

NEWSLETTER



Winter June 2021

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



Above 12 wonderful little Queensland Sevens outside the historic 123 year old Mount Morgan Railway Station. Mount Morgan Historic Rail Complex on the recent Rocky Run

The Editors Ravings

A bumper newsletter for you this time folks, with reports and photos from the recent Rocky Run, by all accounts a very well organised run with lashings of good old country hospitality and lots of interesting places to visit.

Also inside we have an update on happenings in the UK for the Austin 7 centenary event, lots being planned for that one. Let's hope present Covid restrictions will ease before the end of this year to allow international flights to dear old Blighty to resume for us antipodeans.

You will also see right at the end of the newsletter we have club membership renewal forms. I wish to remind all members that the Yearly Membership fees expire on 30 June and are due for payment by the July meeting on Friday the 9th. The fees are the same as last year being \$45.00 per year new member or renewal on full membership with the newsletter <u>emailed</u> **OR** \$55.00 if you desire your newsletter to be <u>printed</u> as a hard copy and <u>posted</u> to you. (N.B. The discount for remote members was dropped a year or two back.)

Please be prompt with your payments (as most of you are), but sometimes there may be a few lost sheep that straggle along months behind. Unfortunately this adds to the burden of your volunteer committee as we strive to keep records up to date, with separate lists being used by the secretary, treasurer, rally organiser and the editor, necessary as we do not live together. Please complete the forms as requested, and do not write "same as last year"

(Note: The Kaye Petre story will be held over for another newsletter)

Editor 7im Braby

A Definition of a Gentleman "A gentleman is a person who can change gears in an Austin 7 without getting a slap in the face from his (lady) passenger"

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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.

austin7.org.au/events& Face book Austin7 Register of Old Inc.

AUSTIN 7 REGISTER OF QLD. CLUB EVENTS & INVITATION RUNS FOR 2021 & BEYOND!!

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT AUSTIN 7 REGISTER OF QLD. EVENTS

I will endeavour to keep you regularly informed of A7 Reg. Qld updates as they occur by updating our website. Please let me know if you hear about any of the "External Events" that I have listed on the A7 Website that have been cancelled or postponed.

Also Very Important: Make sure you have cancelled any accommodation bookings you may have had for any cancelled or postponed A7 Event.

Please contact me if you have any suggestions/comments etc. about our A7 Websites. Always check our A7 Register Qld Web site for possible recent updates/cancellations/postponements prior to attending any event. And IF IN ANY DOUBT - contact the event organisers to find out what the situation is.

Happy Motoring and stay safe & well in these difficult times,

Neil Thyer (ph. 0431 067 909) A7 Qld Reg. Events Coordinator & A7 Web Master

Also note!! Some details/dates of these events are still to be confirmed.

A7 Website: http://austin7.org.au/

Do not forget it is always recommended that while on all Events and Runs, you carry your current Membership Card along with any information about the event you are attending. It will be necessary to produce this information if you are confronted, for any reason, by a member of the Police Force while participating in an Event.

<u>Friday 11th June - Austin 7 Register General Meeting</u> commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.



Sunday 13th June - Austin 7 Register June Event: RACQ Motorfest. Static

display from 10am to 3pm at <u>Brisbane Showgrounds</u>. Due to the restrictions that have been recently announced for entry to the RACQ Motorfest site (see elsewhere this newsletter), the only Austin 7 that had nominated to take part has now withdrawn its entry and others have decided NOT to attend. If, however, you are prepared to mount a 1.5kg dry powder fire extinguisher in your car "in a predominant position in

accordance with Australia Standards" (most car types are only 1kg) AND carry your drip tray in to place under the car AND have your tank filled to 90% capacity you may like to go!!

Sunday 20th June 2021 - A7 Register June Event: President's Run to be organized by Steve (Ph. 0418 814 501). Run to commence from Centenary Pool Carpark at 9am. and will travel around the inner western suburbs. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch.

<u>Sunday 27th June 2021-</u> External Event: Our A7 Club has been invited to attend the <u>Vintage Car Club</u> of Queensland <u>Annual Concourse D'Elegance</u> to be held at Sherwood Arboretum from 10am on 27 June 2021. For details contact VCCAQ. Members are to arrange their own travel etc. for this event.

Friday 9th July 2021 - A7 Register General Meeting: General Meeting is to be held during the Country Run weekend on Saturday 10th July in Boonah – venue TBA.

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th July 2021- A7 Register July Event: A7 Country Run. Run organized by Joe & Margaret McCormack (ph. 0438 192 788). Come for a leisurely weekend to experience the delights and history of Boonah. Come old, come modern. Stay a day or two or more. Come and see the toys that the Australian Champion Acrobatic Pilot has in his own hangars. The Boonah Motel Managers and the Showgrounds Caretakers are happy to welcome us for the weekend. Further details of venue/runs/accommodation etc. are located on this website under the heading 'AUSTIN 7 ROCKY RUN 2021 & COUNTRY RUN 2021'.

<u>Saturday 17th to Sunday 18nd July - External Event - 8th Biennial Queensland Heritage Rally</u>. Rally is to be held in Biloela, Central Queensland. Members are to make own arrangements for Travel, Registration & Accommodation. For information contact Cindy Cooper, Rally Coordinator. Phone (07)4992 2400 or 0429 383 296. **Date to be confirmed!!!**

<u>Sunday 18th July External Event - Noosa Beach Classic Car Show 2021.</u> This 33rd static display event is to be held on Sunday 18 July 2021 at McKinnion Drive Sports Complex. This is an all models car show. For more information log onto www.noosacarclub.com.au. Members who wish to attend are to make their own arrangements re. registration, travel, accommodation etc.

