# "STORK TALK"



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

# **JANUARY 2020**

# "In Perfect Unison"

#### **ESK**

Esk is a small rural town in the Brisbane Valley in the Somerset Region of South East Queensland and is not too far from Wivenhoe and Somerset Dams. Esk has an historical past from its settlement in 1840's.

Today there are a number of shops, including general store, Hardware, Bakery, Coffee Shops, Food takeaways, plus a couple of hotels that have been there for a number of years as well as a Trading Post and numerous other historical sites and shops to visit.







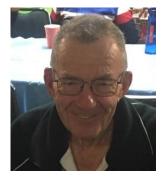
<u>Esk Caravan Park</u> is a very clean, tidy and comfortable area that is attached to a motel with numerous rooms as well as cabins etc. The staff are very friendly and obliging. The swimming pool was a very welcome and well used addition for us due to the excessive heat.











## PRESIDENT'S REPORT - ESK CARAVAN PARK

**ESK** is a very friendly country town and the Caravan Park was a great venue for our Christmas Rally. The Park had excellent facilities including swimming pool, shade trees and a great camp kitchen.

The weather was extremely hot all weekend bordering on 40 degrees. Thank goodness for the beautiful shade trees and the swimming pool to cool off in. There were a couple of storms in the afternoons that helped cool the air down - fortunately no damage but very little rain.

We had 21 vans attend the Rally as several of the travellers have returned home from the National Rally in Albany. It was great to catch up with friends that have been away since May, however some members could not attend for various reasons.

Fridays morning tea at the Nash Gallery Café was extremely well catered for and enjoyed by everyone. Our four legged friends were made most welcome. After Morning tea it was back to camp for a dip in the pool or retreat to the air conditioning or find a cool shady tree. After happy hour it was time to prepare the Pizzas to start cooking at 6.00 pm. It was to be cook your own but that did not seem to work so Margaret & Sarah supervised all the cooking - thanks to you both and I lost count of how many Pizzas I cut up. Casey & her 2 children donated a large watermelon. In exchange we invited them to share some of our Pizzas. Everyone enjoyed the night.

Saturday was the highlight of the Rally - at 12 noon we made our way to the Grand Hotel for our Christmas Lunch. Once again our furry friends were made very welcome as the Publican personally made sure their water bowls were kept full. The 2-course lunch was super delicious and the service could not be faulted in any way. Everyone said they really enjoyed the meal.

Later in the afternoon when it cooled down we all enjoyed finger food. Everyone brought a plate or in some cases plates, what a variety there was. Carolyn heated up some pizzas. I sometimes think we should be named the eating Club. Then Bob & Jeanette started the entertainment with some quizzes. There was a break in the activities when Santa arrived with a present for everyone. He cut the Christmas cake before departing. Thanks to Fay for making it. After Santa had departed Bob & Jeanette resumed the entertainment till late. A special thanks to them both, everyone enjoyed the evening.

<u>Best Decorated Caravan Prizes</u>: 1<sup>st</sup> Barry Sawtell 2<sup>nd</sup> Winton McCormack 3<sup>rd</sup> Steve Costello

It was a Great Rally at a Great Venue.

<u>Our next Rally is 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Dayboro Showgrounds watch the activities page for all the details</u>

**See You There** 

Russell, President

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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 JANUARY 2020 ROSTER IS: SEPP & MARIANNE HENSELER

February 2020 – Barry & Margaret Chesterfield
March – Wayne Wootton & Hazel Crewe
April – Winton & Robyn McCormack
May – Barry & Sue Massingham

June – Graham & Lorraine Genner
July – Mal & Marclain Lawless
August – Arlene Hallen
September – Brian & Lyndell Manthey

**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



# CONGRATULATIONS



# BILLESUECLARK

# FOR ATTENDANCE AT 50 JABIRU RALLIES

#### "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.

Just prior to the Esk Rally Wayne had his Trailer Mate Jack serviced/reconditioned and says this company is worth sharing. The cost was \$143.00. They even repainted the unit.

#### **Nationwide Jack Repairs**

Unit 5, 103 Harburg Drive, Beenleigh. Qld. Phone: 07 3807 4791

# RAFFLE WINNERS

### Raffle Prize:

Christmas hamper, Christmas cake & small gift.

Donated by Denis & Carolyn Healy Won by :

1st - Bill & Sue, 2nd - Chris & Toni 3rd - Ian & Cosette



## Van Prize:

One night fee camp – won by

**RUSSELL & SYLVIA** 

Van No. 73



# CELEBRATIONS

#### **BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

Happy Birthday to:

Joan Taylor (Glenys Walters not present)



### **ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations & Happy Anniversary
Bill & Sue Clark

(Dennis & Bonnie and Malcolm & Marclain not present)



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# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES





Robyn McCormack - 1st

Steve Costello - 4th

Fay Sawtell - 5th

Sue Clark - 8th

Denis Healy - 21st

Gary & Joan Taylor - 6th

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# JABIRU NOTICEBOARD

#### FOR SALE :

<u>Club Shirts</u> - Size M and Ladies 16 - \$10.00 each

<u>Club Jackets</u> - 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**

Please remember to request "leave of absence" in writing to the Secretary,

before going on extended leave of over 2 months or more.

Thanks, Juliet

#### **UHF RADIO SIGNS FOR VANS**

Fay's grand-daughter is making UHF radio signs for caravans. If you are interested please call Fay on 0429 662 490.

