

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.

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

VETERAN TORQUE

AUGUST 2015



*Rob Guthrie receiving the Award for the Best Veteran Vehicle
At the RACQ Motorfest
[photo courtesy J. Que]*



COMMITTEE MEMBERS OF VCCA(Q) 2014-2015

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

President: Bob Burley

email bowtie@aapt.net.au (07)3886 0059

Immediate Past-President: Bruce Wright

Vice-President: Glynn Hackshall

email daghack@bigpond.net.au

Treasurer: Hazel Burley (07)3886 0059

email bowtie@aapt.net.au

Secretary: Irene Donges (07) 3204 6935

email secretary.vccaq@gmail.com

Events Director: Russell Massey (07)3893 3414

email vvancode@iinet.net.au

Property Director:

David Hackshall (07) 3805 2041

email david@pbiaustralia.com

Committee Members:

Carolyn Robinson (07) 3201 1986

email redbubble@picknowl.com.au

Rhonda Guthrie (07) 5536 2717

email guthrie45@bigpond.com

Non-Management Positions:

Editor:

Carolyn Robinson (07) 3201 1986

email redbubble@picknowl.com.au

Dating Committee:

Ross Guthrie (Chairman) (07) 5536 2717

Paul Blake (07) 3878 6483

Bob Collett 0411 242 360

Syd Norman 0427 452 261

Member Liaison:

Ross/Rhonda Guthrie (07) 5536 2717

email guthrie45@bigpond.com

Librarian:

Wayne Aberdeen (07) 3396 8556

Club Historian:

Denis Martin (07) 3379 2530

Webmaster

Peter Ransom (07) 3359 2671

email piransom@westnet.com.au

Queensland Delegate to National Body:

Wayne Aberdeen (07) 3396 8556

Club Delegate to Qld Historic Motoring Council:

Albert Budworth (07) 3361 2424

Honorary Life Members:

RACQ;

Hugh Kimlin

Grahame Wilkinson

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 7.30pm during the winter, and Visitors are always welcome.

The telephone number for the Clubrooms is (07) 3843 0010

The Club has a new Website: www.vccaq.com

Membership fees for 2015 (Due July 1) are:

Full Membership (single): \$60; Joint Membership \$65.

Country Membership (single): \$50; Joint Membership: \$55.

Associate Membership \$50

There is an additional joining fee of \$30.

Note: As from 1/7/2015 there is an ADDITIONAL CHARGE of \$5 for those members requiring a mailed copy.

Membership fees may be paid by direct credit into the Club's Account:

Bank of Queensland A/C 21577447; BSB 124001

Membership Application Forms are available from the Secretary.

All articles for publication in "Veteran Torque" must be with the Editor by the 20th of each month.

Please send contributions to:

Carolyn Robinson

8 Thoona Close KARANA DOWNS QLD 4306

Ph. (07) 3201 1986; email: redbubble@picknowl.com.au

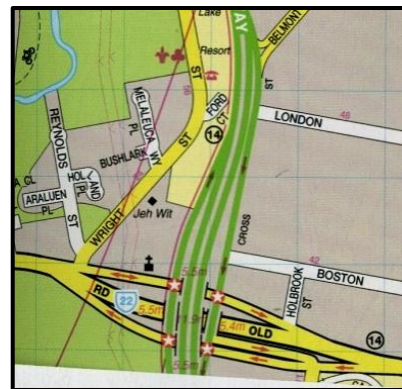
All other correspondence to:

The Secretary, VCCA (Q) Inc.

1376 Old Cleveland Rd Carindale QLD 4152

email secretary.vccaq@gmail.com

"Of course it's only because she knows about Big Ends, whatever they are"



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

You have done it again members, put on a show like no other, this year's RACQ MOTORFEST RSTC Display was Brilliant . This year's venue was perfect, it allowed us room to really show our veterans to the public.



A big thank you for the support must go to the RACQ , without them it would not have happened. Their staff had a presence for the whole two days and were very helpful anything we wanted, yep no problem.

The Returned Soldiers Transport Corps display with the story boards and audio visual display large banners that told the whole story combined with the cars it was like living history. The public liked it, they came in their hundreds.