<u>Thursday 22nd July to Sunday 25th July 2021:External Event: 9th Biennial Queensland Heritage Rally.</u> Rally is to be held in Ayr, Queensland. Members are to make own arrangements for Travel, Registration & Accommodation. For information contact Rally Coordinator. Phone 0417 746 367.

<u>Friday 13th August - Austin 7 Register Weekend - August General Meeting & AGM</u> commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

<u>Saturday 14th August - Austin 7 Register Event - Club Weekend Saturday BBQ Lunch</u>. A BBQ lunch will be provided to members at the Club Rooms, Carindale, commencing at 11am. Food will be provided but drinks (hot or cold) are BYO. As this is an A7 Reg. Event, members are encouraged to wear their name tags and drive their A7s. RSVP Robyn Clark (ph. 3800 1965) by 1 August 2021.

<u>Sunday 15th August - Austin 7 Register Event - Club Weekend Static Display</u>. Display to be held at Morningside School of Arts hall & grounds, corner Wynnum & Thynne Road, Morningside (in Morningside shopping village precinct – UBD p24 Q1) Entry off Wynnum Road. Ample trailer & public parking on site. The display is organised by Robyn Clark (Ph. 3800 1965). Members are to wear their name tags and make their own way to the venue. Display to commence at 9am and conclude around 1pm. BYO Morning Tea & Lunch but there are many food shops & cafes adjoining the venue

<u>Sunday 5th September 2021:</u> External Event: The Chrysler Owners' Club of Qld have invited our A7 Club to participate in the <u>Chrysler Expo 2021</u> at the Rocklea Showgrounds on Sunday 5th September 2021. The Expo will include a Swap meet, Trade Sites and a diverse range of Vintage and Historic themed exhibits. For more information email: chryslerexpo@gmail.com

Friday 10th September 2021: A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

<u>Sunday 19th September 2021-</u> A7 Register Event: <u>All British Day</u> at St Josephs College Sports Grounds Vivian Street, Tennyson from 8.30am to 2pm. No pre-booking required. Contact Robyn Clark (3800 1965) for more details. Byo Morning Tea & Lunch although food is also available at the venue. A7 members to make own arrangements re.travel, registration on arrival etc. Display Vehicles \$20.00 (includes commemorative metal badge). Public \$2 walk in, visitor parking \$5.

<u>Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th September 2021</u> - External Event: <u>Queensland Motorists' Re-enactment Weekend</u> – Following the successful but restricted (under COVID) Warwick-based "Motorists' Day Re-enactment 2020", a major weekend event has been planned by the Warwick Chamber of Commerce Inc for 2021. This is a celebration of our unique motoring history. Now including a variety of vehicle and community activities. For more information contact Gavin Mutton (VCCQ – event organiser – Mobile: 0415 551 487 – Email: gavinmutton@bigpond.com)

<u>Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd October 2021 - A7 Register Event: LAMA Annual Invitation Run</u>
<u>Weekend</u> organised by the Lockyer Antique Motor Association Inc. and commencing in Gatton. Contact Elise Pakeman, Secretary, Ph. (07) 4697 6462.for more details. Members to make their own arrangements re.travel, registration, accommodation etc.

Friday 8th October 2021- A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

Saturday 9th October 2021 - A7 Register alternative October Event: Friends of Tingalpa Cemetery

Heritage Group have invited our club to their Decoration Day – 153rd Anniversary at 1341 Wynnum

Road Tingalpa commencing at 10am. And completing around 12 noon. Morning Tea provided. A musical and Historical program will be presented. Bring your A7 and park in the grounds or come modern and park in Smith's Chips carpark next door.

For further info contact Neil ph. 0431 067 909

Friday 12th November 2021 - A7 Register General Meeting commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

<u>Saturday 20th November 2021 - A7 Register November Event: A7 November Run.</u> This Run will be to 'Automotive Craftsmen' – an automotive workshop at 1/53 Eastern Rd, Browns Plains where Morning Tea will be provided followed by a demonstration. Cost for this event is \$5 each – to be paid to Robyn or Neil by 8 October 2021. Members attending will meet at the Clark's residence, 195 Middle Rd, Boronia Heights, for departure to the venue at 9.30am sharp. There is a limit on the number attending so ensure you make your payment ASAP. Following the demonstration (around 12 noon), members can either proceed home or return to the Clark's residence with their BYO Lunch. Members not wishing to attend the demonstration can remain at the Clark's for a BYO Morning Tea & Lunch.

<u>Friday 10th December 2021 - A7 Register General Meeting</u> commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale. Members are requested to bring a plate of Christmas Food to share.

<u>Sunday 12th December 2021 - A7 Register Event: A7 Club Christmas Lunch</u> to be held at the Carindale Clubrooms and is to commence at 11.30am. Food will be provided but drinks (hot or cold) are BYO. As this is an A7 Register event, members are encouraged to wear their name tags and drive their A7s. RSVP Robyn Clark by 1 December – Ph. 3800 1965.

2022	

<u>Saturday 9th April to Thursday, 14 April 2022 - Austin 7 100 Years - Warrnambool National Rally</u> Any queries contact the Rally Committee at 2022rallyinfo@gmail.

All the other Austin 7 Clubs in Australia have already made bookings for accommodation to the event, and Queensland does not want to be left behind. If you want to be with other Qld A7 folks, several have already put their names down at the Figtree c/park as the Qld Warrnambool Rally HQ, no deposit is required at this point, all that is necessary is contact details and your choice of accommodation will allocated. As of writing there were about 32 names who have chosen the Fig Tree..

