

IDLE TORQUE

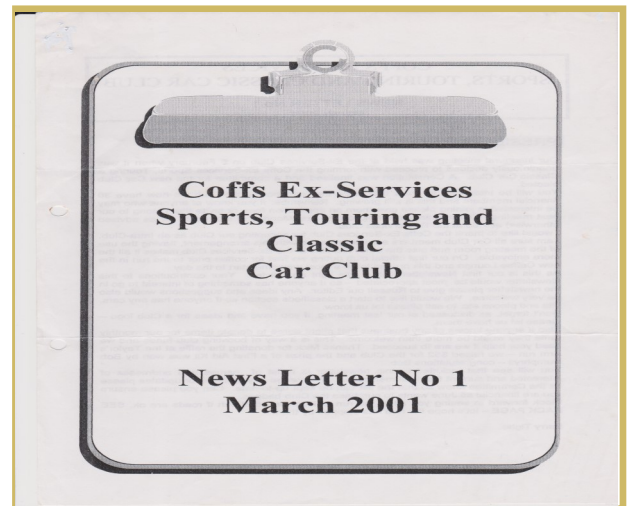
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Newsletter of the
**C.ex Coffs Sports, Touring
and Classic Car Club**

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February 2019 Events

- * **4th** Monthly Meeting at C.ex Coffs
- * **6th** Coffee Run to Beachouse Café Woolgoolga (**new event - email issued 20/1**)
- * **16th** Brunch at Bellingen Butter Factory
- * **24th** President's BBQ at Boambee Bay Reserve

March 2019 Events

- * **4th** Monthly Meeting at C.exCoffs
- * **13th** Coffee Run to Park Beach Surf Club
- * **17th** Observation Run and Picnic Lunch
- * **22nd/23rd/24th** Lightning Ridge Tour
- * **29th** Twilight Food Markets Park Beach Reserve

More than just a car club

This month we celebrate the 200th edition of our Car Club Newsletter



200th Edition of Idle Torque

Some 17 years ago, a casual meeting of a small group of local car enthusiasts took place in Coffs Harbour. This resulted in an approach being made to the Coffs Ex-Services Club (as it was known then and later to become C.ex Coffs) and the formation of the Sports Touring & Classic Car Club, Intra Club.

The inaugural meeting of the Car Club was held at the Coffs Ex-Services Club on 5th February 2001. A committee of 8 was formed, 2 of whom are still active members of the club.

This first official outing was a run to “The Pub With No Beer” at Taylors Arm with 21 cars making the trip. At this time the Club only boasted about 30 financial members.

The first club newsletter was simply named “News Letter” and retained this name for some time. The first edition ran to 3 pages but now, 200 editions later and with the great name of “Idle Torque”, our newsletter is consistently in excess of 20 pages and issued monthly to over 100 members and many other car clubs.

Keeping pace with change, Idle Torque is now dispatched electronically to 95% of our membership base with several major sponsors advertising and a popular “classified” section.

Other notable changes to promote our club include, an active website, a club logo and motto, a great range of regalia and the purchase of quality audio visual equipment.

***Read Founding Editor Russell Phemister’s historic
“Numero Uno” Newsletter on the next page.***

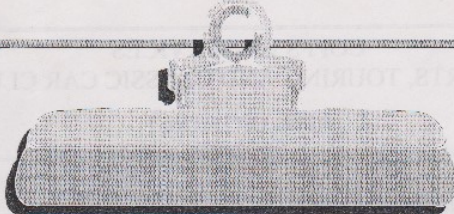
**Michael Guymer
Editor**

“More than just a car club”



**Russell Phemister
Founding Editor**

***When I was Editor the
Newsletter only came in
two colours, black and white.
The term “Cut & Paste”
actually meant getting
out the scissors and glue and
“Send” meant licking the
stamps and walking to the
Post Office***



Coffs Ex-Services Sports, Touring and Classic Car Club

News Letter No 1 March 2001

COFFS EX-SERVICES SPORTS, TOURING AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

NEWS LETTER No 1
March 2001

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Our inaugural meeting was held at the Ex-Services Club on 5 February when it was unanimously decided to proceed with forming the Coffs Ex-Services Sports, Touring & Classic Car Club. A Constitution was finalised and a committee for the new Car Club elected.

You will be interested to know that since the formation of the Club we now have 30 financial members and this is still growing. Remember if you know of anyone who may be interested in joining please give them an application form or invite them along to our next meeting. Our meetings are held on the first Monday of the month (or as advised otherwise) at 7.30 at the Ex-Services Club.

I would like to thank the Coffs Ex-Services Club for accepting our Club as an Intra-Club. I am sure all Car Club members are very pleased with this arrangement, having the use of the meeting room and also the other facilities of the Ex-Services Club makes it all the more enjoyable. On our first official club outing we met for coffee prior to the run in the new Coffee Lounge and this proved to be a most welcome start to the day.

As this is our first Newsletter it is a little light on articles. Your contributions to this Newsletter would be most appreciated - so if anyone has something of interest to go in the newsletter please give to Russell our Editor. Any ideas and suggestions would also be very welcome. We would like to start a classifieds section so if anyone has any cars, bits and pieces etc. to sell please let us know.

Don't forget, as discussed at our last meeting, if you have an idea for a Club logo - please let us have them.

Also if anyone knows of any business that might agree to donate items for our monthly raffle they would be more than welcome. This is a way of boosting club funds and we need your help if we are to succeed. Thanks Mick for donating the raffle at the Taylor's Arm run - we raised \$52 for the Club and the prize of a First Aid Kit was won by Bob Humphrys - congratulations Bob.

You will see that included in this newsletter is a list of names and addresses of interested and current financial members. If there are any changes or updates please let the Committee know so that the list can be kept up-to-date. Can you please ensure you are financial as June wants to purchase the Club badges.

I look forward to seeing you all at the run to Ebor on 25 March if roads are ok. SEE BACK PAGE - let's hope the rain has stopped by then!

Barry Tighe.

EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR REPORT

REPORT ON OUR FIRST CLUB OUTING - SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY
This was our first official outing for the Coffs Ex-Services Sports, Touring & Classic Car Club. Come 9.30 am at the Club and a good roll up was taking place.

Approximately 12 cars had arrived for a coffee before departing around 10.00 a.m. Our destination was Taylors Arm (Pub With No Beer) with a short stop at Macksville where a couple more members joined us, then onto Taylors Arm to meet up with the rest of the group. The weather was perfect.

