

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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VCCA(Q) - 2020 - 2021



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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 7.30 pm, and Visitors are always welcome.

The Club website is:

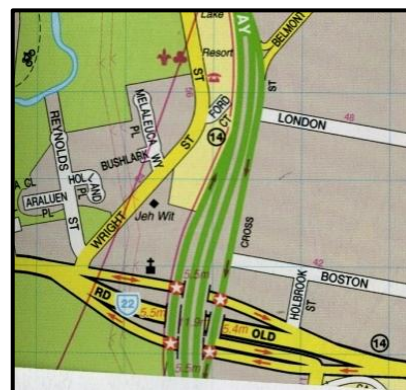
www.vccaq.com

Membership fees for 2021-22 only are:

Full Membership (single):	\$ 50	Joint Membership	\$ 55
Country Membership (single):	\$ 38	Joint Membership:	\$ 41
Associate Membership	\$ 38		

There is an additional joining fee of \$30.

Note: THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF \$15 FOR THOSE MEMBERS REQUIRING A MAILED OUT COPY.



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

Bank of Queensland A/C 21577447; BSB 124001, giving details of your name.

Or By Cheque, made payable to Veteran Car Club of Australia (Queensland) Inc.

(Please use full name as above to comply with bank requirements.)

Membership Application Forms are available from the Secretary at the address below.

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

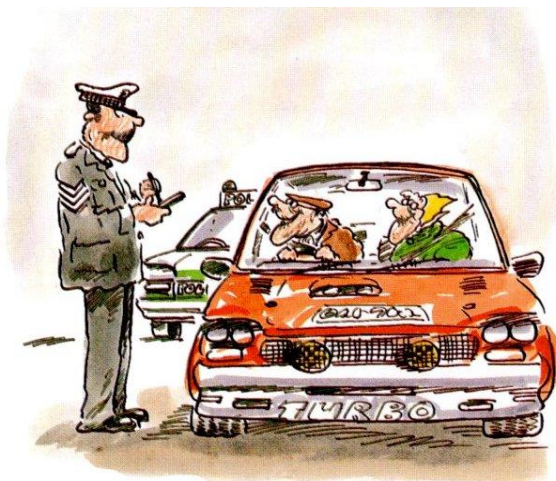
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"Left you standing at the lights, Eh Sonny"

President's Report for August

We begin this month in lockdown again and while a necessary evil they are certainly inconvenient when it comes time for a meeting. Zoom has been the go-to medium for this particular problem and we are gaining attendees. I would like to invite any members to join us by zoom particularly if they can't attend in person. It is not perfect but at least provides us the means to move forward. The committee has discussed our next meeting, the AGM and we want that held in person. The date is currently Monday September 6th with any changes to be notified by email, facebook and the website. Nomination forms are available on the website and I would encourage anyone wanting to join the committee or stand for a position, please get your form in now. It is a rewarding journey; and with the knowledge that this is how we keep the club evolving into the future.



Most members would now be aware that the National Rally in Swan Hill "Rally to the Mallee" has been cancelled. Claudia and Michael moved mountains to keep up with all of the changes being thrown at them and finally had to concede defeat due to the Government rules about events during covid. Many thanks to Claudia and Michael for all of their efforts over the last three years and I hope they know how much it means to us as members that they did so much work.

Our Swap Meet was held last Saturday and was quite a success. The setup worked well including the QR sign-in. I know a few treasures changed hands as some came home with us. There was quite a line up for trying on outfits at Irene Hill's stall. That means we will all be expecting beautiful new outfits on show at the next rally! I think Irene has earned a well-deserved rest after all of the sewing she has completed. Joyce did a wonderful job making sure tea and coffee was available for our thirsty customers and hats off to our BBQ chefs keeping everyone well fed.

