at Happy Hour 4.07 pm the Rally was opened by everyone present in the absence of the President and Vice President.





Joyce's operation was cancelled so they could still join us at the Rally. After some discussions and a drink at Happy Hour, Max the owner of the Park came to take us all for a Ride out to the lookout at Sunset in his Silverado Ute. Ladies in the front and all the men on the back. During this trip he spotted his Ducks that had escaped, now with a duckling. We stopped by 3 of his horses to say hello and then on to the lookout. Spectacular views with a great sunset.



On the way back he stopped at his gigantic workshop to show us some antique cars he had restored. They looked spectacular. Attached was a smaller Music Room filled with guitars etc. Some he made using Cigar Boxes and tins. They sounded fantastic.





Max also has some Sandalwood Trees and harvests the nuts. He roasted some for us to try. They can be eaten raw, roasted or crushed and can be used in cooking.

In the evening Peter & Diane watched the football on the big screen in the Dome while Rick, Mim, Ben & Corrie played Keezen.

Friday morning after breakfast we went for a walk around the farm to look at the animals. These included Horses, Pigs, Chickens, Rabbits, Goats, Lama and a Duck.





At about 1030am while we were having morning tea, Mel, Levi & Regan arrived and set up camp.



Morning tea was followed by a Hamburger Lunch with Ice Cream for dessert. Thanks to the Chefs and all the helpers for a great lunch.







*When Margaret went to get up she nearly fell as her leg had gone to sleep. This was quite funny.*



After lunch we all did our own thing. ie. Sightseeing etc.



Popanyinning Railway Station. Closed 1948.



Old Volkswagens in shed on farm

At about 4pm we once again gathered for Happy Hour in the shade.

Max also took Mel and the kids for a tour of the farm and out to the lookout. Much to Levi & Regan's delight they spotted some kangaroos and chased them in the car  
After dinner we gathered in the Dome for some games of Chase the Ace.





On Saturday morning we had a bring and share morning tea, which was enjoyed by all.



After morning tea Peter, Diane, Mel and the Kids decided to go for a drive. They ended up at Yornaning Dam. This was built in 1986 to provide water for the Steam Trains. It has now been upgraded for recreational use and features amenities like picnic tables, barbeques, and a playground.

Mim decided something was missing as we normally go to a Pub for lunch, so she asked those remaining if we would like to go to the Cuballing Tavern. The meals were enjoyed by all.





Back at the Park, Brian set up the Finske game and everyone joined in. Most seemed to score 2 which was quite funny when that became a 2 finger salute.



The first game was won by Joyce who was so excited as this is the first time she has won. The next game was then won by Dave. He is holding up proof of being number 1.



At Happy Hour Rick lit the campfire which set the atmosphere for a nice evening.







The area where the Caravans were set up was a lovely bush setting. So peaceful it felt like we were the only ones there.



The Dome seen above on the left of the picture was a great facility for our indoor activities.



We wish Terry, Anna and Elma who could not attend this Rally due to recovering from operations a speedy recovery. Also thinking of all those who could not make it for other reasons. You were all missed. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next rally.



## Next Rally:

FWCCC Rally 12-15 June 2025	<b>Goomalling Caravan Park. Throssell St Goomalling</b>
	Phone: <b>96291183</b> Email: <a href="mailto:caravanpark@goomalling.wa.gov.au">caravanpark@goomalling.wa.gov.au</a> \$33.00/Night. <b>Club 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration. Dress in anything in the th</b> <b>Make your own booking</b> then advise Mim via email at <a href="mailto:familywestccc@gmail.com">familywestccc@gmail.com</a> FWCCC Facebook closed group or 0437151317. <b>Need to book by the cut-off date: 12/5/25. No deposit required. Pay on ar</b>

## Future Rallies

FWCCC Rally 3-7 July 2025	<b>Quairading Caravan Park. 68 McLennan Street. Quairading</b>
	Phone: Joshua <b>0438213042</b> (Cabins available) Email: <a href="mailto:caravanpark@quairading.wa.gov.au">caravanpark@quairading.wa.gov.au</a> \$30.00/Night. <b>50% deposit. Balance payable by 29/5/2025 or pay in full when booking.</b> <b>Make your own booking</b> then advise Mim via email at <a href="mailto:familywestccc@gmail.com">familywestccc@gmail.com</a> or FWCCC Facebook closed group or 0437151317. <b>Booking cut-off date: 29/May/2025. Special available stay 4 nights pay for 3 = \$90</b>

## **WILDFLOWER/ ROVING RALLY**

I have finalised our bookings for this rally and the only one you now need to ring and pay for ahead is our last night. I have to confirm numbers 3 days ahead for each of the other venues so please let me know if you are no longer able to make it.

The itinerary is:

MONDAY 1st & TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER stay at Dalwallinu. (2 nights) \$38 per night to be paid on arrival.  
WEDNESDAY 3rd & THURSDAY 4th SEPTEMBER stay at Carnamah. (2nights) \$32/night to be paid on arrival.  
FRIDAY 5th, SATURDAY 6th & SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER stay at Mingenew. (3nights)  
\$40/ night to be paid on arrival.  
MONDAY 8th SEPTEMBER stay at Moora (1night) \$35. THIS NEEDS TO BE PAID BY 4th AUGUST AT THE LATEST! Please let me know when you have booked.  
MOORA SHIRE- 96510000

The multiple night stays are to give you a chance to explore each town and surroundings. I will compile a list closer to this rally.

I thought it would be nice to finish the rally with dinner somewhere in Moora.

We'll see most of you at the next rally in Merredin.

Regards  
Mim Taylor  
Rally Coordinator  
0437151317



## Rally Tally

NAME:		RALLY TOTAL
Butler	Barbara & Eddie	140
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Cahill	Terry & Glenis	95
Clark	Jeanne/Tim	43/6
Cotterell	Brian	69
Gilbert	Steven & Melissa	6
Gordon	Liz	3
Hille	Ben & Corrie	92
Hosken/Fitzpatrick	Helen & Damian	13
Nightingale	John & Chris	112
Percival	Anna	60
Phillips	Alan & Sandra	68
Sofield	Wendy	54
Taylor	Rick & Mim	103
Trott	Dave & Joyce	37
Vreeken	Bert & Elma	71
Wilton	Ron & Margaret	8
VISITORS		

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