



Leyland P76 Anything But Average

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THE QUEENSLAND BULLETIN



Keith and Perdita with their Bold as Brass Executive

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AIMS OF THE P76 CLUB

- 1. To restore and actively use all model of P76 produced.
- 2. To provide knowledge, advice and parts on the P76 and its variants.
- 3. To conduct various activities for the members and their cars.
- 4. To include any vehicle assembled in the Zetland factory.

Membership of the club will be open to anyone who is interested in pursuing the aims of the club

The Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland has its monthly Meetings on 2nd Friday of each month:

Venue: Norman Park Uniting Church

Cnr Bennetts Rd & McIlwraith Ave

NORMAN PARK QLD

Time: 8.00pm

Various activities are organised by Club Members and are generally held on the last Sunday of the month. All venue information is confirmed at the General Meeting and is recorded in the Minutes.

CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR POINTS ALLOCATED

Attend Meeting = 1 point: Raffle donation = 1 point: Organise Event = 1 point: Win Event = 1 point

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I won't elaborate too much on our club outing to Colmslie last month as Carle has given you all a very good account of it in his President's report. However, I must say thanks to Carle for organising a good day (he even ordered the beautiful weather including a sun shower whilst we were undercover eating our lunch). It was a good sightseeing tour around an area I was unfamiliar with and the fish from "The Fish Factory was worth the wait. Carle led the run in his cream Nomad with the five Ps (all different colours) following –Crystal White (Adrian and Jenny), Omega Navy (Richard and I), Corinthian Blue (Allan), Nutmeg (Neville) and Bold as Brass (Keith and Perdita) and adding to the procession Stan and Marg in their modern car and Graham, Carol and Stephen in their ute. Stan and Graham have their Ps under restoration and will one day surprise us and arrive in them.

Richard, myself and Lyn (my sister-in-law from Ballarat who has a MKI Cortina) cruised down to the Wintersun at Coolangatta over the long Queens Birthday Weekend. What a great sight – classic cars for as far as you could see. We wandered among the cars and admired them then stayed for the parade along the esplanade enjoying listening to the rumble of those mighty motors. Wow, talk about a buzz. Some of those old machines are the pride and joy of their owners, polished to the nines and purring along so smoothly. It's a shame that some irresponsible people feel they have the right to ruin the dedication and devotion of these classic car lovers by stealing some of these cars – what a gut wrenching time for the owners.

This month's cover picture is of Keith & Perdita Nicolson with their Bold as Brass at the May outing at Colmslie. We were lucky to see them as they are renovating their bathroom and felt they really should have been home working on it rather than playing cars with us. However, it was good to see you both and you made a good choice to come along.

We haven't yet decided on a new Christmas venue due to the one we had chosen having closed down. We will be looking at places north of Brisbane so if you have any ideas that may be suitable please let us know. It does seem rather early to be looking at this but in the large scheme of things; November is only five months away!!

I am sitting on the Gold Coast/Brisbane train on my way to work at 7.00am writing this and wondering if Graham is our driver today. Everyone around me is sleeping and it is so quiet (no talking, no phones ringing) and I have actually managed to get a seat. Mind you I have decided this week to catch an earlier train to ensure I get to sit rather than stand for the hour long trip. Anyway, this is not just waffling to fill in space, it is actually relating to fuel. The Queensland State Government has decided in their wisdom to remove the \$0.08 per litre fuel subsidy which will increase the petrol price to the consumers. This will result in more people leaving their vehicles at home as the travel to work will be more expensive. Hence, more people on public transport (which of course will be making Queensland Rail rub their hands), more overcrowding, less chance of getting a seat and everyone getting more frustrated. The fuel subsidy removal will also affect all of us with our classic cars in that it is getting more expensive to crank over that motor and keep them on the road coupled with they are getting older and more parts wearing out. On top of this, we have an increase in registration fees. To now register a V8 for normal road use for a year it is almost \$1,000.00.

A further reminder to those that have overlooked it, that subs are due by the end of this month. If you want to continue club rego for your car, you need to pay before the end of June. If you are on club rego and haven't renewed your membership by 30 June 2009, you will then be deemed to be driving an unregistered vehicle even if your rego has not expired.

Included in this mag is a page from the Queensland Historic Motoring Council Inc. It is an extract from the Combined Council's meeting regarding Club Rego. Please read this as it is of interest.



General Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland General Meeting held on Friday 13 June 2009

The meeting was opened by the President at 8.05pm

Apologies: Graham and Pat, Warren, Garth

Treasurers Report: No report available

Minutes of Previous

Meeting:

The minutes of the March meeting were accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved Ricky, seconded Richard M.

