

# **Newsletter of Riley Motor Club Qld Inc April 2015**

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## Art Deco Weekend at Napier Courtesy Keith Brownjohn

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## Agenda/Minutes of Riley Club General Meeting Held on 12 March 2015

## At the Jack Warr Riley Shed in Samford

- 1. The President Ken Lonie declared the meeting open at 2006hrs.
- 2. Attendance as per the attendance sheet.
- **3. Apologies** Ray and Bev Burrows, Dorothy Cameron, Greg Mehwa, Brian and Lyn Jackson, Rod Longden, Del Thomson.
- 4. Minutes of the General Meeting held on 8/02/15 were moved for adoption as a true and correct record by Wendy Lonie and seconded by Alan Hill. Carried

**Business Arising –** As agreed at the February meeting, a B&W copier/printer has been purchased, from Harvey Norman for \$88.

The Treasurer advised that the Auditors Report is not yet available therefore the proposed reconvening of the AGM has been deferred until the April '15 meeting.

Carried.

There was no business arising that was not dealt with in later business.

## 5. Secretary's Report and Correspondence

## Inwards -

<u>Club Magazines from</u>: - 1 X Scotland, Crankhandle from Gold Coast.(History of Whitworth to be forwarded to Bill Short)

## Correspondence from: -

- 1. Queensland Auto Museum, Hampton to be forwarded to Club Captain, Sheila Hill.
- QHMC Bulletin 3-2015 re Vehicle Registration CTP Class, and Bulletin 4-2015 re Certification of imported vehicles. To be forwarded to Editor, Bill Short.
- 3. DTMR Vehicle Standards Instruction (light 26.0) re Certification of pre-1989 imported vehicles. To be forwarded to Editor, Bill Short.

<u>New Membership Received From</u>: Philip Russell, Graham Moore, and David and Mary Hudson. Acceptance of new members moved by Mark Baldock and seconded by Sheila Hill.

## Outwards - Nil.

Moved the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards endorsed.

Seconded by Bill White **Carried.** 

## 6. Treasurers Report February 2015

Balance as per Bank Statement, 1 February 2015	\$6749.75CR
Income	
2015 Membership Fees EFT/Bpay	315.00
2015 Membership Fees	230.00
Sale of Second-hand spares	185.00
Donation	10.00

Interest		0.77
	\$	740.77
Expenditure MBRC - Shed Outgoings EFT/B	pay	15.00
S.Hill - Sausage Sizzle expense	es	18.29
Transfer payment to Spare Parts	s A/c – J Davies EFT/ł	3pay <u>45.00</u>
	\$	78.29
Balance as per Bank Statement, 28 Feb	ruary 2015	\$7412.23CR

(Presented at OGM 12 March 2015)

## Accounts for payment

\$88 to Wendy Lonie for purchase of copier/printer

Moved Linden Thomson Seconded Bill White

## Carried

 Report from Club Captain – Sheila is compiling a program of club runs will also include combined MG/Riley runs and to date has confirmed the March 22 run to the Robotic Dairy via Beaudesert. The Easter run is the Hub Rally. Further runs will be advised in due course.

## 8. Report from Torque Tube Editor -

Bill Short advised that it is business as usual and more contributions are urgently required, including photos with descriptions, and anything of interest. Submission by mid 20<sup>th</sup> of the month would be appreciated.

Bill also advised that fees must be paid in order to ensure receipt of "TorqueTube", either electronically or via Aust Post

#### 9. Report on Jack Warr Riley Shed -

Bill advised that parts are being frequently sourced and that more parts will be graciously accepted.

Bill is keen to hold a ½ day clean up session at the shed, the details of which will be finalized at the April meeting.

#### Carried

- 10. Report from Registrar Matthew and Sheila are working with Di to update member information.
- 11. **Report from Spare Parts** Ian advised that he proposes to visit Jack every Tuesday and spares can be either ordered through him, or still directly with Jack.

The rationale of having two accounts was discussed and it was agreed that the status quo remain for the time being with an ongoing review.

lan also reiterated that parts will not be supplied on credit under any circumstances.

There was general discussion on the merits of providing a change over (C/O) service for various parts held in the shed and the idea will be pursued once the clean up/stock take at the shed is complete.

12. **Report from Website Coordinator** –Linden advised that photo's from Phillip Island are about to be posted and the Calender will be updated.