We arrived around 11.30 a.m. with an attendance of 21 cars. The Publican provided the BBQ facilities and everyone seemed to be having a good time. The new members mingled well and enthusiasm in the new Club and we have already planned our next two outings.

On 25 March there will be a trip to Dorrigo and Ebor if roads are ok. On 22 April we will travel down to South West Rocks. We are planning longer trips with an overnight stay in time to come. Thanks for your patronage and see you on the next run.

Warren Moules

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY 25 MARCH Trip to Dorrigo and Ebor if roads are ok. Please see note in last page. (byo BBQ or Picnic Lunch)

SUNDAY 22 APRIL Trip to South West Rock (byo BBQ or Picnic Lunch)

MEET AT THE COFFS EX-SERVICES CLUB CAR PARK AT 9.30 A.M. SHARP

MEETING DATES

Meetings held in the foyer of the Rainbow Room,
Coffs Ex-Services Club at 7.30 p.m.

MONDAY 2 APRIL
MONDAY 7 MAY
MONDAY 4 JUNE

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

ST&C Car Club	\$22.00 inc. GST per annum (from July 1 to June 30)
	\$11.00 inc. GST if paid after 1 January 2001

In addition to the annual membership fee of \$22.00 Car Club members must be a financial member of the Coffs Ex-Services Club - annual membership fee \$11.00 inc. GST.

**IMPORTANT
Please Note
Next Club Run 25th March 2001**

Due to the recent flooding of the roads, it may NOT be possible to go to Dorrigo and Ebor. Should a change of venue be necessary, you will be advised at the club on the morning of the run at 9am.

Office Bearers 2018 – 2019

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Meetings are held at the Coffs Ex-Services Club at 7.30 pm on the first Monday of each month (Feb –Dec). A Club Newsletter is emailed to each financial member soon after each meeting (none in January). All correspondence to the Secretary PO Box 2438 Coffs Harbour 2450.

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President's Message

February 2019



You will have noticed already that this is the 200th edition of Idle Torque, although originally it wasn't titled as such. Over the years from a humble four page document produced by Russell Phemister it has evolved into the magnificent Michael Guymer production which you are now enjoying. Our membership too has grown since that time in 2001 when we started with nearly 40 enthusiastic members, some 10 of whom are still members.

Traditionally we have not had a meeting in January although we have usually had a couple of events. Our management committee felt we had been losing some continuity and most of us weren't away so we now, from next year, will be meeting in January and this decision seemed to be very enthusiastically received.

At that management meeting we also decided to hold our very popular car show on November 10th and our Christmas party later in that same month, both of course to be held at the C.ex Coffs.

Our recent Bellbrook run, was held on a VERY hot day (although we couldn't foresee this when the event was originally planned) however, it was an excellent amalgamation of three like minded clubs. The Kempsey people turned out in force to treat us to morning tea at the delightful Riverside Park in Kempsey and then the Gold Coast MG club continued with us to Bellbrook. Many thanks to those, particularly Gary and Thomas who put so much work into putting the event together.

Later this month we have the President's Barbecue (more details of this you will find elsewhere in these pages) at the Boambee Bay picnic area where they have set aside for us a location which I am sure you will enjoy.

I hope to see you all, particularly our newer members, at an event this month and remember, we are more than just a car club.

DICK WILLIS



Andrew Holt	Coffs Harbour	BMW 635Csi
Deno Accadia	Coffs Harbour	Nissan 350Z
Phil Trevillien	Woolgoolga	Holden Commodore
Tony Armstrong	Coffs Harbour	
Peter Allan	Nambucca Heads	MGB

Monthly Meeting of the C.ex Coffs Sports, Touring and Classic Car Club

Held at: C.ex Club, Coffs Harbour

Date: Monday 4 February 2019

Pre-Meeting Entertainment -

Meeting Commenced: 7.30pm

Chairperson: Dick Willis

Present: 50 Members as per attendance book plus partners

Apologies: Gary Wallace, Judy & Russ Phemister, Toni & Tony Goninan, Michael McLennan, Bob Fairclough, Bob Harris, Thomas Hoffman, Helen Denham, Kevin Quinn, Ted Van Styn.

Visitors: Nev Triplett, Stan Addler, Tony Carr, Ian Ward.

New Members: Andrew Holt

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairperson moved that the minutes as printed are accepted as true and correct.

Moved: Phil Carmichael Seconded: Bill Denham

BUSINESS ARISING: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE IN: Pat O'Carroll

1. 10 X Newsletters from other car clubs.

2. 3 X Emails were received from the Southern Motoring Group providing updates on the Concessional Rego Scheme.

3. A flyer from the Nambucca Lets Dance Rock and Roll Club for their car show on Feb 16.

4. 2 X Emails for Rare Spares with product updates.

5. A flyer from the Inverell National Transport Museum promoting their Electric Car Expo.

6. 2 X emails were received from prospective members seeking advice on membership.

7. A membership application was received from Peter Allan.

8. A flyer was received from the Kempsey club for their Hat Head Rally in May.

9. An email was received from the BCU advising they are joining forces with a West Australian bank P&N Bank.

10. A newsletter was received from the National Motor Racing Museum in Bathurst.

11. Two invoices were received for our storage unit.

12. An email was received from the NRMA Coffs Harbour enquiring about advertising in Idle Torque.

13. An email was received from the C.ex regarding our Clubs Grant submission.

14. A newsletter was received from @AIR FM.

15. An email was received from the Kempsey Club thanking us for our participation in the Bellbrook Run.

16. Emails was received from 2 members thanking the club for the get well card we had sent.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

1. Membership details were sent to 2 prospective members.

2. An email was sent to the Kempsey Club thanking them for their organisation and hospitality on the recent Bellbrook Run.

3. As per our clubs Rules of Operation and after consulting several C.ex Board members a letter of reprimand was sent to one of our members.

The Secretary moved that the correspondence be received and adopted.

Seconded: Sandy Guymer

TREASURERS REPORT: Kevin Ingersole

Members viewed a Power Point Presentation depicting the clubs' financial position.

The Treasurer moved that the accounts as presented are accepted as true and correct.

Seconded: Mike Gosbell

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Dave Norton discussed the plans for the annual car show to be held in Nov 2019.

2. Dick Willis recapped that the Feb 2019 would be the 200th edition of Idle Torque. He thanked past presidents in particular Peter Titmus and John Bertram for their efforts in getting the club this far.

