



THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QLD). INC.

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VETERAN TORQUE

DECEMBER 2023



Silo near Karoonda seen on recent S.A. Mannum Veteran Rally

{Photo: Rhonda Guthrie}





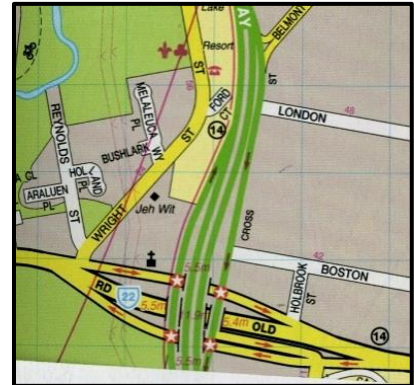
VCCA(Q) - 2023 –24

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The Club holds its meetings on the first MONDAY of each month (excluding January). Meetings are held in the VCCA(Q) Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, CARINDALE. (Corner of Old Cleveland Road and The Gateway Arterial Road – Refidex Map 182 E5). Meetings commence at 7.30 pm, and Visitors are always welcome.



The Club website is: www.vccaq.com

Membership fees for year commencing 1 July 2023 are:.

Full Membership (single):	\$ 53	Joint Membership	\$ 59
Country Membership (single):	\$ 40	Joint Membership:	\$ 45
Associate Membership	\$ 40		

There is an additional joining fee of \$30.

Note: THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF \$15 FOR THOSE MEMBERS REQUIRING A MAILED OUT COPY.

Membership fees may be paid by **direct deposit** into the Club's Account:
Bank of Queensland A/C BSB 124026, A/C 21577447; giving details of your name.

Or By Cheque, made payable to Veteran Car Club of Australia (Queensland) Inc.
(Please use full name as above to comply with bank requirements.)

(Note: The Social Fund account is: BSB 124 026 A/C 21823868)

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER.



No sooner were we home from the Griffith rally than those of us who are on the North side headed out for morning tea (thanks to Michael Ferguson) to Graham Bateman's residence at Bracken Ridge to view his extensive collection of Ford Vintage cars. There were some 30 mostly side valve V8s displayed in fantastic condition. This was followed by a lunch at The Sands Social Club at Sandgate.

May I highlight an exciting development for "Frostbite Tours". The inaugural run was so well received and enjoyed that most, if not all, participants would like it to be an annual event. Committee is behind this and so yes, it will be an annual event but with a slight twist - it will be for Veteran Vehicles only. Irene and I missed the last Frostbite but are looking forward to being in the next. If anyone knows where I can get a set of doors for my Brush, please let me know.

Thirty-four people enjoyed our Wine and Cheese Evening on Saturday last and thanks to the catering, the Committee partook of leftovers for lunch after working all morning in a meeting. Very tasty.

A roller door has replaced the swing door on our new utility cupboard giving access to 100% of that space. The next working bee will see an awning installed so we don't get wet if it's raining when we put away tables and chairs. Keep those wheels turning. Till next month (actually the month after)...

Graham Donges, President



Our fearless leader enjoying a cultural experience during his recent Indian Tour.

SOME COMING EVENTS - 2023/24



December 16th Christmas Luncheon at the Clubrooms Sunday From 11.30am
RSVP by December 4th : Either pay \$25/person to Malcolm
Or deposit to Club Social Fund Account. BSB 124 026 A/C218 238 68

2024

February 11 Club Breakfast at the Clubrooms Sunday 8am. \$5 per person, to be paid at the February General Meeting. BYO crockery and cutlery

March 9 International Women's Day Social. Saturday Afternoon Tea. –Folks please supply a plate of food towards the Afternoon Tea.

