

STEERING COLUMN NEWS



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OUR AIMS

To bring together persons with a common interest to encourage the use, maintenance and preservation of motor vehicles of classic and historic classification without prejudice to make, model, method of manufacture or country of origin. As well as vehicles of special interest, this may, from time to time, be determined by the committee.

Classic and Historic
Automobile Club of
Caboolture Inc.
PO Box 514
Caboolture QLD 4510

** Smorgasbord **

When smorgasbord is mentioned for a club run lunch, all members bring a plate or two to place on a table to share with all other club members present.

** BYO **

When BYO is mentioned for a club run lunch, all members are to bring lunch for themselves.

* BBQ/Sausage Sizzle *

We provide food 'n' salads
Gold coin donation required

All Sunday Runs are: Meet
@ Sundowner Motel just off
the Bribie turnoff in
Caboolture (8 Aerodrome
Road), 8.30am for a 9am
departure. Don't forget to
bring your morning tea!

All Mid-week Runs are:
Meet @ Sundowner Motel
(as above) 10.00am for a
10.30am departure (no
morning tea stop)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Next Run Sunday 5th August BBQ/Sausage Sizzle

This will be the GY rally which is for a Perpetual Trophy in memory of Peter Friar. In the normal CHACC tradition, last year's winners (Ron & Brenda Byrnes) will be hosting the event, and have kept the destination a closely guarded secret. However, you know that Ron's runs are always interesting, and this one promises to be just as entertaining and enjoyable as his previous runs, so let's see a good roll up!

Next Mid Week Run Wednesday 18th July

Destination is to a private house in Toorbul where there are 4 or 5 classic wooden boats, built by the occupant. Additionally, several restored marine engines, and there will also be a 1912 Austin automotive engine running for us. Afterwards lunch on the esplanade. This time, instead of taking along your boring sandwiches and salads – treat yourself to fish & chips at the lunch stop!!

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“PRESIDENT’S RUN” REPORT – SPIRIT OF COBB & CO

GLASSHOUSE MOUNTAINS JUNE 3RD 2012

The weather forecast for the Sunday Run was not good, and with heavy rain over Saturday night there was concern that it could affect the run for Sunday – as was shown by the numbers who attended. A total of 9 cars were in attendance – 6 modern, & 3 classics, the latter being Rob & Jane Jones in their beautiful 1960 Austin Healy 3000, Rowan Coe in his immaculate Lincoln Town Car, with Valmay & Lindsay Bell in their classy Rover also braving the elements.

Although the weather for the day was overcast early AM, it did not rain, and as the day progressed, the weather improved. Jan & Graham Beatson came along to the Sundowner to say hello before heading off to see their new great grandchild. The President handed out the run and observation sheets to take us via Woodford, then on to Cobb & Co at the Glasshouse Mountains.

The Spirit of Cobb & Co has undergone improvements since the club last visited, and we were met by Steve Ralph, who started this attraction in 1989, and has entertained tens of thousands through there since then. The tea/coffee and damper with Golden Syrup was enthusiastically welcomed (and enjoyed) by all at just the right time for morning tea.

After we had eaten our fill, Steve gave us a history lesson on the origins of Cobb & Co, his involvement with carriage and wheel building and restoration, and promotion of horse drawn culture. It showed how Steve is very passionate regarding his involvement in this side of Australia’s development in the settler years. In his theatrette, we were shown a 15 minute movie on horse drawn coaches and the early days of coach travel and “road rage”.

Following this we were treated to a detailed showing of an original Cobb & Co coach he had restored, and driven over some amazing distances up and down the East Coast of Australia. We moved on to his workshop where he builds wheels for customers who are restoring old horse drawn carriages of all types.

Lunch and a brief meeting followed, with the presentation of the “Presidents Trophy” to the winners of the observation run – Robert & Jane Jones who were congratulated by all! The raffle was drawn and a magnificent hamper of fresh produce was presented to the winners – Andy & Sally Byrne – with special thanks to Brenda & Ron for putting it together.

Even though a small number attended, it was a good day, with good company, and we look forward to seeing all on future runs.

Run report by Andy & Sally Byrne.



COUNCIL NEWS (from QHMC General Meeting 24th May 2012.

2013 QHMC Rally: Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club 50th anniversary week-long celebration in conjunction with the 2013 QHMC Rally in June 2013. Expressions of interest to attend with name, number attending, phone, address and email address to SCACC PO Box 362 Nambour 4560.

http://www.scacc.org.au/forms/date%20claimer%202013_1.pdf

QHMC Rally in NQ: The QHMC requests clubs based north of the tropic to consider hosting a QHMC rally each year.

