

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.

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

VETERAN TORQUE

SEPTEMBER 2016



*Roly Clark's First Run in the 1911 FN
to Whepstead Manor in 1990*



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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 7.30pm, 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 2016 (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: There is an **ADDITIONAL CHARGE** of \$5 for those members requiring a mailed 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.

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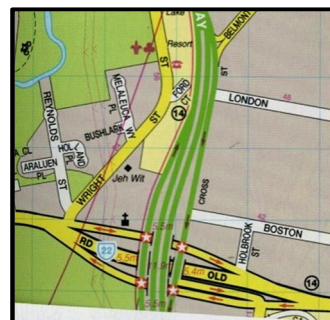
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A Happy Camper at Stanthorpe ???



President's Page

This month has been busy with our Northern rallies, in Mackay, staying at Andergrove Caravan Park which I would recommend. The rally was organized by Russell and Susan Nieass who we knew years ago before they moved to Mackay. These guys are now in the Model T Club and had put on a T Party (rally) very successfully so it was rehashed to become our Mackay rally. I thank you both for your help- again it would not have happened without your mammoth efforts.

Next was the Ayr rally, it was just up the road so why not! The whole Ayr-Home Hill area is perfect for veterans, mostly flat and no traffic. Lots to see and do even on the one wet day. It was a week of interesting places and attractions, so much to see up there.

Thanks team, look for reports and photos in the magazine.

On the point of the word "Rally" being questioned as an appropriate term for a veteran Club run etc. I did state at the last meeting the Model T guys call their rallies "T Party's". I will be proposing that the VCCAQ now call our rallies "CRANK UPS".

So the next rally could be "We are having a "Crank Up" in Stanthorpe" What do you think?

Our 60th Anniversary Luncheon at Carina Leagues Club was very nice, roomy, air conditioned, staff and a bar and at the end we just had to walk away, not having to do the clean up. I personally think it is the way to go. The event was good with all the Club history being told by a few of the people who were there in the early days of our Club. A big thank you to all who spoke, it did take a bit of research, however I would like to get all these people together and sort out a time line and document all of it, so that we can get it into a book "The story of VCCAQ" or "VCCAQ The Early Years" I'm sure you get the picture. I believe if it's not completed soon it could just drift away forever.

All the people who put the Club together and built the clubhouse and have managed it to get it to what we have now -- This story should be told "I'm only a new comer but I sure do enjoy what has been laid out by the dreams and actions of our older members. I'm proud to be a member of the VCCAQ. Let's not lose the momentum.

A short note, the church next door has been finished and dedicated, I'm happy because we have permanent neighbours and not acres of town houses or rentals. We have established a good neighbour policy, we do have to get to and clean up that side of our property. We allowed the church to use our back yard sometimes for their youth group.

The gate needs to be reinstated because it has been noticed by members at working bees that cars enter our drive and go through and into the church car park and out the estate behind, "rat runners".

The gate needs doing now.

Bob Burley

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To Members:

*If YOU were the recipient of a Club Trophy last year,
and have it at home,
will you please return it at the coming General Meeting on September 5th.*



At the Club Anniversary Luncheon
[photos courtesy Rhonda Guthrie]



Hazel welcomes Wal n Bev



President and Past-President



*Graham Crittenden
and
Grahame Wilkinson
share memories
of the Club's
early years*



Secret {Guthrie} Women's Business



From the Webmaster

The eagle-eyed amongst you will have seen our claim for the World Record (Period Attire, Bathing Costume category) on the PreWarCar website. It was something I couldn't resist doing and it got a little publicity for our Club and the Mackay Tiger Moth Museum, our genial hosts on the first day of the excellent Mackay Rally. You can see it all at <http://www.prewarcar.com/magazine/previous-features/a-new-world-record-029935.html>

Our newest link to the outside world comes as a request from Les Doyennes De Panhard & Levassor. The text on their site is mostly French but you can easily translate it with Google Translate or something similar. The site is worth visiting for the pictures alone. Panhards are a bit thin on the ground in Australia – didn't I see one in the Palmer Museum at Cooloom?

At the Swap Meet I obtained a wonderful big brass combination petrol filter and flow regulator. It was thought that perhaps it had come from a Talbot but by trawling the STD Register's online Archive in the UK I can see that it wasn't original equipment. It carries the Rotherhams name on one of the components, so it can be assumed to be of British manufacture. Now I plan to use the Internet to find out whether it came from a particular marque or was an aftermarket product. As a piece of kit it's no good to me but I'd like to think I can swap it for something Sunbeam-specific. I'll put pictures up on the website on a new page for mysteries. Maybe you can identify it!

