



CAT'S TALES

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Sunshine Coast Register

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**Happy Birthday to Us, Happy Birthday to Us,
Happy Birthday dear Sunshine Coast Register**

Our 30th Birthday Weekend



The happy group at Mt Wooroolin

What a party!

For a lot of us the celebrations started at 8ish on Friday 2nd at Forest Glen BP. Our fearless trip leaders, Mag and Joe Day had sheets, maps and parking well organized. Everyone was excited to be there.



Jaguars ready to run



Excited to be setting off soon

After a briefing, we set off. For a while we were on the Bruce but then we were off into the countryside until we reached our Morning Tea stop, Gunabul House in Gympie. There we were welcomed by more of our group.



It was great to see Tony and Denise Allen, foundation members of the Sunshine Coast Register, there.



Gunabul House is a lovely old homestead which is now a clubhouse for the local golf course. As they served our scones and drinks they told us they had won prizes for them and their jams. We believe that! It was a case of starting the way we meant to continue, eating regularly and well. There we also received our goodies bags, largely the work of the Chairman's able mate, Susan. The pashmina in each bag with 'made in Tibet' suggested that Marg and Joe had also made a contribution to this. Since we had new participants another briefing was needed. During that one Joe made the mistake of saying that the gorgeous weather was not the forecast.



Susan and Joe amazed at the goodies bags

On the road again and the sun still shining beautifully we travelled the back roads through Widgee to Goomeri. This was a chance for a comfort stop and retail therapy at the Emporium there.



a downpour. Of course, everyone's umbrellas were buried under their luggage. No real problem, though, since there was wine tasting and fudge tasting as well as lots of interesting historic displays and, of course, shopping. Since we hadn't eaten for 2 hours, lunch was served at Prendergast's Irish Tavern. Shame it is such a long drive there or it would be a great choice for next year's St Patrick's Day lunch. We had ordered all our meals some weeks ago, to ensure fast service. Marg had a list which helped those who had forgotten.



A short time on the road for the majority and we arrived at Dusty Hill Vineyards in Moffatdale. A few took the very scenic route and arrived quite a bit later. Either the gods were angry with them or with Joe for his weather statements and sent



Then it was full steam ahead to Kingaroy for nanna naps in preparation for our big night. Marg and Joe had organized coach transport to Kingsley Grove Estate for our celebration dinner. We had been asked to wear a mask and to wear black,



gold or silver. Our bus driver did say he had never driven such a group before; everyone had made a great effort.

Who knew Treasurer John could be such a tiger?

*Is everybody
happy?
You bet your life we
are*



The pictures of the night tell the story well of the lovely decorations, the conversations and the dancing to Elvis who generously played some other chart toppers from his era





Elvis serenades Marg

One part of the night not covered by the pictures was the icebreaker games prepared by Ian and Susan. As we boarded the coach a jigsaw piece was given to us. On arrival we had to find the 3 other pieces of our puzzle.

Gen, Ian and Sue discover they are not perfect matches



Once seated at our chosen table small items carefully sewed into a fabric bag were handed around for Touch and Guess. Definitely got conversations going!

Another part of the night pictures just can't describe was the food which was great. Now, a few of us don't eat the usual fare and often end up with pretty ordinary servings at functions. Not this time; separate, interesting and very tasty appetizers followed by a main course that looked and tasted like proper food. The desserts were great, too. Like we needed to eat more but it was so tempting.



After dinner a Jaguar watch donated by Peter Lehrke was auctioned by Joe and after spirited bidding was won by Colin Pickering.

There was a lot more dancing before it was time for the coach home. Where did the four hours go?



Breakfast both mornings was advertised as 'al fresco continental' but Joe and helpers were slaving over a hot BBQ providing eggs, slabs of fruit bread toast and keeping croissants warm. Marg and helpers had fruit, yoghurt, and more. It was as they warned, chilly.



At a respectable hour we set off to the Nanango Markets. Before leaving Kingaroy we headed up the hill to the lookout at Mt Wooroolin both to see the spectacular view and take the opportunity for another group picture.

Then full steam ahead for the Markets where we took in country life and helped the local economy

Any view is better with a line of Jags



After a most scenic trip we arrived at the beautiful Crane Wines for lunch. Yes, more good food and more wine tastings!