At this point we have 54 entries for the Kingaroy rally and I must say that far exceeds the original numbers I had predicted. It is wonderful to have our members showing such support for the President's run this year. I have really enjoyed the process of running my first ever rally, and I look forward to the culmination of these efforts. I must add I'm blessed to have Rob and my family helping every step of the way. A few changes have had to be made not just due to covid and this simply changes the direction we were heading. We will be enjoying short runs, visits to workshops, history immersion, some novelty events and wonderful food. Not to mention it's Fathers Day and we have to celebrate. It's only three days but they will be full and exhausting. At this point we have four family cars due to be there and one is running....so three to go. I know this rings true for many members who are frantically putting cars together and hoping for the best. With only ten days to go the pressure is definitely on but it is still ten days and lots will get done. Don't panic, we always have a silver lining and ours is the next rally, our "Plan B rally" to be held in Stanthorpe during October being run by Russell Massey and Rhonda Guthrie paying homage to the National that didn't happen. Details can be found on the website and of course you can call Rhonda or Russell anytime.

Please spare a thought for all of our members outside of Queensland who are in lockdown presently and unable to join us rallying at this stage. Fingers crossed lockdown ends soon.

Happy Motoring,

Sally

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JOINING A MEETING VIA ZOOM

Members wishing to join a General Meeting via Zoom, log into Zoom, and insert the Meeting ID and Passcode when prompted.

Meeting ID 84820991078
Password 070717

**Minutes Of the 2020 Annual General Meeting
Of the Veteran Car Club of Australia Qld. Inc.
Held at the club rooms, 1376 Old Cleveland Road Carindale.
Monday 7th December 2020**

President Peter Arnold opened the meeting at 8.24pm.

Attendance: As per General Meeting.

Visitors: As per General Meeting.

Apologies As per General Meeting.

Minutes of previous AGM

Minutes of the 2019 AGM as published in the club magazine were taken as read. Hazel Burley moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded Syd Norman. Carried.

Business Arising: Nil

Treasurer's Report: A copy of the audit is available to peruse. There is a tax bill of over \$2000 to be paid.

President's Report: Peter read out his annual report.

Events Report: Albert thanked all the members for their support for the rallies, a special thanks to Phil for all the hard work he put in to organising some great rallies.

Property Report: Russell thanked all the dedicated and hard-working members for their continued support of the working bees at the club grounds. There is usually a good turn up, thanks for coming along.

Dating Report: 2019 has been a quiet year for the dating committee. We have dated the 1916 Dodge belonging to Kathy Day and the 1918 Dodge belonging to Grant Vormister. Ross Guthrie thanked the other members of the dating committee for their continued support. Also, thanks to Rob Guthrie for painting the black on the 100-year badges.

SAG Report: The **S**trategic **A**dvisory **G**roup was formed some years ago to take the pressure and the workload off the committee. They look at what maintenance jobs need to be done and then go ahead and get quotes and prices then report to the committee who then will decide. Some projects do not come to fruition, if you see anything that needs to be looked at please let us know.

Editor's Report: As Carolyn was unavailable, Hazel read out the editor's report.

Kevin Brooks moved that all reports be accepted. Seconded Trevor Farnell.

Election of office bearers:

President Peter Arnold declared all positions vacant and asked Trevor Farnell to chair the elections of officers.

President: Sally York, nominated by Peter Arnold, seconded Albert Budworth.

President: Glynn Hackshall nominated by Ross Guthrie, seconded John Que.
A vote was taken, Sally York elected.

Immediate Past President: Peter Arnold

Vice President: Syd Norman, nominated by Hazel Burley, seconded Peter Arnold. No other nominations. Syd elected.

Treasurer: Steve Forster, nominated by Peter Arnold, seconded Hazel Burley. No other nominations. Steve elected.

Secretary: Rhonda Guthrie, nominated by Phil Fletcher, seconded Albert Budworth. No other nominations. Rhonda elected.

Events Director: Phil Fletcher, nominated by Joe Jarick, seconded Noel Adams. No other nominations. Phil elected.

Property Officer: Glynn Hackshall, nominated by Steve Forster, seconded Peter Arnold. No other nominations. Glynn elected.

WebMaster: Russell Massey, nominated by Hazel Burley, seconded by Steve Forster. No other nominations. Russell elected.

Security: Russell Massey, nominated by Hazel Burley, seconded by Steve Forster. No other nominations. Russell elected.

