



# NEWSLETTER

"Under Lock Down?"

**August 2021**

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



*A gaggle of Sevens on a Sunday morning run to the Templin museum on the Boonah Country run last month. Read the full report inside!*

## ***Presidential Patter***

*Hello Fellow members,*

Welcome to another newsletter from the Austin Seven Register of Queensland. Lots to read in side, plenty of members getting out on various jaunts including the ever popular Winter Run. Sadly for me work commitments held me in Brisbane while the "Winter Runners" enjoyed the countryside, from what I heard it was a great success. The success of that run is in stark contrast to the President's run a few weeks prior! Some unpleasant hills, errors in the route map, but worst of all my car failed to complete the mission. I doubt there'd be a member in our club who's not experienced a real "head-scratcher" breakdown, they are part of life when you drive any old car. But the pain of a breakdown is short lived because of our members. It's the members who step up to help, advise and repair that make driving with the A7RQ so special. In case you're interested I did manage to limp the old girl home and while I've checked a few potential issues I'm still at a loss to understand her reluctance to produce any real power. I'll keep searching for an answer but one thing I know for sure is that the fault will eventually be found and I'll be out enjoying the road again.

*Steve Davidson - President of the A&RQ Inc!*

**PLEASE REMEMBER MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE NOW!!**

# ***The Editors Ravings***

I do seem to be repeating myself, as once again I say we have another large newsletter bursting at the seams with a big report on the Boonah Country Run, some more details about the big Centenary Event in the UK next year and a delayed story about the courageous Kay Petre, a very adept and determined race car driver from the days when our cars were new. A Big Thank you also to our fantastic regular contributions from Robyn, Neil and Karyn and Steve.

The updates on happenings in the UK for the Austin 7 centenary event are coming regularly now I had to explain to Chris Healey of the A7CA the reason why such few of us Aussies and Kiwis have registered that we are actually coming, was that we were so far behind all the other OECD countries in pushing thru the vaccines. As part of my luck being editor, I also regularly get sent electronic copies of newsletters such as the WA Baby Torque, the Victorian Light Shaft and the South Australian Bulletin as well as updates on rallies in the UK. Every since restrictions early last year Ralph Drage of the South Australian Club has been publishing a weekly bulletin, often several pages, with news of events and lots of really nice photos of Austins out and about. They are now up to issue 65! Well done Ralph and Team!

One last thing, please remember to pay your membership which was due the end of June.

*(As of the beginning of this month 45 out of 115 members still had not paid.)*

***Editor Tim Braby***

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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&](http://austin7.org.au/events&) Face book Austin7 Register of Qld 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.**



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

**Saturday 14th August - Austin 7 Register Event - Club Weekend Saturday BBQ**

**Lunch.** 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.

**Sunday 15th August - Austin 7 Register Event - Club Weekend Static Display.** 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

**PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE CLUB EVENTS MAY BE CHANGED BY CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS**

**Sunday 5th September 2021- External Event:** The Chrysler Owners' Club of Qld have invited our A7 Club to participate in the **Chrysler Expo 2021** 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](mailto:chryslerexpo@gmail.com)

**Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th September - External Event:** Our Club has been invited to participate in the **Greek/Multicultural Affair** to be held at the Parish Church grounds, Taigum. For more details, email Emily Kappas at: [treasurer@gopbrisbane.org.au](mailto:treasurer@gopbrisbane.org.au) Members are to make their own arrangements re. registration & travel.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September - A7 Register General Meeting** commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September - A7 Register Event: All British Day** 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.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September - External Event:**  
**Queensland Motorists' Re-enactment Weekend** – 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 please contact Gavin Mutton (VCCQ – event organiser – Mobile: 0415 551 487 – Email: [gavinmutton@bigpond.com](mailto:gavinmutton@bigpond.com))



**Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th September - External Event:** Our Club has been invited to attend the **Kingaroy & District Vintage Machinery Club's Kingaroy 2021 event**. The event will be held at 2 Geoff Ralph Drive, Kingaroy. For more details contact Charmaine Osbourne on 0434 074 340 or email: [kdvmc2022@gmail.com](mailto:kdvmc2022@gmail.com) Members are to make their own arrangements re. Registration, Travel & accommodation.

**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 please contact Neil ph. 0431 067 909

**Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th October 2021 - A7 Register Event: LAMA Annual Invitation Run Weekend** 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 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - A7 Register General Meeting** commencing at 7.45pm at Clubroom, Carindale.

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - A7 Register November Event: A7 November Run.** 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. Following lunch, at about 1.15pm, there will be a short drive (approx. 15 minutes from the Clarke's residence) to view the garden and cars of Kevin & Beryl Doyle and their neighbour.'

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

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2021 - A7 Register Event: A7 Club Christmas Lunch** 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

**Saturday 9th April to Thursday, 14 April 2022 - Austin 7 100 Years - Warrnambool National Rally** 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 be 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](mailto:reservations@figtreepark.com) or look at [www.figtreepark.com](http://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 July 2021)





## **18th July to 25th July 2022. Austin 7 Clubs Association AUSTIN & CENTENARY UK rally**

**Dear Austin Seven Enthusiast,**

I am writing on behalf of the organising team to bring you the latest news about the Austin Seven Centenary Event - which is taking place from **July 19th to 24th 2022** at the Fire Service College, Moreton in Marsh, Gloucestershire.

