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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), **9.30am for a 10am**
departure. Whilst current fuel
situation is in place.

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.

site: www.chacc.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

2nd August Sunday. Jennifer & Alfonsa D'Acunto have organised us to go to a Café in the Fairhill Botanical Gardens @ Yandina. She would like numbers for those who are able to attend this run. Phone Jenny 0421525524

26th August Wednesday. Kim & Arthur Hall coordinating this combined run with MVOC. A meet & greet then onto Bribie Surf Club, Woorim for lunch.

13th September. Sunday
(6th Sept. is Father's Day.)
Desperately need a volunteer.!

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Presidents Prattle

Hi members,

I do hope you are all well and enjoying the beautiful winter days we are having. I enjoyed our recent Memorial Run to Ewan Maddock Dam. The weather was great (except for a very cool breeze!). We had a great turn out of members and classic cars. Many of you will be aware of CHACCs perpetual trophy which gets awarded at each Memorial Run. This is awarded to a member who attends regular runs and has the best vehicle on the day. This year the award went to.....John Westerhuis! Congratulations John. I phoned John to find out the history of his car. We got to chatting and John told me that his first car was a Ford Consul which he used as a daily driver. John worked as a school teacher and his first teaching appointment was between 2 schools which were approx 55klms apart. The Ford Consul was not reliable so in 1961 he bought his first decent daily driver which was a FE Holden. The FE was 4 years old and cost 625 pounds!

In the early 90's John rebuilt a HR Holden from the ground up and used the car until 2012. John was looking for a car that was older and rarer than the HR. He then bought his current classic car which is a 1956 FE Holden affectionately known as Phoebe. When he purchased the FE Holden it had 1,760 miles on the clock (John is not sure how many times it has ticked over) and now it has 22,000 miles. The FE was restored when he bought it and he has kept stock standard except for a few upgrades to the wipers and brakes. John mentioned that the FE has been a very reliable car. The FE will always remain in John's family.

In other news, I attended the Caboolture Regional Car Club Show Shine and Swap event which was a fun day. The next event that I am going to attend is Greazefest which is held July 31st to August 2nd at Redland Showgrounds Cleveland (not taking the Morris!). The All British Day is coming up soon. Dates are Sunday September 27th held at St Joseph's College Sports Ground in Tennyson (\$20 per display vehicle). If you are not displaying a vehicle, the cost is \$10 parking including entry for all occupants (cash only). I will be polishing up the Morrie and attending the day.

Reach out anytime
Julie



Mid Week run to Samford

17th June 2026

Like most of our members, I enjoy a "pub run" especially if it's to a good pub and today was no exception. The "Samford is a great pub, we've been there before (more than once) and by the looks of the run sheet - Toosje and Peter had organised a spectacular route to get us there! So, there was a suitably eager group assembled at the Sundowner including, but not limited to (as the terms & conditions say) Frank in his '87 Corvette, Ken in the Mustang, and Andy & Sally piloting an XH Ford ute. Speaking of Ford, I watched an interesting video on a guy called Robert McNamara (President of Ford), the US Ford



Falcon, another guy Lee Iacocca and the Mustang - extremely interesting men - worth researching. But I digress, also in attendance were the Holden disciples - Neils & Aileen in an FC, John W in an FE, plus Rod in a HK. Joining in their moderns were Kim & carol, Peter and Toosje and Allan Eyars & Lee Overstone. Not forgetting Joe in that great Valiant sedan, and your correspondent who, fearful of the predicted rain, eschewed his trusty MG roadster for his weatherproof XE Jaguar.

Anyhow this erstwhile group departed the Sundowner and headed over the highway and onto the D'Aguilar highway towards Wamuran, and the famous (or is that infamous?) Campbells Pocket Road. This delightful, somewhat narrow road took us through such pleasant spots like Bamboo Pass, Campbell's Pocket (population 77) Bootawa and Mist Hill. All charming areas but with the preponderance of blind turns, hills, and oncoming vehicles, they were only names on a map, sadly not charming spots to ponder over their beauty for us drivers.

On reaching Mt Mee Road, we passed through Mt Mee, Ocean View and King Scrub before arriving at Dayboro - pausing for a "comfort break". Just out of Dayboro on Mt Samson Rd we passed the Frederick Nethersole Reserve a parcel of land dedicated to the man with a colourful history. Born in 1890 he passed away in 1943 but in his lifetime fought in WW 1- being wounded twice, worked the land as a dairy farmer, helped out at the Dayboro sawmill (driving the "Donk engine") and in tough times was a grave digger. He also served as Vice President of the RSSAILA - look that one up!

This stretch of highway leading to Samford allowed us to relax after the hectic trip through Campbells Pocket and Mt Mee as we passed through Kobbie Creek, Samsonvale, Closeburn, Yugar(?), finally reaching our destination - Samford. The hotel gave us a chance to relax and discuss what was an enjoyable run, as well as refreshment to fortify us for the run home. All in all an agreeable and pleasurable excursion - thanks to Peter & Toosje. Well done!



