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

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

# VETERAN TORQUE

**JULY 2021** 



Mary Valley Rallyists in Bundaberg.





### 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.

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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.

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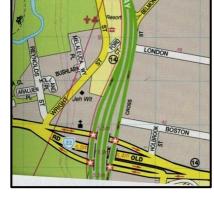
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If you think you are smarter than the previous generation...50 years ago the owners manual of a car showed you how to adjust the valves. Today it warns you not to drink the contents of the battery.

## President's Report - June

What a jam packed month we've had. Rob and I have just returned from the Mary Valley Rally and it stood up to the hype. It was great to get *Whitey* out again and apart from a visit to Olds Engineering in Maryborough, she ran very well. It seems they provide such incredible service that *Whitey* needed a revisit. We met Robert and his father Peter who is the spritely age of 91 and fondly remembers the last visit *Whitey* paid to the workshop some 53 years ago. We didn't keep them up all night this time and were back on the road that afternoon. Very appreciative of the fact they managed to fit us in and get us going again, just like last time. Thanks also to John Day, who helped us with the introduction.

Our display at Queens Park celebrating 50 years to the day since the 1971 Apex rally displayed here was very well attended and the public were very impressed with all of the historical costumes. Wonderful that Joe got the De Dion Bouton out on show, being a Maryborough car. We were all educated by Earl on some relevant history of the park and surrounding buildings, then harassed and subsequently fined by the wayward Constable Plod who accurately distinguished perpetrators of certain offences. I'm certain all fines were settled accordingly.

The short drive out to the Clift residence was a delightful close to the day and those fresh homemade scones left the need for an afternoon nap a distinct possibility. The rally dinner was a jump back in time to 1971 with the colourful costumes and hair. I do believe there are still some questions about the photos supplied.



Monday found us setting ourselves at Imbil and welcoming entrants, Russell and Genny, who didn't make it to Maryborough. Geoff Clegg and John Handley were responsible, with a few volunteers, for a camp oven feast that was tremendously enjoyed by all and there was cake courtesy of the celebration of Lyn Fletcher's Birthday. We all wished Lyn a very Happy Birthday in our best singing voices.

Wednesday was warming up to be another great run until Rob had a slight disagreement with *Whitey* that resulted in a broken wrist. There were some murmurings that a certain white car might then be up for sale but they proved to be unsubstantiated. The Gympie hospital tended to his injuries very well and the staff were wonderful. Rob was more upset that he missed seeing the train! He is doing well and wants to thank everyone that helped him throughout the rally now that he is being challenged with the use of only his non dominant hand. Our farewell dinner at the local pub was cosy and quite entertaining – thanks to the awards provided by John and Phil.

The Club was represented at RACQ Motorfest this year with our daughter Ashley and her partner Adam taking the Dodge for display. Lots of interest in the car and the Club, which is great to hear and also many surprised that Ashley and Adam are so young to be involved in the veteran car movement. Congratulations to Ashley and Adam also on the purchase of their first veteran, a 1916 Buick that we anticipate seeing on the road soon!

There seems to be lots of interest in our next rally, to be held in Kingaroy over 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of September. Rally HQ will be at the Kingaroy Holiday Park on Walter

September. Rally HQ will be at the Kingaroy Holiday Park on Walter Road, phone 4162 1808, for caravans and cabins. Directly across the road is the Oasis Motel phone 4162 2399. I will endeavour to get the entry forms out asap and a good time to mention that it is Fathers' Day on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> so our planning will reflect how special that day is.

Happy Motoring,

Sally

<u>PS</u>. To all of the ladies who enquired about where to buy corsets – try Corset-Story (google or facebook) – they are in the UK and deliver into Australia quite quickly.



# Mary Valley Rally Part One, Maryborough. Peter Arnold

The Veteran Car Club has attended rallies in Maryborough a few times over the years, first in 1968 and again in 1971 to attend the APEX Rallies and festivals. In the 1990's we participated in a Combined Council run organised by the local car club and in more recent times there has been the Mary Poppins Festival and then the Burnett run where we were based in Howard and visited the Fraser Coast. They are the ones that I remember and there could have been others, all very enjoyable and memorable for different reasons.

This month saw us back in Maryborough this time to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the second Maryborough APEX Rally and Festival which was held on the same weekend, Queens Birthday Weekend, in 1971.

There were a number of vehicles and participants attending who were also in attendance at the original rally.

