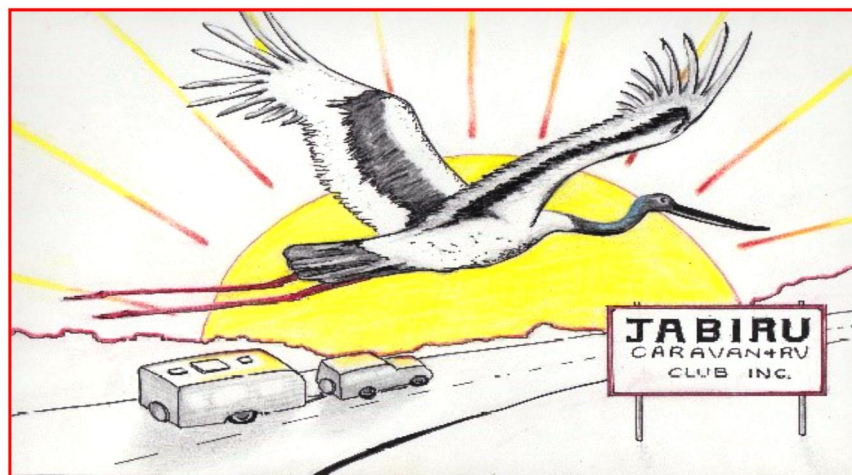


# "STORK TALK"

*The Official Monthly Newsletter of the*

## JABIRU CARAVAN & RV CLUB INC.



### "In Perfect Unison"

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# **WELCOME TO “STORK TALK” DECEMBER 2020**

## **Our Next Rally Venue – TOOGOOLAWAH**

Toogoolawah is a rural town with a population of approximately 1300. It is well known for parachuting and gliding and in the past the centre of a dairying industry.

Cressbrook Creek, a tributary of the Brisbane River, passes through the town and the Brisbane Valley Highway, to the right of the town. The district was originally known as Cressbrook after the Cressbrook Station but later changed to Toogoolawah from its former railway station, which was named in November 1903.

A condensed milk factory was built shortly after the railway station was opened. The factory was closed in 1929 after Nestlé moved all of its condensed milk production to Victoria, resulting in the town's population decreasing by half.

There is a lovely swimming pool in Factory Road, and is well used by the young and old of the community, especially during the hot summer weather. If you feel like being daring, the Ramblers Parachute facility is on the boundary of the Showground. Just let us know if you are going for a tandem jump and we will all be cheering you on.

All round, Toogoolawah is a pleasant rural town to visit.

## **TOOGOOLAWAH EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

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**31 Cairncroft Street, Toogoolawah**

**5423 1303**



## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

The Jabiru Cup proved to be a very successful event, with a few members even leaving the rally with some winnings. I won something, which is most unusual for me. My total winnings being \$1.50.

On Friday night our Movie Man Don, showed the movie, Ride Like a Girl. We all enjoyed popcorn and drumsticks during the movie. This evening and movie really set the theme for race day on Saturday.

Stallions and Fillies were all in fine form after our wonderful high tea and looked resplendent in their cup fashions and ready for the parade. Who knew we had so many beautiful ladies, with moustaches, in our club.

The horse racing commenced after the Fashions on the Field. Grahame was the "Bookie" and Ces his assistant. Brian and Don were the "On Field Stewards".

We also welcomed one new caravan and two RV's to the rally. John and Karen, Anne and Sandra. All joined in our activities with enthusiasm. Attendance was great, in spite of some members not being able to attend due to van or car problems. A couple of our members have undergone operations recently and are recuperating, we wish them all the best for a speedy recovery. Even the dogs joined in the fun on such a hot weekend. We had 11 dogs at Happy Hour on Friday and they were all so well behaved. Tigger and Tilly still make me laugh with their obvious friendship and antics.

We also had a visit from Associate Members, Winton and Robyn McCormack on Saturday. They enjoyed the high tea and the fashions on the field. We look forward to welcoming our new guests and Winton and Robyn along to our Christmas Rally at Toogoolawah in December.

Our General Meeting went well, a silent vote was taken to see if members were in favour of the club acquiring a defibrillator. It was a resounding yes vote so we will now go ahead and apply for a grant to obtain one. We will keep you informed over the coming months regarding this. Our next General Meeting will be in February 2021.

The minutes of the November General Meeting will be emailed out during this coming week.

What a turbulent year we have had but as I go to the shops and see everyone out and about and Christmas lights shining, my heart is lifting and I am getting excited for the New Year to come. It is up to us all to enjoy our life and make the best of the new "normal" times.

Christmas is just around the corner and at our next rally we will be celebrating in grand style. Let's all join in the club festivities, dress up and have a great time. We have such a wonderful Caravan Club "family". We are planning an exciting year ahead with fun times and travel. It will be lovely to be able to see all our friends at Christmas and during the coming year.

Please stay safe, healthy and Covid aware. Looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas rally and if not Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all!

