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**Classic and
Historic
Automobile Club
of Caboolture
Inc.
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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.

**** 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)

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

25th February - Wednesday

Invitation from MG Car Club
Brisbane to join them. Meet @
9.30am at Samford Conservation
Park, Iron Bark Gully, Fenny Hills for
morning tea, followed by a 10.30am
start. BYO Morning tea & Lunch will
be @ Jollys Lookout near Mt. Neebo.

1st March - Sunday

To DÁguilar Pub for Lunch. Morning
tea stop McGavin View Park.
Organised by Ken McFarlane

18th March - Wednesday

This is a BYO to Peachester,
organised by Christian Henderson

22nd March - Sunday. 3 Club

event organised by Joe Geranio
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Presidents prattle

Hi everyone,

I hope you are all well.

On Wednesday the 18th a memorial was held for Peter and Gladys Rohan. I did not know Peter and Gladys but have been informed that Peter was an active member of the club. CHACCs condolences to the family. I organised my first run for the club this month. The fish and chip run! I was excited to see so many members turn up on the day. I was leading the run in my trusty old Morris and I looked in the mirror and was so happy to see a long line of beautiful classic cars of all shapes and colours all in a row, it made me smile! I do know other road users enjoy seeing classic cars out and about. We still have vacant proposed runs for the end of the year so please reach out to Ken McFarlane if you would like to volunteer. Australia day Celebrations have come and gone and I hope you all had a great day. This year we had two events for members to choose from. One was at the Caboolture Historical Village and the other was at Godwin Beach. Thanks to everyone who attended the events. Last month I did say I would share with you some of the ideas I received from my email asking what members would like to see from the club. I have received some fantastic responses which I am excited to share! - For runs to have a leader and a 'tail end Charlie' (to keep everyone together) - A week-end away (please share your ideas on where you would like to go....I do have a few ideas!) - Joint runs with other clubs (we do have a joint event coming up in March) - Servicing days (members can share their knowledge of mechanics with others. For example: how to service an old car, carburettors, points etc). - Members who have workshops who have specialised tools who are willing to share with other members. - Members can share their skill set. For example: those who are retired panel beaters, mechanics who might be willing to do work for others. - A mystery run! - New destinations!

Do we have any volunteers for any of the above? I know I would love to know more about how to service or repair the Morris! Let me know if you would like to volunteer and we can come up with a plan. Last year I attended a few events outside of CHACC runs and thought I would see if others would be interested in attending. These included Motor Fest in Brisbane (mid-June), Show, Shine & Swap 27th June at the Caboolture Showgrounds and the All-British Day in Tennyson (usually held in September). If you have a favourite event, you attend let me know! I will set reminders closer to the dates. I would enjoy sharing these days with others! This month I have enjoyed exploring the website 'Old Girls on The Road' (the Old Girls refer to the cars....not the ladies!). Old girls on The Road is a community group for women who own and drive classic cars....check it out if interested!

Reach out anytime

Julie



MINUTES for CHACC General Meeting following the AGM

November 30th 2025 – Brisbie Island RSL

Meeting commenced: 11.05 am

New President Julie Byrne welcomed all those in attendance:

Present & Apologies: As per the AGM Attendance Sheet

Treasurer's Report: For last month. To move that they be accepted. Seconded: Jenny Vallance

General Business:

1. Sally's Hat - Audited Report \$370 (i.e. \$185 to 2 charities)
Charity suggestions from members to donate to for 2026.
Local Neighbourhood Centre & GIVIT were put forward.
2. Most Attended Runs 2025 Recipient: PAUL MAHER
3. Run Director went through first few months of 2026 to get volunteers or suggestions for runs. Successfully made it through to August 2026.

