



**Leyland P76 Anything But Average** 

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# THE QUEENSLAND BULLETIN



Lunch at Santa Barbara at Ann's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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Hi all

August was a quiet month on the car scene for us with 50<sup>th</sup> birthday party preparations and an influx of visitors from New Zealand and interstate. We had a great couple of weeks with family and friends celebrating my birthday with me and partying until the wee hours. I enjoyed the company of the P76 club members coming around the day after my birthday for a chilled out afternoon with a BBQ and birthday cake. Thank you all for the lovely presents. It was good seeing a couple more Ps in our street and of course the neighbours commented on them.

The September monthly meeting was well attended and there were a couple of items of interest. The first one is a new club shirt. We have our design guru (Neville) working on some logos for club shirts so keep tuned and let us know if anyone is interested in purchasing one. Secondly, we have made a date for the Christmas lunch which will be on 22 November at the Big Fish. There will be more information about this in the next magazine so pencil in the date

**Rogo farewells the 'Stinger'** - the 'Stinger' has a new home. Those of you who know this machine can be assured it lives on. Graham Joseph picked up the 'Stinger' from Rogo and will display it at his Yatala yard. This should create a bit of interest for the P76. We have also been discussing getting cards made and having information at Graham's yard of who the committee members are, what the clubs aims are etc for anyone who may be interested in joining the club.

My brother Mike recently met up with Hal Maloney on the Ballarat stage of the Repco Trial 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rerun. Hal was a competitor in his P76 Targa and I was fortunate that both he and Mike sent me some of photos of the car in this event (wish I was there though). Mike said although it was really cold it was worth going to and he enjoyed seeing all the cars.

There has been some debate recently with the magazine as to whether or not it should be emailed to people who have email addresses but are members of the club. I quote my fellow editor Rob of PENZED in his editorial in July "there may be some that think it is wonderful but the majority of people I have ever spoken to say the magazine is the lifeblood of a club and I can't see how that can be contained in a computer. I read the Aussie mags while commuting or as recently while looking after my father and I sure can't see a computer at his house. It is a cost borne by your subscription". What do others think of this?

The Annual drive and jive at the Yatala Drive-In is on Sunday 10 October and gates open at 2.00pm. Entry prices are: Adults \$16 Children under 15 \$8.00 children under 5 free. The proceeds go to the Childhood Cancer Support Group Inc. This is a great day out – you get to see a car park full of wonderful classic cars and a choice of four movies on the huge outdoor screens. There is entertainment, music, stalls and food available as well as judging of the cars. Come along, bring your own food or buy it there. We always have at least a couple of Ps show up and other club members – it's a great afternoon and evening.

Happy motoring and safe driving

#### Quotes

Those who advise us to keep going, seldom tell us where – PK Shaw

Peace of mind is that mental condition in which you have accepted the worst - Lin Yutang



# Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland General Meeting held on Friday 11 September 2009

The meeting was opened by the President at 8.00pm

**Apologies:** Alan, Ricky, Darren

**Treasurers Report:** Warren reported our bank balance is \$2582.65

**Minutes of Previous** 

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

Meeting: Moved Graham seconded Richard

**Business Arising:** Christmas lunch – deferred to General Business

**Incoming Mail:** *Membership renewals received from:* 

Robert Kerr, Peter Muller, Peter Foote, Andrew Gibbon, Geoff Baldwin

Magazines received from:

WA P76 Club – Aug & Sep 2009

Classic P76 Club – Aug

Letter from Sandgate PCYC Car Show 13 September 2009

Shannon's auction news

Letter from Caboolture Community Council

Letter from Austnet Group insurance

Letter from Just Cars for Hire

Letter from local member for Carina

Invitation from Brisbane Southside Morris Minor Club

Letter and photos from Peter in Rocky about his P76 project that is for sale

Email incoming

Request for people looking at getting Rallye model through NSW Club

James is seeking further information for data base with the Dealer information.

Outgoing Mail: Money sent as a deposit for Christmas party at Big Fish Tavern

**Spare Parts:** Water pump for 6 cylinder recon by Peter Rocky for \$100 exchange

NSW club seeking 10 set of top strut bushes and some lower control arms

Graham is ordering strut top bushes

General Business: Carle advised the committee that Ray Barrett passed away during the week and a

gave a summary of his life involved with cars

Discussion on moving Motor Neurone Day to Pelican Park.

Carle reported on Combined Council Meeting.

**Upcoming Outings:** 29 – 30 August - Trip to Watts Bridge Airfield for Festival of Flight

30 August – BBQ lunch at Santa Barbara on the Gold Coast at Richard and Ann's

20 September – All British Day 18 October – All Morris Day

**Meeting closed:** 9.00 pm



October 2009

9 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

10 Sunday Annual drive and jive at the Yatala Drive-In

2.00pm gates open

25 Sunday Club Outing

MNDA Qld – Pelican Park

November 2009

10 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

22 Sunday Club Outing

Christmas Lunch at the Big Fish Caboolture

December 2009

6 Sunday Club Outing

Christmas Lunch

11 Friday Monthly General Meeting

8.00pm at Norman Park Uniting Church, Norman Park

# Swap Meets and Events

#### October 2009

4 **Chrysler Expo**, Mt Gravatt Showgrounds

18 **BMC Leyland Australia Heritage Group Reunion** - Sydney

25 **Morris Minor Day** Ormiston

#### November 2009

14-15 Historic Noosa Hill Climb, Noosa

29 **Tambourine Swap**, Beaudesert Showgrounds

# 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

# Hal's Targa in the Repco Trial 30th Anniversary Rerun



**Near Broken Hill** 



**Near Kingoonya** 



**Ballarat** 



**Ballarat** 

# Ann's 50th birthday BBQ



Rogo is a dab hand at cake cutting and of course eating it as well ...



