

**THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.**

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

# VETERAN TORQUE

MARCH 2015



*Chris and Jenny Sorensen with their 1903 Cadillac  
at the 2014 London to Brighton Run*





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The Club holds its meetings on the first MONDAY of every month (excluding January). Meetings are held in the VCCA(Q) Clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, CARINDALE. (On the corner of Old Cleveland Road and The Gateway Arterial Road – Refidex Map 182 E5).

Meetings commence at 8.00 pm and VISITORS ARE WELCOME.

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

The Club has a new Website: [www.vccaq.com](http://www.vccaq.com)

**Membership fees** (Due July 1) are:

Full Membership (single):	\$50;	Joint Membership	\$55,
Country Membership (single):	\$40;	Joint Membership:	\$45.
Associate Membership	\$40		

There is an additional joining fee of \$30.

Membership fees may be paid by direct credit into the Club's Account:  
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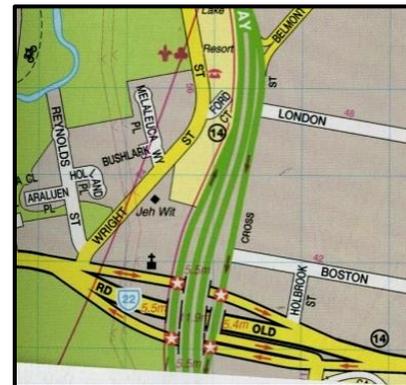
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**"He swallowed the air-bag"**

**MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH GENERAL MEETING OF THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA QLD INC. HELD IN THE CLUBROOMS AT 1376 OLD CLEVELAND ROAD, CARINDALE, MONDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2015**

Opening: President Bob Burley opened at 8.05pm

Attendance: 52 members were present as per attendance book.

Apologies: Joyce Brooks, Alan Carpenter, Vicki Forsyth, Frola Gilltrap, Glynn and Dianne Hackshall, Margaret Thompson.

Adoption of previous General Meeting Minutes: Moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 1 December be confirmed as read. Carried

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Email Rotary Club of Toowoomba North to participate in display at David Hack Classic Meet on 3rd May  
Hamish McDonald: Invitation to Brush owners to join newly formed Brush Owners Register and Inaugural Newsletter attached.  
Elizabeth Sallows From RACQ advising new President is Nigel Alexander.  
Dawn May from Cairns and District HVC advising closing date for registration for Easter Hub Rally is 6 March. Newsletter attached.  
Monica Curley Progress reports of Alan and Raema Carpenter  
Accounts received Origin, Flick Services, Telstra, BCC rates  
Rental Cheques: Austin 7 Register, Historic Racing Club, VCCA, Austin MVC, Vet. and Vint. Chevy Assoc. Qld Early Ford V8  
Receipt Salvation Army \$500  
23 Newsletters  
Neville Worboys, request for help for magneto repairs

Outwards: None

Business arising from correspondence:

Raema is home. Alan is home wearing a brace which is due to be removed in about 10 days.

The Secretary moved that Inwards be accepted and Outwards adopted.  
Seconded Ross Guthrie. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Hazel Burley moved that her report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment. Seconded. Peter Ransom Carried.

Events:

Australia Day weekend cancelled

Past Members Memorial Breakfast 22 February at Lota Park. Trailer cars to clubrooms and drive from clubrooms to Lota. BYO lunch at clubrooms.

March Rally in Stanthorpe About 17 people indicated an intention to attend.

Suggested Progressive Touring Rally. Russell put forward the concept of a progressive touring rally .The plan is to trailer to St George and then travel back to Warwick by veteran car, with stops at Goondiwindi, Inglewood and Warwick. Time allowed would be about 1 week. Russell suggested that members consider the concept and bring ideas to next meeting.

Three people have indicated they are going to QHMC rally in Pittsworth.

QHMC Report: Albert Budworth reported that Queensland Transport is going to produce slim line plates for recessed plate holders. Affiliation fees to be paid. There have been no changes to the SIV registration system.

Facilities Report: The President thanked all those members who attended the working bee. Gutters were cleaned, gardens weeded, water pipe repaired and the outside cleaned. The water pipe down the back is still leaking and will need a plumber to effect repair. All fine with rental house. There will be another working bee this Saturday for those who are not at Mon Repos. There is now a new lock mechanism on the front door.

Historian Report: Denis Martin, historian, has nothing to report

Webmaster Report: Magazine is now online.

