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**VINTAGE VEHICLE TOURING ENTHUSIASTS INC.**

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## LOOKING AHEAD

### VVTE Calendar

DATE	CLUB EVENTS	CONTACT
Sunday April 16, 2023	Monthly run	RSVP Gordon 0427 004 249 .
Sunday May 21, 2023	Monthly Run	RSVP to Gordon 0427 004 249
Sunday June 18, 2023	Monthly Run	

### President's Report

Hello Enthusiasts,

It is relaxing to be writing to you all just after Easter has passed. Must be something invigorating about the cooler evenings and the picture perfect, clear blue-sky days that brings a smile to a face and extra spring to footsteps. Absolutely nothing to do with chocolate hangover from the said few days that have just concluded.

This coming Sunday we will be gathering again at Plainland for chatting and coffee to be followed by a country road drive that is usually organised by Gordon and Jeanette. The sixteenth will be our third outing for 2023. If you missed the previous outings, do come along this time. Grab the keys of the modern if your vintage is displaying some quirks associated with a vintage vehicle.

In March we held a General Meeting prior to lunch in Gatton. You will find the minutes of that meeting in this newsletter. Our club shirts are being sourced from a new supplier presently as the previous arrangement has fallen "over". As soon as we know we will let you know.

The next General Meeting and Annual General Meeting will be in July, at a date and venue to be announced.

In May we will be inviting the Queensland Buick Club to join us on our monthly outing from the Plainland starting point. Hopefully some of the members may drive their vintages. There are not that many and the "modern" Rivas will be returning from a meet in Cowra. What turns up on that day in May could be interesting, if not vintage.

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That's all for now Enthusiasts, other than hopefully catching up with you and your vintage this weekend. Enjoy the pleasure of scenic drives somewhere along a Lockyer Valley road at a leisurely last century pace. Until next time, Cheers,

Barbara 12/04/2023

#### THINGS TO NOTE.

Club has to have 4 meetings a year. Commencing February, we are having a monthly run, starting from the markets at Plainland; the runs, (members to do a turn) not to be done by one person.

## V.V.T.E.

### Vintage Vehicle Touring Enthusiasts Inc.

General Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Meeting opened 11.59 AM. Meeting location, Gatton Culture Centre.

(Members as per Attendance book), 13

Visitors, Jan Daly

Apologies as per attendance book. 7

Minutes of Last meeting held at Helidon Hotel 16 October 2022.

Moved, Geoff A, Seconded, Maureen, Carried.

Committee had a special meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> March at the Fairways Tavern.

Business arising: Nil.

Correspondence In, Nil.

Correspondence Out, Card (Get Well) Betty, she has been in Hospital. She was admitted back in to Hospital this morning. (Info from Julie her daughter).

Geoff, secretary, on advice with the committee, cancelled our Club Insurance with Marsh Sports. On our runs, each member has their own insurance.

Moved, Barbara, Seconded Graham, Carried

Reports. President, Report will be in the Magazine.

Reports, Treasurer, Elaine gave the report for March 2023, Elaine moved, seconded Graham Carried,

A Separate sheet is attached for secretary to file. Books match Bank Statement.

Editor, Next newsletter will be out soon, keep an eye on your email inbox.

New members. Nil.

Web Master. Peter was not at the meeting. Doing a big walk down south.

Any late notices for club will be posted on the web site.

Forms are on the site. Send photos to Peter, to add to our V.V.T.E. web site.

Dating Officers, Nil.

General Business.

Any impromptu runs, please Message Graham with Run details and date, or call him on his phone if you don't have FB, he can then add the details to the FB Page.

Peter has organised a run to the Cooloolan Royce Museum, \$5 entry, will be overnight stays.

Postponed from last year, tentative date in this year, 2, 3 & 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Members going have to book their Motel rooms, and let Peter know that you are attending.

VVTE do have a regular run each month, meet at Plainlands Hotel on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend every month from 8.00am with a run starting at 10.00am travelling to a lunch stop.

Our Club only has to have 4 meetings a year, club runs, (members to do a turn in planning and organizing these runs) not all to be done by one person. A future run to the new Gold Coast Car Museum could be a suggestion.

Barbara and Elaine are taking orders for the new club shirts, details regarding ordering, payment etc. Check with them if you are wanting shirts. Shirts like everything are a bit dearer from now on.

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LAMA have a run on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month, meet at the Historical Society, or Lake Apex for a 9:30 am start, They also have a mid-week run on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, meeting at Apex Park.

Barbara thanked Gordon for organizing the run today, with a run along the northern side of the Warrego Highway & back to the Culture Centre for Lunch and a meeting.

Next VVTE Meeting will be in July, along with an AGM.

Meeting closed, 12.19 PM.

