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# Targa Florio

## LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB

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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  $2^{nd}$  Friday of each month and Club outings on the last Sunday of each month:

# Meeting Venue:Sporting Shooters Assoc. Australia (Brisbane)Madden Range, 292 Mt Petrie Rd, Belmont Qld 4153Time:8.00pm

2014 Meeting dates: 9 May, 13 June, 11 July, 8 August, 12 September, 10 October, 14 November.

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,

Well, as another month flys by, I hope all you Targa Florio owners are polishing your cars ready for the Targa Florio 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary held at the Hunter Valley NSW. I see Steve Maher has just posted on the "P76 Targa Florio 40th Anniversary" Facebook page. Registrations now at 23. So it looks like being a great weekend.

If that event seems to be coming up fast, it is only 12 months to the P76 Nationals in SA. I'm damned if I know how I am going to get either of my cars into operational condition by then. It might be a good excuse to buy something that works. I won't mention this to Carol....shhhh.

For all you people that aren't on Facebook, you are missing out. In the last couple of months there has been a plethora of information posted about the cars history, the people, racing and restorations. It looks like there will be some very nice cars at the Nationals next year. There are club members out there doing some real nice work to bring these old beasts back to life.

So here is a list of P76 or Leyland related pages on Facebook I am on....

Leyland P76 Enthusiasts Group

Leyland Australia (P76 and Marinas) Forsale and Wanted Area

P76 Technical, Repairs and Restoration Tip Page

The Targa Florio Page

Morris/Leyland Marina cars

There are others. You only need to look.

That's it for now. We hope to see you all on Sunday.

Graham & Carol.



Hi all

The numbers were down at this month's meeting. I think it might have been something to do with the Broncos playing the Titans on the same night; and what a great win for the Gold Coast.

Before the meeting I had met Rogo and Pat at the parts container at Yatala where we fitted another load of parts into it. We still need to do a bit of a tidy up so we can get some more parts in. Rogo has given me a price list which I will leave in the container next time I am back there.

An important event that is coming up is the  $40^{th}$  anniversary of the Targa Florio. This is being organised by the Leyland P76 Owners Club NSW and will be held on 7 – 9 June 2014 at Motto Farm Country Comfort Motel. This is the same venue where the 2010 Nationals were held. Now, these guys put on a great event so get your bookings in. I have registration forms or you can look on the internet and download them.

By the sound of things, no one from our club went to last month's outing at the Drive in Movies at Yatala. Let's get our act together with this month's event. We are meeting at the **Ettamogah Pub at 8.30am on Sunday 27 April** and then we will drive to the Kenilworth Car Show.

On Sunday 25 May our outing will be to Lakeside Park. Put these dates in your diary now.

The Plum Loco on ebay has sold to an interstate buyer which means another P76 lost from Queensland.

That's my lot so see you at the Ettamogah Pub on the last Sunday of April.

**Regards Richard** 

## **CLUB OUTINGS**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April Sunshine Coast to Kenilworth. Meeting @ Ettamogah Pub 8.30 – 9.00. Bar-Be-Que @ Reg Jones afterwards..

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May Lakeside Park – Chrome Bumper Show & Happy Laps \$10 gate entry and \$10 for Laps. Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Qld General meeting held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2014. The meeting was opened by the President at 8.05pm.

Attendance: Richard and Ann Mallon, Keith and Perdita Nicholson, Adrian Spencer, Neville Humphries, David Garlick, David Muirhead, Graham and Pat Rogerson

Apologies: Graham and Carol Dollisson, Alan Schultz, Bob and Truce Perry

Treasures Report: No treasurers report this month.

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the March meeting read by the President and were accepted. Moved by David Garlick and seconded by Adrian Spencer. Carried.

#### **Incoming Mail:**

- NSW Magazine for March 2014
- Honey Lawyers from Gold Coast
- Caboolture Regional Car Club Swap meet 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014
- Registration forms from NSW club for 40<sup>th</sup> Targa Florio anniversary
- Brisbane Vintage Auto Club 2014 RACQ SQHMC Rally 7<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014

#### Incoming Emails: No emails

#### **Spare Parts Report:**

Slow month. Some parts taken to container. Looking at ordering top strut bushes. Sold a few parts to Qld members. Congratulations he only spoke for 5 minutes

#### Membership Renewal : Dixie Lee

#### **General Business:**

- P76 Plum Loco that was advertised on e-bay has now been sold.
- Museum at Harvey Bay looking to purchase P76.
- As AGM will be held in July 2014 due to renewal of club policies. Can all members please think about nominations.
- Renew membership of BMC Leyland still to be paid

#### **Upcoming Outings**

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Next Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

### And Now For Something Completely Different.....

## Punography

I tried to catch some Fog. I mist.

