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2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS (Morgan Owners Qld)

2024		
October 5th Saturday	Coffee & Cars Coolum - 54 Junction Drive Coolum 7am to 10am Lunch- Kenilworth Hotel	Clive Boyle
November 24th Sunday	Christmas Party - Pelican Café Redland Bay (Run beforehand)	Committee/Jon Voller
2025		
January (Tentative)	Planes, trains and Automobiles Caloundra Air Museum	?
February	Hot Chilli Run	Keith & Julie Browning
March	Northern Rivers Run 3 or 4 days	Clive Boyle
April	Lunch - Birches Restaurant Mt Mee	Cam Macphee
May 18th Sunday	Overnight Toowoomba Airport (Wings, Wine and Wheels)	John Turnbull
June		
July 19th, 20th, & 21st	Jumpers & Jazz/ or Jimbour Opera Overnight	Greg Lane Clive Boyle
August		
September	AGM All British Day	Clive Boyle
October 18th & 19th	Morgan Park Raceway – Summer Historic Meeting	Greg Lane
November	Xmas Lunch Overnight Stay Woodlands Mansion Overnight	Committee

DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMANS DRIVE.

Some months ago, I saw something about this drive which I had previously never heard of. It looked interesting and was a charity drive to raise funds for Prostate cancer research and men's health. The cars had to be over 50 years old and my 1978 Morgan Plus 8 qualified.

I decided Helen and I would go and make a minimal donation to enter and see what it was like.

On Saturday Helen and I realised I probably did not have a great outfit to suit the event. What clothes I did have appeared to have shrunk over many years! We thought maybe a cravat would solve the problem and found a men's shop in West End that had one, Michael Innis Menswear, so we drove over to pick it up. A busy little shop that was started a long time ago by Michael Innis a tailor now retired, in his nineties, but run today by 2 of his Granddaughters.

One of the girls had a Lions jumper on and the Lions song was played constantly in anticipation of the Grand Final later that day. What an experience just shopping there was. We did not buy the cravat but a whole new outfit for the day, a great little shop and we will be back. And of course, the Lions won.

The drive was held on Sunday 29th of September 2024. We arrived at the start, Brisbane Tramway Museum in Ferny Grove at 8am for a 9.30am departure. The number of cars and the variety was very impressive. Most of the drivers and partners had gone to a lot of effort with their outfits. It also became apparent that it was well organised, a coffee cart, great live music from that era by a male female duo.

After a speech by the Organiser, Kip, we departed on time for our destination, the Bottletree Hotel Glamorgan Vale. A simple drive with of only 1.5 hours and only a couple of turns at which marshals were stationed to make sure we went the right way. The only incident was a Porsche which left the road and slid down an embankment. No one was hurt physically but I suspect some pride may have been dented. Two tilt trays followed us in case one of the old cars broke down, they successfully retrieved the Porsche, and the owner was able to drive it home.

Whilst the drive was very pleasant it was also uneventful for us, although some of the other cars experienced brake overheating and were stopping to let them cool down. Helen however did complain about how hot her side was under the dash and since I had remembered to turn off the heating and shut the heater outlets before we departed, I must admit I was perhaps a little dismissive of her complaints and tried to explain about the heat through the tunnel of these types and age of cars.

When we arrived, I immediately checked the heater cable as the complaints were ongoing and I needed to prove the heater was indeed off. The push pull knob is hard to see and so I took a photo from my iPhone of the knob and its instructions. Unfortunately, I had got it wrong and in fact turned the heater on, old age with old eyes is my defence. Now do I admit this to Helen or just close the heaters and move on. I chose to tell her with the caveat that it is unlike me to get things wrong, whilst Helen appreciated the apology, she did not agree with me not making mistakes!

On arrival at the pub, most of the cars were in the carpark which was now full, and we parked with some others on the road opposite the pub. Inside was packed, we managed to find a seat and order a meal which, understandably, did take a while to arrive during which time the prizes

for the event were presented. At other times a musician played a guitar and sung Blues Rock which we enjoyed and provided a great atmosphere.

I felt a little embarrassed we only donated a minimal amount and since it was so well run and enjoyable, and all the donations were being forwarded to the The Movember Foundation charity, and I have had prostate cancer I decided to increase our donation.

We will be going again next year and would encourage other members to consider going if you have a car that is over 50 years old. Check out the website <https://www.gentlemansdrive.com/>

Greg Turner



COFFEE & CARS COOLUM

Five Morgans attended coffee & cars which is gathering of all types of interesting cars both old and modern. It is held on the first Saturday of each month, weather permitting, in an industrial estate in Coolum and is promoted by The German Bakehouse and the Rolls Royce Museum where the cars gather. Some park in front of the museum others in industrial carparks in front of warehouses and commercial factories and some on the street. We arrived before 9.00am and it was difficult to find a carpark as there would have been an estimated a150 vehicles already there. The group enjoyed wandering through the cars and coffee at the bakehouse seated outside under shade from the hot sun. Colin Walker from Toowoomba was there in his very nice maroon Plus 4. Colin had driven down on Friday and camped overnight at nearby Conondale and was driving back to Toowoomba after our lunch at the Kenilworth Hotel, a great effort. As the morning progressed the cars started to exit, some giving us a boy racer display with exhaust notes resonating off the surrounding buildings. Off to Kenilworth for lunch at the country hotel where the Morgans parked outside created a lot of interest. Our drive from Coolum to Kenilworth was on windy roads through lovely countryside and took in Verrierdale, Eumundi, Belli Park and Gheeralla. Arriving earlier than planned gave us time to take in the very quaint Kenilworth main street, markets and the cheese factory. Lunch was typical pub grub enjoyed on the veranda with a glass of wine or a beer from the brewery which is attached to the hotel. Another successful outing for the year, only the Christmas lunch/break up in November and that is the club year over.

Clive







WHO CAN STILL DRIVE



ONE OF THESE?



When I was young, this was my mobile phone.

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MOQ CAR BADGE

\$25

Measurements: 79mm diameter, 96 wing tip to wing tip
Price: \$25 per badge + postage if required

EMBROIDERY

MORGAN WINGS

Patches **\$16.50 ea**
(Club badges and Morgan Wings embroidered on your garment - Price varies)



MOQ Caps \$18 plus postage

Colours: Blue, grey, black, or yellow. Brushed cotton with yellow trim, embroidered with Morgan Owners Qld



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

MOQ APRON

\$36.50

Colours: Black, Navy, Red, Grey.



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 (1st July 2024)

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

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

DUE 30th 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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