Lunch and a view like this



*Another wine tasting!
Somebody's got to do it*



On the trip back to our motel, some stopped and bought some more of the delicious peanuts we had in our goodies bag. Most were happy to get back in time for a nanna nap before our next big night.

In an instant it seemed it was time for dinner and for dessert, our 30th Birthday cake appropriately cut by Tony Allen.



Most of us then walked to the local high school to enjoy the South Burnett Musical Comedy Society's presentation of The Sound of Music. It was a fun night once again. It was well after 10 as we walked back to the motel in the bracing evening air. Earlier there was mention of a possible late evening Happy Hour but after our hectic days and nights it didn't happen. We agreed that we are not 30 anymore! No-one complained of having trouble sleeping.

After breakfast most convoyed to the Kingaroy Information Centre. Joe had organized Wilf, a longtime resident, to tell us about the beginning, and end, of the massive peanut industry in Kingaroy. Nowadays Kingaroy relies on a very large pig abattoirs for prosperity. There are also a lot of very interesting historical displays at the Information Centre and well worth the visit.

Sadly, it was then time to wend our way home after a marvelous weekend which was only possible because of the hard work of Marg and Joe Day in particular but also Susan and Lindsay Price and Ian and Vicki McKinney. Thank you to them all.



(Editor's note. For those who attended, there will be lots more pictures of the event at the Christmas Party slideshow for you to relive this wonderful weekend. For those who missed it, you will better see what you missed then.)



Our AGM Sunday 18th 2019

Recent AGMs have not seen a crowd but the change of venue seemed to be a great attraction. It was great to see 38 people there.

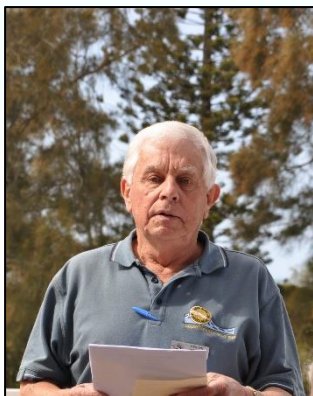


Before the meeting got under way, we had morning tea and catch up on the deck.



Eventually Chairman Lindsay called us to order and the meeting began. Formalities were short and sweet. John Herbert's Treasurer's report made them even sweeter. Lindsay called on Ian McKinney to tell the group a little about the late Don Quinton before presenting the trophy named in his memory to Richard and Lyn Hausmann, the totally deserving winners of the Don Quinton Perpetual Award, in recognition of their participation and attendance over the past 23 years.





The Committee then stood down and Merv Jackson took on the serious role of the election of the new Committee. Since there was only nomination for each position, it was all very peaceful.

There was plenty of time for more eating and conversation before we adjourned to the Beachmere Hotel for lunch.



Your Committee for 2019-20. From left, Joe Day (Vice Chairman), Ian and Vicki McKinney (members), John Herbert (Treasurer), Debbie Herbert (member), Marg Day (Secretary), Susan Price (member) Lindsay Price (Chairman) and Wendy Gross (editor).



I told you AGMs were not scary and could be fun.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AUGUST 2019

Hello All

We have had a good year and I thank you for your support for me and our committee. At our recent AGM all committee positions have been filled mostly with past committee members remaining in their previous positions.

What we have been doing, judging by the attendance figures, works. We will continue as we are and ask any of you have an idea for a run or outing please let the committee know. We have runs organised up to January next including the Christmas party but for after that we are open to ideas.

Thank you for your continuing support

Lindsay Price
Chairman SSC JDCQ



Chairman Lindsay makes a point at the AGM- and here.

Interesting

Stu Gross found this ad for Lucas Replacement Wiring Harness Smoke and thought fellow Jaguar owners might be interested.



Have you inadvertently let the smoke out of the wires on your classic British car? This is the solution to your problem!