Peter Ransom

From the Editor

Members are reminded that all material for inclusion in *Veteran Torque* must be in to me by the 20th of each month. This is especially important where items For Sale and/or Wanted are concerned as the printed version must be identical to that posted on the Club Website, to ensure that those members who don't have internet access are not disadvantaged.

Thanks to Rhonda Guthrie who provided the majority of the photographs for this month's issue, and to Trevor Farnell for some interesting BP "Fuel News" notes, which will appear in coming issues.

Carol R.

At the recent Veteran/Vintage Club Swap



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Savouring Stanthorpe Second Series



September 18th to 23rd.

We will be staying at the TOP OF TOWN CARAVAN PARK, High Street Stanthorpe.

www.topoftown.com.au

Each morning please reverse park your car in High St. in front of Caravan Park.

<http://www.granitebeltwinecountry.com.au/explore/maps-and-itineraries>

Sunday 18th September

Short Drive approx. 30 km

Leave for Information & Lunch 12.00 noon.

Registration and Rally Sheets 10.00am.

Pick-up Information from the Tourist Information Centre Leslie Parade .

BYO Lunch at Storm King Dam Picnic Area. Toilets available.

Evening - Get-together meal at the Showgrounds, provided by the Ringmaster's Cafe, consisting of pasta bolognaise and garlic bread – cost \$7. Coffee/ Hot Chocolate \$3. Slices etc. available. For those who would prefer something else, there will be time to arrange it.

Monday 19th September

Approx. 70 km

Leave 9.00 am

Drive Dalveen for BYO smoko. Seconds Clothing Factory. Picnic Area and Toilets.

Granite Belt Brewery Stanthorpe for Lunch and Tour 12.30 pm.

Prices start at \$16 for mains.

We also have an option of having a two course meal for \$28 including the paddle (beer, wine or soft drink). Best Value if having beers paddle You can buy a paddle of four beers (4 x 85ml) \$7.00. There are eight beers to choose from,

www.granitebeltbrewery.com.au/restaurant/menu/

Evening BYO at Caravan Park Camp Kitchen

Tuesday 20th September

Approx. 40 km

Leave 9.00 am.

Smoko BYO or Buy at Lavender Fields Liston NSW www.aloombalavender.com.au

Lunch in Main Streets of Stanthorpe. Your choice to support local business.

Evening shared Chinese Food \$7.50 pp Bring electric rice cooker.(If you have one)

Wednesday 21st September

Approx. 90 km

Leave 9.00am .

Modern Transport: We have to drive on the New England Highway.

Wallangarra Railway Museum for Smoko BYO or Buy \$10.00 pp

Girraween National Park Information Centre.

Lunch at Ballandean Tavern Buy or BYO.

Evening shared Pizza Night \$5.00 pp

Thursday 22nd September

Approx. 50 km

Leave 9.00 am.

Smoko at the BIG APPLE Vincenzo or Suttons Juice Factory, Thulimbah Buy or BYO

Lunch under the trees at Amiens State School BYO everything chairs etc. No Toilets.

Evening shared Italian Night BYO

Friday 23rd September

Approx. 65 km

Leave 9.00 am.

www.granitebeltwinecountry.com.au

Smoko at Mt. Stirling Olives Glen Aplin or BYO

www.mtstirlingolives.com.au

Lunch Hidden Creek Winery Ballandean or BYO

www.hiddencreek.com.au

That night caravan park camp fire Jaffle-iron Toastee for the last night dinner.

Bring jaffle iron (If you have one)



**Minutes of the Six Hundred and Twenty Ninth General Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia
(Qld) Inc
Held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road Carindale
Monday 1ST August, 2016.**

Welcome: President Bob Burley opened the meeting at 7.38pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Attendance: 38 Members and no visitors as per attendance book.

Apologies: Alan and Carolyn Robinson, Rhonda Guthrie, Merv and Margaret Thompson, Trevor Brosnan, Iris Anderson, Trish Hanley, Rob and Pam Guthrie, Dianne Lyons, Andrew Wright, Irene Donges and Diane Hackshall.