3. Dick Willis mentioned that 2AIRFM was looking for some long standing Coffs residents for interviews, do we have anyone interested.

4. Dick Willis congratulated member Dave Tierney on his nomination for an Australia Day Award.

5. Dick Willis advise members the management committee had decided to have a general meeting next January 2020. This will be advertised in the club calendar.

EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT- Judy Phemister, Tony Bennett, Chris Bridgen, Thomas Hoffman, Gary Martin.

1. Gary Martin introduced the other members of the events committee. He also gave a run down on past and future events.

2. Pat O'Carroll made a presentation for the overnight run to Tamworth in May. A detailed notice will be in this Idle Torque.

3. Bill Denham said he was still taking bookings for the Lightning Ridge run, so far he has 16 going.

Watch for details listed inside and on the back page of Idle Torque and book in early.

Monthly Meeting of the C.ex Coffs Sports, Touring and Classic Car

EDITORS REPORT: Michael Guymer

Michael hoped to have Idle Torque out Wed or Thurs this week and as it is the 200th edition it will have a large number of pages.

WELFARE OFFICERS REPORT: Bill Denham

Bill reported on a number of members who had recently been on the sick list and asked if members know of someone in need of assistance they let him know.

REGISTRARS REPORT: Peter Titmus, Albert Johnson , Leo Goodfellow and Pat O'Carroll.

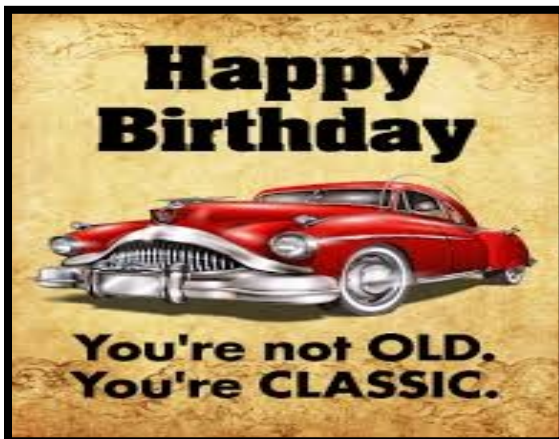
Peter Titmus reported the club now has 44 vehicles on H plates and 7 on D plates.

MEMBERS SPOT:

1. Dick Willis showed a series of interesting photos including a you tube clip of a near miss with a semi-trailer on the Grafton Bridge.
2. Pat O'Carroll presented member Gary Addison with the Golden Spanner Award as his silver Holden Statesman had starting problems on the Bellbrook Run.

RAFFLE WINNERS: Rob Chapman, Glen Wood., Mick Ahearn and Marthese Biada.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.30pm.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

8th Russ Phemister
10th Robert Partridge
15th Toby Tyson
17th Ken Stanley
19th David Lee
20th David Kennedy
20th Bob Hauville

***If you are not mentioned it means we do not have your birth date (day/month).
So please let Bill Denham know and he will add you to the list.***

REGISTRATION UPDATE FROM NSW SOUTHERN MOTORING ASSOCIATION

The period of validity of pink slips has been confirmed as 6 months but there are dozens of pages on the RMS site that still say 42 days. There is also the suggestion that 42 days may still be the correct period where the purposes of the pink slip relate to the sale of a vehicle.

I also note that the blue slip has changed its name to AUVIS (Authorised Unregistered Vehicle Inspection Scheme) and there is no mention of exemption for vehicles entering the HVS registration.

Further updates will be provided as they come to hand.

Peter Titmus
On behalf of Registrars

RUN REPORTS

KUNGALA MARKETS AND LUNCH AT THE GOLDEN DOG 2ND DECEMBER 2018

A great new run to Halfway Creek to support the Kungala Rural Fire Brigade at their bi-monthly markets. A very cheap morning tea with home-made scones, apple pie, fairy cakes, pancakes, sandwiches and more. After wandering around the stalls and grabbing a few bargains and Christmas presents we ventured along Kungala Road through the open paddocks and into Glenreagh for lunch at The Golden Dog. As usual huge servings to satisfy the hungry hoards. A great day was had by all that attended.

JUDY PHEMISTER



Woops, the camera person cut the dog's head off



Ian Sagaris has always been camera shy

COFFEE RUN TO SURF STREET CAFÉ EMERALD BEACH 12TH DECEMBER 2018

What a great turnout of 47 members and a couple of guests with 8 H plated cars and one D plate in attendance for our annual Ladies Lucky Door Prize Coffee Run. We all enjoyed a lovely variety of freshly baked goodies, good coffee / tea and a chance to catch up and chat with fellow members. The lucky door prizes were won by Maureen Mattinson, Penny Norton, Daphne Lee, Wendy Edmonds, Trudy Phemister, Faye Thompson and Kath Gosbell.

Thanks to all who attended.

JUDY PHEMISTER



Three of the Club's Events Team



Happiness is good coffee and a Citroen

“OLD BANGERS” COFFEE RUN TO MACKSVILLE / NAMBUCCA RIVER 9TH JANUARY 2019



15 cars and 27 members left Macca's South for the run to Macksville. Plus 1 car from Bonville and one car from Dorrigo waiting for us in Urunga. Total 17 cars and 31 members. Cloudy, warm with periods of sunshine making it a very humid day, but none the less enjoyable.

Driving down the old pacific highway is so much more pleasant than the new freeway especially at this time of year. Making sure we stayed beneath the speed limits helps negotiate many changing speed sections from 40-110kmh, is it any wonder confusion reigns supreme.

We all parked beside the Nambucca River opposite Rose's Cafe. Members chairs and stools were brought out into the Rotary Rotunda making it a cool shady place to have our morning cuppa and the most delicious milk shakes. All agreed

a most enjoyable run. Two hi-cups on the run. A member had their sunglasses stolen from their car while we were parked in Maccers car park. We all need to be more vigilant, especially with the open top cars. Stephen Frawsy's VW gave up the ghost on the way home, probably due to fuel line evaporation. Fortunately he told us the NRMA were coming to his rescue.