#### 13. General Business.

The first raffle was held tonight and was won by Mary Hudson. Contributions of any suitable items from Club Members will be welcome on the night and will be raffled at the conclusion of the meeting.

Wendy provided a sample of wording suitable for a club sandwich board, and she has sourced a supplier from whom such can be purchased for \$129.

Wendy moved that a board be purchased as per the sample and details.

Seconded Sheila Hill

Carried

The Lonies will be away for the May, June and July meetings and Mark Baldock will be away for the June meeting.

## 14. Car Reports

Bill Short advised that he has virtually completed his RMC, with the leather upholstery currently being done.

Robert McNeill advised that he has placed 4 quite serviceable tyres in the shed to suit an RMA: please see Bill White if interested.

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Meeting Closed: Attendees were thanked for their attendance and the meeting closed at 2152hrs



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# **EDITOR'S REPORT**

Hi Readers,

We are now well into the year. It is frightening just how fast it flies by. Don't forget the meeting is a week later this month due to the Hub Rally. Those attending will, of course, be taking lots of photos and sending me articles for the next magazine. If you are not going to the Hub Rally, please don't let that put **YOU** off. Your contribution will be gratefully welcomed.

Cheers.

Bill.



## 1948 RILEY RMB FOR SALE \$18,000\*

1948 RILEY RMB, 2.5 MANUAL 4 SEDAN, 100,000 Miles. VIN 57S-2573 This beautiful Riley 2.5 litre purchased by it's currant owner in the early '80's from the original (yes a 2 owner car!) Total restoration completed in 1988 & used for club outings since, very well maintained & with a recently reconditioned engine this car is ready to enjoy.

VEHICLE DETAILS

VIN57S-2573 Miles 100,000 Engine 2.5 Cylinders 4 Colour Black Interior Red

VEHICLE FEATURES

Upholstery Leather

Eden Hills Label Home Tasmania 15 Birdwood Avenue Moonah 7009 Ph 6273 1055

# April Run Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## The River and the Bay

Meet at Colmslie Beach Reserve at 10.00am for BYO morning tea. USB ref Map 161 H3

This lovely reserve on the banks of the Brisbane River, almost under the Gateway Bridge, has lots of parking, shade, BBQs, Toilets etc.

From the Gateway Motor way take the Lytton Rd. (24) toward the City. Turn right at the big roundabout into Colmslie Rd and the Reserve is on the left.

We will then leave at about 11.30am for a 17km drive to Birkdale for lunch at the famous Chumley's "BRITISH FISH & CHIPS SHOP". They are not licensed or byo. But you can take your own drinks with your own glass or cup. Cans of soft drink can be purchased

It is then a 10 min drive to Wellington Point and a lovely view of the Bay.

## **Riley Program 2015**

March / April		Hub Rally Cairns 3 <sup>rd</sup> .4 <sup>th</sup> ,5 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> April			
April	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Club Meeting at shed 7.30pm. NOTE 1 week later than normal River and Bay meet 10.30 am Colmslie Beach reserve.			
Мау	Sunday May 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	David Hack Classic. Toowoomba. Club meeting at shed 7.30pm National Motoring Heritage Day Queens Park Ipswich Around the houses –Restoration reviews!!!			
June	Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> to Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	RACQ QHMC Rally Pittsworth. Entries close May 17 <sup>th</sup> . Mini Gymkhana and Daytime meeting at Hills place Samford.( replaces normal Thursday meeting)			
July	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting at Shed 7.30pm RACQ Motorfest Eagle Farm Australian Teamsters Hall of Fame			
August	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting at Shed 7.30pm Plant Nursery Breakfast Run			
September	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting at Shed 7.30pm Riley National Rally, Perth WA. Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> . Amberly Air Force Museum and Pub lunch			
October	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting at Shed 7.30 pm			
November	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> , Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	Club meeting at Shed 7.30 pm Gold Coast Autorama			
December	Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday ???	Club meeting at Shed 7.30 pm Christmas Party			

## ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!

# **New Zealand National Riley Rally**

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February was a lucky day for Ron & Heather Anderson, Bill & Bev Bunt and Mal Lorimer, as they boarded a plane for Brisbane, overnight in Auckland and then a short flight to Gisborne the next day, to attend the New Zealand National Riley Rally.

