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THE NEXT FEW MORGAN EVENTS

CHRISTMAS LUNCH & AGM – Sunday 29th November

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS RUN – Wednesday 16th December

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THE OBJECTS OF MORGAN OWNERS QUEENSLAND INC

To make this club as accessible as possible to all people with an interest in Morgan motor vehicles whether they be owners, drivers or enthusiasts;

To promote fellowship among members through rallies, outings, meetings and the like;

To promote Morgan Owners Queensland Inc to the public through displays, rallies etc and endeavour to further interest in Morgan motor vehicles.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Meetings are held quarterly whilst on our club event. Times and locations are listed on the MOQ calendar. All club members are encouraged to volunteer to organise events.

AGM is to be held prior to 31st December annually.

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Full year: \$50.00 per calendar year – DUE 30TH June annually

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REGALIA

Club merchandise can be purchased by contacting Brian Hollins, whose email address appears above.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tom Fairhall



Of course the highlight for our Morgan Centenary year has been the very successful Centenary Tour to Inverell 9th – 12th October. Details of the event are covered in part elsewhere in this SunMog edition and in the latest edition of the MOCA 'Morgan Ear'. I am certain everyone who participated was impressed with the organisation of the events and particularly the Inverell town folk who made us very welcome.

All participating cars were breakdown free over the weekend with the exception of our yellow 4/4 which broke down in Brisbane the night before our departure. The car had a major electrical short which we could not trace. Consequently the car was loaded onto our trailer in place of the +8 and taken to Inverell, where it had been prearranged to have a local auto electrician look at it. It turned out there was a dead short in the windscreen wiper motor – a fairly rare occurrence I would think.

Patty Beecham has produced a very professional DVD covering the Inverell event which runs for 1¼ hours. For those unable to attend, this is next best to actually participating, given the comprehensive input in gathering the footage involved. Patty is selling this DVD for a very reasonable \$20 ea. Orders can be placed directly with Patty at pbeecham@bigpond.net.au or phone 0417 8187316.

For those who know our Terrigal (NSW) member, Roger Shawyer, will be pleased to know he has finally had an operation to repair a botched hernia operation earlier this year which resulted in 8 weeks of hospitalisation and many months recovering. His +8 is awaiting parts from England after a bad accident several months ago and he is hoping to have it back on the road in time for a tour of Tasmania planned (by NBC [Naughty Boys Club]) for April next year.

Sunday last, 22nd November saw many of us at MOCA – SEQ Christmas lunch at Moreton Bay Boat Club at Scarborough. A very well attended event with about 18 Morgans and roughly 40 people there. We were seated outside under a sail shade right on the marina so the ambience was perfect for the occasion. Thank you, Peter Andrews, for organising such a successful event.

The MOCA Christmas lunch and AGM is to be held this coming Sunday, 29/11/09. It is planned to start at Colmslie Beach Reserve (UBD ref Map 161 H3) at 9.30am. The AGM will be as brief as we can make it with ALL committee positions up for election. We would really like to see some new blood on the committee so please step forward for nomination.

After the AGM and BYO morning tea we will make our way to the lunch venue at Mt Tamborine. If you are unable to attend the lunch please come to the AGM, at least.

Given predicted very high temperatures for next weekend this event is a "Morgan optional" event so tintops are welcome.

See you there! Tom Fairhall



SECRETARIES REPORT

Christine Stevens



The Morgan Centenary events have come to a close and the 100 years of the Morgan Motor Company was definitely well celebrated. There were international, national and state wide celebrations. A great effort!

We thank all that participated in the Australian Morgan Centenary Tour in Inverell. We are sure that all enjoyed themselves. It was good for the NSW MOCA members to attend as visitors for a change and not have to put in the work as they have in the 2 previous events in Bathurst.



The display on Sunday went well. We Greg's persistence we were permitted to display the Morgans on the lawns at the Tourist Information Centre. The +8 owners did us proud taking the Inverell VIP's for drives through the afternoon. This was appreciated by all. A special thanks, here, goes to Tony Bermingham.

It is impossible to single out those that made this celebration a success as everyone contributed in some way, be it large or small.