- When chemists die, they barium.
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- A soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
- I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop anytime.
- How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Than it dawned on me.
- This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it down.
- I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type O.

A dyslexic man walks into a bra.

PMS jokes aren't funny. Period.

- Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
- Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there's no pop quiz.
- Energizer Bunny arrested: Charged with battery.
- I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- How do you make holy water? Boil the • hell out of it!
- What do you call a dinosaur with a extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
- What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds.
- I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me!

Broken pencils are pointless.



RANDOM MARINA PICTURE.....

# **P76 Vs. BIG 3 OK YOU GUYS,** TRY TO MATCH THIS.

A lot of words are written about cars. But we believe actions speak louder.

As the headline suggests, this advertisement is really a challenge: a challenge to the Big 3.

All they have to do is put their cars where their words are. And where P76 has been We wish them luck.

#### CHAPTER ONE.

In May this year the P76 survived rallying hell in the 17000 km World Cup Rally. It was called the world's

toughest-ever automotive event. In 21 days the cars passed through 14 countries, spanned three continents — and made a double crossing of the Sahara Desert.

P76 didn't exactly wheeze across the finish line. On the way to Munich it von several special stages. And the Targa Florio Trophy for the best performance on the Targa Florio race track in Sicily. And at the finish, the RAC scrutineer told Evan Green and John

Bryson their P76 had finished "in the best condition of them all".

Considering the P76 was running standard specification engine, brakes and suspension, it was a superb compliment to the car's strength and design. But that's only half the story.

#### CHAPTER TWO.

You may say the RAC scrutineer's

words don't mean much without proof. Recently, Evan Green and John Bryson drove their P76 into Sydney after thundering across the Nullarbor from

Perth to Sydney in just 40 hours. They had just completed the final leg of an incredible 14,500 km marathon dash from London to Sydney - using the



same P76 they had pounded over the World Cup Rally course From London they had cut through Europe and Asia to Bombay — 11,088 km — in just 5 days, 22 hours and 49 minutes. By comparison the scheduled time for the same journey during the 1968 London to Sydney Marathon Rally was 6 days, 21 hours and 5 minutes. 5 minutes.

And although posting 145 km/h (90 m.p.h.) plus averages on some European sections, the all-aluminium V8 returned 27.3 km/g. (17 m.p.g.).

The only maintenance carried out on the P76 before leaving London — its last service had been in the Rally — was to change the tyres and a rubber engine mount. It wasn't even given an oil change.

#### SORRY FELLAS. BUT THAT'S STILL NOT ALL.

The P76 had been in London since the World Cup. But it hadn't been idle. While there, it was road tested twice. One of the testers was the

magazine Autocar. And they

didn't just drive it round the block.

Autocar took the P76 over an Army tank testing course at Chobham. That's where — apart from the Army testing its tanks — Ford, Vauxhall and Leyland take their works rally cars. To see if they break. The P76 didn't. In fact,

driven by John Bryson it came within a few seconds of breaking the course record. And that's on a course

where one day's driving is regarded as the equivalent of 1,600 km of hard rally driving.

#### QUOTES OF THE WEEK.

The drivers had their say: John Bryson: "The best big car I've ever driven. It proved its strength and ability in the toughest conditions against works Porsche, Lancia and Peugeot in the rally. Not once, but consistently. "And even after another 14,500

km pounding, it's still going strong." Evan Green: "I think in

completing this drive, the P76 gave a convincing demonstration of reliability. "I don't think I've ever driven a car that has done so much and so well. And it

still gives an impression of absolute indestructibility."

#### OK, YOU GUYS, TRY TO MATCH US.

The P76 was the only Australian car to enter the World Cup Rally. And it has proved that performance wasn't a fluke by completing its own London to Sydney marathon. That's the challenge the Big 3

have to meet if they want to match P76. But they needn't worry if they don't feel like taking it on. We'll understand.