Geoff Adcock Secretary, Barbara Dearling, President.

This is the solution to the car name quiz that was in the last newsletter. Thanks, Geoff, for this brain twister.

#### The Courtship.

When MORRIS COWLEY was out one day, he met LIZZY FORD. He thought she looked a real STAR. He asked her if she would go out with him that night. She said it was WILLYS KNIGHT but that she would DODGE him if possible. She did, and they went down lovers lane for a walk under the MOON. They passed ASTON MARTIN and FRANKLIN TALBOT who were out with OPEL LEYLAND and the SINGER, miss LANCHESTER. He told her that she was a real SUNBEAM, and he asked her if she could cook. "I will have you know I'm a real STUDEBAKER" said LIZZY, tossing her AUBURN hair. She felt very HUMBER as he declared his love for her. MORRIS told her he had been a bit of a ROVER, also that had played a lot of RUGBY, but was ready to settle down now. She said "I've been a bit of a RAMBLER myself".

They became engaged and their ring was as bright as a STAR. They were married in the Holy MASERATTI church in OXFORD. The ceremony was performed by the Rev ROLLS ROYCE who arrived in his PACKARD and their attendants were MINNIE and MORRIS MINOR. Guests included DAIMLER CADILLAC Mr and Mrs LINCOLN, Miss FIAT and Mr - M.G. PONTIAC. Mr and Mrs BUICK and the whole BUGATTI family.

The wedding breakfast was held at the CHEVROLET and all enjoyed a LAMBORGHINI cake and the CITROEN punch. The happy couple left on their honeymoon on board the STANLEY STEAMER and went as far as PLYMOUTH for the first few days. After that they travelled OVERLAND in their late model OLDSMOBILE before they returned to ESSEX where they settled down in their modern HUPMOBILE. In due course they had a baby, they called it AUSTIN. It was a real trial to them and they often had to speak to it CROSSLEY and WHIPPET a good deal.

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## VVTE RUN for February 2023

Our First Run of the Year. Sunday, 20 February, 2023

2023 is now well underway and our first run of the year has now come and gone. As we have done for the last year, nearly all members of the VVTE met at the Plainland Markets relatively early on Sunday morning. It was a bright, sunny morning and we were all pleased for a chance to get our vintage cars out of summer holidays mothballs and on the road again. It was great to welcome Mario and Elaine back again following Mario's health issues. The run was well attended with eight vintage cars and three moderns in attendance. By starting at the markets, it enabled us to start the day in our usual way, socialising, visiting stalls, drinking coffee etc. And I'm sure everyone will be pleased to note that I found multiple copies of favourite authors at the bookstall.

Tony did the honours with run-planning today, giving Gordon his first break for a long time. We travelled up hill and down dale through some of the most scenic countryside you will ever see regardless of where you are. There seems to be a consistent pattern when driving around the Lockyer, that being the steeper the hill you drive up, the more beautiful the panoramic view is waiting for you on the other side. The drive passed through places such as Laidley, Forest Hill, Mt Sylvia and finally ended up at the Tenthill Hotel.



This is an interesting old pub with an interesting past. It's a survivor though and now with new ownership, appears to be doing quite well. Warren, our resident musician, shared some of his memories of providing entertainment at the pub in past times as well as a few memories pertaining to other things which I probably shouldn't mention here.

Lunch was probably a tad slow but very edible. With such great company and good food, it was just the best way to end the day. It was a successful start to what is shaping up to be a fun year for club members. Hedley



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## **Queensland drivers may be required to take test when they renew licence, as government examines safety measures**

Queensland motorists could be required to complete an online course on changes to road rules when renewing their licences as part of a raft of proposed road safety measures.

The state's Transport Minister Mark Bailey said the government was considering the introduction of a "refresher course" on road rules for people who are renewing their drivers licence.

It is one of a range of suggested measures following the Road Safety Roundtable held earlier this year, which was prompted by Queensland [recording the worst year of road fatalities in 13 years in 2022](#).

Mr Bailey said the refresher course would not be designed to be an onerous and time-consuming test but would update drivers to changes in rules.

"It might look like, you go online, you have a range of questions that cover the new territory that's happened since you last got your licence," he told ABC Radio Brisbane.

"It's designed to be a refresher course, that people would look to do in an easy online way, that gives you a good review of what's happened in the last four or five years, since you got your licence last time."

Speaking at a press conference Mr Bailey suggested the refresher course would be similar to the online assessment learner drivers must complete called PrepL in Queensland.

Mr Bailey said answering the refresher course questions incorrectly would not result in someone losing their licence, and that a motorist would have multiple attempts to answer correctly.

"You basically have opportunities to get it right, it's really about education, it's not whether we take your licence off you or not, it's about educating you as a driver."

