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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. site: www.chacc.com

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

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** **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: Sunday 7th March 2021

Neils & Aileen have organised a great run to Bankfoot House, a Heritage listed property, and stopover for Cobb & Co on the way to Gympie. We will go there for morning tea, and stay for lunch in the grounds. BYO morning tea, lunch & chairs. We will be taken through the property in small groups, and there is plenty of parking. More details to follow next week.

Wednesday 17th March 2021 We will be heading to Coolum courtesy of Frank Tenney to visit Frank Carrol's Rolls Royce Museum. He has over 30 cars - not all RR's - and will give a detailed rundown on their history and restoration. Should be interesting. Lunch details later (BYO?) NOTE. TO GET THERE IN TIME FOR THE TOUR, DEPARTURE WILL BE 9:30 AM SHARP AT THE SUNDOWNER. Don't be a disappointed latecomer!!

Sunday 11th April 2021 Hopefully Sally & Andy will be well enough to give us the details of their proposed run. All the news will be in the next SCN, and emailed to members beforehand PRESIDENT Alex Gallacher 0417 247 292

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PRESIDENT'S PRATTLE

Well, here we are again, another month into the dreaded COVID 19 debacle with some states seemingly handling things better than others. However (touch wood) we are still able to continue with or run schedule <u>although we need some volunteers for runs from July onwards!</u>

Our "Fish'n'Chip run to Toorbul beautifully organised by Dave Alsbury was well attended and enjoyed by those who took the trouble to come along. Unfortunately I was unable to go due to a "gammy" knee so these comments are from those who did get there. A case of "the more, the merrier", but there is still room for a lot more members to participate – just try it, you'll find you have enjoyed yourself (or selves as the case may be).

Speaking of future runs (which we weren't but what the hell) we do have some exciting excursions coming up in the next couple of months, and I know you will kick yourself when you read about them in the SCN if you don't bother to come. Probably the most interesting aspect of our runs this year will be the absence of those somewhat dreary meetings. It was decided at the AGM to dispense with them, we need only four committee meetings per year to comply with the regulations under the Associations Incorporation Act, where we are an "Incorporated Body".

So... if ever you needed another reason to come to one (or more) of our runs, there you have it! See you soon.

Alex Gallacher - President



Secretary's Scribbles February 2021

This is my second attempt at preparing this month's Secretaries Dribble, sorry Scribbles. Our first run of the year was our Annual Fish & Chip run. This year we went to Toorbul and all went well, it's good to get to the final destination and still have the same number of members as we started with and sometimes a few more. With the camp chairs circled CHACC members caught up with 2 months of news.

We held our first Committee meeting on Tuesday 16th February at the President's Residence and I thought it was fairly productive with most carry over and new agenda items being dealt with lively discussion.

Items resolved were: (1) that our web site administrator has agreed to train a CHACC member to amend our web site when required, in this case Alex volunteered. (2) That we finalize the donation to the "Give It" Charity which members decided to be our Charity on 5th July 2020. Sally's Hat collections last year 2019/20 were matched dollar for dollar by CHACC and a cheque for that amount will be presented to them. Carol and Alex to arrange for a presentation of Cheque. (3) That as our sponsorship from Tyres Galore was difficult to use as it was for services only, it was decided to delete their advertisement from SCN and the committee agreed that sponsorship was not really a necessary requirement for CHACC. (4) The committee also decided to invite the Membership Secretary Carol Bowers to be an active member of the committee due to her past knowledge of the Club.

Next Month's Runs are our Sunday Run on 7th March being organized by Neil's and Aileen and then our midweek run, on Wednesday 17th March which is being organized by Frank Tenney. We are going to Frank Carroll's Rolls Royce museum (some Austin's) Coolum with lunch at Imperial Hotel Eumundi. Go on Google and look it up sounds like a great day. As we have to be there at 11 am we will be having an early start from the Sundowner around 9.30 am.

That's all Folks

David Alsbury CHACC Secretary



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<u>CHACC Run Report – Sunday 7th February 2021</u> Fish & Chip Run to Toorbul on Pumicestone Passage