Our Rileys stayed home as it would have been both very expensive and logistically very, very difficult to ship them over. No problem, as the President of the NZ Riley Club, whose name ..... wait for it ..... is Bill Riley, lent us one of his Rileys and there were always spare seats in other Rileys.



During the next three days we were treated to wonderful drives through fertile and highly productive river valleys,



spectacular views from incredibly steep hills, beautiful coastline scenes, Bar-B-Qs, and a gymkhana with some unique challenges that tested driver skills, passenger reflexes and domestic bliss!!

The farewell dinner with lots of presentations and acknowledgements signalled the end of the Rally but the start of the Art deco festival in Napier - a five-hour drive away down the east coast. A small detour to a small country school saw lots of happy children as they were whisked away for a drive in the car of their choice. And our \$5 per head for a scrumptious morning tea of home-cooking went towards buying uniforms for some of the children.

Napier was devastated by a massive earthquake back in 1931, but rather than rebuild the city in modern style, the City Planner, with public support, fought hard to have the CBD reconstructed in its original architectural style. Today, Napier is

the Art Deco city of the world and the population of 57,000 has roughly 30,000 visitors for this annual festival. All the locals, including the kids and most visitors dress in period-costume for the whole weekend, and it is fullon with picnics, concerts, NZ Navy Brass Band, street jazz, dancing and dining - the coffee shops were flat out meeting the demand.

**Pre-war Rileys** 



## **Post-war Rileys**



However, it was the street parade that blew us away. Bill and Bev have been to the

us away. Bill and Bev have been to the festival before so knew what to expect, but Ron, Heather and myself have never seen so many vintage cars, all in showroom condition,

beautifully restored and maintained, in one place at the same time. The parade took an hour and a half for 300 cars to pass through the four city blocks jam-packed with people - truly amazing!!

Despite our pleas for a rest, President Bill and his wife Karen had other plans and were determined for us to see more of the local sights and finish our stay with a Bar-B-Q at their home - perfect hosts.

Bill and Karen are no strangers to Australia, having taken part in the Adelaide - Darwin Riley Rally in 2013 and will be travelling to Perth for this year's Riley Rally - almost obligatory, I guess, with a name like Riley.

(Mal Lorimer)

Ron, Bill, Mal, Pam, Karen, Bill, Bev & Heather in the Napier departure lounge at the end of 10 fabulous days



# A Spot Of Trivia

## **National Riley Rally**

Note that rallies were held previous years and that 1973 was the first Rally were members from each state participated. They were held on the Queens Birthday weekend before changing to Easter weekends

Year	State	Where	Year	State	Where
1973	NSW	Shoalhaven	1997	ACT	Cooma
1974	NSW	Dubbo	1998	VIC	Ballarat
1975	NSW	Parkes	1999	QLD	Brisbane
1976	NSW	Parkes	2000	WA	Alice Springs
1977	QLD	Gold Coast	2001	SA	Harndorf
1978	SA	Barossa Valley	2002	NSW	Cowra
1979	ACT	Canberra	2003	WA	Collie
1980	NSW	Port Macquarie	2004	ACT	Canberra
1981	VIC	Mt Beauty	2005	VIC	Tasmania
1982	QLD	Toowoomba	2006	QLD	Maryborough
1983	SA	McLaren Vale	2007	SA	Narracoorte
1984	NSW	Mudgee	2008	NSW	Tumult
1985	WA	York	2009	WA	Porongurup
1986	VIC	Eucha	2010	ACT	Queanbeyan
1987	QLD	Ipswich	2011	VIC	Beechworth
1988	ACT	Canberra	2012	QLD	Toowoomba
1989	SA	Goolwa	2013	SA	Darwin
1990	NSW	Muswellbrook	2014	NSW	Mittagong
1991	WA	Pemberton	2015 Sept	WA	Swan Valley
1992	VIC	Rawson	2016 May	ACT	Merimbula
1993	QLD	Maroochydore	2017	VIC	???
1994	SA	Burra	2018	QLD	???
1995	NSW	Nowra			
1996	WA	Guildford			

As you can see it is not long before Queensland hosts a National Rally again so its time to start thinking about where it should be held.

