



# TORQUETUBE

## **Newsletter of Riley Motor Club Qld Inc January 2013**

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A Good Time Was Had By All

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Next Meeting: Thursday, 14th February 2013. Girl Guide Hut Corner Pullen & Osborne Roads Everton Park

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#### Minutes of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Riley Motor Club, Qld. Inc. held at the

#### Girl Guide Hut, Corner Pullen & Osborne Roads, Everton Park, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2012.

Meeting opened by President Ken Lonie at 8.02 pm with 21 members present.

#### Apologies:

Ross & Dianne Phillips, Pat & Betty Elliott, Jack Warr, Graham Mackay, Simon & Helga Schooneveldt.

#### Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting:

Moved: Bill White, Seconded Sheila Hill that the Annual General Meeting Minutes be accepted. Carried.

#### **Business Arising from Previous Minutes:**

Nil.

#### Auditor's Report for the year 2011:

To be advised in the next Newsletter.

#### Office of Fair Trading:

No request received from the Office of Fair Trading.

#### President's Report:

Ken briefly outlined his report to the meeting. Copy will be found in the March Newsletter.

#### Conrod Trophy:

Bill White presented the Conrod Trophy to Bill Short for his club activities during the year, including editorship of the Torque Tube.

#### Election of Committee Members for 2012:

Bill White has been negotiating use of a building at the previous CSIRO site at Samford. Ken proposed the position of shed co-coordinator. Carried.

Ken declared all positions vacant and requested member Brian Jackson to take the chair for the election of the new committee.

| Position             | Nominated                    | Nominated    | By Seconded    | Elected |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------|
| President            | Ken Lonie                    | Alan Hill    | Lyn Jackson    | Elected |
| Vice President       | Alan Hill                    | Ken Lonie    | Ian Henderson  | Elected |
| Secretary            | Matthew French               | Bill White   | Alan Hill      | Elected |
| Treasurer            | Linden Thomson               | Ken Lonie    | Matthew S.     | Elected |
| Club Captain         | Robin Hull                   | Ken Lonie    | Sheila Hill    | Elected |
| Editor               | Bill Short                   | Bill White   | Gary Britton   | Elected |
| Spare Parts          | Jack Warr                    | Matthew S.   | Ken Lonie      | Elected |
| Ass Spare Parts      | Graham Mackay                | Bill White   | Linden Thomson | Elected |
| Registrar            | Matthew Schooneveldt         | Wendy Lonie  | Lyn Jackson    | Elected |
| Web Coordinator      | Linden Thomson               | Alan Hill    | Ken Lonie      | Elected |
| Shed                 | Bill White                   | Gary Britton | Trevor Judd    | Elected |
| Elected Officers pro | agent took up thair position | ,<br>,       |                |         |

Elected Officers present took up their positions.

**Other Business:** Robin Hull moved Jack Warr be awarded life membership. Seconded Bill Short. Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

## Minutes of the OGM of the Riley Motor Club, Qld., Inc.

held at the

#### Girl Guide Hut, Corner Pullen & Osborne Roads, Everton Park, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2012.

Meeting opened by President Ken Lonie at 8.01 pm with 15 members and guests present.

Apologies: Ross & Dianne Phillips, Jeff Jones, Jack Warr, John Romer.

Minutes from previous meeting: Moved Sheila Hill, seconded by Bill White, that minutes be accepted. Carried.

Business arising from minutes: Apology from Ray & Bev Burrows and Dorothy Cameron omitted.

#### Inwards correspondence:

- 1. Flyer for BVRC Australia Day rally, 26<sup>th</sup> January, addressed to the Classic Jap Car Club.
- 2. Flyer for Ormiston Swap, 24<sup>th</sup> March.
- 3. Application for membership from Stephen Marsh, Upper Caboolture with a pathfinder.
- Flyer for Oceanview Estates Winery.
  Invitation for Australia Day rally, 26<sup>th</sup> January at the Samford District Historical Museum.
- 6. QHMC minutes.
- 7. Magazines SRE newsletters, Blue Diamond, Riley Rattles, Crank, Gazette.

#### Outwards correspondence:

1. Membership acceptance to Stephen Marsh.

Moved by Matthew French seconded by Wendy Lonie that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards endorsed. Carried.

