

Coffs Splutter

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COFFS HARBOUR VETERAN & VINTAGE CAR CLUB INC.

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1964 Rover P5, Graeme and Andy

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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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1964 ROVER P 5

The Rover Company was founded as Starley & Sutton Co of Coventry in 1878 making cycles like so many other British fledgling motor companies. However, this company made history when in 1885 they produced the Rover Safety Cycle – a rear wheel drive, chain driven cycle with two similar sized wheels, making it more stable and safer than the penny-farthing designs. This set the pattern for modern cycles now ridden by mamils (and others) all over the world and led to the creation of the Rover Cycle Company Ltd in 1890.

The company continued to produce cycles and motorcycles up to 1924 but in 1901 they produced their first automobile, the Rover Eight, which became the bellwether for a long series of Rover cars produced up to 1998.

The Rover P 5 succeeded the P 4 (as owned by John Bojarski) in 1963 and continued in production as the Rover 3 litre and 3500 until 1973. The P5 was the first Rover with a monocoque body with the 3-litre having a straight six, 'F' head engine and 4 speed + overdrive gearbox and the 3500 having a Buick based V8 engine and automatic transmission. The P 5 model achieved much of the quiet luxury of the P 4 model with an increase in performance.

Our Rover is a 1964 P 5 Mark 2 3 litre manual that spent most of its life in Sydney, coming up to Inverell in 2007 and owned by a member of Inverell Antique Motor Club before we purchased it in October 2014. We were looking for a club car suitable for longer runs, such as we do occasionally to Armidale, which was comfortable to travel in and in good condition. This car filled the bill and if this model was good enough to be used by Ministers of the Crown in England and even by the Queen as her personal car as a young lady, it was good enough for us. *Graeme and Andy*



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Queen Elizabeth II with her Rover P5 at the Royal Windsor Horse Show in 1965.

Sunday Run to Eungai Buffalo Farm 16/10/22

Attendance: Hal and Marg Murray (Holden Gemini), Geoff and Leonie Maunder (Wolseley), Andy and Leslie Carroll (Austin Healey Sprite), Phil and Toni Bicknell (Modern), Gerry and Mary De Gabriele (Toyota Crown), Bob and Ronis Dixon (Modern)

We started from Elizabeth St and ran down the highway directly to the farm. Driving at 80-90 km allowed weekend traffic to easily pass and did not stress the older cars. The last 3 km of gravel road had deteriorated significantly since I did a recce a few months ago. Large potholes were impossible to avoid so were negotiated slowly. Sympathies lay with Leslie and Andy who exited their car nobly, shaken but not stirred. The reason for the early arrival to the farm was to secure parking and service as a very large group from the Kempsey Macleay Car Club was also attending. Their cars were an eclectic group. I was specially taken by a very original HD Holden with only 40,000 miles on it and a beautifully restored FJ Holden Panel van which was of great interest to Hal.

After coffee and cake, we were given an excellent talk by a young man Tom the owner's son. His parents were away in Italy. The origin of their business was a trip to Italy where they were captivated by the local mozzarella cheese and the buffalo that produced the milk. On return to Australia, they bought a small herd and put them on the few acres they had at Windsor. They started milking and producing cheese and beef products that they sold at markets. They realised they wanted to expand so looked for more land and found the farm of 300 acres at Eungai.

There are a few varieties of buffalo. The ones we have in northern Australia which have gone feral are swamp buffalo which are renowned for their size and aggression. The much more domesticated version of Riverine buffalo as in Italy is much more docile. The owners originally started with Swamp type but bred in riverine and now their herd is genetically 90% riverine. The animals are named and respond to their names. They are predominantly pasture fed but also get additional feed of chaff and hay prior to milking. Buffalo are resistant to foot and mouth and other cattle diseases and are relatively low maintenance although they have no respect for fences. They need an electric fence for control! Their horns cannot be removed as the horns have an artery that courses most of the length of the horn and cutting through this can lead to them bleeding out. Prior to 2014 Buffalo were considered an invasive feral species and so very strict rules were in place as to buffalo farms regarding fencing etc and the owners required to have a licensed high power rifle on site. Now buffalo are treated in the same category as cattle.

