

3rd - 6th May 2019

Leeton

APEX 40 RORT



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Post RORT 6th - 10th May 2019

Country NSW is always great place to explore and to enjoy.

In 2019 the Apex 40 members will have the chance to explore the food bowl of Australia. An area that is steeped in farming history and is part of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area.

So prepare yourself for a taste of country hospitality.

The Rort will run from Fri 3rd May to Mon 6th May 2019. It will be then be followed by a POST RORT tour finishing on Friday May 10th.



Leeton
Tourism

Leeton Visitors Information Centre - 10 Yanco Ave Leeton Phone (02) 6953 6481
www.leetontourism.com.au



Welcome to Leeton

Leeton is a friendly town situated in the heart of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area (MIA), offering a wide variety of experiences for locals and visitors alike. The town exemplifies contemporary rural Australia with its rich heritage, diverse agriculture and renowned country hospitality.

Leeton is one of the region's leaders when it comes to community events. It's rare to find a weekend in town where there isn't something taking place. Whether it be a small town fete, a monthly market or our enviable biennial Leeton SunRice Festival; Leeton provides numerous opportunities for visitors and locals alike to get out and enjoy the friendly community atmosphere.



You'll never be short of things to do in Leeton Shire! During your stay we urge you to visit and enjoy our many local attractions such as local wineries, the RAMSAR listed Fivebough Wetlands, our industry leaders in agriculture, the mighty Murrumbidgee River and the majestic Art Deco Roxy Theatre, just to name a few.

The Riverina is one of the most productive and diverse agricultural regions in the country – often referred to as the 'food bowl of Australia'. The region plays an important role in feeding Australians and the world, with each MIA farmer estimated to feed 600 people and contributing to 38% of NSW's vegetable production.



Leeton is situated approximately 550 km's west of Sydney and 450km's north of Melbourne in the productive Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area (MIA).

Driving: Travel along the Hume Highway or Burley Griffin Way from Sydney, the Newell Highway from Brisbane and Melbourne and the Sturt Highway from Adelaide.

Fly: Regional Express Airlines operates daily flights to Leeton/Narranderra from Sydney..

THE RORT 3rd - 6th May 2019

Thursday (early arrivals)

Registrations open at the Visitors information Centre 1pm to 4pm.
Phone 02 6953 6481 Email: enquiries@leetontourism.com.au

Friday

Registrations open at the Visitors information Centre 1pm to 4pm.
Activities available during day include Fiveborough Wetlands 1 hour tour, town Art Deco Guided walk, Murrami Rocking Horse Museum and Murrami Randall Organic Rice cake production. (see web page or booking form for details).

Welcome Social at the Leeton Soldiers Club - Bus pickup from 6pm.

Saturday

8:30am Leeton Town Tour by coach.
Morning tea at the Leeton Visitor Information centre.
Travel to Southern Cotton Gin for a guided tour.
Lunch at the Darlington Point Soldiers Club.
Atlina Wildlife by horse drawn or motorised cart. An up close and personal experience followed by a cuppa, biscuits and slices.
Dinner at the Leeton Soldiers Club complete with a bush band. Rock up in your country clobber.

Sunday

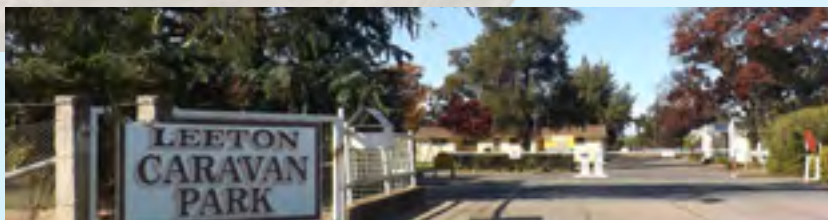
8:30am Coach departs for Narrandera Fisheries for a guided tour of native and endangered species of the Murray Darling Basin river system,
Glendale Farm tour and Morning tea by the Murrumbidgee River.
Bus back to Leeton for AGM and lunch.
Dinner will be at the Iconic Roxy Theatre with a live band and dance music from the 40's to the 70's.

Monday

Farewell breakfast at the Leeton Soldiers Club from 7:30am.
Coach departs for Post RORT Tour at 9:30am.

Accommodation

Leeton Caravan Park 02 6953 3323 .
Leeton Heritage Motor Inn 02 6953 4100
Motel Riverina 02 6953 2955



THE POST RORT 6th - 10th May 2019

Following the farewell breakfast, the POST RORT TOUR will begin and includes coach travel, accommodation and most meals. Eskies will be on the coach to store all your gourmet fine foods.

Monday

On our way to Darlington Point we'll have a short stop at Jodie Heath's for a selection of cured/smoked handmade smallgoods, then on to Yarrow Park for some olives and wine tasting, including morning tea. After which we head to Hay to Shear Outback for a tour, demonstration and lunch. After leaving Shear Outback we go to our accommodation for a short break, then onto Bishop's Lodge for our evening meal.

Tuesday

After breakfast, we start the day with a town tour including the Hay Gaol, Museum and Cultural centre. Before leaving Hay, enjoy morning tea at the Hay Visitors Centre. We then travel to Corrinna Station at Carrathool where Bruce and Julie Armstrong will host our lunch along with some station insights. We then travel to Griffith with a stop on the outskirts at Calabria winery. Our overnight stay will be in Griffith, where we will also enjoy our evening meal.

Wednesday

After breakfast, we'll begin with a Coach tour of Griffith and local points of interest. Lunch will be at DeBortoli Winery, where the matriarch, Emeri DeBortoli will give a brief history of the winery and has agreed to open her extensively awarded garden for us to enjoy. After lunch, we have a quick stop in Barellan and Aria Park before arriving in Temora for a town tour, then for some a guided pub crawl with local history. You will be dining tonight at the Temora Ex-Servicemens Club.

Thursday

After hearty breakfast we visit the Rural Museum with a commentary and morning tea, then off to the the Aircraft Museum. We then head to Junee where lunch will be at the Junee Rail Station Café, after which, we visit the Junee Roundhouse and/or the Monte Cristo before being dropped at our accommodation. Dinner will be at the Junee Licorice and Chocolate factory, hosted by the Druce family. The retail shop will open exclusively for post Rorters.

Friday

After breakfast our first stop today is at the Coolamon Cheese Factory. You will have time to enjoy a self guided town walk to see its unique offerings. Then onto Lockhart to visit the Golder Wool Gallery to see landscapes and portraits using natural wool. Lunch will be a traditional pub lunch at the famous Morundah Pub. After lunch we are off to Leeton which will complete our Post RORT Tour.

