



Where the Victorian Goldrush began

CLUNES TRISTATE 2016

Proudly hosted by the Jackaroo Club of Australia, Victorian Branch Inc.



Welcome to Newsletter number 4, the final edition before the big event.

Registration and merchandise order forms were sent to your inbox during early January. Registrations and orders close on Friday 19 February 2016, so send off your forms ASAP so you do not miss out.

Getting to Clunes

Clunes is easy to get to on major roads, however there have been some interesting tales of GPS navigation systems getting somewhat fooled when trying to locate the Clunes Showgrounds. The entrance to the event is from Service Street (Ballarat- Maryborough Rd). Turn into William St and meet the welcoming team.

The coordinates are 37° 17.9859' S 143° 46.9846' E or -37.29983, 143.7831.

Gate opening time



The gate into the showgrounds will open for participants at 12 noon on Thursday 24th March.

Pets

Well-behaved pets are very welcome provided they are under control at all times and you clean up after them.



Powered sites

There are approximately a dozen powered sites available. Priority will be given to those with a medical need on a first in basis. Most power points are 10 amp, so the use of high powered appliances such as air conditioners is not permitted for safety reasons.

Note: Power leads outside your caravan/trailer must be tagged and tested.

Generators

A section will be set aside for those who rely on generators. Generators may only be run between 8am and 8pm.

Water points

There are several taps located around the site, however we advise you to arrive with your tanks full. Joining hoses together or carrying a bucket or two may be necessary if you need to top up your water tank. The town water supply is ok for drinking.

Fires and BBQs

No fires are permitted on the showgrounds site during our event. However BBQs will be provided for your use in the evening. BYO meat.

Raffles

As usual at this Easter event there will be the opportunity to buy tickets in various fund raising raffles. Money collected helps to cover costs. So please bring along some extra cash to buy some tickets and hopefully there will be lots of happy winners.

Here are a few clues to this year's prizes:



Trips

Daily trip details will be displayed on a notice board in the hall. This is where you will register your interest in a variety of trips from easy to challenging, historic, crafty, gold-related, delicious and invigorating. There will also be about 70 "do-it-yourself" trips from which to choose.



Winning practice on the Smythesdale trip

Sunday activities

The choices for Sunday are quite open-ended. There are two organized activities including a walk to the top of Mt Beckworth and a gold detecting experience near Quartz Mountain with tips from expert Craig Horner. Those who are serious prospectors can obtain licenses from Coiltek Gold Centre in Maryborough or hire equipment for detection either before or after Easter.



Do it yourself trips have been devised to cater for the hundreds of places we couldn't include in our program. Each registration will receive an amazing array of possible destinations.

Sponsorship

We have many generous sponsors for our event. Please support them wherever possible.

Harrop Engineering





4X4 ACCESSORIES

BCF store in Taylors Lakes



Caps

We are having some special Clunes Tristate caps made. If you are interested in one or more, please let me know. They will be \$15 each.



Clunes Safety Plan

Please find attached the *Clunes Safety Plan*, which includes valuable information regarding your safety during our event. Please take the time to read and digest this information.

DINNER THEME – “1860 to Booktown”

The Clunes Booktown Festival returns on Saturday 30 April & Sunday 1 May 2016, with 20,000 people expected to attend along with 72 book-traders from across Australia.

So give some serious thought to how you can dress up to encompass the very wide topic - “1860 to Booktown”

Some ideas: book character, book title, author... anything to do with books, printing, words... or the 1860s era...



For further information please contact Greg Moore on tristate2016@gmail.com or 0412 750 299.

