Brisbane Regional Register News Cat Chat! March 2018

Brisbane Register Event - Boonah to Gatton

Sunday 18th February

With a desire to put the "drive" back into the Brisbane Register of the Jaguar Drivers Club of Queensland I proposed to the Register committee a run from Boonah to Gatton with the rider that it would be good to do in winter. The committee thought it was a good idea and put it in the calendar for February. Winter? The proposal was to meet at Flavours Café in Boonah at 9:30 AM for morning tea and then drive to the



Lockyer Valley Cultural Centre in Gatton for lunch. Flavours Café has new owners but Mark and Jennifer continue the great country hospitality with their friendly staff, good coffee and tasty treats. *Continued page 3*

Date claimers

- **Tues 13th March 7.3opm** General Meeting. Guest Speaker Margaret & Brian Hine. Yeronga Services club. Come early for dinner!
- Sun 8th April —St Helena Cruise rescheduled last year due weather See page 2 &4
- **Tues 24th April**—Brisbane City Jaguar—E Pace viewing with short meeting. More info Allan Hilless
- Tues 15th May— Glorious Pie Run more info on page 4
- Sun 27th May Macleans Bridge Sports & Classic Car Festival at Qld Rifle Assoc Belmont range. See page 2
- Sun 3rd June Angelhurst Classic Car display and picnic. See page 2
- Fri Sat Sun 8th 9th & 10th June Bunya/Kingaroy— Drive/Walk/Observatory/History
 Price will be approx. \$330pp but will include everything except 1 dinner. see page 6
- Sat Sun 21st 22nd July Jumpers and Jazz—overnight Warwick see page 2



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We welcome all members (not just committee) to organise a drive or day outing. Please contact lan or Joy with details

Upcoming events

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General Register Meeting

Tuesday 13th March 7.3opm Yeronga Services Club 7.3o Interest speakers are Margaret and Brian Hine who will speak on their walking "The Camino de Santiago" from France along the top of Spain. Also known as "The Way of St James" the trail was one of the most important pilgrimages of the Middle Ages and is a network of pilgrims' ways serving pilgrimage to the shrine of the apostle Saint James the Great in the cathedral of Santiago de Compostela in Galicia in north western Spain. Brian will also talk about his MarkII.

Cruise to St Helena

Sunday 8th April \$65—includes lunch on board.

This trip was originally postponed due to weather so fortunately you have a 2nd chance to enjoy a cruise down Brisbane River into beautiful Moreton Bay then on to St Helena to view the ruins of the penal settlement. To join us go online to "Brisbane Cruises" and pay, then email Ruth & Phil—(phil.ruthb@gmail.com) to advise you will be there. More info—Ruth 0418188090 details on page 4



Macleans Bridge Sports and Classic Car Festival

Sun 27th May

Annual Car Show with Trade displays. Qld Rifle Assoc, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd, Belmont. More info in next Cat Chat Expect an invitation from Tony Nelson in April. see website www.macleansbridge.com

Angelhurst Classic Car Display and Picnic

Sun 3rd June

Tamborine—More info April Cat Chat

Three-day drive – Kingaroy and the Bunya Mountains Drive/Walk/observatory now rescheduled to 8th, 9th 10th June 2018

fri/sat/sun - **8th,9th 10th June** —These dates have been chosen in consultation with the Astronomer. Good for viewing the Milky Way, Jupiter and Saturn.

Phone Phil & Ruth 0418188090 or phil.ruthb@gmail.com see page 4

Jumpers and Jazz

Sat Sun 21st to 22nd July - why not join us for an overnight run to Warwick to enjoy being part of the annual Jumpers and Jazz Festival. Accommodation at McNevins Motel. This event was sold out instantly at the last AGM but we will take names for the waitlist. Email phil.ruthb@gmail.com or 0418188090





"Okay. Now, try to parallel park while talking on your cell phone and changing songs on your iPod." Please send your ideas and contributions to this newsletter to phil.ruthb@gmail.com

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The weather in the week prior was extremely hot with violent afternoon storms but the forecast for Sunday was 36 in Gatton but no storms. Fortunately all participants had air conditioned Jaguars including S-Types, X300s, XK8, F-Type and F-Pace (plus a Landrover but it is a JLR product) so all travelled in true Jaguar comfort. The recommended or default route is via the Cunningham and

Warrego Highways which is 103 kilometres of boring traffic. Instead, the 16 enthusiasts who met at Boonah were treated to a pleasant 100 kilometre drive mostly on quiet country roads via the villages of Rosewood, Grandchester and Laidley. Part of the route had to be on the Cunningham Highway but after we turned off towards Rosewood I think only three cars were met coming from the opposite direction until we arrived at our destination.

