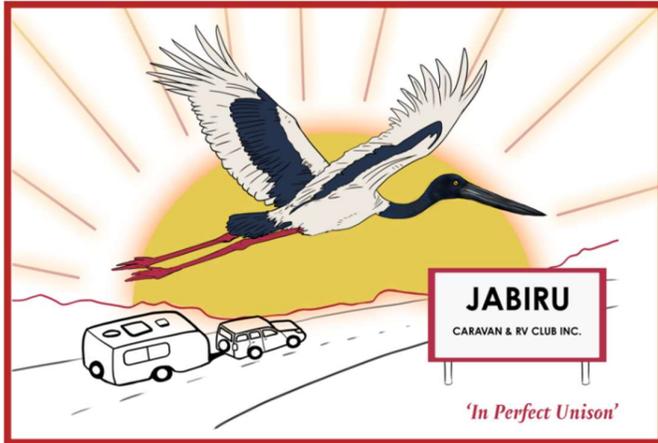


# 'STORK TALK'

## December 2025

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



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## Beaudesert Showgrounds

10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> December

Our December rally is to be held at the Beaudesert Showgrounds, Albert Street, Beaudesert. Centrally located, the showgrounds are a short walk to town, where you'll find a range of shops and places to eat.

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi to my fellow Jabiru's. I hope everyone is keeping well.

Now what a rally we had at Kalbar showgrounds - perfect one day, flooding the next.

Peter P came to the rescue of Jeanette's van and managed to tow it to higher ground while the water was lapping at her door. A very big thank you to Peter P. A few anxious moments for some of our campers.

Our Jabiru Cup was a huge success with everyone dressing up for the fashions on the field.

Our next rally is our Christmas rally at Beaudesert Showgrounds. Make sure you come in your Christmas gear and I have heard a whisper that a very special person is coming to visit us (Ho Ho Ho) at our Christmas dinner so have you been naughty or nice we will have to wait and see what he brings!

See you all at Beaudesert.

Cheers Marcia



## Notice to Members

### Leave of Absence Requests

All members are reminded that any requests for a leave of absence must be submitted in writing to the Secretary. This ensures that all absences are properly recorded and managed.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Regards, Fay

## NOVEMBER RALLY ROUNDUP (by the Editor)

One word for the December Rally.....wet, wet, wet (wait, isn't that a song title or the name of a band??)! I was late to the party on Friday afternoon after driving through the edge of yet another storm going around South East Queensland. On Saturday we had our fundraising stall....harking back 12 months when we were at Woodford and the weather was atrocious.....so at least it didn't actually rain while the market was on.....little did we know it was saving it all up for Saturday night.

We had a freak little storm in the afternoon which resulted in Pam & Phil losing their awning.....I think this was the only major casualty (for our Club) of the weekend.

Saturday night people were turning up for the Jabiru Cup in all sorts of rain proof contraptions.....rubbish bags, umbrellas (which proved pointless really) and gumboots. Hazel had to MacGyver a water stop with some signs she found lying around or it's likely fashions on the field would have endured a very soggy track. As it was, some of the horses were slow out of the gate and I think Rob S snagged the most winnings. There's a secret gambler in everyone!



It absolutely poured down while we were at the Jabiru Cup and when we emerged it was to find an inland sea at our doorstep. As Marcia said, Peter P rode in on his white ~~mustang~~ (oops.....I mean Mazda BT50 of course!) to tow Jeanette out. Michael was keeping a very close eye on the levels around his van as well.....very importantly he packed up his TV aerial and grey water hose.

Meanwhile, further down the road the RAM got its feet wet and a few of the vans around the oval had water views all of a sudden.

As a result of all that, the final outcome was one awning down and several shoes missing (the muck mat was recovered from the oval).

Now it's nearly Christmas time again. Another year has flown by and it's our final Rally for 2025.

See you all at Beaudesert.

I'm not going to explain what's going on here.....you had to be there!





The eyes have it!

Joan got the memo re the tablecloth matching!

## ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

We had 17 vans attend the Kalbar Rally. It was a challenging weekend with very hot days and rain at night, leading into storms, wind and lots of rain. Unfortunately, a couple of the vans got damaged awnings and on Saturday night the roads, oval and generally everywhere, was flooding. Thank you so much to the Members who helped get Jeanette's van and members' cars to high ground so everyone was safe in the morning.

There was a gorgeous big tree in front of the Caretaker's place that we were able to meet at a few times for Happy Hour and morning teas – lots of shade. Thursday we did a tagalong to Lake Moogerah with a lovely big shelter to sit under and have our lunch. Robert's car didn't make it there as he had a mechanical problem and luckily was able to get it fixed in Kalbar.

Friday we visited the Coffee Emporium for coffee and a toastie - lots of things to look at and the Host and his staff were so welcoming.

On Saturday morning we had our annual fundraising stall. Thank you so much to Hazel for making up the signs and laminating them, placing them around the Showgrounds as well as up town. Unfortunately, we didn't get many visitors come in to browse with all the rain that had been around. I think Pam spent the most money on goodies. Thanks to the members who set up and manned the tables for the entire morning and to Jeanette & Robert for taking any unwanted stuff to the Charity Shop.

Saturday evening was our Wine & Cheese evening with everyone dressing up in their best Jabiru Cup gear. Nita was judged as best dressed Female and Wayne best dressed Male. We certainly had lots of fun with the horse racing and all the 50c bets, lots of laughing, that is until it was reported to us about the flooding outside.

Looking forward to our next Rally at Beaudesert, there will be a small prize for Best Christmas Decorated van so get those coloured lights out and have some fun.

On Thursday morning we will be having a Pancake breakfast which is always so yummy. We will be looking for volunteers to help cook the pancakes.