Committee Member (Editor): Carolyn Robinson, nominated by Hazel Burley seconded Bob Burley. No other nominations. Carolyn elected.

Committee Member: Albert Budworth, nominated by Hazel Burley, seconded Peter Arnold. Albert elected.

Phil moved to increase the VCCAQ committee to ten members. Seconded Trevor Farnell. Carried

Steve moved that Carwardine and Associates be appointed as auditors for 2020-2021. Seconded Glynn Hackshall. Carried.

Peter Arnold and Hazel Burley will no longer be signatories for the Club accounts.

The new signatories will be

President	Sally York
Treasurer	Stephen Forster
Secretary	Rhonda Guthrie

Peter Arnold and Hazel Burley will no longer be signatories for the Charleville Rally account.

The signatories for this account will be

Rally Treasurer	Irene Donges
President	Sally York
Treasurer	Steve Forster

Peter opened the meeting for general business, as there was no general business the meeting was closed.

Meeting closed 9 pm

Hazel Burley
Secretary VCCAQ

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Minutes of the Six Hundred and Seventy Ninth Meeting Of the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc.

**Held as a ZOOM meeting due to Covid 19 regulations
Monday 2nd August 2021**

Apologies: Alan & Carol Robinson, Steve & Lauren Forster, Trevor & Janette Farnell, Rob & Pam Guthrie, Allan & Dianne Lyons, Phil Fletcher, Glenn Adams, Kevin & Joyce Brooks, Zac Charlton & Iris Anderson.

Attendance on Zoom: Sally & Rob York, Syd & Pauline Norman, Albert Budworth, Wayne Aberdeen, Russell & Susan Massey, Louise & Tim Becker, Graham Crittenden, Peter Arnold, Joe Jarick, Paul Blake, Ashley York & Adam Lyons, John Day, Rhiann York & Jacob Bailey, Peter Handley, Grant Vormister & Rhonda Guthrie.

President: Sally York, welcomed everyone, thanked them for their attendance.

Minutes of the July Meeting: Minutes as published in the club newsletter were taken as read. Rhonda moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record Seconded by Albert Budworth. All agreed

Business Arising: Nil

Correspondence:

Magazines Various Clubs
Rent paid – Various clubs
Various Club memberships
Various Accounts

Emails Inwards

Various club newsletters Brass Notes, Lismore, BVAC, Country Motoring
Grant Vormister, asking permission to hold a veteran gathering in Ayr during 21/22nd August.

Correspondence Outward:

Letters Welcome letter with name badges and national register

Alan & Rondah Rodda, Rob & Fran Hackett, Ashley York & Adam Lyons, Rhiann York & Jacob Bailey.

Letter: Ashley York & Adam Lyons – to enable them to register their 1917 Buick.

Email outward

Various club newsletters, Brass Notes, Lismore, BVAC, Country Motoring

Business Arising from Correspondence: Nil

Rhonda moved that the inward correspondence be received and the outwards be endorsed. Seconded by Syd Norman, all agreed

Treasurer Report: Steve was not able to attend. Rhonda read out his report and Rhonda moved that the report be accepted and accounts be passed for payment. Seconded Peter Arnold, All Agreed

Events: Sally reported that she had been speaking to Michael & Claudia Holding, rally directors for the Swan Hill Rally. They are planning to go ahead with the rally as there are quite a few Victorians who would be able to attend.

If you decide not to attend, you need to contact the Swan Hill committee on or before 17th Sept to receive a full refund, after this date you may not receive a full refund. The meal form is due out 23rd August.

If you do decide to attend, you will be required to have a covid test ASAP on entering Victoria. Then you will need to quarantine until the results have been received and you need to have a negative result. Though don't forget you will also be required to arrange a border pass before entering Victoria. But there could be an extra problem for Qld & NSW entrants who wish to take part in the rally, due to border regulations.

At the last committee meeting, this event (Swan Hill) was discussed. The committee decided to have a plan "B" just in case, we were unable to cross the borders - this could be either the NSW or Victoria borders. Qld police are a lot stricter than they have been in the past.

