



The Oily Rag

May & June 2012

PO Box 1559, Caboolture 4510

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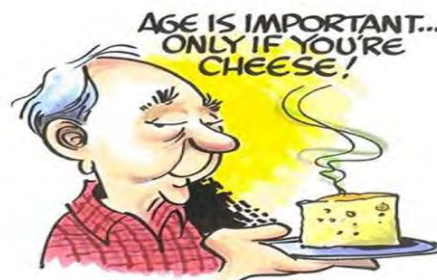
Sat & Sun 28th & 29th

**** XMAS in July ****

Gympie – For more information – see inside.

(No Run on 15th July will be held)

MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE DUE – PLEASE POST YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEES TO: PO BOX 1559, CABOOLTURE 4510 – OR PAY ON THE JULY RUN – FEES WERE DUE BY JUNE 30TH



NORTHERN DISTRICTS SOCIAL CAR CLUB

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 20th May 2012 **McLean's Bridge at Lakeside**

PRESENT: As per attendance sheet. (Joint run with CHACC)

APOLOGIES: Rob & Michelle Dix, Denise & Graham Douglas, Les Cooling, Rob & Lorraine Cooling, Ron & Julie Walters, Elaine Gallacher, Marilyn Downie.

VISITORS: Jayne Pritchard, Matthew Singara

President Ron Byrnes opened the meeting at 10:20 AM, and welcomed members and visitors, including the members from CHACC and encouraged all to visit the displays of cars and see some unique vehicles "up close and personal".

TREASURERS REPORT (Submitted by Leisa Dent)

Brief summary:- Balance brought forward \$2,441.

Income : Nil

Further details re: accounts to be settled will be carried over to our next meeting.

Treasurer suggested an increase in fees of \$10, and the President said this should be held over and voted on at our AGM. Therefore fees will remain at current levels until 2013.

There was some discussion about our current registration with the Department of Fair Trading, and this will be investigated. Alex Gallacher confirmed that both QHMRC and Fair Trading had been paid, but there was no record of expenditure concerning the latter.

Moved and seconded: that Treasurers Report be accepted – Carried

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Minutes of last meeting – Published in current "Oily Rag" magazine.

Moved and Seconded: that the minutes be approved – carried.

Outgoing Correspondence: - Email re: Xmas in July and Gold Coast swap meet.

Incoming correspondence - Nil recorded for this meeting, and changes will be published in next "Oily Rag".

Moved & Seconded: that Secretary's report be approved – Carried.

MATTERS ARISING - There were no matters arising.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

Discussion on **Xmas in July.**

Some members felt that the Gympie venue was too far away, and the motel cost was "expensive for Gympie".

Montville & Maleny were dismissed as too expensive with accommodation too far from the restaurant venue. All other "Xmas in July" venues approached by our organizers were deemed too expensive, or already booked.

It was confirmed that John Pritchard had paid a \$60 hiring fee for the picnic area at our last run, and it was unanimously agreed by members that he be reimbursed.

NEW MEMBERS

Jayne Pritchard, Matthew Singara and Mark Read were proposed and approved at the meeting.

Membership forms will be lodged with the Secretary. Fees for Jayne and Matthew were paid, and because of the proximity to our Financial Year end (when all dues are payable) it was agreed by the members that by paying the full amount today, they would be full members until the end of our Financial Year in 2013.

The new members inquired as to the availability of club shirts. We will need to order another batch.

Raffle – Raised \$65.00 and was won by Jayne Pritchard, who has to write another run report.

Meeting closed at 10:40 AM.