Librarian Report: Nothing to report

Magazine Report: Editor needs to know who wants newsletter received by email only. The Editor has requested that written reports as well as photos be sent from rallies and events. A Dorman Stafford Pty Engine is advertised for sale.

Dating Report:

Ross Guthrie reported a Query from Graham Crittenden about the procedure to obtain 100 year badges.

SAG Report. Peter Arnold reported that there will be a meeting on Friday 13 February for SAG committee. Only one club has an outstanding tenancy agreement. Some maintenance work needs to be done on the clubhouse.

General Business

- The President received a phone call from Barry Downton about the installation of solar panels. 1 Bruce Wright 2. Peter Arnold that an investigation and report be prepared about the economic viability of solar installation. Carried.
- Trevor Brosnan reported that Oxyacetylene users can now buy D size returnable bottles for \$200.00 at Bunnings. No rental applies.
- Albert Budworth reported that RACQ Motorfest is looking for five vehicles that were WW1 transport vehicles. Veterans this year will be located in the elite area. Please contact Albert if you can assist. Peter Arnold suggested to Google Trove to find photos of the era.
- Skite Site. Peter Ransom reported that the Sunbeam performed well at Mon Repos and also travelled to Mt Glorious without mishap. Graham Wilkinson reported that the photo on the website of the Hudson car is his father's vehicle.
- Syd Norman has a mascot and is looking for its vehicle of origin.
- There are 36 people attending Mon Repos with 6 locals. Thank you to Mervyn Thompson for organising the getaway.

Meeting Close: The meeting closed at 8.55pm

Next Meeting: 2 March 2015.

**I Donges**

Secretary

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## Webmaster's Report for March

Although it hardly amounts to the end of life as we know it, the absence of pics from a couple of last year's major rallies has been remarked upon. The reason is the straightforward: I didn't attend those rallies and only a very small number of photos reached me. But worry not, Rhonda is currently threatening to give me several hundred to choose from. As time permits I'll sift through them and lo, new galleries will appear. Just not this week or next.

From this month the password for accessing *Veteran Torque* will change with each issue, limiting the extent to which non-members can sneak in for a look at our latest issue. Carol Robinson will notify everyone when the new issue is available and the password will be included with that notification.

If you have a hubcap fetish or just like to be sure your axle nuts are properly covered you could do worse than having a look at [hubcapcollector.com](http://hubcapcollector.com). On our Links page there's an image of a Hudson hubcap and clicking on it will take you to the hub cap site. The quality of the material is a bit variable but aren't you glad somebody has set this up? It's a work of great dedication and enthusiasm.

**Peter Ransom**



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## Something over which to ponder

Every time you make a typo the errorists win. – From Peter Ransom

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I'm very pleased to report that the Club is firing on all cylinders, plans of interstate and local rallies are all abuzz. In fact the accommodation for these rallies goes fast.

The Australia Day weekend rally was a washout. Unfortunately it rained so much the club grounds were saturated, making the gymkhana impracticable. There were a few people who came to the Thursday and Friday working bee, even with all the rain there was still a lot of work accomplished. After a cleanout of the accumulated junk from around the club, we did take a lot of old, unsafe outdoor chairs to the dump. So if anyone has any safe useable chairs to donate that would be appreciated. The pre meeting meal on the veranda is popular and is now uncluttered, however a few extra chairs would be nice.



The week in Mon Repos was a rally without our veteran cars. Everyone had a great time and had lots of time to talk (over many refreshments). We saw lots of baby turtles scampering down the beach, what a magnificent sight. The activities included, walking along the beach, shopping in town, ice creams in Bargara, fishing, swimming and generally relaxing and swatting sand flies and mozzies. A certain lady member caught her first fish!

Russell has this year well planned, leaving space for the invitational rallies to be slotted in. This gives everyone a variety of choices. As per last year there will be lots of members away at different times, this says to me that the club is working well.

The further repairs and maintenance on the club house and grounds will steadily improve over the year with the grateful help of all our volunteers.

This month's committee meeting found us still there well after 10 pm. Many subjects were discussed and more plans made.

**Bob Burley.**

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### Meeting. Night BBQ dinner.



We all enjoy our dinner at the club rooms before the meetings. Unfortunately, maybe we need to think about BBQ use etiquette.

After everyone had departed for home last meeting Ross and I found the BBQ area was left open and dirty utensils out on the bench.

We, the committee love to see club members socialising and enjoying themselves, that is why we encourage members to bring dinner to enjoy before the meeting.