Minutes of the meeting of 6th June 2016: Minutes as published in the newsletter were taken as read. Peter Arnold moved that the minutes be accepted as a true and correct record, Seconded Trevor Farnell and Carried

Business Arising:

RACQ follow up to the last meeting was published in the newsletter

Bundaberg Rally Committee: the Chairman will report on a subsequent meeting in General Business.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Newsletters from various clubs

Outwards:

Letter of thanks to the Burdekin members for organising the recent rally in Ayr.

Email to National Secretary with business for the National AGM.

Moved Peter Arnold that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards endorsed, Seconded, Alan Carpenter and Carried

Treasurer's Report: (tabled and attached to minutes)

Moved Hazel Burley that the Treasurer's report be adopted Seconded Bob Collett and Carried.

Events Report:

Russell reported that the next event will be the 60th Anniversary Lunch at the Carina Leagues Club next Saturday and anybody wishing to attend needs to pay Hazel tonight as the numbers are being phoned through in the morning.

This will be followed by the Veteran and Vintage Swap on August 20th. As usual only V & V parts and accessories and the usual sausage sizzle with a gold coin entry.

The final event in the 60th Anniversary Tours will be 17th to the 23rd September in Stanthorpe to be known as the Savoring Stanthorpe Second Series Tour (SSSS Tour). Russell outlined the program as printed in the newsletter. Rally HQ will be the Top of the Town Caravan Park where most entrants are staying.

Dating Officer Report: Ross reported that there are a couple of cars in the process of being dated and hopes to have the certificates ready for presentation at the Luncheon.

Facilities Report: No report

Magazine Report: No report

QHMC Report: Albert reported that the last meeting was on Thursday and the only significant business was the use of the word tour instead of rally as the insurance companies won't cover vehicles on a rally. This stirred a debate with a number of members suggesting that this is just a beat up and would like to see correspondence from the insurance companies stating that they

wouldn't cover our cars if on an event called a rally, a term that has been used by the movement from the year dot.

Library Report: Wayne reported he had nothing new happening

Web Master's Report: Peter reported that the pictures from MacKay and Ayr were up on the site and if anybody was emailing photos for the site they should send no more than 4 high resolution photos at a time.

Historian's Report: Dennis reported that he was trying to document details about Tim Osborne and asked if anybody had any biographical details could they get them to him.

SAGS Report: Peter reported that there had been little progress since the last meeting and he is in the process of seeking some legal advice on the Deeds of Agreement before the new agreement process begins.

General Business

The Chairman reported that at least 2 museums are closing their doors and potentially being sold up. These are Lowood and Hampton Museums with the possibility of Nuriootpa joining their ranks.

Glynn asked for a couple of cars to display at East Brisbane State School on 4th September and again at the Gateway Church next door on Father's Day.

Qld AGM Nomination of Officers ; The Acting Secretary tabled a number of nomination forms for Office Bearers to be completed prior to the AGM and encouraged members to consider nomination for positions.

Motion Treasurer's Term

Peter Arnold moved that article 12(3) be deleted from the Articles of Association and the following be inserted.

The new clause 12(3) to read; A member can hold the position of President, Vice President or Secretary for up to but no more than 3 years consecutively or the position of Treasurer for up to but no more than 5 years consecutively. Where a member fills one of these positions part way through a year because of a casual vacancy, that part year does not count towards the time served in the position for the purposes of this rule. Seconded by John Day.

Peter outlined the reasons for this change and suggested that there would be no problem having them approved by the department as there is no limit on time served in the model rules. He also foreshadowed the need for an Assistant Treasurers role to learn the system with the possibility of moving to the Treasurer's role at a later time. There was some debate for the motion and as there were no speakers against the Chairman put the motion to the vote. Carried 33 to one against with 4 abstentions.

Hazel raised the possibility of forming a social committee to organise a couple of social functions at the clubrooms each year, Glynn added that we have had them in the past and have run all social occasions. Peter A suggested that such a committee could take over the social club funds which would give the separation from the general club which would be ideal. The matter was left in abeyance for further consideration.

The Chairman thanked Peter Arnold for standing in for Rhonda and taking the minutes.

John Que won the raffle which was a fruit and vegetable tray.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all those in attendance and closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

Peter Arnold

Acting Minutes Secretary

Minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia Qld Inc.
held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale.
Monday 7 September, 2015

President Bob Burley opened the meeting at 8:25 pm

Attendance as per General Meeting.

Visitors as per General Meeting

Apologies as per General Meeting.

Minutes of previous AGM

Moved to accept by John Day, seconded By Trevor Brosnan. Carried

Business arising: Nil

President's Report:

Moved to accept by Bob Burley and seconded by Rhonda Guthrie. Carried.