- · Rob and Pam Guthrie
- Greg Hill
- Frank Muggeridge
- Peter and Linda Arnold
- 1907 Star now owned by Keith and Anne Bartley
- 1912 Waverley now owned by Terry and Régie Lewis
- 1905 De Dion Bouton now owned by Chris and Jenny Sorensen

Most people arrived on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> to settle into their accommodation at the Wallace Tourist Park, an old favourite of ours as its facilities best meet the needs of all participants. At happy hour around the pool, Terry welcomed everybody and introduced the Bundy and Maryborough team, our hosts for the weekend.

The 3 days of motoring started with Councillor Phil Truscott flagging us off on the Ken and Gwyn Wells day up the Mary River to Tiaro. Morning tea was taken in a lovely park by the Mary River and once again they found an old rustic pub buried somewhere in the bush for a pub lunch before returning via a different route back to base camp.



Saturday was Bob and Diane Carruthers' turn sending us out to the Sandy Straights where the Mary River has its mouth. Morning Tea was at the sleepy beach side village of Maaroom with a relaxed picnic in the park, then on to the larger town of Boonooroo to the Bowls Club for lunch. I think you would have to be a keen fisherman to live in one of these villages, although there is a bowls club and golf club in Boonooroo.

We must make it back early tonight as we will be re-enacting the rally dinner in 70's style. Terry has insisted that the dress be 70's and we will finally see the photos that everyone has sent in of their favourite 70's picture. The challenge will be to try to put a name to the people in the photos.

We've all made it to the RSL for the dinner and the costumes do not disappoint. We are in competition with the party in the next function room who are all dressed as pirates. Anybody visiting the RSL tonight might think they have had a few too many.















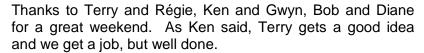
Most of us who were present 50 years ago could hardly remember what we got up to, but I managed to find the report of the event published in Veteran Torque so was able to refresh the memories as well as inform those who weren't there. Bob Carruthers entertained us with a bush poetry recital including one or two he had written himself.

We are joined by a few dignitaries for the evening, Councillor Phil Truscott with his wife Tanya, The Town Crier Ken Ashcroft and wife Judy, Historian Tony Cliff and Gail as well as Allan Ogden from our sponsor, Shannons insurance. Tony wrapped up the night with a very interesting presentation on early motoring in Maryborough.

Sunday started with a display in Queens Park while the train, Mary Anne, was in full steam taking rides around the park. Then after lunch it was only a short drive to visit our historian from last night, Tony and Gail Clift, at their residence on the banks of the Mary River for a sumptuous Devonshire Tea with freshly baked scones and home made jam with fresh cream. Bob continued with a couple more poems, the perfect way to end a great rally.









# Mary Valley Rally in Pictures





Constable Plod hands out fines













Joe Jarick's DeDion on its maiden rally

[Photo: John Day]

# A note from the Editor

Photos in the reports of the Mary Valley Rally are from various contributors. Acknowledgment is especially given to Pam Guthrie, Kevin Brooks, and Greg Hill. Other photos were mainly sourced from the Club's Facebook page.

A number of photos could not be included due to their lack of resolution.

I would appreciate it if all photos for publication in *Veteran Torque* were sent as JPEG attachments, and not included on the email itself, neither can I use those sent via heic.

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#### Did the Nimble Dwindle at Imbil?

**Kevin Brooks** 

Did the nimble dwindle at Imbil? Only briefly. After an excellent half of our rally - Maryborough – some exited for work or pleasure. The hardy other- half loaded our waggons and travelled overland to the Borumba Deer Park beyond Imbil. Initially some were met by the swindle at Imbil until finances were settled at the office - nice people but with a faulty accounting system. That settled, segregation began - the Arnolds, the Jarretts, the Brooks and Erik the Viking deported to the low lands near the kitchen, while all others were sent to the highlands and cabins a hundred metres away - not ideal for happy hour. Obviously the authorities realised we were the quiet ones!

Talking of kitchens, once the highlanders came down from the heights to explore, they found the best equipped kitchen in a park, ever! Ovens, hotplates, microwaves, fridges, sandwich makers, BBQ's – the lot. Plus seating for dozens, a dance floor and two stages. Obviously providing temporary homes for wayward veteran car enthusiasts is not their only endeavour.

However prior to the discovery of the Lowlanders' kitchen. John Handley and Geoff Clegg, after our Monday arrival, had a surprise for us all – a scrumptious camp oven dinner, followed by apple crumble and the sharing of a cake to celebrate Lyn Fletcher's birthday. Well done, fellas. We all thank you. (Good to see Lyn with us. Hopefully we'll see Lyn and Phil soon motoring in their Hupmobile).

