ICFR South Island Rolling Rally 14th to 28th February 2017



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The South Island Rolling Rally was 14 relaxed days of fun and fellowship. Nineteen vans took part in the rally. Most did the full rally but some left or re-joined to suit their particular travel plans. The rally had to bypass Kaikoura because of the earthquake, but otherwise we were able to follow the prearranged plan from Blenheim to Arrowtown. Each evening we met together for 5ss to talk about that day's adventures and make plans for the next day's activities. Some interesting highlights are illustrated below.



On the 14th of February the troops gathered in Blenheim at Stephen and Carey Coleman's vineyard. They made us extremely welcome and Stephen told us about the workings of the vineyard.







15 February We all enjoyed our Highfield Winery Dinner

16 February St Arnaud's DOC Camp 5sss

17 February . A rather damp Wooded Gully DOC Camp.





18 -19 February Spencer Park – washday at the biggest camp most of us have ever stayed at. Cold windy weather

20 -21 February Motukarara. Tucked behind the trees we avoided the wind but the cyclists knew all about it.



While at Motukarara many went to Akaroa. Rob Insull found a piano and his music enticed dancers and entertained the locals.







22 -23 February Waihi Gorge DOC Camp. Barry received a sporting injury demonstrating his golf prowess. The girls outfitted themselves with designer galoshes to combat the elements.

24 -25 February . Oamaru Top 10. We all enjoyed our dinner as much as Robin at the Oamaru Club.







Robbie enjoyed her outdoor bath

26 - 27 February. Steve's Park Lawrence. Voted the location of the rally. Park owner Malcolm Richie came to 5ss and told us about the tragic death of his son Steve in a forestry accident and his making of the park in his memory.

28 February Arrowtown Holiday Park. Time to say goodbye! A pot luck dinner. What a spread!

