

THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA (QUEENSLAND) INC.

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

VETERAN TORQUE

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*John and Pam Handley and Terry and Regie Lewis in the Handley's Crossley
in Winton prior to the start of the Troop Train Re-enactment Trip.*





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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

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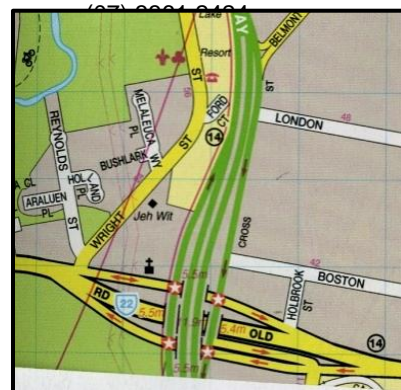
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MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH GENERAL MEETING OF THE VETERAN CAR CLUB OF AUSTRALIA QLD INC. HELD IN THE CLUBROOMS AT 1376 OLD CLEVELAND ROAD, CARINDALE, MONDAY 6 APRIL 2015

Opening: President Bob Burley opened at 8.06PM

Attendance: 40 members were present as per attendance book.

Apologies: Hazel Burley, Neil Sims, Barry Dowton, Trish Hanley, Visnja Timkiv, Alison and John Day, Trevor and Janette Farnell, Frola Gilltrap, Andrew Wright, Michael Hackshall, David Hackshall, Erik Larsen, Peter Ransom.

Visitor: . Peter Green from Adelaide.

Adoption of previous General Meeting Minutes: 1.Ross Guthrie 2 Dianne Hackshall moved that the minutes of the previous meeting held 3 March be confirmed as read. Carried

Business Arising from previous minutes:

Numbers going to Cooroy on 24 April . Kevin Brooks has indicated that he will go.

Registration Form is available for QHMC Rally at Pittsworth. Entries close 17 May.

Correspondence:

Inwards:

Geoff Chennells. Information about car rally from Land's End to John o Groats 12 -22 June 2016. Organised by Joy Rainey.

Carolyn Whetter. Invitation to display cars at National Trust Heritage Festival 3 May at Wolston House. Gates open 8.00am Public 11.00am to 4.00pm.

Rental cheques received from Historic Racing Club, Austin Motor Vehicle club, QVVA, Austin 7, Veteran and Vintage Chev Assoc, Qld Chev Club, Studebaker Club, Historic Vehicle Club, Subaru 4Wheel Drive Club, Chrysler Owners Club.

L J Hooker Statement,

Land Valuation Notice

Invitation from Government House to President and Secretary to attend reception for organisations that have Governor's Patronage.

Invitation to attend Kalbar Country Day on 17 October.

Email from Secretary TAVCCA, Wayne Aberdeen, re Honorary Legal Advisor for TAVCCA informing member clubs that Malcolm Johns has retired and Michael Tippert is his replacement.

Email invitation from Doug Young, President VCCQ to Concours at Ormiston House on 28 June.

Email from Secretary TAVCCA advising that there is only one nomination for the Montagu Trophy and that is Malcolm Johns.

Email from Michael Holding for any last minute changes or additions to National Membership Directory before printing. Deadline is 12 April.

Outwards: Letter of thanks to Ron Jonman.

The Secretary moved that Inwards be accepted and Outwards adopted.

Seconded Barbara Clegg. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Burley presented the Treasurer's report moved that the report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment.

Seconded. Albert Budworth. Carried.

Events:

- Greg Hill presented a news sheet with information for the Rally day on 16 May at Ipswich. There is a change of venue from Ipswich Showgrounds to Brothers League Club. It is also necessary to register your vehicle on QHMC website: goo.gl/4ch06W for National Motoring Heritage Day on the Sunday. The Grandchester Steamfest and Gatton Tour is 22 - 26 July.
- Russell suggested a Club House event on the Anzac Day weekend. He will email members to ascertain interest.
- Alan Robinson presented information about National Trust Heritage Day on 17 May at Wolston House. Gates open 8.00am Public 11.00am to 4.00pm. Morning tea will be provided to all veteran car entrants.
- We have been invited to provide cars for display at 125th Celebration of Laidley Showgrounds on 4 July, and also at Gumdale Hall for a History Day on 31 May.