But, if you use the BBQ to cook your dinner please be prepared to turn off the gas and clean up after yourselves.

We do not have a delegated person to clean up after you.

**Rhonda Guthrie**

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# EXHAUST GAS

Why do we own cars? is an oft asked question. I suppose, as well as being a convenient mode of transport, they are easy to house and maintain. They are not like aircraft which need special landing and takeoff facilities or ships that have to be moored and un-moored, or piloted through channels.

No, the average car only requires a nice comfortable garage, an occasional wash and polish and regular supplies of petrol plus some servicing. Quite easy for the average family.

But then we have the motoring enthusiasts who admire their vehicles for their style and engineering. They are different from the "rev.heads" who want a car to go from zilch to 2x zilch in less than it takes to dirty the collar of your shirt. I'm one of the former and I admire my cars for their style, quality of build and performance. They have been and still are a great source of pleasure to me and I still enjoy a nice relaxed country run occasionally.

My first venture into the old car world was the purchase of my 1926 9/20 Humber for £5 from the original owner. It was really not in flat-pack or kit form but part assembled. However a full restoration finally saw it on the road. I chose a vintage car because I thought it would be more comfortable and reliable than a veteran and I must confess that "Reggie Renault" has proven me wrong on both scores. He has been the equal of the Humber. But since coming to Queensland the Humber has had much less use but after my fifty years of ownership, as second owner only, he still sits proudly in the garage, asking to be driven. Some days we both enjoy old age but most days we don't.



*Bay to Birdwood, 1986*

# IDLE CHATTER

"Idle" is a funny little word – how different is its meaning from Idyll. So let's be Idle and Chatter.

## Some Advertising:

30cm garden broom	:	my garden is much bigger
Small hand tools	:	suit children
4-stroke lawnmower	:	my lawns need many more strokes
Kettle BBQ	:	if you want to cook a kettle
Insulated butter dish	:	the butter must be wrapped in pink batts
Dual exercise bike	:	? A tandem
Brilliant mosquito trap	:	if they were "brilliant" they wouldn't be trapped
Stunning solar lanterns	:	just high enough to hit your head

Paddy had a job in a Law Firm and one of the partners said to him one day "Paddy can you heat two pies for me?". Paddy replied "yes, Sir". After a while when the pies hadn't re-appeared the lawyer found Paddy and asked "Paddy, did you heat those two pies for me". Paddy replied Yes I did, and very nice they were too!"

## Some Daffynitions:

Machine	:	a device that does exactly what it wants to despite your control
Macpherson Strut	:	a Scot playing the bagpipes
Mains	:	middle course of a 3-course meal
Make and Break	:	poker machine
Mandatory option	:	will the car start or won't it?
Market value	:	a lot less than you think your car is worth
Moment of inertia	:	rest period
Mounting	:	much bigger than a hill
Muffler	:	What you wear around the neck when it's cold at the football (AFL)

Just to completely ruin your day:

The Navy is sometimes called the Senile Service  
Pompeii was destroyed by an overflow of saliva from the Vatican  
Antony and Bismark are two of the metals  
Hannibal is a well-known music writer  
Guerilla Warfare means up to their monkey tricks  
Parliament was a house where men sat and disgusted bills

And something to ponder: Why is a fiddle fit?

## 2015 ANZAC TROOP TRAIN RE-ENACTMENT.

We have received the following request from Stephen Bell re the 2015 ANZAC Troop Train Re-enactment Winton to Brisbane 19-25 April. (For further information see [www.2015anzactrooptrain.com](http://www.2015anzactrooptrain.com)) The Committee decided to notify members if they wish to participate, they can.

They will need to go to the Cooroy Railway Station by 11.00am on 24 April. The Troop Train Re-enactment Committee would love to have some cars of the period there to enhance the proceedings. There will be lunch, a plaque unveiling at the RSL and then the train leaves at 2.00pm for Roma St. The President of the Committee would like to know approximate numbers so that he can notify the RSL to allow parking of the cars in front of the railway.

Any member interested should contact Stephen on [Stephen.Bell@aurizon.com.au](mailto:Stephen.Bell@aurizon.com.au) or 0419 710 219, for further information.

