

NDSCC News

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Next NDSCC Run/AGM - 14th September.

Don't forget the next run will be held on Sunday 14th September.

This will be our AGM, so come prepared to volunteer for a committee position or any other position required by the club.

Members should meet at Centenary Lakes by 8.30am for a 9.00am departure for our short run being organised by Peter Hobart. Word has it we will be having lunch close to the water, but the exact location is a surprise.

Also, don't forget that lunch will be a smorgasbord. So please bring along all those yummy dishes to share with fellow club members.

For further details on the next run, please contact Peter.

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17th September Run Report

Where to start – as Julie Andrews said in The Sound of Music "let's start at the very beginning".

So there we were, waiting around at the car park in Centenary Lakes, making jokes about Ron Byrnes bargain Mercedes (how many of those would it take to buy a Rolls Royce?), and trying to persuade Keith Downie not to sell his Pontiac Parisienne – it really is a beautiful car, when someone noticed the number of cars that were coming in and parking in "our" spots – and still they came! Everyone drooled



Members gathering at Centenary Lakes prior to departure.

over Bob Pritchard's FX his wife gave it to him as a
birthday present so the
legend goes – and then
Craig's black beauty, with
even more people. This
run was starting to look
bigger than Ben Hur. Then
Julie and the other Ron
arrived in one of the
thousand cars they have at
their disposal, and with run

sheets in hand we started to make a move.

Now you are going to be asking "why spend so much time on the start of the run?" Good question, and it is because the run itself was (in the words of some immortal bard) short, but very sweet. In fact in these days of carbon emissions, pollution, climate change etc. it was also environmentally responsible, not to mention fiscally (that's moneywise) extremely advantageous, what with petrol the price it is today.

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Anyway we enjoyed a pleasant drive through Woodford, and turned off into Strathgordon, where we were welcomed and given a choice of spots to have our food, and pointed in the direction of the toilets.

Although the wind was a little brisk, our sheltered area proved an ideal location for a quiet "sit and sip" before the rest of the activities got underway.

The property is dedicated to the breeding and history of the magnificent "Clydesdale" horse breed – literally the horse that built Australia. It was explained that virtually every country in the world had its own version of the workhorse, which was essential to the development of agriculture, transport and industry around the world. Of Scottish origin the



Such magnificent beasts! Gentle giants really.

Clydesdales are a magnificent animal, and there was much excitement when 2 very fine examples were tethered for us to examine, pat and be photographed with. Personally, I have an aversion to being photographed with anything better looking than myself so I remained in the background for this little exercise.

After the talk we were invited to look around the souvenir shop which also held many collectables

and memorabilia – all dedicated to the wonderful Clydesdales.

Then back to our little spot on the hill for the meeting, and some merriment when Julie Walters presented the prize for the trivia competition – a snake egg, and noise makers, always said Alex was a bit of a snake in the grass and a noisy one at that, how apt! The main prize was wine holders – with Elaine that was a bit of a waste – "bottle to belly" is her motto - no chance for anyone or anything to hold her bottle, but they will look nice in the house.

All told a good day was had by all, and thanks to everyone – members and guests who made this our largest run to date, and thanks to Julie and Ron for an inspired choice of destination.

Contributed by Alex Gallacher

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17th AUGUST at STRATHGORDON

PRESENT:

Craig Bloomfield, Julie Bloomfield, Ron Byrnes, Brenda Byrnes, Alex Gallacher, Elaine Gallacher, Peter Hobart, Lynn Burgess, Keith Downie, Marilyn Downie, Ron Walters, Julie Walters, Denise Douglas, Graeme Douglas, John Pritchard, Nicole O'Keane, Jeff Norris, David Norris, Robert Pritchard,

VISITORS:

Sharon Heighway, Lyndall Singleton, Mavis Clark.

APOLOGIES:

None

Meeting opened by President (Peter Hobart) who welcomed all members, including those who had just joined. A special welcome also to our visitors, for helping to make this our largest run to date.

TREASURERS REPORT:

See detailed report (page 4). Brief summary:- balance in Suncorp bank account \$185.25. Petty Cash on hand \$23.20. Moved: Ron Byrnes, Seconded: Graeme Douglas: That Treasurers Report be accepted – Carried

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Incoming correspondence – Letter and Certificate of Incorporation from Dept of Justice confirming our application for incorporation has been successful. Our Incorporation Number is IA36464.

Bank statement from Suncorp Burpengary for month ending 31st July.

Membership applications from Robert Pritchard, Thomas Vandenberg, Richard and Karen Thomson. <u>Moved:</u> Peter Hobart, Seconded: Elaine Gallacher that the new members be approved and welcomed to the club - *Carried unanimously*.

<u>Moved:</u> Alex Gallacher, <u>Seconded:</u> Julie Walters - That the Secretary's report be accepted. – *Carried*.

MATTERS ARISING.

Incorporation details:

Julie Walters presented a series of suggestions for our by-laws, including administration of the club, suspension of membership, tenure of office, changes to by-laws etc. which will need to be discussed at our AGM.

Also discussed was the provision of other office bearers – Dating Officer, Publicity Officer, Raffle Co-ordinator etc.