Upon arrival at the Lockyer Valley Cultural Centre, parking was in short supply but once found we met with Darling Downs Register members and some more

Brisbane Register members who had gone directly to Gatton. In

total we had 12 cars and 24 attendees. The Staging Post Café is housed in the Cultural Centre and despite the large crowd the kitchen was able to have the individually ordered lunches on the table very quickly. Once again true country friendliness was evident in all the staff we encountered. Everyone enjoyed the chance to chat with other members and there was much swapping of places to speak with others. Feedback suggests that members enjoy events like this so why not check out the Club Calendar as there are similar opportunities arranged by other Registers too and all JDCQ members are always welcome to attend. Barry Cooper



Richard's New Jaguar happy with wet GEAR

Wednesday March 7th was the scheduled GEAR track day at Qld Raceway but on the morning the event was postponed due to heavy rain. Having turned up, Richard took the opportunity to drive a few lone laps in his recently acquired XJS Walkinshaw tribute with XJR supercharged six cylinder engine. Richard achieved Fastest Time of the Day which might be a first.





First Thursday of every month

Some Western Suburbs members of JDCQ Chassis Based Register and friends got together for lunch at Karalee Tavern on March 1. The photo shows some of the cars as seen from the venue verandah.

It was decided to make this a regular and official event at the same venue on the first Thursday of every month. All Jaguar Drivers Club members and friends are invited to join us.

Next lunch is mid-day, Thursday April 5. Enquiries to Lloyd Andersen on 32948960.



Mamma Mia

"So I say— Thank you for the music, The songs I'm singing, Thanks for all the joy they're bringing".





...... And Thank you to lan and Jeanette Lind for their organizing such an enjoyable outing to Mamma Mia.

I would have to honestly say one of the best toe tapping, sing along, happy, vibrant shows I have seen. Maybe it was just that we all knew the words and could sing along with every song but it was a truly feel good event.

16 members attended and were WOW ed.

Come cruise to St Helena

8th April.

Come and explore Queensland's first penal settlement St Helena which is only 6km SE of the Brisbane river mouth. A tour guide



will take you back in time with a gentle 2km walk as we visit the 100 year old ruins of the gaol. The cruise includes lunch and morning and afternoon tea and costs \$65.

7 hours in total and departs from Newstead House at 9am and returns at 4pm.

Although members of the Jag club will be on board we will not have sole use of the boat.

Step 1: Book your spot through the Brisbane Cruises website or phone them 36302666

Step 2: RSVP to Phil and Ruth phil.ruthb@gmail.com 0418188090



To Book and pay go online to Brisbane Cruises.

https:// www.brisbanecruises.co m.au/st-helenaisland.html

Or phone (07) 36302666 or email Brisbane Cruises info@brisbanecruises. com.au

Please RSVP Ruth & Phil just so we have some idea of who is coming.

Phil & Ruth

GLORIOUS PIE RUN

Tuesday 15th May

A great run up Mt Nebo, over Mount Glorious, down through picturesque Somerset and finish for lunch at the famous Fernvale Bakery for your choice of over 100 varieties of pies!!

Over 50km of pretty mountain driving so be sure to pump up your tyres and check your radiators and brakes. Modern Jags get a chance to play with their paddles, and learn more about their intelligent sports transmissions.

Meet any time between 10am and 11am at Jim Jones Tea Rooms, 1 Fernlands Rd, Mt Nebo. To get there simply continue along Waterworks Rd onto Mt Nebo Rd, plenty of parking just off Mt Nebo Rd. Have a cuppa, feed the amazing birds, leave anytime for a staggered departure for Fernvale, as a convoy of 30 Jaguars might be a bit much for other road users. Be wary as speed traps are often in place on this great piece of driver's delight road.

Fernvale Bakery has a large parking area, under-cover café and wide choice of tucker.

Please let Jim or Lucy know if you intend to come 0413130009.

Did you know.....