*"I am a member of the 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion AIF Living history group that will be commemorating the 100 year anniversary of the landing at of the ANZAC troops at Gallipoli in April this year.*

*Our troop will be onboard the historic steam train that will make its way from Winton QLD to Roma street Brisbane with stops along the way and will march in Brisbane in our WW1 AIF uniforms to remember the men and women of the AIF.*

*As the train will be stopping at various places along the way I thought that vehicles of the correct period being 1900-1915 would make a wonderful spectacle at the railway stations and give a great deal of authenticity to the celebrations.*

*Stops for the train and ceremonies along the way will be at Longreach, Emerald, Blackwater, Rockhampton, Maryborough, Cooroy then on to Brisbane Roma street."*

## CLUB WARES

The Club, through Rhonda, has decided to obtain more Club Shirts.

The following will be available:

### DRESS SHIRTS:

(similar to those we currently have, as modelled by Rob. Lovell)

### Ladies and Mens:

Either short or long-sleeved, with embroidered club badge

Price: \$42

### POLO SHIRTS:

Bottle Green with gold/yellow trim, embroidered badge

Price: \$35

These may be ordered now from Rhonda, and are expected to be available at the May meeting.

CAPS: Matching Bottle Green with gold/yellow trim and club badge embroidered on crown.

Price: \$18.50

The Caps will be available at the April Meeting.

There will be an additional cost for postage.

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### The Club welcomes the following new members:

Malcolm and Julie Roy (1910 Hupmobile), Leonard and Rosemary Kennedy (1915 Ford Model T) and Malcolm Lorimer.

We look forward to having you join us on a Club Event in the near future.

## From Chris and Jenny Sorensen

I thought you might be interested in our exploits in November 2014 as we did another London to Brighton rally in our 1903 Cadillac. You may remember we met up with John and Alison Day when we did the 2013 run. This year our son Kevin came along for the ride , There was a little bit of nostalgia for us in that in 1989 we shipped our 1904 De Dion Bouton to London for the run and Kevin and Luke who were much younger at that time were our passengers.

This is our fourth London to Brighton Run, this year and last in the 1903 Cadillac and in 2011 in our 1903 Grout Steamer and 1989 in the De Dion .

The run has been an annual event for many years and is to celebrate the repeal of the red flag act by the British Parliament in 1904 Prior to this if you were to drive a motorcar on the street a person with a red flag had to walk in front of the car with a red flag.

The celebrations start on Friday night with an auction by Bonhams, who are a major sponsor of the run, in Bond St. Some serious money is always spent at this auction and its good just to be an onlooker. Saturday, Regent street is closed off and a major static display of the cars is held . It's a really fun day with drivers and passengers dressed up in period clothing and thousands of people come along to look . There are some major prizes for best cars and one for people's choice which we were lucky enough to win in 2011 in our Grout , All three of us were dressed up again this year in period clothing .

Very early Sunday morning some 400 cars start arriving in Hyde park where at 7.30am the oldest car is flagged off. We were start no. 243 so that shows how many cars earlier than 1903 were before us. We leave Hyde Park via Admiralty Arch and again this year the Queen gave permission to drive through the Arch. Then it is past the Palace, down the Mall, turn right past the Houses of Parliament, over Westminster Bridge and then 60miles to Brighton.

This year for the first time it rained for us and boy did it rain, pretty much all the way to Brighton, We stopped a couple of times for some mechanical adjustments and also to avoid the torrential rain and eventually arrived in Brighton at 4PM where we received the much prized finishers medal. Notwithstanding the rain there were still crowds of people cheering us on.

Our Cadillac is now tucked away in storage near London. We have imported it into the UK so it will never see "down under". We think after four London to Brighton runs this would be our last, and it is most likely that we will sell her although I feel sad when I say that as with all of our entries in the LBVR she has proudly done the run as an entrant from the Veteran Car Club of Australia [Queensland].

Chris and Jenny Sorensen  
Burnett Heads.



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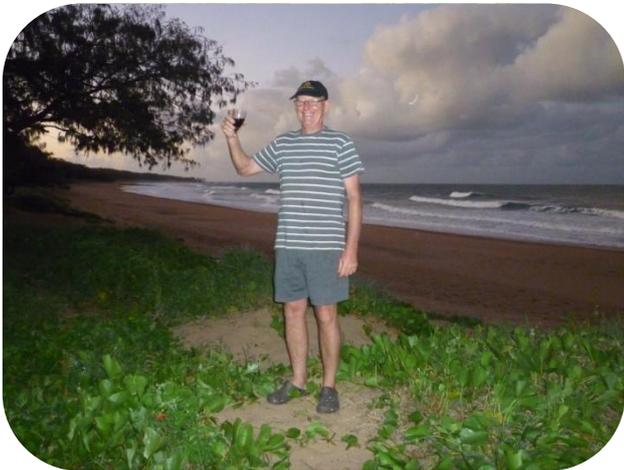
[Photos courtesy Rhonda Guthrie]



