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General Information

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: Mt Petrie Primary School
Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road
MACKENZIE, QLD (Entry is via Vivaldi Street)
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

It's the middle of winter and the weather in Queensland is up and down. We have had so much rain that the engineers for the Hinze Dam on the Gold Coast started releasing water this week. This dam has not long had its walls raised substantially to increase the capacity and it is now at 100 per cent. It seems such a waste all that water gushing out to sea but with past events of flooding in Queensland this is one way to reduce the risk. This weekend the weather is just beautiful and it is so nice to sit out in the sun and feel the warmth. I know those people reading this in other states and New Zealand are definitely colder than us but hey, we know 20 degrees is cold in Queensland and that is why we don't live in the below double figures areas.

Remember, our Annual General Meeting is being held at 8.00pm on Friday 10 August. We will have supper after it, so please bring a plate. We do not have heating facilities to warm up food. The Club will supply tea and coffee. Our normal monthly meeting will be held at 7.30pm prior to the AGM.

Subs are due and thank you to those members who have already paid. There will be no further magazines sent out to non financial members so get those subs in to keep getting the up to date information about the Club. Once again this is a reminder to those on Club Registration that if you are unfinancial you cannot take your car on the road as it is deemed to be unregistered and will also affect your insurance cover. A condition of Club Registration is that you must be a paid up financial member of a club.

We had a great day out in the country for our club run to Nobby in June. Only two P76s on route but we know there was a lot on that weekend and club members took advantage of other events happening in their areas. It would be good to have written reports to put in our magazines of events that other club members attend.



Richard and I went to the RACQ Motorfest at Eagle Farm in Brisbane last weekend. We saw Roger and Pat's Metropolitan there but didn't see them. The crowds were huge and I have no idea how many cars presented but there were hundreds. The cars were organised into groups ie vintage, classic, Japanese, British, Australian and American etc. My favourite would have had to be the Austin in this photo. Why this car I hear you ask. Me, who rides a motorbike, drives a ute and a P76 Targa ... well I will tell you. When I got my first job I spent my wages on my first car which was a pale blue Austin A30 aptly named Baby Blue. Purely nostalgia and no, I don't want another one –but hey, most of us love our memories.

There is a choice of two outings for July, one north of Brisbane and one south. Please see the July Outing box in this magazine for details about the Fraser Coast Sprints at Maroochydore and the South Coast Restoration Day at Pimpama. Also on 11 and 12 August is Racing at Willowbank Raceway. A P76 drag car will be racing there.

A change in our calendar is the All British Day which will be held on 23 September, not in July as diarised in previous magazines. My apologies for the mistake.

Happy motoring and safe driving



General Meeting Minutes

**Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland General Meeting
held on Friday 13 July 2012**

The meeting was opened by the President at 8.00pm

Attendance:

Richard and Ann Mallon, Graham and Pat Rogerson, Barbi Packham, Neville Humphries, Carle Gregory, Graham Joseph, Warren Ashworth, Garth Morris, Alan Schutz, Mike McKenzie

Apologies:

Darryl Packham, Adrian Spencer, Ricki Donoghue

Treasurers Report:

Garth Morris presented the treasurer's report with the bank balance as per the current statement. Moved by Garth Morris and seconded by Warren Ashworth that the treasurer's report be accepted. Carried

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the June meeting were accepted as a true and correct record. Moved by Carle Gregory and seconded by Mike McKenzie. Carried

Business Arising:

Container: - Carle presented two quotes for the purchase of a 40ft water tight container:
P & O Shipping \$4,400 including transport
Container Sales \$3180 including transport

It was moved Mike McKenzie and seconded Graham Rogerson that the club purchase a 40ft container from Container Sales at a cost of \$3,180.00. Carried.

Carle is to organise the purchase of the container and liaise with Graham Joseph regarding delivery to Yatala.

James Mentiplay has enquired into wiper conversions. Garth will look into doing these.

A cheque was sent to pay for the purchase of the models.

ACL Gaskets have been paid by EFT for the purchase of 10 sets.

