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The Official Monthly Newsletter of the

JABIRU CARAVAN & RV CLUB INC.



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WELCOME TO AUGUST 2020 NEWSLETTER

Our Next Rally Venue - BLACKBUTT

Blackbutt is a rural town and located 115 km north-west of central Brisbane in the South Burnett Region. Blackbutt is the common name for the Eucalyptus Piluralis and is often referred to as the timber town of the South Burnett and has a long and rich history associated with timber and agriculture with small crops of avocados, olives and macadamia farms.

Things to do and see in Blackbutt include Blackbutt Art Gallery, Jessie's Well historical Park Precinct, Taromeo Station-walled private cemetery, Brisbane Valley Rail Trail, Roy Emerson Museum and savor a famous Blackbutt Bakery pie and other delightful bakery treats.

Other eateries include Blackbutt Oasis, Hotel Radnor and the Bunya Nut Cafe. The Blackbutt Lions Country Market will also be on Sunday 16th August in the Council Park, starting early and finishing about 12 noon to 1.00 pm

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

What a fabulous weekend to have for our first rally back after such a long break. Samford was a great venue, the grounds were lovely and perfect weather.

After morning tea some members went for a drive to Maiala D'Aguilar National Park where they enjoyed a walk and lunch at the picnic grounds before returning to the rally. The CMCA Wanders club were also enjoying their rally at Samford Showgrounds and invited our club to join with them for a game of disc bowls on Friday afternoon. Twelve of our members joined them for a few games. I think we need to practice some more, particularly the girls, we did try but just could not beat them. The boys did much better! Later in the afternoon Bob had arranged a very entertaining new game, The Elephant Game" time based in teams of two. Garry completed in the shortest time and Peter & Sylvia were the finalists. Many thanks to Bob for their prizes.

On Saturday we were able to hold the Annual General Meeting and it has been decided to stick with our normal schedule of general meetings, which means the next general meeting will be held at the August rally.

I would like to again thank Russell, Aivars, Juliet, Grace, Bob, Steve and Sylvia for the hard work they have done over the past year to keep the club going, particularly whilst many members were away and guiding us through the Covid 19 first wave of restrictions.

They now will be able to sit back and enjoy some free time with the Club.

The new committee are now finding their feet and are committed to keeping the Jabiru and RV Caravan Club running and upholding the ideals of the club, from when it was first established 6 years ago.

We still have a couple of positions vacant and if you are considering taking on any of the roles, please have a chat to myself or committee members.

We will have the Suggestion Box at all rallies from now on, if you have any ideas or suggestions or issues please use the box. It will be opened on Sunday morning and anything in it will be read, discussed and implemented if necessary. Don't forget we represent all members, it is your club, the committee are there to ensure the club runs smoothly for everyone and to take care of the administration side of things. We value ideas and feed back, so please don't be shy, use the Suggestion Box and you can be anonymous if you want to.

See you all at Blackbutt

Carolyn



Outing and lunch at Maiala D'Aguilar National Park

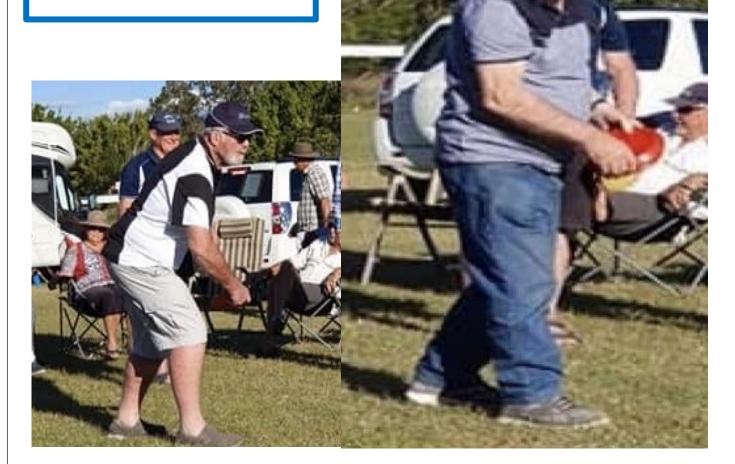


The 2020-2021 Committee





Enjoying a friendly game of disc bowls with The Wanderers Motorhome Club



Steve and Grace having a swinging time







John having a good go!