JAGUAR FACTS

The Jaguar is the third biggest <u>Cat</u> in the world behind the <u>Tiger</u> and the <u>Lion</u> and is well known for its immense power and agility. In fact, the name Jaguar is said to come from the Native American word *yaguar* which means "he who kills with one leap". So all you Jaguar drivers need to be aware of the power in your hands!

Jaguar animals have a large, broad head with jaws so strong that they are said to have the most powerful bite of all the world's <u>Cats</u>. Must be talking about the F Type R Jaguar.

Jaguar animals tend to have an either tan or dark yellow fur, which is dotted with darker rose-like patterns that are similar to those of a <u>Leopard</u> (besides the fact that they have dark spots



Some black colour jaguars also exist, and the rosette patterns can still be seen. So if you are being eaten by a huge spotted cat be sure to see if the spots in the middle indicate jaguar or





Leeperd

leopard.

Due to the large size and dominant nature of the Jaguar, there are no other wild animals that are known to actually consider the Jaguar as prey. Back-off other car-make pretenders!

PIC https://a-z-animals.com/animals/jaquar/pictures/2152/

PIC https://bigcatrescue.org/jaguar-facts/

Jaguar Warrior

Jaguar warriors or jaguar knights, were members of an elite Aztec military unit.

The jaguar motif was used due to the belief that the jaguar represented Tezcatlipoca, god of the night sky. Aztecs also

wore these dresses at war because they believed the animal's strengths would be given to them during battle. Jaguar warriors were used at the battlefront in military campaigns.

They were also used to capture prisoners for sacrifice to the Aztec gods

PIC Aztec Jaguar Warrior https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jaguar_warrior#/media/

File:Jaguar warrior.jpg

Perhaps our Jaguar Drivers Club could institute a Jaguar Warriors Award for service above and beyond the call of duty!

By the way, if a Jaguar and a Piecost had a fight, which would win??

Did you say "what's a Piecost"?

About \$5.30 with tomato sauce.

Jim Bowden



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

WARREN & BELINDA DENNISS - XJSC & XJ12 S2

BRAD DORMAN -XJ6 S1 (returning member)

MARK TANNER-XJS

JEREMY & PIPPA WESTELL

MARK & CAROLINE MUNRO

Please - remember if you change your personal details e.g, address, email address, phone number or car type to advise our secretary.

This will ensure you are always up to date with the latest information and changes.

Brisbane Regional Register invites you on a historical 3 day drive to the South Burnett visiting the Bunya Mountains and staying in Kingaroy.



DRIVE/WALK/OBSERVATORY/HISTORY 8TH 9TH 10TH JUNE

Why not Join us for this historical tour of the South Burnett region. Walk in the beautiful Bunya Mountains and admire the massive Bunya and Hoop Pines. Marvel at the rings of Saturn from the Kingaroy Observatory and stay in the historical farming town of Kingaroy all part of the South Burnett region Fri-Sun 8th, 9th, 1oth June.

Everything except one dinner will be included in the price which will be approx \$330 pp (at little early to be sure just yet).

It is now time to register your interest in this 3 day drive. Please reply to Ruth & Phil—preferably by email to phil.ruthb@gmail.com or phone 0418188090 or 0412187130





- * Two nights accommodation at the Burke and Wills Motel in the heart of Kingaroy— Queen, King or Twin beds.
- * Package includes accommodation, 3x lunches, 1 x 2 course dinner, 2 continental breakfasts plus 2 morning teas and 1 afternoon tea.
- 1 lunch will be at the pretty Malanah Gardens with beautiful views of the South Burnett and another at Historical Rinsgfield House a living museum complete with coach house and school at Nanango.
- Includes entry to the Kingaroy Observatory (a nine minute drive from Kingaroy) for star gazing with the host astronomer. Of course weather permitting.!
- * Early 2 course Dinner at the Burke and Wills Motel before the observatory.
- 2 hour easy hike in the beautiful Bunya mountains to see the huge and magnificent Bunya and Hoop Pines. Can you tell the difference? A 45 min horse and cart ride for those not wishing to walk.
- Includes a visit to "Bethany", the Bjelke-Petersen home for over 100 years. Tour taken by John Bjelke-Peterson and sample Flo's famous pumpkin scone recipe –cooked by Karyn Bjelke-Petersen (afternoon tea).
- * Includes a visit to heritage listed "Taabinga Homestead" built 1846 for a tour and morning tea. Taabinga Homestead is one of Queensland's oldest surviving occupied homes.