



Leyland P76 Owners Club
Incorporated Queensland



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THE QUEENSLAND BULLETIN



**Club members dismantling a rusted out
'Home On Th'Orange' P76 at Yatala before
it is crushed**

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General Information

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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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From the Editors Desk

Hi all

May has been a busy month for me with a trip to New Zealand to see family and remembering how cold it is compared to Queensland, getting assignments done and starting a new work contract and all that in two weeks. I had the opportunity to drive a Ford Focus and a Series 1 BMW while I was in New Zealand and I must say they are two totally different cars. I did practice with Richard's ute before I went over there as I do not have power steering on the P76 deluxe and didn't want to write off someone else's care. I have to say I do prefer rear wheel drive over front wheel drive and of course the power steering was great when I got used to it. When I arrived home and started driving the deluxe again, the steering was heavy at slow speeds ie backing into the garage (before this I was happy with the steering). I am seriously thinking, very seriously, that I need to get power steering into this machine.

At the end of April we all met at Ricky and Graham's at Yatala for a car wrecking exercise which was a great success. The car in question was one of the most rusted ones I have seen, however, the boys still managed to remove some good parts from it. It was a great help that Graham had the forklift and all the tools needed as this made the task a lot easier (or so the boys say but I just think they enjoyed playing with someone else's toys). When Graham picked up the car on the forklift it looked like it was going to fall in half due to all the rust. Eventually all the good bits were removed from the car which was then taken down to the back of the yard to be crushed. Ricky proved a great host in a good venue amongst a cottage garden setting for us to have a BBQ which was cooked by our President and Vice President, Carle and Richard. It was interesting wandering around the garden and discovering numerous treasures amongst the flowers and plants which I am sure Travis enjoyed the most – windmill, frogs, toy cars, wheel rim, plaques and heaps more things. Ricky made sure the roosters were locked in their run as one in particular is prone to biting feet. Thanks Ricky and Graham, it was a good day out.



Pat and Ricky relaxing after lunch



Carle, Graham and Carol beside another P76 awaiting restoration

After the lunch, Adrian and Neville (and of course Travis) adjusted the carburettor and timing on Ricky's orange six to get it running better. Ricky reported at the last meeting she is pleased with the result as they no longer need to get out and push the car when they are going up hills. Good effort boys. Rogo arrived pulling a trailer with another P76 on it which was purchased from a wrecker up north. Not sure what is going to happen to this one yet.



Travis checking the timing on Ricky's car

Our next outing is to Comslie for a fish and chip lunch. Instructions and times and where to meet are in the Presidents report as Carle is organising this event. There is also a change in the July outing. We are now going to the Gold Coast Restoration Day at Pimpama. Bring a picnic lunch and wander around the displays, enjoy riding in the old buses and reminiscing about years gone by. See you there.

Happy motoring and safe driving

Subs

*Okay, it's that time again – membership renewal. A form is attached to the back of this magazine to fill out and return with your payment. If you have any queries about membership, please contact a committee member. Remember, if you want to club register your vehicle you **MUST** be a current member. If you are on club registration and you do not renew your membership before the end of June 2009 then your car registration has effectively expired too.*

General Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland General Meeting held on Friday 8 May 2009

The meeting was opened by the President at 8.05pm

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| Apologies: | Darren Brent, Graham Dollisson |
| Treasurers Report: | The balance of our new account is \$1,565.75. |
| Minutes of Previous Meeting: | The minutes of the March meeting were accepted as a true and correct record. Moved Adrian, seconded Richard M. |
| Business Arising: | Discussion on money issues |
| Incoming Mail: | Nil |
| Outgoing Mail: | Nil |
| Spare Parts: | Discussion on parts available
Under Bonnet kits available from Nigel Bray South Australia Club
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: Talk on Club Rego
Allan talked about seeing the Cuttings in Murray Bridge
Deluxe model orders taken
Public liability insurance has been paid
Discussion on going to Lakeside Raceway for a run
Warren to organise a cheque for Ann for expenses
Ricky and Graham reported they are happy with the tune up on their six
Adrian welcomed potential new member Jason Miller

Upcoming Outings: 31 May – Fish and Chip lunch at Comsle
26 July – South Coast Restoration Day

Meeting closed: 9.46pm

2009 Club Events Calendar

May 2009

31 Sunday

Club Outing

Fish and Chips at Colmslie

June 2009

12 Friday

Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

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

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

30 Sunday

Club Outing

Lunch with Motor Neurone Disease Association at Clontarf

September 2009

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

May 2009

31 **The New Brisbane Swap (formerly know as the Banyo Swap)**, Capalaba State College, School Rd. Capalaba. Gates open at 6.00 am. Swap co-coordinators Frank Wegrzyniak 0412 076 846 and Cyril Conwell 0428 971 434