Denise Douglas has offered to help with typing of the by-laws.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- A vote of thanks is to be recorded to Ron and Julie for organising an excellent and interesting run.
- A vote of thanks also to Denise for organising the badges for all members.
- A vote of thanks to Ron for collecting the money for today's outing and all who helped with

the raffle by selling tickets or donating prizes.

Next run will be on 14th September (2nd Sunday) and will be organised by Peter Hobart. Plan is for it to be a smorgasbord - details will be emailed prior to the event. This will also be our AGM.

The trivia prize was won (again) by Alex who moved that: in future, the winner of the trivia prize will also have the honour of writing up the run report. Seconded: Denise Douglas – Carried.

Nicole and John kindly offered to look at composing a short newsletter on a monthly basis to incorporate the above report, useful information, future events and exhibitions etc.

FUTURE EVENTS

Craig (our publicity officer) reminded us of the Caboolture Historic Village outing on 26th September – it was stressed that we should all try to attend this function and be represented as a club. Craig will make enquiries regarding the purchase of a small banner or notice board.

Craig has also sent an e-mail to all regarding other swap meets and shows.

Club Xmas Party

Craig and Julie suggested "Velvet Waters" with the rock 'n' roll show as a good venue. It was agreed that we would try to arrange for the last week in November (29th), and Julie Bloomfield would investigate – numbers would be around 24.

January Run

it was unanimously voted that we should look at organising a run in January, destination to be canvassed and advised at the next meeting.

OCC Rally 2009

Moved: Denise Douglas, Seconded: Graeme Douglas – that we look to attend the annual QCC Rally as a club. Alex to investigate the procedure for affiliation.

Raffle

Was won by Denise, who also took out 2nd prize, but donated back to the club, which was subsequently won by Lyndall, and 3rd prize went to Marilyn Downie.

Meeting closed at 2:00 pm

Alex Gallacher - Hon Sec.





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TREASURER'S REPORT as at 16th August 2008

General:

As at 16th August 2008, we currently have 20 members, all of who are financial.

New members are John Pritchard & Nicole O'Keane, (confirmed) John and Karen Thomson (to be confirmed)

Statement of Account;	Credit	Debit
Balance brought forward	\$294.35	
(as per Bank Statement)		
Petty Cash	\$23.20	
Membership Fees	\$80.00	
(J Pritchard & N. O'Keane, J & K Thomson)		
Incorporation Fee		\$108.40
Web Page Registration		\$40.00
Bank Fee		<u>\$00.70</u>
Total Debits		\$149.10
Total Credits	<i>\$397.55</i>	
Less Debits	<u>\$149.10</u>	
Balance	\$248.45	
Less Cash on Hand	\$23.20	
Balance in Account # 034473400	<u>\$225.25</u>	

Ron Byrnes

Treasurer



NORTHERN DISTRICTS SOCIAL CAR CLUB

Would like to invite all our members to our inaugural
Xmas Dinner
Saturday 29th November

6.30PM



ALAMO ROOM LONE STAR TAVERN ASPLEY HOMEBASE CENTRE ZILLMERE RD, ASPLEY

We will have a good ol 'rootin tootin gun totin time while wearing our finest country flannels!!

Now give a big Yeeha!

Prizes to be given out for the most countrified shirt! General Prizes to be given out just because we can!

RSVP BY THE 7TH OCTOBER

Please call or email the Publicity Officer Craig & his illustrious offsider Julie for any queries you may have.

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MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

If members have anything they would like to contribute to the newsletter whether it be a joke, a restoration story, anything you would like to share with your fellow club members, please send it to Nicole at nicole@ecn.net.au.

Swap Meets & Show 'n' Shine Events

September 13th

Gympie

Gympie Historical Auto Club Inc's 38th Swap meet at the Gympie Showgrounds. Gates open 5am for trading. General admission \$3. Outdoor swap sites \$10 or U/cover sites \$15.

Call Rob White (07) 5483 7361 for more info.

September 14th

Beaudesert

Annual Swap at the Beaudesert Showgrounds. Gates open at 6am Adults \$3. Enquiries 0428 146 176/ (07) 5544 8174.

FOR ALL THE FORD LOVERS OUT THERE inc Craig & I!!

September 21st

Kedron

The Annual All Ford Day Kedron Sporting Fields, Sixth Ave Kedron. Gates open 6am & entry is \$2 per person

September 21st

To bring like minded people together for social outings in their vehicles

Redcliffe First Settlement

8am-4pm. Along the waterfront/esplanade at Redcliffe. Car show & stalls. You cannot enter your car in the show on the day as it was a pre selection of cars chosen by the Council.

events.redcliffe@moretonbay.qld.gov.au

September 28th

Caboolture

This is our Club's first display event or should we say our COMING OUT (not of the closet!) show as a Club.

Mega Motor Show at the Historical Village 280 Beerburrum Rd Caboolture. Huge range of Classic & Vintage Cars including Motorcycles. Art Craft & Food Stalls & a licensed pub. Entry \$10 Concession \$8 Children \$2. For more info (07) 5495 4581. We are looking forward to our setting up our display & having a fun day with you all. Call Craig & Julie to discuss more about it.

If anyone has any more events that they know off that as a club you think that we might like to attend send us an email & we'll add it to our list.

Thanks everyone, Craig & Julie

Don't forget the soon to be developed website: www.ndscc.com

