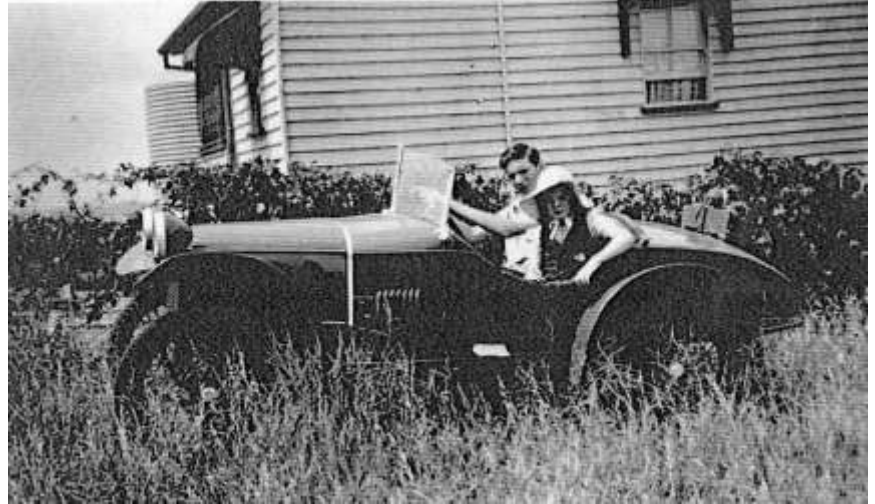




NEWSLETTER June 2016

Official Newsletter of the Austin Seven Register of Qld. Inc. (formed 1967)



Tony Maugham and his sister? c 1950 see more photos inside

THE EDITOR'S BIT

Only 10 months now before T-Day! That is T for Toowoomba. Entries are trickling in from all over Australia, but we expect soon they will come in a lot quicker. Still not a lot of response from the Queensland contingent though, perhaps you are waiting till after the Federal Election or End of Financial Year? In the meantime your Toowoomba Rally Committee have been working their tails off, a lot of miles have been clocked up between Brisbane and the Darling Downs as Margaret and Merv Thompson and President John have been travelling up to finalise details in person, talking to the local Council, and meeting with the owners of the various rally venues. Sometimes things go awry, for instance one venue, the Queensland Auto Museum at Hampton, has closed down, luckily it was on a day when other options are available.

Thank you to the contributors to this newsletter, in particular Robin and Amanda Lewis who wrote a nice little story of the background of the first owner of their Austin Big 7 and his contribution to the Great War of 1914-18. I now await similar contributors to come forth with their stories of them and their cars. It doesn't need to be word perfect, we are not running an examination, The story may be about any aspect of your car, how you found it, the frustration of restoration, any big motoring adventures you have undertaken in it. I must also thank the indefatigable Neil Thyer for his write ups on our monthly motoring runs. Not to mention Jackie and Grant Freddy who produced another excellent Mothers' Day Fun Run. This one was even trickier than before!

Editor Tim

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The A7RQ Inc. On Line

We have a website which you can view at. Here you can find past newsletters, rally reports and a regularly updated list of events.

All our websites have now been updated with photos and reports of our last runs.

<http://austin7.org.au/>

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AUSTIN 7 REGISTER OF QLD. CLUB EVENTS

Friday 10th June: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 12th June: A7 Register Rally - Winter Rally organized by Ian & Valda Mc Dowell (ph 3803 2835). Rally to depart from Clubroom, Carindale at 9.00am. Rally will go to Beenleigh Historical Village and Museum for Morning Tea and Lunch. There may be a gold coin entry donation. Morning Tea and Lunch can be purchased at the venue however, members may wish to BYO Morning Tea and/or Lunch.

Friday 8th July: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 10th July: A7 Register Rally. 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 at 7.30am or make own travel arrangements to venue. Members to make own arrangements re. Registration etc.

Friday 12th August: A7 Register General & Annual General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Saturday 13th August: A7 Club Weekend Rally organized by Justin McKeering (ph 0439 712 731) commencing from Club Room, Carindale at 9.00am and to finish at Club Room, Carindale for BYO BBQ Lunch. Rally to Bay area and return. BYO Morning Tea & BBQ Lunch.