The long awaited first run of the year was finally here and all had been organized, although I had planned the run using Google Maps and thought I should check the run from morning tea to Toorbul, well just as well as I first experienced a section of dirt (Andy would not have been happy) then a road ends sign and a bloody big gully. Well! I had to back track and plan a new route, completely stuffed up my timing to Toorbul. Sunday came and the weather was forecasted to be 33 degrees but hopefully we would have a sea breeze. I was informed that our president Alex was injured and was turning up to deliver the run sheets. Thanks Alex who is always committed to see all goes well. We commenced on time with Mustang Ken & Barbara eager to lead the way followed by Jaguar Charlie & Sandy who immediately turned left so I followed knowing it was the wrong way until I looked at run sheet and discovered my first mistake. Sandy & Charlie also noticed it as they stopped, but as we had been this way many times in the past all was OK. We made our way to a new Morning Tea stop for most at Rocksbery Heritage Park at the Western end of Caboolture River Road which had our Leader Mustang Ken a bit worried as he turned around. There was one other mistake on the run as I had put a Give way sign in instead of a Stop sign. I just told them





the council must have changed it last week. The lesson learnt is take don't take short cuts and check the complete run. Andy thanked me for not including traffic lights as we meandered through the Acreages of Morayfield and Burpengary and some would have realized some of it was a reverse of last year's Fish & Chip run. Our Morning Tea stop was under shady trees by the Caboolture River and swimming holes at base of Mt Mee. We had a long stop as I had planned to leave at 10.50 am, but I then discovered that all best laid plans can go wrong, No Bloody Mobile service so we couldn't pre-order our Fish & Chips, Bugger! But as CHACC members are used to a few hick up's, we decided to order on arrival, what a great understanding group. It was a nice easy run to Toorbul through Pineapple farms and so to be strawberry fields with some impressive views of the Glasshouse group of mountains. When we arrived at Toorbul,



parking was at a premium as there was a Party taking place across the road from the fish shop, but the tree I had planned to circle our chairs under was vacant, maybe it had something to do with the warning tape around the tree's warning of falling branches, but all good no one suffered head any injuries. We were meet by Christian Hendersen and our orders were handled quite quickly only around 20 minutes wait and the quantity was good and quality OK. We however had a nice sea breeze keeping us cool. We were also joined by Pat Vincent, so nice to see her turn up. Sally and Charlie were in competition, to see who had the most out there long socks, I think Sally won hands down.





I believe everyone enjoyed the first run of the year. The Goose Club Draw Jackpotted to \$80, so make sure you turn-up next month to be a chance of winning. The Raffle was won by Neil's Andersen and the bottle of Woongooroo Liqueur went to Peter Davis. Sorry Scotty you should have been here. It was reported that our President Alex was scheduled for a right Knee replacement, but instead he has had a re bore and all the sludge was removed. He is now on Jack stands and moving around. If I was him I won't tell Elaine all is OK

By David Alsbury

Mid-week Run Wednesday 17th February 21



Well the usual (apart from a few) met us at the Sundowner great weather, predicted rain.

Apologies from Frank Tenney, Andy & Sally, Alex & Elaine (who actually were at the Sundowner to wish us off). Sally unfortunately had a very nasty accident at home on Monday which required her to be ambulanced off to hospital (Andy said it took 3 calls to the ambulance service (over an hour and a half) to get an ambulance. She has required many stitches in her knee. She is still in hospital but putting on a brave face as Sally does. Alex – don't know whether his excuse of an 'arthroscopy' last week covers him for sympathy – as Elaine will tell you, but he excused himself from the run after they delivered the run sheets for Peter & Toosje! Sandy Provis also put her two bobs worth in saying "Alex you are a "wus" and she totally agrees with Elaine's non-sympathy for you! Aldona & Scotty were on their way to the run when they received a phone call that required them to turn around and head back into Bowen Hills. So by the time we left the Sundowner we only had 7 vehicles! Sad but maybe the predicted showers turned other member intentions to the negative.

We set off on a more than picturesque drive to Dayboro (thank you Peter & Toosje). Weather was very kind to us. I must admit some of those winding, curvy roads would have brought up my breakfast - if I

was prone to road sickness. But the views were magnificent. One member who attended – Martin Dixon – kept his birthday a secret. Only found out after the run that it was his birthday. We were privileged to be sitting with him and he didn't let on. So now you suffer Martin because CHACC now wish you a very happy birthday

Thank you to members who attended and for generously donating to 'Sally's Hat' and to those who couldn't make it because of medical or other urgent reasons we wish you only the best outcomes.





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We congratulate all of the above members on celebrating their respective birthdays If I have missed anyone I apologise, unless like me you want to forget all about it!!



