

# *Morries on the Murray, Echuca 2019*

## *Invitation*

*Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019*

You are invited to attend the second Morris Minor Owners National Show & Shine, this time in beautiful Echuca, Victoria over the Queen's Birthday Weekend.

### *Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>*

Saturday morning we will be having a Show & Shine on the Murray Esplanade, right beside the Port of Echuca. The area abounds with things to do if you don't feel like standing around talking about Morris Minors. There's the Port Visitors Centre, Coffee Shops, Cafes, Bakeries, Antique shops, Book stores, Wineries, Stage Coach rides, Blacksmith shop, etc.

In the afternoon we are thinking of a short cruise on a Paddle Steamer.

That evening we have booked the "Great Aussie Beer Shed" for a spit roast. Don't let the name put you off, there is lots to see there, cost includes entry to the complex and a guided tour. The Shed is licenced and sells cans of beer and mixed drinks, along with wine and soft drinks, plus free tea & coffee.

### *Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>*

Sunday morning we will assemble at the bottom end of the Echuca Moama Regional Tourism Office's carpark. From there we will travel in convoy to the Lockington & District Heritage Complex for a tour and lunch. This is a round trip of about 75km.

In the afternoon a visit to the Holden Museum is planned, they have over fifty Holdens and some interesting cutaways and an airbag demonstration.

In the evening we have organised dinner at the Border Inn in Moama. They are setting aside a room and putting together a special menu for us to enable them to serve us quickly. Meals will be at bistro prices and drinks at bar prices. Some prizes will be given out after the dinner and if anyone wants to promote a coming event, this will be the time.

### *Monday 10<sup>th</sup>*

Monday morning we will be hosting a simple goodbye breakfast, Tea, Coffee, and Bacon and Egg Rolls in the Apex Park.

## *General Stuff*

This event is being organised by a couple of enthusiastic owners, it is not aligned to any club and you don't need to belong to a club to attend. We are trying to keep the costs as low as possible and as a result there won't be any grille badges, embroidered patches etc.

Any money left over will be donated to the Echuca Branch of Can Assist.

## *Costs*

**Show & Shine entry** - \$20, this covers administration, postage, printing, some signage, prizes and a BBQ breakfast.

**Riverboat Cruise**, we are hoping to secure a group discount - \$23.

Port Discovery Centre, discount and tour if we go as a group - \$14.

**Dinner at the Beershed** – adults, \$40, kids under 13, \$20,

This includes entry (normally \$14), Spit Roast and Dessert, plus a guided tour. Drinks are available at reasonable prices.

Lockington Heritage Complex - \$5.

**Lunch** of soup, sandwiches and slices – adults, \$12, kids under 13, \$6.

Holden Museum, we have secured a small discount here so probably - \$4.50.

**Dinner at the Border Inn**, meals at Bistro prices, drinks at bar prices.

**Farewell Breakfast** – Free.

*Note:* The items in **Bold Italics** are things we need to know about when you lodge your entry form.

## *Accommodation*

Echuca is a very popular tourist destination and every long weekend there is some sort of event held there. On the weekend we have planned there is a Steam Festival. So, while there is plenty of accommodation, the more reasonably priced venues go quickly.

We are not recommending anywhere or providing a list as there are plenty of booking sites and the Echuca Moama Regional Tourism Centre has a good list on their website -

[www.echucamoama.com/accommodation](http://www.echucamoama.com/accommodation).

Our suggestion is that if you are coming, book your accommodation early.