March 17-23 National 1 & 2 Cylinder Rally Albany, WA.
EOI/Info. Bob Henley, bobjos89@westnet.com.au

April 10 -14 VCCA – NSW 70th Anniversary Premier Rally in Inverell
Qld Club members are invited. Fossickers Rest Tourist Park Cabins are all booked, some sites still available 02 6722 2261; Inverell Caravan Park 02 6722 3036 has a few cabins plus vacant sites. Secure Trailer parking at Transport Museum. Newsletter No. 1 has been circulated to members.
Rally Directors Rod Holmes 0455 266 890; Laurie McGrath 0403 030 998;
Email: rodruthholmes@gmail.com

May 26 – 1 June 8th International Tour –
Tweed Valley, Northern NSW Newsletters
The event is open to pre -1916 vehicles.
If you don't have an eligible veteran, you are welcome to come along and join in the camaraderie and help where necessary.
Newsletters 1, 2, 3, available on club web site – giving accommodation listing.
Entry Form now available www.hccasea.org/entry-form, (you may have to type it in)
The payment process is separate, and is not required for you to fill in the entry form
For more information contact Rhonda Guthrie 0427 175 099

June RACQ Motorfest. To register your details to receive information, email events@racq.com.au

July 16-19 Frostbite Club Tour – (Millmerran, Warwick, Oakey). Starts in Dalby.
Further information lenkelly40@gmail.com or 0418 734 268. See Flyer this issue.

August 17 (Saturday) Swap Meet

September 5 - 11 Burnett Heads Caravan Park. (Cabins may all be booked).
Burnett Heads Lighthouse Holiday Park - Grey Nomads. Paul Mittelheuser St, Bundaberg 4870 (07) 4159 4313. Club Tour will include Handover Dinner/Luncheon.
Extra Accommodation: The Lighthouse Hotel 66 Zunker St, Burnett Heads 5670 (07) 4159 4202. South Burnett Vineyard B & B. Accommodation.
Rally Co-ordinators Terry Lewis 0404 647 359; Chris Sorensen 0427 244 847. See Flyer this issue.

November 18-23 National Rally in Launceston, Tasmania. EOI Now open.
Email: 2024nationalrally@gmail.com; Ph. Ben 0404 917 366; Jill 0448 678 291
NEED TO BOOK VEHICLE FERRY NOW. 2023.

December 21 Club Christmas Luncheon

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While at Bundaberg Ross Guthrie presented Andrew and Angela Fergusson with the Dating Certificate and 100 year Badge for their 1911 Mors



The Bundy families came to celebrate the Occasion



VCCAQ Frostbite Tour July 2024



Join us for the 2nd Annual Frostbite Tour to be held on the 16th to 19th July 2024 for **Veteran** cars only.

This year's Frostbite will be leaving from Keith and Anne Bartley's property outside of Dalby on Tuesday the 16th and traversing through stops at Millmerran, Warwick, Oakey and returning back to Keith and Anne's on the Friday the 19th.

More Info @ lenkelly40@gmail.com or 0418734268



The tour will be a progressive tour covering about 520Klm over four days with regular regroupings and open to all **Veteran** cars.

Travel to Keith and Anne's the day before or early on the 16th July and leave your car and trailer there, before setting off to and overnighing 16th July at Millmerran, 17th at Warwick and 18th at Oakey, and then returning to Keith and Anne's on the 19th July for packing up, and then there will be a Farewell Lunch back in Dalby. Two backup vehicles and trailers will be following and will help to carry extra baggage etc. Another vehicle will be in front setting up for Morning Tea and Lunch each day. (Covered by Entry Fee) Accommodation, other meals and Farewell Lunch will be at entrant's expense. Entry available In New Year.

Accommodation Options – Tuesday Night, Millmerran Village C/Van Park and Mill Inn Tavern – Wednesday Night Warwick, Horse and Jockey Hotel (20 rooms put aside but renovations happening early 2024 so tentative) and Jackie Howe Motel – Thursday Night Oakey, Kellys Motel, Oakey Motor Inn, Park House Motor Inn.

VCCAQ VETERAN VEHICLE & STEAM RALLY

BUNDABERG / BURNETT HEADS

Thursday 5th – Wednesday 11th September 2024



**Burnett Heads,
Queensland
is getting into
rally action!**

The Bundy team is very much looking forward to warmly welcoming our veteran car family to the southern shores of the Great Barrier Reef for lots of fun, camaraderie and delightful rally days.

We are going to be based in Burnett Heads, now one of our up-and-coming coastal towns.

Within 400 metres from our caravan park HQ you will find the motel, eateries, bakery, supermarket and the Lighthouse Pub! So, nobody escapes our Happy Hours!



The event will have a distinct Queensland feel; warm and welcoming, enjoying our relaxed outdoor lifestyle. The veteran routes will offer beautiful Pacific coast vistas and as well as fine country scenery... on flat roads!