We start with a plea from Hugh Barnes, who is the Archivist of the Austin Seven Clubs' Association.

### **ARCHIVE DISPLAYS AT THE CENTENARY**

Those of you who have been following the planning of the Centenary Event will know by now that the group organizing the gathering are working their hardest to make the celebration as extraordinary as possible. We are making sure every aspect is planned to the highest possible

standard and want to make it an event that will live long in the minds of those that attend.



left to right August 1923 Small Car Handicap, 3rd prize. : Austin dealer bronze wall plaque. Austin Golden Jubilee 1905-1955. Bert Hadley, Edinburgh Trial 1937

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Again, those of you who have been keeping abreast of developments will be aware that, as Archivist, I am responsible for delivering an Archive display at the Centenary Event the like of which has not been seen before. I am planning a number of different strands to the displays, all of which will require considerable planning, items sourcing, layouts designed and finally displays assembled in a short space of time and dismantled in an even shorter space of time.

### **TRADE STANDS AT THE CENTENARY EVENT - NO CHARGE**

Owning an Austin Seven would be a far less attractive proposition were it not for the 'cherished suppliers' who help to keep us on the road. We are hoping that many of them will be peddling their wares during the Centenary Event week - and we also hope that you will make it very much worth their while to be there by purchasing lots of bits and pieces! For those wishing to have a trade stand for Austin Seven-related items, there will be **NO CHARGE** for the stand area - which, within reason, can be tailored in size to individual needs. Traders will need to purchase an entry ticket and will be required to pay the going rate for either camping or staying in the on-site accommodation. We trust that Traders will appreciate this gesture and make every effort to join us at Moreton in Marsh.

### **CAR LOAN SCHEME**

As we have so many new subscribers to these newsletters I thought it worthwhile to repeat the information about this scheme - and to say that we are now ready to receive requests from those who would like to arrange to borrow a Seven for the duration of the Centenary Event.

Those coming from abroad have the option to ship their cars to the U.K. but of course this is not something that everyone will wish to contemplate.

We therefore have a 'Loan Scheme' to enable overseas-based A7 owners to have the use of an Austin Seven at the Centenary. No money will be involved but suitable insurance and safeguards will be in place.

U.K. owners with more than one Austin Seven are invited to join the loan scheme by contacting Chris Garner ([ulster29@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ulster29@hotmail.co.uk), 07774 780293)

Prospective borrowers will be required to provide references from their local A7 club, proof of A7 ownership in their home country, and a copy of their driving licence and insurance certificate. They will need to have the use of another vehicle (presumably a hire car) during their visit. RH Insurance will then be contacted to provide U.K insurance cover during the loan period.

Please let Chris know if you can lend an Austin Seven - or if you would like to borrow one.

### **BOOKINGS WILL OPEN 'IN SEPTEMBER'**

The online booking form for the Centenary Event is expected to go live sometime in September 2021. Slightly

unfortunately, without our prior knowledge, it has been stated in some publications as being set to open on September 1st but this may not be correct. We do not yet know the date as there is a huge task underway to build the booking system and we cannot be certain yet about the exact date it will be ready to use.

### **NATIONAL AUSTIN SEVEN RALLY**

The rally was held at Beaulieu last weekend and was a huge success. Entries were well up on recent years and it was clear that everyone was simply delighted to be there.

Winners <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWdv3Df">https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWdv3Df</a>	Driving Tests <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHsmW97Q3Y">https://flic.kr/s/aHsmW97Q3Y</a>
Cars & Displays <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHsmW8CdLd">https://flic.kr/s/aHsmW8CdLd</a>	People & Friends <a href="https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWdupZP">https://flic.kr/s/aHsmWdupZP</a>

As promised, we held an informal gathering of the Centenary Event organisers who attended the rally and quite a number of people came to have a chat about what will be happening in July 2022 - all of it exciting!

**"SEND THREE-AND-FOURPENCE, WE'RE GOING TO A DANCE..."**

You remember the old game of 'Chinese Whispers' - where a message is passed from person to person and ends up as something totally different to how it started out. The more people it passes through, the more distorted it becomes. In the above case, 'Send reinforcements, we're going to advance'.

The reason for mentioning this is that, almost inevitably, there are the odd Chinese whispers that start up around aspects of the Centenary Event and while social media is blessing for getting messages across, it can be a curse if those messages are incorrect!

So this is just to say - In relation to the Centenary Event, if something isn't on the event website, or it hasn't been put on social media or internet forums by me or by someone who identifies themselves as part of the organising team, it may very well not be entirely accurate..

### **STOP PRESS!**

#### **AUSTIN SEVEN CENTENARY EVENT PRICING**

ENTRY TICKET (Valid for six days, 19th July - 24th July 2022): **£25 a head.** ( Includes all entertainment + entry to the Festival at Prescott on Wednesday 20th July)

Those aged 18 and under on 24th July 2022: **FREE ENTRY**

ON-SITE HOTEL-STYLE ACCOMMODATION: Single room: **£48 per night.** Double room: **£75 per night.**

ON-SITE CAMPING PITCH (Tent/motor home/caravan): **£22 per night.**

RESTAURANT BREAKFAST: **£10.80 a head.**

RESTAURANT BREAKFAST + 3 COURSE DINNER: **£28 a head.**

Please note that the online booking system will open in September 2021..

