

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.

*Club Patron: His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC
Governor of Queensland*

VETERAN TORQUE

SEPTEMBER 2019



*Frank's Minervette has gone to live in Northern NSW with its younger
Big Brother, a 1912 Minerva.*





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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).

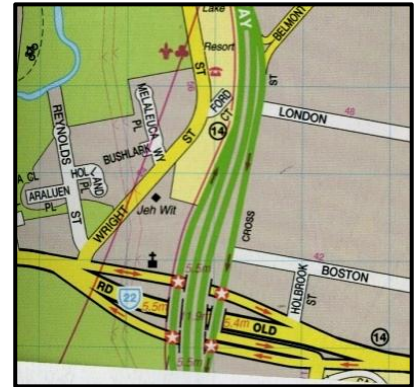
Meetings commence at 7.30 pm, and Visitors are always welcome.

The Clubrooms phone number is (07) 3843 0010
The Club website is: www.vccaq.com

Membership fees 2019 – 20 are:.

Full Membership (single):	\$ 70	Joint Membership	\$ 77
Country Membership (single):	\$ 53	Joint Membership:	\$ 58
Associate Membership	\$ 53		

There is an additional joining fee of \$30.



Note: THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF \$10 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 21577447; BSB 124001, 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.)

Membership Application Forms are available from the Secretary at the address below.

All articles for publication in "*Veteran Torque*" must be with the Editor by the 20th of each month. email: redbubble@picknowl.com.au.

All other correspondence to:

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email secretary.vccaq@gmail.com

"You dragged this man a hundred yards"

"But only at thirty miles an hour"



President's Report

Another month has been and gone, I can't believe how fast these reports seem to come around. I'm sure our editor, Carolyn, must say the same thing.

SWAP

I have watched the Swap over the last few years and see it gradually develop into what I overheard one attendee say was the best Swap in the country for the exchange of veteran and vintage parts. I'm not sure he was absolutely correct but the fact that we limit it to V & V parts sort of ensures that it is going to be up there. We will never get the income of the big swaps, I think we took \$90 on the gate, but then again, we are not in it to make money, we are there to provide a service to our members. A venue to trade parts and make contacts for further exchange and we seem to be doing that well otherwise it would not be seeing this modest growth each year.

WORKING BEE

The monthly working bee continues with a dedicated group each third Wednesday completing small jobs around the place. This month we focused on the gardens and mowing some areas where there has been some growth while Hazel did a spring clean of the kitchen cupboards. There are always plenty of jobs to be done and we welcome anyone who can spare a few hours one day a month.

NORTHSIDE RALLY

We have just arrived home from this month's Northside rally to Cedar Creek. Five veterans took part starting with a Devonshire tea at the historic Old Petrie Town. The scones were delightful with a choice of plain, fruit or pumpkin with jam and real clotted cream. There was an unexpected school group this morning who were thrilled to learn about our cars and climb onboard to squeeze horn bulbs and be photographed in the driver's seat. The teachers had trouble moving them on to the next attraction.

The weather was perfect for the drive to Dayboro where we took a short break and more discussions with onlookers about our cars before continuing to lunch. At Cedar Creek we fired up the BBQs and had to protect our goodies from the 7 Kookaburras who perched in the trees above to watch our every move. I was not quick enough while putting the bacon on the bread roll as one swooped down grabbing the roll in his powerful beak and flying off only to lose it on the lawn beyond. I managed to fight him off and retrieve my roll only losing one piece of bacon in the struggle.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held after our September meeting on Monday. This is where we will elect our committee for the next 12 months, so it is not too late to consider joining the team responsible for running the day to day business of the Club. While there is often lively discussion in committee, we do get on very well together and share our many diverse ideas. This is a healthy process in deciding the best outcomes for the Club.

