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# **Cat's Tales**

#### **Newsletter of the**

### Jaguar Drivers' Club of Queensland Inc. Sunshine Coast Register.

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#### From the Chairman December 2017



Hello all,

Before writing this report, I had a look at what our register has done over the year. What a year! The events we have had have been interesting and diverse; from a dinner cruise to watching parachute jumping to discussion and demonstration on preserving а bones. Who could forget the drive day at Norwell hosted by Jaguar Land Rover Australia? This gave those who attended the chance to do what they have wanted to do, legally. Drifting through tight radius turns at high speed in a brand-new F Type Jaguar is something I thought I would never do. I have been discussing the cost of hosting the event with some of our members and the numbers are quite big. We must thank JLRA

and our local Jaguar Dealer, Pacific Jaguar, for making this possible. Pacific Jaguar at Maroochydore also donated some of the raffle prizes at our Christmas party. We thank them very much for their kind support and I hope you support them when the time comes to replace or maintain your Jaguar.

Another event was the workshop day at my home. We did some repairs on Jamie Cook's car and the day was an outstanding success for us with all goals achieved. However, we disturbed the differential genie. This fellow is now grumbling and will require further attention before returning to his usual silent work, another chance for a workshop day.

The year started slowly as I was finding my feet but with a good team we are now up and away. Next year we have a full calendar and again we have tried to make the range of activities as diverse as possible. For those who attended the Christmas function I hope you enjoyed a treat with great raffle prizes and other goodies.

The committee and I wish all our members a happy and safe Christmas and we look forward to catching up next year.

Happy Jaguaring

Lindsay Price Chairman Sunshine Coast Reg.



If you couldn't make it, you missed out on a great party.

This year's venue was the Best Western Kawana and an excellent choice by Marg Day. We were greeted with beautiful tables courtesy of the hotel and Vicki McKinney and Susan Price and a most pleasant outlook.





We began with drinks, delicious canapes and catchup conversation while being entertained by a talented young harpist, Maddie, discovered by Lindsay and Susan.



Called to order by Captain Lindsay Price, we took our seats. Lindsay presented Bernard and Rita Smith with New Member of the Year trophy from JDCQ.







Deputy Chairman Col Pickering then took over the mike to present Lindsay and Susan Price with their 10 Year badges.

He also presented Susan, for all her efforts during the year, with a Jaguar Bear, which did not leave her side the rest of the day. The Lucky Door prize was drawn, a lovely Christmas centerpiece made by Susan. Yours truly was the fortunate winner!





Then our auctioneer, Joe Day took the mike to sell memorabilia donated by George Latimer. The bidding was fast and furious with phone bids also coming from Mikey in Hong Kong. The first lot under the hammer was a calendar of







World War 2 aircraft won by Terry Lester. Another calendar, this one drawings of vintage vehicles including a Jag or 2 was knocked down to Bernie Smith and the final lot, an XK identification chart went to the representative of our sponsor, Pacific Jaguar, Carmel Fulton.

Lunch commenced with alternate drop of Maple roasted Moya Valley Chicken or Bangalow Pork Belly, beautifully presented and I'm told, both very good. There were two of us there who had special requirements, and, for a change, our meals were as tasty and well presented as everyone else's; they get brownie points for that! The desserts, later, were just as good with a choice of /Sherry Trifle and Lime Curd Tart, both interpreted with a contemporary accent.

Past Chairman Ian McKinney had prepared, in addition to the great slideshow of photos from club events over many years, a Jaguar quiz with 12 questions.



Even with mobile phones and Google, the best score was 5. In everyone's defense, the questions were, to say the least, obscure. It just proves you don't have to know all the peculiarities to love Jags; perhaps not knowing them helps the love.

Of course there was a raffle! Joe had twisted arms at the beginning of the party and the time had come for the drawings. As the following pictures show, there were a lot of prizes, great variety and most donated by club members or Pacific Jaguar.





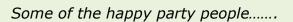


It didn't matter if you were a winner or not. It was a lovely party with a happy friendly atmosphere as these smiling faces attest. We're all looking forward to next year, now.











































Editor's Note

We're sorry if your photo is not here.

If you would like a copy of any of the photos here, email me (see front page for address) and I'll happily send you the full-sized version.

2018 - To kick off the New Year our first event will be an Australia Day BBQ at the home of Susan & Lindsay Price BYO food, drinks and chairs.

Please contact Lindsay & Susan if you would like to attend -H: 5494 7930 M: 0414 622 781 E: <u>lindsu@outlook.com</u>

Merry CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY New Year