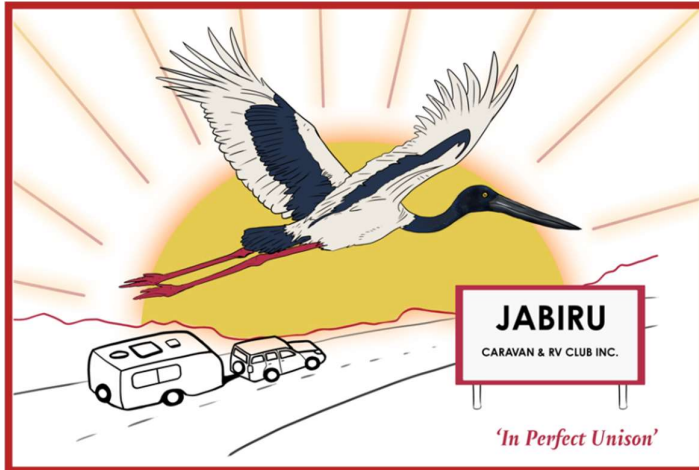


'STORK TALK'

December 2023

The Official Monthly Newsletter of the
JABIRU CARAVAN & RV CLUB INC.



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Lowood Showgrounds

6th to 11th December (second weekend)

Our Christmas rally is to be held at the Lowood Showgrounds, 18 Station Street, Lowood.
\$20 Powered per van per night. Pets allowed. Dump Point on site.

BEST DECORATED VAN PRIZE

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, it's hard to believe that we are at the end of another year. I would like to thank all those who work so hard in the background to make our rallies so enjoyable. All the committee works tirelessly for the club, and we must remember they are all volunteers and give their time generously. Thank you to each and every one of you.

Imbil was a fabulous rally in many ways. The thing that impressed me the most was how everyone joined in all the activities. Besides making it great fun, it is rewarding to the activity organisers and makes their efforts worthwhile. Thank you, Hazel, Wayne and Kay. Well done.

It was my pleasure to induct two new members to our club. Sandra W (and Petal of course) and Robert W are now full members and I hope they will be with us for many years to come. They are both a pleasure to have at the rallies. Thank you so much for choosing the Jabiru Caravan and R.V. Club. Judy H, with her bubbly personality, was with us for the second time. Gavin and Rosemary P and their fur babies, Oscar and Elmo, attended their first rally with us.

As you will see in the Activity report, our Christmas Rally will be a lot of fun. Melody showed me the beautiful cards that she makes at Maryborough and I know everyone will have a great time creating masterpieces. I'm really looking forward to taking home beautiful Christmas cards. Thank you, Melody. I'm sure there are other members who can share their talents with us. We would love to hear about it.

For those who are not well, we are thinking of you and hope you soon feel on top of the world.

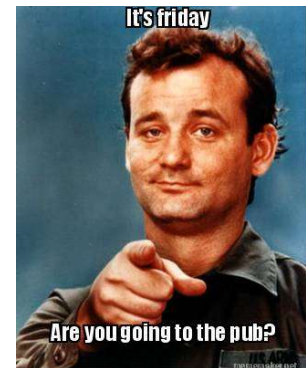
Looking forward to seeing you all at Lowood, but if for some unfortunate reason you can't make it, Barry and I would like to wish you very Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy 2024.

Cheers Fay



NOVEMBER RALLY ROUNDUP (by the Editor)

The first big talking point of the Rally was the searing heat when we first arrived (37°C one day and 35 the next!). The second was that I won something!!!! (Clearly our visitors, Gavin and Rosemary, have exceptional taste 😊)...and of all things it was Fashions on the Field....who would have thought!



We ended up abandoning the picnic on Friday because quite frankly it was too bloody hot! So, we went to the pub instead.....always a good decision in my book.

Saturday was Racing Night....Hazel had the luck dialled in, missing a win on only one race. It was a good night with hamburgers followed by the racing. I seemed to have some very bad luck with some very slow starts.

I'm off to a Christmas Market River Cruise in Germany for the next couple of weeks before the Christmas Rally.....see you all at Lowood.....providing there are no unforeseen volcanoes erupting or countries at war!!



Horse 1 is still in the barrier!



Looks like Pete & Klaus are having a bromance!



We'll let anyone into the Club these days! (I mean Bob....not Sandra)



New sticker already in place



Sign outside the Camping & Fishing shop



"IN PERFECT UNISON"

ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S (Acting) REPORT

Due to the fantastic participation of all our members, we had two great nights. Friday night the Beetle game was a hit once again with 2 winners, Joan and Gavin, both winning twice. Saturday night the Melb/Jabiru Cup races was also a great night as was Fashions on the Field. Well done Kay and Wayne as judged by Rosemary. The picnic was changed to a Hotel Lunch as it was extremely hot.

