

Coffs Splutter

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**COFFS HARBOUR VETERAN, VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CAR
CLUB INC.**

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Will Lagettie's Model T Ford Restoration

COFFS HARBOUR VETERAN, VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

2022-2023

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Club Meetings: General Meetings are held at the Boambee Hall at 7.00 pm on the first Thursday of each month except for January when no meeting is normally held.

Club Fees: A joining fee of \$5.00 applies. Annual fees are \$45.00 for a Single Membership, \$50.00 for a Family Membership, \$15.00 for a Junior Membership and \$10.00 for Associate Membership. Fees are due on 1st January each year for the calendar year. However, as membership of an approved car club is an RMS requirement for Concessional Registration of vehicles, annual fees for members seeking registration of cars in the following year are payable at the Rego Day, normally the third Sunday in November. For members joining the Club after 30 June each year, half annual fees will apply.

Club Newsletter: A full-colour copy of the Club's newsletter "Coffs Splutter" is emailed to all members with a valid email address registered with the Club. For an annual fee of \$15.00 (payable to the Treasurer) a member may arrange to have a printed B/W copy delivered by Australia Post to an address of their choice.

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Will Lagetties Model T's

Will was able to show the Editor his Model T Ford restoration projects recently which he has been steadily working on for many years. Having been interested in old cars for some time, Will heard about some Model T's that were for sale near the bottom of Red Hill on the Coramba Rd.

He rang the seller and did the deal. When he went to pick up the Fords, he found there was more there than he realised, with several trailer trips required to bring it all back to this place. Will says he even had body panels tied to the roof rack to try and get it all transported! I got the notion that his wife was not impressed by his haul and failed to fully appreciate the rusty treasure Will had brought home!

After sorting out the many parts and commencing assembly of one car (a 1926 model), he soon realised he had enough bits for a second car (1923) which he has also put together. The late Jack Brain did the engine work for the cars.

The Model T Ford is, of course, the car that is claimed to have "put the world on wheels". They made 15 million of them so that claim is probably pretty accurate! Model T's were made from 1909 until 1927. While there were a range of modifications made over those years, mechanically they remained largely unchanged. By 1927 Ford was being overtaken in sales by companies like Chevrolet which were offering newfangled innovations like four-wheel brakes! So, Henry Ford closed his factories for 6 months while the company prepared to release what turned out to be the finest car ever produced...the Model A Ford (well, in the editor's opinion anyway!).

Thank you, Will, for showing me around your shed and also generously donating some parts to my latest folly, I mean restoration project!



Will's second T Ford, a 1923 model, currently in rolling chassis state, but Will has been building a two-door body for it.

Coffee Run to THE LINK, Thursday 19th 2023 (2 reports received! Yay!)

What a beautiful summer's morning for us to visit the award-winning gardens at The Link. The café is run by the local Aboriginal community and they served good coffee and delicious food. An excellent venue, peaceful and cool, and plenty of space for the 24 members to relax and enjoy each other's company. The gardens include a community garden, an amphitheatre and children's playground. Gerry has done a good job in choosing this new venue. *Marie & Graham Davey*

The sky was clear. The weather was warm. The company was excellent. The coffee was good. The service was good. The venue in the shade with water fountains in the background was visually pleasing. Everybody seemed to be happy with the new venue so a repeat need to be arranged. I hope the fuel supply to Max's Rover was resolved! **Gerry De Gabriele**

Attendees: Max & Noelene Eggins – Rover; Pete Bodium & Nerida Brown – Capri; Leonie & Geoff Maunder – Wolseley; Marg & Hal Murray – Gemini; Carol & Leigh Stephens – MX 5; Gerry De Gabriele– Toyota; John & Lorraine Lansley – Torana; Marie & Graham Davey – Sherpa; Jim Fisher – Mercedes; Tony Carr – modern; Judy Riddel – modern; Graeme & Lyn Kane with Phoenix – modern; Maureen & Des Drury – modern; Graham Lovegrove – modern; Graeme Wright – modern.