As Russell Massey had organised a rally in Stanthorpe back in 2016, we felt that would be a great destination. Russell was heading to Stanthorpe last Saturday to recheck his rally when the Qld government closed the border and put us into lockdown, so he and Susan returned home.

Russell is still planning, to check various places as soon as possible. As there are lots of new destinations, we can visit when we return to Stanthorpe. It was suggested that we may need to change the dates of our tour. Maybe mid-week to mid-week to enable working folks to attend for the weekend. Though this would depend on what days the country businesses would be open. Russell mentioned we may need to arrange our BYO morning tea, and luncheons.

Social Report:

24th July Albert reported that the "P" Party, was well attended and everyone enjoyed themselves.

11th August Shed invitation, Syd & Pauline Norman - has been **CANCELLED** due to everyone being in lockdown.

21st August Swap Meet, Albert felt we only need a sausage sizzle for the swap meet, everyone was happy with this idea. At this stage the swap will go ahead, though it will depend on Government regulations. Peter reminded the members will need to set out the sites as was done last year. We need to arrange a gap between the sites. We need to set up the sites on the Friday ready for an early Saturday.

3,4,5th September President Rally Kingaroy

18th September Handover Dinner. Menu will be discussed at the next committee meeting

18th December Christmas Luncheon

Website and Security: Russell Massey reported at the moment he is unable to log into the club security from home. He is unable to get to the club rooms until later in the week to check.

Property:

In Glynn's absence, Albert reported that he and Glynn have been discussing the need to contact the Agent regarding the number of vehicles parked outside the house. There were 12 vehicles last time we were there. We will require those parking spots for the folks attending the Swap Meet.

Dating: Nil

QHMC: Albert mentioned that the QHMC is trying to arrange another meeting with the Qld Dept Transport.

General Business:

We need to have a better access to the electricity meter at the house to enable the meter to be read correctly. We need to change the full fence into fence & gate. This will be discussed more fully at the next committee meeting.

TAVACCA, The Montagu Trophy is presented each year at the National Rally final dinner. The trophy was donated to the veteran movement, by Lord Montagu back in 1966. It is usually given to a person in the Veteran movement in appreciation for work and assistance given to the movement over a period of many years. Wayne Aberdeen was awarded this award quite a few years ago.

National Secretary, Hamish Mc Donald, sent out a FIVA Conference link to view on line. Peter was able to connect and watch the restoration program. He found it very interesting and suggested we log in next time this is arranged.

Albert mentioned that he has booked the Veteran Club in for 12th February 2022 to view the Automotive Craftsman, aluminium workshop. It costs \$5.00 per person, this included morning tea.

Peter mentioned he had recently spoken to Helen Revell and she is doing quite well, and wished to send her regards to club members. He also mentioned that she is selling all the steam veterans.

Albert mentioned that the Qld government is looking into declaring a Public Holiday later in the year to replace the Peoples' Day, the Exhibition Wednesday.

Meeting Closed 8.35pm

Rhonda Guthrie
Hon Secretary
Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc

Sally York.....
Hon. President
Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc

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Thanks to Syd Norman for the following information.

There was a discussion on the fitment of turning indicators to old cars at one of our meetings.

I did some research with reference to A.D.R 19/01 6/00 and 53/00 and they, as to be believed, are "wordy" publications.

Hopefully to simplify things I believe that whilst technically prior approval is required, including drawings, turning indicators may be fitted :-

- No less than 350 mm from the road and no more than 1200 mm high
- A minimum of 240 mm between lights front or rear
- No more than 300 mm from the front and rear of the vehicle sideways
- May not be combined with any other lamp using the same light source
- Must flash 90 +/- 30 times per minute
- Must be yellow in colour with an intensity of 18 to 21 c.p. or similar if L.E.D.
- Must be visible at a minimum of 2 c.p at 15 degrees above and below vertical
- Must be visible at a minimum of 2 c.p.at angles of 45 degrees inward and 80 degrees outward.

There are a lot of imported vehicles fitted with indicators that do not adhere to Australian Design Rules but they are accepted as original fitment, just like our gas head lights and kero tail lights. This may prompt more discussion but I believe that lights fitted as per the above should not be queried by Main Roads.

