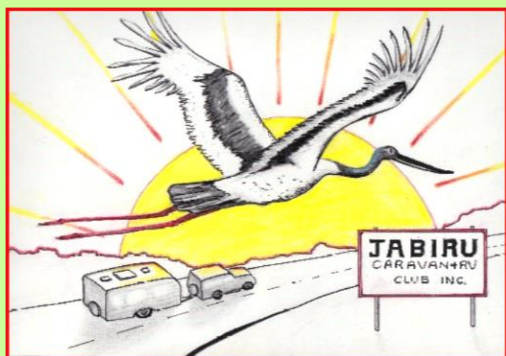


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IMBIL CAMPING RETREAT

Imbil Camping Retreat is located near the quiet town of Imbil, which is the largest town in the Mary Valley south of Gympie. The town which has a hotel, a bakery, a butcher, a lady's dress and accessories shop plus a few other local shops as well. There is a park in the centre of town.



The Imbil Camping Retreat covers a large area for powered and unpowered camping with access to the Yabba Creek for swimming or kayaking. It is a very busy place on the weekends due to the many families who visit to relax and play.



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\*\*\*OUR \*\* CHRISTMAS \*\* RALLY\*\*\*

Be sure to dress up in your Christmas gear for Lunch on Saturday.

There will be a prize for the best decorated van.

See rally sheet for more details.



## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT - IMBIL CAMPING RETREAT**

**Imbil Camping Retreat** was another great new venue for us. It is situated on the banks of Yabba Creek and offers swimming and kayaking. The park is very much like Biggigen in many ways as it attracts a lot of families, especially at weekends, with plenty of room for children to ride their bikes and go swimming etc.

We arrived on Wednesday in 37-38 degree heat along with first time visitors Colin & Moira Cleary. We welcomed them to the Rally. Fortunately by late afternoon the temperature dropped considerably and the night's temperature dropped to around 20 degrees. This was the weather pattern for the weekend.

By Friday we had a total of 9 vans on site, a good roll up seeing Bill & Juliet are the only members home from WA. Friday Morning we did a tag along to Amamoor village to a lovely little coffee shop for morning tea and saw the Gympie Rattler arrive. This is the turnaround point before it returns to Gympie. Later back at camp everyone migrated to their vans for the air conditioning or found a cool spot in the shade or took a dip in the creek.

Saturday Morning I think was the highlight of the Rally. Chris & Toni cooked us a beautiful big breakfast of bacon, eggs, sausages, tomato & toast. This was really enjoyed by everyone - a very special thank you to Chris & Toni. Later in the morning we had the Quarterly General Meeting which was over before 11 am. The rest of Saturday was spent relaxing or up at Imbil's shopping centre. Some of the ladies found a dress shop and made some purchases. Unfortunately for the guys there was no camping or hardware shops in town. We all went up town to the Railway Hotel for Saturday night's dinner after a bit of a storm.

I must thank those members who were at the National Rally for organising and manning the stall that generated \$245.00 for the Club's bank account. Also thanks to those travelling members who left money with us for the raffles every month. Thanks also to the local members for supporting the Rallies & raffles every month. Thanks to Bob for finding the venue, Don for showing the movie and again special thanks to Chris & Toni for the breakfast. We also welcomed Bill & Juliet back from the National Rally, they were last to leave but first to return even after travelling via Melbourne. (To pick up a new caravan)

In summing up the Rally I must say it was another very enjoyable, relaxing, friendly Rally. Our next Rally is at Esk Caravan Park 11<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> December - our Christmas Rally. I hope you have all booked your sites as per my earlier emails. This venue ticks all the boxes and there is a lovely little swimming pool. We are going to the Grand Hotel in Esk for our Christmas Lunch, then after Lunch it will be back to camp for festivities as Santa will be arriving during the afternoon. (Watch the Newsletter for details of the Rally)

See you all there

Russell

President

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***LEOD FOR IMBIL RALLY  
IS \$ 1907.00***