#### LEYLAND P76 OWNERS CLUB NSW IS CELEBRATING

THE 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEYLAND P76 TARGA FLORIO WHY NOT JOIN US - AND BRING YOUR P76 or OTHER VEHICLE TOO!!!!

### REGISTRATION FORM

Date: 7/8/9 JUNE 2014

**VENUE:** 

Motto Farm Country Comfort Motel (same venue as 2010 Nationals) 2285 Pacific Highway, Heatherbrae NSW 2324

**REGISTRATION:** \$80 Adults \$60 Children (12 and under) This includes a BBQ Dinner (for those arriving on Friday Night), Dinner on Saturday Night at Motto Farm and BBO at Noel Delforce's home on Sunday Afternoon. All other activities are at your cost.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Please book your own Accommodation at Motto Farm Country Comfort Motel - mention Leyland P76 Targa Florio weekend. Book early to avoid disappointment. **Johanna Troop** is the Conference & Events Manager – 3-11pm Mon-Thurs and Midday-10pm Sundays. Phone: 02 4987 1211 - Fax 02 4987 1214 Email: conference@newcastleairporthotel.com.au

ITINERARY:	<u>Friday</u>
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From 6pm NSW Owners Club have organised a Complimentary Welcome Barbecue at Motto Farm Country Comfort Motel Saturday 10am - Fighter World with Lunch at Café Fighter World. Afternoon Options – Go Karts, Australian Shark & Ray Centre (both at Bob's Farm) Tanilba Bay Tea Rooms - times for these events are flexible. 4.30pm - Swap Meet and Merchandise on Sale at Motto Farm Motel. 6.30pm - Dinner at Motto Farm Motel – 70's Dress & Music Theme. Sunday 10am-Midday – Run to Peppertree Winery for Show and Shine; bring/buy your own lunch. 3pm - Drive to Leonne and Noel Delforce's place for BBQ and Trophy Presentation. Evening – Tenpin Bowling at Rutherford. Monday – Visit to Maitland Gaol. Steve Maher – steve@graffitigo.com.au or 0417 435 830 OR

Contact Us: Kay De Luca - tonkay@optusnet.com.au or 0410 688 886

### **REGISTRATION FORM**

<u>RSVP by 9<sup>th</sup> May 2014</u>. Please let us know who will be attending in your family/party

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Contact Details:	Phone:	Email:	
Cheques/Money OR:	Orders payable to: Leyla	and P76 Owners Club NSW In	c., PO Box 1110 Baulkham Hills 1755
<u>Eftpos to</u> :	Commonwealth Bank BSB 062 336	Account Name: Leyland P76 Account Number 1017 1082	Owners Club Inc.
Amount Paid:	\$	\$80 Adults	\$60 Children (12 and under)

## For our Organisational Purposes please let us know which events you and your family/group is interested in attending:

Event Item	No. of People Attending
Friday Night – Owners Club Welcome Barbecue at Motto Farm – included in Registration Fee but BYO alcohol.	
Saturday Morning – Fighter World (own cost) Adults \$12; Children \$10	
Saturday – Lunch at Café Fighter World (own cost)	
Saturday Afternoon – Option 1 - Go Karts (own cost) Licence Fee \$5 Kart Hire \$25/10 mins, \$45/2 x 10 mins, \$60/3 x 10 mins.	
Saturday Afternoon – Option 2 - Australian Shark & Ray Centre (own cost) Adults \$29.50; Children \$19.50; Concession \$24 – possibility of Group Tour Reduction if numbers sufficient.	
Saturday Afternoon – Option 3 – Historic Tanilba House (own cost) Entry including Tea or Coffee \$12 or Entry & full Devonshire Tea \$15, Children \$2, Family (4) \$23.00	
Saturday Night – Dinner at Motto Farm – included in Registration Fee. Bar facilities available.	
Sunday Morning – Run to Peppertree Winery with Show & Shine <u>Bring</u> or <u>buy</u> your own lunch – please indicate your choice so Peppertree can cater.	
Sunday Afternoon – Barbecue at Leonne & Noel Delforce's place – included but BYO alcohol.	
Sunday Evening – Tenpin Bowling at Rutherford (own cost)	
Monday Morning – Visit to Maitland Gaol (own cost) Adults \$17, Children/Concession \$14 – possibility of Group Tour reduction if numbers sufficient.	