Business Arising: None

Incoming Mail: Club Magazines

Memberships paid:

Keith Nicolson, Richard Mallon, Adrian Spencer, John Humphries, Neville Humphries, Carle Gregory, Graham Joseph, John Spencer, Errol & Mary Lucht,

John Salkeid, David Cook, Philip Perkins.

Outgoing Mail: Get well card sent to John Barry

Spare Parts: Adrian spoke in Graham's absence and advised we are ordering new top bushes.

Please remember that a supply of new parts may be available through the club by contacting Graham on (07) 38881345. If you are not picking them up then they

will be sent by COD.

General Business: A possible driving day with the Sprite Club is to be held at Gympie with training

on the track

Adrian talked about Steve Maher's Deluxe Models

Graham and Ricky spoke about cars they have found out about

Adrian spoke about Steve's model service changing the Targa model to Rallye

specs

Discussion on Easter deposits – Carle will write a letter to the NSW Clubs

regarding this

Rubber boot mats back on remanufacturing agender again

AGM to be held in August – details and nomination forms to go out in the July

magazine

Upcoming Outings: 28 June – Run to Ipswich

26 July – Gold Coast Restoration Day

29 – 30 August - Trip to Watts Bridge Airfield for Festival of Flight

Meeting closed: 9.25pm



June 2009

28 Sunday Club Outing

Ispwich - BBQ

July 2009

10 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

26 Sunday Club Outing

Gold Coast Restoration Day

August 2009

14 Friday Monthly General Meeting

7.30pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

Annual General Meeting

8.30pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

30 Sunday Club Outing

Festival of Flight - Watts Bridge Airfield

September 2009

6 Sunday Club Outing

Bribie Island for lunch

11 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

TBA Club Outing

All British Day at Tennyson

October 2009

9 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

TBA Club Outing

Morris Minor Day at Ormiston

November 2009

10 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

29 Sunday Club Outing

Christmas Lunch

Swap Meets and Events

June 2009

26 – 28 **Wheels on Wide Bay Motoring Festival** Maryborough Showgrounds – contact 0447 051 440

28 RACQ Motorfest Eagle Farm – contact Alvert Budworth 3398 8527

July 2009

22 - 26 Suncoast Classic Sunshine Coast Hinterland - contact 08 8227 0666

25 **21st Annual and Original Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club Swap**, Nambour Showground. Enquiries to 07 5476 8388 (6.30 to 8.30pm) or mail to SCACC Box 362 Nambour 4560.

August 2009

4th Motoring Jamboree, Youth Avenue, Nambour Qld. Our aim is to provide an avenue for motoring enthusiasts to promote their particular interests to a broad range of people while also providing a much needed entertainment event for the youth and general public of Nambour and the Sunshine Coast region. Free entry for display vehicles. email: martyhunt@suncoastpcyc.org Sunshine Coast Police Citizens Youth Club PO Box 693 Nambour Qld 4560 Youth Ave Nambour Phone (07) 54 412 915. If rained out, the rescheduled event will be held on Sunday the 13th of September)

September 2009

5 – 7 Speed on Tweed Murwillumbah – contact 02 6676 7029 or info@speedontweed.com.au

Many thanks to: Pacific Highway Auto Recyclers of Elliot Drive, Yatala The Rubber Shop, 148 South Road, Enoggera for providing the club with dates and details of the 2009 swap meets

The husband had just finished reading a new book titled "You can be the Man of your House". He stormed into the kitchen and walked directly up to his wife. Pointing a finger in her face, he said sternly, "From now on, you need to know that I am the man of this house and my word is law! You will prepare me a gourmet meal tonight and when I'm finished eating, you will serve me a sumptuous dessert. After dinner you are going to draw me a bath so I can relax. You will wash my back and towel me dry and bring my robe. Then you will massage my feet and hands. Then after that's done, guess who's going to dress me and comb my hair?" His wife replied, "The funeral director would be my guess."



Five P76s lined up waiting for lunch outside the Fish Factory for the May Club Run

FISH AND CHIP DAY AT COLMSLIE - MAY RUN

Gateway Bridge over Brisbane River with the cranes in the background on the new bridge





Richard, Graham and Neville share the joke while Allan looks on

Boys talk – Carle, Adrian, Neville and Allan





Keith and Ann discuss other cars ...

