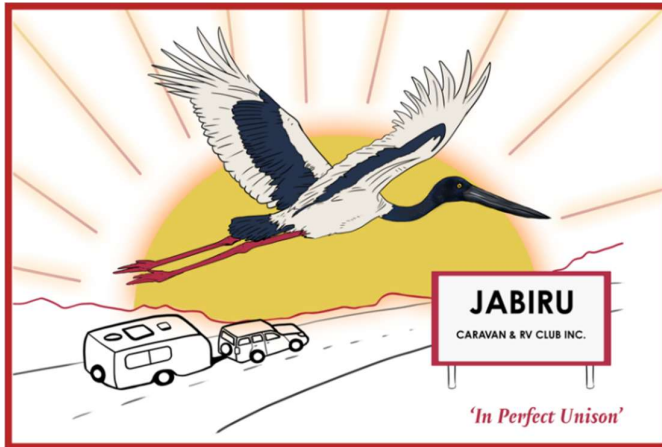


'STORK TALK'

September 2026

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



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Standown Park

16th to 21st September

Our September rally is to be held at Standown Park, 91 Radtke Road, Kia Ora. Standown Park is nestled between Gympie, Tin Can Bay & Rainbow Beach. Don't forget to book in directly with the Park (see contact details on the Programme page).

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi from your President and welcome to our latest newsletter for September 2026.

Peter and I have been away travelling up north to Mackay and surrounds, catching up with relatives and on our way home we went to Sapphire, Rubyvale area for some fossicking for gemstones. It is a great experience and a lot of fun.

I would like to thank our Vice President, Robert W, for filling in for me and Aivars D and Rob S for filling in as Rally Masters for our Woodford Rally. From all accounts, all these guys did a fantastic job, well done.

Our rally at Boonah was successful with 16 vans attending and 2 visitors that came along and enjoyed the fun we have as a Club. Our Farmers night was a great success. Many thanks to the wonderful Marianne and Rudi M for organizing the fabulous decorations and the boot scooting music.

Peter and I, along with some other members, Fay and Barry S, Rob and Helen S, Barry A, Carolyn and Dennis H, will be attending the State Rally in Chinchilla this September representing our Club. Our Club rally, which is at Standown Park near Tin Can Bay, is being held the same week as the State Rally. I hope all the members who are attending the Club Rally have a fabulous time as it truly is a beautiful spot.

Until next time, safe travels to wherever you may wander.

Marcia



Leave of Absence Requests

All Members are reminded that any request 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 cooperation.

AUGUST RALLY ROUNDUP (by the Editor)

I was again missing in action for some of the August rally, but made it into Boonah on the Friday. The weather was great and unfortunately I missed the jewellery making on the Friday.....the finished products were very flash.

As you may have seen on Facebook, it was a great opportunity for me to get my haircut....it's been a while.

We checked out the local pub on Friday night – outrageously large meals...and delicious. We also had a great night at our shared dinner night on Saturday – with lots of yummy food on offer. Rudi has gone to great lengths to make the table decorations....well done. The Farmers Quiz was a laugh as well and then we got onto the boot scoot'n. Yes, that was me doing the Nutbush (don't mention Euramo). It was good to see all the budding line dancers.

We had a couple of nice walks in the morning and even had some horses and events to watch while we were there.

There was sad news after the Rally – big hugs to Joan who had to say goodbye to Ali and also to Pam & Phil who lost Hugo tragically last week.

I'll see some of you at the next Rally.....for those going, have fun at the State Rally.



ACTIVITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Boonah Rally Wrap-Up

Our Boonah Rally was a great success, with 18 vans rolling in and setting up camp. The weather behaved beautifully all weekend — except for the evenings, which were cool enough to make us consider knitting our own thermal underwear. Luckily, the bonfire kept us all toasty.

Friday kicked off with 8 ladies bravely tackling the art of memory-wire bracelets and earrings. We had a lot of fun crawling around on the floor trying to retrieve the escapees. Plenty of laughs, plenty of jewellery, and no reported injuries, which is always a bonus.

Free time allowed everyone to explore Boonah and surrounds, and the Op Shop was so popular you'd think they were giving away gold nuggets with every purchase.



Saturday – Farmers Night

Saturday was full steam ahead as we cooked, decorated, and transformed the hall for our Farmers Night. A big shout-out to Pam, who heroically blew up balloons without passing out, and to Jeanette, whose spinning wheel and handmade garments made our display look like a mini agricultural show. Pam added a few extra touches too — the whole setup looked fantastic.

We had 30 members attend, and the food was delicious, plentiful, and dangerously tempting. A huge thank-you to everyone who contributed — we may need to start a club fitness program after that feast.

We also celebrated Geraldine's 70th, proving once again that birthdays are better when shared with friends, cake, and questionable dance moves.

After dinner, we tackled my Farmers Trivia. Our champions were Fay, Berry, Pam and Phil, scoring 15 out of 20 — clearly the group to call if you ever need to identify a cow from 50 metres away.

DJ Rudi kept the music pumping and the dance floor busy. Some of us danced like professionals, others danced like enthusiastic garden sprinklers — but everyone had a brilliant time.