If in doubt you can always check with us by emailing: [info@a7centenary.com](mailto:info@a7centenary.com) Our mailing address is:

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

Kind regards,

**Nick Salmon For The Austin Seven Centenary Organising Team.**

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

Any queries contact the Rally Committee at [2022rallyinfo@gmail.com](mailto:2022rallyinfo@gmail.com)

### **OTHER NON-CLUB RELATED EVENTS**

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

**Sun 8th August - Rocklea Swap Meet and Collector Car Display** at the Rocklea Showgrounds

**Sun 22nd August - Antique Restoration Society Heritage Fair** at the Woodford Showground

**Sun 22nd August - Leyburn Sprints**

**Sat 11st September - Gympie Swap Meet** at the Gympie Showgrounds, Exhibition Road, Southside

**Sun 12th September - Beaudesert swap Meet** at the Beaudesert Showgrounds

**Sat 25th September - Old truck and machinery Show** at the Gatton Showgrounds

## **MINUTES OF PAST A7R2 MEETINGS**

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

#### **Meeting No 603, 11th June 2021**

#### **Held at the Veteran Car Club Hall, Carindale.**

Trevor Moore chaired the meeting as our President's plane had just landed from NSW. The meeting was declared opened at 7.45 pm, with a welcome to all, especially Duncan Logan .

**Present:** 24 members signed the Attendance Book

**Apologies:** R&R Guthrie, L&S Jordan, J&M McCormack

**Previous Minutes;** Robyn read the minutes of the May meeting & moved they be accepted as a true & correct Record. Seconded by Neil Thyer. Carried

**Business arising from Minutes:** NIL

**Correspondence IN:** newsletters from other clubs either on the table or emailed.

Membership application from Lyn & Lynne Stammers, Bellbowrie, 1928 Roadster

Email from Vintage Car Club re Annual Concours 27th June, Sherwood Arboretum

All British Day, 19th Sept, St Josephs College Sports Grounds, Tennyson

Nambour Swap, 31st July, Showgrounds

Mt Morgan Argus from the Shuker's re write up about our trip to Rockhampton

**OUT:** Membership form to Alan (thanks to Neil)

Robyn moved the correspondence be accepted as read & the outward endorsed. Seconded by Ted Bale. Carried

**Treasurer's Report:** John acting treasurer gave this report & moved it be accepted, and all bills be passed for payment. Seconded by Tim Braby. Carried

**QHMC Report:** Nil

**Spare Parts Report:** Trevor reported \$800 in sales & another order to be sent to Melbourne.

**2nd Hand Parts Report:** Nil

**Editors Report:** Nil

**Dating Officers Report:** Nil

**Web Master Report:** All up to date. Also a Thank you to Neil for the Rocky report he did on the website.

**Club Events:**

20th June Presidents Run, depart 9am Centenary Pool. BYO M/T& L

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

14th Aug A7 Lunch, clubrooms

15th Aug Static Display, Morningside School of Arts Hall.

**Other Events:**

13th June RACQ Motorfest, Brisbane Showgrounds

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

27th June Vintage Car Club Concours, Sherwood Arboretum, 10am

17th-18th July Old Wheels in Motion, Biloela

31st July Nambour Swap

**Past Events:**

19th-24th May Rocky Run, now on the Web Site

29th May Boonah Show

**General Business:** Brett & Amanda Wilson wish to sell their car.

Rhonda recovering well, from her knee operation.

**Report on Cars & or car troubles:** Justin McKeering has had his starter motor repaired.

**Birthdays:** Members having a birthday in Junes wished many happy returns

**Raffle:** Valda selling tickets in tonight's raffle

**Sick members** wished a speedy recovery.

**Supper Organiser:** Thank you to John for tonight's supper  
July (will be in Boonah)

**Committee Meeting:** TBA

**Next Meeting:** 10th July in Boonah. Members welcome to come for a day out.

**Meeting Closed:** Steve thanked Trevor for chairing the meeting. As there was no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 8.15 pm.

**Austin Seven Register of Queensland Inc.**

**Meeting No 604, 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

**Held in Boonah.**

**Meeting opened:** Lindsay Jordan (Vice President) declared the meeting opened at 8.36 am thanking all for coming.

**Present:** 22 members & 1 visitor signed the attendance book.



**Apologies:** Steve Davidson & T Braby

**Previous Minutes:** Robyn read the minutes of the June meeting & moved it be accepted as a true & correct record. Seconded by Neil Thyer. Carried

Business arising from Minutes: Nil

**Correspondence IN:** newsletters from other clubs emailed to members

Email from Veteran Car Club re Covid Report for clubrooms

Invitation to Greek/Multicultural Affair, 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Sept., Taigum

All British Day, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept., Tennyson

18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Sept Qld Motorist Re-enactment Weekend. Warwick

Historic Qld race event 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Sept., Warwick

Robyn moved the correspondence be accepted as read. Seconded by Russell Curtis. Carried

**Treasurer's Report:** John acting treasurer gave the report & moved it be accepted & all bills be passed for payment. Seconded by Alan Couser. Carried. Books taken to auditor.