QHMC Report: Nothing to report.

Facilities Report: Facilities Manager absent.

Historian Report:

Denis Martin has given the Editor three pages of historical notes for the magazine. In the recently published book, "Homes for History on New Farm Peninsula", there is the story of Dodwell's house which he called Linden, the name of the boat that brought the first Darracqs to Queensland.

Webmaster Report: Webmaster is absent.

Librarian Report: Nothing to report.

Magazine Report: The editor asked whether any members were having problems accessing website and obtaining password. All reports are it is working well.

Dating Report: Nothing to report. Trish Hanley's Saxon is 100 years old this year, but has to be dated.

SAG Report. In recess.

General Business .

- Kevin queried whether 100 year old badges could be presented every year. It was suggested they be presented at the Club Dinner in August.
- Rhonda showed the new polo shirts and caps. There is a choice of plain caps or caps with stripes. Orders are to be placed with Rhonda. Photos will be in the magazine. Costs are dress shirt \$42, Polo shirt \$35 and caps \$18.50.
- RACQ Motorfest, Bob Burley reported that he is liaising with David Contarini and Tamara Maroney. All cars are undercover. There is a special display using cars for RSTC from World War 1. Two cars will go on display at RACQ at Eight Mile Plains. Albert Budworth is organising this display. Eleven - thirteen people have indicated they intend to display their cars. Russell Massey queried if next year we will be back in the same area as last year.
- Robert Shannon Foundation. James Brennan has made application for a grant to the Foundation for car restoration. Ben Hopkins has already been awarded this grant.
- Glynn Hackshall called for a working bee on Monday, 13th April. There is work to be done on cupboards, lights and mowing.
- Vicki Forsyth has some reflective overalls for sale \$30.00 each.
- Glynn Hackshall is looking for a going veteran for sale for his brother in law.
- Alan Carpenter showed his new wheels and rims from a New Zealand supplier for the Little \$2600.00. Alan reported progress on the restoration of Little.

Meeting Close: The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Next Meeting: 4 May.

I Donges

Hon. Secretary

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From our Webmaster.

It's taken a while but finally we have lots of pics (courtesy of Rhonda - thank you!) from last year's Kalgoorlie-Boulder National. The focus is deliberately on WA cars, since we'll never see most of them on this side of the country. I hope to add more specific captions in time. A couple - the Fuller Buggy and the Rambler - stirred memories of my time as a member of VCCWA in the late 1960s.

Over the weekend before Easter the hills and valleys around Stanthorpe echoed once again with the sounds of veteran cars and crews. Some pictures are up on our site and there are more to follow. On day one the Sunbeam took a wrong turn and enjoyed a very pleasant drive to Ballandean instead of a school in Stanthorpe. I find myself wondering whether an in-car video camera would be a bit of fun, documenting the exchanges between driver and navigator when it all goes pear-shaped! Or is it the case that what happens on the rally stays on the rally?

Peter R.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This 100 year ANZAC commemoration is all the buzz, I am looking forward to it. We have a few of our members who have enlisted and are in uniform as they travel on the Historic Troop Train, from Winton to Brisbane, stopping at various places along the way. Some members will be at Cooroy to meet them, before disembarking in Brisbane on Anzac Day for the parade and the festivities.

Our editor has been busy organising her troops to sell the Anzac Day badges in the shopping centres. After all her good work she was excused from the committee meeting on Monday night as she had to compile the Veteran Torque magazine to organise the next day.

Our Club was invited by our Patron His Excellency Paul de Jersey AC Governor of Queensland and his wife Kaye to attend a reception in support of organisations with vice-regal patronage. With great pleasure Irene and I attended the evening. The evening started with speeches and announced the select few for a private audience. We enjoyed the evening meeting along with the like representatives, whilst tasting fine food and wine. It was a very enjoyable evening with lots of interesting people to talk to.

The Stanthorpe Rally was very well attended, lots of entries and a fantastic camping ground. Yes we have been to Stanthorpe before, like Pittsworth, we'll be back!

Our 60th Anniversary Rally and celebrations are coming along well and I'm sure it will be a hit. More on that at the meeting. I know it's a long way off, however planning is important.

I would like the current trophy holders to return the trophies by the end of June for repairs, polishing and re-badging.