Thank you members who attended and dragged cars out of sheds cleaned and polished - you know the story.

Albert Budworth had a very busy week doing The Old Car Shuffle ,,,,,

You take the truck there,,, and you winch it on the back,,
You take it over there,,, and you leave it there,,,,
You go back later,,, and winch it on back there,,,
You take it back home ,,, and you leave it there,,,
Then repeat ,repeat,repeat,,,,,

Thanks to Albert who also had the task of setting up the RACQ Main Display. He is now off on the Variety Bash and I believe he is then having a Holiday.

Next up is the President's Dinner. I've had a few calls on this as I'm typing this.

The trophies are being done, the prizes are filling our house so I am thinking it's nearly that time, so if you have not booked in. Now is the time!

I have had some ask about what to wear, I say, something neat comfortable and warm!

Look forward to the next meeting, lots of positive things happening.

See you there.

Bob Burley.

* * * * *



LOST AND FOUND - FROM BOB COLLETT

While at Motorfest I lost the **Accelerator Linkage to the Throttle** for my 1912 Talbot.

If YOU picked up something like this, could you please contact me on
3808 1183 or 0411 242 360

I think I lost it in the area where we lunched.

**MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTEENTH GENERAL MEETING OF THE
VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA QLD INC. HELD IN THE CLUBROOMS AT 1376 OLD
CLEVELAND ROAD, CARINDALE MONDAY 6 JULY 2015**

Opening: President Bob Burley opened at 7.35pm.

Attendance: Forty-four members were present as per attendance book.

Apologies: Trevor Brosnan, Kevin and Joyce Brooks, Glynn and Diane Hackshall, David Hackshall, Bruce Wright, Barry Dowton, Vicki Forsyth, Frank and Kathy Muggeridge, Merv and Margaret Thompson, Frola Gilltrap, Lyn and Peter Arnold

Visitors: None.

Adoption of previous General Meeting Minutes: 1. Bob Burley 2 Brett Hollingum. Moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 1 June be confirmed as read, with date corrected.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Peter and Amanda Taylor. Thank you for cards and get well wishes.
Various magazines from Clubs;
Prostate Council seeking a donation;
Letter from Qld Chev. Club advising that one of its members was burnt whilst lighting the gas BBQ. He didn't check that the BBQ was turned off before trying to light it;
John Stanley resigning from VCCAQ as he now lives in Victoria.
Secretary AVCCA advising National Registers are now sent .
ACT Rally Committee. Second Newsletter and Entry Form
Email Newsletters: Cairns District and Vintage Car Club of Qld
Coffs Harbour Festival of Vintage Transport. Newsletter advising free registration for their first ever Motorfest and details of events planned.
Frank Cerutti: Townsville Swap Meet Sunday 19 July, 6.00am - 2.00pm
Secretary AVCCA Letter from Tasmania requesting to access States' digital register and request for agenda items for National AGM and also the 2015 AGM Minutes of AVCCA.
Secretary AVCCA requesting names of Dating Committee members to establish a national register of dating officers and the vehicles with which they have specific familiarity.
Secretary AVCCA . Victorian Club November Rally information.
Bay to Birdwood Committee advising Bay to Birdwood Run is Sunday 27 September for all vehicle and bikes 1956 - 1978, limit 1750 vehicles
Terry Lewis. Vet-Vin Old car rally in Bundaberg on 26 July.

Outwards: Nil

Business arising from correspondence. Vice Chairman of AVVCA . The nomination for Vice President this year has to come from Queensland.

The Secretary moved that Inwards be accepted and Outwards adopted. 2. Phil Fletcher.
Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Hazel Burley moved that her report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment. Seconded. Albert Budworth. Books are ready for the auditor. Carried.

Events:

Albert Budworth reported on 12 July RACQ Motorfest. All in readiness. Vehicles to be in place on Saturday.

Greg Hill reported on the Gatton and Grandchester Steamfest and Gatton Rally from 22 - 28 July The organisers of the Sunday event would like us to arrive in convoy. Period dress would also be appreciated. We would need to be in Grandchester by 9.00am Sunday morning.

1August. Presentation Dinner. Cut off date for booking is 18 July.

