

"STORK TALK"



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

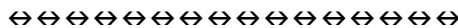
APRIL 2020

"In Perfect Unison"

WELCOME TO APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

Our March 2020 rally was at GOOMBURRA VALLEY CAMPGROUND, which is privately owned and operated by Brad & Teresa, who are a friendly, helpful couple willing to ensure that all who stay are well looked after.

The campground is situated in the Darling Downs on the banks of the Dalrymple Creek in a very picturesque setting. There are flat, grassed, shady areas for camping in peace and also powered campsites, most with a firepit. There is a bunkhouse for the less adventurous. The area is close to Brisbane, about an hour from Toowoomba and 40 minutes from Warwick and is close to national park and amazing lookouts and bush walks.



Our Annual General Meeting, Committee elections and belated 6th Birthday celebration will be held at a future date.

In this Stork Talk there are Nomination Forms for the positions on the Committee. You are asked to please nominate a person, or persons, to the various committee positions as marked on the form. The form is to be sent to the Secretary, Juliet Raymond, on or before, but no later than - **18 April 2020** so we can have the nomination sheet up and ready for the AGM rally in the future.

I have also included in this newsletter a copy of Russell's email dated 31 March 2020 listing all the decisions from our recent Committee Meeting for your information moving forward.



President's Report

GOOMBURRA RALLY

Goomburra Valley Campground was a great venue for the March Rally situated in lovely bushland on the banks of Dalrymple Creek and only a 5 km drive to the Beautiful Main Range National Park that offers walks through natural rain forest to spectacular lookouts. The Campground offers powered and non powered sites with excellent amenities and sterilised bore water is available throughout the Campground for topping up water tanks

Wednesday Afternoon saw 4 vans on site and by Friday afternoon we had 13 vans on site. A couple of members opted to cancel due to the Coronavirus. We all understood and respected their decision.

John & Anne brought Anne's brother Ken along and we all made him feel welcome. It was great to have Colin & Moira attend their 3rd Rally, they will be inducted at the next Rally. At Saturday's Morning tea I inducted Peter & Marcia into the Club. As a matter of interest after Colin & Moira are inducted at their next Rally we will be back to 26 Members.

After morning tea on Friday some of our group went for a drive to Main Range National Park to soak up some of the spectacular views from the lookouts and others chilled out or went for a drive elsewhere. After lunch Bob introduced the Cup Ball game, this was great fun and created a lot of laughter. Peter won the game and was declared the champion. Afternoon tea was camp oven Damper which was enjoyed by all.

Saturday's Morning tea was followed by the General Meeting that was to have been held at Gympie but was cancelled due to the extreme weather. The meeting went smoothly and was over by 11.00 am. The minutes have been distributed to all members.

After lunch on Saturday some members played disc bowls, practising for the next State & National Titles. While the practice was going on Bob was very busy getting the fires going for the shared Camp Oven dinner and what a great job he did. Then about 4.30 we who had camp ovens brought our meals up to cook under Bob's supervision.

At 6.00 pm as planned the evening meal was ready to serve, starting with Jeanette's famous pumpkin soup. Then the shared main courses were brought out followed by shared deserts as planned and provided by the members that did not have a camp oven. The whole meal was a huge success. Special thanks must go to Bob & Jeanette for their effort in while others sat around the fire chatting. I must thank all those people that provided firewood and food - it was a great team effort.

Sunday Morning's wrap up of the Rally went off smoothly with Visitor Ken winning the Raffle Prize and John & Anne winning the Lucky van Prize.

Our next Rally was to be our 6th Birthday Rally at Kyogle but we have cancelled it due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the lockdown. All Future Rallies are being postponed until further notice as our main concern is the health and safety of our Members as we adhere to the guide lines of the CCQ (Caravan Clubs Qld), NACC (National Association of Caravan Clubs) and the Government Regulations.

The Present Committee will remain active and keep you advised of decisions made for the future.

We were very lucky to have enjoyed the Goomburra Rally in the lovely fresh country air before lockdown. I wish you all well and hope we all can get through this pandemic safely.

President, *Russell.*

**ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE
SECRETARY: - Juliet Raymond**
Mob: - 0416 729 968
Email: jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com

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\$ 1648.00

THE JABIRU COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT-	Russell McCowan	0418 816 707
VICE PRESIDENT-	Aivars Dreimanis	0403 248 529
SECRETARY-	Juliet Raymond	0416 729 968
TREASURER-	Grace Costello	0419 701 507
RALLY MASTER-	Steve Costello	0419 004 822
VENUE CO-ORDINATOR-	Bob Richardson	0481 162 112
EDITOR-	Grace Costello	0419 701 507

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 2 options:

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

******* NOTE : Due to postponement of next rallies,**

names on roster will be started again when we resume rallies. *****

OUR CARE PERSON

Sylvia Mitchell

Mobile 0418 816 707

Email: russellandsylvia@claremontresort.net.au

**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**

RAFFLE WINNERS

Raffle Prize :

Picnic Basket, Soft Esky,
Tea Towel & tray.