While the Deer Park was adequate for our needs, the ten-km - route between it and Imbil was fraught with danger - narrow bridges and Phil's Hills! All but the Jarretts overcame these obstacles but Jean and Bill with their "new" Maxwell not yet fully house trained, chose to leave it at home. Bill eventually beat a fuel problem but chose not to chance it so spent a couple of days as back-seat passengers in our Buick.

Overall, we, in a larger car, found Phil's rally routes excellent and loved the drives. Here's a brief outline of where we went:

<u>Tuesday – a 108kms</u>: Morning tea at Amamoor to watch the Mary Valley Rattler arrive. Nobody told the Rattler – it arrived Wednesday. Off then to Gympie where some partook of the Jockey Club lunch. Home then to happy hour and, from memory, self-catering.







<u>Wednesday morning</u>: - Disaster day for Rob York. Old Whitey kicked back while being cranked and broke Rob's wrist rather badly – not that there are good breaks! Off by QATB to the hospital for setting. When next we saw Rob, he was a young "whitey", pretty pasty around the gills! It was good to see him later with a little more colour. Let's hope he has a speedy recovery with no after effects.—

For us a 100 km: Morning tea at Amamoor, boosted by the arrival right on time at 10am of the Mary Valley Rattler, with 190 passengers. While we ogled the loco, the passengers got a little extra with some old cars to photograph. The Brooks got a little extra surprise when friends from Brisbane stepped from a carriage right in front of us.





Off we went then to Kandanga where some lunched at the Country Club. Home then to further eating. The highlanders – Sorensens, Handley and Co, provided us with a BBQ dinner – steak, sausages, potato bake and salad! **But wait, there's more.** Then followed ice cream and breadand-butter pudding! Thanks again to all who contributed to the cooking. (Rumour has it that Kevin Brooks was seen gobbling the last of the now-melted ice cream but I can't believe that.)

<u>Thursday 125km</u>:: Cooran and Kin Kin. It was decided that morning tea would be had at Imbil prior to our start – **in the park opposite the bakery!** Sad to say, many were seen breaking their weight-watchers' diet. Then it was off, first to Cooran where we visited a local boutique brewery where some were forced to sample the brew.

Next we were off on the most contentious section of our rally – down a winding road through beautiful native scrub to Kin Kin for lunch. Some of us loved it – absolutely the most gorgeous run of the whole three days. Others? well, you can't please everyone. Some chose to return to base via a different route rather than face the winding road – and a stop-go working area mid-way. (Rumour has it that someone said it was easier!) I wasn't there to see it but heard a "T" burnt out bands, someone had to be towed, etc. Don't want to rub it in, fellas, but we came back in top gear.

And finally: A farewell dinner at Imbil's Railway Hotel. Some had to wait quite a while but all seemed to enjoy their fare. John Hang-'em- high Handley gave out a few prizes -including for Joyce, a bottle of "sympathy" wine. (I was in absent disgrace, having been tempted, following dinner, to waste my usual two dollars on a poker machine. Surprise. I returned up a dollar!)

All in all, a wonderful, few days. While some of the hills may have been a challenge to smaller cars, I thought Phil's routes, overall, were great. He obviously put in many hours investigating connecting roads and he is to be congratulated for his efforts.

#### Veteran Car Club of Queensland, The First Three Years

#### Peter Arnold

At the last meeting I gave a brief outline of the rallies and meetings which led to the formation of the Veteran Car Club of Queensland as it was known then. Unfortunately I confused some by mixing the dates. The following information are extracts taken from the minutes and Presidents reports from these early meetings. Keith Thallon was both the organiser of the early rallies as well as the inaugural President. Keith lived in Boonah along with 2 of the Foundation members.

The first event for Veteran Cars to be in Queensland was the Kalbar to Boonah Run held on Saturday, 4th December, 1954. This event was organised by me (Keith Thallon) on behalf of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A., Boonah Branch and was held on the occasion of the official opening of the Boonah District Public War Memorial.

After seeing the last car flagged at Kalbar the Director decided to dash along to Boonah to watch the Veterans roll past for the chequered flag but on arrival they found Ed Sims' 1905 Reo already standing in the car park beyond the finish line with engine almost cold. Ed Sims was the winner of this historic contest.