Also ALL vehicles are required to be fitted with a pair of red rear reflectors and a rear red brake light.

And I found no mention or objection to the fitment of flashing yellow strobe lights to the rear.

Syd Norman.

You are invited to attend the “Annual Handover Dinner”

When: Saturday 18th Sept 2021 at 5.30pm

Where: At the Clubrooms

Cost: \$30.00 per person

(subsidised by the Members' Social Account)

\$35.00 per person (non members)

Dress: Smart Casual

Payment can be made either to Steve

at the club meeting on 6th September

Or by direct deposit into the Club Social Account

BSB: 124 026 account 21 823 868



Hot savouries will be served from 6pm

Followed by main meal and dessert



Fruit punch, tea & coffee will be available

BYO Alcoholic Beverages

Please let Albert know of any dietary requirements

RSVP 10th September 2021

Albert

07 3398 8527 or 0429 780 980

albertdianebudworth@outlook.com



2021 National Rally – Swan Hill - CANCELLED - due to Covid 19 restrictions.

After much discussion the Club Committee felt it would be a pity to miss out on another adventure in our veteran cars. We have come up with a plan “B”, we have chosen “**Stanthorpe**”. The club hasn’t visited this area for quite a few years and Russell Massey is very keen for us to explore the area once again.

If you haven’t visited Stanthorpe before, let me give you a short description.

The Stanthorpe Shire focused around the Central Business District spreads more than 37 Km, encompassing a diverse range of landscapes.

Throughout your stay within this region you will experience this diverse natural haven, including tranquil natural parks, picturesque watercourses, wineries, gourmet foods, lavender farms and more..... All in Granite Belt Time.

The Granite belt offers a fresh easy-living environment to while away the days. The air is clean, the sky is blue (hopefully), the temperature is cool and it’s a beautiful place to live or visit.

The temperature climate of the area is influenced by Stanthorpe being located 1015m above sea level, so visitors enjoy cool weather every season of the year, and just remember all true sports people train at altitude, so it can’t all be bad.

I know you’ll love the Granite Belt, and trust you’ll enjoy your stay with us.

Our plan is to enjoy this area between the dates of **7th & 14th October 2021**. (Rally days are 8-13th October). If you are interested in attending, may I suggest you book your accommodation. Our rally headquarters will be the caravan park in Stanthorpe. **“Top of the Town Tourist Park, 10 High St, Stanthorpe QLD 4380** **Hours: 9am · Closes 5PM** **Phone: [\(07\) 4681 4888](tel:0746814888)**

info@topoftown.com.au - or There are plenty of motels in town if you would prefer that style of accommodation.

We are looking forward to as many club members who are able, to join us there to explore Stanthorpe,

Life throws us a curve ball sometimes. This is what the COVID 19, has done for 2020 - 2021.

Please be patient with us as this is a last minute plan, and rally routes need to be checked and interesting places to visit need to be sourced.

All enquiries please contact Russell Massey 0411 550 088 or Rhonda Guthrie 0427 175 099

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RALLY NEWS

Kingaroy

A lot of members are looking forward to The President's Kingaroy Rally – indeed, so many that we have 50 Entries! That must be some sort of a record for a Club Event.

President Sally has assembled what seems to be a great event and a range of enjoyable activities. Sally (née Crittenden) has involved the whole of the Crittenden Tribe and has arranged for several Crittenden veterans (cars that is) to be driven on the Rally - which will no doubt delight Graham.

Despite the fact that Graham is now the elder statesman of the Club, it has not been easy for him to participate in the Club's activities over the years and the Club has not visited Kingaroy enough on its events – so this is a great opportunity for Sally to bring the Club to Kingaroy to Rally on the Father's Day Weekend.

And the numbers have been swelled also by the attendance (on their annual pilgrimage!) of the Hackshall tribe who will be able to share Father's Day with Glynn and by the Guthrie Clan and the Lanagan family.

But all of those are not enough to account for the record entries.

Swan Hill

I'm sure you all know by now that the Swan Hill National has been cancelled as a result of Covid for the second time, and I'm sure we all share a great sadness for Michael and Claudia Holding who have been planning it for something like four years now.