You can contact Brian at the BIG4 Figtree Holiday Park at 33 Lava Street Warrnambool Vic 3280, Telephone (03) 5561 1233 email reservations@figtreepark.com or look at www.figtreepark.com. For further info please contact Tim Braby on 0405 740 418 or Rhonda Guthrie on 0417 737 773. As of writing there is still no entry form from the organisers, just expressions of interest. (as of the end of May 2021)



August 2021 Austins over Australia Rally to be held in Port Stephens, NSW. Postponed from 2021

18th July to 25th July 2022. Austin 7 Clubs Association UK rally

Dear Austin Seven Enthusiast,

You are sure to have the Austin Seven Centenary Celebration (which runs from 19th to 24th July 2022 at the Fire

Service College at Moreton in Marsh, Gloucestershire) in your diary and this newsletter brings more information about what we are planning for your enjoyment.

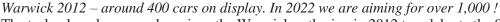
There are now over 1,100 subscribers to the newsletter – but we know there are still people out there who haven't heard about the Centenary. Please will you help us to spread the word by forwarding this newsletter to any of your friends who own Austin Sevens. In this edition we look at how the event will be recorded for posterity and get a flavour of the delights that will keep us entertained during the week.

Reminder – pricing won't be fixed and we won't start taking bookings for the Centenary Event until September 2021.

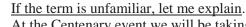


Tim Griffiths did a splendid job of capturing on film the 90th anniversary event at Warwick in 2012. Who can forget that brilliant panorama shot of all the cars and owners on the rally field?

Tim has some very ambitious plans for 2022 and here he explains what he has in mind – and how you can help.



The technology has moved on since the Warwick gathering in 2012 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Austin Seven. It was just ten years ago, but in those years we have moved on from showing films in a cinema tent, taking pictures, and creating video that would only be seen after the event, to something called 'Live streaming'.



At the Centenary event we will be taking thousands of photographs over the five days, capturing an historic celebration of 100 years of Austin Seven motoring with the biggest assembly of Sevens since they were built. We will also be taking hours of video of the event. We did both of these things at Warwick, but digital storage capacity and quality has improved and much of the video will now be in 4K resolution - which in old money is the equivalent of the 35mm film stock that we used to see projected on the big screen at cinemas before the screens multiplied and shrank.

After Warwick the footage was edited together to create a single film to record the event and be a souvenir for those who were there. This time we will do that again but will also stream

Over the coming months we are going to be putting together a broadcast schedule that will run throughout the event from first thing in the morning until late in the evening, over all five days. It will both entertain and inform and, ultimately, record the event for posterity.





some of the event live on YouTube.

The aim is that the schedule will bring together archive footage, Austin company films, videos of club runs and events, both sporting and casual, involving Sevens. Between these we will have morning, lunchtime and evening news and event reports so that everyone attending and those in the wider global audience, can keep abreast of what goes on, on their phones, ipads, laptops and smart televisions so long as they have the link.

There will be events going on each day around the main site, road runs and the hill climb at Prescott. We intend to broadcast them, sometimes as they happen and sometimes as retrospective event reports. Alongside these we would like to include discussions, demonstrations, interviews and car-related quizzes. All available on demand via the Live stream. We have most of the technology in place to do this now and have just over a year to assemble the material necessary to populate our broadcast schedule - and that is where we need your help.

We need your videos of club runs, both historic and recent. Motoring holidays away in your Seven, photographs of Sevens in action and of the characters that have been associated with the car over the years. Tell us about yourselves and your cars.

We want volunteers to help capture the event on camera and video, as high-resolution images can now be captured on even the humblest of mobile phones.

We would like ideas and proposals for programmes; and we need people who are willing and able to act as 'anchors' and presenters in the live and recorded segments.

If anyone would like to put a film together on some aspect of Austin Seven motoring, or compile a quiz, - get in touch. We are entering a period when we will be able to get back our freedoms and take our cars out to events, displays and runs again - capture them on video.



When the Centenary Event finishes, the hours of YouTube live stream will have been automatically recorded and will be able to be viewed on demand. This, along with the hours of video and countless photographs will then be donated to the Association Archive.

We want to entertain, inform and record. If you have anything you would like to contribute, or want to volunteer in some capacity, please contact Tim Griffiths on tim@tim@timgriffiths.com - the sooner the better!

What's going on?!

Ruairidh Dunford tells us about some of the entertainment that is being planned for the Centenary Event. Our Big Tent

will be open to every entrant throughout the week as will the Real Ale Bar (other drinks will be available), within it. We are in negotiations with the catering team to bring you street food, breakfast buns and other culinary delights throughout the week.

We start our week off as we intend to go on, come join us for an hysterical evening of fun.

Wednesday evening – in the Big Tent - Bierkeller Schunklers Oompah Showband

This wonderful showband will play two spots of 50 minutes each.

The act involves singing, dancing, games and marching, handclapping, competitions, yodelling, 'action' songs and allout fun. It is action-packed and involves audience participation from the start.

They play all the usual Bierkeller favourites and a complete range of music and songs from traditional to Rock 'n Roll and Pop (Elvis, Monkeys, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, The Wurzels, Jeff Beck, Beatles etc) and include the essential 'Music Man' with a difference. There is something for all ages in the act, a wonderful family night out.

Thursday lunch time - in and around the Big Tent - The Centenary picnic.

100 years, to the day, Lord Austin Launched the Austin Seven at Claridge's. Join us for a huge celebratory picnic and birthday party. Bring your hampers or order pre-made ones via the booking system, your wind-up gramophones, straw hats and deck chairs for an open air party to toast our favourite car!

Thursday evening – in the Big Tent - Fat Sam's Funk Express

Some of the finest session musicians in the business – with years of experience on stages across the world – come together to play hits from the 1960s and 70s to the present day and bring the party atmosphere to you. <u>Let the good times roll.</u>

Friday evening – in the Big Tent - The Ceilidh Factor

This traditional and highly rated Ceilidh band provides dances that are a social event for everybody to join in whatever your age or experience - no matter if you have never danced before.