A report in the Boonah Times describing the event awarded the honour of first place to Tim Osborne in the Waverley. As I was not there to witness the event and therefore verify the claims, I leave it up to you, dear reader, to decide for yourself which report to believe, that of the President and Organiser or that of a news reporter!!

The next event was nearly three months later, again organised by Keith Thallon

This run was duly held on Sunday 20th February, 1955, starting from Centenary Place in the city and finishing at the Hotel Brighton. A field of seven cars took part and the event was well won by Jack Bode in the 1905 De Dion Bouton.

It was over 12 months before the next event was organised on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 1956.

The following year, 1956, it was decided to again promote a Veteran Car Run from Brisbane to Brighton following private talks between Monty Wight and myself. The Lyons Club of Brisbane, of which Mr. Wight was a leading member, wished to associate themselves with the event and H.G. Sleigh Limited, Queensland Branch (trading as Golden Fleece), came forward with a generous offer to sponsor the Run and donate suitable Trophies.

It seemed a logical and desired step that a Club should be formed to foster and promote Veteran Car Motoring activities in Queensland in line with similar steps taken in the Southern States. So I convened a meeting of all those taking part in the 1956 Brighton Run which meeting took place out in the open at Brighton on conclusion of the Run. At this meeting the following resolution was presented to those present.

"That all those taking part in this Run, who so desire, shall be the Foundation Members of the Veteran Car Club of Queensland which Club is hereby declared to be formed and constituted."

They were the following 10 people who all paid one pound for the privilege. One can assume that the Club started with a capital base of ten pounds and a damn good sponsor.

E. Sims T. Osborne J. Bode R. Crampton E. Uebergang E. Hannah K. Dunstan J. Garrick J. Wight K. Thallon

Keith Thallon was elected President and it was decided to call a follow up General meeting. Again, nothing much happened over the next 12 months, the time passed without calling a meeting until the next Brighton Run.

Sunday 28th April, 1957, the third Annual Brisbane to Brighton Veteran Car Run was held being organised by the Club with the full support and backing of the Golden Fleece organisation. Thus a new era for Veteran Car Motoring activities dawned in Queensland and with the continued interest and full co-operation of H.C. Sleigh Limited, the future of the sport seemed assured. The 1957 Brighton Run attracted a field of 14 starters (the best to date) and was won by Eric Husbands in the 1907 Star.

The minutes of the meeting which followed the 1957 Brighton run state that on a Motion from Ron Crampton and seconded by Jim Casos that all members at this meeting be classified as Foundation Members.

The minutes say there were 25 in attendance but the attendance list has 26 names. As the last name is Keith Thallon I suspect that he forgot to sign in until after the minutes were written. The attendance list reads:-

W. Whatmore	T. Osborne	J. Bode	R. Crampton	E. Sims
J. Cloake	J. Casos	A. Sypher	D. Shanks	L. Elkin
G. Wilkinson	A. Hale	A. Dunshea	A. Partington	C.
McLeod				
S. Anderson	E. Husbands	F. Grayson	N. Thorley	J. Roberts
K. Bowers	H. Hillier	K. Dunstan	J. Wright	J. Garrick
K. Thallon				

The coffers were also handsomely replenished as all members had to pay a One Guinea Joining Fee as well as another Guinea Annual Membership Fee. A total of 54 Pound 12 Shillings if all paid on the night.

As you can see, there were 2 meetings in successive years where motions were carried which declared the members to be classed as Foundation Members. Most of those who were at the first meeting were also at the second, Eric Hanner and Ed Uebergang being the exception.

It is accepted that the Club was formed on 27<sup>th</sup> May 1956, but the list of Foundation Members reflects those in attendance at the 1957 meeting. We need to ensure that the names of Eric Hanner and Ed Uebergang be added to that list.

#### Peter Arnold

# Some Coming Events

3 – 4 July	Old Petrie Steam Fair. Details elsewhere this magazine.
24 July	"P" Party. At the Clubrooms. From 5.30pm. Come dressed as something starting
	with a "P." Numbers to Albert and payment (\$15 per person) by the July
	meeting (Club Social account details are BSB 124026 A/c 21823868)
11 August	(Ekka Holiday). "Shed Raid" Proposed visit to Syd and Pauline's at Tamborine
	Village, then BBQ lunch.
18 August	Proposed visit to Fabricators Workshop.
21 August	Veteran Swap. At the Clubrooms. Details next magazine.
3,4,5 Sept.	Kingaroy, Rally HQ at Kingaroy Holiday Park, Walter Rd, Ph. 4162 1808 for
	caravans and cabins. Oasis Motel, Ph. 4162 2399. Entry forms out shortly.
18 Sept.	Handover Dinner.