Conditions to be the same as the current rally. QHMC contribution to this rally is currently at \$1000.

This could be held in addition to existing rallies or in conjunction with a rally already planned for that time.

Please contact the QHMC committee direct or via your delegate for more information or to accept the challenge.

Queensland events: Clubs are urged to list on the QHMC website at least one event per year where they feel people from other clubs could join them. Please use the event listing form on the QHMC website. If your club would like some company on its runs, it should notify QHMC via the link on its website www.qhmc.org.au

SIVs. A SIVs working group has been formed and they are researching the terms and conditions of all state concessional registration schemes. This report is being created by noting the official rules and then speaking to members in various states to obtain an insight into the actual working of each scheme. Once completed the federation and the state councils will be in an informed position and can act early if uniform national regulations are proposed. Each member club will receive a copy of the report.

Club Logos for the pending new QHMC website: The QHMC webmaster is developing a new QHMC website. It is requested that clubs supply a JPG file format version of their club logo which will be used in the banner of the new site. Please send the logo to president@qhmc.org.au

SIV dating certificate: Any club having difficulty with the new SIV dating certificate is asked to send their club logo to the QHMC President, president@qhmc.org.au who will set up their form with club logo and name.

In addition there have been a number of inquiries over the use of the dating certificate. This form does not exempt anyone from the normal registration requirements. It is solely a form for the dating officer to confirm that the vehicle meets the historic criteria of their particular club and as such is eligible for concessional registration. If the club guidelines allow modifications then these must be accepted by Queensland Transport, i.e. Blue Plates if needed, before registration of any kind can be granted. Remember, changing the engine or driveline to a later make or even just a later model could move the vehicle more towards Hot Rod or Street Machine specifications and therefore different rules.

Seat Belts and Child Restraints: As negotiations with Queensland Transport have reached an impasse, a letter has been sent direct to the Minister for Transport. Any member of any club with strong feelings on this issue is asked to approach their local state member to bring your objection to their notice.

Discounted Rego for Veterans: QHMC continues to develop a discounted registration proposal for Veteran vehicles.

Robert Shannon Foundation awards: Nominations for this year have closed but preparation for next year can start now. More info look at this- <http://www.qhmc.org.au/images/RSF%20Flyer.jpg>

Invitational Rallies this Year:: Fuel consumption test invitation event Toowoomba (DDVVMC) 18-19 Aug; : RACQ Motorfest 15TH July; Early ford Club Jimboomba 26th August; Autorama "Something in the Air" Rally Gold Coast Antique Auto Club 3rd & 4th Nov. Details and links to entry forms appear on QHMC website www.qhmc.org.au on the 'calendar' page. Everyone welcome at these events.

Canberra 100 Rally: 2013 marks Canberra's centenary. The National Trust has proposed a rally for 19 & 20 October 2013 and AHMF has endorsed it. Each state and territory council has been called upon to conduct hub rallies arriving in Canberra on 18th October 2013 for the national rally. The overall event will be similar to the Shannon's Rally in 2001. All Queensland clubs are encouraged to support the event. QHMC seeks a number of run coordinators to plan and lead the rally runs from Queensland to [Canberra](http://www.qhmc.org.au/Event_Flyers/Canberra%20100%20Rally.pdf). http://www.qhmc.org.au/Event_Flyers/Canberra%20100%20Rally.pdf Contact QHMC President president@qhmc.org.au

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Rally Meeting Minutes 3rd June 2012
Presidents' Run to Cobb & Co
Glass House Mountains
Meeting commenced at 1.13 pm

Attendances: 9 vehicles – 16 members
Apologies: as per attendance sheet

Presidents Welcome: Alex welcomed everyone and introduced 2 new members to our runs, Robert & Jane Jones and their 1960 Austin Healey 3000 Mark 1, also Rowan Coe (who has previously been on a CHACC run, but this is the first run in his 1981 Lincoln Town Car.)

Observation Questions: Alex ran through the answers and declared Robert & Jane Jones the winners with 15 out of 16 answers correct. Congratulations to them both. They now have the pleasure of housing the President's trophy for another 12 months.

Treasurer's Report: Lindsay read out the Club's financial status and moved for approval for payment of \$75.00 cheque to be drawn for CHACC's subsidy for today's tour & morning tea. Seconded Alex Gallacher.....carried.
Lindsay also advised our cheque A/c had a balance of \$760.17
Less 2 outstanding cheques which would bring it back to \$573.17
Our term deposit balance, (May interest \$50.00) is \$14,679.52.