On the way to Tinga

Morgans on display

I would like to pass on a big THANKS to Patty Beecham. Patty did not have much time for relaxation through the 4 days. We all saw her taking photos and movies that she used in her production. We sat and watched the DVD Patty produced of the Inverell Tour – BRILLIANT!! It is an excellent professional DVD for all to enjoy. It does not matter what city or town, state or country you live you, or if you were there or not; I am confident you will thoroughly enjoy this DVD. The \$20.00 that Patty is charging definitely does not cover all of the work that went into this production. Do yourself a favour, contact Patty and purchase a copy.



Michael Moore is another that you saw all weekend with the camera – even on the ladder. Michael has supplied 420 photos. If you would like a copy of the photos please let me know and I will copy them for you. Thanks Michael.

Leigh Boyle – without your efforts we would not have raised so much for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia. We have posted them off a cheque for \$1,260. Thank you everyone for your contribution – particularly Clive Boyle for purchasing badge #1 and Kerry Watts for purchasing badge #100 in the auction.



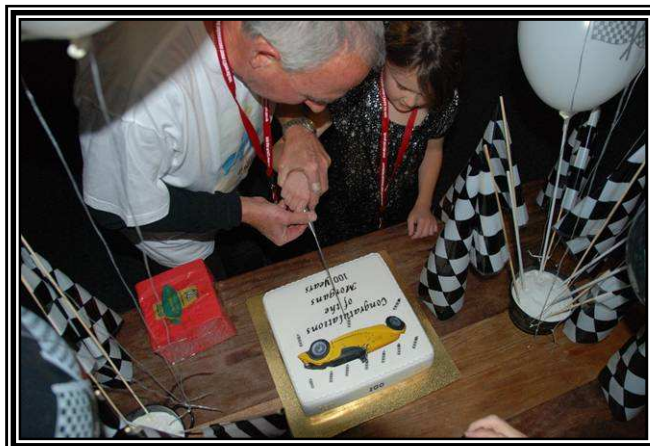
Kerry Watts (*photo left*) was the best Complaints Manager and made our job easy. I am sure you all saw him with his fingers in his ears whilst listening to the complaints. Also Kerry, you made a great Al Johnson (but that must have been uncomfortable).

The decorating team on Sunday made short work of a task that could have taken a long time. Also the removal of the decorations on Monday morning – thanks!

It was great to have Graham Mitchell, immediate past president of MOCA and Emma Stehbens, the youngest attendee of the event attend to the cutting of the centenary cake. Emma's aunt and uncle and grandparents (Brian Hollins, Helens Stehbens and Geoff

and Elaine Stehbens) are foundation members of Morgan Owners Queensland.

Graham Mitchell and Emma Stehbens, cutting the cake



Judy Mitchell did a great write-up on the event in the last Morgan Ear. If you aren't a member of MOCA, borrow a copy of the Morgan Ear and have a look at her article and the photos. I really could go on and on as everyone did contribute. Thank-you to all for everything.



The last SunMog had so many great articles on the centenary that we decided to have it printed in colour and posted to all club members. We hope you enjoyed this one-off treat. We are now back to the emailed newsletters. We enjoyed Stefan's story and photos of his 10,000 km journey through Europe so much that we now have the bug. Stefan, we are now going to UK and Europe for 5½ weeks next year. We haven't booked our flights yet but, at this stage, it looks like we plan on flying out 9th June, arriving home 17th July.

Roger is on the road to recovery. Reports are that his +8 is also proceeding well. The plan is to have it back on the road for the April trip to Tasmania.

There are some really good invitational events, hosted by other car clubs with an open invitation to all car clubs. One that Terry and Regie Lewis are keen to get us all to is the Combined Council Rally in Bundaberg over the Queens Birthday weekend, i.e. Saturday 12th to Monday 14th June. Read about this elsewhere in this newsletter.

A couple of weeks ago Greg and I attended "Autorama". It is a great driving rally, hosted by the Gold Coast Antique Auto Club. It commenced at Mudgeeraba where we had lunch before heading off. The drive took us through various parts of the Gold Coast hinterland, returning to Nerang for afternoon tea. They have the Saturday dinner at various locations (changing it each year), usually with a band and dancing.

As we left home on the Saturday morning I realised that I hadn't backed our driaz-a-bone jackets. Oh, well! If it rains we will just get wet! Well, on the Sunday morning the sky was looking threatening. We departed from Mudgeeraba and 10am and less than a ½ hour the skies opened up. We were doing okay until we were caught at a red light. Anyway, to cut a long story short, by the time we arrived at the Beenleigh RSL for lunch at 12:30pm we were almost dry.