Friday we will do a tagalong to Wyaralong Dam, only 22 minutes away, it is one of Queensland's newest dams and opened in 2011.

On Saturday morning we will be having our Christmas Food Market so bring along any goodies you would like to sell and for those of us who aren't the best cooks, bring some money to purchase these yummy morsels.

Saturday night we are going to the Club for our annual Christmas Dinner so dress up in your Christmas Shirt to get into the theme. Don't forget to bring along a \$20.00 gift each as Santa will be there to hand out the gifts and Joan has something up her sleeve to make the night interesting.

Thanks to Fay for organising the Courtesy Bus (or as Phil called it, the Booze Bus) to get to the venue. We know some of you will take your own vehicles, and that's OK too.

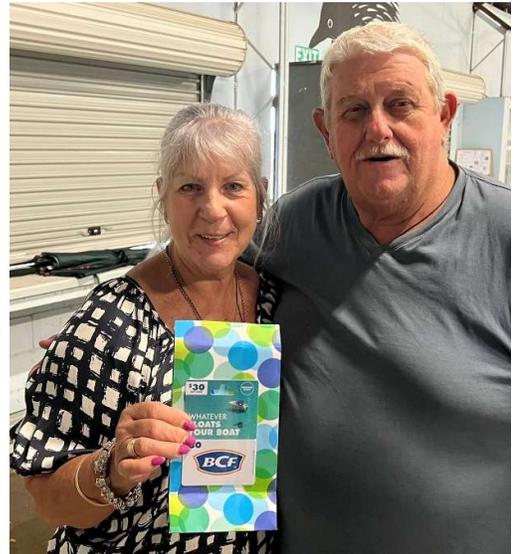
Cheers Sandra & Joan



# NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS



Happy Birthday to Peter L,  
Toni C, Barry A and Ann A



Wayne & Hazel won the Raffle



Michael (skulking about  
somewhere) & Jenni F won the  
Lucky Van Prize  
(these guys have taken over the lucky  
streak from Judy....or maybe it's just  
because Judy wasn't there!)



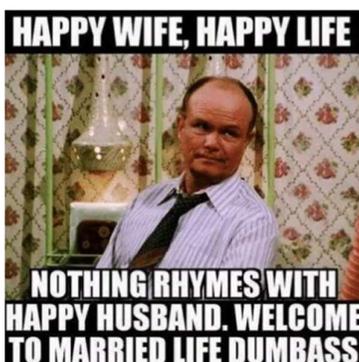
Happy Anniversary to Peter & Melody L

## FUTURE RALLIES 2026

JANUARY:	14 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup>	- Kenilworth Showgrounds
FEBRUARY:	18 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Laidley Showgrounds
MARCH:	18 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- Alstonville Showgrounds
APRIL:	15 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	- Lowood Showgrounds
MAY:	13 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>	- Mullumbimby Showgrounds
JUNE:	17 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- Oakey Showgrounds

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joan T	10 <sup>th</sup>
Barry Sh	17 <sup>th</sup>
Judy H	18 <sup>th</sup>
Kay G	28 <sup>th</sup>



### DECEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

None

## RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2025/2026

DECEMBER:	Joan A
JANUARY 2026:	Shirley B
FEBRUARY:	Jeanette J
MARCH:	Bob W
APRIL:	Carolyn & Denis H
MAY:	Ann & Klaus





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

## RSVP - RALLY MASTER

Please RSVP to Rob S by **6<sup>th</sup> Dec** on his mobile: **0427 773 559** to confirm 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 November Rally:

Camp Fees: \$2,160

Other: \$4,728

#### JABIRU CARAVAN AND RV CLUB INC.

#### BY-LAWS



#### 21. PETS

The Jabiru Caravan and RV Club Inc. welcomes quiet and obedient pets.

Being a pet friendly Club, we must abide by Council Laws and Health and Safety Regulation and venue rules. Pets are NOT allowed at breakfast, lunch and dinner venues. Outside morning tea and happy hour gatherings are acceptable. Exception for assistance dogs.

Dogs must always be on a hand held leash and owners are to pick up all droppings immediately.

### 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](mailto:jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com)



## BEAUDESERT SHOWGROUNDS - 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> December

Albert St, Beaudesert (74km from Brisbane CBD)

\$24 per night, power & water - pay as a group.

Long leads & long hoses may be required, NO fires permitted

New Dump Point on site, Pets allowed (must be on a lead)

### WEDNESDAY

Greeting by your Rally Master, Rob S. Set up in designated position and relax.

4.00pm Happy Hour  
7.00pm Card & Board games  
Later Port and talk

### THURSDAY

TBD Walk and talk  
8.00am Pancake Breakfast. Bring a plate and your appetite.  
10.00am Morning Tea  
4.00pm Happy Hour  
7.00pm Card & Board games  
Later Port and talk

### FRIDAY

TBD Walk and talk  
10.00am Morning Tea  
11.15am Tagalong to Wyaralong Dam for a BYO lunch  
4.00pm Happy Hour  
7.00pm Card & Board games  
Later Port and talk

### SATURDAY

TBD Walk and talk  
9.00am Christmas yummys stall – please bring along something to donate to the stall and treat yourself to some ‘Made with Love’ goodies.  
10.00am Morning Tea  
4.00pm Happy Hour (or maybe earlier)  
5.30pm Travel to ‘The Club’ for Christmas dinner, fun and the Secret Santa swap  
Later Port and talk

### SUNDAY

TBD Walk and talk  
8.45am Please purchase your raffle tickets.  
9.00am Morning Tea, birthdays, anniversaries, raffle draw, lucky van prize etc.



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

**For those staying....more to explore**