



**SEPTEMBER 2018**

## **Upcoming Club Events**

### **Mid-Week Lunch - Wednesday 3rd October**

**(Note: Change from Planned Date).**

The October mid-week event will be a lunch in the Beechmont or Hinze Dam area. Members are to make their way directly to the venue. Full details will be provided at the September meeting. Please contact Arthur Kontalis for information on 0418 467023 if not attending the meeting.

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Meet at the venue at 12.00pm

### **October Luncheon Run 14<sup>th</sup> October**

The October Sunday event will be a run through the Currumbin Valley, Murwillumbah and the Tweed Valley for lunch at the Moo Moo Roadhouse. We will have a BYO morning tea at Schuster Park before we leave due to NSW daylight saving. Please bring chairs for morning tea.

For more information please contact Jane Mikkelsen on 5593 9568.

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> October

Meet at: Schuster Park, Heather St. Tallebudgera

Time: Meet at 8.30am to leave at 9.30am (Qld. Time).

Lunch at 12.00pm (NSW Time)



**Members at the Downs Steam Museum in Toowoomba**

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the Hinterland Hotel, 53 Station Street Nerang starting at 7.00pm. All members and Guests are welcome.





Chairman's Weekend Away





## CHAIRMAN'S WEEKEND AWAY

By RKF



This year the Chairman's Weekend Away was a trip to Toowoomba. The morning turned out fine and sunny and Tour Director Ray had us all organised at Arthur Earle Park early, except for one couple that will remain nameless who just made the cut-off time. Unfortunately Gwen Howlett, who had put so much into planning the weekend was not able to join us due to an unexpected visit to the hospital after a fall. There was a good selection of Jaguar models plus some ring-in vehicles. Twelve cars left the park and headed through Nerang and on to Beaudesert where we had a short comfort stop. We then headed off towards Boonah before taking a right towards Ipswich. We had a lovely country drive before arriving at the Peaks Crossing pub for a delightful Devonshire Tea of fresh scones. At Peaks Crossing we were joined by the Wes and Lyn Evers and Tony Curtis who had come down from Brisbane. Leaving Peaks Crossing the route we followed took us along the Cunningham Highway for a short distance before branching off past Amberley Airbase through Walloon and Haigslea to the Warrego Highway. After getting on the highway it was then steady cruising to Toowoomba. We all became separated but the traffic was fairly light and we enjoyed the run west and up the range to the city.

We arrived at the Park Motel in Maraget Street around noon and were joined by Ken and Lorraine Laws who had driven up separately. After a short while we walked down to the nearby Café Valetta Restaurant for lunch, the setting being a converted stylish old house with stained glass windows, chandeliers and pressed steel ornate ceilings. It offered a good range of food and the service was excellent and we had an enjoyable hour relaxing after our drive. Following lunch we all settled into our rooms for a rest before a pre-dinner get-together. Congregating at the room of Debbie and Steve Duncan around five we enjoyed drinks and snacks brought by members. As more and more members joined the group the room became extremely crowded and the noise level started to rise to a cacophony level. Luckily our club took up a large number of the motel rooms so we probably did not disturb too many people. Then it was time to dress for dinner which was at the motel restaurant. Again a most agreeable repast was provided and much fun was had by all. A bus tour of the city was planned for Saturday, split into a morning and afternoon session. A City Loop bus driven by Lindsay Booth picked up the first group after breakfast and we received a comprehensive guided tour not only of the city precincts but also out to where the new Toowoomba by-pass freeway was under construction, and the surrounding districts. In the afternoon the remaining members were given the same tour. Lunch was at the Park House Café, again very close to the motel. We all came together for dinner, again at the motel restaurant, only this time the room was tastefully set up for the night with illuminated table decorations, place cards and small gifts for the ladies. Joining us were members from the Darling Downs Register – June and Terry Whitehouse and Marie Buller. The evening started off with the awarding of lucky door prizes and there was some discussion over the number of ticket given out and also swapping of prizes between members. The evening progressed with a tasty meal before the real fireworks began. We were all handed out a general knowledge quiz, with Ray Howlett the quizmaster. A number of disputes however arose when it came to the answers with Ray having to state the age old saying that “no correspondence will be entered into it” to quieten down the trouble makers! We then finished off the evening with dessert.

Sunday morning we congregated early for our trip to the Downs Steam Museum for breakfast and a tour of the exhibits. Terry and June Whitehouse had volunteered to lead us to the museum and we were also joined by Faye and David Trott and Marie Buller from the local Register. The museum organisers put on a wonderful breakfast with tables set up along the station platform. They were completely organised with a kitchen established in one of the old carriages as well as a bain-marie and coffee/tea making facilities set up on the platform. A good choice of breakfast food was provided followed by muffins. Following breakfast our tour guide Peter Eldridge led us through the different railway cars which had been in the main restored to their original condition. A highlight was a carriage that had been painted by the talented indigenous artist Domi in 19 weeks to commemorate the contribution of indigenous workers in building the railway up the range. The painting covered the whole inside of the carriage from floor to ceiling and was set out to show a spiritual journey from dawn to dusk. Peter gave us detail of the artist background and his skill in producing this beautiful artwork without sketches. We then moved to the workshop where we were able to climb aboard a 1930s rail motor that had been brought back from the scrap heap to as-new condition. It had been beautifully restored by a team of volunteers. We were also able to view a steam locomotive that was being restored. It was then time to say our goodbyes and what had been a fabulous weekend.

