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# **2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

August	GEAR Lakeside Lunch Saturday28 <sup>th</sup> Lance & Susie Boucaut
September	<b>Diamondvale Cottages</b> Fully booked Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Geoff & Lyn Boucaut
October	ТВА

November Christmas Lunch

The committee is always there to assist first time organisers.

#### Meeting up with our NQ Members .. Joe Day

Margaret and I have just returned from a caravan trip up through central Qld to the Gulf area and across to the Atherton Tableland then down the coast to home.

While staying on the Tableland I made contact with our two North Queensland MOQ members who I have spoken to but have never met.

Simon Klein was about to drive, in his Morgan, down to the Gold Coast hinterland to meet up with some of his car friends the following day, but he did bring "The Beast" for me to have a look at, it was packed ready to do the long haul down south.

After chatting for an hour, which I appreciated as he had lots of last-minute things to do before heading off early the next morning. Simon gave the Morgan a squirt as he left the cafe and it does have very sporting growl, that was a great note. I hope Simon had a great trip down and back up north plus he mentioned that he may be moving down into our SE corner of Qld. Fingers crossed.

A couple of days later I was able to catch up with Jim Petrich at his home and discovered that along with his Plus 4 he had a couple of lovely Citroens. I soon realised that we have a mutual friend who lives at Gayndah who has the largest private collection of Citrons in Australia. Small world in the car appreciation fans here in Australia.

Both Simon and Jim have amazing life / career stories that I could have spent many hours chatting great club members.

If anyone in the club is travelling up to the Atherton Tableland please make contact or if Jim or Simon are down our way they certainly will make contact with us.

# MOQ RUN Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July ... Greg Lane

The weekend of 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> July was to have been centered around the first weekend of the "Jumpers n' Jazz Festival" in Warwick, with 6 Morgans making the trip. However due to circumstances beyond our control, we were obliged to terminate our accommodation which then ruled out our attendance at the festival, as there was no alternate accommodation available in Warwick that weekend. So alternate plans were made for a day run on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> with the run set for 3 hours.



It turned out to be a perfect day for a run, with 7 Morgans and one tin top assembling at the Ada Street, Toowong car park in bright sunshine.

We left the car park promptly at 9.30 heading out onto the Western Freeway, onto Moggill Road and out through Kenmore to Mt Crosby Road turning there and heading for Mt Crosby village. We were then to have turned sharp to the right and headed down the Lake Manchester Road, however some of our number missed that turn and were obliged to back track to catch up with the main group.

Having travelled via Lake Manchester and Kholo Roads, and on to the Warrego Highway we arrived at out Coffee stop in Marburg. Fortunately, both groups arrived in Marburg within minutes of each other. We were joined there by Ros & Bruce Callaghan (Gold Coast) and Julie and John Turnbull (Toowoomba). Unfortunately, the arrival of such a large party overwhelmed the only coffee shop in town and some of us were obliged to wait a very long time for the boost. The delay allowed our travellers ample time to take in the antique shops that are the main industry

in the Marburg village. A highlight in one of the shops being a glass topped coffee table based on a Holden V8 engine.

Moving on a little later than expected, the group headed for Rosewood, yet another of the quiet villages that exist throughout the area in south east Queensland known as the "Scenic Rim". The overall area of the Lockyer and Fassifern valleys is quite closely settled with villages and "hamlets" situated within 5 to 10 kilometres of each other. There are a number of large "Queenslander" homes in Rosewood itself and scattered along the route that we travelled indicating that the area must have enjoyed some prosperity in the past.

Leaving Rosewood we travelled through farming country on well-maintained roads to Worrill View, here turning west onto to the Cunningham Highway in the direction of Warwick, heading via Kalbar through Boonah. Kalbar is a quiet little village (particularly on a sunny Sunday morning) notable for a very ornate department store in the main street and again a number of substantial Queenslander homes.

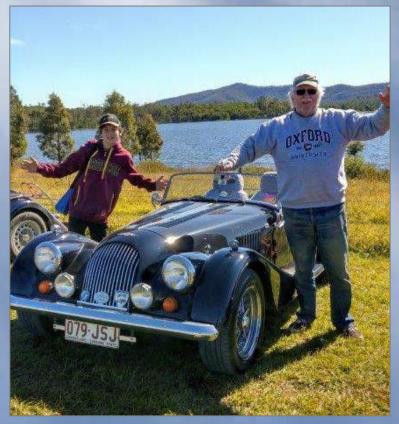
Aiming to keep our 12.30 lunch booking, we passed through the outskirts of Boonah heading east towards Peak Crossing, turning east onto the Boonah – Beaudesert Road and then travelled some 15 kilometres to "The Overflow Estate 1895" on the shores of Lake Wyaralong.

At that stage, we were joined by Judy and Keith Browning (Mt Tambourine). The Overflow Estate is a boutique winery, restaurant and function venue operated by Brisbane Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr David Morgan, who as luck would have it was behind the bar.



Clive Boyle discovered that 2 and 3 bedroom cabins due to be completed in November are currently under construction and has earmarked them as possible venues for a MOQ weekend escape in the New Year.