I have noticed that since the Library shopfront window has been upgraded, other clubs are now following the trend, it's good to see. Well done by all.

The carpets have been professionally cleaned so hopefully they will stay like that for a while. On the day of the working bee, the girls had a clean and tidy of the library. This is part of the transition toward a better and more efficient club.

The mowing gang, you just can't stop them !! Two of the mowers are now in need of repair and are currently being look at.

The grounds are looking good at the moment, our gardener, Vicki who is busy driving trucks by day, still finds time to tend the plants. Hose in one hand and a can of diet coke in the other and a phone up to her ear.

This year's RACQ Motorfest. I've been out and measured out the venue: this year we will be inviting particular cars for the Returned Soldiers Transport Corps (RSTC) display. With space provided, I will let you know how many cars can be accommodated in our main display. Hopefully we can fill this space. I will have a quantity of exhibitor registration forms available at the next meeting.

Please note the new starting time for the monthly meetings at the club rooms will be 7.30 pm. We will trial this through this winter.

Bob Burley



A report from the “History Department” has been called for by Mr President, so here is a chance to air some of the recent subjects which time does not always permit to be elaborated upon during the meetings.

At a recent meeting the Berliet car was mentioned. As do other members recall it, I too remember when it ran in a few early Brisbane – Brighton outings. It was one of Tim Osborne’s three cars. He had the Waverley, the Toledo steam car and then the Berliet which he gave to his son as encouragement towards developing “a good clean hobby”. Osborne Jnr, when he needed a little more pocket money, sold the Berliet down South. It was a good sound motor car and I doubt if the Berliet motor which had been found and enquired about came from that car. Berliet trucks were probably more common down south than cars. A memorable feature of Tim’s Berliet was the radiator badge which featured the front view of a U.S. steam locomotive. The reason for this was that the French Berliet Company had a strong connection with Alco., the American Locomotive Company. At the time when the Berliet was in Tim’s ownership, there were several large and sturdy cars at many of the events – Sunbeams, Napiers, a Chalmers and an Auburn, unlike the earlier and smaller DeDion Boutons, Napoleon and Reo.



Victor Bloxsom, while not a member yet, has addressed us at a few recent meetings, his main interest being early Queensland registrations. That of course covers interesting cars like Cottons, Delaunay-Bellevilles etc. and their owners.

His last query was about the firm Evers & McGhie. Thanks to Ross Guthrie’s photographic record, I found a photo of just such an agent’s plate on the dashboard of a 1912 Argyll once owned by Dr Marks when he had moved on from the Rambler. The plate reads: “Evers & McGhie Motor Co. Ltd/Queensland Agents/Brisbane”. I have not so far seen any plates of the same age from Howards or the Canada Cycle & Motor Company. Whether or not the body is by Peel of South Brisbane is yet to be determined. The tourer body is of aluminium and has the unusual feature of ventilation via horizontal wooden slats in each of the four doors – a truly Queensland method of cooling!



A recent publication is entitled “Homes with History on the New Farm Peninsula”. The author tells us that A.V. Dodwell’s house in Moray Street was named “Linden”. He says that Dodwell, Manager of the C.C. & Motor Coy, was so pleased to receive his first shipment of Darracq cars in mid 1906 on the German – Australian Line steamer “Linden” which loaded at Antwerp that he named the house for it. The first Darracq sold went to Dr Hopkins, first President of the Automobile Club of Queensland. Visitors to the Grand View Hotel at Cleveland will see in the entrance hallway an excellent photograph of the Governor Lord Chelmsford and Dr Hopkins standing with the car outside the Pier Hotel at Cleveland in 1907. The new block of flats built on the site of “Linden” at New Farm is named “Linden Lea”.

A.V. Dodwell also had the agency for the Canadian Russell cars. One of these with the 2 cylinder horizontal engine is on display at Palmer’s “Autorama” at Coolumb. While we were there at the Autorama Geoff Bernhagen discovered that the Fiat Zero had once belonged to him. We also recognised the Jackson.

John Day has turned up an excellent photograph of a ‘T’ Ford in Elizabeth Street in 1917 or so bearing the (R)A.C.Q. Returned Soldiers Transport Corps badge. Albert Budworth will no doubt be pleased to use this for the forthcoming Motorfest.