Cheers Thomas
THOMAS HOFFMAN

Couldn't help but notice the yellow chair which matches the owners RX8. EDITOR

Does engine size matter?
If Brendan's RX8 was 7.0 litres, it would make about 953kw



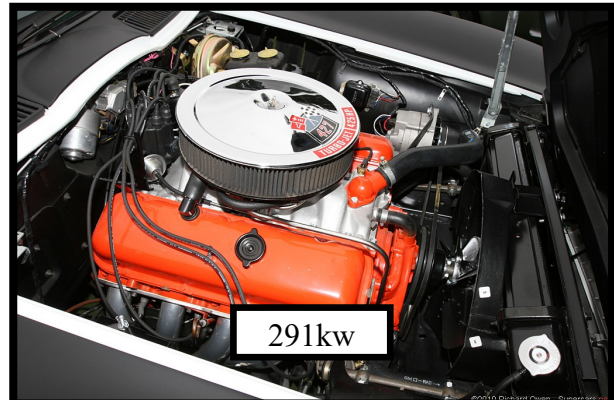
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7.0 Litres



177kw



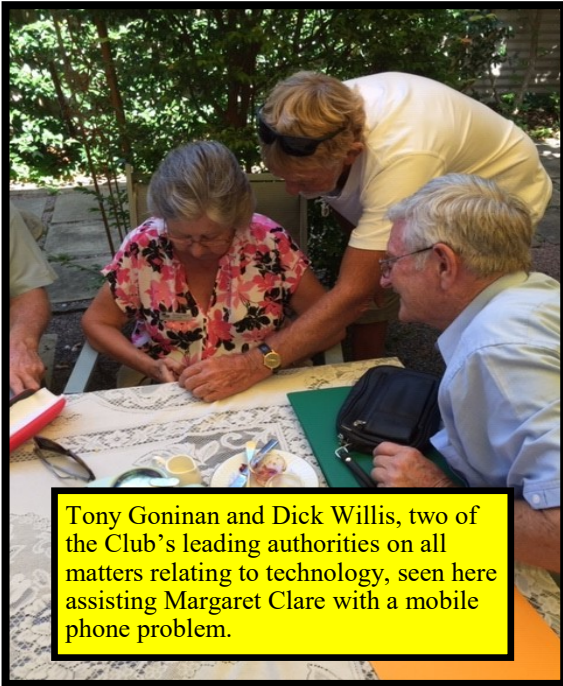
291kw

COFFEE RUN TO THE SECRET GARDEN CAFÉ BOAMBEE EAST 23RD JANUARY 2019

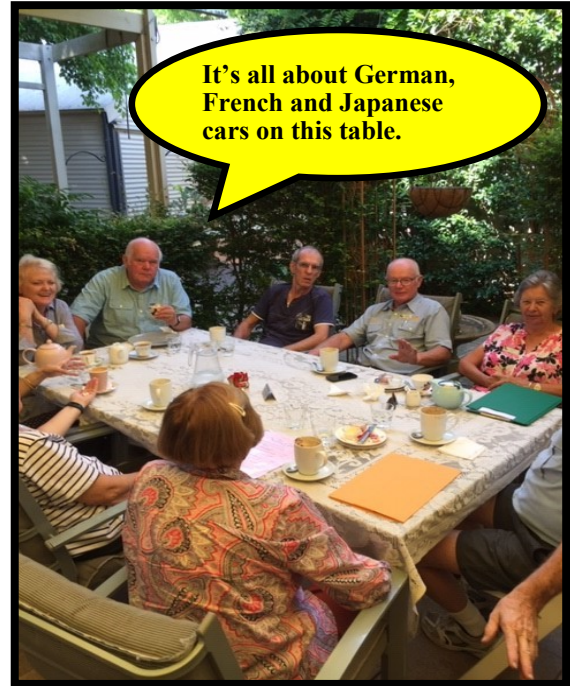
We had 40 members attend the coffee run to Secret Garden on 23rd of January after an overwhelming response to the event that saw another 16 members miss out on the event as the venue can only cater for a maximum of 40 on a group booking. For those who missed out all we can say is the earlier you book in for an event the better your chance of inclusion. A lot of our coffee destinations have limited seating available. The car park was full with 6 club plated cars and those that parked under the shade of the fig trees I hope your cars didn't get covered in too much bird poo. Bill and Helen Denham gave up their regular seating to join the group but Gary and Kerry Wallace quickly took it over as their own. President Dick required several people to assist him in trying to turn the torch function off on his mobile. Penny Norton still has to explain why she had her feet in a bag. I assumed it was for mosquito protection but I did not want to ask. For those that are interested I did break the top rear shock mount on the mighty Anglia and it was due to my poor welding skills early in the build process but it has already been re-welded and put back together today.

I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

TONY BENNETT



Tony Goninan and Dick Willis, two of the Club's leading authorities on all matters relating to technology, seen here assisting Margaret Clare with a mobile phone problem.



It's all about German, French and Japanese cars on this table.

LUNCH RUN TO THR BELLBROOK HOTEL 27TH JANUARY 2019



29 of our members plus 23 from the Gold Coast MG club attended this event. We left Coff's and travelled down the freeway diverting through Clybucca and then on to Fredrickton to Kempsey. Nearly 50 members of the Kempsey Macleay Auto Restorers Club shouted all a yummy morning tea at the Riverside Park. It was great to see nearly 100 car club members from 3 clubs and their varied cars lined up through the parking area. The cool breeze and shade made it most enjoyable. We then left Kempsey driving 54km west to Bellbrook. To say it was HOT was an understatement!!! The pub however had cool drinks, a roast meal and fans that were appreciated. This was a very successful club outing but we need to schedule long runs like this in the cooler weather and to an air-conditioned venue. 4 H/M plated cars attended. Our president made presentations to the KMARC president as well as the Gold Coast MG club thanking them for their participation on the day. Big thanks also to Thomas for his navigation skills, his driving of the

lead car and the comprehensive run sheets for the three stages of this 300 Km run. Nobody got lost.