Sunday 14th August: A7 Club Weekend Static Display at C.T.White Park, Kangaroo Point organized by Robyn Clark (ph 3800 1965). Static Display to commence at 9.00am. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. Display to conclude around 1.30pm.

Friday 9th September: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 18th September: A7 Register Rally. All British Day at Vivian Street, Tennyson from 8.30am to 2.00pm. Display Cars - \$15 with metal Souvenir Badge. No pre-booking required. Contact Trevor Moore (ph 3848 5575) for details. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch. Food also available at venue. A7 members to make own arrangements re. travel, registration (on arrival) etc. Those wishing to travel as group to meet at Yeronga RSL Car park (Cnr Fairfield Road & Kadumba Street) for departure to venue at 8.00am.

Friday 14th October: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 16th October: A7 Register Rally. Rally organized by Alan Couser (ph 0403 504 709). Rally to depart from Centenary Pool Car park at 9.00am. Details TBA. BYO Morning Tea and Lunch.

Friday 11th November: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 13th November: A7 Register Rally. Rally organized by Trevor and Elaine Moore (ph 3848 5575). Details TBA. Rally to depart from Centenary Pool Car park at 9.00am. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch.

Friday 9th December: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Sunday 11th December: A7 Register Rally. A7 Club Christmas Lunch. Venue TBA. Lunch organized by Robyn Clark (ph 3800 1965). A7 members to make own arrangements re travel.

INVITATION RALLIES AND SWAP MEETS

Fri 3 to Sun 5 June: 2016 QHMC/RACQ Rally in Toowoomba. Rally to be hosted by the Queensland Vintage Vehicle Association. Members to make own arrangements re registration, travel, accommodation etc.. For details contact Graham Ph. 0407 257 440. Enquiries: Russell Manning secretary@qhmc.org.au or Graham Porter g.sporter@bigpond.com

Sunday 26th June: Vintage Car Club Static Display at Ormiston House, Ormiston commencing at 10.00am. A7 members to make own arrangements re travel, registration etc.

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th July: 15th 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.

Saturday 23th July: Ipswich Jets Football Club's "Christmas in July" to be held at North Ipswich Reserve from 12.30pm. For information contact Nicole McPhee ph. 3202 1887 or 0438 328 254.

Sunday 24th July: The Original Gold Coast Swap at Mudgeeraba Showgrounds www.gcaac.com.au

Saturday 30th July: Nambour Swap at the Nambour Showgrounds

Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th August: Northern Rivers Vintage & Veteran Car Club Annual Weekend Rally at Italo Sport & Recreation Club, Lismore. Contact Norm Clapham (ph. 02 66215767 or 0429 115 767) for details. A7 members to make own arrangements re. registration, accommodation, travel etc.

Sunday 28th August: Jimboomba Auto Extravaganza at Maclean's 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.

Saturday 10th September; The Gympie Swap Meet at the showgrounds, Southside (follow the signs) <http://www.gympiehistoricautoclub.com.au>

NOTE THE BEAUDESERT SWAP WILL NOT BE HELD THIS YEAR - but will return in 2017,

Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th September: Mighty Mack Trucks Muster organized by The Historic Commercial Vehicle Association to be held at Gatton Showgrounds. For details contact Mark & Donna 07 5546 7050. Members to make own arrangements re. travel, accommodation, registration etc.

Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd October: 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.

MINUTES OF PAST A7RQ MEETINGS

Austin Seven Register of Old Inc Meeting No. 547, 8th April 2016

Held at the Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale

The President declared the meeting opened at 7.50 pm, with a welcome to all.

Attendance :- The attendance book was signed by 19 members.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from M&K McGill, J McCarthy, B Wilson, E Moore, G&J Preddy, R&R Guthrie, M&M Thompson.

Previous Minutes :- The Secretary read the minutes of the March meeting and moved that they be adopted as a true and correct record. Seconded by Tim Braby. Carried

Business Arising from Minutes :- NIL

Correspondence OUT

Get Well Card to Elaine Moore

IN Newsletters from other clubs as tabled

Membership Renewal from Ken Follriott, David Sweetapple & Ray Campbell.

Expression of Interest from A Wood, R&F Callow & G Noble

Membership Application from Garry Noble, West End & Orlando Haywood, South Brisbane.

Invoice from the Veteran Car Club re rent

3-4-5th June Hillbilly Rally, Toowoomba, Entry Forms

Advertising material

Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward endorsed.