It was a thoroughly enjoyable weekend. There were 70 to 80 cars ranging from 1918 Model T Ford upward to a 2002 MG. The best attended club was the Gold Coast MG Club. Consider taking up the over of some of these weekends away. Details are in the calendar at the back page and entry forms will always be available from Greg and I.

We still have a few members that have not paid their membership fees. Please pay your fees and get this up to date. If you are unsure whether you have paid please phone or email Lynn and she can let you know.

As I mentioned last newsletter, we have the AGM coming up on Sunday and are looking for volunteers to take on roles within Morgan Owners Queensland for the next 12 months. It will actually be less than 12 months as, I believe we will vote to have the 2010 AGM held in October so it does not get mixed up with Christmas. We will have a morning tea and the AGM, then a drive onto our lunch location at Mt Tamborine.

Our final event for the year is the Christmas lights run. Stefan and Marina are putting this together for us. Come along and get into the Christmas spirit. Greg and I have attended Christmas lights runs with other clubs for over 10 years and we have loved every one of them.

Once again, from both Greg and I, thanks for attending and contribution to the Centenary celebrations in Inverell. It was a lot of work but we enjoyed it. (And you thought I would have chosen a decent photo of myself, didn't you?)

I will see many of you as one or both of these runs. If I don't get to see you before Christmas I wish you and yours a happy Christmas and 2010.



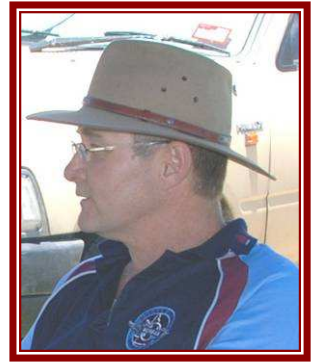
WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The following new members have joined MOQ – welcome and we look forward to seeing you on future MOQ events.

- Tony and Maureen Bermingham

FUTURE MOQ EVENTS

Greg Stevens



CHRISTMAS LUNCH & AGM *Sunday 29th November*



We are commencing at Colmslie Beach Reserve, overlooking the Brisbane River. Here, we will have morning tea, club meeting and AGM. This will enable those who may not be able to attend the Christmas lunch to be there for the meeting.

Morning tea is BYO. There are shelters in the park with tables and chairs.

After lunch we will take the Morgans on a scenic drive to Mt Tambourine for lunch at Liquid Amber Bistro & Grill, 165 Long Road, North Tamborine.

Please advise if you are attending so I have sufficient seats booked.

TIME-TABLE FOR THE DAY

9:30am ***Morning Tea at Colmslie Beach Reserve***

BYO morning tea

Directions from Lytton Rd or Junction Road – turn into Colmslie Road at the roundabout. Follow the road around to the right (don't go straight ahead into Raptus seafood). Turn Left into Colmslie Beach Reserve. Follow the road through to the end and park your Morgan.

10:00am ***MOQ Meeting and AGM***

11:00am ish ***Depart Colmslie Beach Reserve***

12:30pm ***Lunch at Liquid Amber Bistro & Grill, 165 Long Road, North Tambourine.***

(Drive towards Gallery Walk but, when you reach the roundabout, Turn Right into Long Road and Right into the Driveway (not left at the roundabout to Gallery Walk)



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS RUN

Wednesday 16th December

Organisers – Stefan & Marina



Last year we had our Christmas lights run on the Northside so, this year, we are taking a drive through the bayside suburbs on the southside to enjoy their Christmas lights displays.

Get into the Christmas spirit and enjoy the work and effort people have put into their Christmas displays. They love seeing our cars traveling through and being part of fun.

- 6:00pm** ***Dinner at the famous Fish and Chips Kiosk at the Cleveland Point Restaurant – great food, views and parking for light dinner.***
- 7:00pm** ***Approximate departure time for Christmas lights run.***
- 8:30 to 9:00pm** ***After driving around to see the lights we will finish off with a drink at "Elysium Lakeside" at Victoria Point Lake (next to the Lakeside Shopping Centre)***



CLASSIFIEDS

King Pins & Bushes

Tom has the second batch of locally manufactured King Pins and bushes available and ready for sale.