The Elephant Game action and Winners, Garry fastest time and Peter and Sylvia finalists

CARE & CONCERN PERSON

This position is currently vacant. Should you wish to volunteer for his very important role please approach any member of the executive committee.

Email jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com if you know of any of members who are unwell so we can offer our best wishes or support.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SECRETARY Lyndell Manthey by email to

jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com

When sending an email please put the date of your email in the subject box.

RAFFLE ROSTER

ALL raffle prizes are to be to the value of \$25 to \$30

AUGUST WAYNE & HAZEL

SEPTEMBER ARLENE

OCTOBER GRAHAME & LORRAINE

NOVEMBER BRIAN & LYNDELL

DECEMBER BARRY & MARGARET

FUTURE RALLY VENUES 2020

September, 2020 Ipswich Showgrounds 9th to 14th Note Second Weekend

October, 2020 Gympie Showgrounds 14th to 18th

November, 2020 Tyalgum Camp Ground NSW 18th to 22nd

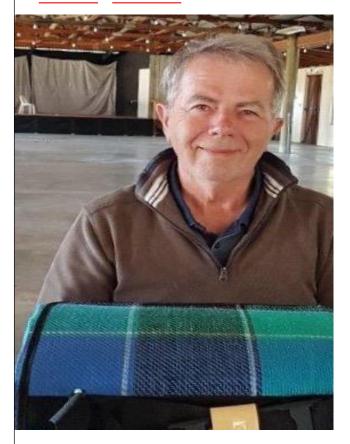
December, 2020 Toogoolawah Showgrounds 9th to 12th Note Second Weekend

50th Rally Attendance Award



Aivars presenting Russell & Sylvia with their 50th Rally Certificate

Raffle Winner



Lucky Van Winners

Bob & Jeanette Van 55



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BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS



JULY BIRTHDAY PHOTO Susie, Chris, John and Grace



Unfortunately our Anniversary members were not present at the rally to have their photo take



Birthdays

Barry S 10th,

Lorraine T 15th.

Barry C 16th

Grahame G 22nd

Anniversaries



John & Anne Mc 4th

JABIRU MAKETPLACE

If you have any goods you wish to buy, swap or sell, just let Lyndell know to have your request or items included on this page.

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

MEMBERS PROFILE

JABIRU CARAVAN AND RV CLUB INC



This month it was decided to profile our club as many of the newer members may be wondering how the club came into being. Here is how it all began:

In March 2014, Carolyn & Denis, Bill & Juliet and Barry & Fay Sawtell were having lunch at the Redland Bay Hotel when it was mentioned that it would be great to start a new pet friendly caravan club. Everyone was very keen to give it a try, not realising of course the work and effort that goes into establishing a new club!

The first get together was at Maleny Showgrounds and was attended by the three couples mentioned plus Dennis & Bonnie, Gary & Joan, Christina & John and another couple John & Kay and friends of theirs from North Queensland.

We formed an inaugural executive committee consisting of Fay as President, Carolyn as Vice President, Juliet as Secretary and Bonnie as Treasurer. Dennis took on the job of Rally Master and Venue Co-Ordinator and Bill was our first Editor.

We held a competition to find a name for our club, there were many suggestions put forward but the winner was JABIRU, after the famous Australian bird. Then the hard work began. The club colours were determined by the Jabiru.

Over the first few months the club slowly grew, even though there were times when we thought it was not going to happen. The hardest part was raising enough money to buy a flag and uniforms but with a loan here and there from one of our founding members, we made it.

Since its inception the club has grown to a membership of 27 vans.

During this time the club has been to many venues and members have participated in State and Nation Rallies and have always been very proud to fly our Jabiru Flag.