Their friendly caller will guide you through all the way. First he will talk it through slowly and give you the opportunity to walk it through.

Then the fantastic band will start for you to dance to. They will continue to 'call' dances unless you request that you dance freely....or would like some background music to rest.

The Ceilidh Factor plays lively and energetic folk music from Britain and Ireland on a combination of fiddles, flute, accordion, concertina, guitars, bass and drums.

A super fun night for the whole family to enjoy.

Saturday daytime - in and around the rally field - Eureka Jazz Band

This well-known A7 walking Jazz band entertained us at the 1972 50th Anniversary Rally and almost every other anniversary rally since. They play melodic and jazzy tunes from the Great American Songbook of the 1920, 30s and 40s. Whilst you view the car displays on Saturday Eureka will wander amongst you making the day go with a swing!

Saturday Evening farewell shindig – in the Big Tent – The Vintage Syncopaters

A traditional New Orleans old-style-sounding band led by Thomas 'Spats' Langham and featuring some of the country's finest early hot jazz style players.

The band plays for entertainment and dancing and the emphasis is on the earthy sounds of the dance halls and streets of New Orleans.

All entertainment costs will be included in the entry ticket fee.

National Austin Seven Rally – Beaulieu, Sunday 4th July 2021

Many of us will soon be heading to Beaulieu for this year's National Rally – the 58th to be held at this delightful venue in the heart of the New Forest. Some are making a weekend of it and either B&B-ing, motor home/caravanning – or slumming it in a tent (which is one of the joys of the event, if it's not raining!). If you haven't got your booking in yet, get your skates on. The entry form is on the Pre-War Austin Seven Club website.

https://www.pwa7c.co.uk/events750beaulieu.php

See you there!

Kind regards,

Nick Salmon

For The Austin Seven Centenary Organising Committee.

P.S.. Spotted on the Austin Seven Friends Forum this week, a comment by the wife of a forum member who has just put their Seven back on the road after a lay-up of 41 years.

"But for this car, I would never have met my husband (not to mention all the wonderful A7 friends too) and my family would never have existed.... so my Ruby is priceless!"

That has to be one of the all-time best quotes about a Seven that you are ever likely to see, don't you think?

Our mailing address is:

The Austin Seven Clubs' Association, c/o 3 Housman Avenue, Royston, Herts SG8 5DN

The entry form is on the Pre-War Austin Seven Club website. https://www.pwa7c.co.uk/events750beaulieu.php

Any queries contact the Rally Committee at 2022rallyinfo@gmail.com

OTHER NON-CLUB RELATED EVENTS

Please note these dates came from other sources outside our club, and may not be verified

Sat 19th June Caboolture Swap Meet and Show & Shine - Caboolture showgrounds, Beerburrum Road

Sun 4th July Ipswich swap Meet - Ipswich North State School, Downs Street, Nth Ipswich

Sat 10th July Qld. Transport Museum Open Day just out of Gatton on the old Toowoomba Road

Sun 18th July Jumpers and jazz Festival, Queens Park, Warwick

Sun 25th July Original Gold Coast Swap - Mudgeeraba Showgrounds enter from Worongary Rd

Sun 31st July Nambour Swap Meet - Nambour Showgrounds Coronation Ave, Nambour

Sun 8th August R Rocklea Swap Meet and Collector Car Display Rocklea Showgrounds

MINUTES OF PAST A7R2 MEETINGS

Austin Seven Register of Old Inc

Meeting No 601, 9th April 2021

Held at the Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale

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

Attendance: 19 members signed the book

Apologies: R&R Guthrie, M&M Thompson, B&R Ryan, D Barnett, I&V McDowell, R&J Sims, P Baker Minutes: Robyn read the minutes of the March meeting then moved they be accepted as a true & correct

record. Seconded by Tim Braby. Carried **Business arising from Minutes: Nil**

Correspondence: IN Newsletters from other clubs

Phone call from Greg Shuker re club flag to be taken to Rocky

Phone call from Lyn re take husband for a ride in a A7 for 25th Anniversary

10th-14th Aug Northern Rivers Vintage & Veteran 60th Anniversary, Lismore

Veteran Car Club re Hall rent

OUT: Nil

Robyn moved the correspondence be approved as read. Seconded by Neil Thyer. Carried

Treasurer's Report: Acting Treasurer John gave this report & moved it be accepted & any accounts to be past for payment. Seconded by Trevor Moore. Carried. John to contact MYOB.

QHMC Report: Justin reported on the meeting & Tim asked if there can be a list of club events on their website.

Spare Parts Report: Trevor still making sales & another order to come from Melbourne. He also received a complaint about manifold nuts.

Second Hand Parts Report: Doug thanked members for their help in erecting a shed & "Gunya" for the parts. Also made a sale of 2 mudguards.

Editors Report: Tim has emailed Newsletter to members & others ready to post. Also received an email from England congratulating him on the club's newsletter.

Dating Officer Report: Nil

Web Master Report: All up to date. Please advise Neil If you hear of any events (new or cancelled)

Club Events:

11th April Lindsay & Sharon, meet clubrooms 9am. BYO M/T & Lunch

19th-24thMay Rocky Run

20th June Presidents Run, meet 9am Centenary Pool. (West side of Brisbane)

10th-11thJuly Boonah Run

Other Events:

16th May National Motoring Heritage Day

22nd May Bayside Biggest Morning Tea, 10am Ormiston State School

23rd May Mac's Bridge, Belmont Rifle Range

13th June Sunnybank Rotary Car Show & Family Fun Day, Mt Gravatt

Showgrounds

13th June RACQ Motorfest, Brisbane Showgrounds

18th July Jumper & Jazz, Warwick

Past Events:

14th March Working bee In newsletter

28th March Bayside Swap

Library Report: Nil

General Business:

Tim to get 6 copies of Nick Sinclair's book to sell to members

Report on Cars &/or Car Troubles: Steve has new tires on his A7.

