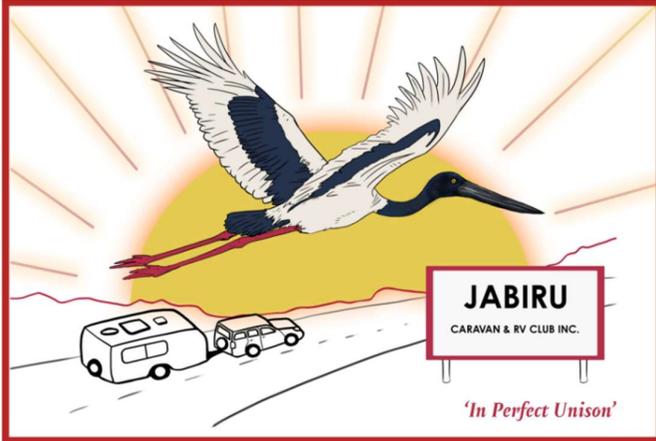


# 'STORK TALK'

## March 2026

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



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## Alstonville Showgrounds

18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Our March rally is to be held at the Alstonville Showgrounds, 6 South Street, Alstonville. Alstonville is a town in northern New South Wales, part of the region known as the Northern Rivers. Alstonville is on the Bruxner Highway between the town of Ballina (13 km to the east) and city of Lismore (19 km to the west).

### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

ALSTONVILLE MEDICAL CENTRE  
15 Bugden Ave      02 6628 3101

ALSTONVILLE VET HOSPITAL  
4 Daley St      02 6628 5262



### **THE JABIRU COMMITTEE**

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	Marcia P	0412 595 016	<b>VICE PRESIDENT</b>	Bob W	0404 447 172
<b>SECRETARY</b>	Fay S	0429 662 490	<b>TREASURER</b>	Hazel C	0412 424 094
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<b>RALLY MASTERS</b>		Rob S (0427 773 559)/Peter P (0415 407 266)			
<b>ACTIVITIES COORDINATORS</b>		Sandra W (0409 055 020)/Joan A (0417 006 645)			

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Jabiru Caravan and RV Club had another enjoyable rally held at the Laidley Showgrounds. We had a great attendance by our members and our visitors, Helmut and his dog Toby, and Caroline and her dog Newbie, who both attended their 3<sup>rd</sup> rallies.

I had the pleasure of inducting two new members into our club. We welcomed Marianne and Rudi and their little dog Zoe.

**The club Annual Membership Fees are due by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026. Full membership is \$50.00 and Associate Members \$20.00.**

Bank details for payment are as follows:

Suncorp Bank BSB 484-799 / Account No. 606354050 - for reference please use surname and van number.

Our **Annual General Meeting is coming up in May**. All committee positions become vacant and we would love to see some nominations for positions. These are important for the future of the Club. Positions are as follows:

**Executive Committee Positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer**

**Committee Positions: Rally Master, Venue Co-Ordinator, Activities Co-Ordinator, Editor.**

Our next rally is at **Alstonville Showgrounds 18-23 March 2026**.

**You pay individually for your site as you arrive at the caretaker's office. The caretaker will then issue you with a bucket to catch your grey water to be dumped in the dump point. NO GREY WATER TO BE LET OUT ON GROUNDS AND NO FLOOR MATTING OR DOOR MATS ALLOWED.**

Just a note to keep in mind the **CCQ State Rally this year is at Chinchilla Showgrounds, 17-23 September 2026**, hosted by the Roustabouts Club. State Rallies are a great way to meet other people from Clubs all over Queensland and participate in the activities the host Club will provide.

So hope to see you at our March Rally and safe travels to everyone to wherever you may wander.

Cheers from your President.

Marcia P



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

I missed the February Rally because I was freezing my butt off in Christchurch.....which is ridiculous in the middle of summer! I hear the Rally went well and was very well attended which is good to hear. I didn't hear any stories so everyone must have been very well behaved.....really?? I got a few photos but didn't see many of everyone dressed in their Valentine's Day finest. The decorations looked good....and I'm sure the food was delish.

See you all at Alstonville.

### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

#### **DEFIBRILLATOR INFORMATION:**

If it ever comes to using the Club's defibrillator, every minute counts to have easy and fast access to the equipment which should be accessible for 24 hours of each and every day of the rally.

The defibrillator will be kept outside the Vice President's (Bob W) van when on site and if the Vice President is not attending the Rally it will be passed on to the Rally Master, Rob S, for that Rally.

When on Club outings the defib must be taken along with the person responsible for it at that particular time.

### **CLUB EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

#### **IF AN EMERGENCY ARISES**

- BLOW WHISTLE UNTIL HELP ARRIVES
- OR IF POSSIBLE HONK YOUR CAR HORN CONTINUOUSLY
- OR HAVE SOMEONE DO SO UNTIL HELP ARRIVES
- PRESIDENT OR COMMITTEE MEMBER WILL CALL 000

## **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

## ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

We had 16 vans attend the rally at Laidley even though it was hot, especially on Thursday. We had a great time and were thankful for the use of the hall and lovely big shady verandah at the side.

We were all welcomed by the very capable Rally Master, Rob, who set us up in the area indicated. Thursday a lot of the members went for a drive or walked through town. A popular shop seemed to be Wayne's World and it's not even named after our Wayne.

Our newest members, Rudi and Marianne, organised Ukelele playing and singing at 3.00 on most afternoons before Happy Hour - this was very enjoyable.