Rob Lovell reported on Northern Rivers 55th Anniversary Rally 12 - 16 August. Entries are to be in by 24 of July. There is a link on the VCCAQ website. There will be two different runs, pre 1930 and post 1930. The two groups will meet for morning tea and lunch. The rally is self catering on Thursday and Friday. Club is pleased to report that there are three generations of a couple of families who all own veteran cars.
Swap Meet Club 22 August.
Invitation to All British Day 22 September.
Christmas Party. 19 December.
Dalby Rally 6 -11 March 2016. Dalby Tourist Park is holding sites until the end of the year.

QHMC Report: Heritage Day will happen again next year in Ipswich.

Facilities Report. Manager absent.

Historian Report: Items of interest. The Antiques Roadshow showed an 1898 Benz priced at £300,000. Denis represented the car club at a function to celebrate 100 years of continual registration in Queensland for Lahey's Buick. Bruce Wright was a guest of honour. It is the oldest continually registered car in Qld, maybe Australia.

Webmaster Report: Peter Ransom asked whether there would be an interest in a services and parts site. If so, notify the details to Peter Ransom.

Magazine Report. Editor is away next month so maybe there will be an early abbreviated edition.

Librarian Report: Nothing to report.

Dating Report: Ten 100 Year Badges will be handed out at the Presentation Dinner. Thanks to Rob Guthrie for painting the black on the badges.

General Business

The President called for volunteers to update the display window.
Rhonda Guthrie, speaking on behalf of Janette Farnell, noted that the Honour Board needs an update. Also, the Club Anniversary Book needs to be brought up to date. It was suggested that an Anniversary Book be published for 60th Anniversary. Russell Massey suggested that names accompany the photographs.

Yamba Rally 22 - 27 May. Please note that accommodation needs to be booked early at Caravan Park in Yamba.

Bob Burley reported that Alan Robinson, and Peter Ransom attended Ormiston House with Veteran vehicles. Peter won the trophy for the best club veteran.

Alan Carpenter reported on line cutting to manufacture gears.

Rhonda advised that Club caps are now available.

Albert brought some RACQ 100 Year Badges which are available for \$5.00 each. The proceeds will go to RACQ Helicopter Service. Stickers are also available.

New National Directory. Most people present only received the book at the meeting. Those who have received it, gave a favourable report.

John Day enquired if anyone would like a large powered site at Goulburn as they no longer require it. John day reported that when he took the Hack Minerva out of the shed after 11 months in storage, the bodywork was still in excellent condition after being polished with Maas metal polish.

Smith Part Castings workshop is worth a visit.

Phil Fletcher requested assistance in finding spring steel for Bayard. He requires 40mm wide 8mm and 7 mm. It was suggested he puts a Wanted ad in the newsletter.

The President showed Bill Ferris's 1915 American Klaxon Horn. . The committee has yet to decide its future.

Meeting Close: The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Next Meeting: 3 August.

VCCQ CONCOURS - ORMISTON HOUSE

We are members of the Vintage Club, so decided we must go to the Concours to fly the Veteran Flag.

"Reggie" was duly brass-polished and cleaned then to save sharing one battery with three cars I tried my ride-on mower battery in him and as he's a low compression little fellow it worked perfectly. That meant the battery was shared with only two cars – but that's another story.

So we pushed off on Sunday morning with a prepared mud-map which meant we arrived at Ormiston House without having a single "domestic" about the route.

We unloaded and parked "Reggie" where we had been last year, then started to answer the barrage of questions like:

"How long have you had it?"

"What was it like then?"

"What does this drive do?" etc.

Actually we were both surprised to say we had owned him for thirty years and he has been on the road for 26, though less frequently over recent years.

It was necessary to cover "Reggie" up a few times because of showers and I felt like Mandrake the Magician each time I whipped the cover off to reveal him to the assembled groups of onlookers.

Around lunchtime the trophies were awarded and we were delighted to see Peter and Jennie Ransom receive the one for the best Veteran with their beautiful Sunbeam. However "Reggie" being a "brass veteran" must have caught the judges' eye because we were given six bottles of red wine – the VCCQ's 60th Anniversary one, - as a consolation prize.