**QHMC Report:** Nil

**Spare Parts Report:** Trevor has received parts from Melbourne. Stock take been done.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Parts Report:** Nil

**Editors Report:** Nil

**Dating Officers Report:** Nil

**Web Master Report:** All up to date.

**Club Events:**

14<sup>th</sup> Aug A7 Lunch at clubrooms. 11am (please advise Robyn if coming)

15<sup>th</sup> Aug Static Display, Morningside School of Arts Hall. 9am

19<sup>th</sup> Sept All British Day, St Josephs College Sports Grounds, Tennyson. 8.30 am to 2 pm

**Other Events:**

16<sup>th</sup> July Jumpers & Jazz, Warwick.

17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> July Old Wheels in Motion, Biloela.

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31<sup>st</sup> July Nambour Swap

18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Sept Kingaroy & District Machinery Club, Kingaroy Airport.

**Past Events:**

13<sup>th</sup> June RACQ Motorfest

20<sup>th</sup> June Presidents Run

27<sup>th</sup> June Vintage Car Club Concours

Reports on these events can be found on our website.

**Racing Report:** Justin McCarthy

**General Business:** Neil thanked everyone for their help when he blew a welsh plug on his car yesterday.

Lindsay made a presentation of a certificate Jo & Margaret McCormack for their great job organizing the Country Run in Boonah.

Neil stated he will announce on our website when he receives any news about Warnnambool 2022.

**Report on Cars &/or car troubles:** Trevor McCulloch thanked Peter Baker for help on his Austin.

Alan Couser just arrived home before his axle key gave way after the Presidents Run.

**Birthdays:** Members having a birthday in July were wished all the best.

**Raffle:** Valda sold tickets in today's raffle.

Sick members wished a speedy return to good health

**Supper Organizer:** Brett Reif will organize August supper.

**Committee Meeting:** TBA

**Next Meeting:** 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021, General meeting followed by our AGM.

**Meeting Closed:** Lindsay closed the meeting at 9.10 am. We then enjoyed morning tea provided by Margaret. Thank You we all enjoyed it before our morning run.



*Robyn*



# NEWS OF MEMBERS AND CARS

## Welcome To our New Members

Alan and Rondah Rodda from Rockyview (Just north of Rockhampton) have bought Brian and Sue Clancy's 1933 Roadster.

## Time for Moving on (a letter from Brett and Amanda Wilson)

It is with a sad heart Amanda and I have come to the decision that we must sell the Austin seven, as Brett cannot drive the Austin as it is too hard on him and we have done less than 100 km in the last 2 years on club plates.

We have talked to Trevor and we want Austin to go to a QLD member and we will be staying members of the Austin seven Qld register as you all are family to us.

We have the Volvo to drive and it is comfy and we can use it on club plates so we are still getting out and about every now and then.

It is not the time of year to sell a soft top car but we can put in the newsletter to see if anyone is interested. (Advertised at rear of newsletter.)

*Regards and Happy Austin Sevensing  
Brett and Amanda*



## PAST RALLYS AND EVENTS REPORTS

### **President's Run – Sunday 20 June 2021**

Sunday morning, the 20<sup>th</sup> of June, was bright, dry and cold as A7 members arrived at the Centenary Pool carpark for the much-anticipated President's Run. Eight A7s in all were at the start of this annual event. The Austineers braving the cool morning and arriving in their A7s were Lindsay & Sharon, Matt & Trent, Alan, Trev & Elaine, Doug & Robyn, Brett & Len, Steve & Davo and Russell, Vanda & Louie. Arriving in their Austin Lancer were Ian & Valda. Those of us driving modern vehicles were Neil & Karyn and John.



After receiving the Run instructions from President Steve, there was much discussion about the route to Morning Tea which included some suburban hills. Finally, there was consensus that we should proceed to the Morning Tea stop by the most simple and direct route – which we did.

At around 9.30am, following a minor delay in waiting for Russell, Vanda & Louie, we all headed off turning right out of the carpark into Gregory Terrace. For the next half hour, we proceeded through the suburbs of Toowong and Indooroopilly. At Taringa, Steve & Davo experienced an A7 motor issue and decided to limp home to swap their car for a modern alternative to complete the day's Run. After this brief stop to unsuccessfully resolve Steve's A7 issue, we then travelled through Kenmore and Brookfield to arrive at our Morning Tea destination of the Brookfield General Store and adjacent Showgrounds.

On arrival, our cars found plenty of parking at the Showgrounds where we settled in for Morning Tea. Here we were joined by Mike, Cathy & Napoleon, Merv & Margaret, and Lyn in his 1926 Austin 20. At the General Store, Matt had a pre-arranged rendezvous with a friend of his, Omar, with a Lamborghini to surprise Trent with a seat in his favourite car.



An added entertainment bonus at Morning Tea was a quiz conducted by President Steve. Following a few questions from Steve and several 'questionable' answers from members, the winners were announced, and prizes of chocolates were presented to Lindsay & Sharon and to John.

Following our usual congenial hot cuppa and cake, we headed off from Brookfield in the direction of Moggill Road. Like the morning part of the Run, our President's directions included many points of interest, including passing over the Walter Taylor Bridge.