MANGO & PRAWN RICE NOODLE SALAD Preparation Time: 15 mins Cooking Time: 5 mins Serves 4

150g rice noodles 1 ripe mango, sliced 1 Lebanese cucumber, deseeded/chopped 1 bok choy, shredded 1 carrot, shredded 100g sugar snap peas, shredded 1 bunch baby radishes thinly sliced 500g cooked, peeled king prawns ¹/₄ cup toasted cashews, chopped, to serve Chopped coriander, to serve

DRESSING:

Juice of 3 limes 1 Tbsp brown sugar 1/2 Tbsp fish sauce 1/2 tsp dried chilli flakes 1glove garlic, crushed



Cook noodles following packet instructions, drain and run under cold water until cold. Drain again. For dressing, whisk together all ingredients in a large bowl Add Mango, cucumber, bok choy, carrot,

shredded sugar snap peas, radish, prawns and noodles to dressing. Toss well. Sprinkle with cashews and coriander to serve



Recalling a Mk 8 Mishap a long time ago

To have a Jaguar in one's life, I find to be a curious thing. The "gentleman" that we bought ours from said "people either love them or hate them with really no middle ground to speak of"and he told me that immediately after the cheque changed hands.

My liking for the marque grew, not from watching re-runs of Inspector Morse on the telly; but from an unusual decision by my father way back in 1967. We had mechanic at the time, a tall dark haired, refined fellow who parked his immaculate black Mk7 Jaguar sedan in the street outside when he picked up our current car to be serviced. There must have been a connection there, for around about the time of my 16th birthday a two-tone grey Mk8 Jaguar arrived, unannounced one Friday night.

This vehicle absolutely fascinated me; the paint and wooden door sills were...so-so but I still loved it's every inch. I used to just sit in the driver's seat soaking in every facet of the wooden dashboard, and at night when bathed in its illuminating purple lights above, the traditional white on black gauges assumed an ethereal quality everything, was forgiven by the growl from the twin chromed tail pipes poking out from under the left-hand bumper. To this callow youth the smooth beat when idling was utterly transfixing. The Mk8 was only driven on weekends, always by Dad.

Christmas Eve that year, saw us in Victoria; on the Great Ocean Road. It was a hot day but the Jaguar had been performing well, as befitted its standard of maintenance. My 12-year-old brother Geoff and I were in the back seat enduring sunburn and the lack of air-conditioning. Mum and Dad were both enjoying cigarettes on the front pew. After about an hour, the car seemed to be slowing from the previously joyful breeze-generating 100kph to 80, then 60. Our parents were not talking but concentrating on the rising engine temperature gauge which was now accompanied by a disturbing rattle from the engine bay, much like stones in a tin can.

Looking at me in the rear vision mirror, Dad said "what's going on?"

"Sounds like a chain hitting something" I said; very happy at being consulted and having something positive to contribute into the bargain.

We were crawling by now, when a small old-fashioned service station carved out of the rock; hove into view. Dad swung the nose of our beautiful big grey car onto the concrete apron in front of the one and only petrol pump, pulling on the bonnet catch as he alighted. Now stationary with the engine off, there were plumes of white vapour escaping from the grille. With the bonnet now open, the service station operator, probably guessing that we weren't there for fuel; had materialized and was peering over the passenger side front wheel arch.

"Kerrist, you have blown a welch plug" were his first words. Dad, Geoff and I, all rushed around to his side, hoping for a less fearful solution like 'the radiator cap is missing' or 'the radiator hose is loose' would have been just fine!

Sadly, however there was no denying a 40mm or so circular hole, down in the engine block that was, emitting wisps of what looked and smelt like steam.

Dad, was clearly depressed at the situation. With glazed eyes he stared at the festive decorations fluttering when each car passed us, all looking at our plight. He explained sadly, that there would be a very long wait to organize a tow-truck to get the Mk8 home; some 60k away. Then, there was the problem of getting Mum and us back. He was lighting a cigarette, when our new friend said "I could give you a lift and tow your car. I thought my father, a largely dispassionate soul; was going to hug him. "Wow that's fabulous, do you have a truck?"

"No, I will tow you with my Holden HR, your wife can come with me for directions, the boys with you. I do this all the time with breakdowns, as there is no other help for miles"

Realizing that options were few, my father listened to the garage man's strategy nodding his agreement on points of the discussion. A stout, well weathered rope was strung between the subframe of the Jaguar and a substantial looking towbar on the Holden. While the length between vehicles looked adequate from a distance, the rope was actually invisible from behind the long bonnet of the towed vehicle.



With the engine out of operation, Dad had no power brakes to assist in keeping two tons of Jaguar from smashing into the much smaller car in front. The headlights had to be turned off to save the battery power for the tail-lights. My father's hands were making the huge steel steering wheel shake, while his right foot hovered over the compromised brake pedal for the entire three-hour journey.