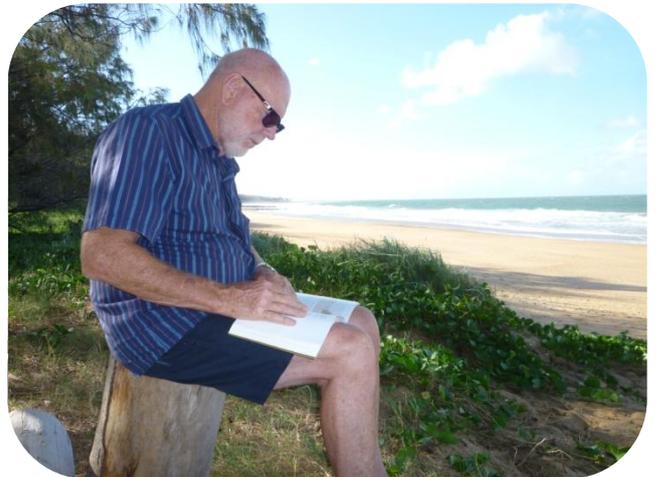
Turtle Nest on Beach at Sundown



Rangers checking Turtle Nests



Peter enjoys a glass of Red



Kevin reading a book

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## A unique vétéran car day ..The lady was older than our cars!

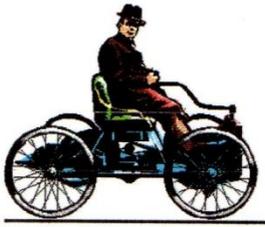
Pictures [courtesy Terry Lewis] taken at the Birthday Party of a very spritely 105 year old Ellam Lyons, at Anglicare Meilene Residential Care, Bundaberg. Her big surprise was a ride in John Handley's 1909 Darracq.

Mrs Lyons, a daughter of a Southampton, UK "Wharfie" was taken, age two, to watch the departure of the ill-fated RMS Titanic from Southampton.

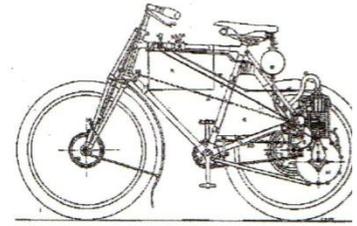


## Coming Events - 2015

- 25-29 MARCH. SAVOURING STANTHORPE. Based at Sommerville Valley Tourist Park. Full details in last month's issue.
- 3-6 APRIL NOR'EASTER HUB MEET/NQ QHMC RALLY hosted by Cairns & District Historic Vehicle Club will be held in **CAIRNS**. Information available on QHMC Website. Enquiries Dawn May 4057 8100 or Dian Hill 4055 4171.
- 16 MAY Greg Hill is organising a pleasant drive in the country with lunch at a country pub (or BYO), then returning to Ipswich. As some members will be camping at the Ipswich Showgrounds, this will be the starting point (10am).
- 17 MAY On Sunday we will go to Queen's Park, Ipswich for the **NATIONAL MOTORING HERITAGE DAY for veteran, vintage and historic vehicles, organised by QHMC** from 10am-2pm. [Display vehicles to be in place no later than 9.30am]. Trailer and towing vehicle parking available in Limestone Park. Pre-registration is required for the Sunday, and is available on line. [www.qhmc.org.au](http://www.qhmc.org.au)
- 6-8 JUNE. SOUTH QUEENSLAND RACQ QHMC RALLY this year will be hosted by QHMC Committee and Delegates and will be held in and around **Pittsworth**. All runs will be suitable for all eras of motor vehicles, and a special plea goes to owners of Veteran and Vintage vehicles to come along. Entries close 17 May. Further information from Greg and Christine Stevens (07) 3260 6197 a/h; Greg: 0418 873 233; Christine 0419 789 151; email [info@ftrs.com.au](mailto:info@ftrs.com.au); web [www.qhmc.org.au](http://www.qhmc.org.au)
- 28 JUNE. VCCQ CONCOURS. At Ormiston House. Put this date in your diary. Further details to follow.
- 12 JULY RACQ DISPLAY DAY. At Eagle Farm Racecourse.
- 26 JULY. GRANDCHESTER COMMUNITY STEAMFEST. Grandchester (previously called Bigges Camp) will be celebrating 150 years of the first railway line in Queensland from Ipswich to Grandchester. This will be held at the Grandchester Recreation Ground, School Road, Grandchester, and will be similar to that which the Club attended in 2010. Greg Hill is planning a 3-4 day Veteran Event prior to this around the **Gatton** area.
- 1 AUGUST PRESIDENT'S DINNER.
- 12-16 AUGUST. TO MARK ITS 55<sup>TH</sup> YEAR THE NORTHERN RIVERS VINTAGE AND VETERAN CAR CLUB IS PLANNING A 4 DAY RALLY, to be organised by Club members Robert and Meryl Lovell. Registration will be on the Wednesday afternoon, followed by 4 days of daily runs from Thursday 13-Sunday 16, returning to Lismore each afternoon. Information Bulletin elsewhere this issue.
- 22 AUGUST. (Saturday) CLUB SWAPMEET. From 8.30am. Queensland's only Veteran/Vintage Swap. Gold Coin Admission. Tea, Coffee and Sausage Sizzle available. Irene and Kathy will be there with their Vintage Clothing Boutique.
- 19-23 OCTOBER. NATIONAL HIGH WHEELER RALLY, HAHNDORF, SOUTH AUST.
- 1-6 NOVEMBER. NATIONAL VETERAN RALLY. GOULBURN. Contact Roger Gottlob (02 6241 3169 (ah) mob. 0418 962 312; email [canberrarally2015@gmail.com](mailto:canberrarally2015@gmail.com) Expression of Interest this issue.
- 19-22 NOVEMBER. RACV ANNUAL RALLY - COLAC.  
This has been arranged to begin 4 days after the Bendigo Swap Meet. A flyer will be out shortly and copies will be sent to all clubs.  
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- 19 DECEMBER. CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY



## The VETERAN and VINTAGE CAR CLUB of AUSTRALIA - ACT Inc.



2015 Shannons National  
All Veteran Tour  
Goulburn  
1 to 6 November 2015

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### Newsletter No 1

The organising committee for the Veteran and Vintage Car Club ACT Inc are happy to report that plans for the 2015 National Veteran Vehicle Tour to be held in Goulburn NSW are progressing well.

Goulburn is situated 200kms south west of Sydney in the Southern Highlands of NSW; it was established in 1833 and has a population of approximately 21,500 people. It was Australia's first inland City and is known for its historic buildings, rolling hills and sheep that produce fine fibre high quality wool. This makes the Goulburn region an ideal place to hold a National Veteran Vehicle Tour.

The Mayor of Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Geoff Kettle, is very enthusiastic about the Tour and is sponsoring the welcome drinks and nibbles and the Council Officers are assisting with other aspects of the Tour.

Rally routes are being finalised and will be on undulating country roads with little or no traffic, the runs will take us to the surrounding villages of Crookwell, Taralga, Tarago, Gunning, Bungonia and other interesting places. Runs will vary in length between 80 and 120km and will be suitable for all veteran vehicles. Water drops will be arranged for steam cars. Motor cyclists will be catered for too. Clear signage will be on all corners and required turns to assist your enjoyment of the region.

We have received requests from a number of overseas entrants who will be part of the Tour but without their vehicles. They have asked if they could on the days of the Tour, 'hitch-a-ride' if anyone has a spare seat. If you are able to assist by offering a seat to an extra passenger or two please send an email to Tour Secretary (see below).

If you have not received an entry form and would like to enter please contact the Tour Secretary, Roger Gottlob, on email [canberrally2015@gmail.com](mailto:canberrally2015@gmail.com)

There is plenty of accommodation in Goulburn with caravan parks and many motels and hotels. If you are having trouble locating a suitable place please contact the Goulburn Tourist Information Office of advice on 1800 353 646.

Rob Woolley  
Tour Chairman



All correspondence to Roger Gottlob, Tour Secretary  
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## NRVVCC 55<sup>th</sup> YEAR RALLY

### INFORMATION BULLETIN – MARCH 2015

We invite you to again join us for our annual rally (always set on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of August) but since it is our 55<sup>th</sup> year we will make it a little special.

Planning is underway along the following themes.

- 1: We will extend our normal weekend rally to 4 days commencing on Wednesday 12th August 2015 for registration 2-4 pm and followed by touring around our area Thursday, Friday, Saturday and on Sunday morning, winding up after lunch on Sunday.
- 2: We intend to separate entrants into 2 vehicle categories with different routes for each category but coming together for morning tea and lunch stops. The 2 categories will be:-  
PRE 1930    Veteran and Vintage vehicles.  
POST 1930    All other vehicles up to 31 December 1980.