NOTE: All annual reports will be printed in the next Veteran Torque.

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 Hugh Kimlin Carried.

Moved Hazel Burley, Seconded Syd Norman that Carwardine and Associates be appointed as auditors for the club for 2015 - 2016. Carried.

Moved Hazel Burley and seconded Trevor Brosnan, that the SAG review annual subs and report to the Committee with their recommendation. Carried.

Events Report: Russell reported on a full and successful rally calendar for the year. Attendance is very encouraging. Next year is our 60th Anniversary and another full calendar of events covering the State is planned.

Magazine Report: Another good year with good support from members. More articles are always welcome.

Library Report: Librarian was absent.

Webmaster Report: Peter was absent on tour with the VCCQ, but has promised a written report for Veteran Torque.

Dating Officer Report: Another busy year dating cars for 100 year badges. Full report will be in next Veteran Torque.

Facilities Report. Nil

Historian's Report. Nil

Election of Office Bearers:

President Bob declared all positions vacant and handed the meeting over to A/Secretary John Day to conduct elections.

Results are as follows.

- President: Bob Burley: nominated by Glynn Hackshall and seconded by Russell Massey.
No other nomination. Bob elected.
- Immediate Past President. Bruce Wright.
- Vice-President: Glynn Hackshall nominated by Hazel Burley Seconded by Carolyn Robinson. No other nomination. Glynn elected.
- Treasurer: Hazel Burley: nominated by Carolyn Robinson and seconded by Rhonda Guthrie. No other nomination. Hazel elected.
- Secretary: Rhonda Guthrie. Nominated by Wayne Aberdeen and Seconded by Denis Martin. No other nomination. Rhonda elected.
- Event Director Russell Massey Nominated by Irene Donges and Seconded by Hazel Burley. No other nomination. Russell elected.
- Facilities Manager David Hackshall Nominated by Irene Donges and Seconded by Hazel Burley. No other nomination. David No other nomination. Bob elected. elected.

- Magazine Editor Carolyn Robinson Nominated by Hazel Burley and Seconded by Bob Burley. No other nomination. Carolyn elected.

Other positions were filled as follows:

- Dating Committee Chairman. Ross Guthrie
- Member Liaison. Ross and Rhonda Guthrie
- Librarian. Wayne Aberdeen
- Historian. Denis Martin
- Web Master. Peter Ransom
- Delegate to National Body. Bob Burley
- Delegate to Queensland Historic Motoring Council. Albert Budworth.

General Business

- Bruce Wright sought clarification of Committee Positions. Peter Arnold and Glyn Hackshall explained with reference to the Model Rules

The meeting closed at 9:00 pm

John Day

A/Secretary

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

With pleasure I would like to inform members what your elected Committee has achieved during this year.

Your Club has grown to over 200 members, produced a monthly magazine, kept a constantly updated website. Provided rallies to attend, held monthly general meetings, had numerous committee meetings, and sub committees active with long term strategies, hosted parties and events. Run a Swap, kept the clubhouse and grounds clean and tidy, enjoyed meals on the veranda on meeting nights and had huge working bees, had camp overs, it goes on and on. What it takes to manage it all is a group of dedicated members working as a team and seeing things through. It takes their time and through their efforts your Club runs smoothly.

The Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) are a group of very talented people who are very aware of the Club's past and therefore are committed to the ongoing needs for the future to grow and make things work even better, setting policies, by-laws and long range financial planning. Management and structure are the keys to our future.

The rental property is the first example of the power of hard work and good management.

VCCAQ in general is strong and active with restorations and rallies, always keen to have any excuse to have a social night. Away on rally's is just one big party, this year we had a holiday at Mon Repos, no cars, just time to relax. Considerable time away on rallies is never a problem because someone will always come and cover a spot for someone else.

Veteran Torque is a very important link to everyone as to what is going on, and information to all who aren't able to come to the monthly meetings. Good rally reports are always well received. We are lucky to have Carolyn Robinson as our editor with an eye for detail and she is extremely good to work with. Articles are always being sought so don't be afraid to send her something.

Dating Committee, this job has transformed into quite a job. It can be hard to accurately date some vehicles, and distances travelled do incur some costs to these guys. The 100 year badges are part of this and to organise a club day to present them. Thanks to Ross, Bob, Syd and Paul.

Historian, Patience and dedication, good communication skills, persistence and good humour are a necessity for this job. Thanks Denis.

