



**JUNE 2018**

## **Upcoming Club Events**

### **Mid-Week Run Tuesday 4th July**

The July Mid-Week event will be a run down the Numbinbah Valley with a stop for **BYO** morning tea then on to Tyalgum for lunch at Flutterbies. For more information contact Dave Willmott on 55932524.

Date: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Meet at: Arthur Earle Park Nerang

Time: Meet at 9.00am for a 9.30am Departure

### **Christmas in July Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

This year the annual Christmas in July will be held at O'Reilly's Vineyard after a short drive through the Hinterland. The cost will be \$40 pp payable at June meeting. (See page 6 for details).

For more information please contact Arthur Kontalis on 0418 467023

Date: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Meet at: Arthur Earle Park Nerang

Time: Meet at 9.30am for a 10.00am Departure

### **Mid-Week Run Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

The August mid-week event will be a breakfast at Edgewater Restaurant, Capri on Via Roma, Isle of Capri.

Meet at the venue at 9.00am (See page 6 for details).

For more information contact Tom Ross on 55621260 or 0419751823.



**Lunch at St Bernards Hotel Tamborine**

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at the Hinterland Hotel, 53 Station Street Nerang starting at 7.00pm. All members and Guests are welcome.







## David Hughes Report on the 2018 National Rally



The Australian National Jaguar Rally was held in South Australia this year. The theme of the Rally is the celebration of 70 years of the XK 120 and the XK engine. Being an ardent XK enthusiast and owner of an XK 120 FHC and XK 150 OTS we had decided very early that we would attend. Unfortunately, the 120 was unable to make the trip, however the 150 (I thought) was more than ready to undertake the more than 4,000 kilometre (2,500 mile) round trip.

The first day was perfect driving weather, however the temperature progressively rose over the following couple of days and reached a very uncomfortable 40C OUTSIDE the car. Fortunately we had the hood up on the car to protect us from the sun (and also to allow space for luggage!), but the heat in the car was torrid. The engine temperature rose into the 90's however the car continued to run perfectly.

After three days we arrived in Tanunda, where the first part of the Rally was to be held. The weather was still very hot while we visited the Jaguar collection of Carl Lindner a well known (but unfortunately recently deceased) vintner and collector. His collection included most XK models along with numerous E Types and excellent reproductions of C Type, D Type and XKSS.

The following day was the major display day of the event with nearly 200 Jaguars on display, including 37 XK's, the majority of which were 120 OTS. The fewest being 150 OTS, our own and one from Western Australia. The day was marred by a dramatic change in the weather, two days before we had 40C as mentioned, the display day did not rise above 18C with constant showers. There were visits to wineries and many other social events culminating in a Presentation Dinner (albeit there was no Concours this year!).

The Rally then moved from the Barossa Valley to Victor Harbour on the coast south of Adelaide for some, via the racing circuit at Tailem Bend on the Murray River; for others a meander through the pretty villages of the Barossa such as Hahndorf. Our new headquarters was the McCracken Country Club, overlooking a rather dry but scenic golf course. It was here that the 150 decided to disgrace herself by depositing all the clutch fluid in the car park (fortunate that it was here and not in the middle of nowhere!), the slave cylinder having had enough of the changeable weather conditions, or whatever. A re-sleeve was carried out in Adelaide and we were back on the road in 48 hours.

The following day had us displaying our cars in the park in the centre of Victor Harbour, where additional XK's arrived along with an original SS 100 in beautiful condition. Julian Lugg (the SA Club President) mentioned to me that in all nearly 50 XK's participated in various stages of the Rally. With the cars resplendent in the park, we were then treated to a ride on what is known as "The Cockle Train", a wonderful steam train which runs between Victor Harbour and the historic seaside village of Goolwa where we had an excellent lunch.

An excellent farewell dinner concluded what was an outstanding National Rally. The format was different, being held in two separate locations and the activities arranged for participants were diverse and catered for pretty much everyone's whims. Now for the return journey.