Give it some thought and we will see you at the AGM

In the meantime, happy motoring

Peter

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SOME COMING EVENTS

- 7 Sept. "Handover Dinner". At Clubrooms**
- 17-23 Sept. NATIONAL VETERAN RALLY (BARGARA)**
- 22 Sept. All **British Day. 8.30am – 2pm. St Joseph's College Sports Grounds, Tennyson.**
Proceeds to charity. Display vehicles \$20. Spectators (walk-in) \$2; Parking \$5. No dogs or Drones.
Contact: Max Johnson 0419 784 680. Email allbritishday@gmail.com.
- 24-27-Oct. Landsborough Rally. (organised by the Days.)**
- 2-3 Nov. Western Suburbs Rally (organised by Phil Fletcher)**
- 16-17 Nov. Funkhana – at Clubrooms.**
- 21 Dec. Christmas Party**

Minutes of the Six Hundred and Sixty Second Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc. Held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale. Monday 5th August 2019

President Peter Arnold welcomed everyone, thanked them for their attendance, Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Apologies: Russell & Susan Massey, Carol & Alan Robinson, Bob & Helen O'Connor, Lauren Forster, Trish Hanley, Dulcie Wilkinson, Frank & Kathy Mugeridge, Bev Lollback and Denis Martin.

Visitors: Nil

Attendance: 41

Minutes of the July Meeting: Minutes as published in the club newsletter were taken as read. Hazel Burley moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded by Syd Norman. Carried.

Business Arising: Nil

Correspondence:

Inward:

Letter from QHMC re committee room usage.
Letter from Office of Fair Trading re incorporation fees.
Subs from members, Hall rent from Chrysler club
Accounts from Telstra, Urban Utilities, Origin Gas & Electricity.
Email from Toastmasters re hall availability.
Various Magazines.

Outward:

Email to Toastmasters

Business Arising from the Correspondence: Nil

Hazel moved that the inward correspondence be received and the outward be endorsed, seconded by Trevor Farnell. Carried.

Treasurer Report:

Steve reported on the club accounts. Steve moved that the report be accepted, and accounts be passed for payment. Seconded Trevor Farnell. Carried.

Events:

17th Aug. Veteran swap. Need volunteers to help with preparation of food.

7th Sept Handover Dinner at clubrooms. The reason for the change of name for this event is after the AGM it's the official Handover and introduction of the new committee, and to thank the outgoing members of the last committee.

17th – 23rd Sept. National Veteran Rally Bargara.

24th-27th Oct. Landsborough rally. Meet at Peachester Hall, with cars and trailers for the 130th Anniversary of the Peachester Hall, trailer parking available at the sawmill, there will also be the opening of the Historical Display. This will finish about 2-3pm, then reload cars to travel to Landsborough and set up camp.

2nd-3rd Nov. Western Suburbs Rally

16th-17th Nov. Funkana at clubrooms. As Albert is away, we need someone to volunteer to run this event.

21st Dec. Christmas Party

John Day and Peter Arnold recently went up to Bargara to run all the rally routes, and then John and Alison Day did the final check on them. They are fantastic rally routes, going from the beaches to the hinterland, through rich agricultural country and not just sugarcane but also macadamia plantations and small crops, it will be a real treat for everyone. The longest day is to Childers which is 120 km return. The rally committee is working very hard to get everything finalized. To date there are 142 entrants.

The Charleville rally committee is also working very hard and all the plans are coming along brilliantly. The town is very excited about seeing all the old cars. To date there are 22 paid entries and 80 EOI.

The Esk rally was fantastic, lots of hills and a bit of dirt road. Excellent rally, thanks to Kevin and Joyce Brooks for putting on such a great rally.

Congratulations to the Club for putting on a great display at Motorfest this year. The people crowded in all through the day. We have asked for the same position next year. We had our new feather banners there on their first outing.

We ordered 4 x 3.1m banners, the company made 4 x 3.8m banners, the company offered these at the same price, we said no, we want the 3.1m ones and we need them for Motorfest. They said they would send 2 of the larger ones so we had them for Motorfest, but to send them express delivery would cost more and asked if we would pay half the cost of delivery. We agreed to that and when the parcel arrived on the Friday before Motorfest there were the 4 we ordered and 2 of the larger ones all in vinyl cases with the 2 car stands as well. They also come with a water bag to hold the banners down in the wind.

Property Report: Need to organize a working bee on a Saturday when Russell returns from his holiday.

Dating Report: Looking into the archives for the dating certificate for Gary Day's Dodge. TAVVCA are looking at the dating procedure, the application form and the certificates. Ian Irwin has written a procedure, this will be discussed with all the dating officers at the TAVVCA AGM at Bargara.