Goose Club: Frank Tenney

Raffle Winners: Numerous Thank you to all members for donation of prizes

No further business - Meeting Closed @ 11.35am



Gladys & Peter Rohan Memorial



Peter Rohan
15 Mar 1939 – 26 Jan 2026

Gladys Rohan
7 Jun 1933 – 25 Jan 2026



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MINUTES FOR 2025 CHACC AGM

Held Bribie RSL November 30th 2025
Meeting commenced at 10.30am

PRESIDENT Welcomed all attending members:

- 1. Present:** As per attendance sheet.
- 2. Apologies:** As per attendance sheet

3. Previous Minutes.

Minutes of the **2024 AGM** held at Bribie RSL Dec. 1st. and distributed to members via SCN and email. Moved by secretary as a true & accurate record. Seconded by Jenny Vallance. Carried

4. No Business arising from the previous minutes:

5. President's Annual Report.

President's report read and President moved that the report be accepted.

6. Treasurer's Annual Report.

Treasurer's audited report from our auditor Allison Kropp was available for members. Copies were available from JW. John moved that Suncorp a/c be closed and balance be transferred across to BOQ in the new year.

7. Brief Report from Representative for Members

Jenny Vallance said she had no negative comments from members and all seemed well.

8. Life Membership/s Two nominations received & accepted.

- a) Peter & Toosje Davis and (b) John Westerhuis

9. Election of Chairperson

Before declaring all positions vacant, the outgoing President proposed that he would act as Chairperson until other positions were filled. Seconded by Julie Byrne.

The President declared all positions vacant and continued with the election.

Prior to the election of office bearers, Kim asked if the nominees wished to decline their nominations. With the lack of nominees all other positions will be called from the floor.

11. Election of Office Bearers for 2025/2026

Kim (Chairman), advised that the nomination for President was as follows:

President: Julie Byrne Proposed by Kim Bowers 2nd. Carol Bowers
Duly elected unopposed

Vice President: Jenny Vallance Proposed by Kim Bowers, 2nd. Carol Bowers
Duly elected unopposed

Secretary: No written nomination received, **Neils Andersen** proposed by Kim 2nd. Carol. Neils accepted & was duly elected unopposed.



Treasurer: No written nomination received; **John Westerhuis** proposed by Kim 2nd. by Bruce Stanley, duly elected unopposed.

Additional Committee Member. No written nomination received. Bruce Stanley volunteered 2nd. by Carol. Duly elected unopposed.

MEMBERSHIPS New & Renewals: **Carol Bowers** Proposed by Kim Bowers 2nd Jenny Valallance. Duly elected unopposed.

Run Director: No written nomination received. **Ken McFarlane** volunteered. 2nd. Carol. Duly elected unopposed.

Auditor: We already have verbal assurance that ALLISON KROPP will again, accept this task.

12. Other Positions.

Fund Raiser/Sally's Hat Co-ordinator, no nominations received. Jenny Vallance & Toosje Davis volunteered to jointly accept these tasks. 2nd Carol.

Member Liaison Coordinator, Written nomination received **Jenny Vallance** Proposed by Kim Bowers, 2nd. Carol Bowers Accepted____
Duly elected unopposed.

Editor, no written nomination received. **Aileen Andersen** volunteered to continue 2nd.Carol. Duly elected unopposed.

Impromptu Run Co-ordinator NO written nomination received. **Toosje Davis** volunteered to continue in this role. 2nd. Carol

OTHER POSITIONS REQUIRED from the Floor (no nominations received)

Website Controller John Pritchard
QHMC Delegates Andy Byrne
Property Officer (Club Marquee/P.A.) Kim Bowers

Current Dating Officers -

Caboolture Kim Bowers (no written nomination received)
Kilcoy Stan Vallance (written nomination Received)
Kallangur/Redcliffe Andy Byrne Proposed Kim Bowers, 2nd Carol Bowers

General Business: Bank Signatories for 2025/2026

Change	President	Change to Julie Byrne Delete K.Bowers
Keep	Treasurer	John Westerhuis
Keep	Secretary	Neils Andersen

Close The AGM closed @ 11.02 am & new committee took chair to commence our very brief General meeting to cater for next year's Run Calendar, Sally's Hat charity & the Goose Club Draw



AUSTRALIA DAY JANUARY 26th 2026



Unfortunately it was a bit of a non-event. Both on CHACC's attendance but moreover on the actual Event at the Caboolture Historical Village. Don't know whether it was lack of advertising on the Village's side or the extremely hot conditions forecast. Compared to last year attendance was more than very poor, exhibitions, etc. way down on previous years. Disappointing, let's hope they get their act together for 2027 on this very important date in our history.