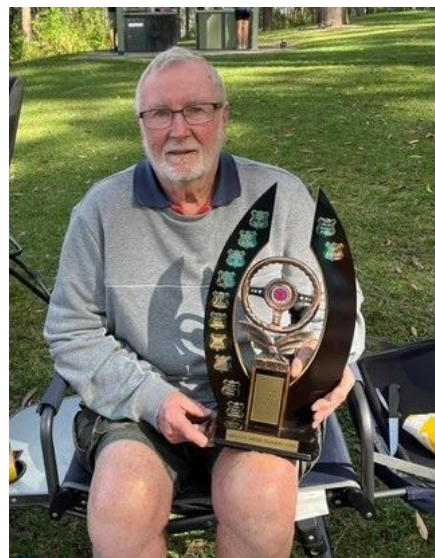


MEMORIAL RUN HISTORY

When Hilda Ash passed away in September 1991, her son Adrian donated approximately \$375 to CHACC to fund a perpetual trophy to honour Hilda. Hilda's husband Ron passed away in November 1992 so it was decided to change the trophy to the Ron & Hilda Ash Memorial Trophy. This policy was continued until 1996, but in the meantime CHACC lost members Alan Dean Freeman. To honour Alan, we introduced a Smorgasbord Rally. After Doug Gault passed away in 1996, CHACC then decided to rationalise their policy to have one memorial rally each year. This was to be a Smorgasbord Rally at which we would remember all of our past members. The perpetual Trophy was to continue for this event and it would be called the Ron & Hilda Ash Memorial Trophy. This year 2026 we continued the Memorial Run and would ask (if you couldn't make the 5th July run) that you give remembrance to all past members.

CHACC MEMORIAL RUN EWAN MADDOCK DAM Sunday 5th July 2026

The sun was shining but a cool breeze as members gathered @ the Sundowner for our departure. We already had Neils & Aileen @ Ewan Maddock Dam waiting for us to secure a reasonable site, being school holidays and a Sunday. Thank you Neils & Aileen, as it turned out - parking was a bit tight but majority of cars belonged to hikers, walkers and their kids & dogs. Was great to see Andy & Sally in their Jaguar Sovereign, also Eldon & Joyce Till in their immaculate FB Holden. Both couples missing the last couple of runs due to ill health. In all we had 12 vehicles, 20



members and one visitor (Daryle Poulton) who accompanied John Westerhuis. A great drive by Neils & Aileen including a bathroom stop @ the Railway Station toilets before Beerwah, I don't believe anyone got lost. From the parking lot to our picnic area was a bit of a steep walk, seeing Sally in her motorised wheelchair and Toosje with her walking stick make it to the top. After lunch Julie spoke on the origin of our annual Memorial run and handed out rosemary bags and a printed updated list of past members. Then Neils announced John W & his 1956 FE Holden Sedan to be the recipient of our Perpetual Memorial Trophy, he will receive one to keep once engraving is complete. Those who could walked the short distance down to the water to throw in their Rosemary sprigs.

Raffle winner was Allan Eyears and 2nd was Sherrie Maher. Goose Club was drawn but recipient was not in attendance, therefore will jackpot to \$50 for our 2nd August run.

We have been there before but for those who aren't aware, the dam is constructed across Addlington Creek, a tributary of the Mooloolah River.

Construction commenced in 1973, has a length of 3.1 klms and is 2.6 klms wide. The mean depth of the dam is 4.5 metres and was completed in 1982. When full it can hold up to 16,587 megalitres and is a very popular destination for boating, fishing, bike and walking tracks



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OTHER CLUB INVITATIONAL EVENTS & SWAP MEETS

2026

- 25th July** **Saturday Nambour Swap Meet.** Held @ Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Avenue. Hosted by the Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club. 6am to noon.
- 29th August** **QHMC Swap Meet,** Held @ Veteran Car Club Rooms, Carindale, Entry via Wright St. Contact Ph 0413565175 or email president@qhmc@gmail.com
- 12th September** **Gympie Historic Auto Club Swap Meet** - Gympie Showgrounds. Contact Ph 0460864044. This is also a Car Show hosted by the Cooloola Classic Car Club.
- 13th September** **Chrysler Expo, Chrysler Owner Car Club, Rocklea Showgrounds.** Contact secretary@chryslerownersclubgold.com
- 27th September** **All British Day,** St. Joseph Oval, Tennyson Google All British Day Qld 2026.



"Impromptu run" is a vital part of the Special Interest Vehicle (SIV) concession in Queensland, allowing you to enjoy your vehicle beyond pre-planned, major club events.

It is important to emphasize that for an impromptu run to be legal, it must be sanctioned by your club.

Core Requirements for a Valid Impromptu Run

Club Endorsement: The run must be "sanctioned" by your incorporated club. Many clubs now have an online notification form, an email process, or a requirement to post the run on the club's official website, social media, or calendar before you head out.

Open Invitation: an impromptu run is not a private drive. It must be an open invitation for other club members to participate.

Record Keeping: Your club is required to maintain a register of these events. Always ensure your run is officially logged through your club's approved channel.

it is highly recommended that you carry proof of your event (such as a screenshot of the club calendar, an email confirmation from the club, or a link to the social media post) in case you are ever asked to justify the vehicle's use during a traffic stop.