Library: Nil

QHMC: Nil

SAG Report: Prioritize the disabled toilet, looking at temporary repairs for the driveway, and looking at the cost of re-vamping the library.

Web Master: Nil

Editor Report: Nil

General Business: The TAVCCA AGM will be held at Bargara, had a teleconference in July and have put forward 6 recommendations for discussion at the AGM. TAVCCA organizes the National rally rotation and dates, the 100 years badges are coming to an end and it also organizes the FIVA international passports. Looking at discontinuing the state by state rotation of the national chair, it is usually the state president and it is so time consuming to also be the national chair person. Looking at having a president for a 3-year term. Changes need to be made to the constitution, TAVCCA is not incorporated, each State has one representative. Looking at getting some legal advice. Future direction of ICE (internal combustion engine) cars, no new ICE cars after 2030/2040. How will this affect us?

The treasurer received an email from the president asking him to transfer \$3000 to an account. This was a scam. It was from Peter's private email address, Steve and Hazel decided to delete the email. We need to look at the security on the website. Be careful, there are many scammers out there. Graham Donges also had an email saying he had won \$90,000, all he had to do was to deposit \$22,000 into an account. Another scam!!!!

Phil Fletcher has kindly offered to change the shop front window, Thanks Phil. Phil has lots of jewellery for cars, let him know if you are looking for anything, he may have it.

The social committee would like to have more members interested in helping and organizing events. We need some fresh ideas, if you have an idea for an event please see one of our committee.

Discussion about the 100-year badges, how to fix them.

Frank Hack's Minerva has been sold to Andrew Winter from Coffs Harbour, he's over the moon to have two Minervas.

The club polo and dress shirts are here, the men's dress shirts came with short sleeves instead of long, see Rhonda if you want to swap them. Talk to Rhonda if you want to order dress shirts and to Trevor Farnell for the polo shirts. We should look very spiffy at Bargara!

Val Wright wants to sell the Napier and the Lion, will put an advert in the VT next month. The Lion has been driven, the car needs to be put back together, will need final paint job and upholstery.

Joe Jarick gave a talk on the hassles and challenges of pipe bending for his restoration of the De Dion. Thanks to Joe for an interesting and comical talk.

Alan Carpenter recently had to claim on his insurance, Shannons gave exceptional service and he found it best to ring around 8-9 pm, after hours service was brilliant.

John Farrier's new Motor Home is great (he made it himself!)

Syd Norman's Maxwell was having trouble in Forbes, he gave the magneto and coil to Trevor to sort out and now it works well. At a recent event Syd won Best European Car trophy, he was the only European car there!!

Steve thanked Hazel for taking over as treasurer while he's away on holiday.

Meeting Closed 9.05 pm.

Hazel Burley.....	Peter Arnold.....
Secretary	President
Veteran Car Club Australia (Qld) Inc .	Veteran Car Club Australia (Qld) Inc.

ARE YOU COMING TO THE "HANDOVER DINNER" ON SATURDAY 7th SEPTEMBER?

Have you replied to Hazel?
If not, please RSVP by 30 August to
secretary.vccaq@gmail.com

Come and join your fellow Club-Members and enjoy stimulating conversation,
while consuming hot savouries,
followed by main course and dessert,
plus the usual fruit punch, tea and coffee.



Minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting
of the Veteran Car Club of Australia Qld Inc.
held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale.
Monday 3rd September, 2018

President Peter Arnold opened the meeting at 8.20pm

Attendance as per General Meeting.

Visitors as per General Meeting

Apologies as per General Meeting.

Minutes of previous AGM

Rhonda Guthrie moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record; seconded By Alan Carpenter Carried

Business arising: Nil

President's Report:

Peter Arnold moved that his President's report be accepted; seconded by Bob Burley Carried.
Peter made special mention to thank all the outgoing committee members for the dedication and support. 2018/2019 is looking to be another great year of veteran motoring.

Treasurer's Report:

A copy of the audited report is available for the meeting to peruse and copies are available to members upon request. Hazel moved that the Treasurer's report be adopted. Seconded Peter Ransom Carried.
Hazel Burley moved and seconded by Albert Budworth that Carwardine and Associates be appointed as auditors for the Club for 2018 - 2019. Carried.
Hazel Burley moved and Syd Norman seconded that the SAG review annual subs, and report to the Committee with their recommendation. Carried.