GARY MARTIN



EVENTS CALENDAR 2019

of the C.ex Coffs Sports Touring and Classic Car Club

IF YOU DON'T RSVP BY THE REQUIRED

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>RSVP</u>
FEBRUARY 2019				
4th	Monday	MONTHLY MEETING at C.ex Coffs		
6th	Wednesday	Coffee Run to Beachouse Café, Woolgoolga <i>This event was added due to the restriction on numbers which applied to the Secret Garden event 23rd January and which meant some members missed out. An email was issued 20th January with February 1st RSVP date</i>	Peter Titmus	<i>(Feb 1st)</i>
16th	Saturday	Brunch at Bellingen Butter Factory	Thomas Hoffman	Sat 9th
24th	Sunday	President's BBQ – Boambee Bay Reserve	Gary Martin	Wed 13th
MARCH 2019				
4th	Monday	MONTHLY MEETING at C.ex Coffs		
13th	Wednesday	Coffee Run Park Beach Surf Club	Thomas and Gary	6th Mar
17th	Sunday	Observation Run and Picnic Lunch	Chris Bridgen	10th Mar
22-25	Fri, Sat, Sun	Lightning Ridge Tour <i>Don't be a Dill - Ring Bill..... NOW</i>	Bill Denham	8th Feb
29th	Friday	Twilight Food Markets Coffs	Thomas Hoffman	Sun 21st

WHERE and when WE START THE RUNS

For runs going south of Bunnings we assemble near Kegel, Coffs Harbour South. For all other runs we assemble outside Repco at the Homebase. For most runs we assemble at 9.30 am. If it suits you to go directly to the venue that is fine. BUTCHECK THE RUNS NOTICE and YOUR EMAIL FOR LATE CHANGES

If you attend a run in a H/D plated car it is YOUR responsibility to ensure you are entered in the Runs Book

Members with H/D plates must attend five (5) club runs per year (August to July) in their H/D plated vehicle for the club to sanction the renewal of their H/D plates. Members with multiple H/D plated cars may attend the five (5) runs in any of their H/D plated vehicles.

New members must attend four (4) club runs or club events before applications for H/D plates will be considered for approval by C.ex Coffs Sports, Touring & Classic Car Club.

Note; Club monthly meetings do not count as runs or events for this purpose



Event Name	Brunch @ Bello
When	Saturday 16th February 2019
Where	Bellingen Butter Factory
Depart	Meet at McDonalds South ready for a 9.30am departure. We will be turning off the freeway taking the old highway down Pine Creek Way to the Repton roundabout, then enter the freeway again as far as the Urunga exit. Proceeding onto the Waterfall Way to the Butter Factory in Bellingen
Expect	Morning tea, coffee and light snacks will be available to purchase on arrival. Seating and tables will be made available for club members.
Bring	Money and a smile!!!!
RSVP	9th February 2019. Please be on time with booking in, as late comers maybe disappointed. Please state number of persons and vehicles.
Contact	Thomas Hoffman via email phurrybear999@gmail.com or Gary Martin, poppabear52@bigpond.com
Brief Comments	This is an all weather venue. Footnote. <i>When people wish to depart, the Federal Hotel Bellingen is a good place for lunch. That of course will be up to individuals to decide.</i>

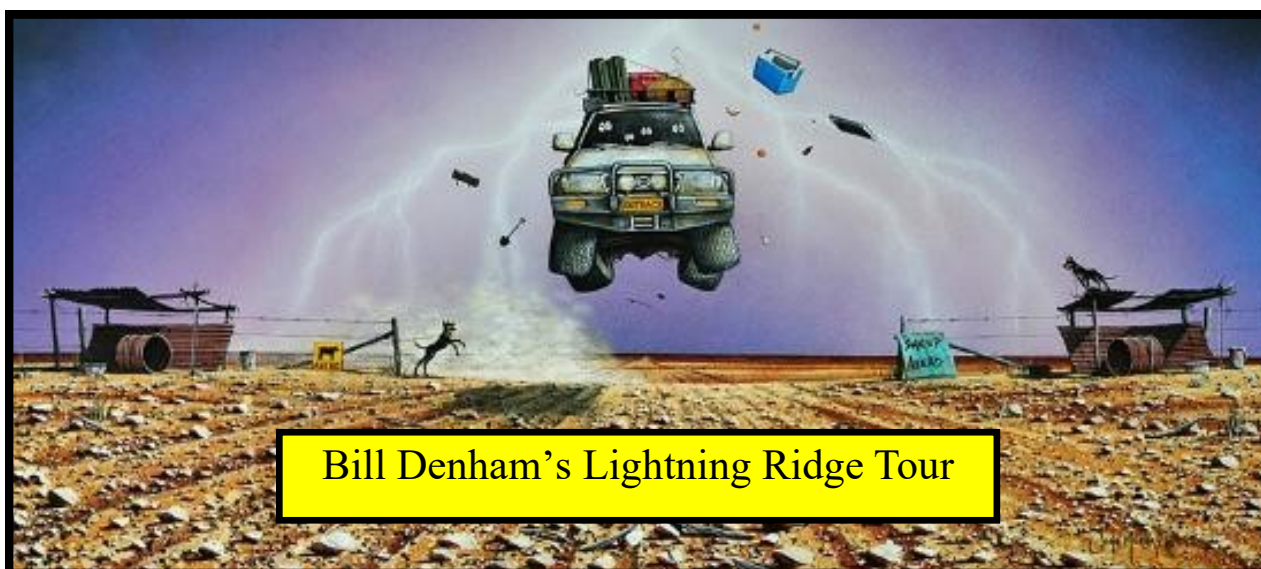
Event Name	Presidents Day BBQ
When	Sunday 24th February 2019 - Boambee Bay Reserve.
Where	Each car is charged a \$5 entry (gold coins in the box) to open the boom gate. The shelter is approx. 500m from the front gate. Once through the gate proceed up the hill taking the left fork (bottom road is rough) and drive through to the end of the reserve. We will assist members to park.
Depart	Meet at the Bob Romeril shelter at the reserve 3.00 p.m. BBQ's lit at 5.00 p.m.
Expect	Good company and a cool breeze.
Bring	BBQ food/drinks/plates/cutlery/seats (there are some benches under the shelter)/insect repellent. If you want to bring a thermos with coffee/tea please feel free otherwise the café at the boom gate supplies coffee etc. and snacks. If members want a game of botchy or bowls please feel free to bring along.
RSVP	13th February 2019.
Contact	Gary Martin poppabear52@bigpond.com or message me on 0488 165 444.
Brief Comments	If it rains we will have shelter in the pavilion. If you want to sit out on the lawns (probably cooler) bring a picnic blanket or chairs. Please note – the toilet blocks are approx. 200m on the bottom road near the boat ramp or back at the entry gate. There is plenty of parking spaces available. The club will be supplying cake/slices and watermelon. Rubbish bins will also be available. There is water and power available at the shelter so if you want to bring a kettle feel free. Members to find their own way home.



Good News For Car Club Adventurers



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Inverell Invitation

From: National Transport Museum <transportmuseum@bigpond.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 16 January 2019 12:53 PM

To: coffscexcarclub@hotmail.com

Subject: Electric Expo and Car Show

Good Afternoon.