For those who dare, the Edwardian clothing theme is "leisure and sports", which means comfortable clothing! But no visit to Bundaberg would be complete without the fun and opportunity of an Edwardian bathing suit beach promenade!

The rallying days will offer something special and memorable for all our entrants, whether driving long or short-legged cars. You will be amazed to see and hear first-hand what new industries and diversity our region is developing.

The weekend steam days in Burnett Heads will bring all the action and excitement of steam, and you are invited to get involved. This event is hosted by steam and traction engine groups.

We are hoping for those who wish to use their vehicle lights to conclude the day with a joint gaslight parade.

The ladies are not forgotten, our Bundy Glue Girls have lots of exciting ideas & plans... how does *bubbly on the beach* sound?

One important reason for getting the rally planning underway now is to strongly encourage everyone to reserve accommodation at the earliest opportunity. Burnett Heads is an extremely popular grey nomad destination in early September as travellers return southward!

So, before you run out of steam with all the festive season preparations why not dust off or repair your Edwardian swimming togs, book your accommodation and we'll put the EOI in your Christmas stockings!

Team Bundy

Accommodation

Burnett Heads Holiday Park
caravans and 5 cabins

Contact Colleen and Don (07 41594313) mention VCCAQ Rally. They have extra-long sites, mention your requirement on booking. The Park is offering 7 nights for the price of 6.

Lighthouse Hotel/Motel

8 motel rooms, weekly rate
07 41594202, www.lighthousehotel.net.au

Local Airbnb and holiday home rentals are also available.

Contact the rally coordinators

Terry Lewis: 0404 647 359 Chris Sorensen 0427 244 847



Glenn Adams and Bev. Lollback recently attended the Australasian Dodge Rally held in Tanunda, S.A. and won the Trophy for the Best Veteran with their 1916 Tourer

From the Archives Group.

One of the Gymkhana events over the years has been a see saw where the driver tries to balance the car with both ends of the planks off the ground. Here, Grahame Wilkinson has a go in his 1912 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost before it was rebodied.

"Both ends of the planks are supposed to be up in the air, Grahame. Not on the ground." The planks were no match for the weight of the Rolls.



John Day

WANTED

For 1915 Buick: One serviceable external brake band

Kevin Brooks. 0412 720 035 brooks@goanna.tv

VCCSA RALLY MANNUM 2023 OCTOBER 13-15

After the National Rally in Griffith six couples ventured on to Mannum for the annual SA State Rally "Road to River". Mannum is a lovely little town on the Murray River approximately an hour from Adelaide.

Day 1 - Friday

The first day was an afternoon run to allow SA members to arrive in Mannum that morning and was a run of about 68kms to Bow Hill. We crossed the Murray River on the ferry for a leisurely drive along the river for those who took the right turn. Those who missed the turn had a lovely drive through crop fields and saw the river from afar. Steve and I missed the turn.

For the ones who took the right turn, they enjoyed a beautiful drive along the river, but we all ended up at the right destination. We had afternoon tea on the banks of the river at Bow Hill. That evening we all enjoyed a pizza dinner with a movie.



Bow Hill

Day 2 - Saturday

Rally entrants were treated to a breakfast at the Mannum Motel, Rally Headquarters. Again today we travelled across the river on the ferry and headed to Bow Hill for morning tea. The road travels above the cliffs on the river and gives a magnificent view of the river, the many house boats and picturesque views to the surrounding countryside.

After morning tea we travelled on to Karoonda and visited the Pioneer Park Museum for a BBQ lunch. A volunteer from the Museum gave a very informative talk about the local area. Our day was a 142kms drive through thriving farm lands surrounding Mannum, ending with a rally dinner at the Motel.



Off to Karoonda



Karoonda Museum

Day 3 - Sunday

Breakfast was again provided at the Motel before starting our final run. This was a great idea for catching up with other entrants before we got going. Today's run was a morning run of approximately 61kms (round trip) to Mypolonga. Another rural area where we visited a farming business - Aussie Apricots and Revolution Motor Museum. The owners gave a very detailed and informative talk on apricot farming and the processes from growing to the final products with several samples for entrants to try. One doesn't realise the work involved from start to finish and we all found the talk very interesting.