Garth reported that the bank account has been changed to a non fee account. This is still with our same bank.

The control arms problem has not been actioned yet.

Incoming Mail:

Membersip Renewals:

Dave Eadon, Darryl Packham, Robert Kerr, Col Pershouse, John Salkeld, Russell Nicholson, Tex Tomlinson, Walter Keid, Graham Aitken, John Humphries, Neville Humphries, John Wakeman, Warren Ashworth, Garth Morris

Magazines:

Penzed May 2012, Leyland P76 Classic Car Club June 2012

Other

- Rack & Stack Brochure
- Shannons Sydney Auction – 22 July 2012
- Public Liability Insurance \$769.00. Moved Ann Mallon and seconded by Barbi Packham that the Public Liability Insurance be paid. Carried.
- BMC Invoice \$20.00. Moved Graham Rogerson and seconded by Richard Mallon that the BMC invoice be paid. Carried.

- Morris Minor Display day invitation – 21 October 2012

Outgoing mail

Cheque sent for payment of models

Spare Parts Report:

The Club has V8 gaskets kits which are selling for \$230.00 to members.

The South Australia club have some NOS body panels available.

General Business

National Body – There was discussion about the club joining the National Body. We were advised that the National Body has now been formed and all the Australian clubs and also the New Zealand club have joined. It was moved by Neville Humphries and seconded by Garth Morris that the club join the newly formed National body. By a show of hands – 8 for, 2 against – this was carried. Richard Mallon is to email Steve Maher requesting where the National Body is at this stage as we have not heard anything back since the presentation at Easter.

The All British Day – the dates for the All British Day are incorrect in the magazine. This is to be held in September.

RACQ Motorfest – this coming Sunday 15 July. Graham and Pat Rogerson will be their in one of their cars. Next year the club may look at joining the Rogerson's other Club to enter some P76s.

Annual General Meeting – the Club Annual General Meeting will be held on 10 August at 8.00pm. The General Committee meeting will be brought back to 7.30pm. Supper will follow the Annual General Meeting.

BMC Experience magazine number 2 is out. There is an article on 2012 P76 Nationals at Maroochydore written by Neville.

Model Rules of Association – Carle presented discussion on the Model Rules of Association concerning our Club. This will be followed up.

Calendar of Events – there was discussion regarding the calendar of events on the website.

Upcoming Outings

Sunday 29 July – South Coast Restoration Day at Pimpama

Sunday 29 July – Maryborough Sprints

Sunday 26 August – lunch at Richard and Ann Mallon's

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

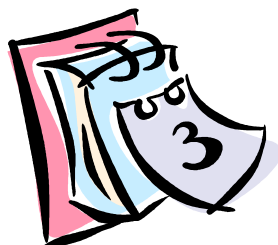
July Outing

Sunday 29 July 2012 – South Coast Restoration Day 31st Annual Vintage and Craft Rally at 193 Rifle Range Rd, Pimpama, 4209, Queensland from 9.00am. Admission: Exhibitors Free, Adults \$10.00, children under 13 free.

Sunday 29 July 2012 – Fraser Coast Sprints at Bruce Highway, Maryborough Showgrounds, Maryborough, Qld 4650. If you want to meet up with any Club members to attend this please contact Neville Humphries.

August Outing

Sunday 26 August 2012 – BBQ lunch at Richard and Ann Mallon, 14 Jingella Street, Hope Island Qld 4212.



2012 Club Events Calendar

July 2012

29 Sunday

South Coast Restoration Day at Pimpama (South of Brisbane)

29 Sunday

Fraser Coast Sprints at Maryborough (North of Brisbane)