Courtesy Di Phillips

# **Robotic Dairy**

Our newly elected Club Captain, Sheila Hill organised a wonderful Rally for March. The weather was threatening, so numbers were not great, but 3 x RMB's and 3 x moderns (9 folk) braved the elements and met at Macleans Bridge, southside of Brisbane near Beaudesert. After assembling at the Park, we set off to the Information Centre, a picnic lunch was the order of the day and tons of Riley related conversation flowed effortlessly. We were booked in for a guided tour of the Dennis Family Robotic Dairy. The presentation was extremely interesting and informative. The dairy has imported 4 x robotic (computerised) milking machines from the Netherlands at a cost of \$200,000 each. The cattle follow their own timetable and wander in for milking 2-3 times per day. The machine identifies each cow and records their temperatures and weight, washes their udder and with the aid of an infrared ray, positions and attaches the suction cups before milking. All the equipment is washed and sterilised between each cow. After milking, the cow is rewarded with a rotating brush back massage! The dairy cows are "Holsteins" very similar to the well known black & white Fresians. We were also informed of the economic difficulties experienced by dairy farmers and the appalling rate at which dairy farmers have had to walk away from the industry, often after being in the family for several generations.

Returning to our homes, the heavens opened and we experienced torrential rain, but fortunately no hail. I dread to think of the mess hail could do to the vinyl roof of our Rileys

Thanks Sheila, an excellent rally.

Wendy L



# 2015 RACQ QHMC RALLY

Hosted by OHMC Committee & Delegates

## Pittsworth - Saturday 6th to Monday 8th June 2015

Motoring Council

The QHMC Committee and Delegates are hosting the 2015 RACQ QHMC Rally (formerly known as the Combined Council Rally). This event is being held in and around Pittsworth from Saturday 6th to Monday 8th June.

All runs are suitable for all eras of motor vehicles, so a special please goes to owners of the Veteran and Vintage vehicles to come along.

With weekend railies becoming increasingly expensive, a special effort has been made to keep costs down to make the QHMC annual raily affordable for all. (You can book 3 nights' accommodation and all rally meals for as little as \$180 single or \$200 couple.)

- Register and pay for full meal package by Closing date (Sunday 17" May) and have \$30. Registration Fee Walved.
- 2. The maximum cost a family will pay for their full meal package is \$240.
- Bring your thermos to make your tealcoffee in your room each morning. Take this with you If you want tea or coffee with your morning tea.

#### Accommodation

Pittsworth has a range of accommodation available - Hotels, Cabins in the caravan park, and 3 and 4 star motels. See the attached accommodation listing and make your booking.

#### Registration

Arriving Friday? Register early with QHMC committee at Pittsworth Motor inn between 5:00pm and 7:00pm.

Friday is a "self-cater" evening; you might have a barbeque at your motel, dinner at one of the hotels or Club Pittsworth or you may have your own suggestions.

Saturday Registration is at Centenary Park, Yandilla Street (the main street) between 8:00am & 10:00am

Theme for Sunday Evening Gala Dinner - Aviator / Aviation

Sunday night's dinner has an aviation theme so get into the aviation spirit and organise your outilts .... Pliots, vintage aviators, red baron, etc... Be creative and be a part of the fun.





#### Pittsworth

Pittsworth is a 30 minute drive from Toowoomba and is just off the Gore Highway. Silky Oak and Jacaranda trees line the streets and the town is surrounded by cotton and grain growing farms, and some remaining dairies. This area has some of the richest farming land in Australia. Pittsworth community offers you a relaxed and friendly country town welcome.