After morning tea and spending too much in the farm shop we moved on to the motor museum which features a range of American muscle cars. There are also a number of old bikes and stationary engines on display. The museum also displays a collection of rare veteran and vintage cars being the Wicks family collection put together by the late Malcolm Wicks.

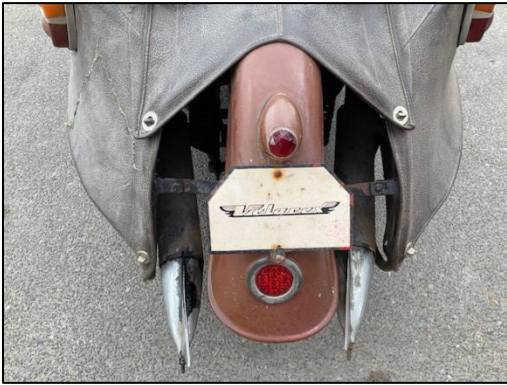
All Queenslanders who attended the Mannum rally had a very enjoyable time.

Lauren & Steve Forster

Some Cars on the Rally



What is it?



The Countryside



All the above photos were provided by Rhonda Guthrie

THE JIMBOUR SCHOOL'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY

The Jimbour School near Dalby recently celebrated its 150th Anniversary with all the usual displays. However a lot of work had gone into putting on a display of farming machinery from early days up to the modern robotic equipment.



Bartley Family owned 1928 Caterpillar 20.



Grant Family's robotic sprayer

When the School celebrated its Centenary 50 years ago the Lanagans attended in the Oakland and I remember that Graham Crittenden was there in his Stoewer. In fact they both won trophies on the day for general presentation. The back section which Graham won was swapped for the drum of fuel which Wally won due to inconvenience of carrying the back section home to Kingaroy.

This year members of the Restored Vehicle Association Dalby, as well as several muscle cars, had a designated place on the oval.

The special guests on the day were Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM, Governor of Queensland and Professor Graeme Nimmo RFD. Dr Young unveiled a new mural at the school.

Keith and Anne Bartley had their Star and Wally and Bev Lanagan had their Oakland on display and attracted the attention of the special guests who spent time chatting with them.



Bev Lanagan

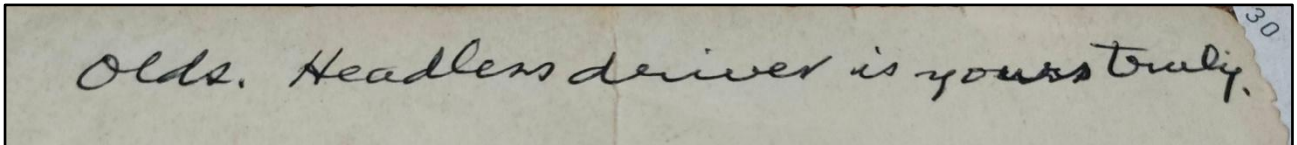


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(C) 1905 French Front Oldsmobile

Arguably one of the prettiest early veterans out of America, was the so called French Front Oldsmobile. They were nearly identical mechanically to the Curved Dash Olds sold at the same time, but had a modernised body and radiator. The engine was still under the seat, with fuel and water tanks housed under the bonnet. A steering wheel replaced the tiller. Member Ron Brennan has the makings of one, but they are quite rare.

Andrew Gauld found the photo below in material from our late Foundation and Life Member Ed Sims. Written in Ed's handwriting on the back of the photo is "Olds headless driver is yours truly."

