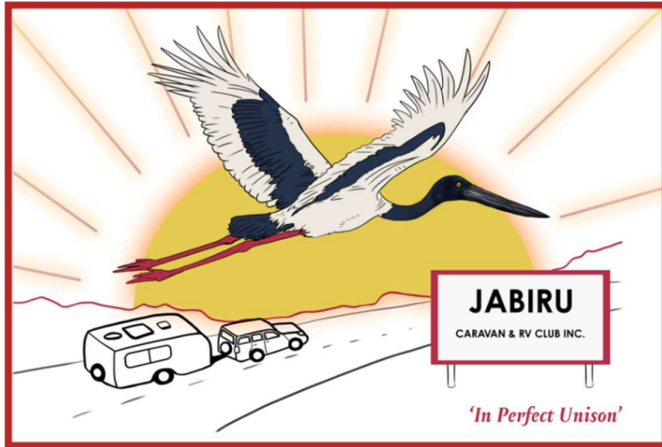


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The Official Monthly Newsletter of the
JABIRU CARAVAN & RV CLUB INC.



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Woodford Showgrounds

13th to 18th November

Our November rally is to be held at Woodford Showgrounds, 38 Neurum Road, Woodford. The showgrounds are walking distance from Woodford township, 15 minutes from Kilcoy and 30 minutes from Caboolture.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Well, Grafton really turned on all its beauty, with the 1700 Jacarandas showing us how beautiful they can be. There was a great turnout of members, and most stayed for the full seven days. A lot of fun was had with the Halloween theme, with caravans decorated and great outfits on Saturday night.

This is the third successful week-long rally we have had, so maybe we can look forward to more in the future.

Thank you to all the planners and helpers. These rallies don't just happen. There's a lot of work beforehand and at the rally as well.

It was my pleasure to induct Barry A. into the club. I know Barry will be a very valuable member and is always willing to help others with any little problems they may have with their vans.

Aivars seemed very surprised with the 75 rally certificate he received for himself and Rhonda. They have been members of the club for 9 years so it was wonderful to present him with this certificate.

As the end of the year is fast approaching there are a couple of things I would like to remind you of.

At Woodford, we are having a Christmas Stall so donations would be greatly appreciated. Anything is fine. Variety makes the stall more interesting. You are also welcome to have your own stall if you like.

Secondly, have you contacted Wayne with your details for the Christmas rally at Kandanga? A \$25 deposit must be paid to secure your site.

The sneaky Santa was a great success last year so we are doing the same again this year. If you would like to be included, please bring along a \$20 gift each to Kandanga.

For anyone who is not well at the moment please get well soon and if you are travelling, enjoy your travels and stay safe.

I hope to see you all at Woodford.

Cheers Fay



Barry A was inducted into the Club



OCTOBER RALLY ROUNDUP (by the Editor)

How cool is Grafton during the Jacaranda season? Lucky we were a couple of weeks early. We got to experience the illumination part of the festival.....along with a bar, live band and the dancing club. We generated some interest as we were all sporting our Club shirts.....which looked great.

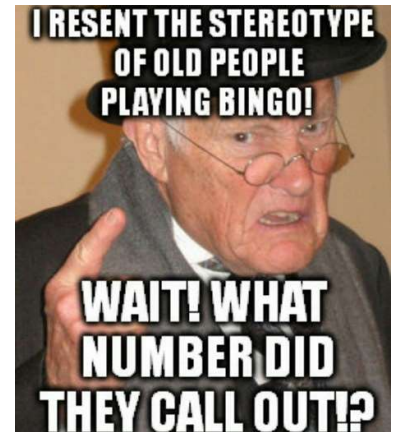
Apart from working I did manage to get out for some nice morning walks....Hazel and I did end up doing a 5km [fun??] walk.....I knew exactly where we were [NOT] but we did get to see the horses at the raceway!

The halloween decorations were cool and there were some very creative costumes on the Saturday night. Some people looked a little too comfortable in their costumes and apparently I look better with lots of black makeup (thanks Uncle Pete!). A little incongruous with the Jacaranda Ball next door and their Gatsby theme. Wayne & Hazel won the van decoration and Marcia and I got the chocolates for the costume....woohoo (Barry, the cheque is in the mail 😊).

We played Bingo on Saturday.....never gets old that one! Hazel and I had spent the prior night re-writing the numbers on the balls.....only for the ink to smudge all over them when they were mixed up. Great job by Wayne to decipher them.

Unfortunately I had to cut and run first....that pesky work interrupting the week long rally. By all accounts everyone had a good time.....and an interesting tag-along on the Monday. I heard there was a little stramash with a tree for one of our members.

November is Racing month....see you all at Woodford.



Aivars & Rhonda reached their 75 rally attendances in February



Winning van decorations





I'm not too sure about this look Barry



Peter looks a little too happy



Is this King Robert or Queen Petal?



ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Grafton Showground October 2024

Wednesday arrival at Grafton Showground, thank goodness we were there that week, as the next week 300 odd vans were due to arrive for the Jacaranda Festival. There were markets on Saturday morning, and the Jacaranda Ball Saturday night, so a busy time for the showground.

Friday night we went to See Park to see the Illumination of the park take place.