Secretary's Report: In Jenny's absence, Alex said previous minutes were in our Last Steering Column News and moved they be passed as a true record. Seconded Ronnie Byrnes.
Correspondence In – QHMC minutes, in which they state their meeting with Main Roads & Qld Police has been unsuccessful regarding the easing of seat belts in classic & vintage vehicles for children. Alex emphasised the need to support QHMC to fight back and get this legislation changed as Qld is the only state to adhere to it. We need statistics to show how many deaths have occurred over the last 10 years involving classic and vintage vehicles.
Also invitation from the Caboolture Historical Village to attend their Town & Country Fair on Saturday July 14th 9am-3.30pm. (If interested let Alex or Graeme know so that free passes can be organised.)
RACQ HMC Rally this coming weekend 8th to 11 June at Maryborough. CHACC have 11 members attending.
RACQ Motorfest is on July 15th. Those members who still want to go, contact Graeme Beatson.



Father's Day, 2nd September @ 10am, we have been invited to participate in a Car Show at Club Beachmere, which is located at the end of Beachmere road overlooking the water. There will be buskers & stalls and an area next to the club for children to play. Every driver of a vehicle will receive a FREE gourmet BBQ lunch & a pot of beer – passengers may purchase lunch for \$10, which will also include a pot. There will be a Peoples' Choice Award – prize \$50 voucher. Note – the above is in addition to CHACC's normal September run on the 2nd Sunday which will be the 9th Sept. Hope to see members at both functions.

General Business:

Alex advised we have no runs organised after the 1st July run - We don't even have an organiser for 13th of June's mid-week Run. If a member can come up with a destination, Alex & Graeme will do the run sheet for them and organise it

Lindsay volunteered to do the 13th June mid-week run.
Ronnie & Brenda Byrnes to organise the August run.
Kim & Carol will organise the September run, and Peter & Gladys to organise the October run. Peter & Kim to swap months if Peter finds the October date inconvenient.

Carol brought up a 7 month lapse in time for the 2011 Disabled school. This was passed and organised on the day.

RAFFLE Results:

1st Prize Sally & Andy Byrne (great hamper of produce/wine).
2nd Prize went to Alex Gallacher (\$50 voucher)

Congratulations winners, and thanks to Brenda & Ronnie for organising prizes and members for buying tickets.

Meeting Closed @ 1.40 pm A belated vote of thanks was given to Alex for organising today's run.

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A mate of mine recently admitted to being addicted to brake fluid. When I quizzed him on it he reckoned he could stop any time...

My daughter asked me for a pet spider for her birthday, so I went to our local pet shop and they were \$70!!! Blow this, I thought, I can get one cheaper off the web.

Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarves are not Happy

I saw a poor old lady fall over today on the footpath!! At least I presume she was poor - she only had \$1.20 in her purse.

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A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

This issue of “Steering Column News is a little shorter than the previous ones, in an effort to get it out in time for notification of our next club runs.

You will recall in the last couple of issues we were pleading for volunteers to organize the next few runs. Fortunately at our last meeting a number of our faithful members agreed to fill in the gaps in our calendar, so the upcoming runs look like this :-

1 st July	Sunday	BYO Graham & Jan Beatson
18 th July	Wednesday	Kim & Carol Bowers to Toorbul
5 th August	Sunday	BBQ/Sausage sizzle Ron & Brenda Byrnes – GY Rally
15 th August	Wednesday	Alex & Elaine Gallacher – TBA
8 th September	Sunday	BYO Kim & Carol Bowers NOTE DATE NOT 1st Sunday (Fathers Day)
19 th September	Wednesday	Mystery Run Still need volunteer
6 th October	Sunday	SMORGASBORD Peter & Gladys Rohan
17 th October	Wednesday	TBA – destination, volunteer reqd.
3 rd November	Sunday	AGM Breakfast Destination To Be Confirmed

As you can see from the above, we are still looking for a couple of short runs for our mid week get togethers. Any suggestions for a say 1 hour run from the Sundowner would be very much appreciated.

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In addition there are a couple of events which may be of interest for July, August, and September.

14 th July	Town & Country Fair Caboolture Historic Village	Will allow free entry to our members Must be parked by 8:30 AM and stay till 2:00 PM. Passes – contact Alex
15 th July	RACQ MOTORFEST	This is an annual event and those who have entered will know the details. There are different entry points & times for attendees.
28/29 th July	XMAS IN JULY	This is a joint run with NDSCC, and is an overnight in Gympie, with pistol shooting on Sunday. Accommodation is \$110 dbl or \$140 Family room. Xmas Dinner \$20/head Ham, pork plum pud etc. Details call Brenda on 54978858 or 0419439411
2 nd September	SHOW N SHINE	This is at the Club Beachmere, (see minutes) Details call Ron 0419439411.