### **THE JABIRU COMMITTEE**

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### **RAFFLE PRIZE ROSTER**

**PRIZE IS TO BE BETWEEN \$25 & \$30.**

If it is your turn to provide the Raffle prize & you cannot attend that rally then you have two options:

1. Swap your turn with another couple, or
2. Send in the prize with another member attending the Rally.

**THE DECEMBER 2019 ROSTER IS: DENIS & CAROLYN HEALY**

January 2020 – Graham & Lorraine Genner

February – Barry & Margaret Chesterfield

March – Wayne Wootton & Hazel Crewe

April – Winton & Robyn McCormack

May – Barry & Sue Massingham

June – Sepp & Marianne Henseler

July – Mal & Marclain Lawless

August – Arlene Hallen

### **OUR CARE PERSON**

**Sylvia Mitchell**

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Just let Sylvia know if you know of any of our members who are unwell so we may offer our best wishes or support.

**BEST WISHES TO ALL OUR MEMBERS THAT ARE NOT FEELING THE BEST OR HAVING OPERATIONS – A QUICK RECOVERY TO ALL**

### **“DO YOU HAVE A TOWING PROBLEM?”**

- A Friend was having problems towing his Caravan.
- Having owned several caravans & tow vehicles in the past he knew the weight distribution set up was incorrect, in fact bordering on unsafe.
- The friend contacted Garry Gardiner at Hayman Reece for advice.
- Garry advised him to contact Aussie Escape Caravans as they have all the equipment including weighbridge, parts and expertise to set his combination up correctly.
- The unit was booked into Aussie Escape Caravans for the **weigh to go** service.
- The service includes the unit being weighed and measured several times – any worn and incorrect parts replaced and adjustments made. The unit now tows perfectly and he received a full written report.
- **Aussie Escape Caravans 40 South Pine Road Brendale (07) 3465 0935 ask for TI.**
- Google Aussie Escape Caravans for further information.



## RAFFLE WINNERS

### Raffle Prize :

Car Boot Organiser  
Donated by Lorraine Taylor

Won by :

**BILL & JULIET RAYMOND**



### Van Prize :

One night free camp - won by

**GARRY & CHRIS LANE**

**VAN NO. 75**



## CELEBRATIONS

### BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to :

Toni Raabe

(Ian Aland & Arlene Hallen Not Present)



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### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations & Happy Anniversary

Garry & Chris Lane and

Steve & Grace Costello



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**Dennis & Bonnie Williams - 13th**  
**Bill & Sue Clark - 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Malcolm & Marclain Lawless - 30th**

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# JABIRU NOTICEBOARD

FOR SALE :

Club Shirts - Size M and Ladies 16 - \$ 10.00 each  
Club Jackets - Size Medium and Small - \$ 20.00 each  
 Enquiries to Russell on 0418 816 707 (On behalf of Ross & Sue Bruce)

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## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Thanks, Juliet

## UHF RADIO SIGNS FOR VANS

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## National Rally Photos

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## MEMBERS PROFILE

### CHRIS LANE



Where were you born? **MAITLAND NSW**

Where did you go to school?

PRIMARY – **Allynbrook Public NSW**

HIGH SCHOOL - **Maitland Girls High**

What is your favourite Colour? **PINK**

What is your favourite Sport? **Rodeo**

What is your favourite song?

**Horse With No Name**

What is your favourite food? **Chocolate**

What is your favourite Cartoon Character?

**The Roadrunner**

One thing you can't live without? **Family**

What do you most hate? **Cockroaches.**

One word that best describes you? **Patient**

Naughtiest thing you did at school?