Birthdays: Members having a birthday in April wished Many Happy Returns.

Raffle: Elaine Moore selling tickets on Valda's behalf.

Sick members wished a speedy recovery.

Supper Organizer: Thank you to Steve for our first supper for a while.

May organizer = Trevor & Elaine Moore

Committee Meeting: TBA Next Meeting: 14th May 2021

Meeting closed: Peter & Gail Cahalane apologized for the next meeting. As there was no further business to

discuss the meeting closed at 7.35 pm.

Austin Seven Register of Old Inc

Meeting No 602, 14th May 2021

Held at the Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale.

The President declared the meeting opened at 7.50pm thanking all for coming.

Attendance: 20 members signed the book



Apologies: P & G Cahalane, T Braby, K Matthew & S Jordan

Minutes: Robyn read the minutes of the April Meeting & moved it be accepted as a true and correct record.

Seconded by Trevor Moore. Carried

Business arising from Minutes: Tim has 6 copies of Nick Sinclair's Book for sale. (now held by John Que)

Correspondence IN: Newsletters from other clubs

Cheque from T & B McCulloch re payment for parts

29th May Boonah Show, Vintage cars, trucks, tractors & bikes display,

18th-19th Sept Qld Motorist's re-enactment Weekend, Warwick

Email Chris Monaghan re purchase an Austin 7

Email Carol Niemeyer re car for wedding

OUT: Get Well Card to Nick Sinclair

Membership Application to Greg Morris

Phone call to Automotive Craftsmen, 20th Nov. \$5-00, no more than 30 people.

Robyn moved the correspondence be approved as read & the outward endorsed. Seconded by Peter Baker.

Carried

Treasurer's Report: Acting Treasurer John gave the report & moved it be accepted. Seconded by Alan

Couser. Carried. Ron Griffiths to receive a refund for membership & MYOB to be paid.

QHMC Report: NIL

Spare Parts Report: Sales going well.

2nd Hand Parts Report: Mike Hawthorne has bought an gearbox & Bonnet

Editors Report: NIL

Dating Officer Report: NIL

Web Master Report: Everything up to date.

Club Events

19th-24th May Rocky Run

20th June Presidents Run, depart 9am Centenary Pool. (West side of Brisbane)

9th-11th July Boonah Run organized by Joe & Margaret McCormack

Other Events:

16th May National Motoring Heritage Day

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23rd May Mac's Bridge Sports & Classic Car Festival, Belmont Rifle Range.

29th May Boonah Show

13th June RACQ Motorfest, Brisbane Showgrounds.

13th June Sunnybank Rotary Car Show & Family Fun Day, Mt Gravatt Showgrounds.

16th July Jumpers & Jazz, Warwick.

Past Events:

11th April Lindsay & Sharon's run to Tim's Model Train Display.

Library Report: Ted Bale donated a book for the library. Thank you.

General Business: New member Lyn Stanners told us about his A7

Doug called in to see Barry & Molly Neville through the week.

July Meeting to be held at a park in Boonah on Saturday after lunch, 10th July. If you can't come for the weekend members are encouraged to come for the day.

Report on Cars &/or Car troubles: Joe Wilson has sold his A7 to Car salesmen.

Birthdays: Members having a Birthday in May wished all the best.

Raffle: Thank you to Neil for donating part of tonight's Raffle.

Sick members wished a speedy recovery.

Supper Organizer: Thank you Trevor & Elaine for tonight's supper.

June Organizer = John Que

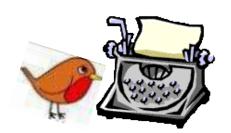
Committee Meeting: TBA **Next Meeting:** 11th June 2021

Apology from Ross & Rhonda Guthrie for next month's meeting.

Meeting Closed: As there was no further business to discuss Steve closed

the meeting at 8.40 pm

Robyn



NEWS OF MEMBERS AND CARS

Welcome To our New Members

#373 Lyn and Lynne Stammers of Bellbowrie are restoring a 1928 Roadster . They have other vintage cars

Under new ownership I had a friendly call from

I had a friendly call from Ross Chapman up north in Ayr. He tells me he has just bought a nice red 1928 Chummy, formerly the property of Adrian Benstead. Ross says it will be quicker to tidy this



one up for Warnambool next year, than finishing his existing chummy. So there is another to join us

Sold!

Gentleman Joe Wilson Tells me he has sold his 1928/32 Austin 7 Sports Special to a young couple from Samford. Joe only had a couple of lookers, and some were too fat to fit.

Below is a picture of his Vauxhall body progressing rapidly in Melbourne

Also Sold

John Davies is happy to say that he found a buyer for his 1929 Chummy.

And finally I have been told that the President of the Capricornia Motor Club, Alan Rodda, who kindly acted as tail end Charlie for the Rocky run that he is going to join an our club and has bought Brian and Sue Clancy's Sporty Austin Seven and will also join us at Warnambool!

<u>The Sinclair Austin Seven Odyssey - A Tale of a Small Car</u> For sale to Club Members

The club has secured a small number of copies of Nicks book as described in out April newsletter and can get more copies if there is enough demand. The book is \$22 plus postage from the club, please send you requests and money to the club address. Please allow time for these to be processed.



PAST RALLYS AND EVENTS REPORTS

Librarian's Run – Sunday 11 April 2021



The long-anticipated 2021 Librarian's Run, which had to be postponed last month due to the chain reaction caused by the continual postponement of the 2020 Christmas Breakfast, finally took place on Sunday 11 April under a cloudy Autumn sky.