The National Transport Museum Inverell are advising the next Electric Expo and Car Show will be held Saturday the 4th of May and Sunday the 5th of May.

When the programme is finalised you will receive an email.

We are hoping that you might put this date in your Club Bulletin.

Regards

Kevin Dunn, (Chairman)

Event	“A Blast from the Past” at the Tamworth Classic Car Show.
When	Friday 17, Saturday 18, Sunday 19 May and if you can fit it in Monday 20 May 2019.
Where	Travel from Coffs to Ebor, Uralla, Tamworth (2 nights at the Golden Guitar Motel), and if you can make it Walcha, Gingers Creek and Port Macquarie (1 night at the Ibis Styles Motel).
Depart	Coffs Harbour South 8.30AM sharp Friday 17 May.
What to Expect	<p>A GREAT WEEKEND !!!!!!!</p> <p><u>Friday:</u> This will be a tour up through the city of Dorrigo with BYO morning tea at Ebor Falls, on to Uralla for a BYO lunch and an inspection of the area around Gostwyck Chapel before cruising down to our accommodation in Tamworth for the next two nights. Dinner will be at the Long Yard Hotel which is adjacent to our motel.</p> <p><u>Saturday:</u> Spend the morning taking in the Tamworth Classic Car Show. This show is a cut above the normal regional car show and is held indoors at the Tamworth Entertainment Centre. The afternoon will be free for a look around Tamworth. Dinner will be at the Long Yard or at a venue yet to be arranged.</p> <p><u>Sunday:</u> Depart Tamworth for Coffs Harbour with maybe a stop in Armidale.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OR</u></p> <p><u>Sunday:</u> Depart Tamworth travelling on the scenic Oxley Highway with morning tea in Walcha, lunch in Gingers Creek, arriving at Port Macquarie at approx 2.30. Dinner will be at the Port City Bowling Club.</p> <p><u>Monday:</u> We will try to organise a morning tea with one of the car clubs in Port before setting off for Coffs Harbour.</p>
Bring	<p>Motel money: In Tamworth the Golden Guitar Motel \$160.00 per room per night including continental breakfast. We know this is not the cheapest motel in Tamworth but it is good quality and within walking distance of both the Car Show venue and the Long Yard Pub. In Port Macquarie the Ibis Styles Motel for those able to add the extra night \$149.00 per room per night.</p> <p>Money for meals: We have tried to plan meals at affordable venues. To help keep the costs down we will BYO morning tea and lunch on the Friday and perhaps a BYO morning tea on the Sunday in Walcha.</p> <p>Car Show Entry: \$10.00 per person</p> <p>MOST IMPORTANT: Bring some drinks and nibbles for happy hour before dinner each night.</p>
RSVP	<u>By Monday 1 April.</u> Remember first in best dressed for motel bookings!!!
Contact	Pat O’Carroll 6653 5585 or theocarrolls@hotmail.com and you will be given instructions on how to book your accommodation.
Brief Comments	<p><u>DON’T MISS OUT BOOK NOW</u></p> <p>If you are on your own but would like to travel with someone please let Pat know and we will see what can be arranged.</p>



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Oil assisted GPS for MG's

Meet at start Repco, Homebase at 10:30
(Start time to be confirmed)

All NSW road rules apply

There will be NO dirt roads

You will be provided an instruction street with observation questions and spaces to answer

Make sure you BRING A PEN AND CLIPBOARD OR SIMILAR

Event will take approx. 1 – 1.5 hours and will finish with BYO picnic lunch at the Jetty Foreshores

DON'T FORGET YOUR PICNIC LUNCH, CHAIRS ETC



Bob & Lyn Cooper's magnificent Ford Fairlane "Golden Oldie" was a popular winner of the COS (Car of Show) trophy in this years Classic Cars @ C.ex Coffs event. NRMA was the sponsor of this inaugural award. Congratulations Bob & Lyn.

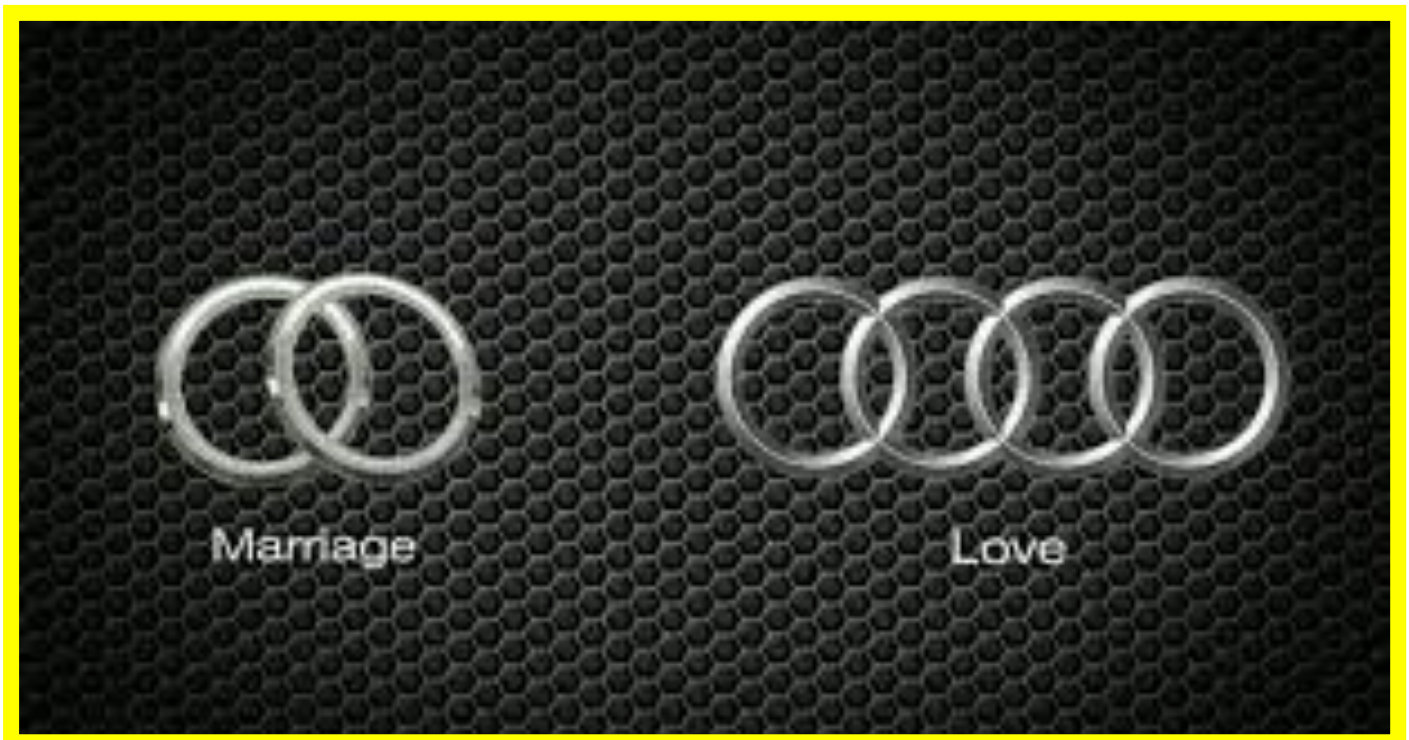
Car Club member and Australia Day Awards Nominee, David Tierney, pictured below with Coffs Harbour Mayor, Denise Knight. David was nominated for his work with the Woolgoolga Surf Life Saving Club and Meals on Wheels. Congratulations David from all your fellow car club members.