It was great night with food vans, a bar set up and a band for entertainment and the Girls Dancing Club put on a show as well. A spectacular night enjoyed by all.

Saturday morning markets were on 7-12. I think the copper magnetic bracelet van did a rather roaring trade from us Jabiru's.

We decorated our vans with a Halloween theme and also dressed up for a fun night along with a catered dinner of Hamburgers and Fay's lovely pineapple desserts. Thanks to all the helpers who helped prepare, cook and serve.

Sunday, we had a late morning tea as no-one was leaving early. Lunch at Ulmarra Hotel on the riverbank was well enjoyed, along with a few cheeky water dragons. A lovely wee town with boutiques and Art shops to peruse.

Monday, we had a tag along to Minnie Waters and then onto Wooli for lunch. Thanks Robert S for booking us in and the dogs were welcome too.

Tuesday was lazy day to do our own things. We packed up on Wednesday, some choosing to go home and a few to go onto other places. Safe travels to all.

Woodford Showground November 2024

See you at Woodford for a Melbourne Cup theme. Friday will be a pancake breakfast \$5 ea.

Saturday Jabiru Market stall, bring along items for the stall if you can, to raise some funds.

Dress to impress Saturday night for dinner, and horse racing.

Also, a reminder to buy your Christmas present for the next rally. Same rules as last year and please no food items or vouchers, be a bit creative.

Cheers

Hazel



OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS



Happy Birthday to Carolyn H & Rhonda D
(accepted by Aivars on her behalf)



Barry & Fay S won the Lucky Van Prize



Happy Anniversary (50 years)
to Rob & Helen S



Judy H won the Raffle

"The first 50 years of
marriage are always
the hardest."

FUTURE RALLIES 2024/2025

DECEMBER:	11 th to 16 th	- Kandanga Country Club
<u>2025</u>		
JANUARY:	15 th to 20 th	- Spring Creek Caravan Park
FEBRUARY:	12 th to 17 th	- Rathdowney Caravan Park
MARCH:	12 th to 17 th	- Wondai Showgrounds
APRIL:	9 th to 14 th	- Toogoolawah Showgrounds (second weekend)
MAY:	14 th to 19 th	- Tyalgum Diggers Campground



Don't forget about our Secret Santa in December – please try to bring an item rather than a gift voucher or food.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Peter L	16 th Nov
Toni C	17 th Nov
Barry A	22 nd Nov
Ann A	28 th Nov



NOVEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Peter & Melody L 1st Nov

RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2024/2025

NOVEMBER:	Peter & Melody L
DECEMBER:	Barry & Fay S
<u>2025</u>	
JANUARY:	Chris & Toni C
FEBRUARY:	Barry A
MARCH:	Keith A
APRIL:	Lorraine G



AT SOME POINT BEER WAS INVOLVED



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

RSVP - RALLY MASTER

Please RSVP to Wayne by **9 November** on his mobile: 0400 559 115 to let him know if you will be attending the Rally.

[Note: because we have to organise activities, catered meals, etc. it is important to let Wayne know ahead of time that you will be attending the Rally.]

Don't forget, bring along extra long water hoses & power leads just in case they are required – and make sure your power leads are 15amp.



FROM THE TREASURER

LEOD FIGURES for October Rally:

Camp Fees: \$2,130

Other: \$5,509

CARE & CONCERN

If you know of any member who may be unwell or needs a cheer up or a chat, just phone or message Melody on 0421 251 328 or email the Secretary at jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com



WOODFORD SHOWGROUNDS 13th to 18th November
38 Neurum Rd, Woodford - 77km from the Brisbane CBD
Powered Sites \$25 Couples or \$20 Single per van per night
Pay as a group - a Hall Levy will apply
Pets allowed and MUST be on a Lead at ALL times
Currently no fires are allowed on the grounds - Dump Point Onsite

WEDNESDAY

Greeting by your Rally Master, Rob. 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 – even mahjong!)
- Later Port and talk

THURSDAY

- 7.00am Walk and talk
- 10.00am Morning Tea
- 4.00pm Happy Hour
- 6.00pm BYO Dinner with Board games and cards
- Later Port and talk



FRIDAY

- 7.00am Walk and talk
- 8.30am Pancake Breakfast (\$5.00pp)
- 4.00pm Happy Hour
- 6.00pm BYO Dinner with Board games and cards
- Later Port and talk

SATURDAY

- 7.00am Walk and talk
- 9.00am The Jabiru Christmas Stall
- 10.00am Morning Tea
- 4.00pm Happy Hour
- 6.00pm BYO Dinner followed by The Jabiru (Melbourne) Cup. Bring along your \$.50c for punting. Dress to impress.
- Later Port and talk



SUNDAY

- 7.00am Walk and talk
 - 8.30am Visit the treasurer to pay your account and purchase your raffle tickets.
 - 9.00am Morning Tea, birthdays, anniversaries, raffle draw, lucky van prize etc.
- For those staying on, at 11am we will be taking a Train Ride on the Woodford Heritage Railway (\$6.00 Seniors) to Woodford Gardens for lunch at the Café then return



FOR THOSE LEAVING US ON SUNDAY, HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME