

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.

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

VETERAN TORQUE

OCTOBER 2017



Life Member Phil Fletcher took his newly restored Chenard Walcker to a recent display at Peak Crossing



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RACQ

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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 website is: : www.vccaq.com

Membership fees for 2017/18 are:

Full Membership (single): \$ 62 ;

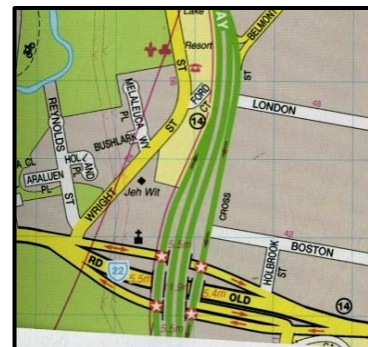
Joint Membership \$.68

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 \$7** 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.

Please send contributions to::

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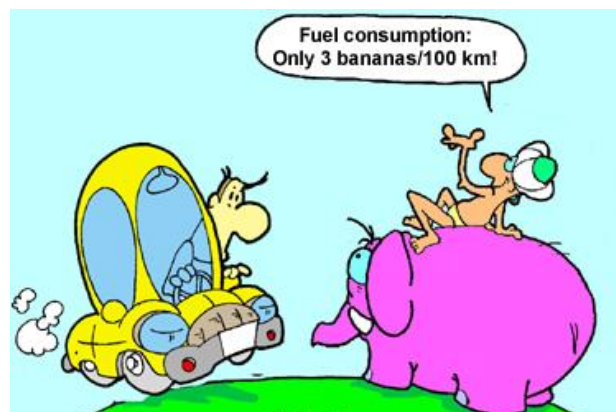
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Minutes of the General Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia Qld Inc.
Held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road Carindale
Monday 4th September 2017

Welcome: President Bob Burley opened the meeting at 7.45pm and thanked everyone for attending.

Attendance: 41 Members as per attendance book

Apologies: Alan Carpenter, Rob & Pam Guthrie, Grahame & Dulcie Wilkinson, Iris Anderson, Trevor Brosnan, Frola Gilltrap, Jan Sims, Hugh Kimlin, Geoff & Barbara Clegg, Vicki Forsyth, Frank & Kathy Muggeridge, Michael Hackshall, Merv & Margaret Thompson.

Minutes of the Meeting Minutes as published in the club newsletter, so will be taken as read. Rhonda Guthrie moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record, seconded Syd Norman

Business Arising: Nil

Correspondence: **Inward:**
Magazines from various Clubs

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| Membership Resignations from Bruce & Val Wright - | ill health |
| Rob & Marilyn Hopkins - | sold Overland unfortunately it went south. |
| Glenn & Rosemary Smith - | ill health |
| Bill Cardno - | |

Outward: Letters to those who have resigned.

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

Rhonda moved that the inward correspondence be received and the outward be endorsed seconded by Diane Hackshall. All agreed

Treasurer Report: Hazel reported on the club accounts, she moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by John Farrier All agreed

Dating: Ross Guthrie No new requests from club members to have their cars dated.

Library: Nil

QHMC: John Que reported that the organization has had their AGM Trevor Beutel is President he is from the Nissan Car Club, John has taken on Secretary, and there is a new Treasurer. As this is nearly a totally new committee we look forward to hearing their plans for the future.

Editor Report: Carol would be happy to receive one or more stories on interesting cars or restorations. Carol requires the information no later than the 20th of each month. Carol reported that she had no suggestions of what the mystery car was, so it will carry over until next month

Web Master: Nil

Historian: Nil

SAG Report: Nil

Property Maintenance: Nil

Events:

9th – 16th Sept - WA Rally West to be held in Geraldton – Paul & Helen, Keith & Anne are planning on attending.

17th Sept All British Day Display held at Vivian Street, Tennyson from 8.30am to 2pm. Display cars \$20 with metal Souvenir Badge.

24th – 30th Sept - SA National Rally to be held in Clare. The Queensland Club will be well represented as there are quite a few club members travelling south for this event. Entries closed at the end of July 2017

1st October SA holds a “Down Under London to Brighton” one day rally, this event is held every year, and will follow on from the Clare Rally.

4th November - Our Events Co-Ordinator Albert Budworth is planning an Environmentally-friendly Social Day. Toooo hot to drive a veteran car at this time of the year.

16th December Club Christmas Party

2018 1 & 2 Cyl. Rally to be held in Tasmania – Deloraine - Kevin & Joyce Brooks John & Diane Farrier, Merv & Margaret Thompson are planning on attending.

10-21 June (Proposed)

Peter Arnold is suggesting the Club re-enact the 1908 tour throughout central country Queensland of the then Attorney General – Minister for Mines.. All participants will need to be self-sufficient – there will not be a back-up. If you are interested please contact Peter direct for proposed programme and further information.

2018 23rd – 29th September NSW National Rally to be held in Forbes

2019 30 Aug - 6 Sept HCCAA S-E Australia Region International Tour, See Club Website – expression of interest form.

2019 17-23 September QLD Veteran National Rally to be held in Bargara / Bundaberg area; all the information is now on the club web site.

2020 It is Queensland's turn to arrange a 1 & 2 Cylinder rally - but where - and who is interested in being part of a committee to organize such an event? The town chosen must be able to handle the accommodation and the catering for approx 100 entrants. This needs to be thought about very carefully. This location really should be decided before the 1 & 2 Cylinder rally in Deloraine next year, so entrants at that event can be notified.

General Business:

John Day reported that he worked as a volunteer at a “Bunnings” Sausage Sizzle, 8 people worked hard for 8 hours but raised approx. \$2,000.00 for their charity.

Syd Norman and Pauline attended the recent Jimboomba Car Show and Shine and were awarded 1st place and have a trophy to prove it. Well done to you both.

Peter Arnold spoke about the security of the club rooms. Over the years, when club members have arrived at the club rooms they have frequently found one or more of the large glass doors not locked. We have even found one door open, not sure for how long it had been left like that.

The Committee is making enquiries about a new security system – it will be a card system. We have been informed by Tech Hub, the company we are dealing with, that our present one is an excellent system but badly needs a service and clean. We are able to purchase some add-ons to the system to allow us to achieve the results we need.

The system we are looking at will not allow the tenant to lock the front door unless all 3 glass doors and toilet (central timber) door are locked.

This new system will allow us to check who enters and departs the club building by the swipe card used. This will be kept updated on a club computer. We feel it will make the club building secure and the club more in control of the club rooms.

If a swipe card is lost, the club can remove that swipe card number from the list of tenants, even if it is found it will not give access to the club rooms once removed.

If there is a case of blackout each door will have its own backup battery system.

Motion 1 Moved by Peter Arnold Seconded by Hazel Burley

That the Committee of the VCCA(Q) Inc recommend to the Club to accept the quote from Tech Hub with the optional software interface for upgrade via computer at a cost of \$5,571.00. This quote is for the 3 sliding doors to be interlocked.

We would also recommend the addition of the interlocking of the toilet room door. This will increase the quote by an estimated \$400.00 bringing the total outlay to less than \$6,000.00

Motion 2 Moved by Peter Arnold

Seconded by Hazel Burley

That the Committee of the VCCA(Q) Inc recommend to the Club to accept the quote from Tech Hub to take up the option of monitoring for a period of 24 months at a cost of \$32.00 per month inclusive of GST.

On Arrival Swipe card on arrival, you only need to swipe the card once and that will unlock all club doors and give access to the club rooms

On Departure The tenant will be required to swipe their card - once for each glass door, once for the toilet door and once for the front door, that is a total of 5 swipes. If one of the glass doors or toilet door is not locked the front door will not lock, it will also indicate which door is not closed or locked, once this has been attended to, you can then swipe your card again and if everything is locked the front door will lock and all will be secure.

President Bob Burley asked for a show of hands of those who were in favour of Motion 1 - the new security system - all agreed.

President Bob Burley asked for a show of hands of those who were in favour of Motion 2 – Monitoring the new security system - all agreed.

Syd Norman felt it was a sensible idea to have the club rooms secure.

Bob Burley mentioned that Bribie Island was a very relaxed and social weekend. A very big thank-you to Grahame & Joan Bridge for hosting us at their home for the morning tea on the Saturday, and arranging their 1914 AC Sociable to be placed on display in their front yard for all club members to view.

Bob also mentioned that he had assisted Hugh Kimlin to enable him to get his 1914 Hupmobile going once again. This has now been sold to Laurie McGrath from Port Macquarie. We were sorry to see it go south, but Laurie & Marcia are great friends of many Queensland club members, so we know it has gone to a family who will look after and enjoy the Hup.

Peter Arnold is in the process of placing new tyres on his 1910 Armstrong Whitworth. He brought along a wheel with no tube or tyre for all club members to view. It is an aluminium cast wheel and has the BW 6 – B1 stamped on the drum.

As nearly all the Club executive committee and quite a few of the members will be in South Aust. having just attended the SA National Rally in Clare, there will be no Club meeting in October 2017.

Meeting closed 9pm

Rhonda Guthrie

Hon Secretary, Veteran Car Club of Aust (Qld) Inc.

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**A REMINDER TO CLUB MEMBERS THAT THERE WILL
NOT BE A GENERAL MEETING IN OCTOBER.**

Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia Qld Inc.
held in the Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale.
Monday 4 September, 2017

President Bob Burley opened the meeting at 9.00 pm

Attendance as per General Meeting.

Visitors as per General Meeting

Apologies as per General Meeting.

Minutes of previous AGM

Moved to accept by Hazel Burley seconded by Carol Robinson Carried

Business arising: Nil

President's Report:

Bob Burley moved his President's report be accepted, and seconded by Syd Norman. Carried. Bob made special mention to thank all the outgoing committee members for their dedication and support. 2016/2017 was Bob's final year as Club President, he wished the incoming committee all the best and was looking forward to 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 Bob Collett Carried.

Moved Hazel Burley, Seconded Syd Norman that Carwardine and Associates be appointed as Auditors for the Club for 2017 - 2018. Carried.

Hazel Burley moved and Carol Robinson seconded that the SAG review annual subs and report to the Committee with their recommendation. Carried.

Events Report: Nil as Albert Budworth was not at club meeting

Magazine Report: Another good year with good support from members. More articles are always welcome. Carol now emails our club newsletter out to 22 other car clubs. This is a saving of postage and printing.

Library Report: Wayne would like to be able to display the American Magazines for all to view as they contain valuable information.

Webmaster Report: Peter Ransom read his report, thanking everyone for their assistance with stories and photos. He reported that he is looking forward to the coming year as he develops the website to assist with the upcoming National Rally to be held in Bargara / Bundaberg.

Peter reported that as at tomorrow 5/9/2017 the first 2019 National Newsletter and Expression of Interest form will be available on the club website.

Bob Burley thanked Peter for keeping us well informed through the club web site.

Dating Officer Report: The committee has dated a few veterans this 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 for their assistance. Bob Collett, Paul Blake & Syd Norman. All were happy to continue for another year.

Facilities Report. David Hackshall, thanked everyone for their assistance throughout the year with the maintenance of the grounds. David reported that we have had the club internal club rooms painted though still waiting for the painters to return and complete the external walls. The general library has had cupboards built in for the tenant clubs to use.

Historian's Report. Nil

SAG Report: Peter Arnold reported that the committee had lost a couple of committee members so they had invited 2 club members to take those positions. Welcome Steve Forster and Merv Thompson. The committee is planning a Tenants meeting later in the year.

As discussed at the previous meeting the security of the club rooms is a big issue for the club.

Election of Office Bearers:

President Bob declared all positions vacant and asked the Club Secretary to read the nominations

Results are as follows.

- President: Peter Arnold: nominated by Bob Burley and seconded by Hazel Burley. No other nomination. Peter elected.
- Immediate Past President: Bob Burley.
- Vice-President: Glynn Hackshall: nominated by Hazel Burley, seconded by Rhonda Guthrie No other nomination. Glynn elected.
- Treasurer: Hazel Burley: nominated by Carolyn Robinson, seconded by Russell Massey. No other nomination. Hazel elected.
- Assistant Treasurer: No Volunteers – we will require a new Treasurer at the completion of this financial year as Hazel will need to step down as Treasurer.
- Secretary: Rhonda Guthrie: Nominated by Peter Arnold and seconded by Glynn Hackshall No other nomination. Rhonda elected.
- Events Director: Albert Budworth: Nominated by Hazel Burley and seconded by Rhonda Guthrie No other nomination. Albert elected in his absence, having indicated his willingness to continue.
- Facilities Manager: David Hackshall: Nominated by John Day and seconded by Diane Hackshall No other nomination. David elected
- Committee Member: Carolyn Robinson: Nominated by Peter Arnold and seconded by Rhonda Guthrie No other nomination. Carolyn elected.
- Committee Member: Steve Forster: Nominated by Peter Arnold and seconded by Hazel Burley No other nominations Steve elected
- Committee Member: Russell Massey: Nominated by Peter Arnold, and seconded by Carol Robinson. Russell elected.
- The signatories for all BOQ accounts will be Hazel Burley (Treasurer), Rhonda Guthrie (Secretary). Hazel to arrange for Club President Peter Arnold for his signature to be added to the bank list of signatories. All cheques to have any two to sign. Bob Burley will no longer be a signatory on the club cheque accounts.

Other positions were filled as follows:

- Dating Committee. Ross Guthrie, (Chairman), Bob Collett, Syd Norman, Paul Blake
- Member Liaison. Ross and Rhonda Guthrie
- Librarian. Wayne Aberdeen
- Web Master. Peter Ransom
- Delegate to National Body. Peter Arnold
- Delegate to Queensland Historic Motoring Council. Albert Budworth.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Rhonda Guthrie

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

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President's Annual Report

Our Club is still vibrant, everyone is happy and keeping their cars rally ready. The big rally in Maryborough was well attended, the Mary Poppins Festival is a very popular event with very large crowds. Our display of veteran cars was one of the major events of the day with lots of interest from the public. Our thanks to Terry and Regie Lewis for a wonderful rally. Thanks also to Kevin and Joyce Brooks who organized a great rally to Neurum Creek which was also well attended. Three days of delightful cruising around the Kilcoy area, it was suggested it could be an annual event!!

Our Committee has been full of ideas all year. Lots of work on the Clubrooms and in the grounds. It takes a juggling act with the finances and keeping the club rooms open to our tenants whilst the work is completed. The moment you think it's all good the next project starts.

My wife Hazel our Treasurer is always on top of the financial juggle. We are thankful for her constant effort.



Our Swap this year was small but had good content and many sales. This year we had the usual snags and also hamburgers which proved very popular.

Our official Rally Events Director is Albert Budworth who is presently on the Variety Bash. He also helps with the organizing of the RACQ Day even though he is now retired, he still puts in time and effort with the RACQ. We just had a great rally on Bribie Island, a lovely two-day event. I am intrigued about his next event which is the carbon free rally, foot, train, bus, water taxi, cycle, can't wait!!!

Magazine Editor, Carol Robinson is still doing a great job collating all the information and getting the magazine out on time.

Our Dating Committee are still doing a great job, I know they have ordered some more 100-year badges ready for the next lot of veteran cars.

Property Management: same as last year still busy with projects, pest spraying, maintenance repairs, doors and kitchen taps etc. Bitumen car park to be repaired. Mowing gang, constant mowing, some of the large gardens need updating as they are in a very sad state. We had a working bee, trimming trees and pulling out decorative succulents that proved to be lethal to the mowing gang. We filled two x 6 cubic metre bins. There were some second hand staff after that day.

Our Webmaster has our site constantly updated and we can access the magazine from there. There is always something on there to look at thanks to Peter Ransom.

Our monthly meeting are well attended and everyone has the opportunity to have their say. We still have a BYO dinner prior to the meetings, lots of catch-up and it is as popular as ever.

This is my last year as President, it has been a great experience and a great honour, our Committee is a very strong group. I'm sure the new President will have the support of the Club just as I did.

Bob Burley

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Treasurer's Annual Report 2017

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.

I move that Carwardine and Associates be appointed for the 2016/2017 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.

Hazel Burley.

Editor's Report for 2016 /17.

Once again I wish to thank all those members who have contributed, either willingly or with a little coercion, to *Veteran Torque* over the previous twelve months. I hesitate to single out anyone in particular for fear of leaving somebody out, but must mention the two Guthrie ladies and Terry Lewis for their regular input, and also Alan for his proof-reading and coffee-making.

Owing to the decision that those members without internet access or expertise must not be disadvantaged there continues to be a limit of 18 pages for the monthly magazine. Therefore sometimes I may not be able to include your contributions immediately – but please keep them coming in. I rely on YOUR input into YOUR magazine, so if you have a restoration under way, or have found an interesting technical article, a [printable] joke etc. please let me have them.

The magazine is now distributed electronically to 22 motoring Clubs, predominantly in Queensland and northern NSW, which should ensure that our excellent website (thanks to Webmaster Peter Ransom) receives more visits.

Carol Robinson

Webmaster's Report for 2016/2017

Our web site – www.vccag.com - has been quite stable over the last 12 months: no catastrophic failures and no dramatic changes. The development software continues to be easy for me to use and is frequently enhanced with new features, some of which may be quite useful.

The 2019 National Rally approaches so I've begun developing a series of pages dedicated to the event. At the appropriate times they will offer information about the National and the region in general, together with downloadable Expression of Interest and Entry forms, Bulletins and so forth.

This year lots of images from our rallies and other club events have been posted on our site and again I thank all those folk who contribute their photos. Sometimes I feel a bit embarrassed when I'm selecting and editing a few to post and rejecting a whole raft of others, but my contributors assure me they understand and of course I believe them.

The system of password access to *Veteran Torque* was retired during the year and I've heard only positive comments. For purely selfish reasons I like our current system, as it drives our members to the web site where I hope they'll occasionally browse to see what's new and interesting. I'd suggest that the Galleries page is always worth a look.

Peter Ransom
30 August 2017

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For Sale

* **Watford Clock.** Made by North & Sons Ltd. of Watford and London, this is a Watford model 102, suited to an early British vintage car. It features a solid copper-coloured brass housing that screws to the dashboard, allowing the brass-bodied clock itself to be swung out for winding and adjustment. It doesn't appear to have been plated.

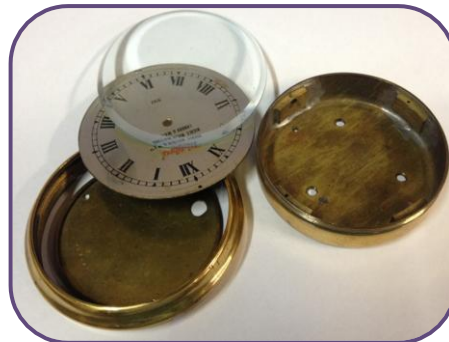
The brass is in very good condition, as are the hands, glass and the winder. The housing will require a 92mm dia. opening in your dash plus a little 2mm slot to accommodate the screw holding the safety clip in place. Overall diameter is 114mm. Weighs a ton!

The hinge leaf that secures the clock to the housing has had a solder failure, but anyone with soldering skills will be able to rectify it easily.

I've had the clock running for five days but I can't say what the full run time should be – perhaps eight days? It loses some time – probably not a bad thing in today's world – so adjustment is required.

Price: \$200

Contact: Peter Ransom, Ph. 3359 2671 or piransom@westnet.com.au



Wanted

* **For 1912 Argyll;** A Vertical Post Mounted (on steering arm) gear drive to connect with the existing flexible cable for my Jos W Jones" Speedometer (No. 104681) and the sprocket gear on the road wheel.

* **For 1912 Argyll:** Brass Rectangular Rear Vision Mirror of the period for clamping on the side post of the windscreen.

Contact: Bob Gibson, Ph: 0418886051 or bob.gibson@bigpond.com

Coming Events 2017/18

[Other Clubs' events are shown in Italics]

21 Oct. (Sat.) **Dayboro Pub Lunch.** (Invitation Event with the Vintage Club organised by the Ransoms)
Until a few years ago Jennie and I "hosted" a twice-yearly Dayboro Pub Lunch gathering for the VCCQ. We did this for about nine years but a few years ago decided to give it a rest for a while. Now we're reviving the event and the VCCA(Q) is invited to join in. We appreciate that this won't have much appeal to those who don't live on the north side of Brisbane. But you could come in a modern...

Saturdays suit everyone best because traffic's lighter and customers are few at the pub. It's just a simple lunch gathering at a nice pub in a handy country town. You start at home, drive to Dayboro, enjoy a pub lunch and a chat with like-minded people and then drive home. No registration, briefings, route sheets or morning tea stops and you're home by mid-afternoon. For the ladies there are antique and coffee shops, the odd boutique and an art gallery. And Dayboro (originally Terrors Creek) is celebrating its' 150th year.

Start Location: Your shed
Destination: Front deck of the Crown Hotel, Dayboro. It's the only pub there.
Route: Whatever suits you.
Parking: On the street or at the rear of the Hotel
Date: Saturday October 21, 2017
Time: Midday onward until you decide to go home
Food & Refreshments: All the usual pub fare. Pay with cash or card - ATM on site.
Dress: Dayboro casual, mate

Notes: There are some long hills as you approach from Petrie or Samford. There are exciting hills if you approach via Mt Mee! We look forward to seeing some familiar faces in Dayboro!

Peter and Jennie Ransom

4 November **Trip to Rosewood** - ". No Cars Environmental Day" – Travel by Ferry, -- Foot – Train....to lunch destination at Rosewood. (See full details elsewhere this issue)

16 December **Club Christmas Party.**

Proposed.

4 February Breakfast at the Clubrooms.
10 March Possible Social Function.
20 May "Funkhana" at Clubrooms
10-12 June Blair Re-Enactment Tour through Central Queensland. (Details from Peter Arnold)

Some Future / Invitation Events

2018

15-18 March VCCA Vic. Annual Single and Twin Cylinder Rally, based at RACV Resort in Cobram. Expressions of interest to Andrew/Frances McDougall, email amfi@dunollie.com.au.

21-25 March National 1 & 2 Cylinder Tour, Deloraine, Tasmania.
Further info from Tour Director: Joe Clippingdale jaclipp@bigpond.com / Ph. 0363961144

30 March-2 April. (Easter) Morris Registers of Aust. 21st National to be held on Fraser Coast. For information contact Colin Schiller, colin.schiller@bigpond.com

25-27 May VCCA NSW. Invitation Rally for 1 & 2 Cylinder Veteran Cars and Bikes, to be held at Yamba.
Details below: Entry forms available from Rhonda, or contact: Rod and Ruth Holmes
(E:) rodruthholmes@gmail.com (P) 02 6657 2765 (M) 0427 572 765

23 – 29 Sept. National Veteran Tour, Forbes, NSW (organised by Newcastle Branch)

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2 March Tenants' 25th Anniversary Lunch. (Clubrooms)

30 Aug.-6 Sept. Horseless Carriage Car Club of America (HCCA) S-E Australia Region International Tour in Bathurst, See Club Website.

17-23 September National Veteran Tour. (Qld) Headquarters will be Bargara Caravan Park.

29 Sept. – 5 Oct. National Model T Ford Rally, Maryborough.

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National Veteran Rally, Victoria

National 1 & 2 Cylinder, Queensland

Trip to Rosewood – “No Cars Environmental Day” – Saturday 4 November



We will leave from the **South Bank City Cat Terminal Number 2**, which is half-way between the Goodwill and Victoria Bridges.



OUTWARD JOURNEY TIMES

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| Departs | City Cat Terminal | 8.21 am |
| Arrives | Regatta Terminal | 8.34 am |

Walk from Regatta Terminal to Toowong Village, (approx. 10 minutes) where morning tea will be at your own expense.

Walk to Toowong Railway Station:

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| Train Departs | Toowong Station for Ipswich from Platform 3 | 10.10 am |
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| Arrives | Ipswich | 10.58 am |
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| Train Departs | Ipswich Station for Rosewood | 11.35 am |
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| Arrives | Rosewood | 11.56 am |
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Lunch at **Royal George Hotel** Phone: 5464 1105
At own expense : Specials around \$12

Look around Rosewood



RETURN TIMES

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| Departs | Rosewood for Ipswich | 2.05 pm |
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| Arrives | Ipswich | 2.26 pm |
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| Departs | Ipswich for Caboolture | 2.37 pm |
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| Arrives | Toowong | 3.26 pm |
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Walk from Toowong Station to Regatta Ferry Terminal (takes approx. 10 minutes)

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| Departs | Ferry Terminal | 3.45 pm |
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| Arrives | South Bank | 4 00 pm |
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Will those folk planning on participating please give your names to Albert (0429 780 980) / albertdianebudworth@outlook.com

or Rhonda (5536 2717) / guthrie45@bigpond.com

NO LATER THAN 20 OCTOBER

We have just received the following from Nev. Morris, [via Wally Lanagan], wondering if anyone can tell him about the vehicle it has come off. If you can help, contact Nev. 0746622499, or Wally 0746622736

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Vets on Bribie

The days before rain and thunderstorms, we kept a weather eye and watched the TV. Reports said it will be fine, and they were right! It was perfect blue skies, blue water, picture perfect. Most of us spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday and home Monday morning. The usual crowd and Ken and Gwen Wells with the 09 Renault, we all said it was so nice to see them both looking so well. The Woorim Van Park was tight but a good well run friendly place, the BBQ shed was perfect for our afternoon Happy Hour. The actual rallies on Saturday and Sunday were excellent and very good instruction sheets.

Saturday was a very pretty drive to Toorbul to visit Grahame and Joan Bridge and view the AC Sociable and the story of how it all came together and eventually restored. Grahame gave a good talk about Autocarriers "AC", quite a history. We had a good look over the 1913 AC and had a start-up, the dual exhaust one muffler mid ships one pipe on the left and one on the right.

The smoke did stop the sandflies and mozzies from swarming. A very nice morning tea was provided by our hosts, a big thank-you to Grahame and Joan.



Ross presents a 100-year badge for the AC to Grahame and Joan

The return trip was the same in reverse, most of us had a few stops along the way, the beaches and old clothing shops etc.



The camp was a buzz after the run and some twiddles just to be sure and ready for Sunday's run. Saturday afternoon Happy Hour was loud and everyone was happy to have had a run in their cars. This weekend was a good shakedown for the National rally in Clare. Peter Arnold's Armstrong Whitworth decided to stop and it was found the battery was flat, the only other mechanical problem on the weekend was Bob Collett's caravan jockey wheel broke off due to rust.

Sunday breakfast of Champions!! Five large BBQ plates flat out with snags, bacon, eggs-in -a-nest, big red tomatoes and lots of mushrooms. We could have fed the whole Club twice, definitely no complaints.



Ross Guthrie took the red Austin out on Sunday after it would not start at all, it was found a wire in the magneto had been earthing where it shorted. It performed and sounded better than ever, Ross had a grin for the rest of the weekend.



Sunday run was off the island and a visit to Brian and Diane Waters. He opened up the whole place, cars, memorabilia, and tools, in fact he's got everything. Quite a few hours were spent looking it over and he sells tyres and tubes. A big thank-you for the invitation and the lavish morning tea.



Most of us went on the run to Godwin Beach and the drive to Sandstone Point then returned to our island home, in time for Happy Hour. Some decided to spend time cruising around the island just looking at the blue water and sandy foreshores.

If you did not want to cook, the Surf Club or the Pub were in walking distance. The whole event was well thought out by Albert Budworth, it was well planned, the runs were pleasurable and not overly long. There was time to do what you felt like.

A good venue and that Breakfast !!!!!

Well done Albert and thanks from us all.

Bob Burley.

From the Archive of the Royal Automobile Club

Some insight into the significance of Mascots in Motoring History from the Club's archive

[From Terry Lewis]

In 1905, the motoring monarch, His Majesty King Edward VII, was the proud owner of a car mascot featuring 'Caesar the Dog'. Just two years later, he also owned a personalised Royal Automobile Club badge.

Car badges may show allegiance to an organisation, but early automotive mascots displayed the personalities of the drivers. Today, the Lion, St George, and even a frog are all mascots used by the Royal family.



The exorbitant cost of early automobiles limited their availability to the very wealthy, familiar with displaying their coats of arms on coaches. As the landed gentry switched from coaches to cars, their heraldry switched vehicles, too.

Like most fashions, Italy led the way when Queen Margherita commissioned a gilt St Christopher to bless her car on its travels. In 1899, Lord Montagu's Daimler also sported a St Christopher, Patron saint of travellers. Today it is still common to see saints adorning vehicles throughout Europe, with St Bartholomew and St Anthony also vying for pole position.

The hand-crafted nature of early automobiles and their limited run guaranteed an element of individuality. However, as manufacturing techniques improved and cars became more standardised, manufacturers embraced the mascot to give their marque a clear identity distinguished from their competitors. Saints, heraldry and mythological subjects were the most popular mascots. Some were a figurative illustration of the company name such as the Vulcan, God of war, used by the Vulcan Motor Company.



In Edwardian England, Egyptologist E.A. Wallis Budge, Keeper of the Department of Egyptian Antiquities at the British Museum, was also a celebrity. E. Nesbit and H. Rider Haggard dedicated books to him. A decade before Howard Carter, the Edwardians had caught Egypt-mania. The generation that could go further, faster and higher than anyone else, brought back artefacts from the ancient world, which provided a new theme for mascots. Sun crested falcons were popular and Armstrong-Siddeley sported a sphinx.

Whatever the subject matter, the car mascot displayed individuality and also fulfilled the role of talisman, assuring the Edwardian motorist that luck was on their side

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That Special Birthday Present

It all started and almost came undone during our Mary Poppins Rally! Greg and Irene Hill quizzed me on what I thought of "it", but a blank expression and threats of reporting them to Sheriff "Hang em High" Handley brought a sudden quietness! Later Regie said I have something special for your August birthday (oh goody I thought!) so for the next two months it was an unsuccessful one-way guessing game!

On the appointed birthday the final present was multi coloured wrapped with the comments:

"Not Sure WHO will be the most excited
the giver
the receiver
she whom it is all about"

Wow what a delightful surpriseIt was the Waverley's 1969 VCCAQ Ipswich-Toowoomba-Warwick-Boonah Rally medal presented to her driver John Hoerlein. In 1969 the restoration of John's Hupmobile was not quite finished. As a friend of Tim Osborne and custodian of his 1901 Toledo steam car, John borrowed Tim's Waverley for the Rally.



The Waverley has a nice selection of interesting Rally Badges from 1956 . but nothing for 1969! So its very special now having the addition to the car's history of John Horlein's 1969 medal.



As John was a close friend of Greg's I'm extra appreciative that he wanted to reunite 48 years later John's medal to the Waverley ... and of course to Regie who took great delight in my guessing failures!

Terry L.

Editor's Note:

Apologies to Terry for having to hold this over – unfortunately there was no space last month, due to the numerous reports for the AGM that had to be included.

Second National Brush Rally - Dalby Queensland

Unfortunately we can't do everything and as a consequence we missed out on what has been reported as being an excellent mid winter rally. However as compensation we were participants in the second National Brush Rally, in Dalby Queensland. Graham and Irene Donges with the assistance of family and local car club members provided us with a truly magnificent rally. Dalby was an inspired venue choice. Irene had been very busy in the months leading up to the rally as she had knitted Brush beanies for us.

All told there were 12 Brush cars from all states except Western Australia. We converged on Dalby in time for registration on Monday 10th July. We were all staying in the Dalby Tourist Park, within walking distance of the town centre but conveniently located for easy departure for the daily runs. Whilst the nights were cool the days were sunny and mild. The rally was held over four days and every run provided excellent driving for Brushes and great visits to places of interest. The locals showed that they were pleased to have us in town and we featured in the Friday edition of the local paper.

Following registration we walked to the nearby Bowling Club for a welcome dinner. There was lots of chatter and anticipation for the days to come. Hamish McDonald's Brush was a new untried restoration and 3 other Brushes had recently undergone engine rebuilds and were about to be tested. Of particular interest was the most recent acquisition of Graham and Irene Donges, being a genuine barn find Model F Roadster in unrestored as found condition. This car provided an excellent example of how a Brush of that model would have been as it left the factory.



The first day's run was not long in distance, being only 68kms, but was a full and busy day. First place visited on the outskirts of town is Australia's first grain Ethanol Plant. Whilst the cars remained in the car park we all kitted up in high viz safety gear, screened through security and alcohol tested prior to being given a comprehensive tour of the plant, which has been in operation since 2008 and is fully Australian owned, United Petroleum. In this plant the alcohol is extracted from the red sorghum with the residue then being used for stock feed. Then it was back to town for a civic reception and mayoral welcome, before heading out on a circuitous route to a huge broad acre farm, owned by Veteran Car Club of Queensland members, Keith and Anne Bartley. The farm is on the huge black soil plains of the Darling Downs – once a very large lake, and the cars looked appropriate as they drove along a black soil track into the property. Here we enjoyed a barbecue before inspecting Keith's car collection and watching a demonstration of the very large farm machinery. The very large header alone cost over ¾ of a million dollars. Depending on the market they can grow cotton, sorghum, chick peas and mung beans. When growing cotton they only use the water caught in dams on their property. Technology is to the fore with lasers and GPS being used to precisely position the crop rows. They built their own crop sprayer from a former garbage truck which was given the name 'Exterminator'. This has two very long spray booms and each nozzle is spaced precisely a crop row apart and is supported by a camera which can detect weeds. This way the spray is only applied directly to the weed with consumption of weed killer only being 13% of the amount if the whole crop was sprayed. The fourth generation is now running the property and they are very smart operators. They also have a large fish farm about 100km away where they breed a large variety of fish for market. Keith on a weekly basis moves between both enterprises whilst his son and local workers look after the daily needs of the broad acres. On the way back into town on very quiet back roads we called into see Pricey's garage which was a large collection of old and new American cars and motorcycles and other collectables. That evening we were entertained by the Dalby Amateur Theatrical Society with a couple of plays especially for us in their little converted church theatre. The Donges were correct - it was definitely a full day of activity and interest!