Morris NOMAD – The P76 tour leader for the day





After lunch socialising – Carol, Perdita, Jenny, Allan, Neville and Carle



President's Report

My ramblings for the month -

I was part of a strange sight the other day with five P76s travelling along with a "weird" car leading them. Yes very weird and made by BMC. It's called a Morris NOMAD. Yes it has finally made its debut (see pictures of the run on the QLD club website, thanks Adrian). It was on our fish and chip run from the bay side suburb of Lota to Colmslie. Sunday morning of the run I went to the new Brisbane swap (formally Banyo) with the NOMAD and did some looking (first time in several years since I usually sell) and met up with Neville. I was going to wimp out and change cars on the way to the start of the run and bring the classic Nissan patrol but Neville nagged and nagged me to take the NOMAD so I changed my mind and raced home to tell the family of the change. I then raced down to the esplanade (1.4 km away) because I was a little late but found that everyone had found a place to have a coffee and a chat before the start of the run. I took the lead at the start as I knew where we where going and we cruised down the esplanade (tide was out) across Wynnum Creek and through the back streets past Iona College and onto the industrial estate of Hemmant, following Lytton Road past a bat colony, up the hill and along the Murarrie section to see the latest progress made on the duplication of the gateway bridge. From here we cruised down the hill past Raptis Fish Market and the State Hockey Centre and to our destination The Fish Factory.

Here I parked the Nomad in the car park and the 5 Ps parked in formation outside with the two modern cars that were on the run with us. After the food purchase we went behind the Hockey Centre to the boat ramp area where there was a shelter 10 metres from the water. I then got into trouble as I had bought a HAMBURGER! (because of cost and diet restrictions, well that's my excuse anyway). Adrian had wanted a burger but got told he had to have fish and chips and he wanted to swap with me but got told by Jenny NO. It was a great time and I got to meet some of the other members of families. Only two small things that could have made it better was we could have seen dolphins going along the river (last time I was at this park this happened) plus we had a brief shower but not enough to dampen the enjoyment of a great day.

Despite the cold, this months meeting was well attended by shivering members and one with a cold, (hope you are over it soon Ricky) as well as other members with the cold/flu. Just remember the Ekka is only around the corner so more colds/flu on the way. The tea and coffee was very welcomed especially if you liked it unsweetened! Our AGM will be held on 14 August. Nomination forms will be included in the July Magazine in time for you to decide who you want as your incoming committee for 2009/2010.

Well that's enough of me rambling on this month so until the next run or meeting where I hope to see some new faces keep going with THE NEW DRIVING FORCE.

Carle Gregory President

IF MY BODY WERE A CAR...

If my body were a car, this is the time I would be thinking about trading it in for a newer model. I've got bumps and dents and scratches in my finish, and my paint job is getting a little dull ... But that's not the worst of it.

My headlights are out of focus, and it's especially hard to see things up close.

My traction is not as graceful as it once was. I slip and slide and skid and bump into things, even in the best of weather.

My whitewalls are stained with varicose veins.

It takes me hours to reach my maximum speed.

My fuel rate burns inefficiently.

But here's the worst of it --

Almost every time I sneeze, cough or laugh....

Either my radiator leaks or my exhaust backfires!

Adrian's Adventures





Hi everyone,

I've just found the time to sit down and think about the happenings of the Club and my own experiences. Recently I went to Maroochydore for a Westpac job and while I was on the 100km zone area near Aussie World I was passed by a Range Rover and waving to me through the window was Carroll and John Mitchell. They were heading back toward their new home in the Gympie district. John was the proud owners of a Marina and P76s in the Sandgate area. John and Carroll travelled for many years around Australia with a show troop. In my discussions with John, he made reference to a meeting he had with a deceased chap in Canberra where he was shown a diff assembly with disc brakes that was used in P76s that the ACT Police force had. However, I have not been able to verify this.

On the P front I have to find time to get working on the orange six. Needs the engine fixed, doors pulled apart and the rust at the bottom corners removed. I notice on my driveway where I park the white P76 that I have a mixture of oil and water coming from the back of the engine. Has anyone had the welsh plug go in the back of the engine? I hope you took time to read my article on fault finding electrical faults that I wrote last month. If you have similar items please forward them to Ann for publishing.

Neville has been finding some fascinating books at the swap meets. The last find was in the 1974 the Brisbane floods a number of cars, both Marina and P76, were flood damaged. Leyland must have bought them back to the plant and refurbished them and they were sold in Sydney for \$1300 (no warranty). Damo (ACT) is trying to track them down so if you know of any please let us know.

I have been catching up on the lost photos that I have collected and have been adding them to the website. I would love to be able to publish your photos on the site http://www.leylandp76.com. There have also been some photos found on the trials of the Force 7 in NSW. The owner of these photos is coming to the Nationals as a guest speaker to talk about his experience testing these cars. The photos are on the website in the archive area under Force 7.