Viewing the disaster, the following week; our skilled Jaguar-driving mechanic felt that there was a good chance of repairing the engine. "These cars hold a huge amount of oil and although the engine had run without any coolant, thus becoming very hot; it had not seized. His optimism was eventually rewarded when he returned the car after a month, and many concerned phone calls from Dad; with the engine ticking like an XK motor should.

Charlie Provis



When your President speaks you are expected to listen and act, very topical in our present world. Yesterday our President Alex issued a directive to the 2021 committee that due to lack of club action reports, submissions, stories, jokes, anecdotes, or anything are required (read demanded) for the upcoming SCN. The bed was left unmade, dirty dishes were left where they stood, half cooked food was left on the stove, the full paid trip to the Gabba was cancelled as all attention was turned to bowing and grovelling to he who must be obeyed. So what have we been filling in our life with.

As we reported prior to the AGM our focus for this year is to go touring as Classic Adventurers in the MK2. It's quite obvious that plan A, south through NSW, Vic, Tas and then back to SA, is not going to happen for a while. We



formulated Plan B which is to tour Qld and NT. First of course we had to fully prepare our faithful (we hope) classic for the tiki tour. Off went PURRL to the doctor for a few necessary operations, upgrade the 60 year old "candles" to modern lights including spot lights, fit interrupter switch, change power steering to electric pump, Change generator to an alternator, fit air con unit, power outlet in the boot to operate a small fridge. Well you do deserve a coldy after a day of driving and sightseeing.

There were a couple of very minor niggles and adjustments were required to alleviate these. At the time of writing all is operating as planned. Original itinerary saw us hitting the highway on 27th January then the calendar was checked. OMG we're about to miss our grandson's 13th birthday, we can't do that as Jimmy is about to become our first teenage grandchild. Outcome of all this is that departure date is likely to be a short trip starting first week Feb and back home in time for Jimmy's birthday on (guess what date) 13th of course. Well I suppose when you reside in unit 13 / 113 you can't possibly be superstitious.

As in the photo, Piston Broke, that one in very broke. ET developed a weeping welsh (or welch if you prefer) plug in the most awkward position right behind the starter motor, she also had a typical Pommie rear main seal oil leak and a noisy throw out bearing. Ok time for some surgery which included the requirement of engine out for access. Surgery turned out to be Major Surgery as the pistons and bores were very much past their use by date. Total strip down, many many new parts, machine work for the neoprene main seal upgrade plus new clutch. ET is home again now but old fashioned running in of the rebuild is now required for a number of miles

Looking forward to a few catch ups between our planned travels.



Classic & Historical Automobile Club of Caboolture Inc. Minutes Committee meeting

Venue: Presidents Residence – Alex Gallacher – 30-32 Cammack Street Burpengary East Date: 16th February 2021

Meeting commenced:	3.00pm
Presidents Welcome:	President welcomed all those in attendance.
Present:	As per attendance sheet
Apologies:	Nil
Confirmation of Minutes of last Committee Meeting held 17th June 2020	
Moved by Ian Scott – Former Secretary as a true and accurate record	
Seconded: Alex Gallacher -	Carried

Business Arising from Meeting on 17th June 2020

1. No changes made to the website

• Alex Gallacher has been in contact with John Pritchard – Web Consultant, and he has advised that he will give CHACC a 30% Discount and he would be happy to train 1 CHACC member, and this Member is to be the only person authorised to give instructions on Website alterations. Quintin Buckley had been nominated to do this but has been ill. Alex Gallacher Volunteered to take on this role as our Website contact. All in agreeance.

2. Sally's hat requires finalisation to recipient

• At the Members General Meeting on 5th July 2020, members decided that 2019/20 Sally's Hat charity collection would be donated to the "GIVIT" charity. The Treasurer advised that a Cheque that was given to Kirkfare Classics and payable to "GIVIT" had not been presented and was now not bankable. So! With the amount from Sally's Hat and the addition of the dollar-for-dollar donation from CHACC and the amount from the unpresented Cheque, a motion was moved by John Westerhuis "to donate that amount to the "GIVIT" charity and that Carol Bowers select a worthy recipient at "GIVIT". Seconded: Kim Bowers - Carried

• The Treasurer advised that since the introduction of Sally's hat we have raised a larger amount of donations than from the Sargent of Arms Fines, to this end the dollar-for-dollar donation from CHACC is an additional financial burden of the Club, so John Westerhuis moved" That from today we retract the dollar-for dollar subsidy from CHACC applied to Sally's Hat collection and our donation to Charity will be the total sum of Sally's hat or a minimum of \$500.00." Seconded: David Alsbury - Carried