Seconded by Neil Thyer. Carried

Business Arising from Minutes :- Amanda moved the invoice be paid. Seconded by Trevor Moore. Carried

Treasurers Report :- Amanda Wilson reported on the club finances and asked for her report to be accepted. Seconded by Doug Clark. Carried

Queensland Historic Motoring Council Report :- John Que advised members some people having trouble registering cars, and to check your insurance policies.

Spare Parts Report :- Trevor Moore said that the order from Melbourne has arrived.

Second Hand Parts Report :- Nil

Event's Organiser:- Neil Thyer reminded members of the following runs.

10th April Penrite Oil Tour, 172 Magnesium Drive, Crestmead 9am Come in Austin 7 or modern.

Sausage Sizzle for Morning Tea.

15th May Mothers Day Rally organised by Grant & Jackie Preddy. Meet Centenary Pool 9am. BYO M/T & Lunch



12th June Winter Rally organised by Ian & Valda McDowell.
Other Events
16th April HONK, Ipswich Car Festival
17th April Queensland Autospectacular, Willowbank Raceway
15th May National Motoring Heritage Day, Queens Park, Ipswich
21-22nd May HTA Truck Show, Rocklea Showgrounds
22nd May Sports & Classis Car Festival, Qld Rifle Range
22nd May Lockyer Antique Motor Assoc Swap
29th May QVVA Swap, Carina State School
29th May Car & Bike Show & Swap, Rocklea Showgrounds.
4-5th June Old Petrie Town Steam Fair
26th June Vintage Car Club Static Display, Ormiston House 10am
10th July RACQ Motorfest, Eagle Farm Racecourse.

Past Rally & Events Reports :-

13th March Combined run with Beside Club. Cancelled due to weather
20th March Bayside Swap.

Web Master Report :- Neil Thyer moved that we transfer the Website Host . Seconded by Trevor Moore
Carried Shannon's & Face book sites OK.

Library Report :- NIL

Editors Report :- Tim had newsletters to be posted. Discussion on printing cost & postage followed. Alan
Couser Moved that the newsletters to be emailed to members or a \$10-00 per year fee to be charged.
Seconded by Howell Whitehouse. Carried.
(This will be included on the membership renewal forms).

2017 A7 Rally Report :- John reported 100 Expression of Interest forms have been returned. 2nd Newsletter
to be sent out next week.

A portable PA System is needed.

General Business :- Trevor & Donna Hebblewhite have donated some cups to the club which we hope to sell
and the money to go towards the 2017 Rally.

If your Etoll is over 4 years old you should get it replaced.

As our club is 50 years old next year Robyn is trying to trace the history (who you bought your car from &
who you sold your car to) of as many cars as possible. Could you please give her any details you know.

Report of Cars &/or Car Troubles :- Nil

Raffle :- Valda had raffle tickets for tonight's raffle.

Birthdays :- Members having a birthday in April were wished many more happy years.

Sick members were wished a speedy return to good health.

Supper Organiser :- Ian McDowell was thanked for supplying tonight's supper.

May Rhonda Guthrie

June Gail Cahalane

Committee Meeting :- TBA

Next Meeting :- 13th May 2016

The President declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Austin Seven Register of Qld Inc.

Meeting No 548, 13th May 2016

Held at the Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale.

The President declared the meeting opened at 7.50 pm with a welcome to all, especially our new members Peter Waller
and Gary Noble & Prue Harradine.

Peter now owns Howell Whitehouse's 1936 Ruby Roadster and Gary owns a 1928 Sports.

Attendance :- The attendance book was signed by 30 members

Apologies :- Apologies were received from R & J Sims. L Jordan, E Moore, P & G Cahalane, G & J Gleadhill, K
Matthew.

Previous Minutes :- The Secretary read the minutes of the April meeting and moved that they be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded by Tim Braby. Carried

Business Arising from Minutes :- 3rd Party Insurance CTP Class 5 no fault covers Passenger but not Driver.

Correspondence:- OUT Newsletter sent to O Haywood.

IN Newsletters from other clubs as tabled

Thank You Card from Elaine Moore

Expression of Interest from P Rees, L Sutton & T&J Bradford

Membership applications from Peter & Sue Waller, Park Ridge and Alan & Dorothy Roberts, Nth Tamborine.

