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# SunMog



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## 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### April

#### **Brouhaha Brewery Lunch Maleny** -Joint Jaguar/Morgan run

Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

Joe & Marg Day

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#### **Kenmore/Brookfield**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

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### May

#### **Bunya Mountains High**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Julie & John Turnbull

Ph: 0427 420 809

#### **Mac's Bridge - Not an official MOQ event**

Sunday 23 May

### June

#### **Opera at Jimbour**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>

Clive & Lee Boyle

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### July

#### **Jumpers & Jazz**

**TBA**

Greg Lane

### August

#### **GEAR Lakeside Lunch**

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>

Lance & Susie Boucaut

### September

TBA

Geoff & Lyn Boucaut

### October

TBA

### November

Christmas Lunch

*The committee is always there to assist first time organisers.*



## **Brisbane River Cruise Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

**... Clive Boyle**

Eleven members descended on Greg & Helen Turners riverside residence in Fairfield for a river cruise on their beautifully restored wooden motor sailer "Tamara" followed by lunch.

### **TAMARA**

Built in 1945 at Crowley's shipyard on the Brisbane River Bulimba and first sold to "Big Bill" Edwards, his family owned her until 1981. She has had various owners since then including John Haines from Haines Boats. In 1951 completed the Brisbane to Gladstone race and has travelled up to the Whitsunday's and down to Sydney. Greg purchased her in Sydney in 2012, took her to Cottage Point in Hawkesbury, had her completely restored and brought her back to Brisbane in 2019. "Tamara" has a Huon pine wooden hull and beautifully restored decking and interior as can be seen in the photos.



The group assembled on the deck at the rear of the river front property before wandering down through the back garden unto the walkway leading to the pontoon where the boat is moored. Shoes off and put into a bucket before boarding. As Greg explained the walkway gets very hot and shoes are required for the return walk.

Cast off with the help of Helen (first mate) and off up the river at a leisurely pace toward the Indooroopilly bridge where we would turn around for the return cruise.



The houses along this part of the river are stunning and Greg gave us a running commentary on the owners and the history. We passed a very tired looking houseboat moored on the opposite side which had recently arrived and seemed to be deserted.

Past the high-rise units built on the old Tennyson power station site which were hit badly by the 2011 floods. With the bridge in site, we turned for the return journey.

Members enjoyed the scenery and a chat on the ample deck space while several remained in the cabin and listened to some fascinating stories about the boat's history.

Back at the pontoon a smooth mooring with help of Helen, shoes on and back up to the deck for lunch.



A slide show of the restoration of "Tamara" was running and created much interest as the work required was huge and no doubt expensive. Greg entertained us with more stories about the boat, local area and the neighbour from hell.

BYO drinks were enjoyed with lunch and inspection of Greg's garage revealed a Morris 8 van, a Holden Maloo ute (one of the last built by GMH) and the very nice 1979 Morgan Plus 8.



Goodbyes said it was off home after very pleasant and relaxing day thanks to the courtesy of Greg & Helen, not to forget the resident pet Labrador "Millie".









## Only Mad Dogs & English Cars Go Out In The Midday Sun Hot Chili Run – 28<sup>th</sup> Feb ... *Alison Hobbs*



Meeting at Yatala as the temperature climbed, we managed to muster a very respectable ten Morgan's plus six tin tops. Even at that hour the sun felt strong enough to turn the bonnet straps into biltong.

The compulsory breakdown was quickly provided by Phil and Jennifer Holden with their 4/4 four-seater leaking a particularly pretty green colour all over the car park. Darren Hobbs had it fixed in a jiffy by bypassing the heater, on

the understanding that this would not actually be needed today. Thanks, guys, for taking one for the team, as there were no further incidents all day.

This was followed by a pleasant run through the verdant countryside to Canungra. Although it must be said that we were a bit nervous through the Flying Fox colony, and thankful for our hats. We soon arrived at O'Reilly's Canungra Valley vineyards, where the Morgan's were herded onto a particularly picturesque lawn. We quenched our thirst and were treated to scones in the lovely old Queenslander.

Clive Boyle and Patty Beecham took the opportunity to make a speech, only heckled occasionally by the enthusiastic wait staff ("Number Sixty-Five!"). They recounted the heritage of the Hot Chili run being initiated by the late Michael Moore. In Scotland, the Morgan Club holds a "Chilly Willy" run on the first day of the year. Michael brought the tradition to Queensland, with the 'endurance' aspect of the run obviously exchanged from the cold to the heat. On those early runs we would be presented with a chili to hang from the rear-view mirror. Clive also noted the membership and presence of "almost the entire Hobbs clan". With Graham's Series 1, coming out on a run for the first time in many years, plus his two sons Vernon and Darren bringing their cars, and wives, along.

