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The Grey Nomad has contributed during their working lives to the Australian economy, by way of their skills and taxes.

Upon their Retirement, a significant proportion of their Superannuation has been spent on purchasing their RV.

Very loyal to Australia, as the purchasing of their RV and the associated upkeep and expenses, continues providing employment to the Australian RV Industry.
Rather than going Overseas on holidays and spending their money in other Countries, to the detriment of Australia.

These Grey Nomad whilst travelling within Australia in their RV, are able to share their lifetime skills and talents acquired on a part time basis if they wish.
There should be incentives by the relevant Authorities to set up Workshops to enable this to occur.

These skills and talents can be shared with the younger generation and further their education in various areas.

The Grey Nomads require clean, cheap and no frills areas where they can park their RV's. The minimum requirement is access to a Dump Point
Their RV's are self contained and LNT (Leave No Trace) compliant.

There is no need to access a Caravan Park unless they wish to.
Caravan Park Fees are exorbitant for the facilities they require. Furthermore, Grey Nomads on the road for extended periods cannot afford Caravan Fees daily.

Grey Nomads are on a budget and the money that is saved by not going into Caravan Parks is shared around within other Businesses which would otherwise miss out.

If Caravan Parks cannot compete by offering no frills accomodation to Grey Nomads at the right price, they should not be in business.

As Australia ages it is in the best interest of the Australian State & Federal Governments to nurture the RV Industry and ensure that the Grey Nomads dollar remains within Australia. Australian Tourism is the winner.

Yours faithfully
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