

## NEWSLETTER June 2014



(Photo above is Peter Goldsworthy and his 1930 Van at the historic Archer Park Railway Station Building at North Rockhampton)

## **Editorial**

The Austin Seven Tour to Rockhampton finished several weeks ago now, and even though the numbers who actually got to go was well less than initial expectations those who do go had a lot of fun and the were treated royally by the locals in Rocky, meeting our fellow Austin Seven Register members as well others from the Rockhampton Vintage Car Club and the Capricornia Historical Motor Club who all live in and around "Rocky". Many thanks to Ken Burton and Sue and Brian Clancy who opened up their homes to the heroic travellers! I had hoped to join the run myself but a sudden rush of work while they were driving up to Rocky meant I spent most of the Easter Break bent over the computer. That is the problem when they know you can work from home, you work funny hours as it comes.

I have included a lot of photos taken by Brett and Amanda and John on the trip and besides the fact the weather being fine (after the cyclone fizzled out) there are some wonderful little A7s to see up north and it is good to see them being restored and enjoyed.

In this newsletter you will find some nomination forms for the AGM in August, please give serious consideration to making a nomination if you think someone (or even yourself) would be good at a committee position. The Register is going very well the present but new blood at the top is good for any organisation and it will be a chance for some new ideas to be aired.

F.ditor Tim

#### **Your Club Committee**

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## **AUSTIN 7 REGISTER OF QLD. CLUB EVENTS**

<u>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014</u> Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Saturday 7th, Sunday 8th & Monday 9th June 2014:

External event. QHMC Rally hosted by BVAC to be based at Redcliffe Showgrounds. For details contact Mal Dale, BVAC President, ph. (07) 3283 4485. At members to make own arrangements re travel, registration etc.

#### Sunday 15th June 2014:

A7 Club event. Winter Fun Run organized by Grant & Jacki Preddy (ph. 0488 375 804). Rally to commence at 9.00am from Centenary Pool Car Park. Rally details to be confirmed. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch.

#### Sunday 29th June 2014:

External event. Vintage Car Club Static Display at Ormiston House, Ormiston commencing at 10.00am. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel, registration etc.

<u>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2014</u> Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Sunday 13th July 2014:

A7 Club event. RACQ Motorfest. Static display from 10.00am to 3.00pm at Eagle Farm Racecourse. A7 members to meet in Hamilton Hotel Carpark for departure to Motorfest entry or make own travel arrangements. Members to make own arrangements re. registration etc.

#### Sunday 13th July 2014:

A7 Club event. Breakfast at Mowbray Park, Lytton Road, East Brisbane commencing at 7.00am organized by Brett & Amanda Wilson (ph. 0402 143 420). BYO Breakfast (on site electric BBQ)

#### Friday 18th, Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th July 2014:

External event. 14th Annual Old Wheels in Motion Rally & Swap Meet at Biloela, central Queensland organized by the Callide Dawson Machinery Preservation Club Inc.. For information contact CDMPC Secretary, Cindy Cooper ph. (07)4992 2400. Members to make own arrangements re. travel, accommodation & registration.

#### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August

AGM & Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Saturday 9th August 2014:

A7 Club event. A7 Club Weekend Rally organized by Justin McKeering (ph. 0439 712 731) commencing from Club Room, Carindale at 9.00am. Rally details to be confirmed. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. PLEASE REFER TO WEBSITE FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF POSSIBLE OTHER EVENTS THAT DAY.

#### Sunday 10th August 2014:

A7 Club event. A7 Club Weekend Static Display at C.T.White Park, Kangaroo Point organized by Trevor Moore (ph. 3848 5575). Static Display to commence at 9.00am. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. Display to conclude around 1.30pm.

#### Sunday 31st August 2014:

External Event: Jimboomba Auto Extravaganza at Maclean Bridge from 6.00am. Swap Meet & Vehicle Show organized by the Queensland Early Ford V-8 Club. Contact 3341 9618 for more details. Members to make own arrangements re. travel etc.

<u>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September</u> Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Sunday 28th September 2014:

A7 Club event. All British Day at Vivian Street, Tennyson from 8.30am to 2.00pm. Display Cars - \$15 with metal Souvenir Badge. Contact Trevor Moore (ph. 3848 5575) for details. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel, registration etc.

#### Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th October 2014:

A7 Club event. LAMAI Weekend Rally organized by the Lockyer Antique Motor Association Inc. commencing from Gatton. Contact LAMAI Secretary, Jim Scott (ph. 4615 5802) or Trevor Moore (ph. 3848 5575) for details. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel, accommodation, registration etc.

<u>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October</u> Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November</u> Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Sunday 16th November 2014:

A7 Club event. Rally organized by Alan Couser (ph. 0403 504 709) commencing from Club Rooms, Carindale at 9.00am? Rally destination to be confirmed

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December Club Meeting Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale, Commencing at 7:45 pm.

#### Sunday 14th December 2014:

A7 Club event. A7 Club Christmas Lunch at Orleigh Park, West End commencing at 10.00am. Lunch organized by Trevor Moore (ph. 3848 5575). BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel.

## **INVITATION RALLIES AND SWAP MEETS**

#### (From the QHMC Website)

#### 7-9<sup>th</sup> June 2014 QHMC Rally

Hosted by BVAC to be based at Redcliffe Showground. For details contact Mal Dale, BVAC President, ph. (07) 3283 4485. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel, registration etc.

29th June 2014 Vintage Car Club Static Display at Ormiston House.

#### Sunday 20th July 2014 Original Gold Coast Swap

Venue: Mudgeeraba Showgrounds, Cnr Mudgeeraba & Worongary Rds, Mudgeeraba QLD .

#### Saturday July 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 Nambour Swap Meeting

#### Nambour Showgrounds

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#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2014 Gympie Swap

**GYMPIE HISTORIC AUTO CLUB INC 44th SWAP MEET and our 2<sup>nd</sup> CAR SHOW.** Gympie Showgrounds, Exhibition Road, Southside, Gympie, Qld. Check the website www.gympiehistoricau@spiderweb.com.au **Sunday 14**<sup>th</sup> **September 2014 Beaudesert Swap**nShowgrounds

## **NEWS OF MEMBERS AND THEIR CARS**

#### **Changed Addresses.**

Ian and Deb Waring have moved to No. 1 Dorrigo Court, NORTH LAKES Q4509.

## **Minutes of Past A7RQ Meetings**

#### <u>Austin Seven Register of Queensland Inc.</u> <u>Meeting No.523, 11th April 2014</u> Held at Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale

The Vice President Brett Wilson declared the meeting open at 7.45pm

**Attendance Book:** 16 members were in attendance

<u>Apologies</u>:, Lindsay Jordan, Peter & Gail Cahalane, Mike & Cathy McGuill' Matt Potts, Ross & Rhonda Guthrie, Grant Preddy, Peter Goldsworthy, Rod & Janette Sims, Howler Whitehouse, Ted Bale.

#### **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the February Meeting were read and the Secretary moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded – Doug Clark. Carried

Business arising from the Minutes: Nil

#### **Correspondence:**

#### OUT:

• Document to Veteran car Club re club room rentals.

#### IN:

- 1. Newsletters from other clubs as tabled.
- 2. Invoice for Melbourne for spare parts.
- 3. Flyer from Sunshine coast club re Motorkana on the 17-18 May
- 4. Flyer and invitation from QVVA to celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in November 2014
- 5. Payment to Veteran car club re club room rentals.

The Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward be endorsed, and the accounts passed for payment Seconded by Robyn Clark - Carried

Business arising from the Correspondence: Nil

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Amanda Wilson presented her report and moved that it be accepted, Seconded Alan Couser – carried.

#### **Queensland Historic Motoring Council Report:**



John Que advised that clubs not to go to Qld Transport individually

Ok to use SIVS vehicles at Funerals.

Ok to use SIVS vehicles for 15k test runs.