Nice to see our members Linking in! (see what I did there??)



A nice set of behinds



Crown & Wolseley- very regal



Hard to miss the Fisher Merc in the carpark...but the little Sherpa might be harder to spot!



Jetty Foreshores Run – Sat 4th February

The beautiful, sunny weather and the great rollup of attendees were the standouts of the Saturday run for February. Just a nice simple run to the Jetty Foreshores where we found a great spot in the shade and whiled away a couple of hours chatting and nibbling. It was great to have prospective member Toon and his friend Chin join us. Toon has a lovely 1955 Citroen which will be great see on the road in the near future.

Alison and I went into town a bit early for a fish and chip lunch at the Co-op (don't worry Geoff, we filled out the log book!) and the A Model drew a bit of interest parked at the Marina while we had our lunch. I was amused to hear a young boy checking the car out with his family say to his Dad... "That's Granny Style !"

Then Alison reminded me that we were both old enough to be grandparents so his comment was probably quite appropriate!

Attendees" Barry Milne – Wolseley, Leigh & Carol Stephens – modern, John & Lorraine Lansley – Model A Ford, Gerry de Gabriele – Toyota Crown, Judy Riddel – modern, Phil & Toni Bicknell – Austin Healey, Jim Fisher – Mercedes, Hal & Marg Murray – Gemini, Des Drury – Rover, Graham & Marie Davey – Suby Sherpa, Glen, Jenny and Shirley (Jenny's Mum!) Campbell – BMW, Carol Horner – Lotus Elan, Geoff & Leonie Maunder – Triumph TR4, Andrew Winter & Alison King – Model A Ford, Bob Dixon – TH Schneider, Max and Noelen Eggins – Landcruiser, Peter & Beryl Heelis – FC Holden, Toon and Chin, Lyn Poulter (special guest appearance from Armidale Classic & Specialist Car Club!)



Couldn't get the whole group in one photo!





What's even more beautiful than an A Model Ford? Two A Model Fords!!



Carol snagged a bit of welcome shade for the Lotus



The Presidential machine gleaming in the sun



Phil, having dismounted from the Healey, is now adding a bit of sun protection for the upholstery!



The number plate on Toon's VW X-Cross looked older than any of the cars on the run!



Max and Noelene brought a crate of bananas to give away!

Lightburn Zeta (Microcar)

In the 1960s a South Australian whitegoods manufacturer, Lightburn & Co, entered the Australian car market with a compact economical car called the "Zeta". In 1963 the company began to produce the Zeta, a microcar with a fibreglass body which was light in weight and fuel efficient.

The Zeta is powered by a Villiers twin cylinder engine which has only 5 working parts which eliminated the need for fuel, oil, and water pumps. It had a 4-speed dog clutch gearbox and no dedicated reverse gear, so the engine needed to be switched off and started backwards, which provided 4 reverse gears.



Despite low sales the company released the next series in 1957 named the "Frisky Sprint", with included changes including the omission of doors, to improve the car's structure. The Frisky Sprint production ended in 1965 with only 28 built. The Zeta range also included a "Utility," of which only 12 were manufactured.

The company had plans to expand the Zeta range to include electric and 4-wheel drive versions, but sadly the car never captured the hearts of Australians. From 1963 to 1965 only 363 Zeta vehicles were sold. The company continued to manufacture washing machine and wheelbarrows until the mid-1980s when it ceased trading.

Graham Davey



Reference:
Motor.history.sa.au

Vale Felipe Martin

It is sad to relay that club member Felipe Martin passed away in late January. Felipe had moved from Woolgoolga back to Adelaide to be closer to his family and wasn't in the best of health.