STANTHORPE - Swan Hill Plan B

As the time for Swan Hill approached your Queensland Committee has recognized the prospect that the National could suffer the fate that it has, and decided that it was time that we should consider the introduction of a Plan B mainly for Queensland Entrants who had planned to go to Swan Hill. However, we did not wish to announce its existence in case it influenced entrants to cancel their Swan Hill entries prematurely.

Seventy-six people were listed as entrants from Queensland (second largest contingent and nearly 20 percent of all entrants), so there were going to be a lot of us to be disappointed, having organized time, holidays, finances etc.

So we have established Plan B – a rally for a similar period of time and on dates essentially coinciding with the dates for travel to and attendance at Swan Hill. So we have planned arrival on Thursday, 7th October and touring commencing on Friday 8th for six days to include Tuesday 13th Oct. and departing on Wednesday 14th.

Swan Hill Plan B will be at Stanthorpe and Rally HQ will be at the "Top of Town" Caravan Park, High Street (www.topoftown.com.au). I have asked Russell Massey and Rhonda Guthrie to jointly run this Rally. Russell ran a similar rally in Stanthorpe five years ago and had venues and rally routes on hand to allow such a rally to be put in place quickly.

These involve visits to Storm King Dam, Dalveen, Amiens and the surrounding Soldier Settlement areas, Wallangarra and the Railway Museum, an excellent lunch venue at Ballandean Winery and another at Hidden Creek Winery – amongst others. I am assured that the rally routes traverse some really attractive countryside. The touring distances will be short, similar to those planned at Swan Hill. As usual, Happy Hours and evening entertainments can be anticipated.

In general, it was the Committee's objective that we should make Plan B as close as possible to the National in form and concept so that what entrants were looking forward to at Swan Hill will be reflected at Stanthorpe. Obviously it will not be possible to offer a vehicle display of 200 cars or a

ride on a Murray River paddle steamer but you can be sure that Russell and Rhonda will do their best to provide whatever interesting delights as can be provided in the time.

Details will be emailed to all, including, most particularly, those who were booked in for Swan Hill. Dare we hope that all or nearly all of them will come to Stanthorpe? But of course, it is not limited to those entered for Swan Hill – clearly the more who come, the more it can be like the National.

Please keep your eyes on your “Inbox” and respond early to the Invitation by submitting your Entry Form as soon as possible once you receive it and book your accommodation without delay; we have been warned that a number of car clubs are out there planning rallies in that area for around that time..

The Emancipation Run

Given that the Emancipation Run is normally to be expected on the first Sunday in November, it would be rather too close to the Swan Hill Plan B Rally and so the Committee has agreed that it should be cancelled for this year.

Looking forward to seeing you all at a rally soon,

Phil Fletcher

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Dressing the Edwardian Man - Irene Hill

In the Edwardian era, unlike women's fashions, traditional articles of clothing for the gentleman changed very little. The only concessions to the passing of time were a few tiny details – the cut of the trousers or the shape to the jacket, for instance.

Since the turn of the nineteenth century colours for men remained fairly dark, the only places allotted colour being the waistcoat, and cravat or tie.

With the rise in popularity of sporting activities and also motoring, yachting and others, there came the introduction of sportswear.

As with most things pertaining to the Edwardian era, the Prince of Wales (Queen Victoria's son, Bertie) heavily influenced not only what men wore, but when. For day, **morning dress** was de rigueur. To be seen in London, especially, attired in nothing less was an affront to sartorial sensibilities. Morning dress consisted of a **morning coat**, which was single-breasted, and black or charcoal in colour; the **waistcoat**, either single or double-breasted, matched the coat or was lighter in colour. The **trousers** were striped, a coloured silk **cravat** or tie, and **Homburg** or **bowler hat** or **squat top hat** would complete the outfit. The **frock coat**, a double-breasted knee-length coat of black or dark grey or blue wool, was worn on formal morning occasions.