The farm has been gradually developed. It is organic and the owners do not use chemicals or poisons. WOOFs (Workers on Organic Farms) were employed for bed and board and did what ever work was required: fencing, weed eradication, milking etc. The owners also built a processing room for their milk and meat products.

The family expanded the business to include a restaurant to showcase their product in 2016.

After the interesting and entertaining talk, we ordered our meals from the menu and were promptly served despite the large crowd. We feasted on pizza with buffalo mozzarella, buffalo burgers and followed up with delicious buffalo milk ice creams. A fitting end to a relaxed and entertaining day.





Our Mob



The Kempsey Mob



Hal photographing his future meal?

Coffee run to Idle Inn Nana Glen 20th October

Another dreary day so most of the members who turned out were in new vehicles. The only old cars were Graham 's Subaru Sherpa and Peter's Capri.

Those attending were: Jim and Wendy Fisher, Hal and Marg Murray, Peter and Nerida Bodium, Graham and Marie Davey, Graeme Weaire, Max and Nolene Eggins

The staff at the Idle Inn had anticipated that the weather would deter customers and had planned accordingly with the outside tables which now had new screens.

The coffee and scones were good and all enjoyed a good gossip.

Jim Fisher (and photos by Wendy!).



The Capri.....



.....and the Sherpa



What a good looking bunch!

Car Display and morning tea at Quilt Exhibit of Boambee Quilters - Saturday 29th October

On this fine Spring Day, 6 cars were in attendance from our club: Des Drury -Rover P6 V8, Graeme King -Rover P5, Graham Davey – NSU, Gerry De Gabriele- Toyota Crown, Geoff Maunder- London Cab, Jim Fisher- Mercedes SL. The Quilting Club allocated car park space for our cars when previously parking was to be on the boggy patch of green behind the Boambee East Community Centre. The Community Garden was specially opened and was a delight to inspect. Marie Davey, Wendy Fisher and Leonie Maunder enjoyed the exhibition as well as the Davey’s daughter and two grandchildren. The quilts were complex, colourful, and obviously required time and years of expertise to create.

The cars attracted attention from the passing parade of people going into the exhibit. Graeme King brought the club banners and the whole lot looked professional. We had an interloper classic car belonging to one of the quilters (Ford Falcon).We had a chat in the shade and solved a few world problems and made up a few more. Another pleasant morning out with our classic cars. Thanks for those that did attend as it did literally fly the flag for our club.

Gerry De Gabriele.



The cars...



The drivers...



World problem solving committee in session!



Club run to Urunga on Saturday afternoon 5/11/2022

Attendance: Leigh and Carol -Mazda MX5, Hal and Marg- Holden Gemini, Graeme and Marie- Subaru Sherpa, Max-Toyota Landcruiser, Gerry De Gabriele-Toyota Crown, Des Drury-Rover P6 V8, Col Sutton-MG Mobility Scooter

The afternoon started badly. The leader managed to have multiple navigational problems and arrived at the site last! Do not ask why and you will not be told any lies. The others are sworn to secrecy! Or their own versions of the big lie.

Once we were all settled in on a fine afternoon looking out over the estuary at Urunga we had our usual enjoyable chats about world politics, the cars, our health issues, our families, and the exciting events at our car club meeting. Read about it in the Splutter.

Whilst we were talking and enjoying afternoon tea over the ridge approached a black trike with high rise handlebars and an impressive headlight. Col Sutton made an appearance. He showed us his comfortable seat with an MG insignia stitched to the back. We all enjoyed meeting and catching up with him. For those that don't know his MG collection was bought and is in the care of Graeme Wright.

When the afternoon started to set, we climbed into our classic cars and headed home. Nobody followed the leader!

Until next time *Gerry De Gabriele*
(photos from *Graham Davey & Col Sutton*)



A relaxed looking group!



Col in his MG Scooter!



Three wise monkeys???

