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Automobile Club  
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**\*\* 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.

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**\* BBQ/Sausage Sizzle \***

We provide food 'n' salads  
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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)

### 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.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

**1<sup>st</sup> December Sunday**  
**Chacc's AGM and Xmas lunch at**  
Bribie RSL (99 Toorbul Street, Bongaree). 2-course meal following our AGM & General Meeting.  
10.30am Start for AGM. Lunch @ 12noon. \$10 per head for members \$30 for visitors. Few more details are in President's Prattles. We have already confirmed & paid for those of you who have advised your attendance.

**26<sup>th</sup> January Sunday 2025**  
Australia Day run - venue to be decided @ our General Meeting following the AGM on 1<sup>st</sup>. Dec.  
Members will be advised via email.

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## PRESIDENT's PRATTLE

Some great final runs for this year, attendance wise. The MOVAC combined run, Toogoolawah Run and recently the combined run to Bellmere with the Bribie Chapter of the Sunshine Coast Automobile Car Club. Let's hope our attendance numbers continue into 2025.

Sadly, only one response to our plea for Nominations for our upcoming AGM. Looks like we will need to have positions filled from the floor, as like other Clubs do. Our AGM and Christmas lunch numbers have closed as we had to confirm numbers and give payment 10 days prior. For those who have confirmed, we hope to commence the AGM @ 10.30am sharp. Venue is Bribie Island RSL, 99 Toorbul Street, Bongaree. Our 2-course Christmas lunch will be served @ 12noon. Our own room is on Level 1, however there is a lift to take us up there. No stairs to access from ground level to the lifts.

Also look forward to member's suggestions for Sally's Hat charity recipient to be decided at our General Meeting, following the AGM.

We have details of Peter Rohan's now permanent address and phone number if members wish to reach out or visit him, please contact us.

"In the end, it's not the years in your Life but the Life in your years".

May I take this opportunity to wish all members a very safe & healthy Christmas holiday period.

Happy motoring & stay safe.



## CHACC & MVOC Comb Run report 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2024

For some people the expression; "If at first you don't succeed – to hell with it" becomes their disappointing mantra! Luckily, the erstwhile members of the MVOC, along with the equally stubborn CHACC members refuse to adhere to this defeatist dogma! So it was, that after our proposed August Combined Run was cancelled - due to the inclement weather - it was wholeheartedly supported that we have another try on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of October. Accordingly, the "usual suspects" assembled on a beautiful sunny morning at the Sundowner carpark. It was great to see Bruce Stanley roll up in his immaculate Corvette. However, Frank Tenney, ever the pragmatist eschewed the American muscle cars of Bruce ... and Peter and Toosje Davis, deciding to luxuriate in his



power steered, air -conditioned Jaguar! John W brought his sister Maryanne and Kim & Carol rounded out the Holden contingent with their HR. Our small, but enthusiastic group took off for our rendezvous with the MVOC at Pioneer Park, to meet up with Arthur Hall and a dozen or so of his members, before leaving in convoy to the morning tea stop. The collection of Classic vehicles in the lineup was impressive, highlighted by the immaculate blue Aston Martin of Richard & Lou Blunder which drew many admiring glances. After a few quick introductions, we headed off to the Mooloolah Connection Rd to Mooloolah Valley with occasional glimpses of the Ewen Maddock Dam on our left. A few more twists and turns (I was following Arthur so I wasn't counting) and we reached our morning tea stop just near Eudlo station. More serious discussion about the merits of modern car "driver aids" concluding that they are just another distraction making lazy drivers... well, lazier!! Suitably refreshed and de-watered, we began the journey to our lunch stop via McGilchrist Rd towards Chevallum, heading for Forest Glen and connecting with the Old Maroochy Rd. Passing under the "New" Maroochy Rd onto Eudlo Flats Rd took us through some picturesque bushland to get to the uniquely named Diddillibah Rd, which also indicated we were getting close to our destination. More great scenery before turning into David Low Way, named after the State member for 27 years as well as Chairman of the Maroochy Shire for 15 years. It is an impressive stretch of road linking Maroochydore to Noosa as well as taking us to Diddillibah and the "Waterfront Hotel". The hotel sits on the banks of the Maroochy River, and provided us with the ideal location to mix, mingle and enjoy the company of MVOC members on the outside dining area. Great views, a cool breeze from the water, and great food combined to give all of us a fitting conclusion to an enjoyable day. It was an interesting and pleasant run with like-minded people. Many thanks to Arthur Hall and Kim Bowers for organising a fantastic outing.



Q: What is green, covered in Christmas lights and Christmas bulbs, and goes ribbit?

A: Mistle-toad.

Q: What did the bald man say when he got a comb for Christmas?

A: "I'll never part with it!"



Q: Why did Frosty's girlfriend break up with him?

A: He was a total flake!

Q: What do you get if you eat Christmas decorations?

Q: Tinsilitis.

Q: What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?

A: Frostbite.

## How to get rid of split ends

Mix 1tbs of Honey, 1tsp of Olive Oil, 1 Egg Yolk, and 3tbs of Greek Yogurt. Then put that in the bin and go Get a haircut.