February just past marked 60 years since the release of "Genevieve" in Brisbane. To promote the film Tim Osborne and Keith Thallon organised the first Brisbane to Brighton rally in which the few veteran and vintage cars participated. It was as a result of this and the 1956 rally that the association of owners was a little later constituted as a club. I hear that the members of the Committee will soon be looking at how we mark the diamond jubilee in 2017. A future report on the archive holding re. the foundation of the club will appear soon.



Coming up too is the 150 year celebrations of Queensland Railways to be held at Grandchester. Not long ago I was shown a movie of the 1965 celebration at Grandchester, and yes, the Veteran Car Club cars were prominent in the procession. Unfortunately crowds ambling past the camera obscured the fronts of some of the cars but I did identify Frank and Shirley Hack with the Minerva, Ray and Peg Allen in the 2 cylinder Reo and the F.N. which is now in the Queensland Museum.

Visitors to the Elliott display of photos of earlier Brisbane at the City Hall will have noticed a veteran car being driven down a city street alongside a tram. The back axle and transmission case but no transverse rear spring gives every indication that it is a D.D.B. of c. 1903-06. People do ask us such questions – What is the Car?

Denis Martin

Club Historian, March 2015.

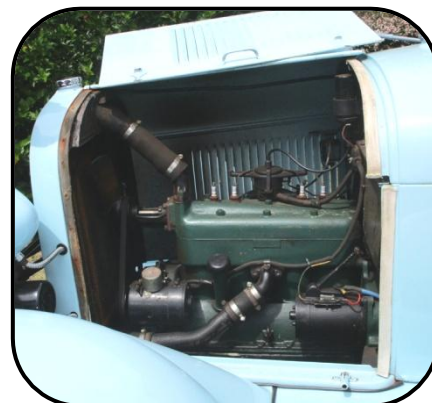
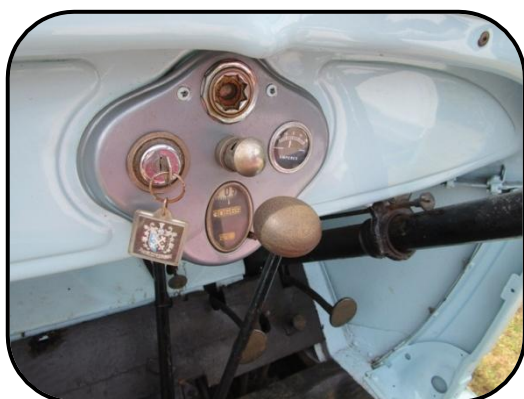
The following contribution is from Terry Lewis:

"Been over to Norfolk Island and come across this Ford Truck, it is said to be very rare as it has two gear boxes.

A part in the second gear box needed to be replaced so the contacted Ford Australia only to be told there is no such truck so they contacted Ford USA only to be told they have it wrong as that model was not sent that far away

This truck came out of Canada and with few exchanges of pictures Ford USA agreed that they had such a truck but can't work out how come it was sent that far away

Except for the blue paint, side boards and seats the truck is all original and done 130,000 miles all on the island"



After nine years of head scratching and brain-wracking to produce Exhaust Gas and Idle Chatter, Paddy has decided to retire as his pen has run dry.

He has asked that **BULLETIN LOTTO** be re-introduced as a substitute.

He leaves us with this final thought. --

Is it true that: "Alexander the Great was born in the absence of his parents"?



BULLETIN LOTTO

This month's "Winners" are JOHN and DIANE FARRIER
I would appreciate it if you would supply an article, on any subject of your choice,
by 20 May for publication in the June issue.

We were embarrassed at today's Remembrance Day service at the Mt Crosby State School to find that the year 1 students knew the words of the second verse of "Advance Australia Fair" better than we did. On investigation we discovered that this is actually the third verse. The full version is reproduced below for members who, like us, are unfamiliar with the full version.

ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free;
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea;
Our land abounds in Nature's gifts,
Of beauty rich and rare;
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing,
"Advance Australia fair!"

When gallant Cook from Albion sailed,
To trace wide oceans o'er,
True British courage bore him on,
Till he landed on our shore.
Then here he raised Old England's flag,
The standard of the brave;
With all her faults we love her still,
"Brittannia rules the wave!"
In joyful strains then let us sing,
"Advance Australia fair!"

