

Veteran Car Club of Australia (NSW) Inc.



2011 NATIONAL VETERAN RALLY

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS NSW

For pre 1919 Vehicles Only

10TH – 15TH APRIL

NEWSLETTER NO.1

Welcome to the first newsletter for the 2011 National Veteran Rally to be held in the Southern Highlands of N.S.W. from Sunday 10th to Friday 15th April, 2011. To date, we have received over 60 Expressions of Interest.

While the rally is 18 months away, planning is well underway. The tour routes have been set and will visit most of the towns and villages in the region. The runs will use quite country roads and back lanes which are also suitable for motorcycles and 1&2 cylinder vehicles.

Rally Headquarters – Mittagong

The rally headquarters will be the Mittagong RSL Club complex. The Club will be the venue for our opening and closing functions, daily starting point and incorporates a motel with 70 room accommodation.

Mittagong is the gateway to the Southern Highlands and is located 110 km. Southwest of Sydney in the Nattai River Valley between Mt. Gibraltar, known locally as "The Gib" and Mt. Alexandra, both extinct volcanic peaks.

With a current population of 7,500, Mittagong was established as a village with the arrival of the railway in 1867. The town enjoys an interesting streetscape with boutiques, cafes, restaurants and art galleries giving it the delightful country town feel.

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Mittagong is home to the Southern Highlands Information Centre. For up-to-date information and guidance about how to get the most out of your stay in the area – ph: 1300 657 559 or log on to www.southern-highlands.com.au.

Accommodation

It is suggested that entrants book accommodation now. The whole of the Southern Highlands is a popular Tourist destination which holds many Golf tournaments, festivals and the like, particularly in the Autumn. Most operators indicated a "first in best dressed" policy.

The Rally Committee has reserved accommodation at the Springs Resort RSL Motel which has 51 – 4-1/2 star rooms and 20 budget units. In addition, it has excellent trailer parking facilities.

MOTELS

- **Springs Resort RSL Motel** Bessemer St Mittagong (02) 48713133
The Motel has 51 x 4-1/2 star rooms and 20 budget units. Present tariff \$145-\$185. All rooms reserved, mention Veteran Car Club when booking.

Rally Headquarters and all runs will start from here. It is situated on the South side of Mittagong CBD.
Plenty of trailer parking available.

- **Grand Country Lodge . (Best Western)** Old Hume Highway, Mittagong (02) 4871 3277 . The motel has 23 x 4 star rooms. 20 rooms on hold. Present tariff \$120 - \$135 (executive), mention Veteran Car Club (speak to Steve).
About 1-1/2 kms north of Rally HQ.
very little trailer parking
- **Melrose Motel** Old Hume Highway Mittagong (Opp Grand Country Motel) (02)48711511. Ask for Trish, mention Veteran Car Club - 15 x 3 star units. Present tariff \$80-\$99
About 1-1/2 Kms north of rally HQ.
Good trailer parking.
- **Mittagong Motel.** Old Hume Highway Mittagong (02) 48711277 ask for Lucy, mention Veteran Car Club. Has 8 x 3 star rooms on hold, present Tariff \$95-\$105 includes Continental Breakfast.

About 2kms north of Rally HQ
.Limited trailer parking.

- **Poplars Motel.** (Golden Chain) Old Hume Highway Mittagong (02) 48894239. ask for Nola, mention Veteran Car Club. Has 13x3-1/2* Units of varying sizes. Most are fully equipped with cooking facilities (Check on booking). Tariff \$135-\$99
6 kms north of rally HQ The motel is off the road and away from CBD.
Plenty of trailer parking available.

CARAVAN PARKS

- **Mittagong Caravan Park. 1 Old Hume Highway, Mittagong . 02 4871 1574.** All cabins are booked out. 1-1/2 km. From Rally H.Q.
- **Moss Vale Village Caravan Park** Willow Drive Moss Vale (02) 48681099 ask for Barbara mention Veteran **Car** Club has 43 Tourist site (33 Powered ,10 Unpowered).\$20-30. Has 5 Standard and 2 DeLuxe Cabins \$77-\$94.and2 onsite Vans.
Moss Vale is 16kms south from rally HQ along main access roads. Short walk to Moss Vale Services Club .

There are other Motels in nearby Towns (Bowral , Moss Vale , Berrima) but we think that you should be able to find suitable accommodation in the list above.

Daily Meals

Daily meal options and the final dinner costs will be announced closer to the rally start date.

Questions

If you have any questions relating to the Rally, please contact me on 02 4861 2023 or email gillandgreg@bigpond.com. Alternatively, you can visit the Website: www.vccansw.org for copies of the entry form and all newsletters for the 2011 Rally.

We look forward to you joining us in the Southern Highlands in April 2011.

Greg Roberts

For the Organising Committee

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