Finally, we arrived at our Lunch Stop at Graceville Memorial Park. Here we assembled ourselves in the usual circular configuration in the warm sunshine to enjoy our BYO lunch, while some members visited the adjacent fish & chip shop to purchase take-away. Here we were joined by Aileen and Martin to the delight of family, Matt & Trent.



At around 12.30pm after members had exhausted the usual highly intellectual lunch conversation, Neil proposed a 'thank you' to President Steve for yet another successful and interesting annual President's Run. A short time later, we all headed home. Well done Steve.

**Neil**





## Concours d'Elegance –Sherwood Arboretum

A return to the Sherwood Arboretum for the VCCQ Annual Concours has been on the club's bucket list for a very long time. How this goal was achieved is a story best told by someone else - all I can say is that while it wasn't easy it was worthwhile.

Early arrivals felt a bit of a chill in the air but the day soon turned into a travel agent's dream: tranquil, with sunshine and blue skies. A little strolling jazz band (joined briefly by the editorial ukulele) added the right atmosphere for our era. Good News last Month that the Brisbane City Council had agreed to the VCCQ Concours at the Sherwood Arboretum and EVEN BETTER NEWS this Month that despite all the worry it was a GREAT SUCCESS!



Best Visiting Austin Seven: Doug & Robyn Clark. with Cr. Nicole Johnston.

The weather was perfect - fine and sunny, following days of rain; the Covid-19 lock-down held off - until 2 days later; the Jazz Trio playing Period Music really could be heard all over the park; the Coffee from Mr Barista was delicious; our cars and the visitors were a great display of the VCCQ periods; and hundreds of locals attended.



Thank you to chief marshal, David, and to his Volunteers - the Committee had been particularly worried about holding the event in such a public setting and they allowed everyone to relax, except of course for chief Concours judge, Greg, who did the "impossible" very much appreciated job, of identifying individual cars for trophies.

Thank you to the Veteran Car Club of Australia (Qld), the Austin 7 Register of Qld, the Riley Motor Club of Qld. and the Bentley Drivers Club for their attendance.

Thank you to the Brisbane City Council who allowed us to hold the Event at our earliest Concours venue and thank you to Councillor Nicole Johnston for facilitating this and for presenting the trophies.

( Rally report thanks to Peter Ransom "The Vintage Car", the official organ of the Vintage Car Club of Qld)

## COUNTRY RUN JULY 2021 - FRIDAY 9TH JULY



It was a rainy Friday afternoon as several of us arrived at the Boonah Motel to participate in the much anticipated A7 Country Run around the Boonah district. Other A7 members had already arrived at the Boonah Showgrounds Caravan Park during the previous 24 hours. Unloading their A7s from trailers at the motel in the rain left us uncomfortably damp, but eagerly anticipating the predicted sunny days ahead. Arriving with their A7s were Neil & Karyn, Lindsay & Sharon, Trevor & Elaine and Joe & Margaret. Our intrepid member, Brett, drove alone all the way from his residence in Eaton's Hill. His family, Kylie, Clare & Tessa, followed soon after in their modern car.



Towards mid-afternoon, as the sun broke through the cloud layer, the A7 folk at the motel gathered for a quick liquid refreshment prior to driving their A7s 1.5km to join the Showground Caravan Park members. Here we gathered at around 4pm for a 'Happy Hour' and briefing by our Run organisers, Joe & Margaret. Camping at the Showgrounds were Ian & Valda, Trevor & Bev, Russell, Vanda & Louie and Justin & Patti.

On Friday evening as the temperature dropped, members walked from their respective accommodations into town for dinner. We were booked into Simon's Tavern for what turned out to be a sumptuous dinner. Raffle tickets were purchased before dinner to support the local fishing club. Among the winners on the night were



Ian & Valda winning a breakfast tray and Russell & Vanda winning \$22 cash from a wheel spin. The walk home was a little brisker than the walk to the Tavern, due to the colder air.

## SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY

On Saturday we were greeted by a bright, sunny but cool day. An additional morning arrival at the motel, with their A7, were Doug & Robyn. Alan and John, in their separate modern cars, also joined us prior to setting out on our day's adventure.

At around 8.45am, after the Showground members joined us at the motel, we all set out for the nearby Boonah Country Market for a prearranged static display. With our cars distributed throughout the market grounds, we proceeded to inspect the many stalls and partake of morning tea with a hot coffee from an adjacent vendor.



10.15am was the time we set out from the markets, mistakenly following the Clarks who went in a direction adverse to the instructions – like sheep, we all followed! After realising the error, we (except for the Clarks who kept driving) U-turned and followed our instructions to the Boonah Airfield. At the Airfield, where we were to inspect a hanger of old aircraft, we were confronted by a sign on the closed gate effectively cancelling our visit. Our lateral-thinking organisers instead phoned an adjoining property, where we were welcome to inspect another hanger of old aircraft. At this point, we were all gobsmacked to observe Doug & Robyn, who had arrived before us, driving along the airstrip towards our alternative venue.