Invitation to the Biggest Morning Tea 19th May organised by the Bayside Club.

Invitation to the VCCQ Concourse d'Elegance 26th June Ormiston House. \$5-00

Receipt from the Veteran Car Club re Rent paid

Gold Coast Antique Auto Club re Autorama cancelled this year. (Held bi-annually in May). Tweed Valley Restorers Club will hold their rally this year.

Invoice re A7 Website

Advertising Material

Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward endorsed. Seconded by Mike McGill. Carried

Business arising from minutes:- Nil

Treasurers Report :- Amanda Wilson reported on the club finances and asked for her report to be accepted and moved that all invoiced to be paid. Seconded by Alan Couser. Carried.

QHMC Report:- 3-4-5th June Hillbilly Rally, Toowoomba

Restoration Course at Springfield Tec Centre, Metal Shaping \$240 for 8 hrs.

Spare Parts Report :- Trevor Moore reported good sales for the month. Also found on the web "How to find a Engine Number."

Second Hand Parts Report :- NIL

Event's Organiser :- Neil Thyer reminded members of the following runs

15th May Mothers Day Rally organised by Grant & Jackie Preddy, meet Centenary Pool 9am, BYO M/T & Lunch. Theme Murder Mystery.

12th June Winter Rally organised by Ian & Valda McDowell. Meet Clubrooms 9am going to Beenleigh Historic Museum

Other Events :-

15th May National Motoring Heritage Day, Queens Park, Ipswich

21-22nd May HTA Truck Show, Rocklea Showgrounds.

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10th July RACQ Motorfest, Eagle Farm Racecourse.

Rally Reports :- Past Events

10th April Penrite Oil Tour. 176 people signed the book. We had 17 members present.

16th April Honk, Ipswich Car Festival. Nil

17th April Qld Autospectacular, Willowbank Raceway Nil

Web Master Report :- Web site has new Host. Paul Bolt has simplified it. Contact Email John Que

Library Report :- NIL

Editors Report :- NIL

2017 A7 Rally Report :- Doug Clark displayed the road signs he has made.

Newsletter & Entry Forms sent. 18 replies.

Tim is doing the press release in Restored Cars and the wine labels

Cloth Badges with logo being organised

PA system, Photos each day being looked at.

Sponsors needed.

General Business :- Ross & Rhonda going to Toowoomba on the 10 to 12th Sept if anyone wishes to join them.

Brett & Amanda Wilson have a contract on their house and will be moving to the Port Macquarie area in June so a new Treasurer will be needed. Amanda suggested the club purchase 2 laptop computers (1 for Treasurer, 1 for Spare Parts Officer as they have all the information on them) so the computers can be handed over should the person holding these positions be altered. Mike McGill moved that the club purchase 2 laptop computers (1 for Treasurer & 1 for Spare Parts officer) Seconded by Brett Wilson. Carried.

Report on Cars &/or Car Troubles :- Trevor Moore reported his 6 wheel Austin 7 Lorry is now registered. He also has his car trailer for sale.

Justin McCarthy reported his car "Alfred" has done 5 laps of Bathurst in record time.

Raffle :- Valda has tonight's raffle tickets for sale. The prize is an orchard plant.

Birthdays :- Members having a birthday in May were wished Many Happy Returns.

Sick members were wished a speedy return to good health. With special thoughts to Elaine Moore. Also we think Judy McCullough is in a Nursing Home.

Supper Organiser :- Thanks to Rhonda for tonight's supper.

June supper will be organised by Gail Cahalane.

Committee Meeting :- TBA

Next Meeting:- 10th June 2016

As there was no further business to bring before the meeting it was declared closed at 9.23 pm



Robyn

NEWS OF MEMBERS AND CARS

The big news is that Brett and Amanda Wilson are leaving us for southern shores, down to Port Macquarie to be with Brett's parents as of the end of June. We will miss you guys! This means that Amanda can no longer carry on as our club treasurer, a position she has very capably held for about 10 years (where did that decade go!). So we are now officially looking for a volunteer who would like to be our new Treasurer. It is a great job, with free chauffeur driven car, 6 figure annual remuneration, fantastic super scheme, sorry that is another position down in Canberra. Too cold there!