Thanks go to Ray and Gwen Howlett for organising it and to Marilyn Porter, Chris Miers and Joan Gracie for helping out and setting up the tables for our Saturday night dinner.

**MONTHLY MEETING**  
**JAGUAR DRIVERS' CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC. GOLD COAST REGISTER**  
**HELD AT HINTERLAND HOTEL NERANG QLD. – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

The meeting was opened at 7.00pm by the Chairman, Ray Howlett, who warmly welcomed all members.

**Apologies:**

Debbie Duncan, Caroline Coulston, Dick & Lorraine Kennedy, Bryan & Helen White, Gwen Howlett, Kevin Grey, Joan Gracie, Sandy Smith, Glynn Jones, Ruth Willmott and Dale Dimmack.

Opening remarks were made by the Chairman regarding the recent and sad passing of Bryan and Helen White's daughter in the United States after a short illness, and to organise the sending of flowers.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

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

***Approved by Marilyn Porter; Seconded by Chris Miers.***

**Treasurer's Report:**

There is a Web a/c balance of \$9,948.18 and interest of \$10.97.

The Business a/c has \$9,282.69 and interest of \$0.28.

Total for both accounts \$19,230.87.

Noted: Currently substantial due to receipt of payments for upcoming "Chairman's Weekend".

**Correspondence:**

**In:** (i) Receipt of Queensland Jaguar magazine issue x 2 copies;  
(ii) Email from Membership re details for accommodation for next "National Rally".

**Out:** nil.

**Cars & Parts.**

Ron Gaudion report: Nil

**Past Events:**

Steve Duncan reports:

On mid-week breakfast held at the Isle of Capri's "Edgewater Restaurant" with thanks to its organisation by Tom & Irene Ross and which was enjoyed by all, nice shops, atmosphere, food, nice gathering and outlook.

**Future Events:**

Lyn Evers reports:

The "Spring Affair" date is now changed to Sunday 16th September at the "Cedar Creek Winery" at Mount Tamborine. Those attending to make their food selections at the meeting. There is no tour but rather a meeting at the Winery at 11.30am for 12.00 noon lunch.

Jayne Mikkelsen reports:

The Sunday tour on 14 October is to the "Moomoo Cafe" at Mooball. Dressing is optional (ie black and/or white). Will meet at 8.30am (Qld) at Schuster Park for morning tea and departing at 9.30am to meet at the Cafe at 12.00 noon for lunch (NSW daylight saving time).

David Willmott reports:

The midweek run on 5th September will be a morning tea at the "Cafe 2", 25 Rose Valley Drive Coomera. Those attending to meet at the venue at 10.00am.

Arthur Kontalis reports:

The midweek run on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> is now changed to Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Details yet to be confirmed at the next meeting but is likely to be a lunch meeting at a venue in the Beechmont area.

Ray Howlett reports:

On the upcoming "Chairman's Weekend" to Toowoomba. Meeting at 8.30am for a strict departure at 9.00am. A detailed recital of the various destinations and activities that are to be undertaken over the three-day event were explained and sounded very positive.

### **Library.**

Ray Hodges from Brisbane reports:

- (i) There is a new book on the history of "Daimler";
- (ii) There is a new book on "XJ6 restoration";
- (iii) He spoke on the release of the new electric Jaguar i-Pace and its various technical aspects
- (iv) Meetings between office bearers and the committee utilise Skype on their computers and Ray invited those interested to join the discussions using the new communication method;
- (v) Update on the "Display Day" including sponsorship by "Springwood Jaguar";
- (vi) He is trying to get an XJ Series.I for the Display Day as well as further attendees in the "Pride & Joy" category. They have 8 cars booked in at present;
- (vii) He requested our patron Ron Gaudion be available to give a speech on the day– planned for around 10.00am in the JDCQ marquee;
- (viii) Seeking new members by inviting more people to attend functions;
- (ix) Seeking more Parking Marshals for the Display Day

### **General Business:**

Arthur Kontalis reported:

On recent attendance at Mudgeeraba Car Show (cars), Canungra Show (horses), and upcoming Sanctuary Cove Car Festival on Sunday 30th September where parking will be difficult;

John Porter reported: On a three day "Sports Day" event planned at Lakelands for new Jaguar owners. Cost of \$495 for others interested.

### **Lucky Door Prize:**

David Willmott presented the drawing of the prizes, being two wines and a key ring donated by Dale Dimmack, to wit:

- 1.. Marilyn Porter - wine;
- 2.. Ron Gaudion - wine;
- 3.. Denise Hutchison re-drawn to Robin Kup-Ferroth - key-ring.

### **Supper:**

Ray Howlett makes a special thank you for the supper provided by Marilyn Porter, Lloy Bayliss and Chris Meyers.

Meeting closes at 8.12pm.

### **Arthur Kontalis**

Acting Secretary

### **2018 Gold Coast Committee**

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



## WEDNESDAY BRUNCH AT CAFÉ 2 UPPER COOMERA



### Gold Coast Register - Calendar of Events 2018

Month	Date	Event
September	Sun 23rd	JDCQ State Display Day
	Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Monthly Meeting
October	<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	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.

**Thank You**

To Debbie Duncan for some of the photos of the Weekend Away Tour in the magazine.

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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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Chairman's Weekend Away to Toowoomba