We were initially advised that due to heavy bookings we would be limited in our choices from the menu and that we'd need our own seating and picnic rugs, however on arrival we were shown to covered tables a short walk from the bar. We were served "charcuterie" boards (antipasto) that were more than adequate for our hungry tourers.

As usual, there was no shortage of conversation, good wine and a perfect mild sunny Queensland winter's day.









# MOQ North QLD RUN .. Simon Klein

Well, it was the run I told you I went on and the whole trip was full of trepidation as it was my first biggy in the Mog.

Starting with heading south toward Charters Towers through Greenvale, my much-preferred route south, I started having 'missing' issues.

As I had stuck a new coil in prior to the trip due to the other one failing I arrived in CT and looked for Repco and was able to get a standby one.

It was starting to be a hottish day.....just keep this in mind.

Heading south toward Emerald, my o/night stop, the thing was starting to severely miss-go-miss.

I eventually arrived at the Belyando and phoned my autoelec mate who was going on the run I was on my way down to and we both deduced it was the aftermarket ignition module A&R 11(2).



Anyhow kept going..stopping..going..etc for about another 100klm where I proceeded to fit the new coil...no difference!

As I was doing my ministrations something pulled up but I didn't take notice as I was formulating some new unheard of swearwords and phrases!

Turns out it was a loaded tilt tray .... he gave me his number!

long story short I got to 15klm north of Clermont it was about 7pm and I was done and dusted.

Called the TT, he came from Clermont where he'd dumped his load (I'd heads-upped him about an hour earlier), we got into Emerald at about 8.45 enough time for me to have a quick SSS and get a meal at the Irish before they closed the meals.

Next morn I changed the coils back, tried to find an auto elec Sat morn.. nup ... soo I continued on my fraught trip south and east to Dalby, my next stop.

The bloody car ran, not quite faultlessly.it would fart a bit under heavyish acceleration, but I made it to Dalby.....in daylight!

For the next 2&7/8ths days it was fine...then started failing again.

It's now been sitting in my autoelec mates place at Caboolture and the new part arrived today!



As for the water crossing, we had a leader who was having trouble operating his satnav and took us down Murphy's Creek Road out of Toowoomba and we ended up 4wding for about 40klms!



# **CLASSIFIEDS**



# FOR SALE MORGAN 1961 + 4

Restored to Super Sports specs. with Webers, extractor, water header tank, bucket seats etc.

It has done very little work since restoration, due to the owners failing health.

Asking \$46000, but neg.

Ph: Joe Wilson 07 3378 5379. E: <u>Jbwilson62@optusnet.com.au</u>







#### **MORGAN +8 FOR SALE**

A rare opportunity to acquire a one owner 1974 Plus 8.

The car was bought new by me through Victor Kaye of Museum Motors in Gisborne near Melbourne. Victor was the current Australian Morgan agent at that time.

I placed my order in February 1974, visited the factory in September to see it being built and took delivery in February 1975. It was my first new car and I started running it in on a joyous drive from Melbourne to my home in Brisbane. I have enjoyed 65,250 trouble free miles with the Morgan – the drive-train remains completely original

Colour is silver grey with gunmetal grey guards - it is a well-known car in the Morgan owners' clubs of Queensland, NSW and Victoria where the car was located with me in the late 1990s.

The car drives well and shows the patina of many years of enjoyment – it is loved by my family but as I am now in my late 70s I am finding it difficult to get in and out of so have made the difficult decision to sell my faithful Morgan.

Please call me on 0400 194 347 to discuss the car and arrange to it.

The Plus 8 is garaged in Brisbane; the asking price is \$69,500 ono on an as is/where is basis.



A recent photo of the Plus 8 as we enjoyed the sunset at Wellington Point. Jon Voller, Brisbane.

# **MORGAN TRIVIA**



Morgan Sports Car Club (UK) Yesterday at 02:05 · O

Bet you didn't see this coming! Morgan have just launched the Plus Four CX-T, an off-road version of the new Plus Four inspired by Morgan's MCC trials past. It features long-travel suspension using the longer Plus Six wishbones and special rally-type dampers - upgrades developed in conjunction with Dakar rally specialists Rally Raid UK. There's a hard top and the tail of the car is modified to something inspired by the four seater to provide more stowage space for twin spare tyres and off-road equipment.



# REGALIA

# MOQ CAPS

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. Price: \$10 per logo plus postage if required.





MOQ NUMBER PLATE SURROUNDS

Sizest Available in any combination wide and narrow. Price: \$32 per pair + postage if required



10TH ANNIVERSARY BADGE

MOR

Price: \$30 + postage if required

## MOQ APRON \$36.50

Colours: Black, Navy, Red, Grey.

For all regalia enquiries please contact Clive Boyle Ph: 0421 348 569 E: secretary@morganownersqueensland.org.au

# 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

Club merchandise is available – Metal Car Badges, Stickers, Number Plate surrounds, Caps, Morgan Embroidery & a limited number if T-Shirts

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