Our club cut off date for eligible vehicles is currently 31<sup>st</sup> December 1980.

Our club has 60 vehicles on concessional registration and 50% are PRE 1930 era.

- 3: We are flexible for entrants to attend for all 4 days or 3 days or just the weekend 2 days. We intend for this rally to be somewhat casual and self catering for morning teas and most lunches.
- 4: Our dinner on the Saturday night will still have the band for “old time” dancing and rock and roll and will have a dress theme of “Happy Days” in whatever era of your choice.
- 5: When we finalize our planning we will issue entry forms expected by the end of March 2015. Entry forms and update bulletins will be available on our website at [nrvcc.com.au](http://nrvcc.com.au)
- 6: We have attached a list of accommodation places should you wish to secure your accommodation now. We believe the AZA Motel has changed hands and it may be advisable to confirm any previous bookings.

The Rally Committee

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ACCOMMODATION



Motel	Address	Phone	Web
AZA Motel	114 Keen St.	02 66219499	azamotel.com
Karinga Motel	258 Molesworth St.	02 66212787	karingamotel.com
New Olympic Motel	244 Molesworth St.	02 66219900	motorinn.net
Dawson Motor Inn	25 Dawson St.	02 66218100	dawsonmotorinn.com
Lismore City Motor Inn	129 Magellan St.	02 66214455	lismoremotorinn.com
Best Western Lakeside Motel	100 Bruxner Hwy.	02 66217376	lismoremotel.com.au
Lismore Bounty Motel	241 Keen St.	02 66227622	lismorebounty.com.au
Lismore Wilson Motel	119 Ballina St.	02 66223383	lismorewilsonmotel.com.au
Centrepoint Motel	202 Molesworth St.	02 66218877	centrepointmotel.com
Lismore Gateway Motel	99 Ballina St.	02 66215688	lismoregatewaymotel.com.au
	<b>CARAVAN</b>	<b>PARKS</b>	
Lismore Centra Tourist Park	60 Dawson St.	02 66216581	
Roadrunner Tourist Park	61 Caniaba Road	02 66216705	roadrunnervanpark.com.au
Lismore Lake Tourist Park	156 Bruxner Hwy.	02 66212585	
	<b>LOCAL CABINS</b>		
Halls Country Cabins	Woodlawn Road	02 66284101 0414 284101	hallscountycottages.com.au
	<b>HOME STAY</b>		
Melville House	267 Ballina St.	02 66215778	melvillehouse.com.au

**Doug Partington has suggested that this event would be suitable for Veterans and asked that we advertise it.**

"Our hosts for the second T Party this year in Goondiwindi (Peter and Geraldine) have been working very hard on organising a 'Not to be Missed Event'. Whilst this event is still almost 5 months away, it is important that if you are thinking about coming, you must book your accommodation as soon as possible due to the size and popularity of the event. MTOQ are going to be part of a full 3 day celebration, of 150 years of rail in Queensland across the weekend. It all kicks off with the community putting on a street parade for MTOQ, members of the MG car club, and a ladies motorcycle club. According to the attached poster, there will be vintage trains, planes and automobiles. For those with a keen eye you will notice that the council's poster eludes to 40 Model Ts attending. Though initially a typo, lets see just how close we can go to pulling it off!! I do love a challenge.

One of the weekend events will be a race between a full steam train and volunteer Model Ts from Goondiwindi to the nearby town of Toobeah, however the race may even be expanded to include bi-planes - who will of course be handicapped!! It all promises to be a fantastic 3 days.

We are also working on an extended tour following the weekend for those who would like to keep the fun going. it is being designed as an easy 'Easter Tour' in June for those in the club who have thought about a touring holiday in their Model T, but haven't yet felt ready to take the plunge. More details of this tour will come out soon but we are looking at touring down into NSW, on sealed back roads, to interesting places. For those used to MTOQ Easter tours you'll find this one a jaunt!! To make it a great introduction tour, we will only be driving around 150 to 200 km per day, but there will be loads to see and loads to do.

At this stage though, please consider booking your accommodation for the June long weekend **NOW**. Peter and Geraldine have even negotiated a discount rate at all of their suggested accommodation for MTOQ members (just mention the offer when making your booking), and because of the interest in the weekend, space will book out very quickly."

