#### Hi Elias from the team at DeLuxe RV Group



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Welcome to the December issue of the Deluxe RV Group Newsletter!

My wife and I recently decided to leave the motorhome at Deluxe, jump on a plane to Auckland and explore north for a change. As much as we enjoy our adventures of all kinds, I must admit that we missed the convenience of the motorhome especially travelling with an infant and that made us appreciate having access to a Pilote even more. We cannot wait to be back on the road again.

I sincerely hope you have been making the most of Spring and are looking forward to Summer and the festive season. It's a weird feeling to be so close to finishing another busy year at Deluxe and I cannot believe how quick the year has gone.

We wish everyone safe travels, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. I'd also like to thank all of you for your continuous support throughout the year.

Enjoy reading the last Newsletter for 2022 and feel free to get in touch to share your adventures!!!

# **Deluxe RV Group News**



The Team at Deluxe will be taking a well-deserved break during the festive season. Please refer to the opening dates below and note that we will commence vehicle handovers on the 09th of January 2023.

We thank you for your understanding and please feel free to contact us for any further questions.

22nd December 2022 - 4th January 2023

Christmas Holidays - Deluxe RV Group Office Closed

**22nd December 2022 - 09th January 2023** 

Christmas Holidays - Deluxe RV Group Workshop Closed



# **Staff Trip 1: Colin Ventures to Nelson**

CP and his young family ventured to Nelson for an extended weekend and made the most of the inland route via the lake. Being only a couple of hours away the Nelson region must be the most visited by our staff and seems to always produce a great trip with plenty of campsite and activity options.

Below: Our Deluxe RV Group Pilote parked up at Lake Rotoiti with a great view.



Make sure to park up at one of the lakes during your next visit and enjoy the serenity!!!

**Below:** There are some great alternative camping spots in the Nelson region. CP camped in Ruby Bay for a few days.





## **Bailey Motorhome and Caravan Update**



#### Good News!!!

We currently have 3 brand-new Bailey caravans in stock ready to be purchased as well as over 10 Bailey caravans and motorhomes confirmed with est. arrival dates.

For the first time in a few years Matt and I are looking forward to seeing our much-loved Bailey motorhomes and caravans arriving in Blenheim and being able to communicate dates and models to our customers.

If you have been thinking about purchasing a Bailey and dismissed it due to the lack of stock feel free to contact us directly.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!!!

Motorhome Media: Which Setup Suits Me Best?



When purchasing a motorhome or caravan you must decide on how to set up your systems.

With the ever-changing landscape of technology, choosing the right media set up for you can be confusing and often ends up being a lengthy process. To make the process less confusing we decided to simplify it and investigate the pros and cons of the most common setups for you.



Which TV to choose?

When comparing TVs for your motorhome you need to consider several important factors.

#### 1. Screen Size:

Most 12-volt TVs are going to have a screen size between 19 and 24 inches. Larger models are available, but you will want to be sure that you have the mounting space available to accommodate the size.

#### 2. Mounting:

It is no secret that RVs come with limited space. That is why you will want to purchase a TV with versatile mounting options.

Most RV TVs can be used with universal wall mounts. But some may require additional hardware or tools to install it properly.

Some RV TVs come complete with their own individual TV stand. Those can be used temporarily, but it is not recommended for permanent use. If you do not mount the TV, you will have to secure it each time you move.

#### 3. Media Compatibility:

Having multiple options for different media sources allows you to utilize new multimedia down the road. Maybe you do not watch Netflix now, but you may in the future. It would be nice for your new TV to be compatible with anything new that you want to add.

These days, a smart TV isn't that much more expensive than a regular TV. So, if you have off grid internet, then you may want to opt for smart over standard TVs.

Click on the link and check out the full article:

https://rvlifestyle.com/best-12-volt-tvs-for-your-rv/#2\_Input\_Options



#### **Automatic Satellite Dish vs Modem:**

A satellite dish is a plate-shaped (parabola) antenna which receives signals from a satellite. In New Zealand we access the Satellite Optus D1 which is about the size of a car and is in a geostationary orbit above the equator at an altitude of 36,000 km and a longitude of 160°, this transmits digital terrestrial signal.

A Modem is a small box inside your RV that interprets a satellite internet signal that your ISP (Internet Service Provider will Supply) this enables access to the Internet for streaming TV. Please find a link below to Wireless Nation which has an affiliation with the NZMCA for additional information.

https://www.wirelessnation.co.nz/blog/wifi-vs-hotspotting/



#### Satellite Dish:

#### Pros:

- Quality: No buffering and a dedicated line for video. Video and pictures are generally high quality digital
- Free view channels to choose from with a dedicated program guide
- Available Nationwide
- Easy to operate and navigate

#### Cons:

- Cost is typically high to install a dish
- Rain fade possible also to lose reception in bad atmospheric or stormy conditions
- You must have a dish attached to your Motorhome or Caravan
- You must watch scheduled TV at set times



#### **Internet TV Via a Modem**

#### Pros:

- Low set up cost
- You can watch programs at any time (not scheduled)
- No need for installing a dish
- Online streaming services readily available
- You can still access some live Freeview TV and TV on demand though the various Apps
- You can use the Modem anywhere after returning home (At home, Holiday Bach, In the Car etc.)