Property Management: David has an ongoing job of fixing everything at our address, whilst holding down a full time job. He never complains about it, the Hackshall family just has this "just do it" attitude. Mowing Gang seems to vary, but the job always gets done on old machinery, just leave it to them.

Gardens, (Vicki) we will be upgrading the gardens soon, she puts in a big effort when the time permits. Always tidy but need a makeover. The church next door will soon have stairs joining the properties, gardens need rearranging, plans are afloat.

Website: Very professional, easy to use because someone put a lot of thought and time in so even fools like me can use it with ease. I'm sure many people have visited the site and shared our passion. The electronic magazine system is a triumph.

The detail of this man's veteran Sunbeam reflects on the detail of this site.

It truly is a great P R site for our Club.

Events: No-one can beat this guy for coming up with great rally destinations, he has pulled many rabbits out of a hat to come up with some of them. His "passion" and enthusiasm, as well as raffle seller at club meetings where he promotes his runs is infectious. Keep it up Russell, hope your auto pilot never goes out.

We have had other members do runs from time to time and I cannot leave out Greg Hill who has a knack for detail like no other.

The Major Events Calendar for this coming year will be a full programme with interstate and extra rallies due to our 60th Anniversary year festivities. Our Club will be putting on 4 rallies in Dalby, Yamba, Mackay and Stanthorpe. This coming year is going to be full in this area.

I would like to thank all of the Committee and the others who have chipped in to help, for their efforts during the year. Some of you will be continuing in your position for the next year. It will be a big ask as our 60th celebrations will be on all year.

I would like to thank my wife, the Treasurer for the amount of time she puts in on the books (computer) every day, as well as everything else she is involved in, without you nothing would function as well as it does. And you do it in a 2x2 metre office which also has a library and a large filing cabinet, and a small fan for cooling.xx Bob.

President's Performance: Not being the sharpest tool in the shed is not an issue because the team with me is so capable, each and every one of you.

Let's look forward to another successful year VCCAQ.

Bob Burley

VCCAQ President.

Treasurer's Report 2014/2015

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 is available tonight for perusal.

After spending a considerable sum on the rental house, it is once again increasing our bank balance every month.

I move that Carwardine & Associates be appointed for the 2015 – 2016 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.

My thanks to everyone who has helped me during the year, and a special thanks to Robert Lovell for all his valuable advice.

Hazel Burley

Editor's Report for 2014-15 Club Year

This has been another challenging year to keep producing a magazine each month that is of interest and relevance to members. No sooner is one completed than "Magazine Week" comes around again.

Am I going to have enough material?

Will I be able to fit everything in?

Will I be able to meet the deadline?

Thank-you once again to all those members who contribute – be it jokes, reports of past events or photographs. Again special thanks go to Pam and Rhonda Guthrie and Greg Hill for regularly providing photos and reports.

It is always helpful to the Editor if those folk who attend rallies are able to organise amongst themselves for someone to cover the events.

This is YOUR magazine – tell me what you'd like to see more of included - your input is needed to keep it relevant. – It's always useful to have a store of technical articles on hand.

The greatest advance over the past Club year has been "going digital" by making the magazine available to financial members on the Club website. It's amazing what a difference colour makes. My special thanks to our Webmaster Peter Ransom for his expertise and advice in making this happen.

Carol Robinson

7 September 2015

VCCAQ Property Maintenance Report 2015

The rental property restoration was completed and new tenants moved in. Fencing was installed around the entire rental property as well as security screens on all windows. The tenants seem to be extremely happy with the improvements the Club has made. Our thanks to Michael Hackshall and all those who assisted in this major project in 2014/15. It was a big undertaking and an investment in the Club's future moving forward.

The general maintenance of the grounds was attended to by a dedicated bunch of club members who joined us on our monthly working bees. On these occasions lawns were mowed, gardens tidied and general chores were attended to. Without the help of our club members this task would be a daunting one, but with everyone lending a hand we can achieve many tasks.

In the last 12 months we have dealt with many reoccurring issues with the septic system. Blockages arising from tree roots etc have required our attention. Led lights were installed over the BBQ area as well as the carpark.

As you can imagine there are still more improvements to be made within the Clubrooms and surrounding grounds. We intend to keep on top of this in the coming year.

Thank you again for the continued help that our club members offer, your efforts do not go unnoticed.