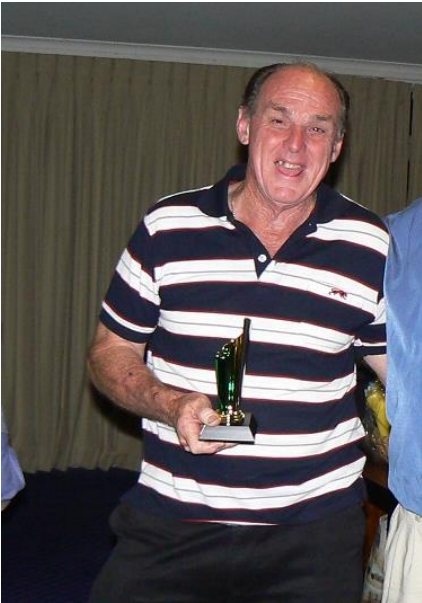


Our Events Convenors Chariot

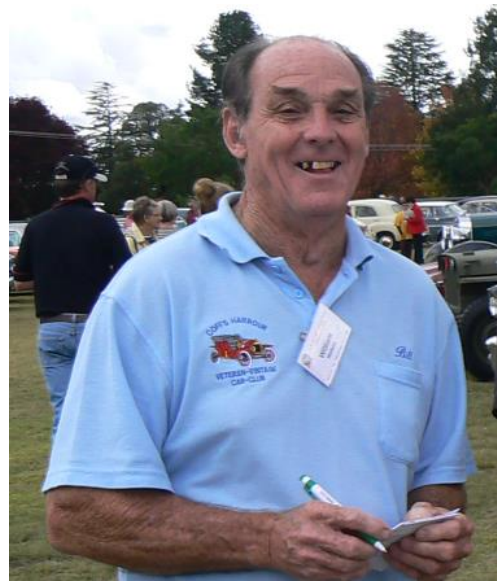


REMEMBERING BILL WATSON

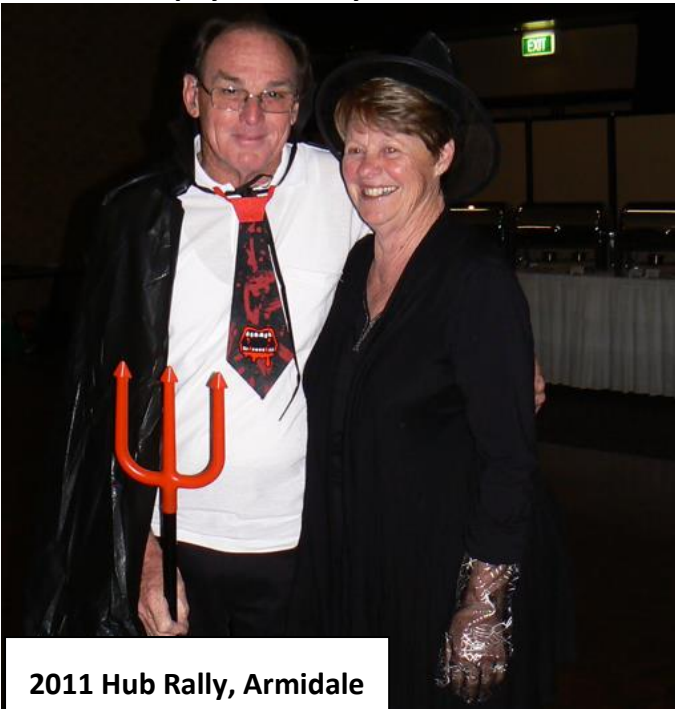
The club lost another long-time member this month, with Bill Watson sadly passing away on 10th October. Bill and Jane were enthusiastic participants on rallies and travelled many miles in either the VW or the FJ Ute. The club extends its sincere condolences to Jane and Bill's family.



Hard luck trophy, Hub Rally Tamworth 2014



Car judging, Bush Council Rally 2015



2011 Hub Rally, Armidale



Club cars forming a guard of honour at Bill's Service, Karangi Lawn Cemetery, 15 Oct 2022 (photos Graham Davey)

Minutes of CHVVCC Inc. General Meeting, Thursday 3rd November 2022

Meeting opened: 7.05pm

Attendance: As per Attendance Book

Apologies: Graeme Kane, Barrie Milne, Graeme King and Andy Taylor, Andy and Lesley Carroll, Jan Ryan and John Bojarski.

Guests: Nil

Minutes of the October 2022 meeting: That they represent a true and accurate record.