Events Report: Albert Budworth thanked the club members who attended all the club events over the past year, and look forward to the next year of veteran rallying.

Magazine Report: Carol Robinson thanked the members for their support with stories and photos. More articles are always welcome

Library Report: Nil

Webmaster Report: Peter Ransom read his report, thanking everyone for their assistance with stories and photos. He is looking to produce a fresh look in the next twelve months on the club web site.

Dating Officer Report: The committee has not dated many veterans in the past 12 months. As we are coming to the end of the Veteran Period there will be fewer to date in future except those in the Club not already dated. Ross Guthrie thanked his fellow dating officers, Bob Collett, Paul Blake and Syd Norman for their assistance. All were happy to continue for another year.

Facilities Report: Nil

Historian's Report: Nil

SAG Report: Not a lot to report, the painting of the club rooms has been finished,. There have been trees removed from various gardens as the roots were starting to go under the building. Still working on the asphalt pot holes but unfortunately that is a big expense so maybe we just arrange for the various places to be repaired. During the year some of the committee met with Transurban regarding the new fence they wish to install. They have not come back to the committee regarding the water that flows onto the club property from the M1 freeway. Glynn reminded members that this is a sub-committee, that works behind the scenes and makes recommendations to the management committee.

Trevor Farnell moved that all reports be accepted seconded by John Day.

Peter mentioned that the executive of the club are President / Vice President / Treasurer. Secretary is not part of the executive committee and does not have to be a club member. Other non-executive persons are eg: librarian, web master, dating, editor, historian.

Election of Office Bearers:

President Peter declared all positions vacant and asked John Day to chair the Election of Officers. John Day requested the secretary remain at the table and take the notes.

- **President:** Peter Arnold: nominated by Bob Burley: seconded by Hazel Burley
No other nomination. Peter elected.
Peter then returned to the chair to chair the remainder of the meeting.
- **Immediate Past President:** Bob Burley.
- **Vice-President:**
Steve Forster: Nominated Glynn Hackshall – Glynn would like to see someone else take this position.
Albert Budworth :Nominated John Day - Declined
John Day Nominated: Steve Forster Declined
Syd Norman: Nominated: Janette Farnell; seconded Trevor Farnell
No other nominations Syd Norman elected
- **Treasurer:** Steve Forster: Nominated by Hazel Burley seconded by Carol Robinson
No other nomination. Steve elected.
- **Assistant Treasurer:** No Volunteers –
- **Secretary:** Hazel Burley. Nominated by Glynn Hackshall and Seconded by Steve Forster
No other nomination. Hazel elected.
- **Events Director:** Albert Budworth Nominated by Trevor Farnell and Seconded by Bob Burley
No other nomination. Albert elected.
- **Property Director:**
- Bob Burley: Nominated: Carol Robinson Declined
Trevor Farnell: Nominated Phil Fletcher Declined
Russell Massey Nominated: Albert Budworth Seconded Glynn Hackshall –
No other nominations Russell elected
- **Committee Member:** Carolyn Robinson Nominated by Glynn Hackshall and Seconded by Steve Forster No other nomination. Carolyn elected.
- **Committee Member:** Glynn Hackshall. Nominated by Steve Forster Seconded Carol Robinson No other nominations Glynn elected
- The signatories for all BOQ accounts will be Steve Forster (Treasurer), Hazel Burley (Secretary) Peter Arnold (President) Hazel to arrange for Treasurer Steve Forster's signature to be added to the bank list of signatures. All cheques to have any two to sign.

Trevor Farnell moved that the Committee shall consist of 9 members, a quorum would be 5. Phil Fletcher seconded.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Rhonda Guthrie
Hon Secretary
Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc.

Some More Dulux Daffy Definitions

Cheesy



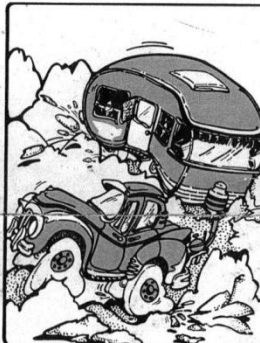
The character of a paint film, which although dry on the surface, is rather soft underneath.