#### Cons:

- Video quality can suffer if connection speeds drop, causing buffering and pixelated images
- Some technical knowledge of operation is required, navigating Apps
- Data is required to access the internet
- You may not have access to some of your favorite shows that only broadcast on Free view

At Deluxe RV Group we install products supplied by RSE in Auckland, please find a link below to a trouble shooting guide on their website containing a lot of useful information and tips and tricks to help you along the way.

#### https://www.rse.co.nz/FAQ.html



#### Conclusion:

Whether you choose a simple setup like a satellite dish or go for the modem smart setup is obviously entirely up to you however like many things' motorhome related, you simply need to think about how you are going to use your RV and make an informed decision considering the pros and cons.

I personally favour being out and about and play board games instead and therefore the media setup is certainly not high on my priority list. I also understand that for some customers being able to watch the news, rugby and movies is crucial and fitting a reliable system is therefore important.

Either way the current RV accessories market provides many suitable options and if in doubt please feel free to give us a call. We are always happy to assist!!!

## 2023 Motorhome and Caravan Show Update

# 2023 COVI SUPERSHOW DATES

# FRIDAY 17 – SUNDAY 19 MARCH 2023

# AUCKLAND SHOWGROUNDS GREENLANE, AUCKLAND

We are excited for the <u>Covi Supershow</u> to go ahead in March next year and cannot wait for another great show weekend with all it has to offer. The last few years have been challenging for the event industry and we are hoping for a weekend without restrictions and plenty of visitors.

We are also excited to have brand-new Pilote and Le Voyageur Motorhomes in stock and being able to offer customers a collection date within a reasonable timeframe.

Feel free to get in touch directly if you have any questions related to the show and/or which stock will be available.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!!!

Make sure to get your tickets early and start planning your trip for March 2023!!!

https://tickets.supershow.co.nz/



# Marlborough Destination: Pelorus Bridge Scenic Reserve



As summer is fast approaching, I would like to share one of my favourite swimming spots in Marlborough. The Pelorus Bridge Reserve is only a 40 min drive from Blenheim and easily accessible for all levels of fitness.

The reserve offers a great little campsite, a café, varies swimming spots, hikes and some good fishing and is worth a visit.

We intent to visit the spot for daytrips however there is no reason why you can't park up and enjoy the spot for an extended period.

I strongly suggest you check out the spot on your next visit and feel free to have a yarn to me to find out some secret spots close by!!!

https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/places-to-go/marlborough/places/pelorus-bridge-scenic-reserve/?tab-id=50578





**Pictures:** We wondered upriver and found one beautiful spot after the other. Worth packing the boots or taking a rod...





## 75 Years of Bailey of Bristol



Our much-loved Bailey brand is celebrating 75 years in the business, and it could not have come at a better time. With things improving oversees we are finally managing to get our hands on some brand-new stock and have a positive outlook for the near future.



# 75 Years and Counting...

"The first Bailey caravan was built by Martin Bailey in his garage in South Bristol in 1947 and was subsequently sold at Ashton Gate market for the sum of £200.

A year later F G Bailey Ltd was formed and went into production. The company developed rapidly throughout the 1950s eventually outgrowing its original site and moving to its present address at South Liberty Lane in 1960. In 1977 the company was purchased by Patrick and Stephen Howard and Bailey Caravans Ltd as it is now known has remained in Howard family ownership ever since.

In 2010 the company introduced the Alu-Tech body shell construction system which is seen by most observers as the most significant development in leisure vehicle production technology for over three decades. Providing genuine design innovation, this fully patented technology, means that Bailey leisure vehicles are now some of the best engineered and the most technically advanced products available, keeping owners comfortable safe and secure no matter how tough the conditions. To date approaching 75,000 Bailey Alu-Tech leisure vehicles have been built and are being enjoyed around the world..."

Please click on the link below to read the full article:

https://www.baileyofbristol.co.uk/why-bailey/75-years-and-counting/





Recipe Of The Season: Christmas Dinner on the Road



At the time of me writing the newsletter Christmas is only 2 weeks away. Often families get together and celebrate with a large meal. As nice as that sounds there can be a lot of stress and anxiety associated with cooking and hosting.

And that is one of the reasons many of our customers continue travelling through the festive season and choose to celebrate Christmas on the road.

However, it does not necessarily mean you miss out on a nice festive dish. Rather than sharing one simple recipe I found a great link providing many different ideas to choose from. Check out the recipes cook one and feel free to let me know if it inspired you to put on Christmas dinner on the road!!!



### "Easy Christmas Dinner Ideas to Enjoy for the Holidays

Need easy Christmas dinner ideas? With the beloved holiday just around the corner, it pays to start prepping as early as possible. When it comes to Christmas recipes, however, it's best to choose ones that will not eat up so much of your time...."

Click on the link below to read the full article:

https://citizenside.com/lifestyle/easy-christmas-dinner-ideas/



If you have an interest in anything contained within our Newsletter then please don't hesitate to contact us, we would love to hear from you.

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