**Wagged sport every week.**

Your Motto - **What goes around,  
Comes around.**

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## FUTURE RALLY DATES

### 2020

JANUARY 2020 - DAYBORO  
SHOWGROUNDS - 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>

FEBRUARY 2020 - GYMPIE  
SHOWGROUNDS - 12<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>

MARCH 2020 -  
GOOMBURRA VALLEY  
- 18<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>

APRIL 2020 - KYOGLE  
SHOW GROUNDS (NSW) -  
15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>

This is our 6<sup>th</sup> Birthday Rally

**WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE**

**WE WELCOME OUR  
FIRST TIME VISITORS -**

### **COLIN & MOIRA CLEARY**





**Imbil camping retreat - rally** Friday – morning tea at Click Clack Caffé at Amamoor - next to the train station where the Mary Rattler arrives and departs to go back to Gympie.



A rustic looking café – Click Clack Café



Quaint 'outhouse'?



Russell talking with the  
Honorary Station Master.

Saturday morning - breakfast cooked by Chris & Toni - enjoyed by all.



Happy hours were spent under the shade of this Moreton Bay Fig.

After a thunderstorm on Saturday evening we all ventured to the local Railway Hotel for dinner –



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# **Jabiru Christmas Lunch Menu at** **The Grand Hotel Esk**



## **“ Main Course”**



**You have the choice of ordering any one of these mains on the day**

- Roast Turkey Mash & Garden Vegetables
- Roast Turkey Chips & Garden Salad
- Baked Ham Mash & Garden Vegetables
- Baked Ham Chips & Garden Salad

## **“Dessert”**

**One dessert available**

- Christmas Pudding with Brandy Custard

## **Please Note**

- There is also a selection of vegetarian meals available for the same price.

***There will be a cost of \$10.00 per person payable to the Club.***

***The Club is subsidising the balance of the cost.***



**NOTE : BE SURE TO DRESS UP IN YOUR CHRISTMAS GEAR FOR LUNCH.**



# \*\*\*OUR \*\* CHRISTMAS \*\* RALLY\*\*\*

**ESK CARAVAN PARK - 11 – 15 December 2019**

**ADDRESS : 16 Hassall Street Esk Qld 4312**

**Camp Site Fees - PAY DIRECT. Power & water**

**Extra hoses and leads may be required.**

**Pets allowed - Need to be RESTRAINED at all times.**

**Dump Point On Site**

**THURSDAY** - Arrive and set-up after 11am.

**4.00pm** - Happy Hour Meet Greet. Rundown of activities by Russell & Bob

**6.00pm** - Dinner - bring your own. BBQ supplied.

**Later- Yarns around the camp fire - IF NO FIRE BAN IN PLACE**

**FRIDAY** - **7.00 am** - Walkers - all are welcome to join.

**10.00 am** - Morning Tea at Nash Gallery & Café in Esk.

**12.00pm** - Lunch back at camp or in town, (Relax or explore Esk)

**2.00 - 3.00pm** - Decorate vans.

**4.00pm** - Happy Hour/Afternoon Tea.

**6.00pm** - Dinner BYO Pizza night - cook Pizza in ovens at park.

**Later - Yarns around the camp fire - IF NO FIRE BAN IN PLACE**

**SATURDAY** - **7.00am** - Walkers - all are welcome to join.

**10.00 am** - Morning Tea

**12.30** - **Lunch at Grand Hotel in Esk** - \$10 per head for members. Balance will be compensated by Club. **Dress up in your Christmas gear.**

**4.00pm** - Happy Hour/Afternoon tea,

**5.00pm** - Followed by Santa

**6.00pm** - Everyone welcome to share Christmas nibbles and have some fun.

**If you can bring Christmas decorations for the tables that will be great.**

**Later - Yarns around the camp fire - IF NO FIRE BAN IN PLACE**

**SUNDAY** - **8.15 am - 8.45am**. - Our usual migration to settle our week-end accounts.

**Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets.**

**9.00 am** - Morning Tea Roundup of the Rally. Talk on next rally.

**The Jabiru activities are pleasure based & NOT compulsory - attendance is your choice.**

**HOWEVER FUN IS MANDATORY**

**TRAVEL SAFELY!!!!!!!**

**NEXT RALLY IS JANUARY 2020 - 15-20<sup>th</sup> - DAYBORO SHOWGROUNDS**