

TELL US SOMETHING WE DON'T KNOW

Every year we ask the same question via the website survey. Here are some of the answers. . .

Flamingos can live for more than 70 years.

The first couches were used over 4 millennia ago to furnish the tombs of Egyptian Pharaohs, providing comfort in their journey to the afterlife.

Male bumblebees use sight to find females. Because of this, they sometimes chase after aeroplanes, mistaking them for female bumblebees.

Early-early Sunday morning last Meredith, someone tipped over one of my eskies, pinched all of my beer, and left with my other eski. I later stumbled across it at a nearby, deserted campsite. I took it back - with the missing beers still inside. I don't know what your end-game was, fellow camper, but your actions resulted in room temperature hummus, which I am still annoyed about.

The surf is pumping in Port Fairy today! Meredith is my happy place.

In 2016, a busted up 1992 Barina is the ideal vehicle for nobody at all.

I just got home from Meredith and mum is watching 'Dance Mums'. Don't know if I could go from a higher high to a lower low.

I hate peas, especially in fried rice.

Many people at the festival were interested to hear fun facts about Singapore. For example, did you know they have no natural water resources? (Actually, their only natural resource is people). Singapore imports most of its water from Malaysia under a contract that is due to expire in 2061. How do you think that's going to pan out?

Had a fantastic chat with a wanderer from a campsite near us, Chad, about a bacon, lettuce, and egg sandwich (Chad doesn't like tomato) he had at least 2 years ago at a cafe in Fitzroy. It's now on my to-do list to eat one.

Mushrooms don't contain vitamin B12. That's the microbes living in the dirt you're eating.

I legit worked for the mafia when I lived in Rome.

Marijuana was first outlawed in the 30's in America by the government prohibition division, which had run out of money and needed to stir up panic. They claimed that "marijuana gives Mexicans bloodlust".

Circuses are my guilty pleasure.

It's a bloody long drive from my house to MMF and home again.

I'm a librarian. It's not deliberate, but most days I realise I am wearing glasses, a cardigan and my hair in a bun.

Get Mark Knopfler to play and I'll gift you my youth.

The purple lantern is a lie.

2016 was my 11th Meredith (10 straight) and there's a chance i won't make it next year due to a family caravan trip. The thought of not going fills me with sadness, so I'm considering going to "get milk" and not coming back till after Meredith.

When Angel Olsen played "Sister" I was standing in the crowd with my own sister. We were wearing matching boots and each raised one to the beautiful symbiosis between sunlight and sound.

Helper Hut H14 is surrounded by volunteers. Actually having someone rostered on is a bit pointless.

The vile liquid concealed in the human (space) goon bag was Pernod and water.

I kissed the guy who is now my boyfriend during Chic's I Want Your Love at Golden Plains 2012, and I'm still embarrassed about the circumstances.

I'm pretty sure I got my second mention in 'Tell Me Something I Don't Know'. One entry this year said something like: "At the climax of the set, a man in a Scrabble Suit showed his enthusiasm by screaming all sorts of hyperactive guttural sounds in my face". I don't remember the incident specifically, but I do have a Scrabble Suit and that definitely sounds like my behaviour.

This year I had a nightmare about three weeks out that I woke up and everyone was at my house for the convoy and I had forgotten to pack.

My husband's boss is an architect that specialises in healthcare design. Sadly, her name is Melena, which is black tarry poo that contains blood. Bummer.

If you get a cold sore, take lots of zinc and vitamin C tablets, drink lots of water, and eat eggs and cheese to get lysine.

Taking a shit in the tinsel toilet was a majestic experience.

Very late on the Friday I was asleep in my tent when I was woken up by a stranger who had entered the wrong tent. He insisted it was his tent. I kicked him out. He left, but he left with one of his shoes and one of my boots. His shoe was too big for me and really wet, although I put it on anyway to go to the toilet. On the way back, a guy asked me for directions. I pointed out the way and moved on, until I noticed the same guy was wearing one shoe and my boot! I asked him to give my boot back. He insisted it was his. I showed him his shoe. He was stoked. I had a wet foot.

Tyrannosaurus Rex lived closer to the time of humans than the time of Stegosaurus.

People think milk helps when eating something spicy. But the truth is, the best remedy is a teaspoon of sugar. My Aussie friends struggle with hot curries sometimes, but I've never told them the sugar trick because I feel the experience of a chili in the mouth is enriching.

Yabbies shed their shell to grow bigger, sometimes even eating it.

A friend brought me home the cheese from Peaches' rider. It was a delicious come down food.

I once stole a pair of nice socks from a David Jones. Please don't dob me in.

In America, if you have 3 quarters, 4 dimes, and 4 pennies, you have \$1.19. You also have the largest amount of money in coins without being able to make change for a dollar.

Whales sleep vertically.