Now who was there? The first folk that we saw were our members from over the border Keith and Noela. Trish and Bob were wearing their VCCQ caps in a delightful little Wolseley saloon which Bob had only recently acquired. Greg, Irene and Kathy arrived rather late by some more modern mechanical means, having suffered a malfunction of the propulsive unit in their tow-car at the first try. Our noble President Bob came to "case the joint" and was suitably impressed and very pleasant company. Erik Larsen also appeared and helped me with "Reggie's" cover. Russell and Susan were there minus the Vauxhall, as Russell had another tyre explosion. He said he was tired of it.

Now the Concours – it was run in the laid back very efficient fashion as befits old car events for which the Vintage Club is renowned. The venue is excellent and there's plenty of trailer parking. I find it very interesting as there's always a good collection of quality cars, some of which are rarely seen. This year there was even a genuine MG K3 in the correct green livery and with the compulsory tearing canvas exhaust note. My dream car.

Altogether a most enjoyable day in a very pleasant location, with entertainment by "The Eastside Belles".

We arrived home 114 km later weary but happy.

The Club should be grateful for the invitation to attend.

Alan R.

* * * * *

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

As we will be away at the time the magazine normally comes out, this month there won't be a "snail mail" version as well.

Note that attached to this is a Nomination Form for your Committee for the coming year. All nominations (nominated /seconded by financial members) must in to the Secretary **no later than 5pm Monday 24 August**.

RACQMOTORFEST

Sunday the 12th of July dawned....for us...early.

We set off for Brisbane, arriving about 8 am, to a very cold and windy day.

Most of the veteran cars were already in position. Having the opportunity to take them to the venue on the previous day was a great idea, and made for much less congestion on the Sunday morning.

We were very fortunate to have a great undercover area for our display and a cosy corner to set up for our morning tea and lunch....thank you Albert.

The display of veterans was very impressive and attracted a lot of attention. I think we had 22 in total, and such a great variety of makes.

It was a special treat to have the Minerva and Saxon there, I think thanks must go to John Day for making that possible.

The day was made even more special when Shirley Hack and Susan arrived, along with grandsons to share the day with us.

The event attracted an impressive crowd of spectators and there were hundreds of cars to see.

I must admit a great deal of my time was spent looking around the market place. There were many stalls laden with fruit and veg, meats, seafood, sweets and flowers. It was, for me, an enjoyable way to spend my day.

I did, of course, spend some time looking at cars. I have the photos to prove it.

Thanks to everyone concerned for a very enjoyable day.....

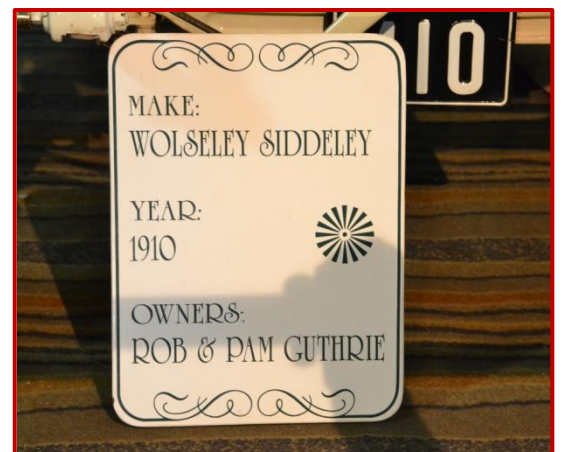
Pam Guthrie.

[Editor's Note.

Pam is too modest to say that their 1910 Wolseley Siddeley won the award for the Best Veteran Vehicle.]



[Photos courtesy C. Cavanagh]



A SELECTION OF VEHICLES AT THE MOTORFEST

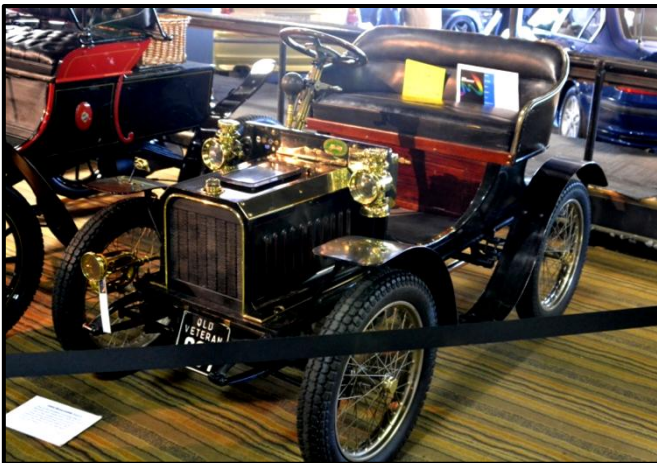
[With thanks to C. Cavanagh for the following photos]