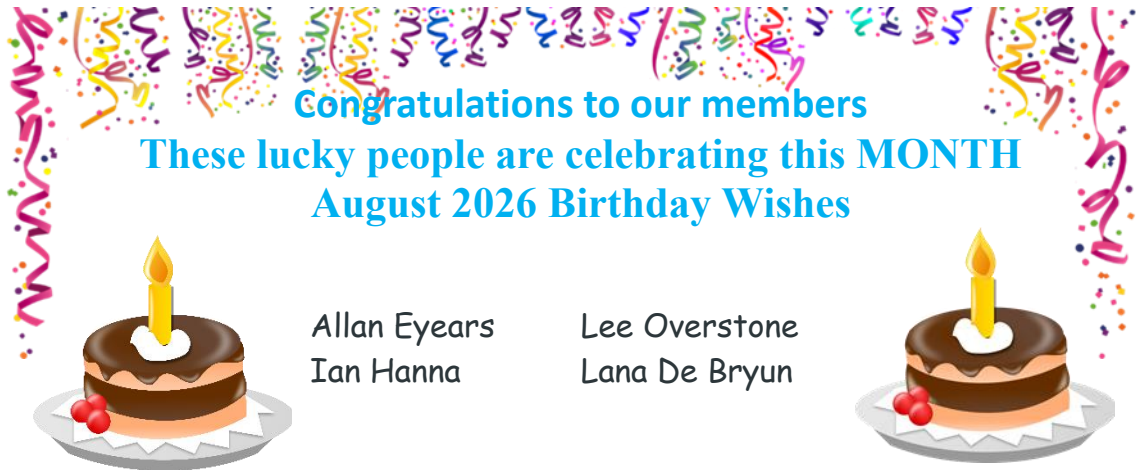
Strictly Prohibited Uses

As you noted, these vehicles have very specific usage limits. They must not be used for:

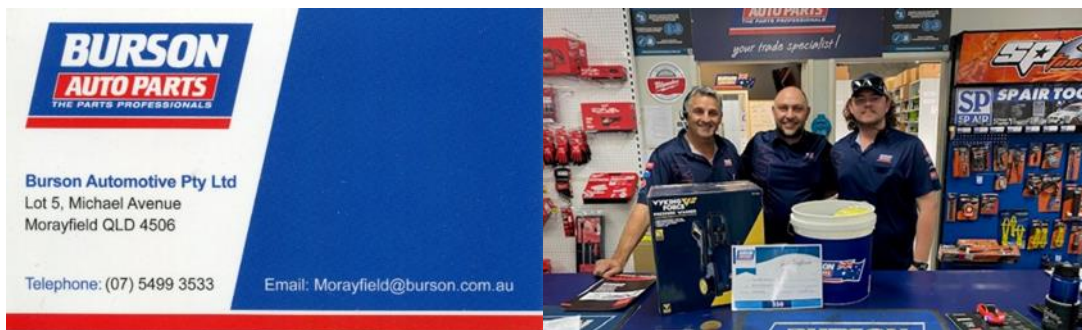
Daily Commuting: You cannot drive your SIV to work, school, or regular appointments.

General Errands: "Running to the shops" for groceries or other everyday transport is not permitted





*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!!*



What do dentists call their X-rays? Tooth pics!

Why did the melon jump into the lake? It wanted to be a watermelon.

Why was 6 afraid of 7? Because 7 ate 9!

Why did the mushrooms get invited to all the best parties? He was a fun-gi!

What has four wheels and flies? Garbage truck.



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

2nd Aug 26 Sunday	Organised by Jenny & Alf DÁcunto in conjunction with Ken. We are off to Fairhill Botanical Gardens Café @ Yandina. Jenny would like to know approximate numbers to book us in. If you could text or phone Jenny Ph 0421525524.
26th Aug 26 Wed	Mid-week/month. This is a combined run with MVOC Kim/Arthur to liaison. Will be lunch at the Bribie Island Surf Club. Will advise where both Clubs will meet. They have a lift for easy access and a Senior's Menu.
13th Sept 26 Sunday	6 th Sept. is Father's Day. To be organised by NEED A VOLUNTEER
23rd Sept 26 Wed	Mid-Week/month. To be organised by Bruce & Ronnie Stanley
18th Oct 26 Sunday	NEED A VOLUNTEER (note 5th October is Long Weekend for KINGS's bthday also Bathurst is on 8 th to 11 th October). AND 25 th Oct. is NDSCC Weekend away _____
1st Nov 26 Sunday	NEED A VOLUNTEER _____
18th Nov 26 Wed	Suggest this be our last run for 2026 NEED A VOLUNTEER _____
6th Dec 26 Sunday	Suggest this be our combined AGM & Christmas Lunch

BUM A RIDE



Feel like catching up with your CHACC mates but don't feel like driving?

Un able to drive – not feeling well, but need an outing?

Run too long – don't feel like driving that far?

If you answered YES to any of the above scenarios – then pick up the phone and request a lift or wander down to the Sundowner and get a lift from there!

Phone our President Julie 0428258729 or our Run Director Ken 0417343027

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