Details of future National Rallies may be found on the Club website.

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### Old Petrie Town Steam Fair: 3rd and 4th of July 2021

The Old Petrie Town Steam Fair is the largest steam-featuring machinery rally in Queensland. Multiple steam vehicles and other unusual and rarely seen machines are brought in for this two day event. It will feature steam engines, veteran & vintage cars, market stalls, amusement rides, food stalls and much more. Come and see how things used to be done 'back in the day' with demonstrations of historical equipment being put to use as they would have been 100 years ago. Find out more <a href="https://www.facebook.com/OldPetrieTown/">https://www.facebook.com/OldPetrieTown/</a> or contact Craig Marshall who is organising the car display. 0418743943

You cannot keep a good steam man down! Chris and Jenny are taking one of their steam cars and to keep them out of mischief and black smoke Régie and I are going too!

The organisers said how welcome and how much atmosphere our members and their veteran cars would create! Period costume is welcome!

Come and join us Chuff Chuff Terry, Chris, Régie and Jenny



DO YOU HAVE YOUR EDWARDIAN COSTUMES ORGANISED FOR THE "Rally to the Mallee" (Swan Hill) IN OCTOBER?

ARE YOU FINDING IT DIFFICULT TO SOURCE SUITABLE ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE ERA OF YOUR VEHICLE?

#### ON VCCAQ SWAP DAY, 21st AUGUST, AT THE VETERAN CLUBROOMS,

We will again be offering for sale all manner of Edwardian style costume items.

For Ladies and Gents, if you want top hats, bowler hats, caps, blouses, frocks, suits, jackets, furs, evening attire, day wear, we have a comprehensive collection.

Please email Irene, if you have need of something specific, at : gregoryrhill@optusnet.com.au



# Minutes of the Six Hundred and Seventy Seventh Meeting of the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld) Inc. Held in the clubrooms at 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale. Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

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

**Apologies:** Lauren Forster, Alan & Carolyn Robinson, Ross & Rhonda Guthrie, Kathy Day, Erik Larsen, Frank & Kathy Muggeridge & Trevor & Janette Farnell.

Visitors: Nil

Attendance: 40

**Zoom Attendance:** 2

**Minutes of the May Meeting:** Minutes as published in the club newsletter were taken as read. Hazel Burley moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded by Glenn Adams.

**Business Arising: Nil** 

#### **Correspondence:**

Inward:

Application for membership from Alan & Rondah Rodda, 1917 Overland.

Application for Associate membership from Rob & Fran Hackett.

Invitation from VCCQ to Concours d'Elegance on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Accounts from: CleanZone, Origin Gas, Urban Utilities & Horseless Carriage.

Cheques from: Austin Motor Club, QHMC.

#### **Emails**

Inward: Email from Triumph club to change their meeting night for this month.

#### **Outward:**

#### **Emails**

Outward: Email to Triumph Club re alternate dates for their meeting.

**Business Arising from the Correspondence:** Check dates with Rhonda for Triumph club. Hazel moved that the inwards correspondence be received, and the outwards be endorsed. Seconded by Syd Norman.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

Steve reported on the club accounts. Steve moved that the report be accepted, and the accounts be passed for payment. Seconded by Rob Guthrie.

**Events:** Russell mentioned that all the information for the Mary Valley Rally has been sent out to all participants via email.

**Property:** Nil

**Website and Security:** Security is working well, Russell said what a great pleasure it is to work with Carolyn, so good to put the newsletter on the website every month. Thank you, Carolyn.

**Dating:** Nil

**QHMC:** Everything is running smoothly, looking at putting out an events roster of all 97 clubs.

Editor Report: Nil

#### **Events:**

**Social.** Need numbers for the P party, all payments in by the July meeting. Looking at finding a date to visit the aluminum place in September, possibly 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021. Handover Dinner to be on the 18<sup>th of</sup> September 2021. All British Day is \$20 per vehicle.

#### **General Business:**

Peter Arnold said there was good news regarding the membership fees. VCCAQ holds two finance meeting per year to look at the financial position of the club. The club accounts are for our members, we are in surplus this year, ideally, we should break even and cover all expenses. The clubrooms are a business, it is doing well with our tenant clubs, everything is running smoothly there. The house is rented and is making a profit.