It had been requested that magnetic number plates be used. (Not permitted)

Dating officer must personally site vehicle

#### **Spare Parts Report:** This month there have been few NEW sales amounting to about \$470.00.

#### An order is being prepared to Melbourne for replacements and requested items.

Second Hand parts Nil

#### Run/Rally Director by Neil Thyer

- 6<sup>th</sup> April Static display at Eagle Farm Markets.
- April Rally to Rocky run by Brett Wilson
- 10<sup>th</sup> May Howell Whitehouse to organize.
- May 18<sup>th</sup> May Static display at Eagle Farm Markets.
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Static display at Eagle Farm Markets.
- Other Events: John Que commented on the run to Kalbar to visit the Spirit of the 50's museum and the old Wiss emporium.
- John Que also mentioned the Ipswich Car club rally and that Alan Lyons and Trish Hanley were there in their Austin Sevens.
- John further advised that the progress for the 2017 National Rally was progressing and another rally committee meeting would be held soon. He also spoke to people from Toowoomba about rally routes and Graham Alum who may be able to take photos for the rally.
- There were some questionable instructions in the president's rally.
- Robyn Clark reported on attending the Logan Village Green carnival which attracted some 370 cars, trucks and motor cycles proceeds to Camp Quality.

#### **General Business:**

- It was moved by Trevor Moore and seconded by Ian McDowell that the club purchase 50 new cloth badges. Carried
- Robyn Clark mentioned the Truck Club show on the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> May and that there will be an Austin 7 display.
- Amanda Wilson moved that the club purchase 50 lanyards @ 50cents each in preparation for the 2017 rally seconded Doug Clark carried.
- Motor fest participants to submit individual application and members going would meet a t a prearranged place and time.

#### **Report on Cars and or Car troubles;**

John Que mentioned that he had his A7 wheels re-spoked but they still were not perfect.

BIRTHDAYS: - Molly Neville, Graham Gleadhill, Rose Beesey, Barbara Wood,

Ann Brindley, Brian Clancy, Coral Cogzell, Robyn Ikin, Barry Leeming,

Merv Thompson, Ian Smith, Ross Paterson

The President wished all sick members a speedy return to good health.

Raffle tickets were sold by Valda,

#### COMMITTEE MEETING. TBA

There being no further business the Vice President closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

#### **Austin Seven Register of Queensland Inc.**

Meeting No.524, 9th May 2014

#### Held at Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale

The President declared the meeting open at 7.45pm

**Attendance Book:** members were in attendance

Apologies: Justin McCarthy, Mike & Kathy McGuill

**Minutes:** 

The Minutes of the March Meeting were read and the Secretary moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded – Brett Wilson. Carried

Business arising from the Minutes: Amanda Wilson advised that the 50 Lanyards had arrived

#### **Correspondence:**

**OUT:** Application to BCC for CT White Park for static display **IN:** 

- 6. Newsletters from other clubs as tabled.
- 7. Application from David Miller Armadale
- 8. Statement from BCC for C T White Park.
- 9. 2017 EOI from Linfort, NSW, Shepherdson Qld, Reece& Falkner, NSW, Scadden, Vic

The Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward be endorsed, and the accounts passed for payment Seconded by Robyn Clark - Carried

#### **Business arising from the Correspondence:** Nil

<u>Treasurers Report:</u> Amanda Wilson presented her report and moved that it be accepted, Seconded Graham Gleadhill – carried.

#### **Queensland Historic Motoring Council Report:** Nil

**Spare Parts Report:** This month there have been few NEW sales amounting to about \$640.00

An order is being prepared to Melbourne for replacements and requested items.

#### **Second Hand parts Nil**

#### Run/Rally Director by Neil Thyer

- 10<sup>th</sup> May Howell Whitehouse to organize.
- May 18<sup>th</sup> May Static display at Eagle Farm Markets.
- 15 June Grant & Jacky Preddy's Winter fun run
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> Static display at Eagle Farm Markets.
- Other Events:
- Brett Wilson reported on the Rocky run and with the problems they encountered and the hospitality they received from the member at Rockhampton.
- Tim Braby remarked on a job well done with the Rocky Run
- John Que thanked Brett & Amanda for the Rocky Run and suggested they write to the Rocky club that were hosts, they also checked out the Heritage Museum where a 1911 Hotchkiss vehicle was being restored, and heritage buildings in the area.
- Brett Wilson thought he would consider a trip to Lightning Ridge next time.
- Trevor Moore reported on the Warwick 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary rally.

#### **General Business:**

It was mentioned the passing of Patricia Leach from Bribie Island, the funeral will be next Tuesday.