Cold Curing



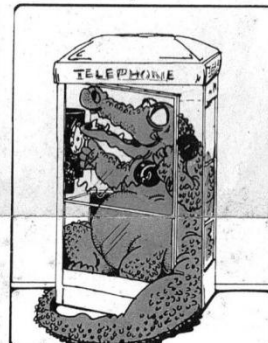
The process of curing at normal atmospheric temperature.

Cratering



Small saucer-shaped imperfections in the top coat, usually caused by silicone or oil.

Crocodiling



The film breaking apart in itself in the form of 'Crows Feet' or 'Crocodile' pattern.

President's Annual Report

The last twelve months have been another good year for our Club. Membership has remained stable and we have continued to have excellent attendances at our rallies and socials.

The clubrooms continue to consume a fair amount of time to manage and maintain with two evening vacancies remaining although we have secured a long term daytime tenant, which more than covers the loss of income.

Corporate governance and strategic planning are also high on our management priority with the Strategic Advisory Group SAGS under the Chairmanship of Glynn Hackshall continuing to meet bi-monthly to investigate and advise the committee on matters concerning long term management of the clubrooms as well as overall direction of the Club. This sub-committee is in its fifth year and has been responsible for bringing the management of the clubrooms onto a very businesslike platform. It is now focusing more of its attention to the long term direction of the Club. Thanks to Glynn and the team including Steve Forster and Merv Thompson who have joined the team more recently.

To support SAGS a Finance sub-committee was appointed last year to oversight the financial support, to develop a cash flow plan and recommend an overall investment strategy to fund any longer term plan. This sub-committee meets quarterly and reports to the management committee.

The Members' Social Committee, which was formed some time ago to comply with tax requirements for funding social events and members' benefits, has had a new lease on life and this year has been responsible for both major social functions as well as the Farewell Dinner for Dirk and Trudy Regter after their round Australia Ford tour in their 1925 Model T Ford. It has been formed as a separate entity from the Club and functions with its own officers and bank account.

Our Veteran and Vintage only Swap continues to improve each year, although we are not trying to make it a dominant swap on the circuit, just a venue where local enthusiasts can trade parts and at least mke contacts.

Motoring events of course are the main focus of our efforts with mainly weekend and week-long events on offer. This year we have experimented with some different formats. Firstly a 14-day programme in the North and South Burnett with sub-rallies based in four towns for two, three or four days and trailering cars between each. Entrants could choose which parts of the programme they would participate in although most elected to do the entire offering. This was so successful that a similar event is planned for next year in a different area. This also allows folk from different parts of the State to join in.

The second experiment was the Blair Re-enactment Run from Cloncurry to Brisbane, a distance of 2,000 kilometres and run over twelve days. In 1908, James Blair, the Queensland Attorney General and Minister for Mines, embarked on a journey in his 1905, 25hp Panhard Levassor to visit the newly developed mines in the north west of the State during the winter parliamentary recess. 110 years later we had four cars follow his wheel tracks and re-enact part of his run. They were a 1909 Darracq, 1911 Brush, 1911 Hupmobile and 1913 Talbot, all cars finished the event although some repairs were needed en-route.

In the past we have functioned reasonably well on our own with minimal interaction with other clubs. As a committee we have decided to try and change that in the future, promoting our presence and enhancing our own programme with that of appropriate events organised by other like-minded clubs. To assist Albert in developing the programme, we have appointed an Events Committee to oversee this direction and are looking at improving our public image with updated banners and promotional material. While the Committee has yet to get its teeth into the detail, they will have a detailed plan for the new year. I thank Albert for his efforts this year as well as the organisers of each of the local events.

Plans are also well underway for both the National Veteran Rally in Bargara next year and the National Veteran 1 & 2 Cylinder Rally in Charleville in 2020. We look forward to hosting our interstate friends at both of these events and thank both the Bundaberg and Charleville teams for their efforts to date.

The dating workload has eased with the last of our vehicles reaching the 100 year mark, but there are still a few new cars coming through that will need dating. Thanks to Ross Guthrie and his team.

Of course the other two members of the executive who are both retiring this year are Rhonda as Secretary and Hazel as Treasurer. They have both worked so hard to keep me on the straight and narrow and I thank them both for their efforts during the year.

The two non-management positions which are constant throughout the year are those of Editor and Web-Master. I thank both Carolyn and Peter for their efforts.