For evening, men's attire was strictly composed of a black **dress coat**, aka **tailcoat**, white waistcoat with a white bow tie and trousers of striped or plain fabric. This **dress coat** was double-breasted with an open front, cut away square at the waist, with two or three buttons on each front, and two knee-length tails at the rear. There was also the choice of wearing the dinner jacket when dressing for dinner at home or at 'the club'. This was worn with a white shirt and dark bow tie, often with no waistcoat.

Due to Bertie's fondness for dinner jackets, tweed sports jackets, and plaid Norfolk jackets and suits with plus fours or plus eights, there came a greater emphasis on comfort, and a greater obsession with sporting activities. This was the epoch of polo, cricket, shooting and hunting, and such new sports as tennis, football, golf, cycling and motoring. Of course each activity required its own set of clothing. Knits, flannel and tweeds were popular, even in the climes of Australia. For cycling, motoring, shooting and golf, plus-fours, a type of loose knee-breeches fastened below the knee were favoured. For rowing and tennis and any occasion which demanded freedom of movement knitted sweaters were in vogue.

For bathing or at the beach, **swimming costumes** were made of fabric, often thick wool. In 1910 Jantzen introduced its knit fabric and it was popular immediately as it allowed freedom of movement when in the water.

Typical outerwear consisted of the **Chesterfield**, a single-breasted coat of herringbone tweed with a velvet collar, or the **Ulster**, a coat with shoulder cape generally worn for travel, or **the Raglan** overcoat, a long full coat of waterproof material. Popular in Australia was the **duster** coat, a thin-fabric coat worn by both men and women, to protect their outfits from dust and dirt when out motoring. Made of gabardine, the **trench** coat was invented by Thomas Burberry in 1901 as an alternative to the heavy wool greatcoats worn by British and French officers. This was in widespread use by the start of the Great War.

Hats were also dictated by fashion and time of day. Hats for day included the wool-felt **Homburg**, a stiff felt hat with a dented crown and turned-up silk-bound brim; the **Trilby**, of a similar shape but with a flatter brim, and the ubiquitous **bowler** (aka Derby) with its round crown and turned-up brim. The **top hat** was worn with the frock coat, morning coat and evening dress. The **boater** was a flat-brimmed, flat-crowned straw hat popular in the summer. Some swells possessed an opera hat which was top-hat style made of black silk with a folding mechanism to lay it flat. A special shelf was provided under the seat in the theatre for this hat to be safely stored during the performance.

Shoes were long and had pointed toes, either black or tan, although short boots were correct for dress wear. From 1910 shoes became more popular than boots. Casual brogues were tan and white two-tone leather, laced-up, for sports such as golf. White canvas 'sand shoes' were worn for tennis and yachting. In about 1910 a blunt round-toe leather lace-up shoe was introduced. This was called the American Boston or bulldog toe.

Accessories were many, and included pocket watches, walking canes, umbrellas, gloves, scarves and gold or silver cufflinks and tie pins. The wristwatch as we would recognize it today came into vogue in about 1912.

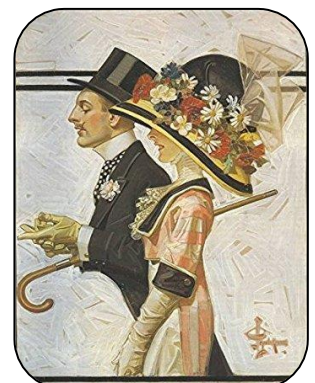
Pocket watches could be of gold or silver suspended from a matching Albert chain and tucked in the waistcoat pocket.

Scarves were often knitted or crocheted in silk at home, and sported long fringes.

In the 1890s the tightly-furled umbrella became a fashionable substitute for the walking stick. Walking canes were of Malacca cane or rattan, for town use, very often with a silver knob or mounted with engraved silver bands. The crook walking stick became a casual-attire accessory.

Gloves could be tan kid for day wear and white kid or fabric for evening. Popular were gauntlet gloves for motoring.

Tie pins and cuff links were of gold or silver, whatever suited the occasion. Cigarette cases, visiting card cases, leather note cases (for pound notes) with money clips, vesta match cases, cigar cutters, and snuff cases were just some of the accessories which the well-dressed gentleman employed in the Edwardian era.