#### Treasurer's report for November 2012:

| Balance as per Bank Statement, 1 November 2012<br>Income    |          |                | \$<br>3593.30CR |
|---|----------|----------------|-----------------|
| Shed donations<br>Interest                                  | \$<br>\$ | 300.00<br>0.41 | \$<br>300.41    |
| Expenditure<br>Shed expenses<br>Rental – Room November EPGG | \$<br>\$ | 30.00<br>40.00 | \$<br>70.00     |

Balance as per Bank Statement, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2012

Moved by Linden Thomson that his report be accepted, seconded Bill Short. Carried.

| Club captain's report: As per magazine due to the C.C. being on holiday. |   |  |  |  |  |
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| December-  | Christmas party at the club shed was a very good day.   |  |  |  |  |
| January -  | 20 <sup>th</sup> President's Rally with morning tea at Redbank , lunch at Ipswich 26 <sup>th</sup> Australia Day Rally at the Samford District Historical Museum. |  |  |  |  |
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| February -   | Perhaps to Coominya for lunch.  |  |  |  |  |
| April  | 18-23 Rally to Rockhampton.   |  |  |  |  |

Spare parts report: Distributors left China 8 days ago.

If any person wants alloy wheels for a RM, talk to Bill Short as his research has found a set of 5 of 16" x 7" wheels and tyres for \$1600.

\$ 3658.49CR

Registrar's report: Work in progress.

Editor's report: Bill has been contacted by Leigh Johnson who wants an article about Jack Warr for the SA National Rally magazine. Does any person have problems or articles for the magazine? Any feedback to others problems?

Website co-ordinator's report: 2<sup>nd</sup> hand and new parts list proposed improvements over the next few months. Linden is actively working on a new more functional version that will have more information.

Shed Coordinator: Was a good venue for the party. Perhaps repaint the kitchen next year. All donations will be accepted while there is space to store them.

#### General business:

- 1. The National Rally entry forms are expected to be sent out from S.A. February.
- 2. Seatbelt laws will change in 2013 to allow 7-16 y.o. children to ride in pre-1969 cars without wearing a seat belt.

#### Meeting closed: 9.20pm

Secretary's Email: mgwfrench@bigpond.com

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## **Nominations For Committee Positions**

Our AGM for 2013 will be held at 8 pm on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2013 immediately prior to our next Ordinary monthly meeting. Our Constitution requires that the AGM is held within three months of the close of the financial year and the financial year ends on 31<sup>st</sup> December.

The Management Committee hereby calls for nominations for the positions of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Club Captain
- Torque Tube Editor
- Spare Parts Manager
- Assistant Spare Parts Manager
- Registrar
- Web Master
- Club Shed Coordinator

Please forward any nominations, duly seconded by a club member, to the secretary, prior to the annual general meeting. For any positions without prior seconded nominations, nominations will be called from the floor at the meeting.

Ken Lonie President



## Women Of Our Riley Club

#### Sheila Hill:

Born at Salford U.K. (near Manchester) Star sign – Pisces. Education & Career: Clerical, Private Secretary. Married for 56 years to Allan, 2 children and 7 Grandchildren. Riley Involvement: Has owned 5 Rileys, at one stage – all at the same time. Dream Car: Mini Cooper. Favourite cuisine: All food, sushi, seafood. Favourite author: Catherine Cookson, enjoys historical novels. Best achievement: Her family. Holidays: Has travelled extensively and enjoyed each trip. South America, Antarctica and the Galapagos are on the bucket list. U.K. is probably the favourite Interests: Bushwalking, Girl Guides, craft, travel and family. Allan adds Sheila is an excellent financial manager. Wish for the World: Peace.

## **Club Captain's Report**

The Christmas party went off very well and the shed as a venue was quite appropriate. Happy New Year everybody, get those cars running well for next years runs.

## **Coming Events**

#### January

Sunday 20th The President's run.

Saturday 26th Australia Day Rally Bayside Vehicle Restorers Club

Saturday 26th

#### February

**Sunday 17th** Lunch run to Bribie, depart from the BP service center on the West side of the highway South of Caboolture .Departure time is 11.00 am (time for a coffee beforehand).