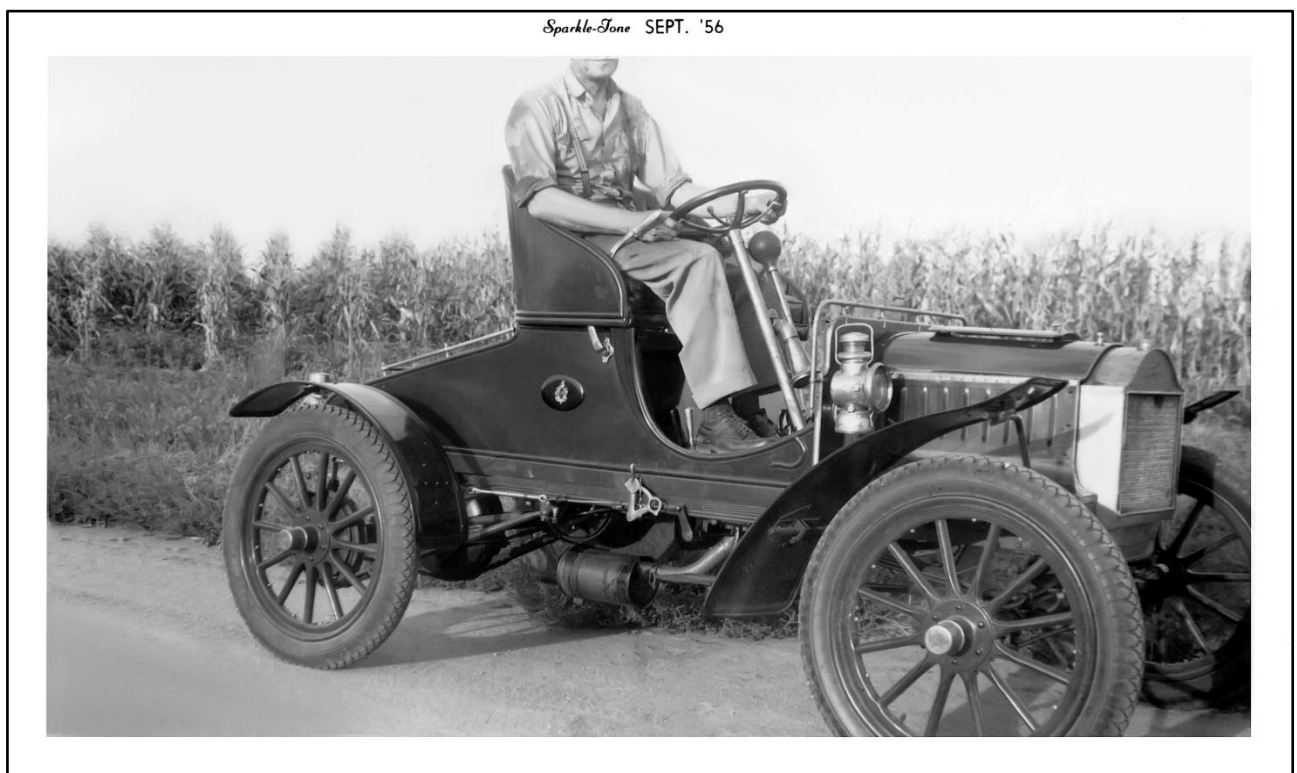


Olds. Headless driver is yours truly. 30

I am not aware of any such car active in Australian Veteran circles today. To date, we have no knowledge about what happened to the car in the photo. Is it out there somewhere? I am going to keep my eyes open. Pity Australia's such a big continent!

Can anyone help with information about this car please?

Excuse me, I'm off looking for it.



John Day

0427 734350

Letter to the Editor from Paul Blake.

I thought you might like the following story to go in the next Newsletter:-

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"In the Sydney (Australia) suburb of Surry Hills locals have noticed a giant sized billboard has just gone up on a famous old theatre advertising the new De Dion Bouton for sale. But here is the back story.

VCCAQ members Paul and Helen Blake have a very talented niece Kirsten Siddle who is involved in live theatre and has her own production company and who with her partner Scott Maidment has lately been restoring an old Sydney theatre to its former glory which is called the "Grand Electric".

As part of the restoration they engaged an artist Max Elbourne to revive the look with some appropriate murals and age related advertising.

Kirsten and Scott were standing on the front footpath with Max one morning discussing what might be the subject of the main billboard for the front entrance of the building.

In her own words Kirsten tell the story;-

"I had received a video of my Uncle's recently completed restoration of the 1906 De Dion Bouton just the day before. I showed the video to Max and he agreed it was a perfect fit! I gave him the video and photos of the De Dion Bouton and with a few artistic additions it was completed in a couple of days' work!"

How many years since a billboard like this existed in a busy city street in Australia?

The final twist came when Paul noticed the French writing under the De Dion Bouton script "*presque aussi bien que la Buick*" and decided to translate it .It says " *Almost as good as a Buick!*" It turns out that Max who painted the billboard is a Buick enthusiast and that was his little joke! "



Hope you like the story.