See you soon,

Carolyn



# NOVEMBER RALLY ROUNDUP

Early Morning Walkers enjoying the day with their Dogs



Enjoying lunch at the Exchange Hotel



Happy Hour Friday



## Saturday - Melbourne Cup Feast and Fun



The Attractive Fillies



The Young Colts



The Motely Mates



Our Judges, Gary & Pat, fellow campers at Laidley probably never thought their stay at Laidley would be this "colourful" and entertaining.

Pat was amazed at the wonderful High Tea and the fun we were all having!

## RALLY ROUND-UP CONTINUED



Fay and the catering ladies excelled once again with this sumptuous Melbourne Cup High Tea



We welcomed three visitor vans to Laidley Rally. It was nice to meet Anne & Sandra introduced by Joan & Gary and Karen & John who came to us through CCQ & our website.

Sandra's dog Marty and Karen & John's dogs, Jet & Cindy.

Anne's two little Pomeranians, Maddison & Chanel were cooling in the motor home..

### Suggestion Box & Twisted Tales by V.P. Grahame

We had a number of suggestions in the box on Sunday morning. There were three regarding the monthly newsletter, submitted by email from one member couple.

1. They would like the Number of vans attending each rally shown in the newsletter
2. That the LEOD dollar value for the Rally be included.
3. The month of issue needs to be in LARGE font at the top of the front page of the STORK TALK (for ease of filing)

These suggestions were discussed straight away by all members present. Most thought it was trivial and happy with the way the newsletter is presented. The editor spoke briefly on the subject, especially the LEOD. It was missing on purpose from the November newsletter as it was to see how well members read the newsletter and how observant they are. It was was one of the monthly newsletter quiz questions to be asked at the rally. Two months LEOD will be in the December newsletter.

A suggestion for a "fashion parade" or something similar for the four legged members of the club. This has been passed onto the Activities Coordinator to include in a rally at a later date.

With the Tale Twisting this month the amount collected was \$4.80 with a few using the excuse that they didn't bring any change. This is the third rally of "twisting" so we should all become like the Boy Scouts and Be Prepared. You all love it, you can't wait to get hit on. Don't forget the fines paid by you, go back to you in the form of treats of some sort.

That reminds me, did we all enjoy the rally? Did we all ENJOY the High Tea on Saturday and all for \$5.00 each. All that food, we all went back to our vans well satisfied. Thank you to our lovely ladies and committee for all their hard work.

Thanks for your input and emails. Keep well and safe, travel wisely. Looking forward to seeing you all at the next rally for some fun and fellowship.

**V.P. Grahame.**

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after your signature.

**ACTIVITY CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT**

Firstly, I would like to thank those who went to so much trouble getting into the spirit of the Op-Shop Melbourne Cup Fashions on the Field. What amazing outfits and imagination our members have.

At Toogoolawah we have so much planned to celebrate Christmas. On Saturday morning we will be having a Make, Bake and Grow stall. Donations would be greatly appreciated for the club stall and members are most welcome to set up a table for themselves to sell any craft or hobby items you make. Let's create a real Christmas Market atmosphere, all the more the merrier. See the stall notice further on in the newsletter.

Christmas dinner on Saturday night will be free to club members with visitors paying \$15 per head. A fun night full of laughter is guaranteed. Please dress up in your very favourite Christmas outfit and don't forget that Santa will be making an appearance.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Toogoolawah to join in the spirit of Christmas!

Cheers, Fay

**P.S.**

I have just a phone call today from Toogoolawah Show Society, to say they are giving us the use of the large pavillion for the whole weekend. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, the dinner will be served in this pavillion. It is really large, with lovely big roller doors on each end, so we will be able to enjoy this space out of the heat and hopefully with a nice breeze flowing through it.



### LEOD FIGURES

OCTOBER - GYMPIE RALLY \$2,403 - NOVEMBER - LAIDLEY RALLY \$3,527

LEOD figures released this week from the Albany National Rally for getting to, attending and getting home from the rally was \$1,700,000.00 This figure is rather conservative, as not all rally participants submitted LEOD figures for their trip or while at the rally.

### RAFFLE ROSTER

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

DECEMBER	BARRY & MARGARET
JANUARY	IAN & COSETTE
FEBRUARY	BILL & SUE
MARCH	DENNIS & BONNIE
APRIL	COLIN & MOIRA

### FUTURE RALLY VENUES 2020 - 2021

December, 2020	Toogoolawah Showgrounds	10 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> <u>Note Second Weekend</u>
January, 2021	Kenilworth Showgrounds	14 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup>
February, 2021	Lawnton Showgrounds	18 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup>
March, 2021	Yarraman Caravan Park	18 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup>
April, 2021	Stanthorpe Showgrounds	15 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup>
May, 2021	Kyogle Showgrounds (AGM)	13 <sup>TH</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup>



I had our van serviced by Terry, ACTION MOBILE a few weeks ago. He arrived on time, packed the bearings, adjusted the brake and hand brake, finished in 2.5 hours and the van didn't have to leave home. Terry travels to all areas and I highly recommended him.

Brian



## JABIRU CHRISTMAS RALLY MAKE, BAKE OR GROW STALL



As our Christmas Rally is approaching rather quickly, this is just a reminder of our make, bake or grown stall. I am sure we will have some lovely Christmas goodies on the stall as well as anything else our talented ladies and men have made, baked or grown. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

If any members have any items they wish to sell on a stall of their own, just bring your own table along to sell your wares.