#### The Rockhampton Rally

**Thursday 18th April** depart Brisbane meet at Woodford for departure at 9.30 am, smoko at Yowie park Kilcoy. To Nanango, Goomeri and overnight at Gayandah, booking in to the Gayandah Colonial Motel Ph. 41611999 there are plenty of units available but rally participants are urged to book early to secure a room.

**Friday 19th**, depart Gayandah, to Mundubbera Eidsvold, Monto, Biloela, Dululu, Westwood, Gracemere to Rockhampton booking into the cabins at the Southside Holiday Village Ensuite cabins from \$93 .00. Phone 1800 075 911 early bookings are essential.

#### Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st discover Rockhampton

**Monday 22nd** depart Rockhampton, take the Bruce Highway as far as Miriam Vale ,then via Rosedale, Bundaberg, to overnight at Childers, booking into the Palace motel phone 4126 2244.

Tuesday 23rd depart Childers to Biggenden, Woolooga, Gympie, Kandanga, Woodford to Brisbane.

#### The Rattle of Rileys. A proposed itinerary for the run to and from South Australia.

Tuesday 30th July depart home to Dalby, Mooney, overnight in St. George approx. 496km.

Wednesday 31st depart St. George to Dirranbandi, Hebel, Walgett, Brewarrina, overnight in Bourke 526 km.

Thursday 1st August second night in Bourke.

On Thursday some travelers may prefer to leave Bourke after lunch and overnight in Cobar so as to reduce the travel distance to Broken Hill, approx. 160 km to Cobar.

Friday 2nd depart Bourke to Cobar, Wilcannia, overnight in Broken Hill 622km.

Saturday 3rd second night in Broken Hill.

Sunday 4th depart Broken Hill to Cockburn, Olary, Yunta, Terowie, Mt. Bryan, to Burra.

Trip Home

Friday 9th August depart Port Augusta to Crystal Brook, Port Wakefield, Adelaide, overnight in Murray Bridge.

From then on follow the coast around via the Great Ocean Road etc.

It is not envisaged that all travelers will necessarily travel" in convey" but that we will generally try to get together most evenings for a social gathering. All Riley members are of course welcome to join the group .Comment is invited on any or all aspects of the proposed itinerary.

## **Shed Report**

For the first time, the Riley club ended the 2012 year with the Christmas Lunch at the Club shed. Thanks to Wendy Lonie and the other ladies, thirty club members sat down to an excellent selection including the traditional ham.

It was very satisfying to see so many members enjoying the celebration of Christmas in our own shed. The weather Gods were kind and the shed was very comfortable.

As shed coordinator, I want to thank all those who helped to make this shed a successful part of the life of Riley

Best Wishes to all for 2013 Bill White

## **Editors Note**

I hope the last bit of Christmas pudding has settled and that the New Years is starting off just how you planned it.

It looks like we are in for another busy year with many events to attend and restorations to start or continue with.

Please keep your problem questions and answers flowing in to help your long suffering editor out. I am always in need of articles and pictures to make the Torque Tube as interesting as possible. It can only ever be as good as the contributions that members send in. So please keep them coming.

All the best for the year ahead.

Cheers. Bill.

## I Have A Question. Could Somebody Please Answer It?

I am looking to put oil cooler on the RMC. What is the best type to use and where is the best position to fit it?

Bill Short.

## Last Month's I Have A Question. Could Somebody Please Answer It?

Readers please submit a question or a problem to the editor ( <u>williamshort@aapt.net.au</u> ) and hopefully members can help with a solution.

## **Wheel Problem**

#### Does anyone out there have a possible solution?

I recently was looking for alternate wheels for my RMC. I presume that they are the same as the RMA wheels. I can't find any reference to the correct offset of the wheels. I did my best to measure the offset and came up with 44mm. Does anyone have the specifications for this measurement? The rim has the following stamped into it. 4 ½ J16KN LP52.

Bill Short.

## Solutions

Advice offered in this section is just that, advice and The Riley Motor Club Qld Inc. accepts no responsibility for the results of contributor's advice.

The original wheels were made by Dunlop and I'm sure you know the early ones are prone to cracking between the bolt holes. The later ones look identical (no identifying marks) but are thicker and don't crack. The only way to tell which is which is to weigh them...