Probably the clubs biggest challenge and success was being one of the organising clubs for the State Rally in Stanthorpe in 2015. After many months of planning and under the competent leadership of Carolyn Healy as President of the State Rally Executive Committee and the hard work of our club members, the rally proved to be the most successful and profitable in State Rally history. From this hard work from our members we shared the profit from the rally with the other three clubs and it boosted our bank account in a very pleasant way. All the hard work by all our members certainly paid off.

We have celebrated five wonderful birthday anniversaries, unfortunately a virus prevented us celebrating this year for our 6th Anniversary. We have also enjoyed many Christmas celebrations together.

We acknowledge the past Presidents and their Committees for their hard work in organising and planning many wonderful rallies for our members along with the everyday running of the club.

Let us all celebrate this wonderful club and thank the founding members for having the foresight to start this great club.





National Rallly Canberra 2016



National Rally Albany 2019

BLACKBUTT RALLY - 13th to 16th August, 2020

Address: 23 Bowman Road, Blackbutt.North Qld 4306

Turn right into Hart Street, just past the Bakery and Hart Street runs into Bowman Street.

Camp Fees \$10 pp,pn, power,water & dump point. Bring longer power lead, water and drain hoses just in case. As usual Furry Friends allowed on leads at all times.

THURSDAY: GREETING BY RALLY MASTER BRIAN - Set up and relax

4.00 pm Happy Hour

5.30 pm Barbeque will be lit for BYO Dinner

6.00 pm Dinner

AFTERWARDS: Nightcap by the camp fire, BYO wood

FRIDAY:

7.00 am morning walk

10.00 am Morning Tea and game of Finska (a fun outdoor game everyone can enjoy

2.00 pm Inaugural craft group get together. Ladies bring a project you may be working

on or your knitting needles or whatever. See if you can think up an original

name for our craft group

Disc Bowls for the boys

4.00 pm Happy Hour

5.30 pm Barbeque will be lit for BYO meal or dinner at one of the towns eateries, your

choice.

7.00 pm Practice game of Crazy Whist (please bring playing cards if you have them

AFTERWARDS: Nightcap by the camp fire, BYO wood

SATURDAY

7.00 am Morning walk

10.00 am Morning Tea

10.30 am General Meeting

12.00 noon Walk to town for lunch or visit Roy Emerson Museum or whatever takes your

fancy.

4.00 pm Happy Hour

6.00 pm Club catered meal. Scrumptious curry theme plus warming decadent dessert

\$10 ph. Non curry meal and vegetarian will be available as well. Please bring your

own plates, cutlery and byo drinks and glasses.

After dinner we will have a Chocolate Wheel, books of tickets \$3.00 for a

chance to win sweet prizes.

AFTERWARDS: Nightcap by the camp fire, BYO wood

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SUNDAY

8.15 - 8.45 Time to settle your weekend accounts. Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets.

9.00 am Morning tea, birthdays, lucky van and drawing of raffle. Grahame will open the suggestion box and read contents.

Roundup of the Rally and talk on next rally venue at Ipswich.

Safe travels for those who are leaving and see you at the next rally

FOR THOSE LUCKY ENOUGH TO STAY ON - LUNCH IN THE PARK.

Jabiru activities are pleasure based and NOT compulsory - participation is your choice - however FUN is mandatory.

See you at the next rally at Ipswich Showgrounds, 81 Warwich Road, Ipswich.

For this month only it is on the <u>secona weekena of the month 9th to 13th September.</u>

As we are still very much under the affects of COVID 19 we must remember to still continue with social distancing. We know some people like to give a welcome hug to friends they have not seen for sometime. Please do not be offended if the recipient of your hug wishes to keep their distance.

Please remember Social Distancing whenever possible. The club will have hand sanitiser and wipes available for use over the weekend, please feel free to use it at anytime. If you wish to bring your own, you are most welcome to do so.

Due to the latest COVID 19 outbreak in Brisbane we will have to wait and see what the Government does regarding any restrictions on social gatherings etc. and also whether showgrounds will close to camping.

We will keep you all informed as soon as we know if there will be any restrictions placed on gatherings etc again

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Please remember to request "leave of absence" in writing to the Secretary before going on extended leave of 2 months or more. This can be sent by email to

jabirucaravanclub@gmail.com