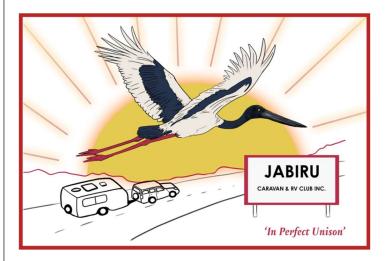
# **'STORK TALK' March 2024**

The Official Monthly Newsletter of the

#### **JABIRU CARAVAN & RV CLUB INC.**



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# **Alstonville Showgrounds**

6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March

Our March rally is to be held at the Alstonville Showgrounds, 6 South Street, Alstonville. Check the Program for details on how to access the Showgrounds.

Alstonville is on the Bruxner Highway between the town of Ballina (13 km to the east) and Lismore (19 km to the west). It is a short walk into the village from the Showgrounds.

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#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The Laidley Rally was a friendly, happy and fun rally with everyone having a great time I hope. Thank you all.

Please remember the Annual General Meeting to be held at the May Rally. All Committee positions will be declared vacant and a new Committee will be formed. We would love you to consider helping in some way. It makes for a quick meeting if all nomination forms are handed to me at the April rally by 12 noon on the Saturday. Some of our newer members may consider taking on an assistant position which is very handy if a Committee member is away. Remember we won't have a club if we don't have a Committee.

The annual fees are due at the end of April. The \$50 per van hasn't risen in the last ten years due to your support with our fund raising. The fees must be paid to make you eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting. I'm sure Marcia will be only too happy to help you organise this over the next 2 rallies.



The CCQ is hoping to have a stand at the Caravan show again this year. We have put our name down for the Saturday (8 June). If you could help out for a couple of hours it would be greatly appreciated. We gained 4 new memberships last year so it is definitely worth the effort. I will draw up a roster and with lots of participation we can give some time and also have enough time to have a look around.

Please note that the Alstonville rally is on the second weekend due to availability and starts on 6<sup>th</sup> March. Wayne and Hazel have visited the site and have planned another great rally. I hope to see you all there even if just for a short time.

**Cheers Fay** 



Seafood Tortilla at the Mulgowie Hotel



#### FEBRUARY RALLY ROUNDUP (by the Editor)

We started the month with the sad news of the passing of Grahame G so a few of us attended his funeral at Mudgeeraba. It was a lovely service with lots of great stories and memories from Grahame's family and friends. Our condolences go out to Lorraine and the rest of Grahame's family. He will be missed by all.



We rolled into Laidley to enjoy the cooler climes of Queensland after the searing heat of Tamworth. We spent a few days in Pottsville and it rained 2 out of the 3 days which wasn't too bad.

We had a good turn out for the Rally and the Showgrounds were looking good even though they had been underwater a couple of weeks prior. Again we had rain......mostly on the Friday when of course we were going for a picnic.....we are no longer going to mention the 'p' word to see if we can break the hoodoo.

Alas, that meant instead of the Pioneer Village and a picnic we went

to the pub and had Thai for lunch <sigh> it's a tough life but someone's got to live it! 😊

On Saturday morning we had a bacon & egg roll breakfast with a mimosa.....I hear Joan T is partial to some orange juice in the morning!

On Saturday night we played Left, Right, Centre....as usual this was a very loud effort. Klaus, Joan, Barry & Pam were our lucky winners.

I do have a bone to pick (no pun intended) with Tiggar after this Rally.....and after he peed on my lunch bag.....not sure what I did to warrant that.



Guilty conscience? Didn't think so!

The Rally wrapped up with me having a job..... not sure how that happened!

It might be a struggle to juggle the rallies for a while but I hope to see you all at Alstonville. THAT LOOK ON MY FACE WHEN

WHEN SOMEONE SUGGESTS WINE AT 8AM.





This is actually genius!







August 2016 Rally



November 2016 Rally



December 2016 Rally

CALIFORNIA I

In Loving Memory of GRAHAME DONALD GENNER 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1948 - 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024



March 2023 Rally



Nov 2021 Rally



June 2023 Rally



Feb 2022 Rally



Feb 2023 Rally



August 2021 Rally



April 2017 Rally



Aug 2023 Rally



July 2023 Rally



July 2020 Rally



July 2019 NT



July 2017 Rally

Aug 2022 Rally



Feb 2019 Rally

Aug 2020 Rally

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We finally finished a jigsaw puzzle.





Sign.....what sign? Is that a dent and some white paint??? Or a near miss??











At least Joan cleans up after herself.



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#### ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S (Acting) REPORT

The Laidley Rally was another fun rally hopefully enjoyed by all. We did have to change our plans for Friday due to wet weather.....so we went to the pub for lunch instead (and no, this wasn't Kay's idea but she wasn't opposed to the new plan!).