August 2012

10 Friday

7.30pm at Mt Petrie School – Monthly Meeting

10 Friday

8.00pm at Mt Petrie School – Annual General Meeting

26 Sunday

Richard & Ann Mallon's home on the Gold Coast

September 2012

14 Friday

8.00pm at Mt Petrie School – monthly meeting

23 Sunday

All British Day

30 Sunday

Run to Maleny

October 2012

12 Friday

8.00pm at Mt Petrie School – monthly meeting

28 Sunday

Kingston Park Raceway - Go Karts

November 2012

9 Friday

8.00pm at Mt Petrie School – monthly meeting

25 Sunday

Christmas lunch – venue to be advised

December 2012

14 Friday

8.00pm at Mt Petrie School – monthly meeting

2012 Queensland Swap Meets and Events

July 2012

27,28,29

Lakeside Classic – Lakeside Park, Lakeside Road, Kurwonghab

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Nambour Swap Meet at Nambour Showgrounds, Nambour. Phone 07 54768388 (6.30-8.30 pm) or Mail: SCACC Box 362 Nambour QLD 4560

August 2012

11 – 12

Willowbank Racing featuring Nostalgia Nitro funny Car Match races. P76 Drag car will be racing.

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Rocklea Swap Meet at Rocklea Showgrounds, Rocklea. Phone Kevin 0412 183 804 or kwat1421@bigpond.net.au

September 2012

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Gympie Swap Meet at Gympie Showgrounds, Exhibition Road, Southside Gympie
Phone Noel: 07 5482 2303 or 0408 708 321 or gympiehistoricaus@spiderweb.com.au

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Beaunesert Swap Meet at Beaunesert Showgrounds, Beaunesert. Phone 0414 066 121 or beaunesertswap@yahoo.com.au

October 2012

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Toowoomba Swap Meet at Souths Football Oval, Baker St, Toowoomba. Phone Jim Dwan 0407 353 959

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Bundaberg Swap Meet at Agro-Trends Grounds, Childers Road, Bundaberg. Phone Trish 0402 066 728 or <http://www.bundyswapmeet.org.au/>

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Morris Minor Day at Ormiston State School

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Mary Valley Swap Meet at Mary Valley Showgrounds, Edward St, Imbul. Phone Viv 07 5484 5335 or Val 07 5484 5298

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Fassifern Car Club Swap Meet at Boonah Showgrounds, Macquarie Street Boonah. Phone Vince 0409 075 919 or vince@vkh50.com.au or Anthony 0429 899 930

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21st Morris Minor Display Day

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Goodna RSL Show'n'Shine (but NO Swap Meet at Evan Marginson Park, Woogaroo St Goodna Phone 07 3288 3916

November 2012

- 5 Hervey Bay HS P&C Swap Meet at Hervey Bay High School Ovals, entry via Old Maryborough Road, Pialba. Phone Kylie 07 4194 3759 (7am-3pm) or Rob 0408 455 447 or pcurr6@eq.edu.au
- 12 Kenilworth Swap Meet at Bellbird Creek Tea House, 3409 Maleny-Kenilworth Road, 4km south of Kenilworth. Phone Pete 07 5446 0211 or pete@bellbirdcreek.com or www.bellbirdcreek.com
- 25 Beaudesert Little Athletics Swap Meet (Formerly Tamborine Swap Meet) at Beaudesert Showgrounds, Beaudesert. Phone 0409 488 912 or 0419 981 940



President's Report

Hi all

The June monthly meeting has come and gone and it was not a very pleasant night to be out and about. However, our regular club members braved the rain and were there. It was rain, rain and more rain. The pathway to the meeting room is a lot better now – there are lights along the walkway which are working well, except they keep shifting the entrance gate on us. Our challenge every meeting is to find the walkway gate in the dark. Overall the new school is looking good.

Next month is our Annual General Meeting. We will be holding the General Monthly Meeting at 7.30pm with the AGM to follow at 8.00pm. This will be followed by supper. If you are attending, please bring a plate – we probably won't have access to heating food so cold platters only please. All committee positions will be vacated after the General Meeting so if you would like to make a name for yourself, get nominated for a position. A nomination form is enclosed with this newsletter.

It is good to see that a few of our keen members are getting their cars out and about. Adrian and Neville's cars were displayed at the Caboolture Show 'n' Shine and Swap Meet on 23 June creating an interest. Early July Adrian, Neville and Rob took their cars to Muscle on the Mountain at Maleny. Reg Jones has been racing his P76 with some club members supporting him and following his progress.