## CHACC run to Toogoolawah via Kilcoy SUNDAY November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2024

Run Organised by Ken McFarlane

A quick rundown of Ken's great run to Toogoolawah. Quite a hot day, however didn't deter 13 vehicles and 22 members – a great turn out. Some members met us at Kilcoy for our morning tea stop, including visitors Sherrie & Paul Maher – who on the day decided to join CHACC with their 1982 WB Holden Ute. Also recently joined members, 1<sup>st</sup> run with CHACC was Tony & Leigh Kouvas in their 1984 WB Statesman. Phillip King and daughter Marisa also joined us in their 1956 XK140 Jaguar, this is Phillip & Marisa's 2<sup>nd</sup> run with CHACC, although unlike the 1<sup>st</sup> run in his 1954 Mercedes, this time he flew like a grand prix driver in his Jaguar. Good to see Quintin & Maud back on runs after Quintin's eye surgery. Unfortunately, after morning tea @ Kilcoy Sally & Andy said goodbye – just too long a day for them both. Great to see them still making the effort. I think the Jaguars won on numbers, with Charlie, Phillip & Frank. Raffle winners were, Frank Tenney, Alex Gallacher, Phillip King, Maud Jenkinson and would you believe Frank Tenney again! Goose Club drawn number was Peta and Paul Johnson, unfortunately not in attendance so goes to \$90 for our AGM and Christmas lunch draw.



## A Day to meet new friends & Strawberry indulgence 13 Nov 2024

Is it a great concept to ask another club, with similar interests to join ours on a run? Well, of course it is. Today, this run, conceived by Mr. Tenney was to be the opportunity to have a day with members of the Bribie Island Chapter of the Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club. I am not sure that we CHACC people maximised the chance to “meet and greet”? I hope to be wrong in that perception and look forward to an opportunity where we will go totally overboard with hospitality largess to compensate. Enough of self- inflicted flagellation and let’s look at the event. This day, the BOM was full of storm warnings, with serious language like “extreme” and ‘flooding’ together with large hail thrown in, just in case you weren’t paying attention to the other bits. So, the fact that some attendees took the classic car out of the garage, indicated a very positive attitude. As a “glass half empty” guy, I made the wrong call and swelled the “modern class”, which is not my favourite place to be.



The bones of the event were great, and superbly suited to the climatic risks prevailing. It was a short local run, with a credit card powered meal option. My dear wife would have loved it. We travelled all the way to Bellmere to visit the “Strawberry View” farm, which hosts it’s own eatery, a polished operation that impressed by the ability to feed a lot of people quickly. Frank has his own yardstick of what qualifies as a return venue, which is a topic for another day, save to say that his custom, for three meals a day, pays the light bills of his favourites. Let’s do the cars and drivers of our guests first, to be polite. In the order of how the attendance sheet was filled in, we had Joe and Donna Geranio in an attractively original AP5 Valiant. I kid you not, it is good...and as straight as a gun barrel from my walk around evaluation. Mirella and Bob parsons joined me in the Moderns, whilst Rod and Kerry Guest were in an HK Holden with the windows up, so the air-conditioning was doing it’s job. Dennis Large sported an XD Falcon which I couldn’t find

(apologies Dennis) and Neil Kelly was the only occupant of a neat looking V.W. Kombi.

The Chaccers added to the cavalcade, with today’s run director in his Buick, noting his non A/C choice as perhaps not one of his best. The moderns were me, Paul and Sherrie Maher and the Quintin Buckley/Maud Jenkinson team. Peter and Cato were in the purple Mustang, John Westerhuis in his FE Holden complimented Neils and Aileen in their 1 year new FC Holden, separated by such minorities that only they are privy to. Many thanks to Stan and Jenny in the VC Commodore, who by prior arrangement kept me on the straight and narrow. Sally and Andy in the Mercedes Coupe stayed all day, which was great. Alex, sans roof drove his MG.B and Wai Bobbin a 2 year old member,





who until today has not attended a run, presented with his handsome greyhound (Ruby) in his 1991 Lexus which was making some interesting V8 like noises from its tailpipes.

Words by Charlie



## Christmas Recipe Malt 'O' Caramilk truffles

250g pkt Malt 'O' Milk biscuits  
 50g flaked almonds, toasted  
 3 x 180g blocks Cadbury Caramilk chocolate, chopped  
 395g can sweetened condensed milk  
 45g (1/2 cup) desiccated coconut



Place biscuits and almonds in a food processor and process until fine crumbs form. Place one block of chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on Medium, stirring every minute with a metal spoon, for 2-3 minutes or until melted and smooth. Add the melted chocolate, condensed milk and coconut to the biscuit mixture. Stir until well combined. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Roll 2 teaspoonfuls of the biscuit mixture into a ball. Place in the freezer until firm. Place the remaining chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on Medium, stirring every minute with a metal spoon, for 2-3 minutes or until melted and smooth. Use a fork to dip balls in melted chocolate, allowing excess to drip off. Return to the tray. Place in the fridge until set. Serve.




  
**Congratulations to our members**  
**These lucky people are celebrating this MONTH**  
**December 2024 Birthday Wishes**



Frank Tenney  
 Sally Byrne  
 Joe La Spina  
 Barry Smith

Stan Vallance  
 Sylvie King  
 Peter Davis  
 Julie Byrne



**Barry Smith**





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**SUGGESTED CHACC EVENTS & RUN DATES FOR 2024-2025**  
*Any further queries, please phone Run Director Ken 0417343027*

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2024 Sunday**

**Christmas Lunch combined with our AGM.** This is now confirmed. Will be @ Bribie RSL (99 Toorbul Street, Bongaree) where they are giving us our own room to have our AGM & General Meeting, then they will serve us our 2-course lunch. This has now closed as we had to confirm and pay 10 days prior. Our own room is on Level 1, however there is a Lift to take us up there. No stairs to access from ground level to the lifts. \$10 per head for CHACC members, \$30 for visitors. Please pay on the day to our Treasurer.

**26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 Sunday**

**Australia Day** - Venue will be decided @ our AGM/Xmas lunch and members will be advised via email.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2025 Sunday**

**Fish & Chip Run** - Venue will be decided @ our AGM/Xmas lunch & members will be advised via email.



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