Regards

David Hackshall

VCCA(Q) Webmaster's Report - 2014-2015

Our new website has been operational for over a year now and it appears to be well accepted. Using it as our distribution point for the digital edition of Veteran Torque means that many (most?) of our members now visit vccaq.com at least monthly, which in itself is motivation for me to keep adding to the site's content! I will confess, however, that there are periods when other aspects of life take precedence and some updates are put on hold.

As always, my special thanks go to those of you who send photos of our events. Quite apart from being grist for my particular mill they show the world that we're out and about, hanging out with like-minded people, using our cars and enjoying the pleasures of club life and veteran motoring.

The Events page is where you can get information about our activities in a hurry.

NB: The more information I'm given about forthcoming events by organisers means better coverage and the likelihood of more participants.

I hope this will be the year when our site goes mobile, in the sense that it would be optimised for mobile devices (iPhone, iPad, etc.). At present it's far too clumsy, but until I find my way up this learning curve I can only ask you to be patient.

My metaphoric toe has been dipped in the mysterious waters of Facebook for a little while now. I'm seeing members of some USA clubs making good use of it, having fun but also exchanging valuable car-oriented information at the same time. It's really nothing to do with a web site – just another thing you can do on the Internet. Does our Club need/want/care about a Facebook presence? I have no idea, but I'd be interested to hear your thoughts.

Peter Ransom

Dating Committee Report: 2015

2014/2015 has been a quiet year for dating, though I was pleased to have eleven 100 year badges to hand out at the Presentation Dinner.

There were two vehicles that had been dated many years ago, and they have since changed hands but are still in our Club.

Those members who received the 100 year badges for their veteran vehicles are:

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100 Year Badge No.

Aberdeen	Wayne	1915	Ford Model T	254
Brooks	Kevin	1915	Buick	256
Callow	Tom	1915	Ford Model T	253
Clegg	Geoff	1913	Talbot	263
Crittenden	Graham	1911	Stoewer	261
Farnell	Trevor	1915	Ford Model T	257
Gibson	Bob	1912	Argyll	259
Hanley	Trish	1915	Saxon	258
Hill	Greg	1915	Ford Model T	260
Kennedy	Len	1915	Ford Model T	262
Pocock	Gavin	1915	Ford Model T Roadster	255

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I'd like to thank Bob Collett, Syd Norman and Paul Blake for their assistance during the past twelve months.

Ross Guthrie.

Dating Chairman, Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc.

September 2015

Rally Director's Annual Report 2014-2015

The following Rallies were attended by Club members during the Club year:

July 2014. Burdekin Rally, Far North Queensland.

Organised by Ayr/Home Hill Club Members Tom and Jan Callow, Les and Christine Wassmuth, and Dave and Fay Martin. Well attended by our members.

August 3-24. 2014 Adelaide to Darwin.

Organised by Mark McKibbin. Peter and Lyn Arnold, Graham and Irene Donges, Merv. and Margaret Thompson – drove their Veteran all the way. Well done all.

August 2 2014. The Laidley Pioneer Village replicated the local recruitment march with the help of the Lockyer Valley Light Horse Troop and our Veteran Cars.

August 20-24. 2014 Nanango Rally. Hope everyone enjoyed the week.

October 16-19. National Veteran Rally. This Rally was held in Kalgoorlie-Boulder area, Western Australia.

A very large group of Queensland members attended.

November-December 2014. Mon Repos/Bundaberg Rally. Organised by Terry and Regie Lewis and John and Pam Handley. A beautiful caravan park, and a good time was had by all who attended.

December was the Club Christmas Party held in the Clubrooms.

25-29 March 2015. "Savouring Stanthorpe" with scenic runs around the area.

24 April 2015. The Troop Train Re-enactment. Several members participated in the train trip with several club vehicles at the train stops.

13-17 May. National Motoring Heritage Day, A pre-Heritage Day rally was organised by Greg and Irene Hill and well attended by our members.

6-8 June. Several members attended the QHMC Queen's Birthday Week-end at Pittsworth.

22-26 July was the Gatton Rally incorporating the Grandchester Steamfest, Organised by Greg and Irene Hill.

12-16 August was the Northern Rivers VVCC 55th Anniversary Rally, Co-organised by members Robert and Meryl Lovell, also well attended by our members.

R. Massey

September 2015



A little bit of.. HUMOUR ☺ ☺ ☺

An elderly gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and had insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation.

As he was about to go under the anaesthetic, he asked to speak to him.

"Yes, Dad , what is it?" asked his son, to which his Father replied:

"Don't be nervous, son; do your best, and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife...."

