



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

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From the Chair

The Rally is now only a few weeks away and we are so excited to be welcoming you all to the shipwreck coast. If you have never been to this part of the world, you are in for a real treat.

As I am writing, we have 130 registrations so there will be in excess of 260 old and new friends to share this wonderful experience with.

This newsletter has some important information about Rally Headquarters and additional information you require before heading to Warrnambool.

I can't wait to see you all at the National Rally, celebrating 100 years of Austin Sevens.

Andrea Casabene
Rally Chairperson

Current Covid Regulations in Victoria

As of Monday 14th March, most restrictions pertaining to Covid19 have been lifted in Victoria. Please check the Department of Health and Human Services for current information.

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>

All National Rally participants are required to be fully vaccinated & must be able to produce proof at registration & venues as required.

Rally Headquarters & Registration

Registration for the Rally on Saturday 9th April, is at Rally Headquarters at the following address:

Stan Lake Pavilion
Wannon Function Centre
Warrnambool Greyhound Racing Club
331 Koroit Street, Warrnambool

*11.00am to 5.00pm

*Tea/Coffee and cake available all day

* Bar open from 5.00pm

(Daily morning briefings to be held at this location, and also the Welcome Dinner, Funkhana & Swap Meet/ Boot Sale)

If you are not arriving Saturday, you will be able to register each morning at Rally Headquarters between 8am and 8.45am.

Photography at the Rally

We will be having the wonderful Steven Hendy providing photography for us during the Rally. Many will remember Steven's photos from the National A7 Rally held in Mudgee in 2007.

Photos will be taken at all venues during the week, including some "action shots" taken from the roadside. Steven will put together a souvenir print in either A3 or poster size with a montage of all cars at the Rally.

Some photos will be available for purchase at the Farewell dinner, whilst others can be ordered. Prints can be personalised with your car in the centre and all others around you. You can also have more than one photo of your car in a montage.

Steven will have a slideshow of all images set up as a movie, and is also offering files in USD, CD or dropbox. We are very much looking forward to having Steven with us.

Trailer Parking

If you have requested trailer parking for the duration of the Rally, details will be provided at registration. All trailers must be removed by 10am, Friday 15th April.

Morning Briefings & Giveaways

Every morning at the Drivers' Briefing, we will be giving away prizes & donated goods. Rally numbers will be

drawn at random, and you must be present at the draw in order to receive your goodies.

Morning Tea - Wednesday 13th Additional Catering Opportunity

Today's morning tea, (on the day we drive to Camperdown), has been listed as BYO. However, we have secured a fabulous opportunity for you to purchase your morning tea items at the destination instead.

The lovely community at Noorat Primary School are allowing us to use their toilets & shelter, and the Parents & Friends' Association are providing food & drink. As there are very limited facilities in this area, we are delighted to have the support of Noorat Primary School staff, students and parents.

Baked goods will be available at \$5.00 a covered plate, and \$1 for tea & coffee. They are fully prepared for our numbers, and would be delighted for our support.

Fundraising opportunities for the school have been limited during the past two years – as has been the case everywhere. We strongly encourage you to buy your morning tea when we stop at Noorat Primary School. They may also have other home-made items for sale such as preserves and craft.

Breakfasts

Breakfast will be available at Rally Headquarters from 7.30 am each morning. The preference is for you to purchase your breakfast tickets on registration day. However, you will also be able to purchase each morning for the following day.

Price - \$10 per pack

There will be two options for breakfast. Both will be provided in individual packs (COVID safe)

Option 1:

Toast
Cereal box
Fruit tub
Juice bottle

Option 2:

Egg, bacon & cheese muffin
2 hashbrowns
Juice bottle

Tea and coffee will be included for everyone each morning. Espresso coffee will be available to purchase for \$4.50

Proudfoots Boathouse – Sunday 10th Dress Up in Style

Nestled on the banks of the majestic Hopkins River, Proudfoots Boathouse is one of the most historic and recognisable buildings in the Warrnambool region. Today, it is known for its unique dining experience as Proudfoots By The River Café and Restaurant.

You will take in magnificent river views, whilst experiencing on-water dining seated in vintage splendour.

Ladies are encouraged to dress in period costume pertaining to the age of our cars, or the early 1900s, from when the tearooms were established. There will be some fabulous photo opportunities here!

Farewell Dinner – Thursday 14th “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

Entry Payment & Close of Entries

Entries have officially closed, and all entrants should have received an invoice for payment. Payment now due. If you have not received an invoice or have any issues with payment, please contact Andrea Casabene.

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