29 May -

8 June **Wintersun Coolangatta** – for further information contact info@wintersun.org.au or phone 07 5536 9509 or 09 5536 9170 website is www.wintersun.org.au/

June 2009

7 **Caboolture Annual Swap Meet** – for further information contact Cathy on 07 5495 3312 or Rod on 07 3889 4561

21 **Original Gold Coast Swap**, Mudgeeraba Showgrounds, corner Mudgeeraba Road and Worongary Road starting 6.00am – for further information contact gcaacau@yahoo.com.au or phone 07 5524 1338 or <http://www.geocities.com/gcaacau/>

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

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

30 **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)

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 good 'ol days –

You got your windscreen cleaned, oil checked, and petrol served, without asking, all for free, every time.

President's Report

Hi everyone,

Well on the home front after eight years I have now moved the wrecked marina from down the back up to the front ready for stripping and then off to the crusher. This means the son's '83 laser and the T.C marina are now under the house ready to be worked on. The marina needs an engine pull down to find out why it is fumigating the place when running even though it has new rings and such. Then I have a small 'op' next week and I hope to start work, with me on the Marina and the son on his Laser.

It was fantastic to see so many members turn up for the working bee at Pacific Highway Auto Wreckers at the end of April. Photos are on the website and here you will see the 'P' was too far gone to be saved, however we got all the good bits off it before its date with the crusher. A BBQ was held after we were finished just a few steps away in the back yard which was a very restful, cool and shady place. But no rest for the wicked as they say and it was the same for the Vice President and President as we had the cooking duties again, with Richard again showing a dab hand at the BBQ.

I noted Richard Rydel and Graham Donnellson where working well on the wreck because every time I went to put my head in, they where in the road. We all noticed when the car was lifted to take parts off from underneath it started to bend like a banana from the amount of rust in it but with placement of some stands we where safe. I wish to extend our many thanks to Ricky and Graham for generously opening up their yard to the club and for the loan of their equipment to help us strip the car. **A Good job done well. Thank you everyone who came along.**

At our May meeting, we had a good roll-up of members which was good as I had put forward a proposal at the last meeting (March) and repeated this in the magazine. This was in the form of a set of "aims of the club" to let people formally know what we do for the P76 and any other cars listed. The first three aims listed were straight forward, spelling out what we offer for the P76 owner (the full list further down). Number 4 was the one that was discussed and decided on which cut-off we use for any other vehicles. Everyone agreed to accept any vehicle that was made within the factory at Zetland.

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31 May – Club Outing

Coming up this month is a fish and chip run on **Sunday 31 May** starting **12 Noon**. Meeting point is the corner of Alexander St and the Esplanade at Lota (get the sat-navs out). From this exotic location we will travel at the posted speed of 50kph along the esplanade to Wynnum and then through some of the local suburbs until we get to Lytton Rd. We will travel along it to Colmslie until we get to the fish markets on the left. After purchasing our meals we will park behind the State Hockey Centre which is a short distance eastwards and dine at a gazebo placed right on the river. On this fantastic cruise you will have a NOMAD as the lead car (hopefully?).

You will be able to go to the old Banyo swap now located at Capalaba and still be on the run by 12 noon.

Just a reminder that the A.G.M is fast approaching in August! Thinking caps on, thinking about who you would like to go on the committee, if not yourself!

So come along and enjoy like minded people. The new driving force.

Carle
President

HOW DO YOU DECIDE WHO TO MARRY? (written by kids)

You got to find somebody who likes the same stuff. Like, if you like sports, she should like it that you like sports, and she should keep the chips and dip coming. Alan, age 10

No person really decides before they grow up who they're going to marry. God decides it all way before, and you get to find out later who you're stuck with. Kristen, age 10

WHAT IS THE RIGHT AGE TO GET MARRIED?

Twenty-three is the best age because you know the person FOREVER by then. Camille, age 10

HOW CAN A STRANGER TELL IF TWO PEOPLE ARE MARRIED?

You might have to guess, based on whether they seem to be yelling at the same kids. Derrick, age 8

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR MOM AND DAD HAVE IN COMMON?

Both don't want any more kids. Lori, age 8

WHAT DO MOST PEOPLE DO ON A DATE?

Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough. Lynn, age 8

On the first date, they just tell each other lies and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date. Martin, age 10 Martin is wise beyond his years

WHEN IS IT OKAY TO KISS SOMEONE?

When they're rich. Pam, age 7

The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that. Curt, age 7

The rule goes like this: If you kiss someone, then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do. Howard, age 8

IS IT BETTER TO BE SINGLE OR MARRIED?

It's better for girls to be single but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them. Anita, age 9 (bless you child)

HOW WOULD THE WORLD BE DIFFERENT IF PEOPLE DIDN'T GET MARRIED?

There sure would be a lot of kids to explain, wouldn't there? Kelvin, age 8

And the #1 Favorite is.....

HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a dump truck. Rick, age 10

More pics from the car wrecking day



Adrian's Adventures



Car challenges "still none the wiser"

Hi Everyone,

I have been working on the orange P fixing a few things. I tried to take it for a drive only to notice no blinkers or instrument power. A blown fuse (red), the one next to the high beam and it has all the following devices - (reversing lights, brake lights and indicator light, instrument power and others).

Would you believe as we were coming home a passenger tried to open the rear drivers window and it dropped (the slides broke off). So after pulling out the window and reglueing the slides we decided this should be a straight forward job. We attacked the electrical fault. Nearly a day later and still none the wiser!

I have been into the bowels of the car chasing wiring, replacing suspect globes and connectors and whatever else needed attention. Funny, every time I look into these places I see something different and

wonder how the car has survived the dreaded rust. I was interested to read in the manual that the P76 was rotor dipped, that is another story. Check it out (body area of the manual).

Boy has been helpful, found my tin of orange spray paint in the shed and used it on his crab pot floats - under my breath I thought he might be in them soon, but they do look great. I'm surprised the paint did not melt the floats.

Things come in threes you know, but in my case they are four or more (lucky Irish)!

The same passenger who was in the orange car must have the touch also - did the same problem in the rear driver side window in the white car so I will need to look at it in the coming days. Some day we must try and find the service bulletin to guide us in replacing the slides on the window as it would be good to have a reference. Who has them?

For those who would like to follow the electric saga Ann may be able to add it to the magazine, otherwise next month.

Cheers - Adrian

ELECTRICAL SAGA

Electrical work or problem

I must warn you that the following section of my problem requires some knowledge of basic electrical training.

SAFETY NOTE - Cars have a battery and they will burn, kill and even start fires.

If you don't understand the electrical circuits then contact the CLUB for assistance or your local Auto Electrician before proceeding. Use the information as reference to assist the Auto Electrician.

SAFETY NOTE - When working on Electrical equipment "**Make sure you disconnect your battery FIRST**"

SAFETY NOTE - If you feel like the challenge you need to have a multimeter and using the "Ohm" scale (this is used to check for resistance). The two cables (probes); one is always connected to an earth point (screw head or bright clean non painted metal part) while the other is used to test the point of interest. If you place both probes onto an earth point then the scale will read '0' ohms -short circuit. Select the lowest scale then test again (eg bulb about 2.5 ohms, piece of wire 0.01 ohms) not a short circuit at the end of the wire.

Take out the trusty Leyland workshop manual, go into the electrical section for the circuit diagrams and then study the wiring diagram (a magnifying glass will help). Look at the reference to find the wiring colour patterns (for this section you will see that larger green wires lead from the fuse holder into the wiring loom while on the other side of the fuse holder the whites lead (large) comes from the ignition switch (check the circuit diagram). This is known as the accessory power. After you go through a switch or an active device usually the cables maintain the same colour but then have additional colour strips Coded GN for brakes lights etc.

Study and work through the different electrical sections, this being the brakes, blinkers, reversing lights etc. Start at the brake light on the outer edge and work back to the battery.

The brake system (1) looked like the problem at first. Then we moved onto the reversing lights (2) and ended up not finding anything wrong. BUT we did find that the number of wires in the boot loom has more wires than in the cable harness in the door channel. Sneaky people doubled the wires up using crimps and solder and small amount of tape. So if you need to for example check for faults, you need to pull everything apart.

1. Brake System - The brake system seemed to be the problem area at first as the fuse did not blow until I thought the brakes were pressed. This is fairly easy to diagnose
 - a) Take the single cable off the brake switch (under the steering column) using the multimeter and see if the short is present. I found 98 Ohms (if so you have a problem not in the brake loom to the back of the car but somewhere else). No short then onto the next step.
 - b) Replace the single cable on the switch and remove the double cable. Test again and if no short, get a Santa helper or a stick to push in the pedal. Check again and if no short then onto the rear loom.
 - c) Now using the multimeter check the double cables by placing one lead on the cable and the other cable to an earth point (usually a screw top under the dash). This time you will get a small ohm reading 4 Ohms. If you have no short then you can say "all is well" but 0 Ohms or short then you need to work through removing the bulb leads one at a time and testing. Once all the bulbs are disconnected and you still have a short you need to pull out all the looms for inspection.