*Question: What would you remember most about this line up?
Answer: That's easy.....the oil slick of course*



Hey you blokes, don't forget Valentine's Day on 14th



Shell Oil Comments.....A MUST READ.....Safety Alert



You should know that **Mobile Phones can ignite fuel or fumes.**

Mobile phones that light up when switched on or when they ring release enough energy to provide a spark for ignition.

Mobile phones should not be used in filling stations, or when fueling lawn mowers, boat, etc.

Mobile phones should not be used, or should be turned off, around other materials that generate flammable or explosive fumes or dust, (i.e., solvents, chemicals, gases, grain dust, etc.)

To sum it up, here are the **Four Rules for Safe Refueling:**

- 1) Turn off engine
- 2) Don't smoke
- 3) Don't use your cell phone - leave it inside the vehicle or turn off
- 4) Don't re-enter your vehicle during fueling.

Bob Renkes of Petroleum Equipment Institute is working on a campaign to try and make people aware of fires as a result of static electricity at fuel pumps. His company has researched 150 cases of these fires.

His results were very surprising:

- 1) Out of 150 cases, almost all of them were women.
- 2) Almost all cases involved the person getting back into their vehicle while the nozzle was still pumping fuel. When finished, they went back to pull the nozzle out and the fire started, as a result of a static spark from their bodies from sliding out of the vehicle.
- 3) Most had on rubber-soled shoes.
- 4) Most men never get back in their vehicle until completely finished. This is why they are seldom involved in these types of fires.
- 5) Don't ever use cell phones when pumping fuel.
- 6) It is the vapours that come out of the fuel that cause the fire, when connected with static charges.
- 7) There were 29 fires where the vehicle was re-entered and the nozzle was touched during refueling from a variety of makes and models. Some resulted in extensive damage to the vehicle, to the station, and to the customer.
- 8) Seventeen fires occurred before, during or immediately after the fuel cap was removed and before fueling began.

Mr Renkes stresses you should **NEVER** get back into your vehicle while filling it with fuel. If you absolutely **HAVE** to get into your vehicle while the fuel is pumping, make sure you get out, close the door **TOUCHING THE METAL**, before you ever pull the nozzle out. This way the static from your body will be discharged before you ever remove the nozzle.



What, exactly, is the problem with Lucas electronics?

- * The Lucas motto: "Get home before dark."
- * Lucas denies having invented darkness. But they still claim "sudden, unexpected darkness"
- * Lucas--inventor of the first intermittent wiper.
- * Lucas--inventor of the self-dimming headlamp.
- * The three-position Lucas switch--DIM, FLICKER and OFF. The other three switch settings--SMOKE, SMOLDER and IGNITE.
- * The original anti-theft devices--Lucas Electric products.
- * "I've had a Lucas pacemaker for years and have never experienced any prob..."
- * If Lucas made guns, wars would not start either.
- * Did you hear about the Lucas powered torpedo? It sank.
- * It's not true that Lucas, in 1947, tried to get Parliament to repeal Ohm's Law. They withdrew their efforts when they met too much resistance.
- * Did you hear the one about the guy that peeked into a Land Rover and asked the owner "How can you tell one switch from another at night, since they all look the same?" "He replied, it doesn't matter which one you use, nothing happens!"
- * Back in the '70s Lucas decided to diversify its product line and began manufacturing vacuum cleaners. It was the only product they offered which didn't suck.
- * Quality Assurance phoned and advised the Engineering guy that they had trouble with his design shorting out. So he made the wires longer.
- * Alexander Graham Bell invented the Telephone.
Thomas Edison invented the Light Bulb.
Joseph Lucas invented the Short Circuit.
- * Recommended procedure before taking on a repair of Lucas equipment: check the position of the stars, kill a chicken and walk three times sunwise around your car chanting: "Oh mighty Prince of Darkness protect your unworthy servant."
- * Lucas systems actually uses AC current; it just has a random frequency.

THE PINEHURST PRESS NEWS & VIEWS

BY T J & WEBB--Interesting Take on Electric Cars

As an engineer I love the electric vehicle technology.

However, I have been troubled for a longtime by the fact that the electrical energy to keep the batteries charged has to come from the grid and that means more power generation and a huge increase in the distribution infrastructure. Whether generated from coal, gas, oil, wind or sun, installed generation capacity is limited.

A friend sent me the following that says it very well. You should all take a look at this short article.

IF ELECTRIC CARS DO NOT USE GASOLINE, THEY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN PAYING A GASOLINE TAX ON EVERY GALLON THAT IS SOLD FOR AUTOMOBILES, WHICH WAS ENACTED SOME YEARS AGO TO HELP TO MAINTAIN OUR ROADS AND BRIDGES. THEY WILL USE THE ROADS, BUT WILL NOT PAY FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE!

In case you were thinking of buying hybrid or an electric car:

Ever since the advent of electric cars, the REAL cost per mile of those things has never been discussed. All you ever heard was the mpg in terms of gasoline, with nary a mention of the cost of electricity to run it .

This is the first article I've ever seen and tells the story pretty much as I expected it to.

Electricity has to be one of the least efficient ways to power things yet they're being shoved down our throats.

Glad somebody finally put engineering and math to paper.