Photos below

Left Club members relax in the spacious club house

Right Steve takes Kiwi visitor Dennis for a nostalgic run around the block in an Austin 7



A very light shower at the Club Rooms' starting point did not dampen the enthusiasm of the attending members. In their A7s were Librarian Lindsay & Sharon, President Steve, Doug & Robyn, and Ken & Irene. They were joined en route in A7s by Russell, the Reif Family and, at the final destination, Trevor & Elaine and Peter & Gail. Members in their modern cars at the starting point were Alan, Colin & Nancy, John, Joe & Margaret, and Neil & Karyn, who were joined at the final destination by Russell's family, Peter & Gail's family and Twink.

After leaving the Club Rooms, the cars turned northwards onto the Gateway Motorway. Fortunately, all the A7s made it over the Gateway Bridge, a climb which is distinctly steeper in an Austin than it seems in a modern car. Congratulations go to 'Ernie' for making the climb in top gear. The cars turned off onto Kingsford Smith Drive and then into Nudgee Road, passing both Ascot and Doomben Racecourses towards Nudgee.

Following the run instructions which took us on various twists and turns through the suburbs of Banyo and Geebung, we arrived at the Australian Model Railway Association (AMRA) Queensland Headquarters in

Zillmere, where we were warmly welcomed by Tim (a member of both our A7 Register and AMRA) and several other members of AMRA, Gordon, Doug and Jason. Tim gave us a talk about AMRA, and then we went inside to enjoy a companionable morning tea together, followed by a viewing of the model trains in action. We were all impressed by the intricate details of the train settings and enjoyed watching the different trains travelling on their various tracks.

We were also joined for the day by local couple, Dennis and Lyn. Dennis had owned an A7 when he lived in New Zealand, and so Lyn had organised a surprise ride for him in one of our lovely old A7s for their wedding anniversary.

After a thank you speech by President Steve, the day concluded with us enjoying a relaxing lunch and chat together at the picnic tables under the beautiful old trees at the rear of the AMRA Headquarters. From there, we all departed for our respective homes.

A big thank you to Librarian Lindsay and Madam Librarian Sharon for organising this interesting run, and to Tim and the members of AMRA Qld for showing us the amazing model train sets and sharing their knowledge with us.

Karyn

Below is a report by Tim on behalf of the AMRA Qld:

"VINTAGE AUSTINS INVADE ZILLMERE"

"At 9:30 am on Sunday the 11th of April the neighbours were intrigued to see 8 busy little old cars shepherded into the AMRA carpark from behind by a EH Holden Special Sedan.

These cars are actually all members of the Austin 7 Register of Qld., a club formed in 1967 to encourage people to restore Herbert Austin's pocket rocket, made from 1922 to 1939. Cars travelled from as far as Greenbank to Woodford to attend. The Austins including the club president's 1929 Meteor Sports, two 1929 Chummy Tourers, two 1934 Box Saloons, a 1933 Tourer, a 1935 Tourer and a 1937 Ruby Saloon.

On hand to welcome the club were Gordon, Doug, Jason & Tim (who has owned and driven Austin 7s for 45 years). We were able to give the Austineers a warm welcome and soon they settled down to morning tea in the club house and thanks to our volunteers were soon exploring the club house and watching a demonstration of DCC controlled trains (British of course, old boy!) They enjoyed it so much that many stayed for lunch out under the trees.

They were all impressed by the size of our clubroom and grounds and number of members and that we own everything freehold.

We were all thanked by the A7 Club president, and I would also like to thank the AMRA Q boys who came to help run the day, it would have very hard without you guys!"

Here is a small thank you note I received on behalf of AMRA Q from the chief organiser of the day's event (which is held as the "Librarians Run" as it was the A7 club librarian who planned the route!)

"Hi Tim, please thank your members for the great time we had this morning. We thoroughly enjoyed it and, going by all the positive comments, so did everyone else. Also a personal thanks to yourself from both of us for all your help organising it. Cheers Lindsay."

Tim Braby, Member #7516

<u>Rocky Run 2021 Rockhampton, Qld 19th to 24th May</u> 2021

Wednesday 19th May

Wednesday 19th May 2021 was a momentous day in the A7 Events Calendar, a day that many A7 members had been looking forward to. It marked the beginning of the much anticipated Rocky Run in Rockhampton, Queensland. Despite the Run being postponed in 2020 due to COVID, Greg & Kaye Shuker pushed ahead and provided an agenda for the next six days that would prove to be a source of much enjoyment for all participants.



Members arrived on the day from many parts of the State and settled into their new 'home' at the Country Club Caravan Park. Last to arrive, just on dusk, were Alan & Neil following their ten-hour drive from Brisbane. Apart from registering with Greg & Kaye on the day, participants were free to roam the city and surrounds.

The participants arriving in their A7s at the Rocky Run were Greg & Kaye (our hosts), Trevor & Bev, Lindsay & Sharon, Trevor & Elaine, Alan & Neil, Ian & Valda, Joe & Margaret, Merv & Margaret, Ken & Lorraine,



in 2019, Brian & Ann Brindley (photo).

Brian & Sue & 'Bobby', Brian & Ann, Ross & Sylvia, Doug & Robyn, and Russell & Vanda & 'Louie'. Fourteen A7s in all – a great roll-up. Other members and guests were Geoff, Norelle (Shuker), tail-end-charlie Alan Rodda of the Capricornia Historic Motor Club and perennial back-up tail-end-charlies, John & Twink.