Friday we did a tagalong to Lake Dyer where we had lunch in the huge picnic shelter, the dogs were allowed to come with us as long as they stayed on their leads. It was a beautiful spot, just a pity the dogs weren't allowed near the water. There were card and board games played in the hall each evening - I think some members think we are playing for sheep stations [haha].

Saturday some members went for a drive and others stayed to prepare for our shared dinner that night. We had a Valentine's Day theme and of course Joan went over and above to decorate the hall. The meals were delicious and the desserts were to die for. Thank you to all who contributed. After dinner we all played Valentine's Day trivia followed by 8 games of Beetle - lots of fun and laughter but questionable drawings.

Alstonville will be our next Rally so we will be in NSW and have daylight saving - I suppose the curtains in my Van are going to fade.

On Friday we will have a Tagalong to Missingham Beach in East Ballina. This is an off leash, dog friendly beach and only 16kms from Alstonville. Then for those interested, we will have lunch at the Shaws Bay Hotel which is a dog friendly hotel. I will make a booking when I know the numbers.

On Saturday we can visit Summerland Farm in Alstonville, only 5kms from the Showgrounds. It is a working Macadamia & Avocado Farm which offers tractor pulled guided Farm Tours.

There are lots of quaint shops in Alstonville and a terrific bakery.

Cheers Sandra & Joan



# FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS



Happy Anniversary to Chris & Toni C  
(not in attendance)



Happy Birthday to Gary T, Helmut S, Sandra W,  
Lorraine G and Marianne M



Pam & Phil P won the Raffle



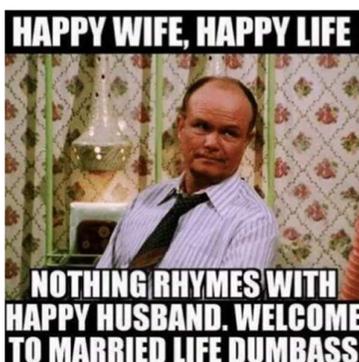
Peter & Marcia P won the  
Lucky Van Prize

## FUTURE RALLIES 2026

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
JULY:	15 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup>	- Warwick Showgrounds for Jumpers & Jazz (TBA)
AUGUST:	12 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>	- Boonah Caravan Park
SEPTEMBER:	16 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup>	- Standown Park

### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

Wayne W	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Lawrie L	12 <sup>th</sup>
Aivars D	14 <sup>th</sup>
Caroline T	31 <sup>st</sup>



### **MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Peter & Marcia P	7 <sup>th</sup>
Barry & Dell S	17 <sup>th</sup>
Denis & Carolyn H	23 <sup>rd</sup>

## RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2026

MARCH:	Bob W
APRIL:	Carolyn & Denis H
MAY:	Ann & Klaus
JUNE:	Peter & Marcia P
JULY:	Mal & Geraldine B
AUGUST:	Rudi & Marianne M





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

## RSVP - RALLY MASTER

Please RSVP to Rob S by **14<sup>th</sup> Mar** 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 February Rally:

Camp Fees: \$1,875

Other: \$2,593

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)



## ALSTONVILLE SHOWGROUNDS - 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> March

6 South Street, Alstonville (194km from Brisbane CBD)

\$30 per night powered sites - Check in & pay on arrival at office

Long leads and hoses may be required / Pets allowed (must be on a lead)

**NO GROUND SHEETS OR MATS ALLOWED**

**ALL GREY WATER MUST BE RETAINED IN A BUCKET PROVIDED BY THE CARETAKER  
AND EMPTIED IN THE DUMP POINT ON SITE**

### 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

10.00am Morning Tea

Suggestion: Visit one of the 3 bakeries. "Home" seems to be the one to go for.

4.00pm Happy Hour

7.00pm Card & Board games

Later Port and talk

### FRIDAY

TBD Walk and talk

10.00am Morning Tea

11.00am Tagalong to Missingham Beach to the dog off leash area

12.30pm Lunch at Shaws Bay Hotel. Dog friendly

4.00pm Happy Hour

7.00pm Card & Board games

Later Port and talk

### SATURDAY

TBD Walk and talk

Suggestion: Visit the markets in the shed

10.00am Morning Tea

11.00am Tagalong to Summerland Farm

4.00pm Happy Hour

7.00pm St Patrick's Day fun

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, summary of next month's rally etc.

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

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

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 ..... **at 12.00 noon.**

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TREASURER	ACTIVITIES CO ORDINATOR	CARE & CONCERN
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NOMINATION FOR THE POSITION OF: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE: (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINATOR: (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDER: (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY ACCEPT THE ABOVE NOMINATION: NOMINEE Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**JABIRU CARAVAN AND R.V. CLUB Inc.**  
**PROXY VOTE NOMINATION FORM**

**Proxy forms are to be in the hands of the Secretary, PRIOR TO THE START of the AGM**

I .....being a member of the Jabiru Caravan and RV Club Inc. hereby  
nominate.....to act as proxy at the AGM to be held on  
.....

I also authorise my proxy to vote on any nomination from the floor.

**My preferred Candidate for:**

- President** .....
- Vice President** .....
- Secretary** .....
- Treasurer**.....
- Activities Co-Ordinator**.....
- Rally Master**.....
- Venue Co-Ordinator**.....
- Editor**.....
- Assistant Secretary**.....
- Assistant Treasurer**.....
- Care and Concern**.....
- CCQ Delegates x 2**.....&.....

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_