This new venue was a hanger of old aircraft including a 1935 DH Leopard Moth, a DH Tiger Moth Golden Quest used in the Lassiter expedition and two other aircraft being restored. Also, there was a 1926 Dodge and a 1926 fire engine. All were owned by our host, Bill. After the interesting inspection and informative talk by our host, I thanked Bill for his short-notice hospitality, and we were on the road again to our Kalbar lunch stop. Along the way and after experiencing hot water over our feet, Karyn and I pulled over to discover a welch plug had dislodged on 'Harry's' block.

With the assistance of many and Trevor to the rescue with a spare plug, we were soon back on the road. Following a scenic drive, we arrived at Kalbar and parked at The Royal Hotel Kalbar, our lunch stop. Having satisfied our hunger, we then proceeded to drive to the historic town of Harrisville for a short break before heading back to Boonah.

On our way back to Boonah and about 14kms from our accommodation, 'Harry' broke down again. This time it was a lot more serious. "No gears" was my response to those who were travelling behind me and had stopped to render assistance. As Karyn and Alan waited with 'Harry' by the roadside, John drove me to Boonah to retrieve my trailer. Returning to the scene, 'Harry' was soon on the trailer and returned to the motel for the remainder of the weekend.

That night, some drove and some walked once again into town to enjoy dinner at Sandie-Lee's Kitchen. Here we were joined by Brett's mother, Dell. After enjoying a selection of seafood, chicken, steak and desserts, Sharon thanked our restaurant host and staff for the terrific food, and we returned to our respective accommodations for the night.



### SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Sunday was another fine and cool day with just a bit of cloud cover. Most members at the motel were up early. Having to check out of the motel by 10am meant that some of us would need to be packed to vacate rooms prior to the day's run. Today, Karyn & I travelled with Alan in his Subaru as a sad faced 'Harry' remained at the motel on the trailer. Our first stop was the Show Grounds Caravan Park Meeting Room for the A7 July General Meeting. Prior to the commencement of the meeting at 8.30am, we were joined by Ron & Daphne. Following the usual entertaining meeting, we enjoyed a morning tea of hot beverages with delicious muffins made by Margaret.





At around 9.45am we left for a short run to Templin Museum, our second stop for the day. After checking in and receiving a briefing about the Museum by our hosts, we enjoyed free time to look around the huge variety of displays. The displays included a spinners' group, a working blacksmith and a wheelwright, an old school, a slab hut and a 1922 Austin tractor. Following our interesting and informative visit, Joe thanked our museum hosts, and we were back on the road again. At this point, Brett left us to drive his A7 back to Brisbane.

We then arrived at our lunch stop at Moogerah Dam, with most members opting to purchase something hot from the on-site Dam Cafe. Late to arrive were Ron & Daphne, who had experienced a flat tyre en route and had to call the RACQ for assistance. We enjoyed our lunch on the sunny lawn adjoining our parked cars, the presence of which created much excitement among the visiting public. After lunch, the energetic amongst us went for a walk across the dam wall, while others were content to soak up the sun's rays sitting and lying on the grass.



Back on the road, we headed in the direction of our fourth stop, the Coochin Coochin Historic Homestead. After a scenic drive and a short excursion along a dirt road and across an old timber crossing, we arrived at the top of a hill where the

Homestead was located. Here we were met by the Homestead owners, Jane & Tim. This wonderful property has been owned by the Bell family for several generations. After a brief disagreement between Isabella, the Bell's dog and Louie, the Curtis's dog who had escaped from the car, we inspected the Homestead and surrounds. We were told many stories by our hosts about previous Bell generations and important visitors to the Homestead. In the garden were now mature trees that were planted by royalty such as the Queen Mother and the Prince of Wales, as well as the famous author, Agatha Christie.

At around 3.45pm, we departed the Homestead after Doug had shared with us his historic connection to the area and the Homestead and had thanked our hosts for a most interesting tour of their property. Arriving back at Boonah, those of us heading back to Brisbane packed our cars and trailers and departed.

For those who stayed in Boonah for the night, an enjoyable take-away pizza was consumed at the Showgrounds Meeting Room for dinner followed by a bacon & eggs breakfast on Monday morning at a Boonah Cafe. All departed for home at around 9am.

Our sincere thanks go to our Country Run organisers, Joe & Margaret, for a splendid, interesting and informative Country Run around the Boonah district – WELL DONE!

**Neil & Karyn**

## **Kay Petre - a tribute**

Motorsports Magazine - October 1994

The advertisement for my History of Brooklands says it is about "the days when men were men, which reflected their will to win". Maybe: but it is also about many women drivers, most of whom also did pretty well. I loved 'em all, metaphorically speaking, none more so than Mrs Kay Petre, who died recently. This petite, very attractive, dark-haired girl had her first taste of racing at Brooklands in 1932, with a black low-chassis 4 1/2-litre Invicta, which she afterwards lent to Dudley Froy. She became hooked on the sport and sought something more handleable, so her husband, the pioneer Brooklands aviator who flew a Deperdussin

monoplane, bought Kay a red Daytona Wolseley Hornet Special. It wasn't long before she took a third place in this new car.

Photo Kay in the Grasshopper at the 1937 Le

Mans But this keen lady driver decided an even quicker car was needed for the 1933 season, so she obtained a 2-litre GP Bugatti, kept in tune for her by Papworth, the well-known London expert on these cars. Mrs Petre was always immaculately turned out, clad in tailored light blue silk overalls to match her racing cars, and she expected these to be in keeping and was apt to "exert her authority" if she spotted any dirt or blemish when collecting her Bugatti.