In the near future you will be able to look back on magazines from the past. This is going to have a protected area and you may need to have a password to get access. I will forward the password via your newsletter when testing has been completed.

I have had to move the MNDA Awareness Lunch to Sunday 25 October and this year it will be held at Sandgate in the grounds of the Sandgate Scout Hall. My plan is have a rally starting about 11.00am with morning tea then a run to Sandgate via Redcliffe ending at the Scout Hall. I am hoping to have a Leyland car display of and other cars with a late lunch around 3.30pm. The lunch will be cooked by the Scouts who will use this as a fund raising event for the Jamboree in Sydney in January. Please contact your friends and other car groups and invite them to come.

Cheers Adrian

Glub Member Gar

Keith & Perdita Nicolson - 1973 Executive (picture on front cover)

- Rebuilt V8
- 460 Holley, high rise manifold, electronic ignition dyno tuned
- extractors, new brakes and bushes in front end, Lovell lowered suspension, stabiliser bars
- Sunroof WITHOUT leaks!
- Monaro yellow 2 pack paint
- 15x10 BF Goodrich all round
- Reconditioned power steering
- Immobiliser
- Electric boot release
- Twin exhaust
- Kenwood CD player, subwoofer and amp
- The rear spoiler was specially made for the car 1983



The *modern* toilet block in front of the cars was not good to say the least – the cars from left: Carle's Nomad, Adrian's Executive, Neville's Targa and Keith's rebuilt V8 with spoiler

Queensland Historic Motoring Council Inc.

COMBINED COUNCIL NEWS......May 2009

SIVS registered Trucks > **4.5GMV** Queensland Transport seems to have changed its systems and now all renewals of registration for vehicle over 4.5GVM indicate that a full inspection is required. There has been no change to the SIVS rules and SIVS registered vehicles **Do Not** require a safety inspection at registration renewal, however the system appears to require it. Discussions between the QHMC and QT have developed a work around.

The work around for > 4.5GMV SIVS vehicles is for QT to temporally record the SIVS registered vehicle as being a "remote location" vehicle ("remote location" vehicles do not require the annual inspections) then QT can renew the registration. Managers in all QT service centres have been advised of the workaround. It does however mean that members renewing SIVS registration for > 4.5GMV vehicles have to visit a service centre and may need to advise QT that there is a "Work around" for renewing the registration of > 4.5GMV Vehicles. Members of clubs who have >4.5GVM vehicles on SIVS should be advised of the workaround and ask /tell QT Service Centre staff of the registration renewal workaround process if they have any problems.

No previous registration details members are reminded of problems that can arise when registering vehicles where the previous registration details are not known. Because of changes in the legislation regarding imported vehicles it is now much harder to register a vehicle were there is no evidence of previous Australian registration. Members attempting to register a vehicle where the previous registration details are not known (ie you don't know a previous registration number of the previous registered owners name) should take as much evidence as they can gather to show the vehicle has been in use in Australia before. Statutorily Declarations from previous owners; Statutorily Declarations form the current owner and or club members outlining the vehicles history. Purchase receipts indicating some of the vehicle history/use; Photos showing as much history as possible and restoration steps; all help in getting the vehicle registered.

More vehicle on your club runs The QHMC are adding a new section to its event calendar. The new section will be additional to the date claimer section for major invitation rallies. The new section will be available for all clubs to list an event where they would like to offer an open invitation to members of other clubs to attend one of their normal club runs. The idea of the new section is to assist clubs in getting their events advertised to a wider audience and therefore attracting members of other clubs. Club committees are asked to consider which if any of their events they would like to advertise and let Tom Lewis 3814 0077 / thomasdlewis@optusnet.com.au know.

Dating Certificate The QHMC has developed and clubs have agreed to use a new standardised dating certificate. When clubs members present the new standard dating certificate to the people at Queensland Transport the form should be more readily recognised and the SIVS registration process should be just that little bit easier.

QHMC Handbook Updated A new section has been added to the QHMC handbook outlining the process required to either transfer to SIVS registration of initially register a vehicle under the SIVS scheme. Copies of the handbook will be available from the QHMV web site or form the QHMC Secretary.

QMHC New Name by the time you read this the name of the Queensland Combined Council of Historic Vehicle Clubs Inc will have changed to the Queensland Historic Motoring Council Inc. Our business will stay the same its just a name change that is a bit shorter and better explains what we do. We support Historic Motoring ie the Old Vehicle Movement from the Veterans up to the Historic's of the 70's.





Membership Application or Renewal

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