



Cat's Tales

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From the Chairman



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT March 2019

Hello all. Well, I have good news and some not so good. First the good; we have had several members of our club enduring hospital stays over the past few weeks and I am happy to report all are on the road to recovery.

We have had a variety of runs over the past couple of months and all have been well attended. Whatever we are doing it is working well because our attendance figures are the envy of other registers. Variety is the spice of life and if you think of a good place for an outing please let the committee know. The thing we strive for is interesting outings and yours might be a cracker.

Now for the bad. One thing which has been brought to my attention is members not providing an RSVP when requested and just turning up on the day. We all have active lives and unforeseen commitments, but could you please RSVP. Quite often the club has made an arrangement with the venue for a certain number attending and when that is exceeded it can sometimes result in difficulty. If you have RSVP'd and then cannot attend please let the run organiser know. Likewise, if you intend not beginning at the start point, let the run organisers know in advance so that everyone else will not be waiting at the start point for you to arrive and organisers making frantic phone calls.

On our last outing one of our members unfortunately experienced an unplanned diversion from the intended track. Luckily no one was hurt but the car ended up in a sorry state. To the best of my knowledge this is the first incident to happen on any of our runs. Fortunately, the car was insured with a reputable first class insurer and a successful outcome has been achieved. You get what you pay for and this has been a good example.

For those wanting to expand their car collection Gosford Car Museum has closed. The collection is to be auctioned on 6/7 April. Details on the internet. Auction by Lloyds.

Until next time

Lindsay Price

Chairman JDCQ SSC Reg.

What's Been Happening



St Paddy's Day Run- 17th March 2019 **Joe and Marg Day**

What a day had by all. Some good and some not so good; not from the venue or food and drink but due to unfortunate circumstances. Last year when we ran this run, we had a breakdown, well this year

The day started well and at 10.30 we had most of the vehicles and attendees at Aussie World.



What a trooper! Not long out of hospital, Joe turns up to lead the run!



Everyone was 'in the green'



We waited for one member who had decided to go straight to the venue. At 10.55 I commenced the briefing and handed out the run sheet with detailed route instructions and a map. At 11.00 am we headed off at a steady pace as my driver, Lindsay, was looking after me. We thought that we had everyone following but we lost one at the start.....

About 20 minutes into the trip going up Mt. Mellum we had a slight mist falling and Stu was very unlucky to have the front left tyre separate from the rim and then had the back of his Mark11 pass the front. It must have been Wendy's fault as the car ended in a drain; Stu was sure that Wendy had said that she wanted to look closer at some plants.



Later.....

At the start

Fortunately, no one was hurt but that put paid to their day as well as that of the Morgan/Jaguar club members, Geoff and Lyn Boucaut, who stayed and then drove Stu and Wendy home as the tow truck didn't arrive until after 2.00pm.



Again, we headed off, but I decided to go directly to the venue as time had run out.



Sadly, the tinkering at the start didn't last the whole trip

We arrived at the venue to be advised that we had an "S Type" lose its brakes so Barry stayed with his car until a tow truck arrived and, unfortunately, he also missed the meal.

We did lose a Jag member at the start, but they did find their way to the venue. We will not mention their name will we Colin??

Finbar's Lounge Bar was an excellent venue, their Pizzas were great, but the Irish beers were better. They had a collection of musicians playing Irish songs and jingles that kept everyone entertained. A good indicator was most people stayed well into the afternoon. As we did not have the venue to ourselves many more people came in so the crowd was jovial and some entertaining. Overall a great day.



Thank you, Marg, for finding another great venue for our run.

To Stu and Barry, well, the luck of the Irish and I hope that the repairs are not too expensive.

Thanks
Joe Day

Worth Thinking About

TYRES BLACK & ROUND

All cars are fitted with them.

Once upon a time all light vehicles came with 5 or 6 wheels fitted with tyres of the same size. They also came with a kit of tools and jack allowing the driver to change wheels if required. Unfortunately, today many cars come with wheels and tyres of different sizes front and rear and a small space saver spare of limited capabilities. Some don't even have that relying instead on run flat tyres or some magic brew which is sprayed into the tyre enabling you to get to a repairer. All good in Fairy land.

Unfortunately, in the real world things aren't as rosy. In the past 2 months I have heard of 3 owners of quality continental European SUVs which have experienced tyre failure on western Qld. roads. In every case the vehicles had to be transported to Brisbane at considerable cost to the owners. There were no local repairers who had the specialised equipment needed to change the tyres. With BMW run flat tyres if you do get a flat the wheel also needs to be replaced. A lady I know purchased a quality Japanese car and she asked me to demonstrate how to change a wheel. The tools supplied were incapable of completing the task. When she took it back to the dealer he said "Oh they are really just for show" One would expect better from Honda.

If you are purchasing a new vehicle and intending venturing beyond the Metropolitan area check the availability of tyres. Having those fancy wheels may end up being a lot more expensive than you bargained for.

In this case the driver was travelling at excessive speed on a western road and hit a cattle grid. The grid was level with the road and not the problem, just the unsuitable wheels / tyres. Police were able to obtain the speed at time of accident from the vehicles computer, over 160 kph. The vehicle was a write off. Even the gearbox had broken away from the engine. I expect the insurers would have walked away from it leaving the owner with the bill.



Lindsay Price



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

Sunday, 14th April- Mt Mee Run

Meet at Skippy Park 267 Old Landsborough Road Landsborough at 10.00. BYO morning tea. Large blue sign at the turn into the park.

Depart 10.45 for a run through several state forests and the back way to Mt Mee and onto to Delaney's Creek for lunch at The Place 2b. See flyer for full details.

MAY

Wednesday 15th May- Midweek Run

JUNE

Thursday 20th June- run led by Stu and Wendy Gross

JULY

Sunday 14th July Bastille Day . This will be a social event, held at Le Relais Bressun at Flaxton.

Friday/Saturday/Sunday 26-28 July - Opera at Jimbour. This is a Brisbane Register Event but some SSC members are going. Check the JDCQ website.

AUGUST

Friday/Saturday/Sunday 2-4 August - 30th Anniversay Weekend away to Kingaroy.

Celebrating 30 years since the Sunshine Coast Register was started.

More details will be emailed soon.

Wednesday 21 August Kenilworth and Imbil Run (including AGM).

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 22 September - All British Day. This is not a club run.

OCTOBER

Sunday 20th Mooloolaba River Cruise.

NOVEMBER

Sunday 17th Run with Stu & Wendy Gross

DECEMBER

Sunday 01st Christmas Party