December Rally is our Christmas theme. Due to the Lowood Carnival weekend we are having Christmas Dinner on Friday night (free for members /\$25 for non- members). Don't forget to bring along your Christmas present (approx. \$20). Dress up in your best Christmas attire for a fun night. Trivia between courses will be of course Christmas themed.

Decorate those caravans and motorhomes and of course camper trailer. Prizes to be won for the best decorated. Can we beat Joan A's amazing effort last year?

Melody has kindly offered to show us how to create beautiful cards. \$5 will get you a card kit to put together then participants can either do another kit and/or put one together from scratch. No cost for any extra cards. Please bring small scissors if you have them.

On Saturday we will have our Bring and Buy stall. Donations would be greatly appreciated. Popular items last year were baking, plants and all sorts of nick-nacks. You are also most welcome to have your own stall for a small donation to the club. Should be fun.

So as you can see, we will be celebrating Christmas with lots of fun. Hope to see you all there.

Cheers

Hazel



NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS



Bob W won the Lucky Van Prize (first time in the draw....talk about lucky!)



Ann won the raffle



Gavin & Joan won prizes for winning 2 x Beetle Games



Happy birthday to Peter L & Ann A (she tried to keep the

big **70** quiet!)



Turns out photos of Peter L are very difficult to find!



Wayne W & Kay G won the Fashions on the Field (clearly not in this garb though!)

FUTURE RALLIES 2024

JANUARY:	17 th to 22 nd	- Kenilworth Showgrounds
FEBRUARY:	14 th to 19 th	- Laidley Showgrounds
MARCH:	13 th to 18 th	- Rathdownie Memorial Park Caravan Park
APRIL:	17 TH to 22 nd	- Pomona Showgrounds Caravan Park
MAY:	15 th to 20 th	- Darlington Park (no power, drinking water or showers)

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joan T	10 th
Kay G	28 th



DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis & Bonnie W	13 th
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RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2023/2024

DECEMBER:	Kay G
<u>2024</u>	
JANUARY:	Shirley B
FEBRUARY:	Bob W
MARCH:	Rob & Helen S
APRIL:	Chris & Toni
MAY:	Sandra W





RSVP - RALLY MASTER

Please RSVP to Peter by **2 December** on his mobile: 0415 407 266 to let him know if you will be attending the Rally.

As usual, please bring extra water & power leads in case they are required – and make sure your power leads are 15amp.

DON'T FORGET TO DO YOUR PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKS.



FROM THE TREASURER

LEOD FIGURES for November Rally: Camp Fees: \$ 975
Other: \$1,292

CARE & CONCERN

If you know of any member who maybe unwell or needs a cheer up or a chat, just phone Lorraine on 0438 303 374 (or Kevan: 0409 621 339) or email the Secretary at jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com



LOWOOD SHOWGROUNDS RALLY - 6th to 11th DECEMBER 2023

18 Station Street, Lowood

\$20 Powered per van per night

Pets allowed. Dump Point on site.

BEST DECORATED VAN PRIZE is up to be WON

WEDNESDAY Greeting by Rally Master, Peter. Set up in designated position and relax.

4.00pm Happy Hour
6.00pm BYO dinner
7.00pm Board games and cards (always open to new games)
Later Port and Talk

THURSDAY

6.30am Beat the Heat Walk and Talk
10.00am Morning Tea
Town is just a short walk away & well worth a look around.
4.00pm Happy Hour
6.00pm BYO dinner followed by board games and cards
Later Port and Talk

FRIDAY

6.30am Walk and Talk
10.00am Morning Tea
11.00am Card Making with Melody - \$5.00 for materials and please bring a small pair of scissors if you have some
4.00pm Happy hour
6.00pm Catered Dinner in the Hall - FREE for FULL Members/\$25 pp for non-members.
Dinner Choices are Roast Beef or Baked Ham with Roast Vegetables then Apple Slice/Apple Crumble for dessert
7.00pm Christmas Trivia between dinner and dessert with SECRET SANTA after dessert.
Later Port and talk

SATURDAY

6.30am Walk and talk
9.00am BRING & BUY CHRISTMAS STALL - bring your Morning Tea
4.00pm Happy Hour
6.00pm BYO dinner
7.00pm Christmas Pudding (supplied by the Club) followed by Board games and cards
Later Port and talk

SUNDAY

6.30am Walk and talk
8.45am Visit the treasurer to pay your account and purchase your raffle tickets
9.00am Morning Tea, birthdays, anniversaries, raffle draw, lucky van prize etc.
Don't forget the Sunday markets at Fernvale school.

For those leaving us have a safe trip home