Of course, GM wheels fit, and many Rileys ran on contemporary Chev rims. Early Jag wheels also fit (Similar back space)

More recently, members have been using Holden wheels (very cheap as the steel ones are often replaced by alloys) and these are 15" x 6". You need to find the ones with the correct back space (around 110mm) and then they bolt straight on. A couple of points; you need the 11" drums (not the early 12" ones) to allow the wheels to fit comfortably, and also the later smaller tie-rod ends. Members seem to use 4 grease nipples to locate the hub caps, and the finished job looks good.

Of course, you can also buy wire wheels - the LA Wires for earlier Jags seem a good option. These can be bolt on or come with a knock-on adaptor.

It all depends what you want. I prefer new wheels because they don't break...

Phil Soden.

P.S.

After a lot of mucking around and many, many emails and phone calls the only substitute wheel that I could find, without importing 200 from China, was one supplied by Speedy Wheels Australia. The man to talk to Is Geoff Medbury their technical advisor if you are interested. The centre hub cap would still need some modification.

It is a 16"x7" with the correct offset and Speedy Wheels will bore them to the right PCD and machine the centre hub hole to correct size. Five wheels plus tyres will set you back around \$1600, which I thought was pretty good. You have to go through a tyre/wheel outlet to buy them.

I am doing the car up for my son who desperately wanted wire wheels. None of the manufacturers were interested in manufacturing them as they claim that the offset required to make them legal on Australian roads would cause too much stress on the wheel and they would be subject to failure.

Bill Short.





#### Schooneveldts X 3

Mathew, Justine and Grace, Grace is a third generation Riley Member with Simon & Helga, her Grandparents being long time Members and Mathew, Graces Father being involved with Rileys since he was a little fellow. Grace is also the youngest Member in the Queensland Club.



A Christmas Cake That Looks To Good To Eat. (But it was eaten Yum.)



## Ian Hayward Taking Dorothy Cameron For A Spin In Ian's Roadster.

One of the highlights at the Riley Christmas Party in our newly acquired Riley Shed was seeing the obvious pleasure that Dorothy got when Ian offered to take her for a drive. Dorothy and her late husband Gordon were past owners of the 1929 Riley 9 Roadster, so no doubt many memories were invoked. More recently, Ross Phillips owned and fully restored this car before Ian acquired it 4 years ago. This is the first Riley that Ian has owned and says he has had no problems with it and it is a joy to drive. It is garaged at Ashgrove and Ian's reluctant navigator is his gorgeous golden retriever Mandy.

| THE 2011 RILEY MOTOR CLUB QLD ELECTED COMMITTEE |                      |                          |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| PRESIDENT:                                      | Ken Lonie            | 07 5494 3323             |  |  |  |
| VICE PRESIDENT:                                 | Alan Hill            | 07 3289 1063             |  |  |  |
| SECRETARY:                                      | Matthew French       | 07 3353 0532             |  |  |  |
| TREASURER:                                      | Linden Thomson       | 07 3139 1524             |  |  |  |
| CLUB CAPTAIN:                                   | Robin Hull           | 07 54964953              |  |  |  |
| SPARE PARTS OFFICER:                            | Jack Warr            | 07 3378 3541             |  |  |  |
| ASSISTANT SPARE PARTS<br>OFFICER:               | Graham Mackay        | 0418 719 039             |  |  |  |
| REGISTRAR:                                      | Matthew Schooneveldt | 07 3263 1986             |  |  |  |
| EDITOR:   | Bill Short           | 07 3886 7236             |  |  |  |
|   |                      | williamshort@aapt.net.au |  |  |  |
| WEB COORDINATOR                                 | Linden Thomson       | 07 3139 1524             |  |  |  |
| SHED COORDINATOR                                | Bill White           | 07 3289 4282             |  |  |  |
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## **Riley Club of Queensland**

## <u>Presidents Run</u>

## Sunday, 20th January, 2012

## <u>All welcome</u>

## Meet and Morning Tea: Pan Pacific Peace Gardens, McAuliffe Street, Redbank

Time: 10am-BYO tea/coffee, President will supply treats!Directions:Coordinates: 27°35'58"S 152°52'49"E

Take the Ipswich motorway, and take the Mine Street, Redbank (Exit 32) exit. Turn (R), under motorway and immediately(R) into Francis Street (Don't go back onto freeway), continue through lights, turn (R) at elbow into Railway Terrace then (L) into McAuliffe Street. Continue 200 m into car park – walk straight ahead and veer right to large covered area on the other side of the lake. Toilets are close to the car park.