The RACQ Rambler



The former Amelia Earhart Packard



Susan Hack's 1904 Minervette



The Donges' 1911 Brush

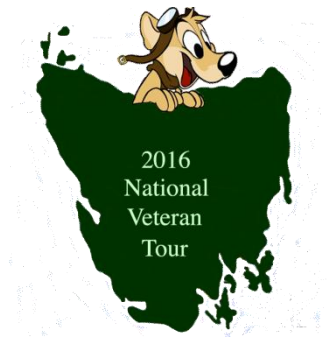


Bob Collett's 1909 Renault



Denis Martin's 1907 Darracq

TASMAN IS BACK!!



The VCCA (Tas.) Inc. are delighted to present.
THE NATIONAL VETERAN TOUR
30th October to 4th November 2016

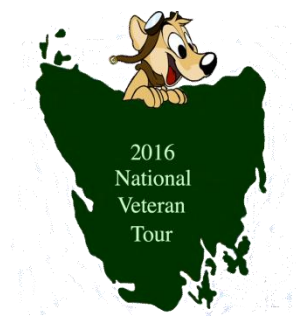
The relocation of the Tour to Ulverstone will make it easier for veteran owners to make this, a holiday to remember, with just 30km to travel from the boat, thus trailers will not be necessary, allowing the extra funds to be channelled into accommodation and expenses to extent your time either before or after the completion of the Tour.

Coastal scenic drives, good roads, limited traffic allow you to travel in comfort to local villages and towns with local produce, markets and activities with fun and laughter are the order of the days ahead (make up a group and come together).

The Tour is located in the Ulverstone area with day trips of approximately 100km per day. A dinner, Tailend Charlie, negotiations are under way with accommodation and TT Lines package deals and much more has been organised, but the complete itinerary will be available shortly. Information will be sent at regular intervals to those sending in their completed expression of interest form. These forms are available from your Club Secretaries or by emailing: biggelaarj@gmail.com and requesting same, or by post mail addressed to:

The Secretary National Veteran Tour 2016.

PO Box 170,
Riverside, Launceston,
Tasmania, 7250.



Veteran Car Club of Australia (Tas) Inc.
ABN 22 043 255068

30th October to 4th November
2016

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The National Veteran Tour has been relocated in the Northwest of the state for logistical purposes making it substantially easier and cost effective for our participants to attend. The National Veteran Tour is being organized as a hub in the Northern Town of ULVERSTONE, which is situated approx. 30km west of Devonport (where the Spirit will be docking). I would encourage you to consider bringing your modern vehicle as well, so taking advantage of the crossing, if you have two persons coming you can bring two cars at the usual cost (each person can bring a car), enabling an efficient way of extending your stay in Tasmania either before or after the Tour.

Your Veteran Vehicle storage will not be a problem in the local area, allowing you to save the expense of bringing a trailer so you can put that saving into an extended holiday.

We will endeavor to find free or cheap trailer/ car parking in Melbourne whilst attending the Tour.

We are negotiating package deals with TT Lines and places of accommodation, routes and approx. costs will be listed in the 1st newsletter after our meeting on the 29th July 2015.

We are now seeking Expressions of Interest in the 2016 Veteran Tour to be held between the 30th October & 4th November 2016.

The Tour is open to cars and motorcycles built before 1st January 1919.

Registration for this event is by completing all details in the area below, and return to:

The Tour Secretary
 PO Box 170,
 Riverside, Launceston,
 Tasmania 7250

Email: biggelaarj@gmail.com

You will be added to the mailing list and advised regularly on the progress of the TOUR as it moves closer to 2016 date.

Bank: Westpac
 BSB No: 037 608
 ACC No: 168230
 Reference: 1st initial + surname
 e.g. J. Blogs

.....