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## **Making Tracks in Outback Queensland Goondiwindi - June long weekend - 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Hosts:** Peter & Geraldine Cameron - (0458581458 or 0412011253)

We have put together a very exciting Model T Rally over a winters long weekend, that will have something for everyone.

A lot more information to come; however your most important task at this point, is to lock in your accommodation, NOW, and have it booked...!

When booking your preferred accommodation below, please mention that you are a member of the MTOQ, and they will give you a 10% discount...!!!

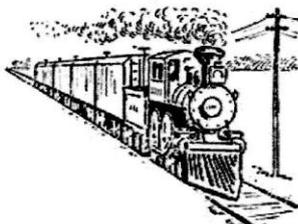
BIG4 Goondiwindi Caravan Park - (Rally Headquarters).  
36 Old Cunningham Highway, Goondiwindi, 4390. Ph. - (07) 4671 2900.  
[www.big4.com.au/caravan-parks/qld/goondiwindi](http://www.big4.com.au/caravan-parks/qld/goondiwindi)

Goondiwindi Top Tourist Park.  
20 Hungerford Street, Goondiwindi 4390. Ph. - 1800 429 166.  
[www.goondiwinditouristpark.com.au/](http://www.goondiwinditouristpark.com.au/)

The Jolly Swagman Motor Inn.  
1 Anderson Street, Goondiwindi, 4390. Ph. - 1800 241 560.  
[www.thejollyswagman.com.au/](http://www.thejollyswagman.com.au/)

We looked at many areas of accommodation on our trip out there, and these above three sites are best suited for MTOQ member's needs/requirements, along with being the most reasonably priced.

All three sites have plenty of room on the properties for moderns with tandem trailers; there will be no need to park your cars & trailers on the streets. ☺



RSVP - by 30<sup>th</sup> of April.





## CLUB MART \$\$\$



### FOR SALE

#### \* 1919 - 23 DORMAN STAFFORD PROPRIETARY ENGINE (1.8 litre ?)

It's a twin cam engine with overhead valves, a cross flow head and external pushrods.

Cast into the engine block is the number : KNO 5044

The engine is located in Maryborough (Qld).



Price: \$3,000 or make a reasonable offer. (We don't know what it's worth.)

Phone or email Paul Donsky for more information on : (07) 4122 1385, 0421 590 373 or

[tamaradonsky@gmail.com](mailto:tamaradonsky@gmail.com)

#### \*\*1913 MODEL T FORD ROADSTER (Located in Toowoomba)

Fully restored This award-winning vehicle is in excellent condition having been fully restored in 1991. Original Kelsey-Hayes wooden felloes, rebuilt engine which has been line bored, re-babbited and fitted with aluminium pistons. Also fully balanced and fitted with Holden 308 valves and adjustable tappets this engine runs sweetly and is a delight to handle. Original trembler coil electrics and engine sump alternator have been retained. The carburettor is a Holley 4450.

The body is a turtle-back roadster reproduced by an elderly craftsman in the USA from original dies, utilising American Oak framework. Mudguards are also new imported from the USA. All panel work has been powder coat painted in factory authentic midnight blue tint in combination with similarly original black powder coated paintwork on chassis, running gear and engine parts.

All other elements of this car have been meticulously restored right down to the original nuts and bolt fitting of this car rolling off the production line as it would in 1913.

Location - Toowoomba, QLD [Or transport to Sydney available for interstate buyer].

Price: \$35,000

Contact: Mark Bennedick [mark\\_bennedick@hotmail.com](mailto:mark_bennedick@hotmail.com) M +61 (0) 412 746 276

#### \*\* WANTED TO BORROW DIE M5 X .75 & M4 X .75 To make new contact points for Esiemann GKJ4

Contact: Russell Massey 07 3893 3414

\*\* Do any Members know of someone who could test and repair the **Magneto** off my **1911 BUICK**? There isn't an Auto electrician in my area (Gunnedah, NSW) that knows a lot about old magnetos. Would appreciate any help.

Contact: Neville Worboys, email [nevilleworboys@bigpond.com](mailto:nevilleworboys@bigpond.com)



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***A little bit of...HUMOUR*** 😊 😊 😊

During my Medical examination, my Doctor asked me about my physical activity level.

*I described a typical day, "Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk about 7 miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake, I pushed my way through brambles. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees. The mental stress of it all left me shattered. At the end of it all I drank eight beers.*

Inspired by the story, the Doctor said, "You must be one hell of an outdoors man!" "

"No," I replied, "I'm just a terrible golfer."