# GARY AND JOAN UHF 18/40

## **National Rally Photos**

Juliet has a USB of photos from National Rally.

Members who were at Albany and who would like copies of photos

Please contact Juliet on 0416 729 968

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#### MEMBERS PROFILE

#### **GARRY LANE**



Where were you born? **NEWCASTLE NSW** Where did you go to school?

PRIMARY – Garden Suburb, Newcastle
HIGH SCHOOL - Cardiff High Newcastle
What is your favourite Colour? BLUE
What is your favourite Sport? Football
What is your favourite song?

**Hotel California** 

What is your favourite food? Lamb Roast What is your favourite Cartoon Character?

**Wylie Coyote** 

One thing you can't live without? My Wife What do you most hate?

When the fish don't bite.

One word that best describes you?

Fun loving.

Naughtiest thing you did at school?

Started a water fight.

Your Motto - Enjoy every day, life is too short.

#### FUTURE RALLY DATES

# 2020

FEBRUARY 2020 - GYMPIE

Showgrounds - 12th to 17th

MARCH 2020 - GOOMBURRA

VALLEY - 18th to 23rd

APRIL 2020 - KYOGLE

Showgrounds (NSW) -

15th to 19th

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

MAY 2020 - AGM RALLY at

SAMFORD Showgrounds 13<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>

JUNE 2020 - ROSEWOOD

Showgrounds - 17th to 22nd

JULY 2020 - ALSTONVILLE

Showgrounds (NSW) 15th to 20th

AUGUST 2020 - YARRAMAN

Caravan Park - 12th to 17th

SEPTEMBER 2020 - IPSWICH

Showgrounds - 9th to 14th

This is second weekend due to State Rally being on 17<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> at Pittsworth Showground on 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend.





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#### **ESK Rally**

Friday started with morning tea at Nash Gallery & Café in main street. We all went and were seated on the verandah so that the fur babies could join us as well.







Then Friday night we had our BYO Pizza night - which was enjoyed by all and we had heaps of pizza leftover.







And of course there were games.





Our walkers were out and about early

Then we went to The Grand Hotel in Esk for our Christmas lunch on Saturday. Wonderful that Rhonda was able to join us.







Many cooled off in the park pool



Winners of the decorated vans





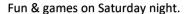


1st - Barry & Fay

2<sup>nd</sup> – Winton & Robyn

3<sup>rd</sup> - Steve & Grace

Santa arrived to give us pressies and cut our Christmas Cake













Celebrity Heads game









# **Dayboro Water Situation**

Dayboro's water supply is very low, it is currently being trucked into the town.

The Dayboro people welcome us to their town but ask that we conserve water during our stay.

I think we should help them out by taking full water tanks & using as much of our own water as possible.

Russell

President

# **Suggested Routes to Dayboro Showgrounds**

# From the South

Travelling north on the M1 take the first exit to the left after crossing the Pine River (Exit 130) then left into Dohles Rocks Rd. Continue on to Anzac Avenue intersection, turn left into Anzac Avenue, continue on to Petrie roundabout, then turn right into Dayboro Rd (second exit). Travel approximately 20 klm to Dayboro. On entering Dayboro Village turn right onto Mt Mee Rd. Enter Showgrounds via Don Kerr Memorial Drive No 3512 on the left off Mt Mee Rd.

# From the North

Enter Anzac Avenue & proceed to Petrie roundabout, then turn right into Dayboro Rd (second exit). Travel approximately 20 klm to Dayboro. On entering Dayboro Village turn right onto Mt Mee Rd. Enter Showgrounds via Don Kerr Memorial Drive No 3512 on the left off Mt Mee Rd.

# DAYBORO SHOWGROUNDS - 15 - 20 January 2020

<u>ADDRESS</u>: Access via Don Kerr Memorial Drive – 3512 – Off Mt Mee Road, Dayboro.

Camp Site Fees - \$20.00 Per couple per van per night. Power & water

However as water is limited due to drought please be sure to bring full tanks.

Extra hoses and leads may be required.

Pets allowed - Need to be RESTRAINED at all times.

Dump Point ON SITE

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* AUSTRALIA DAY THEME \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Access to Showground available from Wednesday till Monday.

THURSDAY - Arrive and set-up. Check in with Rally Master Steve Costello - 0419 004 822.

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

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

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

FRIDAY - 6.00 am - Walkers - all are welcome to join.

- 9.30am Historic walk around Dayboro and morning tea at one of the many coffee Shops in the village.
- 12.00pm Lunch back at camp or in town. (Relax or explore more of Dayboro or Take a dip in the local POOL.)
- 4.00pm Happy Hour/Afternoon Tea.
- 5.30pm- Dinner at BAYBORO'S CROWN HOTEL

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

- <u>SATURDAY</u> 6.00am Walkers all are welcome to join.
- 9.30am Depart for drive to Mt Mee.
- 10.00am Picnic style morning tea at Mt Mee Lookout (Dahmongah) Take picnic chairs
- 12.00pm Lunch back at camp or at one of Dayboro's Cafes.
- <u>2.30 3.00pm</u> Disc bowls / take a dip in Pool or just relax.
- 4.00pm Happy Hour/Afternoon tea,
- 6.00pm Dinner The great Aussie BYO BBQ Throw some LAMB chops on the BBQ Dress up in Australia Day theme.

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

- <u>SUNDAY</u> <u>8.15 am 8.45am</u>. 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 FEBRUARY 2020 - 12th to 17th - GYMPIE SHOWGROUNDS