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# Jayco Club of New South Wales



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## February 2021 Newsletter

### VALE JOHN DAVID SPENCER AM CGStJ

It is with sadness that we note the passing of our long serving member John Spencer who passed away on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021 after a long illness.

John and his wife Tricia joined Jayco NSW in 2004 and have been very active members of our club for many years. John was responsible for drafting our Jayco Club Constitution and looked after the many changes throughout the years. John was a great reference point for questions regarding constitutional matters as well as Association information. He organised many tag-alongs including the first ever to Casino and this is still mentioned by members as a memorable time.

John was our club delegate to the NSW Association of Caravan Clubs until he accepted the positions of Association Secretary in May 2010 and then as President in August 2014 until he stepped down in November 2018. He was responsible for the organisation of many successful State Caravan Rallies and attended a number of National Caravan Rallies.

Apart from his caravanning, John was Honorary Secretary and Board Member of Sydney Legacy which he joined in 1970 and gave over 50 years service. John was President of St. John's NSW and held many other positions. He was a member of St. John's for over 71 years (1949–2021). On Friday 26 June 2020, John received the St John's Ultra Long Service Medal with 3 Bars, in recognition of his service to St John Ambulance Australia and the Order of St John. He was the first Australian member of St John to receive this gold award, the Ultra Long Service Medal of the Order is awarded to eligible persons after 50 years of continuous and qualifying service to St John.

He planned and worked for 10 long years in setting up the Spectator First Aid Centre for all visiting nationalities and received an AM (Member of the Order of Australia) for his contribution to the 2000 Sydney Olympics and Paralympics. John also worked many days at the Invictus Games. As you can imagine, John was always giving his time to many charities, clubs and Associations.

Many people got to know and work with John and we are sure that all of us came to respect and admire his commitment and helpful nature as we did.

John will be greatly missed by his wife Tricia, his sons Darren and Craig and many friends from the Jayco Club.

Rest in Peace.

*Neville Henderson OAM JP*

## RALLIES

<b>March 10 – 17</b> <b>BUDGEWOI</b>	Weemala St., BUDGEWOI AGM Tel: 4390 9019 Gail	<b>Committee</b> <a href="mailto:hendosnj@bigpond.net.au">hendosnj@bigpond.net.au</a>	\$246 for 7 nights. Discount if we get 20 vans	Morning Tea and dinner supplied on Saturday. Subject to Health Dept approval. Book A.S.A.P. if you haven't already done so
<b>April 21 - 28</b> <b>GILGANDRA</b>	Gilgandra Caravan Park 53 Newell Highway, GILGANDRA 2827 Tel: 6847 2423 Peter	Paul & Helen <a href="mailto:Pand2008@bigpond.net.au">Pand2008@bigpond.net.au</a>	\$180 7 nights	Cooee Heritage Centre Gilgandra Show on the weekend
<b>May 19 - 26</b> <b>NULKABA</b>	Wine Country Tourist Park 3 O'Connors Rd NULKABA 2325 Tel: 4990 5819 Karyn	Shaun & Lorraine <a href="mailto:Lorraine-barrett@hotmail.com">Lorraine- barrett@hotmail.com</a>	\$30pn	Call and confirm site if you had a deposit held over from this year
<b>27/5 – 15/6</b> <b>TAG</b>	Tamworth, Glen Innes, Inverell, Bingara, Moree, Narrabri, Coonabarabran, Gunnedah, Coolah, Gulgong		Various	

**For anyone who has not let me know you are coming to the AGM could you please do A.S.A.P. for catering purposes.**

**Just a reminder**, bookings for Rally Caravan Parks are booked in the name of Jayco Club with my name as contact. When booking, all you need to do is confirm with the park that you are part of the Jayco Club so they can allocate the sites that have been reserved and pay a deposit if required. If you would rather be on a different site let them know so it can be included. Some parks don't ask for a deposit, some do, but whatever is their policy we agree to do. Also any queries you may have regarding who is attending etc should be directed to the **Rally Host** not the Caravan Park as it is a privacy issue, also it is time consuming for the park to be looking up our attendees. This is why we ask that when you book you let the Rally Host know.

**\*Contacted the NSW Health Dept, Dinner and Morning Tea can be supplied by the club but food can only be served by a minimum of people with gloves and social distancing is to apply**

*Joy*  
*Rally Co-ordinator*

## ***Rally Report Junee***

Welcome to Joy and Neville, Leanne and David, Wyn and Peter, Shaun and Lorraine, Ray and Lorraine Terry and Lorraine, Ernie & Carline and Tony and Maria (rally hosts). Thank you for making the journey to this month's destination, beautiful Junee and its surrounds.