Beneath our radiant southern Cross,
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make this Commonwealth of ours
Renowned of all the lands;
For those who've come across the seas,
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
"Advance Australia fair!"

While other nations of the globe
Behold us from afar,
We'll rise to high renown and shine
Like our glorious southern star;
From England, Scotia, Erin's Isle,
Who come our lot to share,
Let all combine with heart and hand
To advance Australia fair!
In joyful strains then let us sing
"Advance Australia fair!"

Should foreign foe e'er sight our coast
Or dare a foot to land
We'll rouse to arms like sires of yore
To guard our native strand
Brittannia then shall surely know
Beyond wide ocean's roll
Her sons in fair Australia's land
Still keep a British soul.
In joyful strains then let us sing
"Advance Australia fair!"



The Troop Train's Cooroy Visit

On a beautiful, crisp, Autumn morning, the Brooks, Allan Lyons and a Railway Enthusiast, David Copland, drove the ninety kilometres from Burpengary to Cooroy in the 1915 Buick to welcome home Club members on the Troop Train. There were smiles all round as Trish Hanley, Bob Collett, Irene and Graham Donges, Terry and Regie Lewis and Pam and John Handley pushed their way through the hundreds on the station platform. Hundreds more lined the streets and the railway foot bridge.

Then followed a short procession with local "Militia", half a dozen jeeps and other military vehicles, a bus, the Buick and Trevor Brosnan's Graham Paige Limousine. At the end of the procession the vehicles were parked on the main street and the street closed to traffic. We wandered off for lunch while the passengers did the same at the RSL. Half way through a Burger I received a call to move the Buick. Apparently once the passengers were in the RSL, the street was reopened. I arrived back in a lather of perspiration to find the Buick alone in pride of place in the street, surrounded by witches hats and its own police escort. Actually it looked rather grand but since the policeman said, "Finally you're back!" I doubt he was enjoying sentry duty.

With the Buick moved, it was a rush for Handleys and Lewis' who had joined us at the restaurant to again board the train. For some unknown reason the schedule had been moved forward an hour. As it was, it still created chaos as the Rocky Tilt Train couldn't reach the platform for passengers to disembark. I doubt some of the passengers on the Tilt Train enjoyed an extra half hour at the station.



I received two phone calls that evening, one from Terry Lewis, prior to their final evening of culinary debauchery, thanking us for our trouble and saying how much they enjoyed seeing other members' friendly faces and the other, an apology from Merv Thompson. Poor Merv nearly made it! Lately he's been experiencing a flat battery in his truck. En route to Cooroy, he found out why when the truck went into "limp mode" **on his battery!!** It had been the generator all along but, after just missing the train, he managed between two batteries, to limp himself home!

Kevin Brooks



THE HOLLINGUM'S FIRST VETERAN CAR RALLY

We arrived late on Thursday morning. We knew we were headed in the right direction to the Camping Grounds by all the veteran cars coming in the opposite direction. After going around in circles at the camp grounds to position the trailer and van (it will be a campervan one day!), we off loaded the Talbot (Archie) and headed off to meet up with the other veteran cars and their owners. Luckily we met up with members of the group in time to travel towards the Granite Belt Brewery for lunch and a taste of different brews. We also listened to an interesting talk on how to brew beer and its contents. After lunch back to the camp grounds for a well earned rest.

Dinner that night was a barbeque, with chats around the dinner tables.

Friday saw the veteran cars heading towards Liston to the Aloomba Lavender Farm. On the way we managed to stall the car at the main round about in Stanthorpe and Brett had to climb out to crank the engine. It started first go – so we received a few thumbs up and waves. At the lavender farm, a number of club members sampled the scones, jam and cream – which were delicious! After a look in the lavender shop we met under a tree near the cars to listen to the story of the lavender farm and to learn a little more about types of lavender. Then it was off to the Queensland College of Wine tourism. There we had a tasty lunch, and a tour and a talk about the college before heading back to the camp grounds. On the way back the Talbot (Archie) was sluggish and backfiring through the carburettor going up the hills, but we sped up considerably going down. It was at this stage that Brett mentioned that we were almost out of fuel, as he had forgotten to top up the tank after the first day. We breathed a sigh of relief as we turned into the camp grounds as it was downhill back to the campsite. When Brett put a stick in the petrol tank to measure the amount of fuel, we had about 2mm left in the bottom of the tank! Friday night was a shared meal of Italian flavours. Although I had bought the spinach to add to my meal I forgot to add it – so sorry I will try to follow my recipe and add all the ingredients next time!