Sandra, Col and Ricki

# **The Stinger**





Rogo says his own private farewell

Adrian compares it to his own Ps



Loved to have heard the comments from other travellers about the 'Stinger' was as it was on route to its new home



Hi fellow Leyland members,

Only a short talk this month - I am having a few minor dramas with the Marina and, with the budget looking awfully red, I have decided to get the Nomad out again. I will have to work on the Marina some more, maybe this time I will get the twin carbs on it!

After a club invitation I attended the Mini Muster on the 13 September which was fairly well patronised by the Minis. There were a few Morris Minors, a Marina and Neville dropped in with his Nutmeg Targa which created a little bit of variety. I had to go at 9am to pick my son up at Greenbank but I went back straight after.

In October we have an invite from the Morris minor club to attend their annual picnic day at Ormiston on the 18th; the day is a casual non competitive day and best of all free to enter.

Our club run for October is the Motor Neurone Disease event at Clontarf on the 25<sup>th</sup>. You can get further details from Adrian.

On the 22 November we have our Christmas lunch at the Big Fish on the Bruce Highway northbound.

Each month are our club meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month starting at 8pm, so come along and say gidday so we can put names to faces for all members, the more the merrier!

Until next event Carle



# Adrian's Adventures



Hi everyone,

This week has been interesting in a number of areas. Are you only club members?

Well let's start with a motor bike rider who came up to me as I was waiting at the lights in Virginia. He turns to me and asks if I was in the Leyland Club. I said "yes", he then said "are you the only member?". I was a little surprised by the statement, as he then said "haven't seen any other P's on the road", then the 44 gallon drum in the boot. I said in reply "don't forget the bail of hay" The lights changed and off we go. The Bike speed off and I was left behind – just like the car seems to be.

# Lighting up the scene

Friday afternoon I drove into a car park near our mail office to pick up the mail at Carina. Heading back to the car park with the mail, I noticed a chap looking at my car as I had left my lights on. We started talking and I ended up putting on a "this is my car" as I went through the features of the car, its history and the reason you need one. I was even able to get a name "Paul" and as Paul said "he really did not know much about the car". Paul was a middle age Australian, which seemed to be unusual not knowing the history. Anyway he was quite impressed with the car and I feel the car is actually starting to be recognised as "car of desire". The new rego cost in Qld (close to \$1000 for V8) would be the only draw back as Paul was looking at driving the car everyday. Lets hope all the effort of promoting the car means a new member and another car out and about.

#### **Lakeside Missed**

Due to an administrative problem Reg and his support team were unable to go to Lakeside. Reg has been working on some new motor ideas and I am looking forward to seeing them incorporated in the car. Rogo has asked not to forget him as the stickers are ready.



## **Bending the Belt**

The drivers seat belt in my white P76 has been gaffered long enough so I decided to change the belt. The tape was not holding the seat belt together, but was stopping the pin from falling out of the loop (broken plastic cover - not good that the plastics break down) that allows you to adjust the tension on the belt. Anyway this is not what I was worried about but when I fitted another belt with everything set up correctly I notice that the tail of the seat used to tension the belt was twisted. Does this mean the seat belts are repaired or matched?

To check this out I removed another belt from my surplus car, it was fitted. It did the same thing. Tried the passengers side seat and alas the same problem. It must be me as I played with the fittings and could not get it right. Maybe your lap sash seatbelt fits. Please show them to me next time I am talking to you.

#### **Lost Time**

Peter from Rockhampton has been busy working on a number of cars. He has decided to keep the Morris Minors and sell the P76 Deluxe. Peter can be seen driving the yellow V8 Morrie at Sprints etc in SE Queensland. Peter has run out of time, so the P76 has to go. He has spent a lot of loving time plus money on the car. The car still needs to be finished with a paint job. Mechanically it has new suspension with Commodore strut tops. In Peter's words the steering is very light with the manual rack. Peter is asking \$4500. Sounds a lot for a Deluxe 6 three speed but the receipts are there for you to peruse. Check out the car on the web <a href="http://www.leylandp76.com/private/qld/peterrocky.html">http://www.leylandp76.com/private/qld/peterrocky.html</a> or phone work 07 4926 2663 or Home 07 4928 9750.



#### **Need to get Pumped**

If you are chasing water pump repairs then Peter is the man. He built a recon 6 cylinder pump for \$100 with new bearing, seal, bead cleaned and nice grey paint job. If you need one call Peter at Work on 07 4926 2663 or Home 07 4928 9750

# **Stinger at Wreckers**

Poor old Rogo was seen crying as his Stinger was pulled out. It has departed his place heading for a wrecker. Sorry to hear this Rogo.

http://www.leylandp76.com/private/qld/stinger.html

#### Logos and Badges

ABA Racing is heading your way. New logos for the club shirt are being worked out. Neville has been dabbling in Logo designs, looking forward my new shirt for the Heritage luncheon in Oct.

Be off now, nice hearing from you all

Cheers Adrian