Sunday – The Clean-Up Crew

Sunday morning saw our dedicated helpers tidying up the hall. Many hands made light work, and we were packed up faster than you can say "Where did I put my coffee?".

A huge thank-you to everyone who helped, participated, cooked, crafted, danced, cleaned, and contributed to making this rally such a memorable and enjoyable weekend.



NEXT RALLY – STANDOWN PARK

Next Rally will be at Standown Caravan Park, Kia Ora which is located about half way between Gympie (24km) and Tin Can Bay (28km) surrounded by beautiful countryside. No need to bring firewood as it is supplied. There is a communal campfire for us to sit around at our happy hours and we can light the fire for that. Russell (Caretaker) says we do not need to wait until 5pm as advertised to light the fire. The camp kitchen is large, enclosed and well equipped, perfect for our meetings or evenings playing cards and board games.

We are booked in for lunch on Friday 18th September with the puppies at Sublime Farm and Brewery just 1km down the road. It has an excellent reputation and was previously two properties - one a rustic country pub “Silky Oak Tea Gardens” and the other “Sublime Lime Orchards”, the perfect combination for a craft brewery as you will tell when you sample their brews. We continue to party on Saturday with lunch at the popular Rainbow Beach Surf Life Saving Club with the “Cherry Venture” propeller as a feature out front. After lunch we can take a leisurely 15 minute walk to a local tourist attraction, the Carlo Sand Blow, noted for its panoramic views over the Coloured Sands, Double Island Point, K'gari (Fraser Island) and more. Unless you prefer to stroll through the local shops or to the beach. Plenty of other attractions if you fancy a drive through Tin Can Bay on the way home. Pick up a free “Bay Bulletin”, the local newspaper, for information on local events, markets, etc.

After morning tea on Thursday you might like to join us for a game of Finska so the afternoon is free to relax. If you fancy some sightseeing there's plenty to see and do in the historical mining town of Gympie. Let's call it surprise Sunday as those staying on until Monday might be looking for something to do after our Morning Tea and Raffles and we haven't even touched on markets and other local attractions.

Looking forward to seeing you at Standown.

Cheers

Judy



Sunday shenanigans

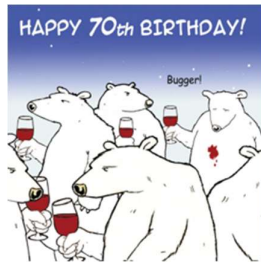


Some had more fun than others!

AUGUST CELEBRATIONS



Happy Birthday to Barry S, Queenie & of course
Geraldine who turns 70 in August



Marcia P won the Raffle



Sandra W won the Lucky Van Prize

FUTURE RALLIES 2026/2027

OCTOBER: 14th to 19th - Darlington Park

NOVEMBER: 18th to 23rd - Imbil Showgrounds

DECEMBER: 9th to 14th - Blackbutt Showgrounds (second weekend)

2027

JANUARY: 13th to 18th - Yarraman Caravan Park

FEBRUARY: 17th to 22nd - Millmerran Showgrounds

MARCH: 17th to 22nd - Lismore Showgrounds



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Rob S	17th
Pam P	14th
Nita B	22nd

SEPTEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Jenni F	6th
Barry & Fay S	7th
Rudi & Marianne M	19th
Phil & Pam P	28th



RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER 2026/2027

SEPTEMBER: Helmut S

OCTOBER: Alex & Queenie

NOVEMBER: Colin F

DECEMBER: Judy H

JANUARY 2027: Pam & Phil P

FEBRUARY: Wayne & Hazel





Keep going, you're well clear of the bollard

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

RSVP - RALLY MASTER

There is no need to RSVP to the Rally Master this month as we have to book direct with the Park. See contact details on the programme page.

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 August Rally:

Camp Fees: \$2,025

Other: \$3,545

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



STANDOWN PARK – 16th to 21st September

91 Radtke Road, Kia Ora (152km from Brisbane CBD)

\$37 basic sites and \$42 grass or dam sites

Must book in directly with the Park at least 2 weeks ahead

(Call: 5486 5144 or Email: bookings@standown.com.au)

No individual fires permitted – Communal fire pit available

Pets to be on a lead at all times

WEDNESDAY

Check in at the Office. Set up in designated position and relax.

4.00pm Happy Hour around the communal fire pit

7.00pm Card & Board games

Later Port and talk

THURSDAY

TBD Walk and talk

10.00am Morning Tea

11.00am Join us in a game of Finska

4.00pm Happy Hour around the communal fire pit

7.00pm Card & Board games

Later Port and talk



FRIDAY

TBD Walk and talk

10.00am Morning Tea

11.45am Tagalong to Sublime Farm and Brewery for lunch (dog friendly)

4.00pm Happy Hour around the communal fire pit

7.00pm Card & Board games

Later Port and talk



SATURDAY

TBD Walk and talk

10.00am Morning Tea

11.00am Tagalong to Rainbow Beach Surf Life Saving Club for lunch followed by a short walk to the Carlo Sand Blow

4.00pm Happy Hour around the communal fire pit

7.00pm Card & Board games

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