This event requires undoing and loosening the bolts, while holding the back seat in and pulling out the seat swab, the channel cover (scuff plates) on the right rear door to get to the wiring harness. You will need to empty the boot and climb in and inspect the cables in the boot. Found that the wires on the left side come close to the metal hinge of the boot and may get swashed if not put back properly. At this time I found the different cable numbers in the loom.

2. Automatic reverse switch - The reverse switch is located on the left side of the gear box under the car and the cables run into the engine bay on the passenger's side where some are used by the safety relay to allow the car to be started. The green wires come out of the main loom also to join the switch in the gearbox. Remember that one green cable comes from the fuse box and other side goes to the reverse light in the boot.
 - a) Again you can check the fuse box to the reverse switch by breaking the loom connectors and using the multimeter to see if the short is present. I found 98 Ohms between the fuse box to the main loom. No short so then onto the next step.
 - b) Replace the cable on the main loom side to the switch and leave the other end not connected. Test again and if no short, get Santa's helper to move the gear stick between park and reverse or neutral to reverse. Check again and if no short then onto the rear loom. This time the reading should be from open circuit (Neutral/Park) to 98 Ohms in Reverse.
 - c) Now using the multimeter check the cable by placing one lead on the cable and the other cable to an earth point (usually a screw top under the dash). This time you will get a small ohm reading 4 Ohms. If you have no short then you can say "all is well" but 0 Ohms or short then you need to work through removing the bulb leads one at a time and testing.

Once all the bulbs are disconnected and you still have a short, you need to pull out the entire loom for inspection. This event requires undoing and loosening the bolts holding the back seat in and pulling out seat swab, the channel cover (scuff plates) on the right rear door to get to the wiring harness. You will need to empty the boot and climb in and inspect the cables in the boot. Found that the wires on the left side come close to the metal hinge of the boot and may get swashed if not put back properly.

3. Emergency flashers and blinkers - The same procedure applies to the flasher circuit. Light circuits to the boot come off a different fuse.

I reconnected the battery and bought some extra fuses. Well after putting everything back I have not found the problem, so I need to go for a drive.



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Membership Application or Renewal

I hereby request full membership of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Inc. I understand that there is a once off joining fee of \$10.00 for a new member and an annual membership fee of \$40.00.

Signed

Contact Details

Name:		Home Phone:	
Address:		Mobile:	
Suburb:		Town:	
State:		Postcode:	
Email:	@		

I would like to receive my Magazine by (please tick preference) Mail Email

Please find enclosed a cheque made out to: The Leyland P76 Owners Club for \$ This entitles me to a monthly magazines (except December), Club functions and access to buying Club parts. Members are invited to be on the committee.

Suggestions for Outings: (ie would you like us to arrange an outing near where you live)

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2.
3.

Car Information – Car 1

Vehicle Identification No.	Manuf (Mth/Yr)	Model	Registration No.	Last Registered (Year)	Last Registered (State)	
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Engine Capacity	Engine No.	Paint Colour	Trim Colour	Manual <input type="checkbox"/>	Column Shift <input type="checkbox"/>	
				Automatic <input type="checkbox"/>	Floor Shift <input type="checkbox"/>	
Power Steering <input type="checkbox"/>	Factory Air <input type="checkbox"/>	Factory Alloy Wheels <input type="checkbox"/>	Bench Seat <input type="checkbox"/>	Bucket Seats (Fixed) <input type="checkbox"/>	Bucket Seats (Reclining) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Body Restored <input type="checkbox"/> Repairable <input type="checkbox"/> Rust/Damage/Paint Good <input type="checkbox"/> Parts Only <input type="checkbox"/>		Interior Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/>		Engine Reconditioned <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Reco Required <input type="checkbox"/> Parts Only <input type="checkbox"/>		Rear Arm Rest <input type="checkbox"/> Towbar <input type="checkbox"/> Mudflaps <input type="checkbox"/> Original Cassette <input type="checkbox"/> Original Radio <input type="checkbox"/>
Non Standard Equipment			Year Purchased _____ Original Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Purchased From (If Known) _____			