Queensland Opposition deputy leader Jarrod Bleijie said the party needed more details before forming a position on the proposed changes.

"When is it being rolled out, what is the timeline, what happens if the computer system crashes and someone needs their licence renewed on the particular day," Mr Bleijie said.

"What happens when people actually have to physically go into the Transport and Main Roads office ... are there going to be systems in place, are they going to be properly resourced?"

The RACQ welcomed the road safety initiatives.

## **'No excuse' for high-range offences**

Mr Bailey said the government was seeking feedback on the new road safety ideas, which also include an immediate licence suspension for high-range speeding offences.



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He said if people were caught travelling at 40kph or more over the speed limit, "there is absolutely no excuse whatsoever"

"That's something we're looking at ... if you get caught and pulled over at that kind of speed, then it's kind of 'hand over the keys, thanks very much,' and the car stays where it is, and an immediate suspension," he said.

The Queensland government launched its Ride to Zero program on Monday, targeting motorcycle deaths — an initiative developing mentoring programs, new resources and supporting motorcycling organisations.

"Last year, we saw 74 deaths on our roads, a big increase in the number of motorcycle riders, out of the 297 deaths," Mr Bailey said.

"Only five per cent of road users are [motorcycle riders but they made up 25 per cent of deaths last year.](#)

"So we're very worried about that."

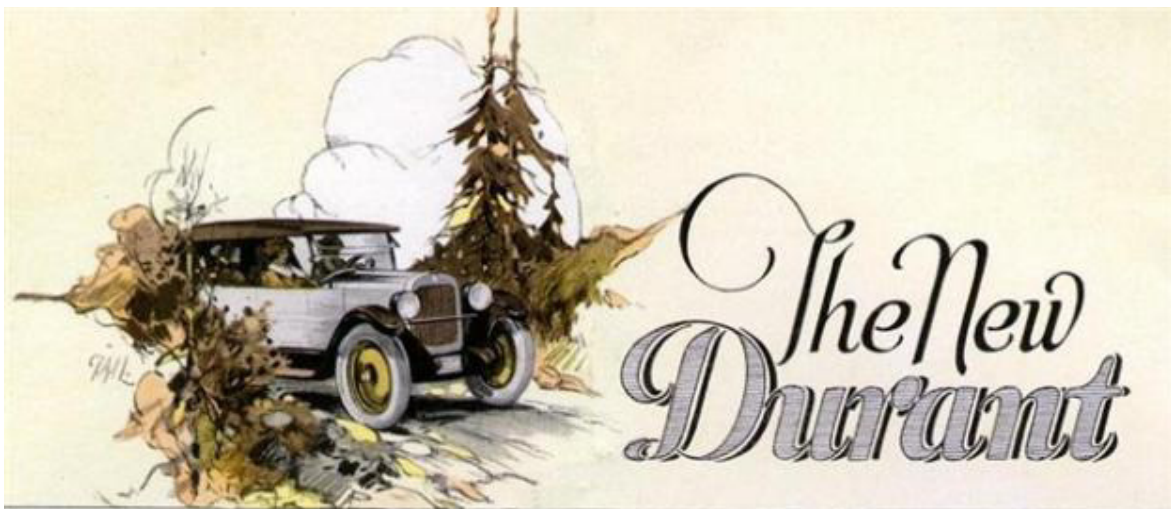
Mr Bailey said the initiative will involve the government working with the motorcycling community clubs to improve safety through a peer-to-peer process among riders.

"We want to see a lot more mentoring of new riders, for instance, so that the skill level increases as quickly as possible, and the culture of safety around motorcycle riding improves as well," he said.

"It's not necessarily what the government says in our advertising that they'll listen to, but much more they'll listen to fellow riders and people in that community."

[https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-04-10/queensland-road-rules-licence-retesting-safety-measures/102204738?fbclid=IwAR18tMP11ClPLESZZv92FGWayy3tv-ZQOvP\\_aqUOW58Mu6Qf8l3Wp3TKQtE](https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-04-10/queensland-road-rules-licence-retesting-safety-measures/102204738?fbclid=IwAR18tMP11ClPLESZZv92FGWayy3tv-ZQOvP_aqUOW58Mu6Qf8l3Wp3TKQtE)

*My feeling is that they need to address the aggressive attitude of drivers, show more care, courtesy and consideration.*



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## Sunshine Coast Weekend 2 - 4 June 2023

There is an awesome showcase of incredible Rolls-Royces as well as a collection of mainly British cars at Cooloom. We can have coffee and cakes at the German Bakehouse beforehand next door on Saturday morning. This weekend is planned for both HETNR Qld & VVTE car clubs as a day event or as a weekend away with a visit to The Sunshine Coast Antique Car Club (SCACC) at the Nambour Showgrounds.