Advertising still works!! Tony Maugham's car was sold by word of mouth and the day after our meeting in April the new owner was sealing the deal with Tony's daughter. Alan Robert has bought the car for his young grandson (lucky lad!). Another new younger member is Orlando Hayward, who is still only at school but is so enamoured by the Austin Seven, he persuaded his parents to help him find one. Both Peter Baker and Mike Hawthorne have stepped up to the challenge and found enough parts for him to make a good start at making a running chassis up.

Howell Whitehouse rang me one night to tell me he was finding it harder to squeeze under and service his Austin but decided it would be nice to keep it in his family. First choice were the grandkids, but the most enthusiastic one wanted to turn it into a hot rod! Luckily son in law Peter who has been helping Howell work on his classic BSA motorbikes is most willing and he and his wife Sue were happily enjoying the fun on Grant and Jackie's Mothers Day Fun Run in the Austin.

Another new member Garry Noble and his partner Pru live in Ipswich and they were interested in the odd little car sitting nose out of a neighbour's shed and now has bought it for restoration. The owner said it was a 1928, but the radiator shape and engine number indicate it is later than that, my reckoning if I remember the engine number correctly, it may be a 1931 model. The body is most unusual, with MG TC style front guards and the twin body humps over the dashboard. The back of the body is flat and may have carried the spare wheel. Potentially a pretty little sports special. Getting back to Tony Maugham. He was very well known in the Warwick district and I have found some photos he sent me years ago from when he was a young "P-plater". I had not known of his passing until recently and have been since informed he passed away in September 2011 and it is my pleasure to bring to you a selection of his photos.

Finally Robyn is trying to compile a list of cars and owners, and has hit a brick wall with trying to find out where some Austin 7s have disappeared to after being sold on.

The Editor has owned a few Austin 7s over the years, and has a mental block about a blue Ruby tourer that went to Hervey Bay and was seen at the Austin 7 Rally in the Barossa Valley but cannot remember who he sold it to!

Tim

Congratulations and welcome to our New Members

Alan and Dorothy Robert of North Tamborine - 1930 Meteor Sports (Tony Maugham's car) renovation well under way!

Orlando Hayward of South Brisbane - 1934 Sports to be restored (parts from Peter Baker and Mike Hawthorne)

Peter and Sue Waller of Park Ridge South - restored 1935 Roadster (formerly Howell Whitehouse's, Peter is his step-son in law.)

Gary Noble and Prue Harradine of Ipswich - c 1931-32 Sports Special to be restored. Was Gary's neighbour's car and stored partly in the open for many years

PAST RALLY REPORTS

Penrite Oil Factory Tour Sunday 10th April



On a fine clear Autumn morning, members of our A7 Club assembled at the Penrite Oil factory at 172 Magnesium Drive, Crestmead to be informed of the range and quality of Penrite products via a talk and tour. Members driving their A7s were Doug & Robyn, Lindsay & Sharon, Ian & Valda, Trevor and Alan. It was especially gratifying to see that Russell & Vanda made the two hour drive in their A7 from Wamuran. Those of us arriving in our modern vehicles were Mike & Cathy, Neil, Tim and John. It was also good to see one of our ex-members, Colin Jones, attending.

Along with our A7 vintage vehicles was an array of classic cars. The many vehicles present occupied all of the large parking area adjacent to the factory entry. In the car park, catering for our caffeine needs, was a mobile coffee van where freshly ground coffee could be purchased. A free sausage sizzle, subsidised by our host, also provided sustenance to those present.

From small beginnings in 1926, Les Mecoles, 16 years old, founded Penrite Oil Company from his parents' home in St. Kilda, Melbourne, Australia. Today, Penrite continues to be 100% Australian owned and is managed by Toby and Nigel Dymond from Melbourne. The original core

values, philosophy and quality of Penrite continue in the business today.

At around 9.30am, the assembly of approximately 150 participants was split into three groups. Each group enjoyed an interactive talk and discussion about the myriad of Penrite products produced at this and other factories around Australia and distributed around the globe.

Following this half hour discussion, we were taken on a tour of the factory where we were shown the processes involved in the products' production.

I'm sure that by the end of the proceedings we were all convinced of the



great quality of this Australian product. Following the factory tour, at around 12.30pm, we all headed home armed with our free bottle of carwash, bottle of valve seal, information catalogue, pouring nozzle and sample bag full of goodies.