On 24 June we met up with Rogo and Pat and travelled out to Nobby for our June outing. When we arrived there, one side of the street opposite the pub was lined with various models of Volkswagens. They looked spectacular with all different colours sparkling in the sun. We had a great meal at the local pub joined also by Alan and Maryanne. The pub has a great display of memorabilia scattered around on the walls and ceiling. Our Editor has written an article about our day out later in the magazine.

There are two events on our calendar this month. Reg Jones is racing his P76 race car at the Fraser Coast Sprints in Maryborough on 27, 28 and 29 July and some of our members will be there to support him. Come along and add your support to one of our Club members.

The other event is the South Coast Restoration Society Open Day on 29 July. You can display your car for free. This is a good day out where you can see lots of things from a by gone era with a lot of working exhibits.

If we don't catch up before, we will see you at the AGM. Please phone Carle Gregory, the club Secretary, if you need directions on how to access the school as the car park has been temporarily moved.

Richard

Club Members Cars Richard and Ann Mallon



1974 Targa Florio

We moved to Australia in December 2000 and were on the lookout for vehicles. We had sold our P76 we owned in New Zealand before leaving and wanted to replace it with another one. It took a few years as there were other priorities but we finally managed to track down a 1974 Omega Navy Targa Florio just a couple of weeks before the 2006 Australia P76 National Meeting being held on the Gold Coast in Queensland.

With the help of a Garth and Warren we were able to get a roadworthy certificate on the car and get it registered in time to participate in the Nationals. Nothing major to date has been done on the car apart from getting it running smoothly and keeping it in good order. We drove this car to Geelong, Victoria, in 2008 and Newcastle, NSW, in 2010 for the Nationals. It is only used once a month to go on our monthly club run.

1973 Deluxe V8

The 1973 Bitter Apricot V8 Deluxe with black vinyl interior was purchased in 2008 through Ebay after talking with various people who knew the vehicle and its owner. When we flew down to Melbourne and drove another four hours to collect the car we were a little apprehensive as to what it would be like. It was in great condition so we drove it back to Queensland over a couple of days enjoying the trip and the comfort. It travelled well on LPG.

It had only been driven daily by the previous owner, approx 15km to work and back for the past three years. All was well and the car got home without any mishap. It is much cheaper to run being on LPG with petrol backup than the Targa Florio but not as comfortable. It is heavier in the driving with no power steering. We moved this car onto Club Registration this year.

June Run to Nobby by Ann Mallon

Richard and I set off at 8.45am on a sunny but very cold Sunday in June for our monthly club run in the Targa. We stopped and filled with petrol and were pleased that the price per litre had dropped since the previous week. I always take a deep breath as the pumps keep going and going and going when we fill the V8 and know that it will churn out the fuel quicker than our other vehicles. We tried two different air pumps to pump up the tyres but neither were working.

As we headed down Hope Island Road we saw about 15 minis turning from Dreamworld Drive into Hope Island Road and wondered where they would be heading so early in the morning. We passed a VW in really good condition; saw a speed camera on the side of the road and pretty much had the M1 to ourselves. I travel this road each day for work and it is always chocker so it was pleasant setting the cruise control and staying in one lane.

As we approached Ipswich I was worried that we would take a wrong turn to get onto the Warrego Highway due to road works. I did a work trip to Esk late last year and missed the turn off and it took me quite some time and distance to get back there. However, the highway is all but finished and it is well sign posted and very easy to find the Warrego Highway – what a breeze and here I was worrying about nothing. We arrived at Black Soil and Rogo and Pat were there waiting for us as planned in their Targa. The air temp was still cold and I was pleased I threw in a jacket. We had morning tea, chatted and laughed. This was our meeting place to convoy to Nobby and since no one else arrived so we headed off at 10.45am with Rogo taking the lead.

We noticed quite a few Harleys on the road and all were wearing leathers against the cold but the sun was still shining. The more inland we went the cooler it was. We bypassed Toowoomba and drove via Gatton. At one point of the trip, we cruised down a hill and the scenery was spectacular with farms, hills and a small community at the base.