AYR RALLY - Grant Vormister

The North Queenslanders assembled in Ayr for a long weekend of Veteran touring starting Friday night around Frank and Adrienne's camp. As Melissa and I were last to arrive, the decision had already been made that we were the Rally Directors for the weekend. I quickly engaged Dave and Fay (kicking and screaming) as Senior Committee members and all correspondence must pass through them, including all complaints.

Saturday morning we all met at the local park for display at the markets, before heading off through the cane fields to our lunch stop at Clare. An excellent long lunch was had by all, the only complaint was there was too much food !! The afternoon run was the long way back to town on flat empty roads.

Saturday night we all walked into town for dinner at one of the local pubs. Another large meal was washed down as the veteran car stories flowed.

Sunday morning we all headed out again though the cane fields, along the river, missing all the traffic, to the morning tea stop. The ladies supplied everyone with cakes and slices. Dave and Fay had picked up a nail, so that was the end for their REO. As far as I know, this is the first time the REO hasn't finished a rally. The REO is in need of four new tyres. Must be from all the burnouts Dave does.

With the REO retired hurt, Dave jumped in the Cadillac as navigator for Glenn, leaving Fay to find her own way to lunch. Lunch was at the Brandon Pub. Another big meal was had before taking the back streets home.

Saturday night Les and Christine invited everyone to their home for pizza and drinks. Not much pizza was consumed as we were all full from the previous meals. Nonetheless, the ladies produced more delicious cakes !!

Monday morning we said goodbye to some as the rest of us headed to Groper Creek for more cake on the river bank before another lovely drive to Home Hill for lunch. Another huge delicious meal was had before heading to Tom and Jan's Toybox for a sticky beak. A most impressive collection of, EVERYTHING!! I asked Tom is there anything he doesn't collect? He had a long think and replied "I don't think so" He has everything from a Banana Bender to Steam engines and everything else in between. From the Toybox it was a short drive home to start loading up cars and packing bags for tomorrow's departure.

There was no need for dinner due to the amount of food eaten over the weekend. A Vegemite toast was all Mel and I needed before collapsing into bed.

Next year this rally will be named the Burdekin Food Tour.

I'd like to thank the locals, Dave and Fay, Les and Christine and Tom and Jan for all the work they put in to make a very enjoyable weekend.

Attending were:

Len & Fiona Kelly	1910 REO, single cylinder
Glenn Ridolfi	1908 Cadillac, single cylinder
Dave & Fay	1908 REO, single cylinder
Frank & Adrienne Cerutti	1909 Maxwell, two cylinder
Ron & Wendy Byrnes,	1909 FN
Tom & Jan Callow,	1915 T, Model A, and 1910 Renault two cylinder
Les & Christine	1915 T and 1917 T
Russell & Jenny Stewart	1908 Miss T
Grant & Melissa Vormister	1918 Dodge
Ross Northward	Vintage T
Ross & Sylvia Chapman,	Austin 7
Tail End Charlie, Gary & Jan Crowdey,	1934 Packard

See you all at Stanthorpe.



A Motor Rumour.

We hear that a North Queensland member has bought a rare restored 2 cyl. Reo. Less than 20 of these sporty 1908 "Gentleman's Roadsters" were built, so it will be a welcome addition to the fleet when it arrives from USA. We look forward to some photos and details of the car.



Noel Adams Latest Find

The photos below show the chassis of the **Model 61 Overland** that Noel discovered, and it's loaded ready to come home.



THE CLUB SWAP

[Photos : Sally York]





“HORSE POWER”

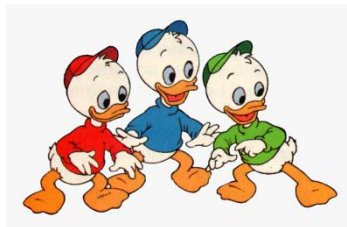
ANOTHER BLONDE JOKE

During a recent password audit by a large US Company, it was found that a female employee was using the following password:

“MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLouieDeweyGoofyDonaldSacramento”

When asked why she had such a long password, she rolled her eyes and said:

“Hello! It has to be at least 8 characters and include at least one capital.”



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