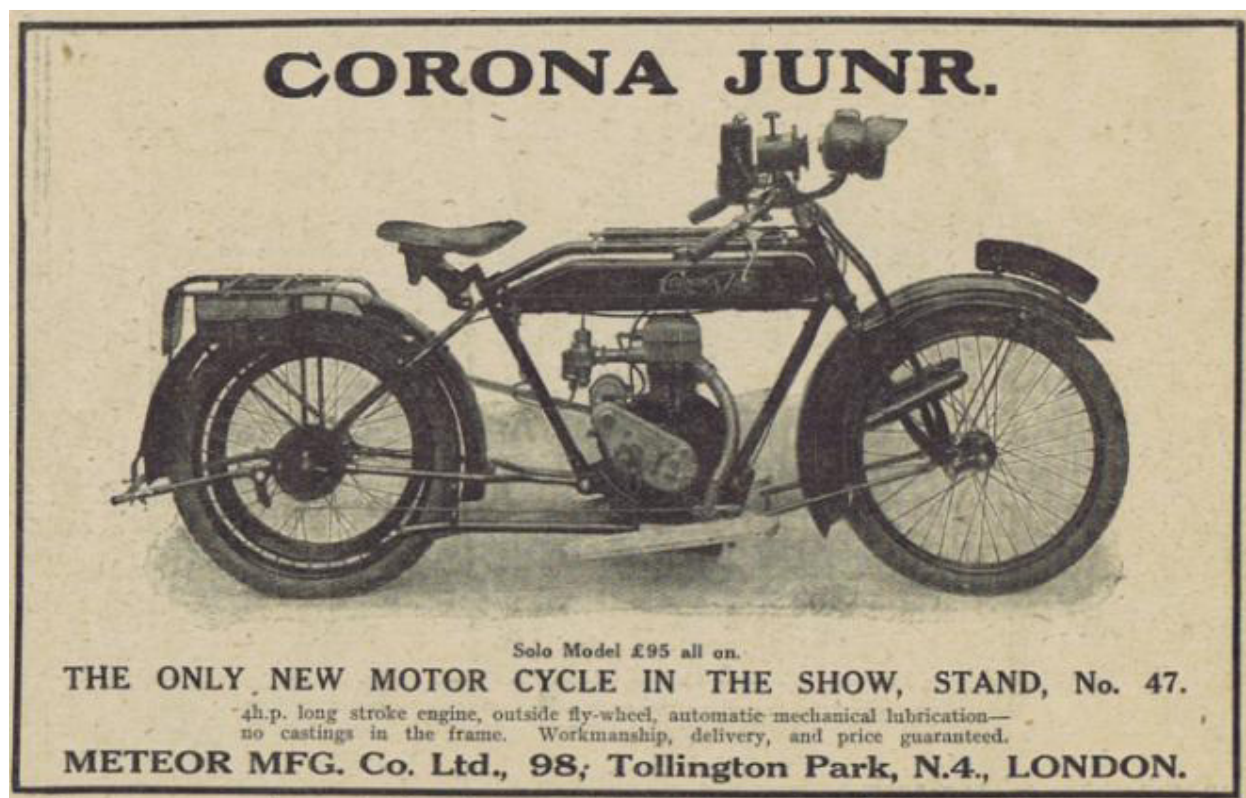
You can choose to make a day of it and see the Rolls Royce display and visit SCACC or a weekend, staying at Nambour on Friday & Saturday nights at the Nambour Heights Motel (or alternative) with meals together and car runs. Members of SCACC may join us for the displays, runs etc.

Details of the weekend can be found in the attached pdf file.

If booking at Nambour Heights Motel, ask for one there 9 undercover parks if you are taking your vintage car.

Please email this form to Peter Wilkinson [pjwilko@hotmail.com](mailto:pjwilko@hotmail.com) if you are attending.

EVENT	YES / NO	NUMBERS	COMMENTS
Nambour Heights Motel			Friday & Saturday?
Friday Dinner Nambour Thai Kitchen			
Sat Morning Run from Yandina			
German Bakehouse			
Rolls Royce Display			
Scenic Run to Nambour			
Lunch SCACC Nambour			
Afternoon Run Wappa Dam etc.			
Dinner Nambour Club Hotel			





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**Committee meeting at Hattonvale, March 1,**



**March Run to Gatton, including meeting.**





It remained for *Hupmobile*, with its beautifully-bodied straight eight, to give the eight a new significance. Where smartness once was content with fine body design and detail, today it demands in addition the smoothness of eight cylinders; and in that group, it decidedly prefers the superlative performance of the *Hupmobile*.

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