- (For Members Information CHACC's Financial Year runs from 1st September to the 31st August and includes Sally's hat Charity Collection)
- 3. CHACC yearly Budget.
 - At previous General Meetings members requested a yearly budget. The Treasurer and Secretary to meet and prepare a yearly Budget.
- 4. Missing Trophies:
 - A discussion was held regarding CHACC trophies, it was believed a past member with an Austin Healy had the Presidents Trophy and member of year trophy is held by John Westerhuis.
 - A motion was moved by Secretary David Alsbury. "That we discontinue the practice delegating Trophies to Members as we felt it was a lost cause". Seconded: Kim Bowers Carried



5. Club Sponsor

• We had a discussion regarding the value of having Tyre's Galore as our sponsor as they give us \$100 service only voucher to use with them and they receive a free add in SCN. It was agreed that they be remove as our sponsor and also remove advertisement from SCN.

President Alex Gallacher to advise CHACC Editor.

6. Select New Charity for 2020/21.

 We discussed this at length and believed that our Membership Secretary Carol Bowers was the best member to advise us on selecting a charity and with her vast knowledge of the club it would be an advantage to have Carol as a committee Member. The Secretary Moved: "that Membership Secretary Carol Bowers be appointed as an additional committee member." Seconded; John Westerhuis – Carried.

7. Constitution:

• Ian Scott advised that a change in our constitution would be cause us heaps of changes and as they are Model Rules, they are a Guideline only **No Further action required**

Treasurer's Report:

A Treasurers report to the 16th February was presented:

- It was moved by the Treasurer"as a true and accurate record, and that \$1000 be transferred from Business Saver A/C to Everyday A/C for the purpose of GIVIT Charity donation" Seconded: Alex Gallacher Carried
- Moved by President "that Expenditure incurred by Membership Secretary be passed for Payment" Seconded: Secretary Carried

Run Directors Report:

• Wednesday Run 17th March 2021 – Frank Carroll's Rolls Royce Museum President Moved: "that CHACC donate \$5 for each member to the Rolls Royce Museum." Seconded: John Westerhuis

General Business:

- 1. Club Sponsor:
 - The general consensus of the committee was that a sponsor was not necessary. **No Further action required**
- 2. Select new Charity for 2020/21
 - President Alex Gallacher commented that he believed that as the Members on runs were the ones donating to Sally's Hat, he believed that they should be the ones that should select a worthy recipient from Sally's Hat Donations at a General Meeting of members. He also believed that the donation be presented at our AGM. All committee in Agreeance.

3. Future Committee Meetings:

President advised we should hold future committee meetings as follows:

April 2021, June 2021, August 2021 - Actual dates To Be Advised

Meeting closed: 4.00pm

Proposed date for next meeting Wednesday 16 September 2020

Chairman.....Secretary....



CHACC EVENTS & RUN DATES FOR 2021 Any further queries, please phone Run Director Alex 0417 247 292

7 th March 21 Sunday	Organised by Neils & Aileen. Will be to Bankfoot House, a Heritage listed property. We will be shown through the property, and have morning tea and lunch there. BYO morning tea & Lunch.
17th March 21 Wed	Mid-week Organised by Frank Tenney Run is to Frank Carrol's Museum at Coolum for a detailed tour of his cars NOTE EARLY START FOR THIS 9:30 at SUNDOWNER!
11 th April 21 Sun	4th April is Easter long weekend, so <mark>changed date!</mark> Organised by Sally & Andy.
21 st April 21 Wed	Mid-week. Organised by Peter Rohan.
16 th May 21 Sun	Changed date. May 2 nd is Labour Day long weekend, and May 16 th is Mother's Day. Organised by Alex & Elaine.
19 th May 21 Wed	Mid-Week. Organised by John Westerhuis.
6 th June 21 Sun	President's Run . For all you history buffs this is also D-Day, but don't expect any historic significance on the run. Organised by Alex.
16 th June 21 Wed	Mid-Week Organised by Frank & Hai. This will be a lunch catered by Hai – those who have experienced her skills will not miss this one!
4th July 21 Sun	Memorial Run . A special day when we remember those members who have passed away. Organised by Kim & Carol. Mark it as a must!
14 th July 21 Wed	Mid-week. NEED A VOLUNTEER
1 st Aug 21 Sun	NEED A VOLUNTEER
18 th Aug 21 Wed	Mid-week NEED A VOLUNTEER
12 th Sept 21 Sun	NEED A VOLUNTEER Date Change 5th is Father's Day!
22 nd Sept 21 Wed	Mid-week NEED A VOLUNTEER

So, members you can see that although we have been fortunate for the first half of the year, there are still plenty of runs where we need inspiration and a volunteer. Please help.

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