Saturday saw us travel to Sutton's Juice Factory where we sampled a very nice apple pie. Pieces of pie were so generous, that we shared. (We have since called back for another slice of apple pie and coffee). Then it was on to the Cheese Factory where we tasted several cheeses, before travelling on to a picnic lunch. Going down the roads less travelled gave us an appreciation of the countryside around Stanthorpe which we pass through several times a year.

Sunday saw us at the Jamworks and Bramble Patch for another delicious morning tea before heading down the bicycle track to Washpool Soaperie and Ballandean Winery for a really outstanding lunch. We also sampled the ice cream made by the cousins of Ballandean Winery as well as some wine. Sunday night was spent around a campfire with a mixture of toastie irons. I think the most impressive was the 3 toastie iron!

Highlights for the Hollingums

1. The Veteran Car Club people who made us feel so welcome and were very happy to answer questions and give much appreciated advice about our Talbot.
2. Seeing other members' cars.
3. The discussions around the campfires, even though the main topic was cars! (this is from Christine)
4. It was the first time Christine had a ride in the Talbot – she says the main exercise she had over the rally was waving to people and hanging on as Brett took the corners!
5. The interesting places we visited and the various roads we took –

Thank you Russell and Susan.

Thank you to everyone for making our first rally so enjoyable.



Steering "Round Stanthorpe

Stanthorpe! Yet another successful tour from our Russell and a great location – in fact a great **"F"** extended-weekend – that is to say *filled* with *families, fellowship, fun, functions, fascinating farming* and, occasionally, *frustrations* as a *few* got lost.. There were too many families attending to remember them all but numbers were around twenty vehicles. We certainly have a happy club when so many can gather and enjoy each other's company. It was pleasing to have Brett and Christine Hollingum and their Talbot with us for the first time – and to see the Talbot behaving well and Brett keeping "her" under control. Equally pleasing was the attendance of the Bruce and Val Wright granddaughters; what a pair of delightful young ladies, one even taking on navigating duties.

Our base, the Somerville Tourist Park at Storm King Dam, was a great location for so many assorted rigs to gather, with ample room and good, clean amenities. However any thoughts I harboured about Stanthorpe as a National Tour base were dashed by the present cabin accommodation. The cabins on offer were basic and expensive with the cheaper ones offering no hot water or toilet facilities; certainly not what we'd want to offer Interstate visitors. Perhaps there are more adequate cabins elsewhere in the district.

The said "functions", apart from the usual happy hour gathering, featured a shared hot meal with the tastes, varieties and quantities all that one could want, a sit-out-in the-cold movie with Russell's truck the screen and a jaffle night over a hot fire. These certainly catered for the fun and fellowship; and visits to wineries, a lavender farm, cheese and fruit juice merchants added either to our knowledge or our waist lines!

And talking of waist lines, at the fruit juice factory, Russell provided me – and all – with my other favourite hobby – eating! The enormous portions of apple pie, topped with ice cream and real cream were a gastronomical delight, washed down with a great cappuccino. Having spied the generous wedges of pie, each couple ordered only one to share. (Thank you, Trevor and Janette, our backseat passengers, for our morning tea.) While travelling with the Farnells in tow, we were thrilled to see a multi-pronged deer bound off over some fallen timber. The next day, Janette spied a beautiful, healthy koala and has a photo worthy of a tourist brochure just to prove it.

The last day, the longest of our trips, I'm told was the best. Joyce, out on her first weekend after a new hip, was finding tiring the into and out-of the Buick so we chose to remain behind and watch my beloved Broncos and later the cricket.

Thank you Russell – and ever-tolerant Sue for a great extended weekend. "Ever-tolerant" may be stretching it! Russ provided her with a good oiling, head to toe, courtesy, he thought, of the Vauxhall's gearbox seal leaking yet again. Ah, he of little faith (in himself actually), cast the poor Vauxhall aside and travelled modern, thinking "her" a temporary write-off, gladly to find later 'twas only a split oil line.Again, thank you both.

