

## ROYAL FLAIR NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2021



G'Day Royal Flarians and welcome to our November issue of

### THE FLARIAN

Well it is only a matter of weeks before Christmas, yet it only seems like yesterday we were involved in the usual mad rush, either looking for gifts or planning a road trip.

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**Firstly, to all those who made the Proust family feel very special on the day of Dave's funeral, and, to those who held a special weekend in Victoria to remember him....a huge THANKYOU! The live stream of his farewell was one we shall all remember, from the very beginning of it (well, that was Prousty) to the conclusion. His last performance was for us at Nagambie last April, and it was one we shall not forget. Dave will always be in our hearts and memories.**



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**Ron Sinclair, a great mate of Prousty has written a book about Dave and it is now available. This item from Ron.**

**Dave 'Prousty' Proust. Bush Poet & Aussie Larrikin.**

**"Prousty's bush poetry career started when he went to Tamworth in 2001 to compete in his first Bush Poetry competition.**

He performed his poem 'Mates' to a packed audience and brought the house down. With this performance he won the Golden Damper Award for Bush Poet of the Year at his first attempt and 'crashed' the Australian Bush Poetry scene like a Barbarian at the gates of Rome. Bush poetry in Australia would never be the same again and Prousty went on to write and perform his poems for twenty years.

Prousty was diagnosed with brain cancer in 2018 and was initially given 6 - 12 months to live. I'd had an idea that I wanted to get Prousty's poems into some kind of permanent record for posterity: for his family, friends and fans; and for my own satisfaction.

Even though I eventually finished the book my goal to have it published, printed and in Prousty's hands was not achieved. Prousty's condition went into a rapid decline and he died on Wednesday 20th October 2021 in his home, surrounded by his loving family.

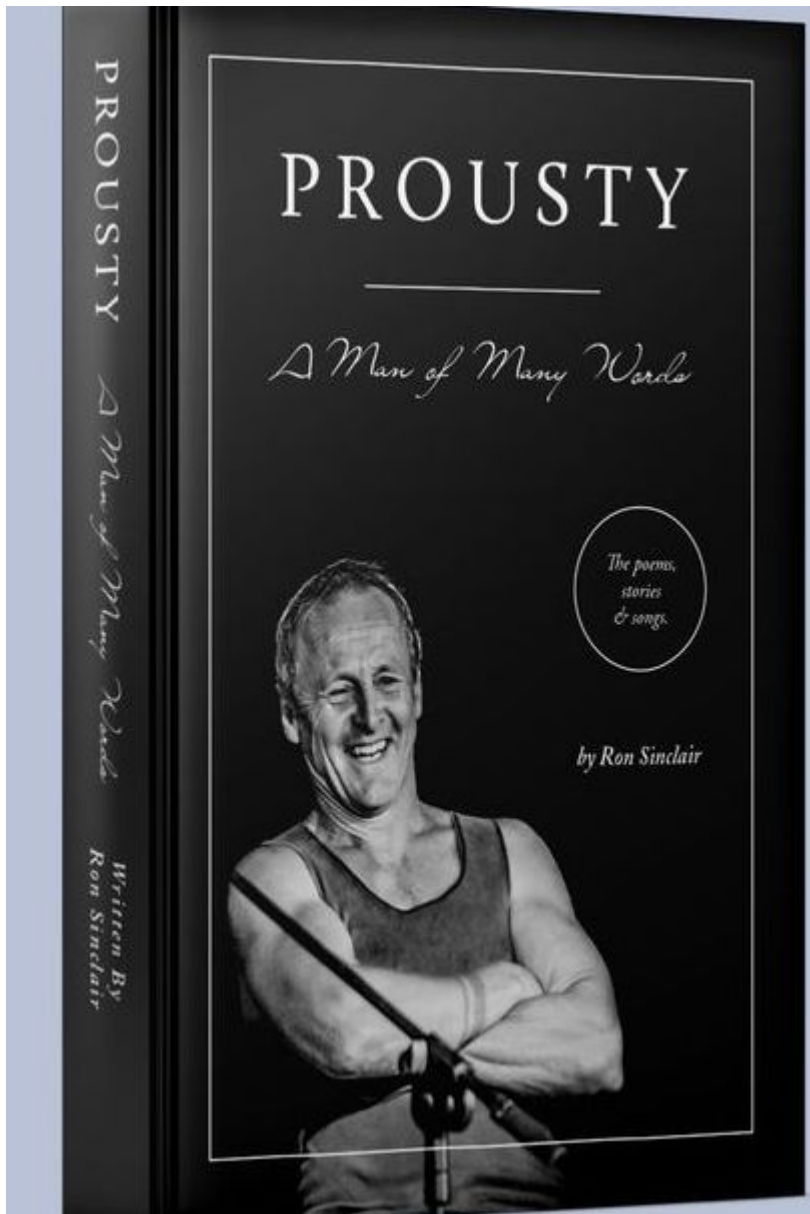
My mate Prousty was a unique human being who has indeed left his legacy for the world.