Footnote: If you look closely at the photo my niece had the number plate "Blakey" added to the car which is the nickname my nieces and nephews know me by. Kirsten has a very good sense of humour. From what I can see the number plate actually says "BL-AK3Y" equals Blakey.

Paul Blake



**Minutes of the Seven Hundred and First Meeting
of the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc**

Held at the Clubrooms, 1376 Old Cleveland Rd, Carindale

Monday 6 November 2023

Commenced: 7.30pm

Attendance: 35 as per the attendance book.

Attendance on Zoom: Bev and Wally Lanagan, Karen and Bill Ryan, Graham and Marjorie Crittenden, Steve and Marcelien Hunt.

Apologies: Rob and Pam Guthrie, Merv and Margaret Thompson, Carol Robinson.

Minutes of the September Meeting. With the correction of "Hessler" to "Kessler", the Secretary moved that the September minutes be adopted as a true and correct record. 2. Syd Norman Carried.

Business Arising: Nil.

Correspondence :

Inwards.

Barry Morris VCCQ. Notification that now back using their allotted meeting slot 3rd Friday of month.
QHMC. Letter from member club asking comments from other clubs for a log book system
HCCA. Newsletter
Cindy Sesak from Charters Towers, working on a Heritage project. Request for measurements of a 1908 2 Cylinder Reo for bronze statue. Sent request to David Martin and Ian Martin
Bay to Birdwood. Sale of tickets
2024 National Rally Newsletter in Tasmania. Sent to members
Office of Fair Trading. Notice of upcoming changes to unfair contract terms.
QHMC. Notice of meeting on 26 October.
Michelle Weir, Marketing Manager Majestic Cinemas, Wynnum. Showing a documentary Ford v Holden. Can take group bookings.
Jessica Brown, Stroke Foundation. Receipt and Thank you for donation.
Executive Support Officer, Office of the Governor. Advising they have updated their data base with the names of the new office bearers for VVCCAQ
Pen offer from Pens
QHMC Receipt for association fees
QHMC. Insurance. Certificate of Currency
Model A Club. Booking request for 17 October
Qld Chev Club. Booking request for 29th October
Qld Early Ford V8. Booking for 21 July 2024

Newsletters:

Gympie Historic Auto Club. Talk Tube
Ipswich Vintage and Veteran Club. Good Oil
David Vaughan. Country Motor
Jenny Fawbert TAVCCA-FIVA Newsletter No 2
HCCA Newsletter
TVVHMC Townsville The Running Board
Chrysler Owners Club of Queensland. Chrysler News. September and October
The Vintage Car Club of New Zealand. Beaded Wheels
Veteran Car Club of Australia Victoria. Brass Notes September and October
HCCA. Horseless Carriage Gazette.

Correspondence Outwards: QHMC. Letter supporting the current system of registration. Cindy Sesak, advising that David Martin will contact her with regards to Reo.

The Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be received and the outward adopted. 2, Rob Beeston. Carried.

Business Arising from the Correspondence:

The funds for the donation to the Stroke Foundation came from Graham Wilkinson's estate and other sources. John Day moved that we send a note to Dulcie informing her of the donation. Albert reported that QHMC also did want to change the current system. There are 91 Clubs in QHMC and 58 voted against changing to a log book scheme. TMR dead against a log book system as it increases administrative costs.

Treasurer's Report: Malcolm thanked Steve for his help in transition. The Treasurer, Malcolm Wegener, reported on the club accounts.. The treasurer reported that the Committee agreed to a request for the Treasurer and Secretary to have a Visa debit card. This will enable a needed upgrade to the accounting system. Hall rent payments are up to date with only one Club still to pay. Malcolm moved that his report be accepted and the accounts passed for payment. 2. Trevor Farnell. Carried.

Events. Rhonda Guthrie reported that Griffith was a good rally.

19 November. Wine and Cheese Evening. Numbers by next Monday, 13 November.

16th December. Christmas Lunch

2024. 11th February. Breakfast.

9th March International Women's Day.

10 - 14 April. Inverell Rally.

26 May - 1 June. International Rally in Tweed Heads. There are 9 entrants from USA and 4 from Canada. They plan to bring a Model T and leave it in Australia.

June. RACQ Day.

16-19 July. Frostbite Rally leaving from Dalby. There are limited numbers and it is a Veteran Only Rally

August . Swap Meet

September. Burnett Heads incorporating Handover Lunch or Dinner.