At a neighborhood BBQ I was talking to a neighbor, a BC Hydro executive. I asked him how that renewable thing was doing.

He laughed, then got serious.

If you really intend to adopt electric vehicles, he pointed out, you had to face certain realities.

For example, a home charging system for a Tesla requires 75 amp service. The average house is equipped with 100 amp service.

On our small street (approximately 25 homes), the electrical infrastructure would be unable to carry more than three houses with a single Tesla, each.

For even half the homes to have electric vehicles, the system would be wildly over-loaded.

This is the elephant in the room with electric vehicles. Our residential infrastructure cannot bear the load.

So as our genius elected officials promote this nonsense, not only are we being urged to buy these things and replace our reliable, cheap generating systems with expensive, new windmills and solar cells, but we will also have to renovate our entire delivery system!

This latter "investment" will not be revealed until we're so far down this dead end road that it will be presented with an 'OOPS...!' and a shrug.

If you want to argue with a green person over cars that are eco-friendly, just read the following. Note: If you ARE a green person, read it anyway. It's enlightening.

Eric test drove the Chevy Volt at the invitation of General Motors and he writes, "For four days in a row, the fully charged battery lasted only 25 miles before the Volt switched to the reserve gasoline engine." Eric calculated the car got 30 mpg including the 25 miles it ran on the battery.

So, the range including the 9-gallon gas tank and the 16 kwh battery is approximately 270 miles.

It will take you 4.5 hours to drive 270 miles at 60 mph.

Then add 10 hours to charge the battery and you have a total trip time of 14.5 hours.

According to General Motors, the Volt battery holds 16 kwh of electricity.

It takes a full 10 hours to charge a drained battery. The cost for the electricity to charge the Volt is never mentioned, so I looked up what I pay for electricity.

I pay approximately (it varies with amount used and the seasons) \$1.16 per kwh. $16 \text{ kwh} \times \$1.16 \text{ per kwh} = \18.56 to charge the battery.

$\$18.56 \text{ per charge divided by } 25 \text{ miles} = \0.74 per mile to operate the Volt using the battery.

Compare this to a similar size car with a gasoline engine that gets only 32 mpg. $\$3.19 \text{ per gallon divided by } 32 \text{ mpg} = \0.10 per mile .

The gasoline powered car costs about \$20,000 while the Volt costs \$46,000 plus.

So the American Government wants loyal Americans not to do the math, but simply pay three times as much for a car, that costs more than seven times as much to run, and takes three times longer to drive across the country.

Car Club Regalia

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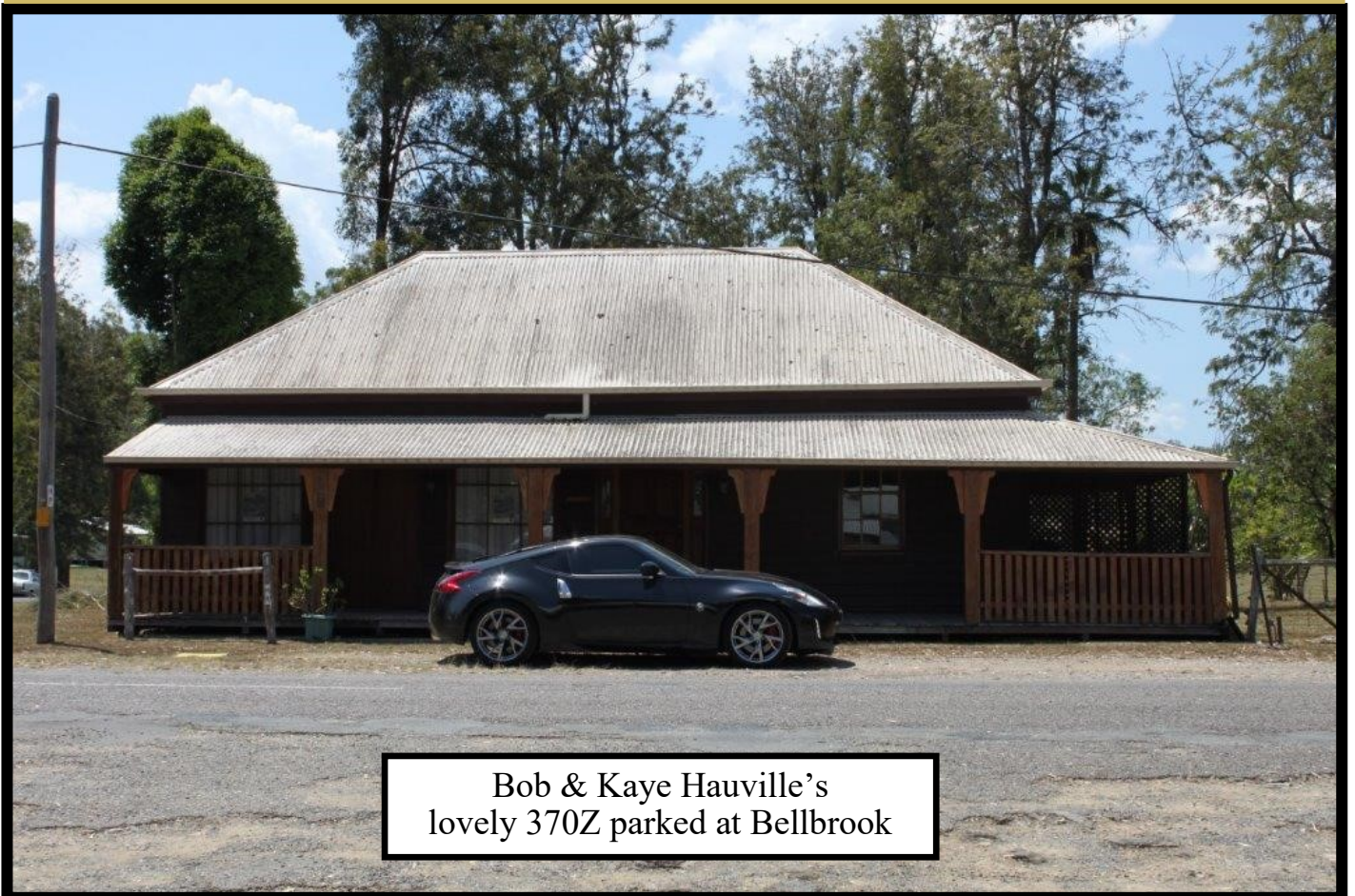


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