The book, 'PROUSTY - A Man on Many Words' is available through any bookstore or online through any retail bookseller such as Angus and Robertson, Booktopia, Amazon etc.

Ron Sinclair"

Thankyou Ron.

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## NAGAMBIE 2022

What a great response we have so far with over 60 vans registered to attend. Please remember, these are registrations only and no deposits are required until two weeks prior to our great fun filled event. If you have forgotten to register or think you may not have please message me ASAP.

**IMPORTANT: Please do NOT call the park to change dates etc. Please message or email me if you have any changes.**

As you know the park is now owned by Discovery Parks / G'Day Parks but our costs per site has been left the same and confirmed in email to us at Royal Flair. Both Debby and Fiona have left pursuing other interests and we thank them for their great service during all the stays we have had there.

### OUR NEW CLUB SHIRTS & VAN STICKER:

Angie, Bill and the Royal Flair team have been busy redesigning our new club shirt. The shirt is long sleeve and this will help stop mozzies, sand flies and other beasties biting when you are on the road or just sitting back relaxing. The new sticker for your Royal Flair caravan has also been changed and it is bigger and more readily seen. They look great on any of the range and also on tow vehicles. The photo of them we have posted also includes a size chart for everyone.

However, as you will appreciate Christmas / New Year is fast approaching and everyone at Royal Flair is flat out with production of van orders and looking after the many customer inquiries they receive daily. The local supplier of the shirts has also been held up with production due to Covid restrictions and deliveries as well and, as such it has been decided to wait until the first week of February when the factory will resume after the holiday break before we start taking orders etc. Prices are also still being negotiated with the supplier and we will have full details on our facebook page as well as in the February newsletter. The new stickers will be FREE and one will be posted with each club shirt.

This is the size chart for all to think about. While it says "Men Polo" same size for the ladies.

**MEN POLO**

POM	Size(cm)	4	6	8	10	12	14	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL	7XL	8XL	9XL
MA	Chest Width	36	38	39	40	42	44	48	52	54	57	60	62	65	68	70	72	74	76	78
MB	Length from HSP	48	50	54	58	62	65	67	70	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	86	88	90	92
MC	Long sleeve length	39	42	46	51	54	58	60	62	64	66	66	68	68	70	70	72	72	73	73

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#### **AUSSIE BISCUITS:**

**Our sponsor Aussie Biscuits has now resumed tours of their factory in N.S.W. Some of you have already purchased their great biscuits and thoroughly enjoyed them. Please remember Aussie Biscuits provides employment for disabled people and this is a great way to support them.**

**If you would like a FREE tour of the factory please call them to book in on 1300 399 522. Bookings are essential and if any Covid restrictions are in place please adhere to them. There is provision also for you to park your van, so please let them know if you will be arriving with one.**

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**Lou and Michelle Williams and sons Bronson and Thomas set off on their first road trip in their new Family Flair and thoroughly enjoyed it. Here is Lou's report and photos of two happy young lads.**

**"Our first trip with the RF Family Flair was to Bremer Bay, staying at the Bremer Bay Caravan Park. Having stayed there before we knew what to expect, big green sites, clean facilities and plenty for the family to do. This trip was even better because now we had a caravan with hot water, a toilet and shower and a comfortable big beds for all to enjoy.**

**Towing the van down for the 420km trip was done with ease, a few strong crosswinds tested the Alko ESC; worked a treat bringing the van quickly back into line without any fuss or nervous moments for the driver. Set up was quick and easy and within 30 minutes of arrival Michelle and I were sitting down enjoying our first beverage before cooking dinner on the built in bbq.**

**Afterwards the boys, Bronson and Thomas, tested out the shower, and, it was great to be able to have the boys washed and clean and ready to hop into their bunks where they tried out the DVD players, another wise choice on the tick list!**

**That was the first day done and dusted. Michelle and I lowered our queen sized bed and had a most comfortable night sleep. The block out shades kept the van dark and quiet until Buster the wonder dog let us know it was time to take him for a walk.**

**We are very pleased with our Family Flair, a beautiful, comfortable and spacious van that will see us create many happy family memories for many years to come".**

**Thank you Lou and Michelle for sharing your first adventure. If anyone has a short story on their first adventure please email me or send a message.**

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**OUR CLUB NEWSLETTER:**

From time to time some members ask if they can have a back copy of our newsletter and that has not been a problem. However in upgrading the Royal Flair Caravans web site, Max has now made provision for you all easily look at back copies. Just go to [www.royalflaircaravans.com.au](http://www.royalflaircaravans.com.au) scroll down the page to “links” then to “club newsletter”.

OK folks, that is it for our October issue. We hope you are all keeping safe and enjoying your road trips. At the time of sending this it is now one month to Christmas Day. We will be having a December – Christmas issue so if you wish to contribute something just message or email me. Cheers for now.

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