Alex Gallacher (for Denise Douglas)



UPCOMING EVENTS AND SWAP MEETS

15 th July	RACQ MOTORFEST – EAGLE FARM – Qld’s biggest display of Historic & Classic vehicles. Registrations can be made online @ www.racq.com.au/motorfest . For further information contact Kyle on 07 3872 8696 or email events@racq.com.au
21 st and 22 nd July	MG Noosa Hill Climb. Further information to follow.
28 th July	Nambour Swap – Nambour Showgrounds. Sunshine Coast Antique Club – phone Trevor for information about the swap – 07 3408 2364 – or for site bookings call Olive on 07 5476 8388
12 th Aug	Veteran & Vintage Chevrolet Assoc of Australia Swap – Rocklea Showgrounds. Email: vvcaaql@gmail.com or phone: 0412 183 804 web address: www.vvcaaqlinc.org.au
26 th Aug	Qld Early Ford V8 club Inc Jimboomba Auto Extravaganza & Swap Meet – Tully Park, Maclean bridge – only entry via Greenbank Road. Free public parking. Gates open 6am. Email jimo@gil.com.au or phone: 07 3341 9618 for further details. (see flyer in newsletter).
8 th Sept	Gympie Historic Auto Club Inc 42nd Swap Meet –Gympie Showgrounds – Phone Noel on 07 5482 2303 or 0408 708 321 – www.gympiehistoricauspiderweb.com.au
16 th Sept	Beaudesert and District Restored Auto Club Swap – ph: 07 5541 2298 or email: beaudesertswap@yahoo.com.au
10 th & 11 th Nov	"The Hill" Vintage Hill climb. Further information to follow.



What a week this has been...



Some of our cars representing NDSCC at Lakeside – Macleans Bridge on 20th May – including New Member Jayne-Louise Pritchard.





This cat has had toooooo much to eat!!

How cute is he – or she – hard to tell
from this angle!! Reminds me of how I
feel after our smorgasbord lunches!!!

English Plurals:

We'll begin with a box, and the plural is boxes, but the plural of ox becomes Oxen, not oxes;
One fowl is a goose, but two are called geese, yet the plural of moose should never be meese;
You may find a lone mouse or a nest full of mice, yet the plural of house is houses not hice.

If the plural of man is always called men, why shouldn't the plural of pan be called pen?
If I speak of my foot and show you my feet, and I give you a boot, would a pair be called beet?
If one is a tooth, and a whole set are teeth, why shouldn't the plural of booth be called beeth?

The one may be that, and three would be those, yet hat in the plural could never be hose;
And the plural of cat is cats, not cose.
We speak of a brother and also of brethren, but though we say mother, we never say methren.
Then the masculine pronouns are he, his and him, but imagine the feminine: she, shis & shim!

Let's face it – English is a crazy language.
There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger;
Neither apple nor pine in pineapple.
English muffins weren't invented in England.

We take English for granted, but if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly,
Boxing rings are square,
A guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig,
Why is it that writers write, but fingers don't fing, Grocers don't groce, and hammers don't ham?

Doesn't it seem crazy that.... You can make amends but not one amend?
If you have a bunch of odds and ends... and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?
If teachers taught, why don't preachers prought?
If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all people who speak English should be in an asylum for the verbally insane.
In what other language do people recite at a play, and play at a recital?
We ship by truck, but send cargo by ship... We have noses that run and feet that smell;
We park in a driveway and drive in a parkway,
And how can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down;
In which you fill in a form by filling it out, and in which an alarm goes off by going on.

And in closingIf father is Pop.... How come mother's not Mop?.....

(Contributed by Kim & Carol Bowers)

Membership fees were due to be *paid by 30th June.*
You can post to PO Box 1559, Caboolture - or pay on the July Run.