On CHACC's side, we had Julie in her 1953 Morris Minor (Doris), Neils & Aileen in their 1958 Holden FC Special Sedan, Kim n Carol in their 1967 HR Holden Ute and Toosje & Peter Davis who had to bring their modern as they had misplaced their Mustang keys! Do hope they have since got that sorted. After much construction with guy ropes & pegs we managed to get CHACC's very antique signage up! Also put up Kim's meagre Gazebo which was sufficient for our small requirements. Aileen, as usual, came through with some wonderful home made Anzac biscuits (nice & crunchy) not soft & mushy! Enjoyed by all. It was hot but the occasional breeze filtered through which made it bearable. We were told to wait until 1pm and tag along after the parade - we broke the rules and left at 12.55pm and were first lot out of there and apart from needing someone to open the gates for us we didn't get chased by the organiser's police! Apologies: Alex (it was Elaine's 80th birthday after all), Andy & Sally & Ken McFarlane & Jenny n Stan Vallance. Also Phillip, Marisa & Sylvia King, John Westerhuis & Frank Tenney opted for 2nd option of Sandstone Point.



A day of change

On the first day in February, our current President, Ms Julie Byrne both conducted her first touring event (club run) and managed her first General Meeting Not a bad effort.

Please be advised that my comments are those of a non-committee person and accordingly only reflect my thoughts and observations. Having said that, Ms Byrne would appear to be bringing a new style of management to the desk at the front of the class. Today's event may be an example of what we may come to expect. It was, in part described by it's designer as a themed event. I asked her for further content pertaining to this article, at lunch today, and by the time I was buttering one of Frank's scones to accompany our roast beef and salad this evening, my inbox was announcing the arrival of Julie's response.

The starting paragraph was one of rationale, which spoke to the connection between the love of the ocean, by both of her parents in law, Sally and Andy Byrnes, and her own affection for coastal bike tracks, which she uses on regular pedal driven trips to South Brisbane. Just in case, you see yourself as cyclist that can handle a few kilometres, there is now a goal for you to mark your progress. The coastal theme was a linkage to the advertised "Fish and Chip" run and the only purveyor of lunchtime tucker at Baxter's Jetty Shorncliffe, being Shelley's Inn Seafood Cafe signifying the end of the run.

Julie, in an effort to garner member thoughts on which to plan activities and direction, circulated a document recently seeking feedback. My research, which is largely sourced from eavesdropping in food and beverage queues, revealed that there is interest in a 2 day event punctuated by an overnight stay in a motel or similar. Bring it on I say.

Our journey today, could logically be divided into two parts. The initial "transport section", to borrow from the world of Rallying, made extensive use of the Bruce Highway until the Deception Bay turnoff. This unusual strategy, may have been a deliberate ploy, to cater for vehicles which are prone to overheating, on the warmer days we are currently experiencing. Perhaps related, though focused on the driver this time, was Julie's well received provision of snacks, as a panacea for removing the mornos stop ingrained in Sunday runs. Could this be a sign of the future? She must be doing something right judging by the day's attendance as detailed on the following page. Other welcome changes were that members complied with the edict not to pass Julie in her role as "run leader" and the provision of a "tail end charlie" for preventing slower cars, particularly those without passengers, from falling off the end of the queue of cars. In a glorious exercise of practical clubmanship instruction, Julie outlined a strategy to ensure that companion cars hadn't missed a turn and lost visual contact. This, together with the tail-ender person will serve to ensure a tighter and safer group. John Westerhuis will be ecstatic after years of campaigning. Let's get those changes into required club practice as soon as!