Having said our farewells to many old and some new friends we departed, somewhat nervously on the return journey, given the problem that had occurred with the clutch. We travelled home on virtually the same route (being the most direct) that we had taken to come down to South Australia, much of it in severe drought and rather repetitious scenery. We need not have been concerned about the car because she again ran beautifully. In all we covered some 4,350 kilometres (2,700 miles) with fuel economy of exactly 10litres per 100 kilometres or 28 mpg. For the technically minded, the Tremec T5 gearbox is ideally suited to this type of motoring!

**David Hughes**

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**JAGUAR DRIVERS' CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC. GOLD COAST REGISTER**  
**HELD AT HINTERLAND HOTEL NERANG QLD. – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

The meeting was presided over by Ray Howlett, Chairman; Lyn Evers, Treasurer; and Arthur Kontalis, stand-in Secretary. The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.03 and greeted all members and guests and in particular: Ray Hodges from Brisbane, Warren and Helen Baker, and Adrian Wright.

**Apologies:**

Ruth Willmott, Caroline Coulston, Joan Gracie, May Gaudion, Denise Hutchison, Dick and Lorraine Kennedy, Stuart Dawson, Jayne Mikkelsen. (Subsequently, Roger and Margaret Gibson made their apologies for the balance of the year as they are off on an extended stay to Canada).

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Taken as read. There was no business arising from the Minutes.

*Proposed by Irene Ross; Seconded by Marilyn Porter.*

**Treasurer's Report:**

Business a/c accrued \$1,559.36.

Web a/c accrued \$10.58 interest for a balance of \$9,915.67.

Total for both accounts \$11,475.03.

*Proposed by Junita Kup-Ferroth; Seconded by Christine Miers.*

**Correspondence:**

In: Receipt of Queensland Jaguar magazine May-June issue x 2 copies.

Out: nil.

**Cars & Parts.**

(i) 1973 Series 1 Jaguar XJ6, 96,000 Km, \$50K spent inc. bare metal respray; Price \$25,000

(ii) S-class Jaguar (Peter Davidson);

(iii) Number plate covers for Mk.2 (Ron Gaudion).

**Library.**

Ray Hodges reports on new books available for loan:

(i) Factory book Mk.1 & 2;

(ii) E-type Original 6 Cylinder Guide;

(iii) Book on Daimler family 100 years of Mercedes cars.

Ray also spoke on expressions of interest in proposal to change future car shows to have a category of "pride and joy" display to attract more (regular, not Concour) people.

**Past Events:**

David Willmott reports:

The midweek picnic run to Maroon Dam (pronounced marone) involved 3 cars and 8 attendees, welcomed by female naturists, great weather and the appearance of a 4th Jaguar which failed to have any interest in joining.

The Mother's Day Sunday lunch run to Cedar Lakes Resort was well organised by Ron Gaudion, the D-type of the Mikkelsens' appeared and was greatly admired by all as well as its sound. Red-stem Roses were also provided by Ron which was greatly appreciated.

Peter Davidson reports:

He attended the Maclean Bridge at Belmont which was well attended and with Jaguar being the biggest contributor of cars.

**Future Events:**

Robin Kup-Ferroth reports:

(i) His Sunday tour on the 10th June will include a 2.5 hr journey to the Hinterland, morning tea at Saltwater Park, then onto the Tallai Country Club for lunch (payable by choice). Meet at Arthur Earle Park at 9am for 9.30am departure.

Arthur Kontalis reports:

(ii) His Tuesday tour on the 5th June is to meet at the St Bernard's Hotel on Mt Tamborine at 12 noon for lunch thereafter (payable by choice).

(iii) His Sunday tour on the 15th July is the annual Christmas in July, a lunch now being held every 4 years at O'Reilly's Vineyards. It has been decided to include a morning tea at Bochow Park as part of the picturesque drive down the Numinbah Valley. Meet at Arthur Earle Park at 9.30am for 10am departure. Cost is \$40.00 subsidised by the Club, payment at next meeting please.

