

GOLD COAST JAGUAR
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May 2013



Upcoming Club Events

From Mt Tamborine to the Cane Fields

The next event organised will be a run up to Mt. Tamborine for morning tea followed by a drive down to the northern cane fields for lunch.

Date: Sunday 16th June

Where: Mt Tamborine to the cane fields on the northern Gold Coast.

Meet at: Arthur Earle Park, Nerang at 8.45am for 9.00am Departure.

Cost: \$23.00 per head for lunch consisting of a choice of mains and sweets.

Bring your own morning tea. Info contact Ian Ritchie on 55298928.

Payment please at the May meeting.

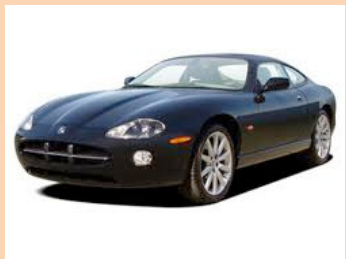
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MacLeans Bridge Displays From the Past

From the Chairman

I am pleased to be able to say that I am now almost recovered from pneumonia and failing kidneys which set me back quite a bit during most of April. Still need to catch up on what has been happening while I have been away and off the scene.

We have Maclean's Bridge at Lakeside coming on the 19th of this month; in fact it will have been done and enjoyed by the time you read this. Some of the Ladies are disturbed by the fact that we do not have a Mothers' Day run the week before. The fact that the Car event is a week later to leave Mothers' Day free was because a lot felt that the Day was a family day and many would want to share it with their children.

Ian and Fran Ritchie have their June Jaunt all planned out with a lunch at Jacob's Well. Good to see the old pub being used again. There have been many happy gatherings there over the years. Derek McConnell has his Spring Affair coming together later in the season and Arthur Kontalis has the Christmas in July set up also.

Lorraine and I had planned out the chairman's Weekend Away, made bookings and obtained quotes and had arrived at the time to be paying deposits. After reading out the proposed layout of the weekend and the cost, I asked for a show of hands as to who would be likely to come. Five brave souls indicated their desire to be in it. This is nowhere near enough to go ahead and confirm the bookings. This and complaints afterwards that they had been to some of the places before and there was nothing for the women to do decided me to can the weekend. We shall find something else to do on the Sunday but it will not be an expensive Weekend Away.

Allan Hilless, JDCQ president paid us a visit and outlined the reasons for the fee increases and the problems he has in trying to come to grips with the finances of the JDCQ with magazine costs mainly. We now have the option of taking the Jaguar Magazine or not and paying a smaller subscription, albeit an increased one. We need to explore the opportunity to put a motion before the next AGM of JDCQ to alter the constitution to increase the rate at which the returns to our Register are calculated. An increase from 12.5% to 25% would be step in the right and help our balances to stay above water? It was good that he came when he did as it aired many matters of concern.

John Hornabrook.

Club Event Payment

For members wishing to pay for club activities by Direct Deposit to the bank, the following details are below. Please advise the Treasurer by email after making the payment.

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MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING APRIL 2013
JAGUAR DRIVERS CLUB OF QUEENSLAND INC. GOLD COAST REGISTER

Location: Meeting held at Sunshine Jaguar 179 Nerang St. Southport.

Date: Monday 29th April 2013

Attendance: 31 as per signed Attendance Sheet.

Apologies: Bryan & Helen White, John & Marilyn Porter, Dick Kennedy, Debbie Duncan, Fran Ritchie, Junita Kup-Ferroth.

The meeting opened with the Chair inviting Ian Ashley from Sunshine Jaguar to give a short update on several new models they have in their showroom. Members were again invited to test drive any of the cars on the floor, but especially the new 2.0 litre petrol XF.

Minutes of Previous Meeting were taken as read as published in the previous Torque magazine of our Gold Coast register - moved by Steven Duncan, seconded by Robin Kup-Ferroth.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was taken as published in the magazine and current balances in working account - \$3,325.19, and the web account \$12,103.43 for a total \$15,428.62 with income from interest this month of \$136.01. The Treasurer agreed to investigate further better interest rates for the fixed amount, and report back at the next meeting. Moved: Ron Gaudion,

Correspondence In – 2 copies of the April 2013 Queensland Jaguar Driver, and a cheque for \$1100 from JDCQ – Brisbane.

Past Events: Roy Bayliss reported on our Sunday Picnic drive up to Springbrook Falls, followed by morning tea and a very pleasant drive down to Kingscliff and Pottsville, where we had our picnic lunch in the park. The weather was very kind to us considering the almost event cancelling rain the day before. All agreed it was a relaxing and beautiful Sunday drive, with a great destination. Thank you to George and Norma Frame for your efforts. Steve Duncan gave a colourful summary of our trip to Wollongong for the National Rally.