Peter Cahalane reminded the meeting that it will be the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the club in 2017.

Brett Wilson reminded member not going to motor Fest that that there would be a breakfast run.

#### **Report on Cars and or Car troubles;**

Brett Wilson reported that he had wheel bearing and fan problems during the Rockhampton trip.

#### **BIRTHDAYS:-**

The President wished all sick members a speedy return to good health.

Raffle tickets were sold by Valda,

#### **COMMITTEE MEETING. TBA**

#### **Next Meeting 13th June 2014**

There being no further business the Vice President closed the meeting at 8. 36 pm.

#### PAST RALLY REPORTS

## The Rocky Rockets - Austin 7 Tour to Rockhampton



Well, we had a bad start, in the week before the Tour was to commence I discovered a gear box oil leak, so, engine and gear box out, rebuild & back into the car on Wednesday for a test drive to get petrol. Oil leak fixed but got some bad fuel that blocked the tap out of the fuel tank - we discovered it had flecks of red paint in it, not good for the

fuel line. So after a bit of coughing & spluttering we were brought to a stop on the way to the starting point (300mtr from the start in fact). At the start line we removed the carby to clean it out and blow back up the fuel line to the fuel tank & this appeared to clear the problem.

At the start we had our Austin 7 Roadster & a 1957 MG Magnette ZB belonging to Brett's Mum & Dad, Bruce & Barbara Wilson. Mike & Kath McGuill also arrived at the hardstand as they were travelling with us until the morning tea stop. So after attending to the mechanical issues we had a later start than planned at 9.15am but we were eventually off through the hills to our first stop at Esk for morning tea, thankfully without any further issues. Mike & Kath planned to leave us at Esk whilst we headed on towards Toogoolawah & points further north. We made it to just outside of Moore before the next breakdown. Did I mention there were hills? Again, off on the side of the road we blew back up the fuel line to the fuel tank which again seemed to fix the problem so we made a lunch/pit stop in Moore for a bit of a break before we tackled the Blackbutt Range (more hills). Our little Austin went up the range in 2nd gear without a problem (thankfully) but we were glad it wasn't much longer. As we knew the MG would make it up much quicker they went on ahead & waited for us at the top & surprisingly they said we weren't that far behind them. We made it into Kingaroy at about 2.30pm & John arrived with Peter in Peter's Austin 7 van at around 4.30pm. John, unfortunately, had to leave his Austin at Peter's place when it decided that it didn't want to play the game & work properly despite several hours' effort from both Peter & John on it.

At 8am the next morning we headed off with Peter & John as Tail-end Charlie & after many hills a couple of which made the temperature rise on the motorman, we made it into Monto for the night at 3.25pm thankfully without any further fuel issues. A quick check under the bonnet at the motel & we found that the fan belt had broken on the Roadster. We replaced the belt & discovered that the bush appeared to be a bit stiff so with the help of a friendly passing local & a quick trip to his house around in the next street we added some grease & were ready to tackle the next set of hills - this was turning into a very hilly road. I'm sure that they've added in some more hills since we came back from Longreach on it in 2009 – I don't remember there being this many. Then again we were coming from the other direction & that can make a BIG difference to your perspective.

At 8am we were off to get over the next big hills before the day got too warm - 2.5 km of climbing at one point & we stopped for a much needed rest at Dululu.



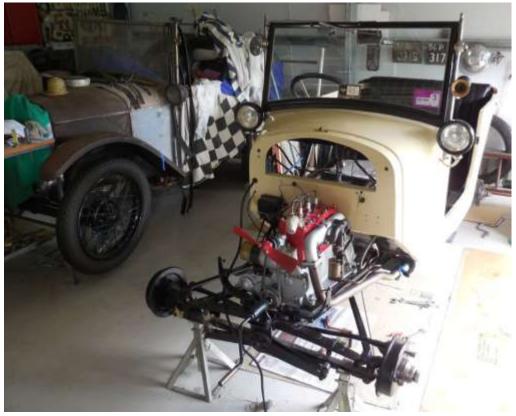
After many, many hills we arrived at Rockhampton at 2.15pm for a bigger rest, before we headed off for a BBQ dinner with Ken Burton and the Rockhampton Veteran & Vintage Motor Club. A fantastic welcome with cars and members of the club coming to see who was crazy enough to drive little Austins all the way from Brisbane to Rockhampton. We spent a pleasant afternoon & evening inspecting Ken's hidden treasures in his shed & under his house – with Peter relieving Ken of a wheel rim that didn't suit Ken's cars but would suit one of Peter's.