Felipe fell in love with old cars when working in London and seeing the veteran cars participating in the London to Brighton Run. A very talented cabinet maker, Felipe did some amazing bodywork for his restorations. These included a beautiful circa 1903 Darracq and a 1918 Ford TT Truck (ex Warren Moules). He was also working on a Goggomobile Dart (Yes, the Dart!) and a 1915 T Ford he had acquired from Adelaide and fitted a pick up body to. He used the T Ford on a few runs when it had its roadster body. His favourite car was a 1909 De Dion Bouton single cylinder race-about for which he was still chasing an engine to go with an otherwise fairly complete project.

Felipe will be remembered as an engaging character with a unique sense of humour. He could be frustrating at times and hard to understand with his thick accent. Just when you were starting to get a bit annoyed with his latest antics, you'd see the twinkle in his eye and just end up laughing with him.

One of kind, rest easy Felipe.



Felipe admiring Lyndon Hardman's veteran Talbot on a club run to Armidale in November 2009



Felipe with his 1915 Model T Ford



1903 Darracq



1918 Ford TT Truck

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COFFS HARBOUR

VETERAN , VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

Thursday 2 February, 2023

Meeting opened: 1900

Attendance: As per Attendance Book. (29}

Apologies: Jan Ryan , Graham Davey. Leigh Stephens, Ian Blow, Trish Lovegrove. Andy and Lesley Carroll

Guests: Nil

Minutes of last meeting: That they represent a true and correct record noting the qualification of voting procedure at this Special Meeting tendered by President Geoff after the event.

Moved: H Murray

Seconded : D Drury

Carried

Business arising from November 2022 Minutes:

- Process of changing Club name to Coffs Harbour Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Club Inc. Four new club stamps have been purchased at a total cost of \$156.00.
- Application made to NSW Fair Trading and Certificate of Incorporation as an Association on Change of Name issued on 19 December 2022.

Correspondence In for December / January:

- Correspondence with Gallagher Insurance for management liability cover
- 19/12/22 NSW Fair Trading certificate for change of Club name
- 22/12/22 Bananacoast Credit Union – rollover of term investment.
- 30/1/23 BCU statement
- 30/1/23 club membership from John Mills
- 19/12/22 membership from Richie Goddard
- 11/01/23 membership from John Hewitt

Several Magazines emailed in and available to Members

Emails In : 28/1 CC Historic Car Club, 24/1 Retroautos, 13/1 NRVVCC Newsletter, 9/1 Restore and Ride magazine, OTHR January newsletter, 2/1 Dinkum Oil, 1/1 Torque from CHST&Car Club,

Suggestion from Col Sutton that we offer cars for the Urunga Station Centenary , June 10-11 2023

Correspondence Out:

19/12/22 Application for change of Club name. NSW Fair Trading

Emails Out:

- Nil .

Moved: Graeme King

Seconded: Hal Murray

Carried

Treasurers Report: In the absence of the Treasurer the President presented a summary of the Club's financial position. Reimbursement of \$156 to G Maunder for purchase of new Club stamps

Moved: G Maunder

Seconded :G King

Carried

Event Reports:

- Sat 11/12, Xmas Party on the Greene's. An excellent day in a great spot on the Orara River
- Sun 01/01/23 Sawtell Fun Day.

- Thurs 19/01/23 Link Café Toormina for coffee. Well attended and enjoyed by all. Suggested that this be considered a fall back option for Club coffee runs in the future.

Coming events

- Sat 4/2/23 Jetty Foreshores
- Thursday 16/2/23 Nourish Café, Valla
- Sun 19/2/23 Lunch at Woolgoolga Brewery
- Sun 19/3/23 Lunch at Ulmarra Pub
- Bellingen Show 13/5/23

General Business:

1. Update on Sick List
2. Vale Felipe Martin who passed away last week in Adelaide.
3. Replacement of Elizabeth Street as start point for Club runs.
Graham Wright presented a case for changing our marshalling place in Elizabeth Street for Club runs to avoid the traffic difficulties associated with accessing that locality. After much discussion the following motion was put:
That the primary marshalling site for members' cars gathering for a Club run be in the car park at the old Coffs Harbour airport in Aviation Drive with immediate effect.
Moved: Graham Wright **Seconded: Graeme Kane**
Carried
4. 2023 Swap meet
President Geoff has had several discussions with CeX S T and C Car club to develop a proposal for a combined Swap Meet or similar event for 2024. More discussions are required and our Club should be represented by a committee comprising Grant Rigby, John Bojarski, Graeme Kane and one other whose name I missed.
5. Guest speakers for Club meetings. Suggestions welcome

Vehicle Movements: Nil

Next Meeting: Thursday 2 March 2023

Supper for March: Beryl Heelis and Tony Carr

Meeting Closed at: 2040

Secretary – Graeme King

President – Geoff Maunder

NOTICE:

Please note that the club has now officially changed its name to “Coffs Harbour Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Club”.

Submitted by Col Green (and I do hope you enjoyed the flowers and the dinners Annette!)

True Cost of a Classic Car Restoration	
Balance Sheet	
Hours on the toilet searching the Internet	\$0.00
Purchase of a ton of rust on four wheels	\$5,000.00
Flowers for wife to break the news	\$50.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Restoration cost - engine and transmission rebuild	\$8,000.00
Restoration cost - chassis rebuild	\$5,000.00
Parts and endless trips to Swap Meets	\$1,600.00
New Lounge suite to balance ledger and keep wife happy	\$3,500.00
Restoration cost - bodywork and paint	\$7,000.00
Flowers for wife to save buying new kitchen suite	\$50.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Family trip to Tropical Island to offset 1000 hours spent in the workshop	\$4,000.00
Restoration cost - new upholstery and soft top	\$6,300.00
New out fit for wife to save another argument	\$450.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Inspection, Registration and other on-road costs	\$1,200.00
Dinner at restaurant to celebrate completion	\$120.00
Hairdressing cost after wife's first ride in a open top tourer	\$60.00
BBQ to have neighbours over to see the finished project	\$90.00
Paint touch up after neighbour's son drew on the car	\$150.00
Settled out of court cost for clobbering neighbour's son	\$600.00
New outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$450.00
New shoes to go with the new outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$150.00
New hand bag to go with new shoes and outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$100.00
Dinner at restaurant after asking wife to economise	\$120.00
New clutch after teaching wife to drive a classic car	\$400.00
Dinner at restaurant after shouting at wife while teaching wife to drive a classic car	\$120.00
Repairs to front guard after wife's second lesson	\$600.00
Candlelight dinner at home (can no longer afford restaurant) after shouting at wife to watch where she is going	\$20.00
Advert on line for Classic Car For Sale	\$20.00
Total	\$45,390.00
Proceeds from sale of Classic Car	\$29,500
Balance added to mortgage	\$15,890

CLUB REGALIA

<i>Item</i>	<i>Price</i>
<i>CHVVCC Car Badge (2 holes)</i>	<i>\$15 ea.</i>
<i>Car Badge blue</i>	<i>\$ 5 ea.</i>
<i>CHVVCC Club Ribbon</i>	<i>\$10 ea</i>
<i>Name Badge</i>	<i>\$ 1 ea</i>
<i>CHVVCC Stickers</i>	<i>\$ 0.50 ea</i>

Thanks to those who replied to last month's quiz! Several responded correctly! It was the TASMA picture theatre which is now the site of the Coffs Central Mall (which used to be the Palms Centre). This month's quiz is to spot the motoring connections in this old ad dating from the early 1970's below. Does anyone remember buying a typewriter from this establishment? (Oh, and in case you missed the January Splutter, the December 22 photo was the Plantation Hotel).