Kevin Brooks



GENERAL CLUB NOTICES

COMING EVENTS

The Editor has not received any new items to add to the list. Members should either refer to last month's *Veteran Torque*, or to the Club website, which has regularly updated information.

Note that the Tweed Valley Vehicle Restorers Club May rally has been cancelled, due to insufficient entries being received.

FROM QHMC

We have recently received the following:

- 1) Minutes of the (bimonthly)General Meeting of March 26th
- 2) Summary by Rod Graydon of the TMR MOCC Meeting of 10 March
Items of interest to members include:
 - US Style SIV Plates are available to concessionally registered vehicles from March 16
 - Dating Certificates: The need for a dating certificate will no longer be required when the date of manufacture can be verified by TMR.
 - Replica vehicles built using components from later model vehicles: A replica vehicle is considered a new vehicle and the date of manufacture is considered when the vehicle is completed, and as such the vehicle is **not** eligible for SIVS concessional registration.
 - Child Restraints: Children under 7 years cannot be seated in the front passenger seat of vehicles with 2 or more rows of seats. However if it is possible to fit anchor points to the back seats, seatbelts and child restraints may be fitted.

The above-mentioned two documents are posted on the Club website together with this issue.

SUPPER ROSTER, 2015



This month's volunteer is Janette Farnell. Here is Janette racing to get supper ready for the meeting.

Thank you to Alison Day (June) and Visnja Timkiv (September).
Volunteers are still needed for July, August, October and November.



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[Note: Members' "For Sale" and "Wanted" notices will normally appear in three consecutive issues. If you sell or obtain an advertised item will you please notify the Editor]

WANTED

*** TECHNICAL ARTICLES FROM MEMBERS FOR PUBLICATION IN VETERAN TORQUE.**

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**** COMPLETE VETERAN OR VINTAGE "LIVE" REAR AXLE ASSEMBLY** in any condition with final drive ratio between 4.2:1 and 4.8:1

Contact: Syd Norman Jimboomba Qld ph 0427 452 261

**** INFORMATION ON, OR KNOWLEDGE OF, A 1905 TO 1908 4-CYLINDER BX RENAULT.** I have a 1908 4-cylinder BX Renault and require some assistance. I would like photos of engines and associated linkages of the 1905 to 1908 4-cylinder BX Renault - or even the 2 cylinder AX Renault.

Contact: John Kennett, swequine@aussiebroadband.com.au [Note: I am in correspondence with John and have sent him some photos of our AX Renault – Alan Robinson]

FOR SALE

If you are like me, then you are probably wondering whatever happened to Dick Pakeman's rim making business at Helidon. Well, I found out that he has sold all his equipment to Steve Hood at Kingaroy. I contacted Steve as I required a 24 inch Dodge split rim. I picked it up the following week. He informed me he is keen to supply a large range of rims and is happy to look at special orders. He trades under Vintage Rims Australia and has a web site – www.vintagerimsaus.com – but it's still being developed. For those of you who don't have computers, and I know there's a few of you, his contact is 0429 622 208.

Brett Hollingum

*** VETERAN MOTORCYCLE 1905 PEUGEOT.** 500cc Single 3 1/2 HP. Very rare motorcycle. Has been given its 100 year badge by the Veteran Car Club of Australia. The bike is on Club plates (to be returned to ACT Rego). The Bike has been regularly run in club events and was at the Parkes Veteran M/C Rally 2013. It has new tyres and the magneto completely serviced by Peter Scott. It has a B&B Carby and comes with service tools and Restored original seat. Price \$34,000.

Contact: Geoff 0415228877.



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A little bit of...HUMOUR ☺ ☺ ☺

We went to the movies the other night. I sat in an aisle seat as I usually do, because it feels a little roomier. Just as the feature was about to start, a blonde baby boomer from the centre of the row got up and started working her way out.

"Excuse me, sorry, oops, excuse me, pardon me, gotta hurry, oops, excuse me."

By the time she got to me, I was trying to look around her and I was a little impatient, so I said, *"Couldn't you have done this a little earlier?"*

"No!!" she said in a loud whisper. "The 'Turn off Your Mobile, Please' message just flashed up on the screen and my phone is out in the car."