That night, after the mandatory 'happy hour' gathering at the Caravan Park, we enjoyed a Welcome Dinner at the Parkhurst Tavern located a short distance down the road. At dinner our hosts, Greg & Kaye, welcomed us to the Rocky Run and thanked us for our attendance. Our Vice-President also welcomed us and presented a framed A7 picture to our hosts for the Bundy Bash

Thursday 20th May

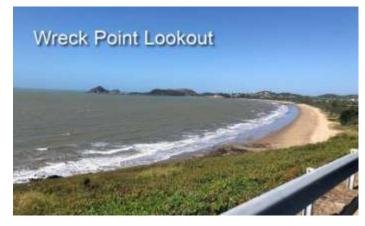
Thursday was the start of the formal runs by the A7s. We all met in the car park of the Historic Village at around 8.30am for an 8.45am start. Thirteen A7s arrived at the starting point. Unfortunately, Merv & Margaret's A7 refused to fire-up on the slightly chilly morning.

Today we travelled along Yeppoon Road past extinct volcanic plugs and Mt Wheeler, an old gold mining area.

On arrival at Yeppoon, we proceeded to drive along the main street. Our Morning Tea Stop was on the beachfront at The Rocks Cafe



where we enjoyed a hot cuppa and, for some, a cake.



After morning tea, we proceeded back to Emu Park, over Ross Creek and through Cooee Bay where, in previous years, a Cooee Competition was held annually. We then stopped at a windy lookout at Wreck Point to take in the spectacular view. On the road again, we drove past Lammermoor Beach, Roslyn Bay Boat Harbour and Marina, Statue Bay, Kemp Beach, Mulambin Beach and Kinka Beach to our Lunch Stop at Pine Beach Hotel, Emu Park.



After lunch we went for a stroll along the fantastic Anzac Memorial walkway, following the headland to the Singing Ship (photo). Fortunately, it was a windy day and so the sound from the Singing Ship was crisp and clear. Following our walk, we headed back to the Caravan Park for our now regular afternoon 'happy hour' to discuss the events of the day. The evening was free, spending it relaxing and doing our own thing for dinner.

Friday 21st May

Waking up to a cool morning, we dragged ourselves out of our warm beds, had some breakfast and proceeded to the

Historic Village car park in anticipation of yet another interesting day. Today, all fourteen A7s set off at 8.45am for our destination of Mount Morgan – the hometown of our hosts, Greg & Kaye.

This route took us through South Rocky, over the Yeppen Lagoon and through the old gold mining area of



Bouldercombe. Then it was up the range on our way to Mount Morgan. On our way up we stopped at the Stopford Way Lookout to observe the spectacular view. On reaching this lookout, Trevor M. inadvertently



removed his radiator cap, only to be sprayed with boiling water. Pleased to say that his arm flesh wounds

were tended to on his return to Rocky and are healing well.

From here we proceeded up the remaining Range road, stopping at the Mount Morgan Historic Rail Complex where we ate a delicious Morning Tea prepared by the Rail volunteers. A very interesting and informative tour of the Rail Complex followed our morning tea at the Station, beside the old historic carriage.

Our day and Lunch Break were spent around the quaint town of Mount Morgan with its second-hand shop, cafes and bakery. At around 2.00pm we returned to the Rail Complex to be briefed about our trip back to the Caravan Park, especially the steep descent down Razorback Road, by our



host, Greg. Our route back included a drive along Quay Street in Rocky with its fabulous old buildings.

Once again we indulged in 'happy hour' which was dominated by discussion about our interesting day's adventure up the Range to Mount Morgan.

Saturday 22nd May

Once again today, all fourteen Austins arrived at the Historic Village car park for the day's run to Saint Christopher's Chapel, Koorana Crocodile Farm and Keppel Sands.



Our route today took us along Lakes Creek Road, following the Fitzroy River and past Teys Meat Works (previously called Australian Meat Export Company). We then turned right into Saint Christopher's Chapel, an all-denominational chapel built by the Americans during WW2. As we discovered to our delight, this was the venue for the wedding of our hosts, Greg & Kaye, many years ago. Here Greg briefed us on the history of the Chapel and the surrounding area.

From here we drove to the Koorana Crocodile Farm for our Morning

Tea Stop and a tour of the interesting and educational facilities established in 1981. We met John Lever the owner/founder of the Farm and his competent staff, who briefed us on the good conservation work they do with their 6000 crocodiles. (photo of Elaine with a new friend, NOT to be kept as a Pet!)

We were soon on the road again back to Coowonga Road and on our way to Keppel Sands. After a pleasant drive along the road behind the beach, we stopped at the Keppel Sands Pub for a delicious Lunch Stop.

Following lunch, we proceeded back to our Rocky accommodation via the old mining area around the township of Carrawal. After this approximately 110 km drive today, we were pleased to relax over a couple of cold drinks at 'happy hour' as the sun set. Once again, dinner was a personal decision as to whether to prepare something in our vans or cabins or go out to the nearby dining venues.



Sunday 23rd May

It was pleasing to note that again today, all fourteen Austins arrived at the Historic Village car park for a short run of approximately 43 kms to the famous Capricorn Caves.

Today our route followed the Bruce Highway north, with its many roadworks and left and right turns, until we reached Barmoya Road and then left into Olsen's Cave Road which took us to the Caves. We arrived at the Caves after travelling along reasonably good dirt and gravel roads on the way. Apart from a need to tighten Alan's leaking fuel line (thanks Trevor Mc), all cars were in good shape. At the Caves Cafe we enjoyed a feast of scones and hot drinks for our Morning Tea. Following morning tea, many members toured the Caves, which included a rendition of 'Hallelujah' in Cathedral Cave where weddings and opera are regularly performed (photo).

From the Caves we drove a short distance of approx. 3kms to the Caves Pub for our Lunch Stop.