Moved: Hal Murray

Seconded: Leigh Stephens

Carried

Business arising from October 2022 Minutes: Matters were dealt with in General Business.

Correspondence In:

- Rod Holmes re Dorrigo Show Sat 26/11/22
- Shannons Auctions catalogue 8-15/11/22
- Sawtell Fun Day
- Letter from Gerry De Gabriele
- Several Magazines emailed in and distributed to Members

Emails In

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- Gallagher Insurance PL Policy Invoice
- 7/10 Namoi Valley Antique Vehicle magazine
- 9/10 newsletter from Oberon Tarana Heritage Railway Inc.
- 10/10 Coffs Coast Festival of Motor Sport – entry forms for car show
- 11/10 Council of Heritage Motor Clubs – half year meeting agenda
- 12/10 TDAMC October magazine
- 12/10 Historic Vehicles October Newsletter
- 15/10 C/Ex Coffs S&T Car Club – vale Charlie Smith
- 20/10 NRVVCC Newsletter
- 23/10 Cancellation of Wauchope Yesteryear Truck and Machinery Club show
- 26/10 Latest Retro autos

Correspondence Out: Nil

Emails Out:

- Gallagher Insurance regarding additional insurance policies

Moved: M Murray

Seconded: Judy Riddel

Carried

Treasurers Report: No report as treasurer is overseas. Moved that all accounts be accepted and all bills be paid:

Moved: Hal Murray

Seconded: Gerry De Gabriele

Carried

Presentation Andrew Winter gave us a really entertaining account of his and Alison's Brisbane to Broome Veteran Rally 2022. They bravely drove the Hupmobile through some pretty isolated terrain. Andrew said there were a few bumps and scrapes along the way (including catching Covid), which was an understatement. It was clear to all of us that you need a fairly adventurous spirit, a good team and a lot of mechanical know how, to take on a trip like this.

NB No Guest speaker arranged at present for December.

Event Reports:

October

Sunday 16th Eungai Buffalo Farm for lunch-pleasant trip but pot holed road was a challenge.

Thursday 18th Coffee at Idle Inn Nana Glen -12 attended, good service and food as always

Saturday 29th Quilt Show 10:00 to 12:00 take your coffee and chair- 5 cars displayed.

November

Saturday 5th Urunga Reserve opposite Police Station Gerry

Festival of Sport Display UPDATE

Thursday 17th Coffee Old Butter Factory Bellingen Hal

Sunday 20th Rego Day Grant Rigby's factory Lawson Crescent 8:00 to 12:00

Saturday 26th Dorriggo Show-All invited, cars need to be in showground by 9.30 for exhibiting.

General Business:

1. Update on Sick List: Barry Milne, Graeme King
2. Vale-Bill Watson and Charlie Smith
3. Christmas Party Sunday Dec 11th - Events Committee to Organise Christmas BBQ (Jim and Hal volunteered), lunch at Annette and Col Green's property. The *club* will provide; meat, bread and the BBQ. **BYO:** Drinks, cutlery/plates, chairs, nibbles and salads etc. Kevin Franklin will bring the club's shelter.
4. Sawtell Fun day-through a show of hands the meeting decided to support this event. Geoff to contact Andy Bruce re. organisation
5. The Department of Fair Trading has notified us of changes to the legislation, which as meant changes to the model constitution - Andrew Winter (Constitution Officer) will assess Fair Trading legislation and report to a future meeting
6. Bulletin Editor. Please forward your reports and Splutter articles to Andrew
7. Rego Day 20th November. All is in hand for Rego Day at Grant Rigby's factory. Moira will stand in for Treasurer Jan. Thanks Moira
REGO PAPERWORK: Complete your forms before the day, check your lights, know where your engine/chassis number is located, RMS modification rules will be adopted.
8. 2023 Swap Meet – Geoff outlined the hurdles and obstacles of the Showground and the racecourse. Geoff suggested we might consider approaching Coffs CEX as a joint venture and a show of hands approved the preliminary discussions with CEX. To be discussed at next meeting.
10. Gerry De Gabriele put forward a letter to the president proposing a name change for the club. He outlined his motion and his reasons for proposing the change. There was some discussion for the history, pros and cons of this idea. The following motion was put to the meeting:

MOTION: That our club hold a Special Resolution during the December 2022 general meeting on 1st December 2022, to vote on changing our name as outlined in the *special resolution* below.