### **QHMC** Contacts

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6	Pittsworth - Sat	QHMC Comm turday 6 <sup>th</sup> to N		-	
Queensland H Motoring Co	listoric nuncil REG	ISTRATION	Entries Close	e: 17 <sup>m</sup> M	lay 2015
Entrant:					
Passengers:					
	er 14 years:				
	Home:				
Model:	le: Year:	Make:			
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REGISTRATIO	Includes: Rally Bag & Tour booklet, 3 Morning Teas (Saturday, Sunday & Monday), Entry into Historic Village	\$30.00 - Vehicle	a.	s	-00
	This will be waived IF: 1. You register & pay by closing date (17 <sup>th</sup> May) AND	Register AND P May (Closing D	av <u>Eull</u> Meal Pa ate) and \$30 Re waived		
FULL MEAL	You choose the FULL Meal Package (below)     Lunch – Saturday, Sunday & Monday	\$80.00 - Adult	No. of adults	s	-00
PACKAGE *	<ul> <li>Dinner – Saturday &amp; Sunday</li> <li>Enter the actual number of children and pay a maximum of \$80 for children from one family (immediate family).</li> </ul>	\$40.00 – Child	No. of children	s	-00
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Cheque	Payable to: Queensland Historic Motoring Council Inc. Post cheque & Entry Form to: 2015 QHMC Rally, PO Box 246, Nundah Qld 4012				
Bank Deposit	sit Queensland Historic Motoring Council Inc. – BSB 124-001 A/c 10289285 with your name in the reference field <u>AND</u> email Completed Entry form & payment confirmation				
ENQUIRIES:	RIES: Greg & Christine Stevens Email: info@ftrs.com.au Ph 07 3260 6197 - Fax 07 3256 6211 - Greg D418 873 233 - Christine 0419 789 151				

# **Pittsworth Accommodation**

Pittsworth M	otor Inn	r Inn		ites		4 star	
51 Helens Str	reet Pittsworth	(on the highwa	y)				
Phone:07 469	93 2888		Fax:	07 46	93 2999		
Email: pittsw	orthmotorinn@	hotmail.com					
Web: www.p	pittsworthmotor	rinn.com.au					
All suites with	undercover pa	arking, broadba	nd inte	met acc	ess, non-si	moking property	
Room Rates:	\$135 p/night	Queen Room					
	\$155 - \$180	Family Room	s (rate	is deper	ndent upon	people in room	
	Note: The ab	ove are <mark>discou</mark>	nted rat	es offer	ed for our e	event.	
Golden Grain	n Motel		9 mot	el units		3 star	
41 Yandilla S	treet, Pittswort	h					
Phone:07 46	93 1206		Fax:	07 46	93 2488		
Web: http://w	www.thriftymot	els.com.au/PIT	1055.pl	hp?actio	on=detail&i	=PIT1055	
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Room Rates:	\$ 80 p/night	Single Room	\$ 90	p/night	Double		
	\$100	Twin Share	\$120		Family un	it	
Pittsworth H	otel Motel		9 mot	el units			
114 Yandilla	Street Pittswort	th					
Phone:07 460	93 1999		Email: admin@pittsworthhotelmotel.com				
Motel with Qu	veen & King sin	gle beds, Hair	dryers,	microw	ave ovens	(in most units)	
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134 Yandilla	Street (Cnr Brig	ggs Street), Pitt	sworth				
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Discount is of days (you nee	ffered is you a ed to make you	re staying 3 da r own bed) – w	ith 2 <sup>nd</sup>	the roc & 3 <sup>rd</sup> da	om will not l ys discount	be serviced on 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>nd</sup> ed by \$10 per day.	
Room Rates:	\$ 40 p/night	Single	\$ 50	p/night	Double	\$ 60 p/night Twin	

### Pittsworth Shady Rest Caravan Park 10 cabins

1 McIntyre Street, Pittsworth

Phone:07 4693 1440

Email: bookings@pittsworthshadyrest.com

Ensuite cabins; non-ensuite cabins; powered sites with and without concrete slabs and drive through sites; tent sites

## **Riley Pathfinder Owners**

Please note the following information that is of assistance to Riley Pathfinder owners. I have found a company in the UK that can supply syncro rings for the Riley Pathfinder Gearboxes. The Austin Healey 4 speed side shift gearbox is the same as the 1954 Morris Issis and Wolseley 6.90 gearboxes. The only difference in the gear boxes will be the input shafts and the first and reverse gears arrangements. My gearbox was originally a Morris Issis Gearbox where I have had the input cut and shut to take the Riley input shaft to the Morris Guts. All I had to do was to use the Riley first and reverse gear mechanism and Riley Lay shaft. The internet address is www.scparts.co.uk. I have attached the gear box parts diagram. I know that the Austen Healey Gear box is the same as the Morris Issis and Wolseley Gearbox as I have seen the Morris when I gutted a box in 1988 and I have currently a Wolseley complete gear box in my shed if there are any experts and doubting Thomas's who think they know better. I have order a set of baulk rings or as Riley calls them interrupter rings. My order left the UK last Friday.

For what it is worth.

**Ray Burrows** 

