



National Austin 7 Rally – Warrnambool – April 2022  
Austin 7 Club Inc (Vic)

# Whales' Tales – Vol 4

Entries close  
28th Feb 2022

## *From the Chair*

It is with great excitement that I am writing to you all.

After many challenges and unknowns over the past 2 years, the committee is very confident that we will be able to all get together and celebrate our wonderful little cars. With Covid cases and hospital numbers coming down, we seem to be on the other end of the peak which is great news.

We will run a covid safe Rally with everyone fully vaccinated to increase the safety of the event.

If you have not been to Warrnambool before, you are in for a real treat. It is one of the most beautiful coastlines you will ever see and we have a fun-filled time planned where you will get to see many of the beautiful surrounding areas as well.

Perhaps even better than that, is we will also be able to catch up with old friends who we have not been able to see for such a long time.

If you are thinking of joining the Rally, please make sure you get your entry in as soon as possible as we will be finalising details with hospitality venues shortly.

If you have already booked, please keep an eye out for an email that will be coming your way to confirm your booking details because invoices will go out late February as we will need to pay deposits etc.

Just a couple of things to look out for when you receive your email:

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Morning Activities

On Sunday we have two morning events. The High Tea at Proudfoots (this is traditionally for the ladies, however everyone is welcome) and while that is happening, we will run a swap meet/car boot sale at the Rally headquarters with a sausage sizzle (again this is traditionally for the men however again everyone is welcome).

There are a number of people who have booked in for both, and this is fine. However, please note, that if you are going to the high tea, you may not want the sausage sizzle as well.

### Sound and Light Show

The Sound and Light Show at Flagstaff Hill will be offered Sunday through to Wednesday evenings, so if you want to experience this great show only choose one night.

If you have any questions about the Rally contact me (see Contact Details, below).

Looking forward to seeing you all in April.

Andrea Casabene  
Rally Chairperson

## *Current Covid Regulations in Victoria*

The rules and restrictions relating to Covid19 in Victoria are still constantly changing. Masks are mandatory indoors at all public places, and should be carried at all times.

Permits are no longer required to enter Victoria from Interstate. Requirements for re-entering your home State will be up to each individual. As of February 2022 we believe this will only apply to people travelling from Western Australia.

There may still be some density limits in place at the time of our Rally, which will limit numbers at some of our venues. We are hopeful this does not occur.

## *COVID Vaccination Status*

Proof of full vaccination is required in non-essential retail shops, restaurants, pubs, cafes and venues such as theatres, cinemas, galleries etc. All venues require QR coding in via the Services Victoria App with a link to your Covid19 digital certificate, or manual signing of a register, and physical proof of Covid19 vaccination (paper copy).

We anticipate this will be in place well into this year, and will be a requirement at all the venues we visit during the National Rally. At this stage, therefore, it is a requirement that all Rally participants be fully vaccinated, or hold a government exemption.

Currently in Victoria, the status of 'Fully Vaccinated' refers to receiving a double vaccination. Although there is a push to have a third 'Booster', this is not yet included in the definition of fully vaccinated.

## *Farewell Dinner – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April “1920s Nautical/ Maritime” theme*

The theme for the Farewell Dinner is 1920s Maritime or Nautical. Many fitting ideas can be obtained from the movie Titanic. The most obvious is the 1920s glamour worn by passengers in First Class. However, you may also consider the attire worn in Steerage or below-decks.

There are many other nautical dress-up ideas you could have lots of fun with. Pair 1920s old world styling with sea-side fantasy. Some suggestions are:

Pirates; Mermaids or Sirens; Sailors; Sea Captains; Shipwrecked sailors or passengers; Sea Creatures (fish, octopus, jellyfish); Swimmers (neck to knee costumes, wetsuits or floaties); King Neptune; Poseidon; Thalasa

## *Tail-end Charlies & volunteers*

We are looking for volunteers to be our Tail End Charlies on the 3 day-runs that are out-of-town. We have one team, but would really like at least one or two other teams who could assist.

You will need a tow vehicle and trailer suitable to carry an Austin 7, and be prepared to drive at the end of the group. This role may suit an entrant who is bringing a non-driveable Austin 7 and will have an empty trailer. Even one day would be of great assistance.

Some entrants have mentioned they are willing to assist with small duties during the Rally. If this is you, could you please indicate as such when you respond to the entry confirmation email?

Please see contact details below if you can assist.

## *Donations and Giveaways*

The Committee is seeking donations of small gifts that can be used as daily giveaways and/or Rally Pack stuffers. If you have a business or contacts with suitable items, please email to Andrea Casabene.

## *Entry Payment & Close of Entries*

Invoices will be emailed to entrants towards the end of February 2022. Payment is expected as soon as possible after receiving the invoice. A confirmation email will be sent prior to the invoice, and changes to your booking can be made at this time.

Entries must be received by **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February** to enable processing of invoices and to finalise numbers for our many venue and meal bookings.

## *Contact Us*

Andrea Casabene (Committee Chairperson)  
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## *Accommodation*

Not booked it yet? Please refer to the first edition of 'Whales' Tales' from August 2020 for details:  
<http://www.austin7club.org/National%20Rally%20Newsletter%201%20and%20Expression%20of%20Interest%20v%201.1.pdf>

## *Entry Form Link*

Please click on the link below or scan the QR code, to complete and submit your entry form. You will then receive a confirmation email with your booking summary.

Electronic lodgement is preferred, however, if this is just not possible for you, please contact Bev Logan at [bevlog@hotmail.com](mailto:bevlog@hotmail.com) or 03) 5989 7344 to request a paper copy be posted.

<https://form.jotform.com/212780869676069>

