



AVCCA NATIONAL ONE AND TWO
CYLINDER VETERAN RALLY, ROBE ,
4TH TO 9TH MAY 2014

NEWSLETTER No 2

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT ROBE

Guichen Bay was named by the French explorer Nicolas Baudin after Admiral De Guichen in 1802, as he was charting the south coast of Australia. Robe is one of the oldest towns in South Australia, founded by the colonial government as a seaport, administrative centre and village only ten years after British settlers formally established the Province of South Australia in 1836.

Robe was named after the fourth Governor of South Australia, Mayor Frederick Robe, who chose the site as a port in 1845. The town was proclaimed as a port in 1847.

It became South Australia's second-busiest (after Port Adelaide) international port in the 1850's. Robe's trade was drawn from a large hinterland that extended into Western Victoria, and many roadside inns were built to cater for the bullock teamsters bringing down the wool, including the "Bush Inn" still standing on the outskirts of Robe. Exports included horses and sheep skins and wool.

The Customs House is listed by the National Trust of Australia. A stone obelisk was built on Cape Dombey in 1852 to assist ships to navigate safely into the bay. Even so, there have been a number of shipwrecks along the coast in the area. An automatic lighthouse was built on higher ground in 1973. We have chosen the obelisk as the symbol of our Rally.

RALLY PROGRESS

The Rally Committee is working hard putting the Rally together. We are planning to have one document that is both a Rally entry form and meals form and that should be out in the near future. So to date we have stuck with Expressions of Interest forms which are available from the Sporting Car Club of SA (and the Club's website – www.sportingcarclubsa.org.au), the Veteran Car Club of SA and copies have been sent to all AVCCA Member Clubs and others that may have veteran vehicles. If you have submitted an Expression of Interest form you will receive an Entry Form soon.

There is plenty of room in and around Robe for trailer parking. It is planned that for the Wednesday rally to Millicent we will trailer our 1 and 2 cylinder veterans to the Kangaroo Inn Area School then drive or ride to Millicent. This method will allow time for all the activities that are planned for the day in Millicent.

ACCOMMODATION

Rally Headquarters will be the Big 4 Discovery Park in Robe. The Park's units have now been booked out for the duration of the Rally but many van and camp sites are available there. However, there is plenty of accommodation at other Caravan parks, Motels and Bed and Breakfast venues.

RALLY ROUTES AND ACTIVITIES

Sunday 4th May

Arrival, Registration at Rally Headquarters, small shakedown run.

Welcome reception in the late afternoon.

Monday 5th of May

Run to Kingston where the items of interest will be a visit to the Kingston Community School and lunch at Kingston. Other things to do while in Kingston are individual visits to the old Cape Jaffa lighthouse, Kev's Tractor Museum, the Ruston Hornsby stationary engine and the Kingston Museum, depending on your inclination.

Tuesday 6th May

Run to Beachport where the items of interest will be morning tea at the Woakwine Cutting, Beachport Museum, Beachport Jetty and Rivoli Bay, and the Coastal Scenery tourist drive. Lunch will be at Beachport.

Wednesday 7th May

Run to Millicent. This will involve trailering vehicles to the Kangaroo Inn Area School where there is ample room to leave your tow vehicle and trailer in safety. Morning tea will be provided by the School. Then a run to Millicent where we will visit the quite spectacular Historical Millicent Museum which now houses the National Costume Museum, as well as a fine collection of horse drawn vehicles.

Thursday 8th May

Run to Cape Jaffa to view the marina being built there followed by a visit to several of the local wineries.

Thursday evening will be a lamplight parade through Robe which is fast becoming part and parcel of a 1 & 2 Cylinder Rally. So have your lamps in serviceable condition!!!

Friday 9th May

We will be divided into groups for several small runs and walks around Robe itself. This will be followed by the Farewell dinner.

The emphasis for this Rally will be on flat runs along the beautiful Limestone Coast with as much involvement with the local schools as we can possibly attain. Time is running short so get your "Expression of Interest" form in, your accommodation booked, your 1 or 2 cylinder veteran in peak condition with all lights working and we will see you at Robe on the 4th of May 2014.

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