To all of the members of the Management Committee and the various sub-committees, I thank you for your part in keeping this great Club moving.

Finally I would like to thank everybody for your ongoing membership and your support of your committee and particularly me and allowing me to do some experimenting with some different approaches.

Thank you all, and let's make sure 2018-19 is another great year.

Peter Arnold
President.

Treasurer's Report 2017/2018

I am very happy to announce that all the books have been audited and approved and that all balances are true and correct.

A copy of the audited accounts of the Club are available tonight for perusal. I move that Carwardine and Associates be appointed for the 2017/2018 audit.

I also move that we leave the decision about club fees to the SAG committee and the club committee. Any changes will be discussed at a General Meeting.

It has been both a challenge and a pleasure to be the Treasurer of VCCAQ for the last five and a half years, I have found it to be a very enjoyable experience.

I am happy to give any assistance I can to the new Treasurer.

Hazel Burley

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Dating Report 2017-18

There have not been many Club cars dated over this past twelve months, though forms have been distributed to date that have not been returned to the Dating committee.

There are quite a few cars in the Club that are eligible for a 100-year badge, but they need to be dated first.

If you own one of these such veteran cars, why not request the dating papers and complete and hand them in to the Dating Committee.

I'd like to thank the other distinguished club members on the Dating Committee for their assistance during the past few years, Bob Collett, Syd Norman and Paul Blake.

Ross Guthrie, Dating Chairman.

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Editor's Report 2017-18

Thank-you to those members who have once again this year contributed articles, both technical and other, photographs, jokes etc. which all assist in making the job easier for me to try and produce 11 issues on time, and to Alan, for his proof-reading.

Again special thanks to Peter Ransom for making sure that each month the latest issue is on line for you to access prior to the General Meeting. we can only hope that the same can be said for Australia Post.

Thanks also to Pam and Rhonda in particular who can always be relied upon to send photos of past events and functions. I try as often as possible to include photos that are not on our website.

Remember, this is YOUR magazine, so please keep sending in technical articles etc. that you think will be of interest to other members. And remember the deadline – 20th of each month for contributions.

Carol Robinson

Webmaster's Report 2017-18

Our website – www.vccaq.com – has been 100% stable over the last twelve months and remains relatively straight-forward to update and maintain. The Home page changes frequently, just to keep it interesting and the Services Directory (found on the 'Good Stuff' page) is slowly expanding and includes links to two other similar directories.

Not accessible by our members is the Tenants' Page, which provides a mechanism for clubs wishing to book the rooms or grounds for special purposes and also makes various policy documents available to our tenants.

The 2019 National Rally is on the horizon. Linked to our site via the 'Events' page we now have a completely separate website dedicated to this very important event. It's temporary and costs us nothing. Right now browsers can learn about Bargara/Bundaberg and download Expression of Interest forms and in due course regular Bulletins and Entry Forms will also be available.

As always I thank everyone for the photos, links and other material that's been sent my way. For me they're the life of our site and without them we'd have very little.

Peter Ransom

30 August 2018

Esk Rally Report

Some 15 Veterans ventured to Esk for another wonderful rally. Three points to note:

- (1) Thanks to Kevin and Joyce for another great event;
- (2) Cool mornings and nights but beautiful days for rallying; and
- (3) Our little Maxwell managed to finish each day.

Unfortunately as our cars are old and unpredictable some didn't make it to day 1, some out on day 2 and again some more out on our final day, from various ailments.

Day 1 – was a pleasant drive from Esk to O'Shea's Crossing, which was a very beautiful spot on the Brisbane river for morning tea. We had carby troubles early on but managed to fix the problem and survive the weekend. After morning tea we followed along the river, travelled on some gravel roads that were quite good on into Toogoolawah for lunch in a park in the town. Then a leisurely drive back to Esk. Dinner at the local pub that night saw us asked to line up outside the pub the next morning for a photo shoot before starting day 2.

Day 2 – from the photo shoot we headed towards Gatton on another leisurely run turning off to end at Atkinson's Dam for morning tea. Sadly the dam is very low but a lovely quiet area to visit. Then it was on to Coominya for another enjoyable pub lunch and quench the thirst. Back on the road to Esk saw us traverse some rather challenging hills (might be why Kevin and Joyce hitched a ride this day), but we all made it except for Chris and Jenny blowing a tyre on their Buick. The night was capped off with live music in the caravan park which saw some great laughs, dancing by some of the more coordinated members and merry cheer.