After doing the sums our Club is in the black, the reasons are most club members now have their magazine emailed, this has brought down our expenditure, also over the last two years we have had a steady increase in membership. For the Bundaberg rally we bought a lot of club merchandise, a fair bit of it has been sold this year, a profit for the Club. The committee recommend to the club to reduce the cost of membership by \$20 per person, this will mean a single membership will go from \$70 to \$50, all other fees are worked out on a percentage of that fee. The main reason for the reduction is the cost of the magazine, members have been paying \$10 to have the magazine printed and posted this cost will increase to \$15.

Peter moved that the ordinary membership fee be reduced to \$50, and the cost of the posted magazine go up to \$15. Seconded Albert Budworth. Carried.

John Day told a story about Grahame Wilkinson that has stuck in his memory from 50 years ago. He said that Dulcie is doing ok, she has good and bad days, Dulcie was very grateful for the attendance from the VCCAQ at Grahame's funeral.

It was suggested that we apply to the Government for a QR covid code for the clubrooms and to also use on rallies.

Peter Arnold clarified some issues about the early history of the Club.

The President's rally is on 3, 4 & 5 September 2021 in Kingaroy. This is Graham Crittenden's hometown; he has been a member since 1956 -57. There will be a hill climb, a visit to a winery, also a visit to Steve Hood's Antique Wheels Aust. business.

Meeting	Ciosea	8.25	pm
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Hazel Burley	Sally York
Acting Secretary	President

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#### Sally York is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

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

Meeting ID 84820991078 Password 070717

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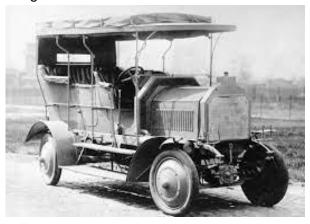
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# Motoring Miscellania

The very **first AWD** car built was the 1900 Lohner-Porsche Mixed Hybrid. It was designed by a very young Ferdinand Porsche for Ludwig Lohner & Co. and also has the distinction of being the very **first** hybrid ever built too. It was first presented at the 1900 World Fair in Paris.



The world's **first all-wheel-drive** passenger **car** comes from Daimler-Motoren-Gesellschaft in 1907. The **first all-wheel-drive car** for everyday use was built by Daimler-Motoren-Gesellschaft (DMG) in 1907. The "Dernburg-Wagen", named after the Secretary of State of the Colonial Office, even featured all-wheel steering.



## The Origin of the AA

On 19 June 1905 A small group of motoring enthusiasts banded together to warn fellow drivers about speed traps. They opted to call themselves the Motorists' Mutual Association.

In response to the zealous police enforcement of driving restrictions, the group organised teams of cyclists who, through a combination of signals and salutes, assisted drivers to stay safe on the roads and avoid punitive penalties. A month later, as the group established an enthusiastic following among the motoring community, they settled upon a new name The Automobile Association.



1914, AA patrols with their bicycles

#### MARKET PLACE

#### **WANTED FOR IMMEDIATE PURCHASE:**

#### \* \* LATE MODEL VETERAN 1915-1918

<u>Vehicle requirements</u>:

RHD.

Driver able to enter and exit via driver's door.

Engine has minimum of 20HP.

Electric Lights.

Electric Starter.

A full set of side curtains, if Roadster or Tourer.

Would prefer overall condition to be very good

Contact: GLENN ADAMS 0418830129: pgrga@bigpond.com

#### WANTED

**FABRIQUE NATIONALE (FN) CAR AND MOTORBIKE PARTS UP TO 1914**. Interested in parts, literature, information, photos. Brass gear change housing in photo is needed for a 1909 FN type 1400.

Contact: Andrew Brand. Ph 0414 219 250. andrew\_brand@mail.com

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#### **WANTED - INFORMATION**



Member Andrew Wright <<u>nodman68@gmail.com</u> has been asked whether any member can help with identifying the model/year of the above car (bridal photo taken at Pittsworth). If so, please contact Andrew or **Amanda Stower** <<u>astower@bigpond.net.au</u>





Syd and Pauline took their Fiat to the Vintage Concours at the Sherwood Arboretum on Sunday, and were awarded the Trophy for the Best Costumes, presented by Councillor Nicole Johnstone, long-time Member for Tennyson

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#### A LITTLE BIT OF ...HUMOUR

We had to have the garage door repaired.

The repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a large enough motor on the opener.

I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower.

He shook his head and said, 'You need a 1/4 horsepower.'

I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4 and he said, 'NOOO, it's not. Four is larger than two.'

[Reputed to have happened somewhere in country Australia]

