

60th Anniversary - Austin 7 Reg. Qld. Inc.

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15th – 19th April 2027

Stanthorpe Qld

Stanthorpe lies on the [New England Highway](#) near the [New South Wales](#) border 223 kilometres from [Brisbane](#) via [Warwick](#), 56 kilometres north of [Tenterfield](#) and 811m above sea level.^[5]

Throughout your stay within this region you will experience this diverse natural haven, including tranquil natural parks, picturesque watercourses wineries, gourmet foods, lavender farms and much much more..... All in Granite Belt Time.

The Granite belt offers a fresh easy-living environment to while away the days. The air is clean, the sky is blue (hopefully), the temperature is cool and it's a beautiful place to visit.

Stanthorpe was developed around Quart Pot Creek which meanders from south-east through the centre of town and then out through the south-west, where its confluence with Spring Creek forms the [Severn River](#). Quart Pot Creek forms part of the south-western boundary of the locality, while the Severn River forms part of the south-western boundary.^[7]

The [New England Highway](#) passes through the locality from [Applethorpe](#) in the north to [Severnlea](#) in the south. Originally it passed through the town centre along the main street, Maryland Street. However, it now bypasses to the west of the main developed area of the town. The [Stanthorpe-Texas-Inglewood Road](#) connects Stanthorpe and [Broadwater](#) to the west, then travels south-west to [Texas](#).^[7]

The land within the boundaries of Stanthorpe is primarily used for urban purposes: housing, recreational, commercial and industrial with some

undeveloped land on the hillier slopes. Although an agricultural centre of the [Granite Belt](#), there is little agriculture within the town's boundaries.^[7] Crops grown in the surrounding area include [vegetables](#), [apples](#), [grapes](#) and [stone fruit](#). [Wine](#) is also produced in the area, and [sheep](#) and [cattle](#) grazing is also prevalent.

Places we will be visiting, are as follows:

Truffiere Discovery Centre – taste testing

A winery for a lunch

Lavender Farm

Amiens Solider / Settler Display

4 days of adventure – driving along country roads.

Our Rally days are not long, most enjoyable, exploring country road drives.

As it will be BYO lunch most days, may I suggest you pack a picnic box and chairs so you can relax under the autumn trees.

As most of our club members don't live in a cool climate area, April is the time of the year for autumn photos, and autumn fun.

Unfortunately due to catering accommodation we will need to limit the number of entries to 65 (130 people).

The most important item is to make sure you have booked your accommodation for the event. The Caravan Park only has powered sites available, we are not the only event in town on our weekend.

I know you'll loved the Granite Belt, and trust you'll enjoy your few days of Austin 7 driving.

If you are unable to come for the 5 days, due to work commitments, why not come for the weekend we would love to have you with us in Stanthorpe. This is a once in a life time event. We will never enjoy the clubs 60th Anniversary again. – Don't forget to book your accommodation.

Looking forward to seeing you all there

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I know there are some club members who have an Austin 7 eligible for the event attached.

If you are travelling some distance to the 60th Anniversary Rally in Stanthorpe, I wondered if you would like to participate in two events that are very close together. I know it is the same town, but this even will travel bigger distances each day. Remember you will need to book your accommodation soon.

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Rendezvous Rally

April 27th - May 3rd 2027

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Rendezvous Rally

The Stanthorpe Historic Vehicle & Machinery Group Inc. extends a hearty invitation to all owners of pre 1931 cars, trucks & motorcycles, to join us at the Pre31 Rendezvous Rally on the Granite Belt, in Queensland's Southern High Country.

Autumn on the Granite Belt is beautiful warm days, exquisite scenery filled with autumn colours, great food, award winning wineries, quiet country roads and super friendly people.

The Pre31 Rendezvous Rally is the Pre31 Autumn Tour stepping just over the border into Qld for the first time.

The Pre31 Rendezvous Rally is a 7 day event running from Tuesday April 27th April to Monday May 3rd 2027.

Stanthorpe is the main town on the Granite Belt and has modern facilities with old world charm having over 150 years of heritage behind it.

The Pre31 Rendezvous Rally will be limited to 150 eligible vehicles.

Please book your accommodation early as Stanthorpe is a busy destination, since it is only 2½ hours from Brisbane, A list of accommodation is included in your Rally Pack.

See you on the Granite Belt in 2027!

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