Day 3 – saw us start from in front of the other pub in town, giving the locals and travellers another chance to see our treasures. This day saw us head back to Toogoolawah via a different route with more challenging hills for morning tea in the park in town. After morning tea we headed to Harlin for lunch travelling on some unsealed roads with loose gravel, a little hair raising at times but again lovely countryside to be seen. Lunch in the park at Harlin gave an opportunity for travellers to pull in and admire our cars. Then it was back on the road to Esk for another cheerful night for some and for others to pack and head for home.

We are sure another great weekend was had by all who attended and again thank you to Kevin and Joyce for a great long weekend.

Steve & Lauren Forster



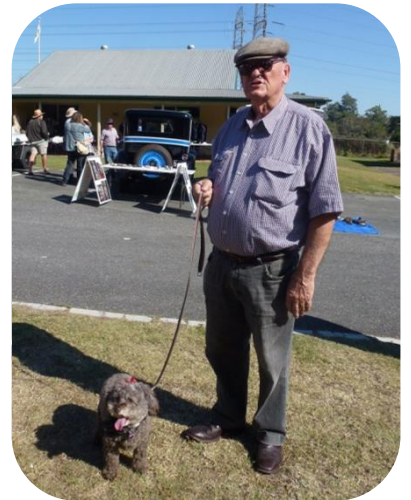
[Editor's Note]. A comprehensive coverage of "Esk in Pictures" appeared in last month's *Veteran Torque*.

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AT THE CLUB SWAP



Cartoon – Kevin Brooks]
Ross had found said DOG by the time of the Club Swap
[photo - Editor]



[Photos are those of Ross G. and the Editor]

ON THIS DAY 2 September

1898

The National Motor Carriage Company acquired the Duryea Motor Wagon Company.

Founded by Charles Duryea and his brother Frank, the Company built the Duryea Motor Wagon, a one-cylinder four horsepower car first demonstrated on September 21, 1893, in Springfield, Massachusetts, on Taylor Street in Metro Center. It is considered the first successful gas-engine vehicle built in the U.S.



In 1895, a second Duryea driven by Frank, won the Chicago Times Herald race in Chicago on a snowy Thanksgiving day. He travelled 54 miles (87 km) average 7.5 mph (12 km/h), marking the first U.S. auto race in which any entrants finished. That same year, the brothers began commercial production, with thirteen cars sold by the end of 1896. Their first ten production vehicles were the first automobiles sold in the United States— Banking on the idea that future racing successes would propel their market share, the brothers entered two vehicles in Britain's London to Brighton Veteran Car Run. Frank placed first and beat the nearest competition by 75 minutes.

1913

Emil Jellinek-Mercedes, writing from his villa in Nice, France, announced that he considered the Rolls Royce to be the 'best car at present', a statement that caused a sensation in automotive circuits.



Motoring Firsts

Car Heaters

The first heaters specifically designed for cars appeared in the after-market around 1907 and used a vehicle's exhaust for warmth. Typically installed by plumbers, they'd use pipes to route exhaust gas through the car's cabin to give off heat. But these systems often leaked, smelled bad and even caused some asphyxiation deaths. The earliest modern heating system appeared on some 1933 Fords. Using a heat exchanger, they safely transferred warmth from the car's exhaust to fresh air that came out of a dashboard vent.

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Five old ladies in a car...

Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a Traffic policeman sees a car pattering along at 22 MPH. He thinks to himself, this driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over.

Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies -- two in the front seat and three in the back -- wide eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver, obviously confused, says to him, "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit! What seems to be the problem?"