The second day's run was around 100km, which in part took us over some undulating roads to the small township of Bell. Some of the Brushes had to resort to low gear when surmounting the hills. In Bell we drove to the local school where the entire 70 students, covering from primary to secondary came out to inspect the cars. There was much horn tooting and trying the cars for size. We then enjoyed lunch in the Community Centre whilst inspecting the paintings of local artists. On the way back to Dalby we called into the home of a retired farmer, Nev. Morris to feast our eyes on his engineering creations. His home is surrounded by many sheds full of old cars, trucks, tractors and scrap materials. What isn't covered is piled up on the ground as though he is farming scrap and not produce. Nev, clearly a very clever and inventive engineer has created many wonderful vehicles and machines. There are home made cars fitted with enormous engines, a motor cycle and side car with a Holden grey motor, a replica of a very early steam car, all built by himself, including the large spoke wheels, boiler, engine etc. The most incredible vehicle was his interpretation of a huge veteran chain driven monster. He started with a Caterpillar D4 crankshaft and some D7 cylinder liners and connection rods. From this he fabricated his own engine, building the crankcase, cylinders, cylinder heads,

overhead valve gear, camshaft etc. The outcome is an 18 litre engine with straight out exhausts, which he has mounted in an early chassis, constructed a trans axle with large chain drive to the back axle. On starting it up it sounded magnificent and one can imagine with its power to weight ratio it would be an incredible experience to drive on the road. He has managed to find quiet roads for testing his monsters. Whilst there are many machine tools, lathes and milling machines he ingeniously made his own cam grinder for the grinding of the cam shaft in his chain driven monster. Besides large machines he has turned his hand to making a pendulum clock and a running ½ cc stationary engine. In his mid eighties Nev. is showing no signs of slowing down and has many more projects in the pipeline. The experience at his place is almost indescribable. We had been so pleased that Geoff and Sue Payne appeared to be getting a good run out of their Brush, however, just short of Nev's place and without warning, the connecting rod in their engine came adrift and took the side out of the crankcase. We all felt very sorry for them. Collectively we will have to hunt for parts for a major rebuild.

Day 3 saw us driving on mainly quiet roads, including some gravel to an organic beef and sheep farm. On the way there we travelled on roads without any sign of modern features which suited the period of the cars. The exception at times being coal seam gas installations dotted around some of the farms. The Laffy family organic farm had been highly degraded through over use and intensive application of fertilisers. However since they have taken it over they have planted native grasses and have eliminated the need for supplements. They have also purchased land to increase the farm size, all covered with lush grass. From this they produce a certified premium product which is much in demand. Whilst they do not expect to make a fortune they are able to sustain a good living for a family with seven children.



Again it was good to see the efforts of smart operators. Following this we drove to a very pleasant setting at Broadwater Lake for lunch before returning back to the Tourist Park. This evening the Tourist Park owners put on a sausage sizzle for all the patrons of the park and also provided a very good country singer to entertain us as we sat around a large open fire under a sky full of stars.



Day 4, our final run, was initially to take us to visit a retirement village, however it was put into lock down mode due to an infection. Instead, at short notice, a visit to Dingo the manufacturer of small diesel hydraulic diggers and heavy duty trailers and ute tray backs was arranged. We were made most welcome and provided with a

comprehensive visit. It was inspirational to see a machinery maker so proudly Australian, manufacturing premium priced, quality equipment, in a rural town. They only use Australian steel even though it is triple the cost of Chinese steel. The workforce feels like a large family, enjoying their work and plenty of opportunity is provided to anyone who shows initiative. We met two females, one formerly a cleaner and the other an office worker who are now performing highly technical assembly and quality control duties. As a consequence of the company's innovative approach and quality they are able to supply the local market as well as world wide customers. All this has been achieved without the support of government. We then headed out of town for an 85km round trip to a large stone constructed historic home, Jimbour House with its surrounding buildings, gardens and airstrip. This house was built by the Bell family in 1874 -76 and was on the largest and one of the earliest stations taken up by European settlement in the 1840s. The house was allowed to fall into disrepair and was purchased in 1923 by the Russell family. They restored it and it is still in the Russell family to this day. We were able to drive into the grounds and park our vehicles on the driveway in front of the house, which provided a great photo opportunity. After lunch it was time to head back to Dalby where most entrants packed up their cars ready for departure the following morning and then held a meeting to discuss the running of the next Brush National Rally. The McDonald family of South Australia have accepted the director role and propose holding the rally at Goolwa at the end of April in 2019.

The venue for our farewell dinner was again at the nearby Bowling Club where we sat down to tables with laminated placemats of Brush component drawings. There were even illuminated Brush table lamps. Following a tasty meal and lots of chatter it was time to make presentations and express thanks to Graham and Irene Donges for having provided us with a magnificent rally and experiences.

Andrew McDougall



"What is it?" - Question in September issue

The Vehicle was a MARCOS

The only response received (which was correct) and is shown below, was received from

GREG HILL

Can I have a guess at your "Mystery Car".

Is it a British Marcos made by Marcos Engineering ?.

Do I get an extra point for the Alfa Romeo 108 GTV Coupe parked next to it. (I know I have this one right because I have one !.)

A police officer called the station on his radio.
"I have an interesting case here. An old lady
shot her husband for stepping on the floor she
just mopped."
"Have you arrested the woman?"
"Not yet. The floor's still wet."

A little bit of.. HUMOUR