Here is presented for your perusal, one Lucas Replacement Wiring Harness Smoke kit, P/N 530433, along with the very rare Churchill Tool 18G548BS adapter tube and metering valve. These kits were supplied surreptitiously to Lucas factory technicians as a trouble-shooting and repair aid for the rectification of chronic electrical problems on a plethora of British cars. The smoke is metered through

the fuse box, into the circuit which has released its original smoke until the leak is located and repaired. The affected circuit is then rectified and the replacement smoke re-introduced. An advantage over the cheap Chinese repro smoke kits currently available is the exceptionally rare Churchill metering valve and fuse box adapter. It enables the intrepid and highly skilled British Car Technician to meter the precise amount of genuine Lucas smoke required by the circuit. Unlike the cheap, far eastern replacement DIY smoke offered by the "usual suppliers", this kit includes a filter to ensure that all the smoke is of consistent size. It has been our experience in our shop that the reproduction Chinese smoke is often "lumpy", which will cause excessive resistance in our finely-engineered British harnesses and components. This is often the cause of failure in the repro electrical parts currently available, causing much consternation and misplaced cursing of the big three suppliers. These kits have long been the secret weapon of the "Ultimate Authorities" in the trade, and this may be the last one available. Be forewarned though, that it is not applicable to any British vehicle built after the discontinuing of bullet connectors, so you Range Rover types are still on your own... This Genuine Factory Authorised kit contains enough smoke to recharge the entire window circuit on a 420 Jaguar, and my dear friend and advisor George Wolf of British Auto Specialty assures me that he can replace ALL the smoke in a W&F Barrett All-Weather Invalid Car (147 CC) with enough left over to test a whole box of Wind-Tone horns for escaped smoke. How much more of an endorsement do you need? More you say? Well, I once let the smoke out of the overdrive wiring on my friend Roger Hankey's TR3B, and was able to drive over 200 miles home from The Roadster Factory Summer Party by carefully introducing smoke into the failed circuit WITHOUT even properly repairing the leak. Another friend, Richard Stephenson, was able to repair the cooling fan circuit of his Series 1 E-type by merely replacing a fuse and injecting a small quantity of smoke back into the wires. So there!

Did you see this story in BBC News?

Indian man pushes birthday present BMW into river -10 August 2019

An Indian man apparently angered at getting a BMW for his birthday - instead of a Jaguar - pushed the new vehicle into a river.

Video posted on social media shows it floating away on the river in the northern Indian state of Haryana.

It later got stuck on a bank of tall grass and the man, said to be the son of a local landlord, tried to rescue it.

Police are investigating the incident, local media report.

BMW cars cost around 3.5m rupees (£41,400; \$49,000) locally, with Jaguars costing about 4-5m rupees.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 11th – Run with Helen & Ken Parmenter

Meet at Merv & Lyn Jacksons 8 Kurrajong Crt, Beerwah at 9.30 for morning tea and view Merv's extensive collection of Jaguars. Then a short run to lunch at the Palmwoods Tavern. Morning tea provided .. nothing to bring, just yourselves.

RSVP: Helen & Ken E: headam@bigpond.net.au by 6 Sept please.

Sunday 22nd - All British Day/JDCQ Display Day

Departing from the Southbound BP Servo (south end of carpark) (Caboolture) at 7:30am. A great day out with hundreds of cars on display. Contact Stu Gross E: stu12dozen@gmail.com for more info if needed. A couple of minor changes from the flyer sent out. Our Chairman, Lindsay, will be leading this run in his Daimler and toll roads will not be used.

OCTOBER

Sunday 6th October Noosa Beach Classic Car Show

(This is not a Sunshine Coast Register organized event) For more information on this event - [Noosa Beach Classic Car Show](#) Tony Herald from the Brisbane Register advised that cars will assemble around 7.30am at the Noosaville Homemakers Centre, corner of Thomas and Mary St. Noosaville. Departure will be in convoy for the Car Show site at 7.45am sharp. Please contact Tony - herald_adsl@hotmail.net.au

Sunday 20th Mooloolaba River Cruise.

Cruise departing from Mooloolaba wharf including lunch

Departs 11.00 Returns 12.30

\$39 per person. Flyer has been sent out.

Please RSVP no later than 01 October. Limited numbers.

Lindsay & Susan Price lindsu@outlook.com Ph: 0414 622 781

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 20th Run with Stu & Wendy Gross to the rebuilt Kandanga Pub and other scenic places.

More information to follow in flyer.

DECEMBER

Sunday 01st Christmas Party – Best Western Lake Kawana Hotel

JANUARY 2020

Sunday 26th Australia Day BBQ

Details TBA

Interested in checking out other Registers' events?

[JDCQ Calendar of Events](#) [JDCQ Facebook](#)

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