RUN REPORT SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2012

MAROOCHY BUSHLAND BOTANIC GARDEN



After a long week of heavy rain which seemed that it would never go away, what a glorious day Sunday turned out to be. It was a terrific opportunity to get out and about in our stunning array of vehicles. Heading off from the Sundowner north towards the Sunshine Coast and on to the Maroochy Bushland Botanic Gardens. We weren't the only ones heading north with a long stream of bikers passing as we journeyed along the Bruce highway searching for the turnoff. And what a lovely place the gardens were!

Lots of parking for our cars, then sitting around the very tall gums chatting, knitting, reading and just catching up over a cuppa and a sandwich. All the while being entertained by the birds flying to and fro from tree to tree like acrobats, and chirping up a storm. Could not have been any better - thank you Jan & Graham Beatson (Grumpo) for a great run, and a bewildering list of abbreviations to sort out for the prizes. A great day to be alive and lucky to be living here in Australia, we must put this place as a destination for next years runs. Whilst there at the gardens one can visit the Arts and Ecology Centre- very interesting use of books and paper - and take a walk on trails around the garden. Cheers for now, looking forward to the next run from a very happy winner of 1st prize in raffle Thank you.

Run Report by Jenny D'Acunto



What a happy and relaxed bunch we were – except of course for Kim Bowers who was once again caught short, and put his hand up for permission to go to the loo!!!!



SOME MORE HAPPY SNAPS FROM MAROOCHYDORE



QUESTION: Who is this man, and why is he holding a grumpy (or is that Grumpo) garden gnome on his shoulder??
HINT: He may be listening to some advice?

Send your answers to “editor @chacc.com”
Best entry wins a prize!!

Check the picture below.....
See if you can pick Alf’s latest purchase, and why is it the longest in the carpark?
Hmmm?



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I was driving this morning when I saw an RACQ van parked. The driver was sobbing uncontrollably and looked very miserable. I thought to myself “that guy's heading for a breakdown”

The wife has been missing a week now. Police said to prepare for the worst. So I have been to the charity shop to get all her clothes back.

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SICK CALL



To all of our members who are missing runs because they are not 100%, our thoughts and prayers go out to you.

***Our thoughts are with Les Arnold who is in Albury at the moment to be with his brother who is critically ill.*

*** We are also hoping that Andy Byrne gets through a barrage of tests to determine the state of his health, and sincerely appreciate his (and Sally's) continued attendance at our runs.*

***We also note with regret, Andy's resignation from the committee.*

*** Jim Croft has been less than 100% lately and we wish him a hearty "get well soon"*

Any other members who are not feeling 100%, or recovering, or still in hospital, Please let the editor know. Email " editor@chacc.com "

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BIRTHDAY BOYS AND GIRLS

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ARE CELEBRATING THIS AUSPICIOUS OCCASION

EITHER IN JUNE



*Rob Blake
Kim Bowers
Carol Bowers
Ray Dinte
Nathan Boyd
Alex Gallacher
Zeta Boyd
Val Follet
Gladys Rohan
Alf D'Acunto*

OR IN JULY



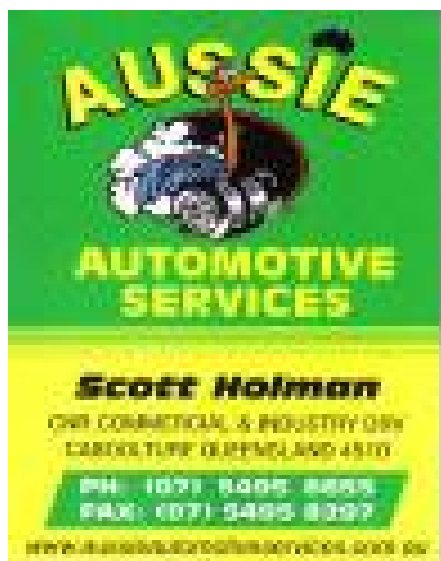
*Neville Brown
Robyn Comino
Darryl Wright
Richard Droughton
Gloria Groves
Gillian Smith
Vera Friar
Julie Walters*

We congratulate all of the above members on celebrating their respective birthdays with a special mention to Neville & Barbara Brown who celebrate their 47th Wedding Anniversary in July. Also celebrating that eventful day in July many years ago are Brenda & Ron Byrnes.





PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THESE BUSINESSES AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT THEM AS WELL!



DOB IN A DOPE!

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR THOSE EMBARRASSING MOMENTS THAT ALWAYS OCCUR DURING OUR MONTHLY AND MID WEEK RUNS. LET SHIRLEY JEFERAY KNOW -YOUR SECRET WILL BE SAFE WITH HER....UNTIL THE XMAS PARTY!!!