Future Events: May 18th 6.15am for and 6.30 departure at the BP Coomera for our trip up to Macleans Bridge, with a stop-over to meet up with the Brisbane Jaguars at the Convention Centre. (Contact Graeme Dwyer for details). Ian Ritchie and Arthur Kontalis spoke on their upcoming events. The Chairman's Getaway weekend regrettably has at time of writing, been cancelled, due to lack of support from the register.

General Business: Our register was pleased to welcome Allan Hilless, JDCQ President, who addressed the meeting on various topics including falling membership, the cost of continuing to print the magazine in hard copy without making some steps toward delivering the information through our website, and incorporating our register's magazine into the Queensland Jaguar Driver magazine, as is done in other states. Allan covered many topics including how it was getting harder to recruit new members, and that getting judges for Concourse becoming more difficult.

Special mention was made of the increase in annual fees, which is the first time in 9 years they have gone up – and only \$15 at that. JDCQ Brisbane, which Allan pointed out, is not actually a register, lists 200 members, with another 200 members throughout the regional registers. It was pointed out that the current accounting system is outdated, and needed to put on a modern computer system such as MYOB. Allan stated that the future of the magazine is on the internet, and not in hard copy, as eventually it will break the clubs, and the registers finances. Some spoke against this and some supported it amongst those present on the night. Allan invited submissions from members to offer solutions to this problem.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm and Chairman John thanked Sunshine Jaguar for providing the venue and the supper. A special thanks also to Lorraine Hornabrook for taking over the raffle duties while the vice chair was standing in for the secretary.

Graeme Dwyer
Acting Secretary.

2013 Club Event Calendar

Date	Event	Contact
16 June	Luncheon Run	Ian Richie
14 July	Christmas in July (Lunch)	Arthur Kontalis
15 Sept	Spring Affair Luncheon	Derek McConnell
22 Sept	JDCQ Display Day	Brisbane Committee
TBD Oct	Luncheon with E Type Reg.	Ian Richie
10 Nov	Luncheon Run	Graeme Dwyer
7 Dec	Christmas Party	Ron Gaudion

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An event some members may be interested in is a run to the Angelhurst Charity Picnic Day held at Tery Hurst's property at 2 Pendennis Road Tamborine to be held on Sunday 2nd June. It is a multi-car club event open by invitation only. The cost is \$30 per car, all proceeds going to charity (this year Camp Quality and Brake). BYO food and drink or purchase cakes, burgers, coffee etc. on site. Also bring your own table and chairs. The event will be discussed at the next club meeting and numbers taken on who would like to attend.

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2013 National Rally – Wollongong

“Steve and I were really looking forward to this year’s Rally, considering we had missed the previous year! We took off slowly (due to Steve’s recent DVT), and stayed overnight in Port Macquarie and Gosford on the way down to sunny Wollongong! We arrived on a reasonably nice day, and settled ourselves in for a weekend of catch-up and fun! Our first afternoon took us to a wonderful “find” on the beach, right opposite the hotel, where we met a lovely Jag couple from Shepparton and had a coffee there with them, while we contemplated how we would spend the evening. We finally chose to go back there with Gold Coast members, Graeme and Julia, and had a wonderful dinner! The next morning was glorious – with the sun shining all day long! The venue for the Concours and Display was up on Flagstaff Hill, and the local Council had closed all the roads off especially for us, and provided the most fabulous backdrop for a huge collection of wonderful Jaguars! The girls all rushed back to the hotel for a fashion show, but then wended our way back to the Hill for another look at some rather superb models! Saturday night saw us all resplendent in beautiful Hawaiian colours and leis, and we enjoyed a great dinner and a special performance from Elvis! On Sunday, Steve and I chose to go to the Buddhist Temple just outside Wollongong – the largest one in the Southern Hemisphere, and we had a fun time there, doing a Tai Chi class first, before visiting the Temple and grounds, on what turned out to be the Buddha’s Birthday! Then on to Kiama for a lovely lunch, and visit to the Blow Hole. Sunday night showcased the fabulous efforts of all the Display owners, and Queensland were very nicely represented and rewarded – congratulations to all our Queensland winners! The “Three Waiters (Tenors)” entertained us (what a riot) and the meal was excellent as usual! After a sobering brunch on Easter Monday, we sadly waved goodbye to many friends and made our way home through Karuah and Coffs Harbour! What a glorious weekend, as always, and so very well done to our NSW cousins, who put on a magnificent show!

Debbie Duncan



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Next Meeting

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