Words by Charlie Provis 02/02/2026



Attendance Sheet Sunday February 1st. 2026 FISH n CHIP RUN

**Baxters Jetty 68 Allpass Parade, Shorncliffe
Organised by Julie Byrne**

NAME	VEHICLE
CHACC:	
Julie Byrne	1953 'Doris'the Morris
Kim n Carol Bowers	1967 HR Holden Ute
Andy & Sally Byrne	1985 Jaguar Sedan
Neils n Aileen Andersen	1958 FC Holden Sedan
John Westerhuis	1967 HR Holden Ute
Eldon & Joyce Till	1960 FB Holden Sedan
Frank Tenney	1995 Jaguar
Charlie & Sarsha Provis	1974 MGB Coupe 'Rosie
Paul & Sherrie Maher	1982 WB Holden Ute
Stan n Jenny Vallance	1980 C'Dore VC 105E
Steve McEwan	1974 ZG Ford Fairlane Sedan
Ken McFarlane	1966 Mustang
Phillip & Marisa King	1956 Jaguar XK 140
Joe Geranio	1964 Valiant
Rod & Kerry Guest	1968 HK Holden
Alex Gallacher	1968 MG.B
Allan Eyears & Lee Overstone	Modern

17 Vehicles

27 Members

Goose Club: went to new member

Raffle winners:

APOLOGIES

Rod Guest,

Stan Vallance Charlie Provis and Sherrie Maher

Peter & Toojs Davis



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Congratulations to our members
These lucky people are celebrating this MONTH
March 2026 Birthday Wishes



Barbara Brown
 Ken McFarlane

Phillip King
 Cynthia McLeod



*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!!*



Barbara Brown



Peter & Gladys Rohan
 Peter 15 Mar 1939- 26 Jan 2026
 Gladys 7 Jun 1933 – 25 Jan 2026





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<p>SUGGESTED CHACC EVENTS & RUN DATES FOR 2026 Any further queries, please phone Run Director Ken 0417343027</p>

1 st Mar 2026 Sunday	Organised by <i>Ken McFarlane to DÁguilar Pub for lunch.</i> <i>Morning tea stop to be McGavin View Park.</i>
18 th Mar 2026 Wed.	Mid-week/month. <i>Christian Hendersen. A BYO to Peachester.</i>
22 nd Mar 2026 Sunday	3-Club Event: Organised by Joe Geranio (Bribie Chapter of SCACC) Phone 0431799425 for details.
12 th Apr 2026 Sunday	Easter Weekend is on the 5th. <i>Paul & Sherrie Maher</i>
22 nd Apr 2026 Wed.	Mid-week/month. <i>To be organised by Alex Gallacher</i>
17 th May 2026 Sunday	(Labour Day Long Weekend and Mother's Days leaves us only this) Combined run with NDSCC <i>To be organised by Kim</i> Burson's Raffle bootee to be organised by Jenny & Stan
7 th Jun 2026 Sunday	President's Run: <i>To be organised by Julie Byrne</i>
17 th Jun 2026 Wed.	Mid-week/month. <i>To be organised by Peter & Toosje</i>
5 th Jul 2026 Sunday	Memorial Run - <i>To be organised by Neils & Aileen</i>
15 th Jul 2026 Wed.	Mid-week/month. <i>To be organised by Neils & Aileen. A trek around Beachmere then back to the Sundowner for lunch. Swapped with Frank Tenney.</i>
2 nd Aug 2026 Sunday	<i>To be organised by Jenny & Alf DÁcunto</i>
26 th Aug. 2026 Wed.	Mid-week/month. <i>Suggest combined run with MVOC Kim/Arthur to liaison</i>
13 th Sep. 2026 Sunday	6 th Sept. is Father's Day. <i>To be organised by Need a Volunteer</i>
23 rd Sep 2026 Wed.	Mid-Week/month. <i>To be organised by Need a Volunteer</i>
25 th Oct 2026 Sunday	NEED A VOLUNTEER (note 5th October is Long Weekend for KINGS's bthday also Bathburst is on 8 th to 11 th October). AND 18 th Oct. is NDSCC Weekend away _____
1 st Nov 2026 Sunday	NEED A VOLUNTEER _____
18 th Nov 2026 Wed	Suggest this be our last run for 2026 NEED A VOLUNTEER _____
6 th Dec 2026 Sunday	Suggest this be our combined AGM & Christmas Lunch

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