18-23 November. National Rally in Launceston. Tasmania.

There is information in the rally folder on the table.

Property: Property Officer, Albert Budworth, reported that the storage area now has a roller door and there are plans to add an awning over it. The stove needs a new knob. The tenant house and yard is all clean and tidy.

Security. Security Officer, Peter Arnold said that there are a few issues with connecting the cameras to the internet.

Monthly Runs . Northside run. Next month is a run to Petrie Historic Village for lunch And January is a run out to Riley Club at Mt Samson.

Southside. Next month is a run to Redlands farm, one of the last farms in area, for morning tea and then to Wellington Point for lunch.

Editor: Nil

Web Site: Nil

Dating: Ross reported that the team has been looking at 1911 Mors belonging to Andrew Fergusson. They are very close to finishing the dating.

QHMC: There is a meeting tomorrow.

Archive Group. John Day reported that two home movies by Nev Dorman from the Darling Downs have been digitised. One is the 1978 International Rally coming into Toowoomba and the other is of Darling Downs club events. There is good veteran material from 1960's and 70's. The Darling Downs Club paid half the cost of digitising. It needs a sound track over the top. There are two new Headings on the Website. They are Members' Collections/Recollections and Veterans of historical note. John Page has donated 4 articles of trips that George Whatmore took in 1915-1917 in Model T's to publicise the ruggedness of Model T. Robyn Gilltrap is happy for us to

record some of the Gilltrap material. Paul Blake has a donated 8mm projector and camera, both in working order.

General Business: Joe Jarick has acquired a larger enclosed trailer from Port Macquarie and now has one for sale.

Sally has made a safety video in partnership with TMR. It is on Facebook. Rob York was talking with the officer in charge of compliance for Main Roads. He said that the cars are allowed to have flashing lights on the rear as speed of the vehicle is a hazard on the road and flashing lights denote a hazard.

There is a 1914 Talbot Roadster for sale by a member of the Bayside club.

Peter said the one of the articles not in TAVVCA newsletter was about a recent Car Auction in Britain. There were 18 Veterans in the auction and Clive Palmer bought a significant number of the Veterans . They can be imported into Australia without paying the luxury tax as they are registered as assets going into a Museum. They are still liable for luxury tax if they are later sold and are going to be driven on the road.

Paul Blake's niece has bought an old theatre and is restoring it. The mural they had painted on the front wall of the theatre is that of the De Dion. The French wording is translated to "Nice car but not as good as a Buick"

Syd has a collection of hubcaps available to take with a donation given for Movember.

The dipper fell off the conrod of his Standard and rammed the bearing and damaged the crankshaft and conrod. He expressed gratitude that he didn't destroy the crankcase.

Kevin Brooks is going to the Victorian Rally 1 and 2 in Cobram next year if anyone wants to go. He is going to do another panel on the Mural he is working on.

Rob Beestson fired up his Brush for first time last week.

Thank you to Wally and Bev for Dalby rally.

Meeting Closed. 8.29pm

Irene Donges
Hon. Secretary
Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc

Graham Donges
Hon. President
Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc

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From all accounts the **WINE AND CHEESE EVENING** was thoroughly enjoyed by the thirty-four folk present, and that there was an overabundance of food.

Thanks to Pam Guthrie for the following photos.





This Saurer truck was driven across America in 1911.
(from the Alex Gow Collection)

[Last month's picture showed a Saurer that crossed Europe in 1910]

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IT'S PUN TIME (With thanks to Glenn Adams)

I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes. It's all about raisin awareness.

I've started investing in stocks: beef, vegetable, chicken. One day I hope to be a bouillianaire.

Did you know muffins spelled backwards is what you do when you take them out of the oven?

Scientifically, a raven has 17 primary wing feathers, the big ones at the end of the wing are called pinion feathers. A crow has 16. So, the difference between a raven and a crow is only a matter of a pinion.

I was walking in the jungle and saw a lizard on his hind legs telling jokes. I turned to a local tribal leader and said, "*That lizard is really funny!*" The leader replied. "*That's not just any old lizard ... he's a stand-up chameleon.*"

I tried to come up with a carpentry pun that woodwork. I thought I nailed it, but nobody saw it.

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