The next day Peter & John did some sightseeing while we had a relaxed morning & we meet up again in the afternoon at Brian & Sue Clancy's

for a sticky beak in Brian's shed & a BBQ dinner with members of the Capricornia Car Club.

Another fantastic welcome from them also, another good night was had along with more Austin 7s to look at in Brian's shed as well the cars brought along by the club members.

After the BBQ on the way home as we pulled into our accommodation we could hear a clicking sound coming from the front of our Austin & after a quick check in the dark it appeared to be a broken spoke. However, the next morning as we started to leave the click sound from the front of the Austin 7 seemed to be louder so, a stop in the car park to get the jack out to take the front wheel off & have a look see, only



to find that the jack wouldn't work (bugger). A dash down to Peter's cabin to borrow his jack, which he already had out as he was in the middle of changing a tyre, & we found that the backing plate was hitting on the brake drum - easy fix. We also found the front right side tyre appeared to be wearing rapidly but as everything felt good and looked ok we headed off south. Did I say before that there were hills? We stopped at Dululu again for a rest & when Peter pulled in he asked if he could go first as he didn't fuel up before leaving Rockhampton and so he hadn't filled up his 5ltr backup jerry as we had done. He reckoned that he had just enough fuel to make it to Biloela but wanted us as a safety net just in case. So Peter lead the way, unfortunately, his calculations weren't quite right & he ran out of fuel 12km out of Biloela. Did I say there were hills? A good day's drive had us into Monto arriving at



2.15pm. This time when we lifted the bonnet we found that the bush on the fan had died entirely somewhere along the way & the mount on the bonnet for the electric horn had broken & the horn was hanging down loose in the engine bay - so no fan belt from then on & the horn was removed & relegated to the back

of the car instead. Just as well I have a hand operated air horn.

Did I say there were hills? The next morning started with a heavy fog as we headed off for Kingaroy, so far the days had been clear and fine, if a little warm after lunch, Peter & John turned off at Tansy to head for Gympie & we went off onto Kingaroy with just the two cars now. Did I mention that there were hills? Some of the patchwork repairs of the bitumen were very rough in places & driving the old cars is more of a strain than you realize at times - especially when the road is badly patched & you're getting bounced around by it all the time. So it felt like it was a loooooong drive to get to Kingaroy.

Our last day now as we headed home for Brisbane. We made it to Moore again without any problems. However, while there we found the front right tyre had worn down to canvas in one spot (bugger) we also noted that the front left hand tyre was showing signs of wear too. Anyway, no jack and the MG one only fits the MG, however, being

in the country, we met some very nice people on this Tour and one was Bob. who was camping at Moore. He brought over his jack & we changed the tyre. He then told me he was a retired tool maker & he had made Austin 7 crank shafts & he would be happy to make any part we may need for the Austin 7's so we exchanged details & will be



calling him soon as he gets back to Burpengary in about 3 weeks' time. Did I say there were hills? (yes, you did!)

We made it home at about 12.30pm, so our 84 year old car got us to Rockhampton and back to Brisbane under her own steam even with a few handicaps. The handicaps by the end of the trip were: front right wheel bearing dead, Left front wheel bearing dead also, one wheel had 3 broken spokes, 2 x bald tyres, the speedo stopped working (it started doing a complete 360 circle around the face without stopping so we decided to disconnect it), bad fuel, 1 broken horn mount, 1 broken fan belt & a fan bush shot. But considering the distance travelled these were relatively minor issues. The distance travelled Brisbane to Rockhampton - first day Brisbane to Kingaroy 209km, second day Kingaroy to Monto 315km, third day Monto to Rockhampton 247km – a total round trip of 1464km.

If you would like to know more about this Tour you should have come on it, the next will, hopefully, be on flatter ground - Brisbane to Lightning Ridge, distance 734km approx. 7 nights.