Donated by Russell McCowan & Sylvia Mitchell

Won By : Visitor **KEN GRESHAW**



Van Prize :

One night free camp – won by

JOHN & ANNE McINTOSH

Van No. 56



CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to :

Sylvia Mitchell, Wayne Wootton,

Jeanette Richardson, Aivars Driemanis,

Colin Cleary

(Cosette Aland & Les Pitkin – not present)



"IN PERFECT UNISON"

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations & Happy Anniversary

Denis & Carolyn Healy

Peter & Marcia Perry

(Sepp & Marianne – not present)



APRIL 2020

APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Hazel Crewe - 14th

Dennis Williams – 21st

Albert Pauly - 24th

Barry & Margaret Chesterfield – 4th

Ian & Cosette Aland – 19th

As we are not having a rally in April - we wish Hazel, Dennis & Albert a very happy birthday and Happy Anniversary to Barry & Margaret and Ian & Cosette.

We hope you all celebrate as best you can under the circumstances.



JABIRU NOTICEBOARD

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



MEMBERS PROFILE

JOAN TAYLOR



Where were you born? **BRISBANE QLD**

Where did you go to school?

PRIMARY – Currumbin State

HIGH SCHOOL - Southport State High

What is your favourite Colour? **BLUE**

What is your favourite Sport? **AFL Football**

What is your favourite song?

“Perfect” Ed Sherrin

What is your favourite food?

Steamed Vegetables

What is your favourite Cartoon Character?

Donald Duck

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

What do you most hate? **Negative People.**

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

Naughtiest thing you did at school?

Sorry – Perfect Student.

Your Motto – **Always be positive.**

FUTURE RALLY DATES

2020

APRIL 2020 - KYOGLE Showground

CANCELLED

ALL FUTURE RALLIES ARE
POSTPONED
AT THIS STAGE.

AGM and belated 6th BIRTHDAY

RALLY POSTPONED and will be held
together at a suitable venue
at a future date.

Future rally sites -

ROSEWOOD Showgrounds

ALSTONVILLE Showgrounds (NSW)

YARRAMAN Caravan Park

IPSWICH Showgrounds

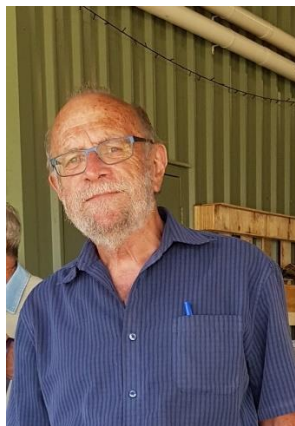
GYMPIE Showground

TYALGUM Camping Ground

STATE RALLY - POSTPONED

Pittsworth Showground

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We welcomed **Ken Greshaw**, who is Anne McIntosh's brother to our March 2020 rally. Ken had a great time and enjoyed being with us at the rally. He was also lucky in winning the raffle. We also enjoyed having you Ken and hope you are able to come back again at a later date.

"SAFE @ HOME"

What are you doing while you are **"SAFE @ HOME"**. We are asking if you will share what you are catching up on or things you have not been able to do for a while. We welcome recipes, ideas, or anything you would like to share with the rest of us. We look forward to your input to the newsletter while we are **"SAFE @ HOME"**. Send us a photo and a description and I will put into newsletter over the next few months.

Bob& Steve have sent in the following:



Bob's 1975 Kubota tractor seat wore out. In house fix. Make an adaptor to suit old bobcat seat to fit on the tractor. Bob is keeping busy at home with no rallies to attend.



After 6 years of trying to solve this puzzle, now Steve is "Safe @ Home" he will try again.



WE WELCOME **PETER & MARCIA PERRY**



AS NEW MEMBERS TO OUR JABIRU CLUB

Following is a copy of the email Russel sent out to all of us recently :

Hi All

This is a follow up of my email to all members dated 25th March 2020 that you would be advised of the Committee's decisions & advise from the authorities on future Rally's & happenings after our outdoor Committee meeting on the 27th March 2020.