Rogo pulled over just before Hatton Vale to click his bonnet down. Lucky we were in P76s otherwise his bonnet may have flown up and caused a very nasty accident - great safety design on these cars.

Gatton is surrounded by horse farms and stables and we saw an indoor equestrian centre there as well. There were also a lot of fresh fruit and veg stalls out this way but very difficult getting my driver to stop and get some – came home empty handed.

As we cruised past the little villages of Ma Ma Creek and Mt Whitestone the air temperature cooled considerably. Ma Ma Creek consists of a school, cemetery, stone church and café which was all rather cute. Mt Whitestone only has a wooden church and a small school.

We had to stop at traffic lights for road works in the middle of nowhere so waited on the red light to turn green which took ages. Part of the road had slipped down the hill and it was a long way down. It was probably caused by all the rain over the past months. We continued along a narrow winding mountain road for 2 km which was bumpy, had 4 one lane bridges and had no road markings. Was hoping we didn't strike a truck coming the other way but all was okay. Part of the road went through a hill and they had literally cut the road through it. Both sides were straight rock and rose high – quite spectacular. I am not sure that a rock climber could have traversed it.

We also saw a couple having a cuppa in a picnic area and they looked at the twin Targas cruising past. I am sure it is not a common sight out that way at all.

The Darling Downs Zoo is a feature out this way but we didn't stop. There were a lot of vehicles in the car park though. I saw tall cacti trees growing along the side of the road, windmills in paddocks and a lot of very tired run down houses. Maybe this is a sign of the economy.



We arrived in Nobby which is very small and parked outside the pub. Alan and Maryanne were there to meet us. I took a photo of the group but in my excitement at seeing all the VWs parked over the road and getting their photo, I forgot to get one of the two Targas in front of the pub – a real blond moment to say the least.



Inside the pub it was dark but what memorabilia it had. There was quite a story in itself and if ever you head out that way, pop in and read a piece of history.

Our meals were very good but I think Rogo's pork chop topped it off. It looked like it was from a pig the size of a horse and guess what? Rogo just couldn't eat it all. Never thought I would see that day but I did. While Maryanne and Alan had dessert Rogo just couldn't even contemplate it and that is not usual for Rogo – he really does like his dessert after a meal.



After lunch we looked at the old railway station / museum / craft shop and the art gallery where a string band was entertaining some locals. We got the key from the dairy and were able to go into Sister Kenny's House and read all about her life working with people with Polio. An interesting article described how she was welcomed and given the key to a city in the United States but was hardly recognised in her home country Australia. It was an interesting museum dedicated to her life and all the firsts she achieved which are now being used as aids for polio victims.

We returned the key, said our goodbyes and Pat and Rogo headed off home completing a round route. We headed back the same way we came with Alan and Maryanne following us till their turnoff on the Logan Highway. We arrived back at the Gold Coast at 5.30pm. It was a good travelling day, great company as always and the car went like it should with no problems.

RACQ Motorfest – Brisbane 2012



The Obedient Wife

There was a man, who had worked all his life, had saved all of his money, and was a real miser when it came to his money. Just before he died, he said to his wife... 'When I die, I want you to take all my money and put it in the casket with me. I want to take my money to the afterlife with me.' And so he got his wife to promise him, with all of her heart, that when he died, she would put all of the money into the casket with him. Well, he died. He was stretched out in the casket, his wife was sitting there - demurely dressed in black, and her friend was sitting next to her. When they finished the ceremony, and just before the undertakers got ready to close the casket, the wife said, 'wait just a moment!' She had a small metal box with her; she came over with the box and placed it forlornly in the casket. Then the undertakers locked the casket down and they rolled it away. So her friend said, 'girl, I know you were not foolish enough to put all that money in there with your husband.' The loyal wife replied, 'Listen, I'm a Christian; I cannot go back on my word. I promised him that I was going to put that money into the casket with him.' 'You mean to tell me you put all that money in the casket with him?!?!?' 'I got it all together, put it into my account, and wrote him a cheque....If he can cash it, then he can spend it.'

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To the position of

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