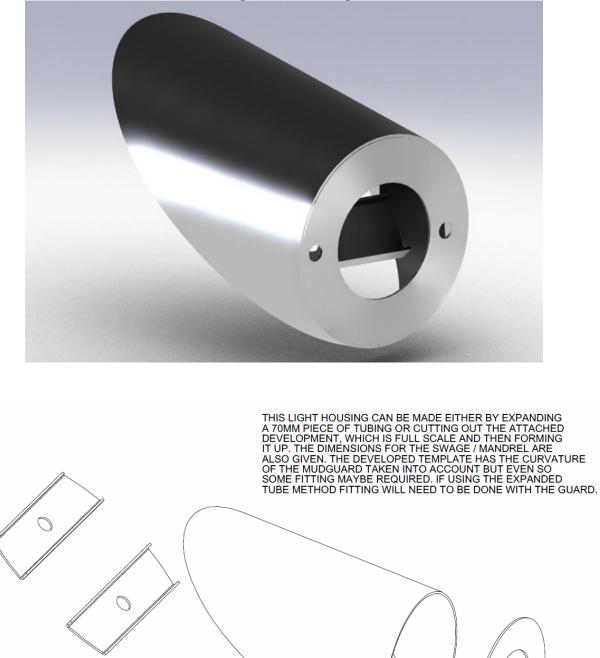
Pan Pacific Peace Park: Created in December 1992 to mark the location where "The Pacific Rim" troops camped on their travels during World War II, the Pan Pacific Peace Gardens pay homage to the men and women who trained at Redbank during World War II and later fought in the Pacific

After Morning Tea, we will proceed in convoy to a park in Ipswich for a BYO picnic lunch. Di and Ross Phillips will be joining us, there will be all weather shelter and toilets.

Any queries or concerns, please contact <u>Ken Lonie, 0409 613231</u> Bring brollys if weather is inclement Enjoy your day in our magnificent Rileys

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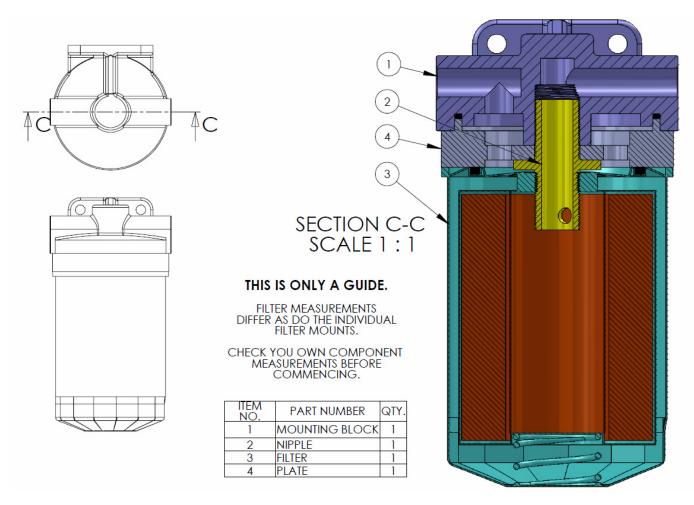
## **Technical Bits**



## Stainless Steel Tail Light Housing For RMC Roadster

TAIL LIGHT HOUSING FOR THE RMC RILEY ROADSTER

If you would like fully dimensioned drawings including developments please contact Bill Short. williamshort@aapt.net.au



## **Z9 Oil Filter Adaptor Plate**

If you would like fully dimensioned drawings please contact Bill Short. williamshort@aapt.net.au

If you have any modifications or ideas that you would like drawn up to share with other Riley members, I am only too happy to oblige. I need sketches with some idea of the dimensions and then I can usually take it from there.

Bill Short

## **Electronic Distributors**

The long awaited electronic distributors for the RMB should be now in the country. After some minor adjustments they will be available. I will keep you posted as to the progress. President Ken has had mine in his car for some time now and I don't think that it is coming back to me any time soon. He seems suitably impressed with it.

Bill Short.