Unfortunately, we did not get the chance to linger at the Cellar Door, and instead headed to the newly opened Gold Coast Car Museum in Upper Coomera. We only lost one car along the way, so not bad odds really. Nina and Dennis Uhrhane in their +6 turning up a little later after having to resort to a map. With thoughts of air-conditioning spurring us on, there was a shiver of disappointment to then find ourselves sitting outside for lunch. However, it must be said that the beer, views, food





and good company did make up for the fact that we had each lost approx. 40 litres of sweat by this point.

A tour of the museum itself ensued, with some interesting cars on display including a Brabham Formula One, Mk 1 Lotus Cortina and an original Goggomobil (it was the Dart!).

Big thanks to Keith and Judy Browning for their seamless organisation - a good day was had by all. Did I mention the heat?









## Welcome to New Member - Simon Klein

Simon here with the Plus 8 I purchased from Bob Bailey in Bowral.



The last time I drove a Morgan was in about 1980 when I used to work for Pommy Ron's Ashfield Sports Car Centre on Parramatta Road Sydney. It was an about '72 Plus 4 and we took it to a Morgan Club concour in Strathfield .... so quite some time ago for this 64 YO!

This car is a 2 owner, now 3, tourist delivery in England for the owners honeymoon before transporting it to Lae, New Guinea.

Ivon then became the distributor until he left in '83/4 to live in Melbourne. Ivon died in '03 and his widow gave it to the Healey Factory to sell.

Bob purchased and was heavily involved in club and track events.

After an off at Oran Park the decision was for a total resto ..... TOTALLY!

The record of the work done has been shared with Joe and is accessible for anyone who would like to transform their good Plus 8 into an unbelievable fire breathing brilliant handling and braking animal!!

I am so totally in love with this thing it makes me wonder why it took me so long to park my backside in one ... though I suspect not too many are of this cars' specification.



Here are some pics without me in 'cos the camera would melt.  
It looks so ordinary and benign (if a Plus 8 can ..) yet delivers in a pack of spades.!

*Simon Klein - Atherton*





## Welcome to New Member – Colin Walker & his 1990 Plus 4





# 2021 Morgan Plus Four packs BMW power and lots of new parts

## [2021 MORGAN PLUS FOUR INFORMATION](#)










## MORGAN CAR QUIZ



THINK YOU'RE A CAR EXPERT? PROVE IT! TAKE OUR FUN MORGAN CAR QUIZ AND PUT YOUR KNOWLEDGE TO THE TEST!

-  You will be given 20 seconds to answer each question.
-  The quicker you correctly answer the question, the more points you receive.
-  When you finish, you will be able to review your results.

## MORGAN CAR QUIZ



## REGALIA

### MOQ CAPS

**\$15**

**Colours:** Blue, grey, black or yellow brushed cotton caps with yellow trim around and metal fastener. Embroidered with Morgan Owners Queensland.

**Price:** \$15 each + postage if postage required.



### MOQ CAR BADGE

**\$25**

**Measurements:** 79mm diameter, 96 wing tip to wing tip

**Price:** \$25 per badge + postage if required



### LOGO EMBROIDERY

**\$10 EACH**

**Options:** Have your shirt and jacket embroidered with either of the logos.

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### MOQ NUMBER PLATE SURROUNDS

**\$32 PER PAIR**

**Sizes:** Available in any combination wide and narrow.

**Price:** \$32 per pair + postage if required



### 10TH ANNIVERSARY BADGE

**\$30**

**Price:** \$30 + postage if required

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## THE OBJECTS OF MORGAN OWNERS QUEENSLAND



To make this club as accessible as possible to all people with an interest in Morgan 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

Management Committee meetings are held 4 times each year or as required. All Club members are free to raise any issue by writing to the Secretary.

Events are held approximately Monthly: Secretary distributes details by email to members. A calendar of events is provided on the concluding pages of this magazine. Whilst every effort is made to adhere to the dates set out in the calendar, these may change due to unforeseen circumstances.

All club members are encouraged to volunteer to organise events. All Morgan owners and enthusiasts are invited and welcome to join all events. The AGM is held annually in September.

### MEMBERSHIP FEES Due (1<sup>st</sup> July 2021)

Full year: \$50 per calendar year. New Memberships (Payment for 1<sup>st</sup> year)

Joining date: 01 Jul – 31 Dec Pay 100%  
01 Jan – 31 Mar Pay 50%  
01 Apr – 30 June Pay 25%

DUE 30<sup>th</sup> June annually

***If your vehicle is registered on the Concessional Registration Scheme, it is a requirement of the Scheme for you to remain a financial member.***

### REGALIA

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