On behalf of our A7 club, I thank Penrite for hosting the event. I also thank not only Bill Martin for the general organising of the day, but also Robyn Clark



for rallying our A7 troops together for this very interesting and successful event.

Neil Thyer



Mother's Day Fun Run - 15 May 2016

After several years of placing in the Preddy's annual Fun Run, we finally won! As well as winning a trophy, we also have the honour of writing the rally report. And it is easy to write about this always enjoyable event.

This year we were blessed with beautiful weather, unseasonably warm for May and with a cloudless deep blue sky. Seven A7s (Doug and Robyn, Ian and Valda, the Potts family, Justin and his friend Ron, Russell and Vanda, Peter and Sue, Neil and Karyn) and three

modern cars (Grant and Jackie, Joe and Margaret, Alan and Tim) gathered at the starting point at Centenary Pool car park. Trevor kindly came in his A7 to wave us all off. Alan's A7 had refused to cooperate in the morning chill, and so he had to come modern.

We set out towards the western suburbs, with a slight unexpected detour due to the closure of Hale Street for a cycling race. The rally route seemed to coincide with the route of the cycling race, and we kept crossing paths throughout the morning with hundreds of bikes. Our rally route passed through Milton, Toowong, Indooroopilly, Rocklea and Corinda, en route to the morning tea stop at Rocks Riverside Park, Seventeen Miles Rocks.



Along the route we had to answer a range of questions that tested our problem-solving skills, general knowledge and powers of observation. The answers to these questions were cleverly interwoven into a 'Whodunit?', which revealed the details of a murder - who the murderer was; where, how and why the murder was committed; and what sentence was imposed.

After a relaxing morning tea under the trees, we set off again, heading further westwards. After a brief stop at the Centenary Memorial Gardens in Sumner where kangaroos peacefully grazed and where we had questions to answer, we headed to Wacol. Here we passed by the Moreton Correctional Centre (relevant to the 'Whodunit?') and the RSPCA, before heading through Oxley and finishing at Nosworthy Park in Corinda. We handed in our answers,



which Jackie marked while we all relaxed and ate lunch. After lunch, the winners were announced and prizes awarded. Congratulations go to the following winners:
Results were as follows:

The most authentic dress -
Doug Clark for his Hercule Poirot look
Funniest answer:



Russel & Vanda Curtis who had 'Doug Clark' as their murderer!!

The youngest participants: Martin & Trent Potts - well done boys

3rd place went to Joe & Margaret McCormack with 27 out of a possible 43 points

2nd place went to Peter & Sue Waller with 32 out of 43 points and

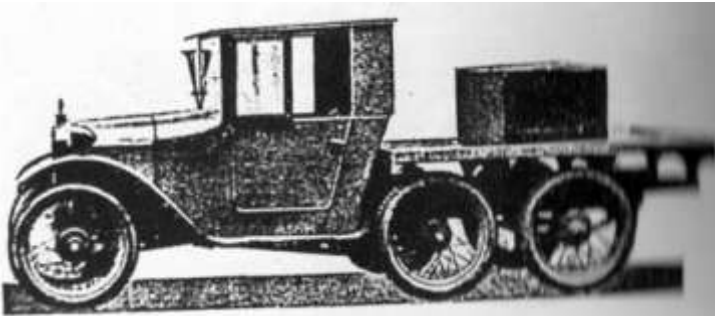
1st place went to Neil & Karen Thyer with 34 points

The other points scores were; The Potts family with 25 points, Doug & Robin and Ian & Valda both finished on 24 points, Russel & Vanda ended up with 22 points, Alan & Tim with 17 and team Justin & Ron with 6 points.

Thanks to Grant and Jackie for their hard work in devising yet another interesting and creative fun run. We are looking forward to next year's run, and the opportunity to defend our title.

Karyn and Neil

"6 WHEELS ON MY WAGON" or "AT SIXES & SEVENS"!



a homemade timber roof and made up a steel frame that bolted on the side of the existing chassis and a extra square steel axle with welded on front stub axles for an extra pair of wheels behind the existing rear axle. The top of the frame was fitted with a 5'6" long timber deck. "Light Car" magazine was very enthusiastic about this design and spoke of its inherent stability and handling abilities as well as its

Everybody knows Austin Sevens have a wheel at every corner, but we now have one that has an extra pair of wheels to keep it off the ground! Spare Parts Man Trevor Moore had a pile of bits left in the corner of the garage and decided to build something a bit different.