Moved: Gerry De Gabriele

Second: Hal Murray

Carried

NOTE: By *law* association name changes have to be a special resolution. The vote is held at a general meeting but only that resolution can be discussed and voted on at that meeting.

NOTIFICATION TO ALL MEMBERS:

A Special Resolution will be voted upon during the General Meeting to be held 1st December 2022. The meeting will commence at 7pm.

Special Resolution Motion:

We (the members) agree to change our name from the *Coffs Harbour Veteran and Vintage Car Club Inc.* to the *Coffs Harbour Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Club Inc.*

Vehicle Movements: Nil

Next Meeting: 1st December 2022 Graeme Kane will be presiding (Maunder will be out of town from 14th November to 5th December).

Supper for December: T Carr, S Heelis

Meeting Closed at: 8.40pm

Acting Secretary – Marg Murray

President – Geoff Maunder

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 Bade</i>	<i>\$ 1 ea</i>
<i>CHVVCC Stickers</i>	<i>\$ 0.50 ea</i>

Do you recognise this street in our local area? Answer in next month's Splutter!



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

Brisbane to Broome Veteran Car Run - Part 2

So, there we were, stuck in Mt. Isa with Covid (Andrew & Keith, predictably, also ended up with it). We rapidly came up with a plan to try and keep up with the rally whilst self-isolating as best as we could. This largely meant holing up in a motel in Katherine for 5 days! Finally, our week away from the rally was up and we were able to rejoin in Kununurra just into Western Australia. Luckily the little Hupmobile was healthier than the humans in the team and she ran like a dream. We were now heading into the Kimberley Region with its amazing termite mounds, rock formations and boab trees lining the roadside. It was also pretty hot! The only problem we experienced on this leg of the trip was a rear tyre (quite old) shedding its bead about 30km east of Halls Creek. Apart from the heat, it was really enjoyable to be back on the run and it started to dawn on us that it would soon all be over. Our last night was spent in Willaire about 130km east of Broome. The next morning was filled with mixed emotions – relief that we were nearly there but sadness that it would all be over...plus a bit of regret that we had had to sit out a week of it. At around lunch time we arrived at Matso's Brewery in the heart of Broome and overlooking the beautiful waters of Roebuck Bay. A beer never tasted so good. We basically spent most of the afternoon as well as the final function there. The cars and motorcycles looked beaut lined up near the waters edge and it was a really fitting way to end a fabulous (If somewhat stressful at times!) motoring event. That final evening plans were starting to be cooked up for another long distance veteran run...maybe the entirety of the East coast from Tassie to Cooktown??? After a day looking around Broome, Keith flew back to the Gold Coast and we started the long way back to Coffs....

Thank you to those who organised such an amazing event, we were privileged to be part of it.

Andrew Winter & Alison King.



Road trains were generally courteous



Hup and 1917 Maxwell with giant Boab



Team Hup at the finish



Cars at the finish in Broome

COFFS HARBOUR VETERAN AND VINTAGE CAR CLUB

All depart from Urara Park in
Elizabeth Street, 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**.

If you are not meeting at Elizabeth Street or you are going to be 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.**

CLUB EVENTS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2022

CLUB APPROVED EVENTS. NO LOGBOOK ENTRY REQUIRED

NOVEMBER		
Thursday 17	Old Butter Factory – Bellingen – Coffee Run	Hal 0448 883 244
Sunday 20	Registration Day	Geoff 0435 622 394
DECEMBER		
Thursday 01	Club Meeting 6:45	Geoff 0435 622 394
Saturday 03	Woolgoolga Creek Reserve	Graeme 0435 6223 94
Sunday 11	Christmas Party at Col & Annette Green's property, Nana Glenn (see mtg minutes)	Geoff 0435 622 394
JANUARY 23		
Sunday 01	Sawtell Fun Day	Geoff 0435 622 394
Thurs 19th	The Nyanggan Gapi Café Hogbin Drive Toormina	Gerry 0402 469 160