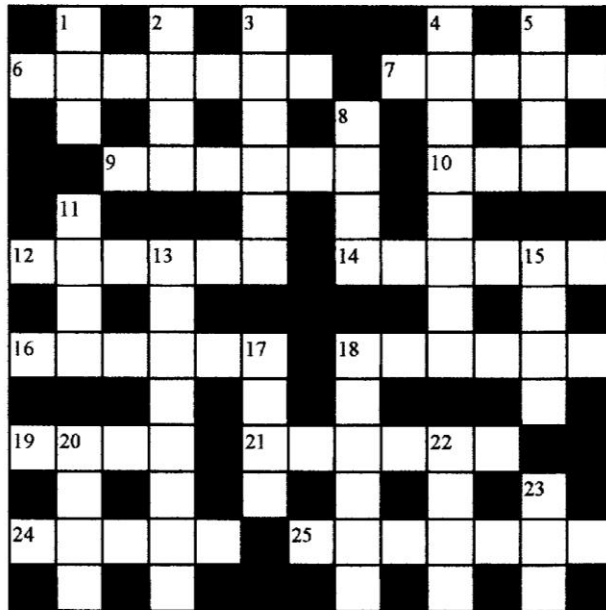
"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly... Twenty-two miles an hour!"

"The old woman says a bit proudly."

The Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that 22 was the route number, not the speed limit. A bit embarrassed, the lady grinned and thanked the officer for pointing out her error. *But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask... Is everyone in this car OK? These women seem awfully shaken and they haven't muttered a single peep this whole time,*" the officer asks. "Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We just got off Route 119."

PUZZLE PAGE



ACROSS

6. Gears in which the teeth are at an angle to the axes of the gear (7)
7. Italy's motor city (5)
9. Pivot or axis of rotation (6)
10. Battery compartment (4)
12. Arched shape of the surface of a road (6)
14. ___ brush, centre guide bearing in the flywheel end of a crankshaft (6)
16. Public road (6)
18. British marque founded by brothers Richard and Alan which began manufacturing cars in 1936 in West Bromwich (6)
19. Particles of stone clogging machinery (4)
21. Ply tyre type (6)
24. Screw with a hexagonal socket in its head (5)
25. Show an image of (7)

DOWN

1. Thin flat part connecting thicker or more solid parts in an engine (3)
2. Standard ____, the Duke of Edinburgh's first car (4)
3. Angle by which the steering pivots of the front wheels lean back from the vertical (6)
4. Place where two or more roads cross (8)
5. Shelf at the foot of a car door (4)
8. Abbreviated rates at which the crankshaft rotates (4)
11. Capable of high speed (4)
13. Vent to permit entry of air into a space (8)
15. Unrestricted race (4)
17. Strengthening band of metal fitted round the rim of a wheel (4)
18. On-and-off snatching or shaking effect (6)
20. Overhead metal bar strengthening the frame of a vehicle (4)
22. Rod or spindle on which a wheel or group of wheels is fixed (4)
23. Locomotives and Highways ____, 1865 which imposed maximum speeds of 4 mph in open country and 2 mph in towns (3)

SOLUTION NEXT MONTH.

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It was disappointing that nobody attempted to solve last month's puzzle. Was it too simple? Too difficult? or simply nobody was interested?

A Papal legate wants to attend a secret meeting held between Cathar knights. In order to be let in, he has to give the Password to the guard at the entrance. He hides himself and listens to the people who present themselves to the guard. A man arrives. The guard says to him "Five", the man replies "Four" and the guard lets him pass.

A second man presents himself. The guard says to him: "Six" and the man replies "Three" and passes. The final man appears. The guard says to him "Seven". He replies "Five" and enters. The Papal Legate's turn comes. The guard says to him: "Nine".

What should he reply to be allowed to enter?

The legate's reply should have been FOUR –which corresponds to the number of letters in the number said by the guard.

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FOR SALE

* **1910 NAPIER – 16 HP.** This vehicle was imported by W.M. Trevethan of Toowoomba for the Horn family in 1910 and was acquired by Guy L'Estrange in the early days of the Veteran Car Club in Queensland. It has remained with the L'Estrange family until purchased by Bruce Wright about 10 years ago. It has a roadster body and is an older restoration which is complete and going and remains a good strong rally car.

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What Vehicle is This?

A little bit of.. HUMOUR

Jill's car was old and unreliable and she called John for a ride every time it broke down. One day John received yet another one of those calls.

"What happened this time?" he asked.

"My brakes went out," Jill said. "Can you come to get me?"

"OK, where are you?" John asked.

"I'm in the Pharmacy," Jill responded.

"And where's the car?" John asked.

Jill replied, "It's in here with me."



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