Remember the rally is on the second weekend in December, 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>



### FROM THE RALLY MASTER

If you were not at the Laidley Rally could you please advise if you will be attending the Toogoolawah Rally and what day you will be arriving. If your circumstances have changed since the Laidley Rally please let me know.

The Toogoolawah Show Society caterers require final numbers for the Christmas Dinner by **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2020**. Could you please advise of your attendance by this date.

Thanks and cheers,  
Brian



## MILESTONE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



*50 Rally Attendance Certificate*

Presented to BRIAN & LYNDELL

## **BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS, RAFFLE & LUCKY VAN WINNERS**



Ian and Arlene celebrated their birthdays this month



Moir was the lucky winner this month. Hope you have some good luck with the Scratchies



**LUCKY VAN WINNERS - Albert & Sarah**



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Joan 10<sup>TH</sup>      and      Glenys 13<sup>TH</sup>



## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis & Bonnie    13th                      Bill & Sue    18<sup>th</sup>

### **CARE & CONCERN PERSON**

If you know of any member who maybe unwell or needs a cheer up or a chat  
just phone Suzie on 0416 288 277

**or**

**Email The Secretary, [jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com](mailto:jabirucaravanrvclub@gmail.com)**

## TOOGOOLAWAH RALLY - 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2020

Ivory Creek Road, Toogoolawah. Turn left off Brisbane Valley Highway into Dingyarra Street and then take second street on right, Ivory Creek Road, showground is on RHS

Camp Fees \$20 p.p.p.n, power, water. There is a dump point on site. Bring longer power lead, water and drain hose, just in case. As usual Furry Friends allowed and on leads at all times.

To allow the committee to arrive, set up their vans and prepare our rally area, "early birds" who wish to arrive on Wednesday, are asked to advise arrive at the showground after 2pm.

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

- 4.00 pm Happy Hour
- 6.00 pm BBQ will be lit for BYO dinner for those wishing to use it.
- 7.00 pm Games and cards. Start the new jigsaw puzzle.

### **FRIDAY:**

- 6.00 am Beat the Heat, Walk and Talk
- 10.00 am Morning Tea
- 12.00 Pm Lunch at the Toogoolawah Hotel, recommended as having the best food in town.
- 2.00 pm Jabiru's Crafting Around Group. Patterns and wool will be available to make Trauma Teddies to take to State & National Rallies.  
Boys will play Jenga or Finska in the pavillion
- 4.00 pm Happy Hour
- 6.000 pm BBQ will be lit for those wishing to use it for BYO dinner
- 7.00 pm Christmas quizzes and other fun and games.

### **SATURDAY**

- 6.00 am Beat the Heat, Walk and Talk
- 9.00 am Jabiru Christmas Make, Bake and Grow Stall
- 10.00 am Morning Tea
- 11.00 am A dip at the local pool for those who might want to cool off.
- 2.00 pm Decorate the hall ready for all the fun and festivities.
- 4.00 pm Happy Hour
- 6.00 pm Christmas Dinner and Party. Please dress in your best Christmas outfit. Be ready for a great night of food, fun and games and a visit from the jolly fellow himself, Santa!

### **SUNDAY**

- 6.00 am Beat the Heat, Walk and Talk
- 8.15 - 8.45 Time to settle your weekend accounts. Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets.
- 9.00 am Morning tea, birthdays, anniversaries, lucky van, drawing of raffle and  
Grahame will open the suggestion box and read contents, then *Twisted Tales*.  
Departure time, safe travels to those leaving and see you at the next rally!  
Time to relax for those lucky enough to stay.

## REMEMBER

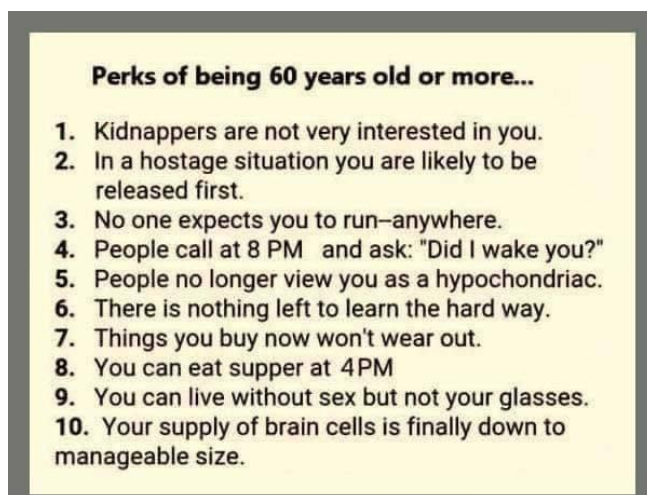
*Our activities are pleasure based and participation is your choice - however LAUGHTER, FUN and COMPANIONSHIP is what makes our rallies enjoyable.*



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.

## **NOW ENDING ON A LAUGH & NOT FORGETTING OUR FURRY FRIENDS**



THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A SAFE, HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AT THE KENILWORTH RALLY IN 2021

## 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

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