With it she was second to Rita Don's Riley in a Women's Mountain Handicap at the Track and, when the Opening Meeting of the 1935 Brooklands' season was confined to half mile sprints, won hers. Later she won an outer-circuit race by an excitingly narrow margin from the experienced Chris Staniland (Bugatti). In the 1934 LCC Relay Race Kay ran a Singer all-girls team with Mrs Tolhurst and Eileen Ellison. They finished fifth, at 71.53 mph. sash-changes included, and were awarded the Wakefield and Houghton Cups. An MG she had intended to race proved a non-starter but Kay, always looking for speedier cars, borrowed Dick Shuttleworth's 2.3 Bugatti and got it round at 117.74 mph in spite of a plug cutting out, sufficient for her to come home second to Whitney Straight's 4-litre Duesenberg. By now there was interest in the ladies lap record. Kay had this up to 114.14 mph with Fotheringham's 2.3 Bugatti until Mrs Elsie Wisdom in a Dixon Riley raised it to 126.73 mph nine days later. However, before the 1934 season was over Kay had clocked 129.58 mph in Oliver Bertram's giant 10 1/2-litre V12 Delage. Neither lady was daunted by tyre trouble, the 2-litre Riley, which Mrs Wisdom had not driven previously, shedding its o/s front one in practice, and Kay, likewise driving in a gusty wind, had the breaker-strips showing on both front tyres after a mere three laps.



In 1935 Kay Petre drove this aged ex-LSR Delage, by then owned by the JRDC, fairly regularly, a very brave performance remembering that she was of slight, slim build, so had to have a special seat installed and the pedals extended, even if she did not think about things like metal-fatigue! She opened the Brooklands season by starting from scratch in this difficult car with Bertram's more modern 8-litre Barnato-Hassan

and lapping at 127.38 mph. After which Kay transferred to Shuttleworth's Bugatti and won, again from scratch, another outer circuit race, with a lap at 125.48 mph. And at Whitsun she managed a third place in the big Delage, although baulked by small cars travelling high on the banking, overtaking two of them below, in the best tradition of past track-masters like JG Parry Thomas and a few others.

By August the Ladies' lap-record was in the news again, as Mrs Gwenda Stewart was bringing over from Paris her 1.6-litre Derby-Miller, which eventually lapped the Montlhery banked track at nearly 149 mph, to challenge Mrs Petre in the old Delage. In practice Kay did 134.75 mph, after Gwenda had scored the first 130 mph lap by a lady. Before the public, on Bank Holiday Monday, the Delage, with a slipping clutch, lapped at 134.24 mph. Mrs Stewart was clocked at 133.67 mph before the Brooklands' silencer exploded and fumes brought her in. First round to Kay! But on the Tuesday Gwenda went out again and did a 135.95 mph lap, the

all-time women's' record. It is a sign of how hazardous this was that the BARC officials would not let the cars race together, timing them on separate runs, and that they then decreed that this sort of thing must never happen again. . .

Piston trouble then prevented Kay from having a go in Dr Benjafield's Alfa Romeo, but she used the supercharged White Riley Six to good effect, to take third place in a 1935 Mountain race, giving her the Class-F lap-record for this course at 77.97 mph, until robbed of it by Fane's Frazer Nash. In 1936 she drove an ERA in the JCC International Trophy Race but spun at the Fork turn in this long-distance simulated road event and, unable to restart the engine, had to run to the pits and solicit the help of two mechanics. In the BRDC outer-circuit "500" her Riley was delayed by valve-gear problems but at the closing BARC Meeting Kay won a "mixed" Mountain race with the Riley, at 71.63 mph, sliding the corners in great style, the first woman to beat those men "and their will to win on this course"!

Kay Petre may not have driven in the wild Targa Florio as had Madam Junek, and she competed only three times at Le Mans, her best performance 13th place, with Miss Champney, in a Riley 9 in 1934 (in 1935 the 1 1/2-litre Riley she shared with Mrs Wisdom retired, as did her Austin 7 in 1937). In 1936 Mrs Petre had taken a works 1 1/2-litre Riley out to Africa for the Grand Prix but, deprived of the special fuel it needed, could only struggle on to 11th place. But she was allowed to try out one of the ultra-powerful rear-engine Auto-Unions, the only woman to do so other than Rosemeyer's wife, Elly Beinhorn.



Kay after co-winning the 1937 LCC Relay Race in the Jamieson side-valve racer.

By this time Lord Austin had given Kay Petre a place in his works Austin racing team, appointing her to drive the blown side-valve car while the men raced the Jamieson twin-cam Austins which Stirling Moss once described, after sampling one, as a miniature Grand Prix kind of car. As an official Austin driver Kay chalked-up notable successes for the Birmingham manufacturer. She drove at the Crystal Palace circuit and at sprint venues, being notably fast at the Shelsley

Walsh hill-climb. Here she took the MAC Ladies' Cup in 1935 with the twin rear-wheeled White Riley in 43.8s, won the Shelsley Ladies' Challenge Trophy in 1936 again in the Riley in 47.17s, and with the works Austin won this again in 1937 (she got £25 as well!) with a record ascent in 43.78s. Kay then netted this trophy yet again at the opening 1938 climb, with the time of 46.08s, but only got £15. This did not deter her from again being fastest woman driver at the second 1938 event.