Dee's Dribble

- Since President Barack Obama took office in 2009, Michelle Obama has made cameo appearances on TV series 44 times – over twice as much as Hilary Clinton or Laura Bush.
- Ninety-eight of the men who made Forbes magazine's list of the world's 100 richest are clean shaven.
- Zack Hemple has caught over 5800 major league baseballs while watching from the stands.
- The best seat to get on an average airline, according to new research on passage preferences is number 6A.
- Nine out of ten women over the age of 30 feel embarrassed to wear tight clothing when exercising outside.
- Men will soon be outliving women for the first time since records began: once boys born in 2000 reach the age of 30, they can expect to match girls of the same age by living to an average age of 87.
- *The average person says they need an extra \$11,371 a year to be happy (a bottle of champers does it for me)
- Actor Matt Damon refused to appear in the newest Bourne Conspiracy GAME franchise because it was too violent.
- There are currently over 100 million Game Boys in the world: both the original and the colour variant. 32million of them are in Japan, and there are 44 million in America.
- During times of economic strife, women are less drawn to alpha-male types, and are more attracted to "wimps", says a new study (I'd really like to know who does these).
- In the modern Internet Age, people consume three times as much information as they did in the 1960's.
- The average office worker using a computer changes window, programs or checks email more than once every two minutes.
- Skipping breakfast can increase a man's risk of Diabetes by 21 per cent.
- It's humanly possible to press a button on a controller 16 x times per second. This record was set by Toshiyuki Takahashi, a Japanese gamer (gee his folks must be proud).
- Americans consume more chocolate on Halloween (41 million kg) than at Easter (32 million kg).
- The average person spends six hours a day looking at digital devices (some people need to get lives!)
- Men who enjoy a relaxing drink are better at solving brain teasers than those who are stone cold sober. Scientists have found in an experiment, boozier blokes got more questions right and were quicker with the correct responses than sober participants. (Really?????)
- Cannabis use among the over 50's has increased tenfold since the 90's. The number of "oldies" who take other illegal substances such as cocaine, LSD and amphetamines has also risen.

Celebrity Name Changes:

Lisa Bonet to Lilakoi Moon

Ol' Dirty Bastard to Big Baby Jesus

Caryn Johnson to Whoopi Goldberg

Mark Duper to Mark Super Duper (what the??)

Mark Sinclair-Vincent to Vin Diesel

Ron Artest to Metta World Peace

Prince to Love Symbol

Cat Stevens to Yusuf Islam

Puff Daddy to P.Diddy and then to Diddy

Chad Johnson to Chad Ochocinco

(Seriously – if these people are all over 50 then I think they all relate to the last bit of dribble!!!!)

******* REMINDER *******

Don't forget members that our major fund-raiser for this year is the beautiful cutlery set (donated by Laurie Walters). Can all members please try to participate in the raffle for this lovely prize? Brenda will be selling tickets up until the Xmas party in November - so please get involved and buy some tickets for this raffle! This is our biggest raffle for the year!

XMAS IN JULY

28th and 29th July – Victory Hotel – Bath Rd – Gympie

All the members travelling in a group – meet at the Big Fish at 11 o'clock.

If you choose to travel on your own – meet you at the Victory!!

Cost for Dinner - \$20 per head.

Don't forget to dress up in your xmas gear – prize for best dressed.

RUN REPORT – LAKESIDE – MACLEANS BRIDGE – SUNDAY 20TH May '12

A cold morning and early start couldn't stop the cars piling into the annual MacLean's Bridge event at Lakeside Raceway, with something automotive for all tastes. After a short but sweet meeting, the acceptance of three new members and a second consecutive raffle win by yours truly; it was time to wander about the cars. Thank you to NDSCC for accepting Matt and myself as official members after attending many events as guests of Bob (Dad) and John (Brother) Pritchard.

A personal highlight for me (Matt.) had to be the Ferrari 412P Replica and the Lotus 340R of which only 340 were ever made; it was quite a surprise to see one. Jayne only had eyes for the MGs; especially the MG GTB soft-tops. There was a huge turnout of MGBs to ogle over with this being the 50th anniversary of the first MGB (first launched in May 1962).

It was a wonderful and relaxing day for all. Please also check out Jayne and Kim who are featured in this week's Quest newspaper. View the Quest newspaper galley here:

Jayne-Louise Pritchard: <http://www.couriermail.com.au/questnews/moreton/gallery-fn8zbo3b-1226362362195?page=2>

Kim Bowers: <http://www.couriermail.com.au/questnews/moreton/gallery-fn8zbo3b-1226362362195?page=4>

Happy & safe motoring,

Jayne & Matt.