We now go back in time to 1927 when Messrs. M.W.D.T. Gairdner of Andover in Hampshire took a 1926 Tourer, cut off the back of the body just behind the body, fitted



by the Austin Factory themselves in 1931 when a prototype 6 - wheel tipper as a design exercise. It also used a bolt on chassis extension with a trailing extra axle with operating brakes and connecting rods allowing to move up and down on rough terrain. The front of the body was taken from a production van. The rear section had timber panelled sides and a ratchet operated tipping mechanism. Possibly the lack of power was the reason it

suitability for a caravan conversion. Only one prototype was built ,as the designer did not have the money to market this conversion nor was any interest show by any large manufacturer.

Sometime in between Chivers Jellies built a version for advertising purposes

The next attempt of a 6 wheel Austin was produced



too never went into production. A few were built and used to deliver seat and things around the factory.

In the 1980s, Peter Lowe, a member of the Midlands Austin7 Club saw the story of these vehicles in a then current issue of the A7CA magazine and he thought it would be interesting to build one. Then his son Andrew came across a spare chassis locally and then a motor was found in chicken coup and the rest was history. The full story can be read in the August 1989 issue of "The Automobile".

Fast Forward to the present and Trevor found himself in a similar situation with the start of an idea and the bits to carry it out! Trevor was able to contact Peter Lowe and obtain details of the conversion and started laying out the parts. Now it is finished and registered on the road and hopefully coming to a rally soon!



"Bertie" the Austin and his ANZAC Connection

As a new member of the club I have recently purchased the Austin Big Seven Forlite which was advertised in the club magazine. The car was previously owned by Bernie Cleveland and the car was sold to me by his son John. I was told the car has not been run for about 15 years so I am in the process of bringing it back to life.

We have named the car Bertie after my Grandfather who introduced me to all

things mechanical at the age of about 4 years old.

The Little Austin was first registered AR4335 in Christchurch New Zealand on the 22nd November 1938. It was sold new to a Doctor named Donald Eric Currie who lived in Cashmere Hills, Christchurch. With a bit of "Googling" on a wet day I managed to find out quite a bit about the first owner and his connection with the ANZAC's.

Doctor Donald Eric Currie was born in 1891 and studied for his Doctorate at Knox College Dunedin. On the outbreak of World War One he was part way through his studies. He along with 20 other students from his college asked and were given permission to break off from their studies to enlist.

On the 16th October 1914 he embarked from Auckland on the Star of India for Suez in Egypt where he served as a stretcher bearer until he was wounded on the 14th June 1915.

After along convalescence he returned to New Zealand via Ruahue on the 4th Jan 1916. I found a record online of a letter sent to Eric back in Christchurch in 1917 by an injured friend (Vivian Wilson) from a hospital bed describing the horrors of the front line.

Upon Eric's return he completed his Doctorate on the 15th of October 1917 and had a medical practice in Colombo St Christchurch about 6km from where he lived in Hackthorne Rd., Cashmere Hills Christchurch.

When he purchased the new Austin Big Seven in 1938 he would have been about 47 years old and lucky as not many cars were sold during the war years. The fact he was a Doctor would have given him access to fuel for essential use.

On the 10th September 1959 after 21 years of ownership and less than 18000 miles on the clock he sold the car. He would have been 68 years old and most likely retired but lived on till the age 76. He was obviously one of the lucky survivors of the war.

The Austin then passed through 5 owners hands (none of whom I can trace) before being purchased by Bernie Cleveland in 1984 in New Zealand with 31136 miles on the clock. He had it repainted and interior refurbished about 30 years ago and brought the car with him to Australia in 1988.

Robin and Amanda Lewis

Photos from the Archives

Photos sent to the Editor by the late Tony Maugham, taken around 1950



LEFT Somewhere on the Gold Coast, 3 likely lads out for a bit of fun in their "Wolf Wagon"



RIGHT This is Doug and Robyn Clark's 1929 Sports in its years of decline. No Mud guards



LEFT, possible Tony's 1930 Meteor in younger days

RIGHT a 1929 -1930 Sports minus all its under panels, near Mt. Tibrogargan, on the way to the Sunshine Coast .