Following lunch, as we were preparing to depart for our accommodation, Brian & Sue's car took a bit of convincing before it would start. The A7s proceeded back to the Caravan Park via a back route to avoid much of the main highway.

As usual, 'happy hour' was held at the Caravan Park (photo) between the McCulloch's and the Shuker's motor homes, with the Shuker pot belly stove warming those feeling the chill of the approaching evening. Dinner was once again an individual choice, with some members opting to dine once again at the local tavern.

Monday 24th May

Monday was to be a casual day with a couple of informal visits to close-by attractions. As it turned out, the



two attractions were as good as those visited during the previous four days.

Thirteen A7s set out from the Historic Village car park to travel only a couple of kilometres away to visit a significant and private collection of Mack Trucks. This collection has been assembled by Tony Chapman, a Mack Truck enthusiast. Tony, ably assisted by his Secretary, Gayle, took us on a fantastic tour of the three huge sheds full of amazing and unique trucks. We were astounded to see everything from the first Mack trucks, Depression production utes, an old USA Mack bus (photo), and more recent Mack products and models. Our gratitude and thanks went to Tony for his time and efforts in assembling and maintaining this unique and world-

renowned collection.

After having to drag us away, we proceeded

back to the Historic Village car park. From here, we walked across the road to partake of Morning Tea at the



Jolt Baker y cafe.

Back across



the road we entered the Historic Village for a tour by one of our members, Brian C., a volunteer at the Village. Brian entertained us with not only the old vehicles on display, but also his intimate knowledge of each one's history. Other points of extreme interest at the Village were the workshops, buildings, horse and goat-pulled vehicles and well-maintained grounds. Our thanks went to Brian for his assistance in showing us around.

The remaining Monday afternoon was spent back at the Caravan Park, loading A7s onto trailers and packing up in preparation for an early departure back to our residences in various parts of the State.

Monday evening was our Farewell Dinner at the Rocky Sports Club, commencing at 6.00pm. The evening was a huge success with good food and, as you would expect, good company. The downside was that this would be the last occasion we would be altogether in Rocky.

Prior to dinner, our hosts, Greg & Kaye, thanked those who attended the Rocky Run and hoped that all present had a great time. They also thanked and presented our tail-end-charlie, Alan, with a gift box for his involvement in our Run. I believe that since this Run, Alan has bought himself an Austin 7 – congratulations Alan & Ronda. (yes, they have bought one of Brian and Sue Clancy's cars!)







Following Greg's presentation, our A7 Register Qld Vice-President, Lindsay, also thanked those present for their attendance and especially our hosts, Greg & Kaye, for putting together yet another highly successful A7 event. Lindsay then presented a Certificate of Appreciation to tail-end-charlie, Alan, for his role in the Run.

The highlight of these formalities was the presentation by Lindsay of a Certificate of Appreciation and a framed Austin 7 picture to Greg & Kaye for their splendid efforts in organising the Rocky Run 2021.

The evening at the Rocky Sports Club finished around 8.00pm, when we all headed back to our Rocky accommodation in anticipation of an early departure the next morning.

In conclusion, wearing my hat as A7 Register Qld Events

Coordinator, I would like to personally thank all those who contributed to the success of this event and especially our hosts, Greg & Kaye Shuker.





Neil

Austin 7 Classifieds

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FOR SALE 1929 Austin 7 Chummy Tourer





Our Austin 7 is for sale and \$16,000 is our hope figure. The original restoration was done by Bob Hopkins in the mid seventies. It hasn't done a real lot of work. We did the A7 National Rallies

at Mudgee and at Toowoomba, and occasional runs locally. We are "downsizing" our residence.

Attached are some photos taken in 2017. Please contact Dennis & Lyn Gillbard, 26 Cawdor Road HIGHFIELDS QLD 4352 Phone 07 4630 8228 EMAIL dgillbar@bigpond.net.au

FOR SALE 1938 Austin "Big 7" Tourer

Painted red with black mudguards and cream seats and black folding hood.

Restored by Trevor Hebblewhite (motor, brakes, differential and gearbox reconditioned) Brand new hood, done when car reconditioned., new tires fitted. Car called "Big Red" also "Red Back"

Currently on QLD. Historic plates QH3664.

Owned by the Leach family for over 15 years.

Price \$12,000 but negotiable. (cont'd over)

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Please contact Maggie Leach (daughter of owner) on 0432 575 633. email maggiemai69@gmail.com

For Sale Austin 7 Cylinder Head Gaskets - Made of Klingerite 1000 to early (low compression) pattern, can be trimmed for later head if needed. Price \$35 each plus post or \$150 for a pack of 5 plus post. Telephone John Smith (0480 274 512) Cooran, Nth. Sunshine Coast. (I also have 5 left at home at Aspley, will bring to meeting- Tim Braby)

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APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP OR RENEWAL OF EXISTING MEMBERSHIP

OBJECTS of the AUSTIN 7 REGISTER of QUEENSLAND INC:

The Register was formed in October 1967 and it aims to bring together and help any person owning an Austin 7 or parts thereof to restore or maintain their vehicle. The Register caters for Austin 7's manufactured from 1922 to 1939 and also includes other Austin motor vehicles manufactured up to and including 1940 models.

All sections are to be filled out for new and renewal of membership.

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Membership fee for the financial year (1 July	y to 30 June) - please tick the box that payment has been made for
Full Membership:	\$45.00 (new and renewal – Newsletter emailed)
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Payment options;

- hand (at a meeting) the completed form along with your payment to the Treasurer or
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Please list below all eligible owned vehicles - restored & unrestored

Make i.e. Chummy/ Ruby/Sports	Year	Body Type	Engine No	Chassis No	Colour	Condition	Rego Number	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 and interesting books for the use of all financial 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.

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