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Submitted by Kim & Carol Bowers: -

When chemists die, they barium.
Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.
How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.
I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Then it dawned on me.
This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.
I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.
I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.
They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type-O.
A dyslexic man walks into a bra.
PMS jokes aren't funny, period.
Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there's no pop quiz.
Energizer Bunny arrested. Charged with battery.
I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
How do you make holy water? Boil the hell out of it!
Did you hear about the cross eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds.
I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!
Broken pencils are pointless.

I tried to catch some fog. I mist.
What do you call a dinosaur with extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.
England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.
I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.
All the toilets in New York's police stations have been stolen. Police have nothing to go on.
I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.
Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.
Velcro - what a rip off!
Cartoonist found dead in home. Details are sketchy.
Earthquake in Washington, D.C. It's obviously the government's fault.
I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
Be kind to your dentist. He has fillings, too.



CREAMY CHICKEN AND BROCCOLI PASTA

Ingredients:

375g packet fettuccine or other pasta
Broccoli florets – 500g
Frozen Peas – 1 ½ cups, thawed
BBQ Chicken – one half only – shredded
Cream – 300ml carton – (you can use low fat cream if desired)

Cook fettuccine in a large saucepan of salted boiling water, following packet instructions.

Add broccoli to boiling pasta for final two minutes of cooking, followed by peas for final minute.

Drain – reserving ½ cup cooking liquid.

Return pasta, broccoli, peas and reserved water to saucepan. Add chicken and cream.

Bring to a simmer on medium heat.

Toss to combine and season to taste

This is a quick and tasty meal to make – you can change the vegies to suit and even throw in a few chilli flakes if you like it a bit hot. Sprinkling a bit of grated cheese on the top – yummy!!!

NDSCC & CHACC RUN TO RACQ/QHMC RALLY - MARYBOROUGH

LONG WEEKEND 8TH, 9TH, 10TH, AND 11TH JUNE 2012

For those who love acronyms, the prospect of attending the above rally was too good to miss – like manna from heaven. Imagine spending 3 days in the company of people who not only use acronyms like NOS, OEM, BHP, & IRS, and understand what they mean, but who are also familiar with names like Bristol, Buckle, Anglia, Morgan & Reliant – and adopt that faraway look when they are mentioned.

Yes readers, your correspondent was in old automotive heaven, and loving every minute of it!!

The journey started on Friday morning with a convivial get together at our rallying point – the Big Fish servo on the highway. It was cold, but the happy band admired Ron W's latest project – a stunning red Ford convertible – then got going. First stop was the Log Cabin restaurant for a feed (don't go there unless you have a huge stomach!) then on to Maryborough and the motel. Keith Downie had trouble backing his TransAm into the parking bay, even with Marilyn guiding him (maybe that was the problem?) and we noticed that he gave it up the next day and just drove straight in!

We decided to register that night at the nominated school, and as usual, Julie's directions were wrong – but hey...she did a great job picking the motel! With our goodie bags securely tethered, we partook of the magnificent hospitality of our hosts, the Maryborough District Antique Motor Club (MDAMC) and filled up with soup, sandwiches and hot snacks. This was to be a continuing theme throughout the long weekend – every time we stopped anywhere, as if by magic, tables groaning with sandwiches, cakes, scones etc. appeared, and each plate was replenished as soon as it was emptied! Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, we were literally and figuratively stuffed each and every day!

Saturday dawned sunny and warmish for some, others who had spent the evening seriously imbibing not so much – more like head-achingly bright! Anyway, after morning tea (burp) we took off for a run to visit the amazing Neville Lindley collection of horse drawn vehicles, truly an amazing array of buggies, carriages, gig's, landau's and a Cobb & Co coach. Most in excellent, un-restored condition, many with the name of the business still readable on the side. A truly fascinating and absorbing look at a time before the automobile.

Then it was off for a scenic drive through the hinterland and on to Hervey Bay with more food and an opportunity to sit and relax, or wander through the dazzling collection of over 100 cars parked on the Seafront Oval.