Somewhere on the Gold Coast perhaps? Maybe one of our eagle eyed readers can tell?

Austin Seven Classifieds

FOR SALE 1937 Ruby Saloon

100% complete , mechanically rebuilt and running. Has been driven around the yard. Asking \$3000. Contact John and Marianne Perham at Gunalda (north of Gympie on the Bruce Highway, 196 km north of Brisbane)
TEL: 0419 927 306 EMAIL: jpglenwood@gmail.com
(this is a totally original car that originally had a sliding sunroof. It belonged to Trevor Ford for many years, after being bought from the family of the original owner. The body was cream with green seats)



Original upholstery in the repaired body shell. All parts if not restored are in good original condition.



Panels all repaired and primed. The motor is wired up and ready to run.

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AUSTIN SEVEN REGISTER OF QUEENSLAND Inc.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/2017

OBJECTS of the AUSTIN 7 REGISTER of QUEENSLAND INC.

The Register was formed in October 1967, its aims being to bring together and help any person owning an Austin 7 or parts thereof. The Register caters for Austin 7's manufactured from 1922 to 1938 and also includes other Austin motor vehicles manufactured up to and including 1940 models.

Part A

FAMILY NAME

First Name.....Birthday (day/month)...../.....

Spouse/Partner.....Birthday (day/month)...../.....

Address.....

Phone No.....Mobile.....

Phone No. Work.....Fax.....

E-Mail.....

Dependent Children

Name.....Birthday (day/month)...../.....

Name..... Birthday (day/month)...../.....

If applying for New Membership, please complete Parts **A, B & C**, if renewing your Membership, please complete Part **A** and **C** only. Either post or hand the form along with your payment to The Secretary, Austin 7 Register of Qld. Inc, C/- 195 Middle Rd, Boronia Heights Q, 4124.

Please make Cheques/Money Orders payable to “**Austin 7 Register of Queensland Inc**” to comply with bank requirements. EFT payments to BSB: 124-007 A/c No: 90081115. Please put your membership number as the payment reference to ensure the funds can be allocated to the correct person. E.g.: Memb#007

Subscription fee per financial year (1 July to 30 June each year) - please circle type of membership you are applying for:

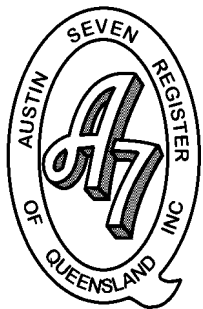
Full Membership \$45.00 Remote \$40.00 – **outside 60 km radius of Brisbane**

Plus Joining Fee for New Memberships: \$5.00

PLEASE EMAIL MY NEWSLETTER YES NO

Note: If you want your newsletter to be both emailed and posted there will be an additional \$10.00 yearly fee to cover the cost of printing & postage.

****** NOTE: Yearly Membership fees are due for payment each year at the July meeting. If fees have not been paid at or prior to the October meeting, then your membership will have lapsed & you will then be required to pay the Joining Fee again in addition to your Membership fees. ******



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL 2016/2017**

PART B

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ONLY

I/We wish to apply for **FULL / REMOTE** Membership

Signed..... Date.....

Part C

Please list below all eligible owned vehicles – restored & unrestored

Make i.e. Chummy/ Ruby	Year	Body Type	Engine No	Chassis No	Colour	Condition	Rego Type

Body Type: Roadster, Saloon, Sports, Special, Tourer, Utility, Van

Condition: Original, Restored, Unrestored, Under Restoration, Parts

Registration Type: Concessional, Personal, Full

The Club carries a stock of spare parts and maintains a library of technical & interesting books for the use of all members. A list of books will be supplied on written application to the Club.

Meetings are held on the second Friday of each month at the clubhouse of the Veteran Car Club of Qld, 1376 Old Cleveland Road, Carindale at 7.45pm.

Bi-monthly club newsletters are posted or emailed out to all financial Club members.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL RELEVANT DETAILS ON FORM – in particular those required in PART C. It would be appreciated if full details of vehicles could be entered to assist the secretary to update the clubs records. It has been a few years since our fees have been increased and costs are increasing each year so your acceptance of the newsletter via e-mail where possible will help keep these charges down. After all, e-mail delivery allows you to print off the newsletter in glorious colour.

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