Tom Ross reports:

(iv) His Wednesday tour on the 1st August is to meet at the Edgewater Cafe at Isle of Capri at 9am for breakfast (payable by choice), parking for all weather available.

Ray Howlett reports:

(v) His Chairman's Weekend tour runs for two nights from Friday 31st August to Sunday 2nd September and will include a stay at the Comfort Inn Toowoomba, nearby meals and organised historic tours, which will not require the use of one's car for the duration. The weekend will include a Friday drive to Toowoomba, two nights accommodation, historic tour of homes and places on Saturday and a visit to a train museum. Limit numbers to 23, cost \$530/double or \$370/single.

It was noted at the meeting it was well over-subscribed already and that efforts will be made to extend the numbers if possible.

### General Business:

Peter Davidson reports:

He was advised that a private car museum is on offer to car clubs to arrange a visit. There are some 20-30 vehicles on display and other artefacts as well as a doll collection put together by his late wife. Anyone interested in arranging can obtain details from him.

Ray Howlett reports:

He announced that the recently opened Bruce Lynton Land/Range Rover and Jaguar has been sold to Sydney car identity Mr Nick Politis (City Ford).

### Lucky Door Prize:

David Willmott presented the drawing of the prizes, to wit:

1.. Helen Baker - wine; 2.. Wes Evers - wine; 3.. Ron Brazier - wine;

### Supper:

Ray Howlett makes a special thank you for tsupper provided by Marilyn Porter, Di Cooper and Chris Miers. Meeting closes at 8.05pm.

Arthur Kontalis  
Stand-in Secretary.

## Gold Coast Register - Calendar of Events 2018

Month	Date	Event
June	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
July	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Lunch Run
	Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas in July Lunch
	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
August	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup>	Breakfast Run Only**
	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
	Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> – Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	Chairman's Weekend Away (Two Nights Away)
September	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Tea Run Only**
	Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Spring Affair
	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
October	Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mid-Week Lunch Run
	Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Luncheon Run
	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
November	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Tea Run Only**
	Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Luncheon Run
	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting & Annual General Meeting
December	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup>	Mid-Week Run - 5 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
	Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Luncheon

**\*\* Events marked are short run events – members meet at venue.**

## Christmas in July on 15<sup>th</sup> July to O'Reilly's Vineyard



This year the Christmas in July luncheon will be held at O'Reilly's Vineyard in Canungra. For those who would like to include a tour before lunch we will travel via the Numinbah Valley to Bochow Park for a BYO morning tea. We will then continue on to the restaurant for lunch. Come along and enjoy the atmosphere at this very pleasant location. The cost is \$40 pp to be paid at the June meeting.

For more information please contact Arthur Kontalis on 0418 467023.

PLEASE ADVISE ARTHUR IF YOU INTEND TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE RESTAURANT.  
Meet at Arthur Earle Park Nerang at 9.30am for a 10.00am Departure. Lunch at 12.00pm.

## Breakfast on the Isle of Capri

The Mid-Week event for August will be a breakfast at the  
'EDGEWATER DINING RESTAURANT', CAPRI ON VIA ROMA, ISLE OF CAPRI

Come and enjoy a delicious Brekkie with your club friends

BREKKIE a la carte

Date: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August Time: Meet at 9.00am

Plenty of free parking, also underground parking. There are lots of lovely shops with an  
'Italian Theme', food, deli, fruits, boutiques and many more.

Please phone for more information Irene or Tom Ross on 55621260 or 0419751823.

RSVP BY 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018

**Thank You:** To Arthur Kontalis for some of the photos in this edition of Torque

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Note: Secretary Position - Debbie Duncan will share the role with Arthur Kontalis.

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**Note**

**As a courtesy, members are requested to advise the organiser of an event ASAP if:**

- 1. They are planning to attend an event but have not provided previous notice of this; or**
- 2. They are not able to attend the event when previously advised they will be attending.**

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Lunch Run to Tallai Golf Club