Saturday night was a Masquerade dinner at the iconic Maryborough City Hall, which unearthed some amazing sights! Imagine if you will, Brenda Byrnes as "Morticia" from the Addams Family, or Ron as "Zorro" – complete with cloak and sword. Everyone had to wear a mask – except your correspondent who went as "The Village Idiot" – and needed no disguise whatsoever!! In true idiot fashion he managed to announce himself (erroneously) as one of the leaders of next morning's tour groups – much to the puzzlement of the organizers! Carol Bowers was very fetching as a Malaysian lady, and our visitors from Geelong (Mel & Judy Baldock) were stunning with Mel as "The Fonz".

Plenty of good food, conversation and general bonhomie meant a great night was had by all, especially as the MDAMC had provided a bus service back to our motel, so no worries about “drinkies”.

Sunday started like previous days with a hearty breakfast/morning tea at the City Hall (double burp!) before returning to the car park for an announcement from the “Town Crier” – complete with loud “hear ye’s” and the ringing of his hand bell. He recanted the story of the small cannon which was fired each day to signal the workers, and then to the enjoyment of all, proceeded to fire it again!!

With ears still ringing, we set off for a tour of the historical points of interest around Maryborough, which included a step back in time to Geraghty’s Store Museum. This was left exactly as he sold it many years ago, and most of us recognized some of the old trademarks and containers of a bygone era. Names like Persil, Brockhoff, Sennitts and Bex, nestled amongst a multitude of long forgotten biscuit tins, paperboard boxes and glass jars – standard packaging before the advent of plastic and styrene throwaway containers. All of us were taken back to the days of our youth, and trips to the grocer’s store.

Similarly, a brief stop at the Olds Engineering shop, reminded us of the days when craftsmanship in the manufacture of tools and equipment was the norm, and mass production was still in its infancy compared to today. Planned obsolescence was not even a word, much less a common practice. Please excuse an old man’s rambling about the past, but things were a lot simpler then.

Back to the Maryborough City Hall for another belly building dinner, and announcements of the winners of “best car” etc. Mel & Judy took out the trophy for “longest distance travelled” to attend the rally, and agreed it was well worth the drive! We were also treated to a presentation by the Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club about next year’s run to be held from 2nd to 9th June 2013. Check out their website at www.scacc.org.au if you’re interested – or ask Ron or Alex for a brochure.

With heavy hearts (and stomachs) we bid farewell to our comfy motel (thanks again Julie) and headed out to the City Hall for another feed, and a run past the Teddington Weir to Tiaro and Bauple. This is the alleged birthplace of the macadamia nut, which is celebrated at the Bauple Nut Factory. Residents claim it was always known in these parts as the “bauple nut” until someone else coined the name “macadamia”. Anyway, a most interesting drive, and a suitable monument to an original Australian product – now enjoyed all over the world.

Regretfully we turned for home after all this arriving with a greater knowledge of one of the early settlements of Queensland, its history, and a wonderful group of people who had organized a truly memorable long weekend.

Your Correspondent, Alex.





Ron and Brenda Byrnes dressed as Morticia and ZORRO heading out for a great night in Maryborough.



Visitors from Geelong – Mel and Judy Baldock – ready for a night out – Judy took out the “best masked” – a great effort!!

Judy and Mel were a great addition to our usual mob!!



Clockwise, from top, left:

Trevor Reibelt, Carol Bowers, Pam McPherson, Marilyn & Keith Downie.



Denise,
Brenda &
Carol
enjoying a
few
drinkies
back at
the motel



Judy and Brenda
all dressed up
ready to "Hippy
On" for the
night.

Soon it will be that time of year again –

YES –the AGM is coming.

This means that the current committee will be stepping down and a new committee and other representatives will have to be nominated. The current office bearers have been at it for a long time - so come on members – please pitch in and nominate for a committee position.

No experience is required and the outgoing committee will help you. So please members, consider taking on a position or perhaps nominating a member for a position.

AGM will be held on Sunday September 16th – Toorbul waterfront.

Our August Run will be the Presidents Run – Sunday 19th August – details will be advised.

The town crier and cannon – commencing the start of our run – hold your ears!!!



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