Members started to arrive on the Monday and by Thursday we had all settled into our sites. Junee never disappoints and is always a lovely town to return to (especially with the enticement of the Licorice and Chocolate Factory. Friday started off very hot and humid but by 3.30 it all turned ugly and the heavens decided to open up. It did not let up until Saturday morning. We were hammered with wave after wave of torrential rain but we all emerged from our caravans the next morning with very little damage.

Saturday morning the sun shone and the ground started to dry up. We all had a lovely lunch at the local RSL where we enjoyed a Chinese meal. A bit of excitement at the club where we witnessed the collapse of a small section of the roof, bang onto the floor. We were only metres away from where it happened and thankfully no-one was sitting in that area otherwise it would have been a different story. After lunch most of us made the mandatory visit to the Licorice and Chocolate Factory and it was pumping. Most of us made some necessary purchases and also had a very good coffee but unfortunately no sweets were available to be consumed. Back to the park for our happy hour in the shade of the trees.

On Sunday morning after our usual morning tea, we all got into our cars and made the short journey to Coolaman to visit the Cheese Factory and Cafe. Shaun and Lorraine had already been there not long ago so they made their way to the House of Monte Cristo for some scary fun time and Ernie and Carline visited their son as they were in the area. We had a luncheon booking at the Bread and Cheese Cafe which is within the cheese factory premises. Unfortunately, we could not do the cheese factory tour as its only available Monday to Friday. However, the cafe lunch was enjoyed by all and there was opportunity to purchase cheese. More strolling in town and then back to the caravan park where we had coffee and cake to celebrate Tony's birthday.

We left on Monday morning but the rest of the group stayed on till Wednesday.

Thank you again for coming to this month's rally. We had a lovely time catching up with a great bunch of people.

### **Tony & Maria Battaglia**

PS. The managers of the Caravan Park thanked the members who attended through Ernie for staying for the week and longer. Most clubs apparently only stay for the weekend. Said we are welcome anytime.

**SOME NICE PHOTOS OF JUNEE**  
Courtesy of Neville Henderson



Lake view from caravan at dusk



Guess where



The male loo door at Coolamon



Ray Warren Statue

**Everyone enjoying lunch.**



Ceiling collapsed in the club whilst we were having lunch.



## Welfare

For issues concerning welfare of members and their families please contact **Wynette Lowe**

'Sympathy Card' sent to Tricia Spencer, 'Get Well Card' sent to Anita Ritossa & 'Flowers' sent to Sue Bradshaw.



### **Happy Birthday wishes to our young members**

<b>Mar 2021</b>	Maria Every (4 <sup>th</sup> ). Terry Bain (9 <sup>th</sup> ). Ian Bailey (10 <sup>th</sup> ). Kevin Blakelock (14 <sup>th</sup> ). Joe Agius (29 <sup>th</sup> ).
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## **JOKES OF THE MONTH**

Joke time ....

A guy sits down in a movie theatre and notices that the man in front of him has brought his dog and it's sitting in the seat next to him.

He thinks it's unusual, he is fond of dogs and decides that as long as it's not a distraction he won't mention it.

The movie starts and pretty soon there's a funny part. The dog makes some low woofing sounds that seem like laughter. In a little while there's a sad part and the dog appears to be weeping. This continues throughout the film and the man sitting behind the dog is astounded.

When the lights come up he taps the dog's owner on the shoulder and tells him, "I gotta say, and I know it sounds weird, but it seemed like your dog really enjoyed this movie."

The dog owner looks at the dog and nods. "I know, it really is weird," he says, "because he absolutely hated the book."

**Sent in by Lorraine Barrett**

## **2020 Committee Members:**

<b>President -</b>	Neville Henderson
<b>Vice President -</b>	Colin Every
<b>Secretary -</b>	Helen Anderson
<b>Treasurer -</b>	Joy Henderson
<b>Assistant Secretary -</b>	Paul Anderson
<b>Rally Co-Ordinator -</b>	Joy Henderson
<b>Newsletter Editor -</b>	Peter Lowe
<b>Web Master -</b>	Lorraine Barrett
<b>Committee Members -</b>	Mick Robinson, Ian Bailey, Robert Beesley, Shaun Bowers
<b>Association Delegates -</b>	Tricia Spencer, Robert Beesley, Peter Lowe
<b>Welfare Officer -</b>	Wynette Lowe

## **Note**

**Committee Members & Members could you please forward your reports & anything else you would like to have in the Club Newsletter by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

Peter Lowe  
Newsletter Editor

## **Club Merchandise**

The following endorsed merchandise is available through Lorraine Bain.

Monte Carlo Shirts (white/navy) Biz Cool (Summer National State Rally)

Ladies 8-24 Men's S-5XL	\$38.50
Poly Fleece Jackets Navy	\$38.50

Add your name	\$ 5.00
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Magnetic Name Tags	\$10.00
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