Specification: *Manufactured from 4140 grade ground steel bar. (4140 is high-tensile chromium-molybdenum steel characterised by high strength and good impact properties)*

Supplied with: *New nyloc, ½ inch BSF nuts and phosphor bronze bushes*

Price: *\$250 per kit – less 10% club discount for members = \$225 per kit*

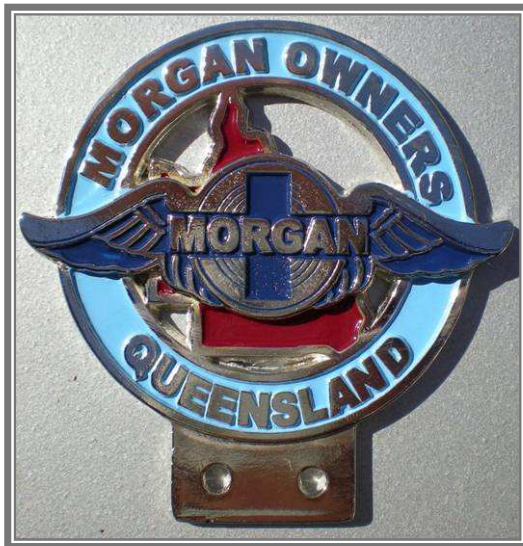
REGALIA

MOQ Club Polo Shirts

New stocks of shirts have been ordered. High quality polo shirts – Navy, blue sleeves, maroon inserts with silver trim. Order yours for the Centenary Celebrations.

Contact: Brian Hollins Ph 0407 379819

Price: \$50 each



MOQ Car Badges

MOQ Car Badges are available

Price: \$42 per badge
Add \$4 for postage
(You can pay Credit card over the phone)

Contact: Greg Stevens
Email: info@ftrs.com.au
Phone: 07 3260 6197

Australian Morgan Centenary Car Badge

Only 100 badges were struck to celebrate the centenary with some still available – Badges 1 & 100 were auctioned with funds going to the Prostate Cancer Foundation.

Price: \$42 per badge
Add \$4 for postage
(You can pay Credit card over the phone)

Contact: Greg Stevens
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MORGAN OWNERS QUEENSLAND Inc **EVENTS 2009 – 2010**

NOVEMBER 2009

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 29th	MOQ AGM & Christmas Lunch	<i>9:30am BYO morning tea Colmslie Beach Reserve, 10:00am meeting & AGM. Then a scenic drive to Liquid Amber Bistro & Grill, 165 Long Road, North Tambourine – RSVP to Greg phone 07 3260 6197</i>

DECEMBER 2009

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Wednesday 16th	MOQ Christmas Lights Run	<i>6:00pm meet at the Fish and Chips Kiosk at Cleveland Point Restaurant. 7:00pm approx departure for Christmas lights run. Finish off with a drink at "Elysium Lakeside" at Victoria Point Lake (next to the Lakeside Shopping Centre)</i>

FEBRUARY 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 21st	MOQ Breakfast & meeting	<i>Details to be advised – possibly Samford</i>

MAY 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Saturday 1 st & Sunday 2 nd	Tweed Valley Rally	<i>Invitational rally based around Murwillumbah – entry forms from Greg Stevens</i>
Saturday 8 th & Sunday 9 th	Dalby Rally	<i>Invitational rally – entry forms from Greg Stevens</i>
Sunday 16th	National Motoring Heritage Day – MOQ meeting & lunch	<i>9:00am – Departure from Caltex Carseldine – past Caltex and in front of the shops. Drive to Harry's House Restaurant, Buderim Forest Park. Here we will display the Morgans, hold our meeting and enjoy lunch..</i>

JUNE 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Saturday 12 th to Monday 14 th	Combined Council Rally – Bundaberg	<i>Invitational rally based around Bundaberg – entry forms from Greg Stevens</i>

AUGUST 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 29th	MOQ Run & Meeting	<i>Details to be advised – volunteer wanted to organise</i>

SEPTEMBER 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 19 th	All British Day	<i>St Josephs Sports Fields, Vivian Avenue, Tennyson.</i>

OCTOBER 2010

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Sunday 10th – TBA	MOQ meeting, AGM & Lunch	<i>Details to be advised – volunteer wanted to organise</i>

NOTE – All Morgan owners and enthusiasts are welcome to join in on all events.