Name:
 Address:
 Postcode: Phone: Fax:
 Email: (If available)
 Car or Motorcycle : Make Year
 Colour. Type.
 No. of Passengers : Adults : Children

Expression of interest Fee \$25.00 which will be deducted from the entry fee, finishing when entries close (all fees are still to be set). Please send funds by direct deposit to the VCCA bank account (as above), **photo copy your deposit form and send it together with your expression of interest form to the above address, you may send both completed forms by email.**

FOR SALE

Very early Bosch DR4 Magneto in good working order..	\$1000
Coil box complete with points etc, missing lid..	\$300
Battered Lucas tail lamp	\$150-00
Herm. Riemann Self generator h/ lamp 12" high 6" bezel, needs font	\$1000
Lucas tail lamp in perfect order	\$600
Rare Neverout tail lamp (not perfect)	\$500
Pair Fully Restored nickel plated Deutz majestic number 5 h/ lamps 8" bezel	\$1100.
Brass Deutz Magestic h/lamp in full restored condition	\$450

All open to offers

Contact: Brian Hussey 0418561910



***DUNLOP CORD BEADED EDGE TYRES AND TUBES.**

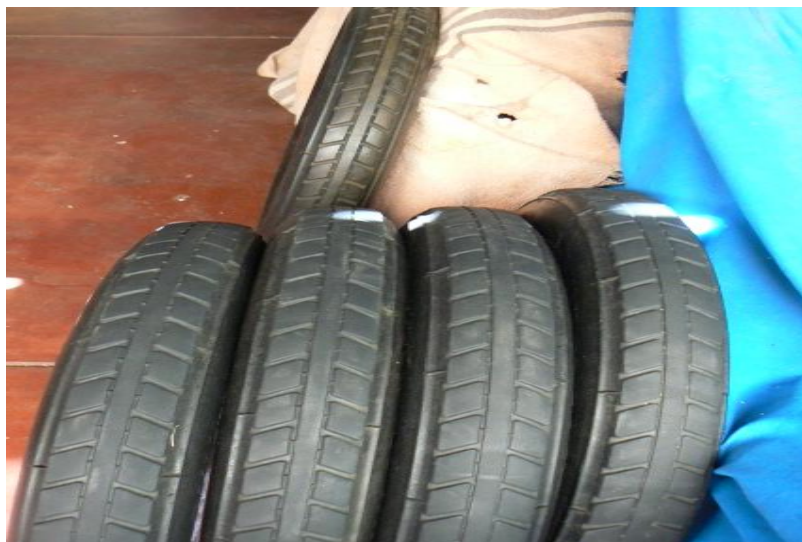
(New price each is AUD\$817 = GB399Pounds)

Set of 5, size 760x90. The spare tyre is unused, the other 4 are approximately 30% worn. These tyres are old stock but still very useable. They are still plyable and not damaged.

\$200 the lot.

I can deliver free of charge to Goulburn Veteran Rally or Bendigo Swap Meet in November.

Contact I Harry Pyle in Perth 08 93302370 or 0407999290



WANTED

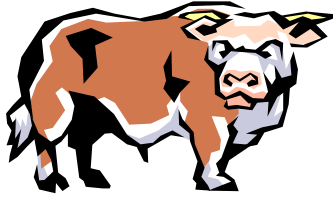
*** 25" SPLIT RIMS**, reasonable condition, a la veteran Dodge, late teens.

Contact: Kevin Brooks 07 38880943 or brooks@goanna.tv

A little bit of...HUMOUR



A drover from a huge cattle station in the Australian outback appeared before St Peter at the Pearly Gates.



"Have you ever done anything of particular merit?" St Peter asked.

"Well, I can think of one thing," the drover offered.

"Once, on a trip to the back blocks of Broken Hill out in New South Wales I came across a gang of bikers who were threatening a young sheila. I told them to leave her alone, but they wouldn't listen.

So I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed biker and smacked him in the face, kicked his bike over, ripped out his nose ring, and threw it on the ground. Then I yelled, "Now, back off!! Or I'll kick the living daylights out of the lot of ya!"

St Peter was very impressed, *"When did this happen?"*

"About three minutes ago."