Brett & Amanda

## Austin 7 Run Saturday 10th May 2014 to Lake Samsonvale & J.C. Slaughter Falls.



It was a bright sunny autumn morning as Club members met at the Centenary Pool Spring Hill. Participants were as follows. Northside. Howell Whitehouse (A7), Duncan Logan & Emily (Navigator), (A7 Mike & Kathy McGuill (Modern). Southside (Border Hoppers }, Alan Courser & Sue ( Navigator),(A7) Trevor & Elaine Moore, (A7), Doug & Robyn Clark (A7), Neil Thyer ( Modern ), John Que (Modern). 5 A7's & 3 Moderns.

After leaving Centenary Pool car park we headed out through Red Hill along Waterworks Road then through Everton Park to Albany Creek. Being a Saturday the traffic was fairly heavy which made it difficult to keep in eye contact with our fellow Austineers. From Albany Creek we then headed towards Warner onto Samsonvale Road finishing at Bullockies Rest picnic area on the shores of Lake Samsonvale, where we had morning tea.

Weather continued to be sunny and warm (as arranged by Howell) and we enjoyed a relaxed break. Unfortunately Howell had to leave us to go to a family function for a Great, Great Grandchild.

Leaving Bullockies Rest we then headed right to Mt Samson Road towards Samford, travelling through the rolling hills and valleys beautiful scenery.

At Samford we stopped and had a leg stretch and regrouped. We then headed for Ferny Grove, The Gap, and Bardon finally ending up at J.C. Slaughter Falls for lunch. Here we met up with Duncan Logan & Emily (from the Sunshine Coast).



Duncan had engine trouble on the way down to Brisbane, thought he had blown a head gasket but after tightening the head it solved the problem. It was great that he made the effort to join us for the day.

We all had a very relaxed lunch and we all got to know Sue, Duncan & Emily a little better, after all isn't this what the Club runs are all about!!!.

After a while one of the Border Hoppers was concerned about catching the Northside Disease and wanted to head back to the Southside of Brisbane, so we all tidied up and wended our way homeward.

Thank you Howell for a well-structured run, but I do think that the Main Roads Dept. should have advised you that they had installed 2 extra sets of Traffic Lights after you had mapped out your itinerary.

Mike & Kathy McGuill.



# PHOTO FEATURE – THE AUSTIN SEVENS OF ROCKHAMPTON

Ken Burtons newly painted cream 1927chummy, alongside his unrestored but complete 1928. Ken bought the 1927 from Adelaide and has been working on it for 3 years.



Brian and Sue Clancy's 1928 Roadster which they took to the Barossa Valley for the 90th Austin 7 Rally

This is Brian and Sue's 1928 Meteor, looks like it is undergoing some serious maintenance.





And this is their 1933 A7 Roadster, a future restoration project



Norelle Shuker's 1935 Sports. Believe came from South Australia where the body was built. Her late husband Alan swapped it many years ago for a Bean Fire truck. The Austin was very rusty but complete and just recently registered.



This red Chummy is parked outside the office at the Rockhampton Heritage Centre, Norelle is a volunteer here and kindly gave John and Peter the grand tour.

## For Sale

<u>New Ruby Austin 7 radiator core</u> never used \$375.00 no top or bottom tanks. Contact Trevor Moore 07 38485575.

<u>1935 Austin 7 Ruby Tourer</u>, restored, contact Laurie Middleton (Lismore) 02 66 28 1207 (EDITORS NOTE this advert was given to me several weeks ago, so not even sure if this one still is for sale?)