Space precludes a full record of all Kay's successes, but she had taken a Riley to Donington Park in 1936, retired there in the Austin in 1937 when the carburettor needle broke during the BE Trophy Race, and again in the Nuffield Trophy race, soaked in oil when the A7 became incontinent. But she was sixth in the 100-mile handicap on Coronation Day. She was also not averse to competing in those arduous pre-war Monte Carlo Rallies and Alpine Trials, the latter with Miss Jackie Astbury in a Singer, for instance, and the "Monte" from John O'Groats in a Railton, from Stavanger in a Riley and with SCH Davis and wild-man Brackenbury in an open Railton from Umea, and in another Railton from John O'Groats etc.

It all came to an unhappy end when Kay was practising for the 1937 BRDC 500 km race at Brooklands. Reg Parnell's MG Magnette slid down the banking and hit Kay's s v Austin 7, which overturned. She was picked up unconscious and badly injured. Kay eventually recovered sufficiently to become Austin's colour-consultant and the Daily Graphic's motoring correspondent, and she was well enough to drive at Shelsley for Austin in 1938. In later years she lived alone in a London flat and modestly refused to say much about her racing career. I regard her 130 mph laps in the Delage as one of the most courageous performances by a woman driver — she and Gwenda Stewart were the only ladies to gain 130 mph BARC badges in company with 15 men, in the years from 1928 to 1939.

*William Boddy (editor Motor Sport magazine 1936 -1991)*



## **Austin 7 Classifieds**

**Please note: to avoid congestion, adverts may only be printed for 3 issues (6 months) depending on space. If you have also sold or found that item you wanted PLEASE do tell the Editor.**

### **FOR SALE 1930 Austin 7 Roadster**

In running order and for sale as is with trailer, \$23,000 . Please contact Brett and Amanda Wilson 63bawilson@gmail.com mobile 0413 848 909 Lakewood (just south of Port Macquarie)



### **FOR SALE 1932 Austin 10/4 Saloon**

Not driven for a few years due to other interests. Long term storage in a dry garage but owners say engine will need checking over for any corrosion. Former club car. Two tone blue with black interior. Nice solid old car with sunroof, clock, luggage rack and indicators. 1100cc side valve motor with 4 speed gearbox. Spares may be available. Asking \$12000 ONO.

Please contact Daphne and Ted Bale on 0411 241 557. Car at Ferny Hills



### **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](mailto: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.

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



## **For Sale Motor Repair Encyclopaedias (and Books on Old Cars)**

Various sets and individual volumes, from 1921 up to 1960. Covers many vintage and classic US and British cars. **For a list please contact tim.braby@optusnet.co.au or 0405 740 418 from 8am to 5pm**

Also have many other books on veteran and vintage cars and motorsport. All must go, priced to go to a good home. (sorry, no Austin 7 books, these I will keep!)

## **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)**

## **Seven Seen for Sale in the VCCQ Vintage News**

**THE AUSTIN 7 FLEMING SPECIAL.** Based on a 1931 Austin 7 this purpose-built racing car was constructed in Melbourne by John Fleming. John commenced racing it in 1958 and sold the car in 1961. Since then the car has had 9 owners all of whom have campaigned it. The car has had a CAMS log book since their inception and now also has a CAMS Historic Certificate of Description. I have owned the car for the past decade.

In order to minimise the car's weight [320kgs] the specification of this racing car is very basic. There are no non-essential ancillaries; however I have fitted a starter motor. This means that the performance is pretty good for a non-supercharged 802cc motor. The A7 engine is fed by two 1¼" SUs and has a purpose built "bunch of bananas" exhaust manifold. A 4-speed close ratio Needham box is fitted and drives through a standard A7 rear-end setup.

An enclosed purpose made trailer comes with the car.

This A7 Special is fun to drive and handles predictably. A combination of light weight and modern motorcycle tyres ensures that the times recorded at any speed event are only limited by the ability and bravery of the driver.

The car is situated in Brisbane and will be sold on an as is/where is basis. The asking price is \$17,500.00 o.n.o. including the trailer and a second differential.

JON VOLLER. PH. 0400 194 347.





## Photos from the Archives - A Ekka Special deal on a new A7!

Time for the 2021 Brisbane Ekka (now cancelled) it was rather interesting to see this advert crop up in the SA Bulletin for a 1931 Tourer on Sale at the Brisbane Royal Exhibition, opposite the Meat Industry Exhibit!

**The New  
Improved Austin Seven**  
New Bigger Body, Full Length Chassis, New Radiator, and a host of other Improvements and Refinements.  
**The World's Premier Economy Car**  
Running Costs Less Than 1d. per Mile.

**£222**  **£222**  
New Built to Accommodate 4 Adults.  
**50 Miles per Gallon.**  
"Buy an Austin and Banish Care."  
See the AUSTINS at the Brisbane Royal. Note position: Opposite MEAT INDUSTRY EXHIBIT on the Showground.

And to fill out the page - Various photos from an original colour 1929 Austin 7 sales brochure - Courtesy of Russell and Vanda Curtis



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