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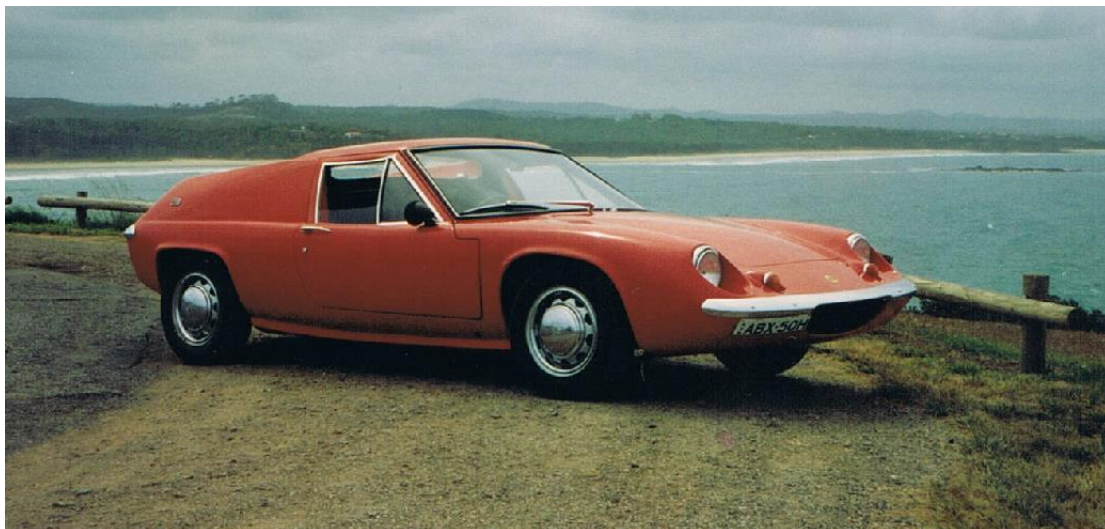
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(Image from Coffs Local History – remember when Facebook page)

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1969 LOTUS EUROPA S2
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COFFS HARBOUR VETERAN, VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CAR CLUB

All runs depart from Coffs Airport, Aviation Drive (100m south of Dakota Drive intersection), Coffs Harbour

- 1st Saturday outings depart **1.30pm**. Please take afternoon tea.
- 3rd Sunday outings depart **9.30am**. Please take morning tea and lunch.
 - 3rd Thursday coffee runs departs **9.30am**.

Please check individual run details for any variations.

If you are not meeting at the designated start or running late, please notify the run organiser. just in case there is a change to the run plan, or the club needs to provide café attendance numbers.

- Please drive with consideration to other road users (so we do not create queues behind us).
 - Leave a reasonable distance between vehicles.
 - When coming to a turn, ensure the car behind you is aware of the turnoff.
- **H registered vehicles must have the "Permit to Operate" in the vehicle at all times.**
- **H registered vehicles should carry a copy of this Approved Events page on all runs.**

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

CLUB APPROVED EVENTS. NO LOGBOOK ENTRY REQUIRED

FEBRUARY 23		
Thursday 16 th	Coffee Run - Nourish Café Valla	Hal 0448 883 244
Sunday 19 th	Lunch at Woolgoolga Brewery	Gerry 0402 469 160
MARCH 23		
Thursday 2 nd	Club Meeting	Geoff 0435 622 394
Saturday 4 th	Afternoon run to Bongil Bongil Picnic Area	Jim 0481 131 551
Thursday 16 th	Coffee Run – Beach House, Woolgoolga	Hal 0448 883 244
Sunday 19 th	Lunch at Ulmarra Pub	Gerry 0402 469 160
APRIL 23		
Saturday 1 st	Glenreagh Picnic Area	Leigh 0413 481 361
Thursday 6 th	Club Meeting	Geoff 0435 622 394
Sunday 16 th	Anchor's Warf, Urunga	Graeme Wright 0408 245 113
Thursday 20 th	Coffee Run - Irish Coffee Van / Bunker Gallery	Jim 0481 131 551