



Roma Historical Motor Club Newsletter

May 2017

NEXT MEETING – Sunday, 20 May 2017

Apex Park, Roma @ 2.15 pm

following the display
for National Motoring Heritage Day

Coming Events

Local

20 May (Saturday): Parade and display at Charleville Show (Charleville Chapter) for National Motoring Heritage Day.

21 May (Sunday): National Motoring Heritage Day (Roma) – 11 am sharp, run will depart from Big Rig and visit the aged care and assisted living facilities finishing at Apex Park for a display from 11.30 am – 2.00 pm followed by the monthly club meeting at 2.15 pm.

Other (Please see RHM Club Website for further information)

19 to 21 May: Festival of Elegance, Gold Coast.

21 May: National Motoring Heritage Day – Picnic in the Park – Queens Park, Ipswich

28 May: QVVA Inc – Brisbane Swap – Carina State School

28 May: Classics by the Coast - All Classics Car Club - Bell Park, Emu Park.

04 June: Beaudesert Swap Meet

09 to 11 June: RACQ QHMC Southern Queensland Rally

Chapter Runs

20 May (Saturday): Wallumbilla/Yuleba

21 May (Sunday): All chapters for National Motoring Heritage Day

28 May (Sunday): Injune Restoration Run

03 June (Saturday): All chapters

04 June (Sunday): Charleville – please contact Jason for further details on 0417 197 871.

17 June (Saturday): Wallumbilla/Yuleba

18 June (Sunday): St George

25 June (Sunday): Injune Restoration Run



Plan to arrive at the Mungallala Hall by 10 am with morning tea available on arrival.

Meeting will commence at 11 am with lunch to follow. The Mungallala Progress Association will be catering for morning tea and lunch. The club will pay for morning tea.

Lunch will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for children up to 12 years. (Pre-school children - free) **RSVP by 13 June** if you are attending, how many people and confirming that you will be having the catered lunch. (Karen 0429 442 286 or rhmclub@gmail.com)

Do you have something you would like to put in the newsletter? Email it to rhmclub@gmail.com or speak with the editor, Michelle Huntly at one of the club runs.



SAVE THE DATE!
ROMA HISTORICAL MOTOR CLUB INC.
EASTER IN THE COUNTRY 2018
RALLY NO. 18

"ESCAPE TO THE COUNTRY" - Enjoy a weekend full of fresh country air, hospitality and our local history.

ENQUIRIES/REGISTER YOUR INTEREST:

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Wallumbilla Ute, Car & Bike Show



Members tell their stories at the Roma Historical Precincts Inc Inaugural Plough Day

The original owners of our "A" were Mr & Mrs Jack Rowbotham of "White Park", 20 km's east of Roma. It had been bought new for about 200 pounds. Mrs Rowbotham learnt to drive it when she was about 18 years of age and took the cream to the Butter Factory in Roma for the next 25 years. Although it was a sedan, the back seat was easily removed and six 8 gallon cans fitted in there. During the war, it only came out of the garage to go directly to town and back again.

During the 1946 drought, it was used to pull a trailer carting water for the house and paddy calves. The trailer was too heavy for it and it broke the crown wheel and pinion right at the end of the drought. It was in Traders Garage for months while trying to get parts for it.

About 1948, it went to Miscamble's Upholsterers to have a new hood and coat of paint. The seats were also re-covered. In 1952, it was replaced by a Holden ute.

It was then swapped to Bob Rowbotham (son of Jack) for a horse. Bob & Fred Wilson made it into a ute and it was used for work and pleasure, until 1965 when it was left back at "White Park". During the time Bob had it, the hand brake was the only brake that worked, mainly on one back wheel.

Ken discovered the "A" parked in the shed at "White Park" when he was doing some building work for Mr Rowbotham. An offer was made and the "A" found a new home at 21 Albert Street in February of 1978.

It was fully restored by Mr Hector Munkman of Beerwah and our first of many rallies in it was 1990 "Easter in the Country", Roma.

Owner's Ken & Veronica Beitz

For Sale/Wanted

Wanted: 21 x 5 tyres (require 2) and 20 x 5 tyres (require 2). These are required to place on a vehicle for display purposes only and do not need to be new. Contact Neil on 0429 075 973.

Wanted: One passenger side (left) chrome headlight surround for a 1957-58 Austin A95 Westminster. Phone Keith Davis on 0458 287 777.

For Sale: 1985 Mazda rx-7 series 3 sedan in a package with a host of used, reconditioned and new spares. Additional items include a professionally rebuilt motor using all new parts, clutch kit, diff center, and body panels. Serious lovers of the model, wishing to buy the vehicle and package can contact me on 07 4789 3103 or by e-mail billboyd09@bigpond.com for details and price. The vehicle is located at Townsville. Bill Boyd (Member of the TVVHM club).

For Sale: 1931 Genuine Antique Shell Petrol Pump in excellent condition. Asking price is \$3,500. If interested please contact Lindsay on 0418 197 811.