## **Expression of Interest Form**

Austin Seven Register of Queensland Inc

## 2017 Austin 7 National Rally, Toowoomba

I wish to express my interest in attending the Austin 7 National Rally to be held in April 2017 in Toowoomba.

| Name/s    |        |      |        |          |
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Please return the completed Expression of Interest form by

Post to; Austin Seven Register of Queensland Inc,

1376 Old Cleveland Road,

Carindale Qld 4152

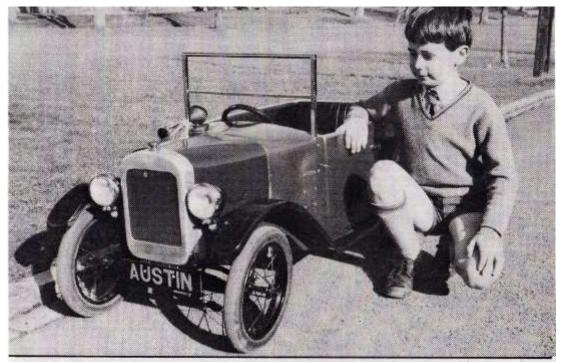
Or by email to; <a href="mailto:jque@bigpond.net.au">jque@bigpond.net.au</a>

On receipt of the Expression of Interest form we will add you to our mailing list and send updates.

For enquiries contact John Que by phone on 07 3396 0882

## PHOTOS FROM THE ARCHIVES

## "Mummy, I shrunk the Austin Seven!"



Above, this beautifully made, electrically powered half-scale model of the Austin Seven is made by Royle Cars of Staindrop near Darlington (0833 60452). Moulded in glassfibre, it has pneumatic tyres and electric lights and costs £1500.

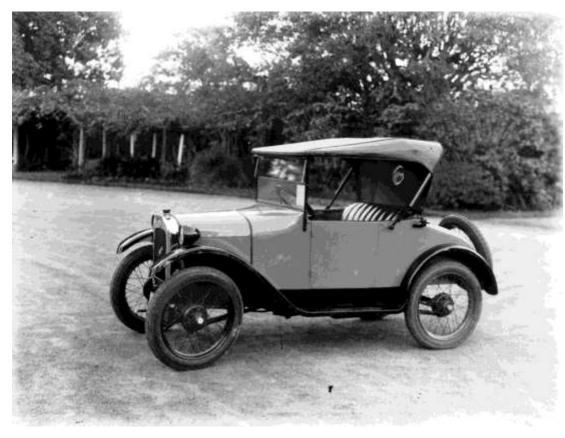
Geoff and Sirlak Sheperdson of Mudgeerabah found this delightful photo in a past copy of Thoroughbred & Classic Cars of a very desirable ½ sized 1929 Austin Seven AE Tourer for the younger members of the family. But please note this magazine was printed in 1984 and the young master in the photo is now probably married with a mortgage and a family! Royle cars only made 12 of these and have long gone out of business.

## Some very Early Brisbane Austin Sevens



These photos can be found on the State
Library of Qld website, but the photos here have been scanned straight from the original negatives which Henry Anderson has some part in recovering a few years ago now.

This is a 1925 Chummy with the open centre wheels, 6" brakes and the stepped scuttle and narrow firewall. The photo is taken outside old Government House at the bottom of George Street, in what is now



the QUT. At this time
Austin sevens were being
sold by the "Canada Cycle
& Motor Agency (Qld.)
Limited" of Creek Street,
and advertised in the
RACQ's magazine "The
Steering Wheel" as having
stocks ready for immediate
delivery.

This next photo was taken later of a very pretty coach built 1926 Roadster. The location is not so apparent but at the time of their rediscovery they were thought to have been taken in the old Botanical Gardens in Alice Street. Still a very early car with

the 6" brakes, but the forward mounted headlamps and American Style hood with the sloping back hood bows have transformed the looks into that of a stylish runabout. The radiator is nickel plated (not chrome, that did not arrive



until the late 1920s), an option that was made available in Australia by many dealers, as was two tone paint, and full leather interiors rather than the cheaper leather cloth (ICI produced a product called Rexine in the UK and the colonies). In the UK this car would have been called a coach built two seater, whereas Roadster is an American term that suits this car perfectly. No clues who built it, but Charles Hope were very prolific in the 1920s and 1930s with a big body works in Wandoo Street in the Valley, having started making car springs after WW1 ("Hope Springs Eternal" was their slogan.) Later they built bodies on Austin 7s, Big Sevens and Tens, and then after the War "The Silent Knight" refrigerator!!

Finally a colour photo of those little Austin Seven Models from Oxford Diecast turned up on the front cover of the March Edition of the British "Model Collector" magazine, but have not yet turned up in our local diecast model shops. As the magazine says they are "Looking Simply Gorgeous!"

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