

Camp Cypress reflects on success

The largest ever group of visitors to stay in Baradine has given a welcome boost to the town economy.

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The value of a recent week-long visit by more than 250 members of the Australian Camper Trailers Group has been highlighted through positive feedback from the visitors and the community.

Chairman of the Camp Cypress board, Niel McDonald, has stated that he is delighted at the enormous benefits the Camper Trailers Group brought to Camp Cypress and Baradine.

"They thoroughly enjoyed their stay and their presence in the community certainly gave a great boost to the local economy," commented Mr. McDonald.

"It was a huge test to see if Camp Cypress could manage such a large gathering and it was pleasing to see that it all went smoothly for the week.

"The Camper Trailers were more than happy with Camp Cypress as their venue and have stated that because of what the camp can offer they very much intend to come back in the near future for another national meeting."

The 2011 national meet of the Australian Camper

Trailers Group is just one of many successes that the community-owned business will be reflecting on when it reports to community at its annual general meeting on Wednesday, 12 October.

Over the past twelve months Camp Cypress Holiday Camp has been going from strength to strength. Not only has the facility been the venue for government workshops, seminars, training days, Moorambilla choir rehearsals and art exhibitions, but there has been an appreciable increase in bookings from individuals and special interest groups.

Mr McDonald said that the committee works to ensure that the local community benefits from bookings whenever possible.

"However, Camp Cypress would not happen without the valued contribution of volunteers," added Mr. McDonald.

"We hope to get a good roll up to the AGM at the Discovery Centre. There are vacancies for directors and Camp Cypress needs people on the board who can contribute to the running of what is very much a major asset for the community."