- The health & Safety of our valued members is our main concern.
- **We are adhering to CCQ (Caravan Clubs Qld) NACC (National Association of Caravan Clubs) & Government Regulations.**
- As you all now know all Campgrounds have been closed & NO gatherings of more than 2 people are allowed in public.
- Letter from the NACC advising all Caravan Clubs to Postpone all Rally's indefinitely.
- Jabiru's April Kyogle Rally has been Cancelled
- Jabiru Caravan and RV Club Incorporated have postponed all future Rally's & will wait for advice from the above Authorities before resuming Rally's.
- This means Jabiru Caravan and RV Club Incorporated CANNOT hold the AGM in May as planned.
- **Correspondence from the Office of fair Trading has granted all incorporated associations 6 month grace for holding AGM meetings, we do NOT have to make written application for an extension of time to hold our AGM.**
- Until we are able to hold an AGM the current Committee stays in place.
- The decision of the Committee is when Rally's are resumed the first Rally will be a Combined Belated Birthday Rally & AGM with the elections being held at that Rally.
- We request that completed Nomination Forms for all Committee & Non Committee positions be forwarded by email to Secretary Juliet Raymond jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com by **12.00 NOON Saturday 18th April 2020 as originally required**, these nominations will be held till such time we can hold the AGM. Any positions Not Nominated for will be called for from the floor at the AGM.
- To keep the Club Active we ask you to pay your **Annual Fees \$50.00 per van by the end of April** direct into the Clubs Bank account. Treasurer Grace Costello WILL email you a receipt number. Bank Account Details **BSB 484-799 Account 606 354 050.**
- PLEASE remember to put your name in the description or reference box on your bank transfer form so Grace knows who has paid. Five members have already paid their fees.
- We want to keep the Newsletter alive so please send any news items jokes items of interest that you may be doing at home whilst in self isolation to Editor Grace Costello each month so she can keep the newsletter going. I think on going communication is very important in these difficult times.
- The Committee will continue to hold regular meetings via phone hook-up & advise you of any changes
- I really do hope all our valued members stay safe by doing the right thing.

Regards

Russell McCowan

President Jabiru Caravan and RV Club Inc

MESSAGE FROM CCQ (Caravan Clubs of Queensland)

The Club has received the following email from CCQ and Dennis Williams (Club CCQ Delegate) has asked for this to be put to all members for their comments :

“Dear Club Secretaries and CCQ Delegate,

It has been noted that numbers attending State Rallies have declined over the past couple of years. The CCQ is looking for members’ comments and/or ideas on the future of State Rallies. One suggestion has been that they become more like a gathering (rather than a formally organised Rally) where clubs can meet up and enjoy each others company with limited activities arranged.

The frequency of State Rallies has also been debated and the CCQ would like to hear your Club’s comments on that as well, e.g. every year, alternate years, two year and third one off for the National Rally, other suggestion.

Any other comments and/or suggestions would be greatly appreciated, e.g. you may like to consider where and time of year, length of the rally, etc.”

If you wish to comments or offer suggestions re the above will you please send these to :

Jabiru Secretary at jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com and they will be sent on to the CCQ.

Another matter that CCQ intend to start lobbying on is for **more long parking vehicle areas in country towns**, as there is a growing lack of parking for RVs and Vans in most country towns. If you wish to comment on this matter as well your suggestions can be sent to the above email address, again for forwarding on to CCQ.

Many thanks for your co-operation in the above matters.

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## **GOOMBURRA VALLEY CAMPGROUND - MARCH 2020**

The campground is very spacious and roomy – has a great meeting area, camp kitchen, clean toilets and lots of areas along the creek as well as many walking tracks through the bush which is very lush at present.



Friday we ventured to a couple of lookouts with awesome views.

Walk through the bush was interesting.





During the afternoon some members played Cup & Ball game -



And the winner is : Peter Perry

We had damper for afternoon  
tea (along with the flies)

Our walkers did their  
morning exercise



Saturday afternoon, while camp ovens were set up for dinner, some played disc bowls while ladies did their crochet work.





Dinner was very delicious and plenty - plus sweets – we had a great meal and some did the St Pat's day green.



We had a great March 2020 rally at Goomburra despite the 'social distancing' and all of us enjoyed each others company and great food of dampers, meals and sweets.

Over the next few months when we do not have rallies will you please send in your photos and jokes, recipes or bits of information so we can keep the newsletter going albeit on a smaller scale. Also we will still have some contact with each other. Please drop me an email so I can add to our

**"SAFE @ HOME"** page and keep everyone updated.

Thank you everyone and please STAY SAFE.

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**JABIRU CARAVAN AND RV CLUB INC.**

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Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at Samford Showgrounds.

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NOMINATIONS MUST BE IN THE HANDS OF THE SECRETARY BY : Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2020 12md

COMMITTEE Positions to be nominated are :

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NON-COMMITTEE Positions to be nominated are : CARE AND CONCERN ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
ASSISTANT TREASURER DELEGATES

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

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

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

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