We played Left, Right, Centre on Saturday night. Klaus L and Joan T were the winners in one group and Barry S and Pam P were the winners in the other group. Lots of fun....and lots of noise!

The next rally is at Alstonville. On Friday we'll have a tag along drive to Ballina to Missingham Park, Kingsford Smith Drive. There is an off lead area for the dogs and they can go on the beach on a lead. We can go for a swim in the sea which is quite safe apparently. Take your lunch with you (we are not mentioning the 'p' word) to eat in the park, or try out one of the many cafes in Ballina.

On Saturday we'll have a walk around the Alstonville Heritage trail with a difference. Maps will be provided so compasses will not be required. There will be prizes for the most observant....and the most honest (ie. Ann A no cheating!!!).

Cheers Hazel





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## **FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS**



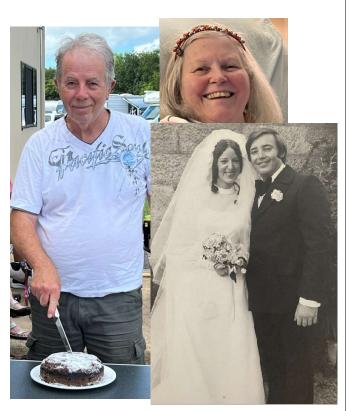
Sandra W won the Lucky Van Prize



Kay G won the raffle



Happy birthday to Sandra W, Gary T & Lorraine G



Happy Anniversary to Aivars & Rhonda D and Lorraine & Grahame G

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### **FUTURE RALLIES 2024**

APRIL:	17 <sup>TH</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- Pomona Showgrounds Caravan Park
MAY:	15 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Darlington Park (no power, drinking water or showers)</li> </ul>
JUNE:	10 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>	<ul> <li>Crows Nest Country Music Festival (festival starts on Monday 10<sup>th</sup>)</li> </ul>
JULY:	17 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup>	- Rocky Creek Scout Camp - 2024 State Rally at Rockhampton Showgrounds
AUGUST:	14 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup>	- Sommerville Valley Tourist Park, Stanthorpe
SEPTEMBER:	18 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Kilcoy Showgrounds

MARCH BIRTHDAYS		
Wayne W	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
Lawrie L	12 <sup>th</sup>	
Aivars D	14 <sup>th</sup>	

Well, we made it another year without one of us either ending up dead or in jail. I call that a win. Happy Anniversary!	

# MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

WIND

**BIRTHDAY? WHAT?** 

Peter & Marcia P	
Denis & Carolyn H	

7<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>

# **RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2024**

- MARCH: Rob & Helen S
- APRIL: Sandra W
- MAY: Peter & Marcia P
- JUNE: Ann A & Klaus L
- JULY: Peter & Melody L



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### **RSVP - RALLY MASTER**

Please RSVP to Peter by **2** March 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.

#### **RALLY ATTENDANCE MILESTONES**

After looking through some old newsletters, I have decided to reinstate the Rally Attendance Milestones.....so here's a catch up so far:

Barry & Fay S	- 102 rallies	Wayne W & Hazel C	- 72 rallies
Aivars & Rhonda D	- 75 rallies	Gary & Joan T	- 69 rallies
Denis & Carolyn H	- 94 rallies	Peter & Marcia P	- 39 rallies



#### FROM THE TREASURER

LEOD FIGURES for February Rally: Camp Fees Other:

Camp Fees: \$1,250 Other: \$3,204

### **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 email the Secretary at jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com



#### ALSTONVILLE SHOWGROUNDS RALLY - 6th to 11th MARCH 2024 6 SOUTH ST ALSTONVILLE. 194Km South of the Brisbane CBD NO GROUND SHEETS OR MATS ALLOWED!!! \$25 Powered per van per night. Pets allowed. Dump Point on Site 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) Port and Talk Later THURSDAY Beat the Heat Walk and Talk 6.30am 10.00am Morning Tea 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 11.15am Tagalong to Ballina's Missingham Beach (Dog Off Leash Beach). Bring your Lunch or partake in one of Ballina's Food Venues. (Notice I didn't mention the "P" word 😊 ) 4.00pm Happy Hour YOU GET A PRIZE BYO dinner followed by board games and cards 6.00pm /All GFT A PRI7 Later Port and talk YOU GET A PRIZE SATURDAY **YOU GET A PRIZE** 6.30am Walk and talk **AND YOU GET A PRIZE** 10.00am Morning Tea

- 11.15am Enjoy the Alstonville Heritage Walk Contest. Absolutely Fabulous Prizes to be Won. Then you may discover one of Alstonville's Cafes for Lunch or visit the Wicked Bakery.
- 4.00pm Happy Hour
- 6.00pm BYO Dinner with another of our Fun Organised Games 😊
- 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.
- 10.15am For those that are staying perhaps a visit to Lismore to check out the area.

#### For Those Leaving Us, Have A Safe Trip Home

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