



MINOR NOTES

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**MORRIS MINOR
CAR CLUB OF QLD. INC. HOSTING**



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MEETINGS

Unless otherwise advised in the club Magazine as a combined meeting/outing, meetings will be held on the 3rd Friday of the month (except December) at St Ignatius Catholic Primary School, Grove Street, Toowong (driveway entry opposite Coram Lane off Sherwood Road) at 7.45 pm. Visitors and prospective members are most welcome.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Annual Fees are – Single \$30.00, Family \$35.00 & Pensioners \$25.00. Contact club or visit web site www.mmccq.com.au for membership forms.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence to PO Box 211, Lutwyche Qld 4030 or Email qldclub@mmccq.com.au

WEBSITE

www.mmccq.com.au - Membership available via site.

AIM OF THE CLUB

The aim of the Club is to foster the preservation and active use of all models of the Morris Minor produced between 1948 & 1971, providing a forum for the exchange of general information and technical advice and conducting a variety of motoring and social activities. Membership of the Club shall be open to any person who is interested in pursuing the aim of the Club.

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CLUB CALENDAR – 2009

The Brisbane club meetings & runs are in bold and *Hervey Bay(HB) Runs in Italics*

Any runs other than Club designated, the Secretary has the entry forms and contact details.

MARCH 20TH	-	CLUB MEETING
MARCH 28th CHANGE OF DATE	-	NATIONALS WORKING BEE – Contact Paul 3844 6571 or Dennis 3802 1470 for location of activities. Change of date due to regalia arrival
APRIL 4 TH	-	MID COAST FORD MOTORFEST 2009 John Wright Park Tuncurry - from 8am Enquiries Ray (02)65575567 or Chris (02)65537301
APRIL 4 TH -5 TH	-	WARWICK VETERAN & VINTAGE VEHICLE CLUB 35 th Anniversary Rally - Warwick
APRIL 10 TH – 13 TH	-	14TH MORRIS MINOR NATIONAL RALLY FRIDAY – Registration /tour through Brisbane / BBQ SATURDAY – Concourse SOUTH BANK / Dinner SUNDAY – Run BAYSIDE / Presentation Dinner MONDAY – Farewell Breakfast BBQ
APRIL 14 TH – 18 TH	-	POST RALLY ACTIVITIES TUESDAY – Cruise to motoring facilities and race test track / Drive-in movie WEDNESDAY – North Coast / hinterland Run including Australia Zoo drop off THURSDAY – Tour historical Ipswich and beyond to Esk/Lowood then Morry Movie Night FRIDAY – Three Worlds Tour (Movie,Sea,Dream) and visit Gold Coast SATURDAY – Reminisce Toowoomba’s 4th National Rally and visit John Wagner’s Morry Collection and President’s BBQ
APRIL 18 TH	-	CLUB MEETING – John Wagner’s in Toowoomba, immediately after the Nationals event.
APRIL 26 TH	-	BUICK CAR CLUB – CLEVELAND AUTOSPECTACULAR 2009 Cleveland Showgrounds
MAY 2 ND -3 RD	-	TWEED VALLEY VEHICLE RESTORERS CLUB 26 TH Invitation Tour – Tweed River Jockey Club
MAY 3 RD	-	DAVID HACK CLASSIC MEET – Toowoomba Airport
MAY 15 TH	-	CLUB MEETING & AGM
JUNE 6 TH ,7 TH -8 TH	-	RACQ – COMBINED COUNCIL RALLY Bribie Island
JUNE 19 TH	-	CLUB MEETING
JUNE 28 TH	-	RACQ MOTORFEST – EAGLE FARM RACECOURSE

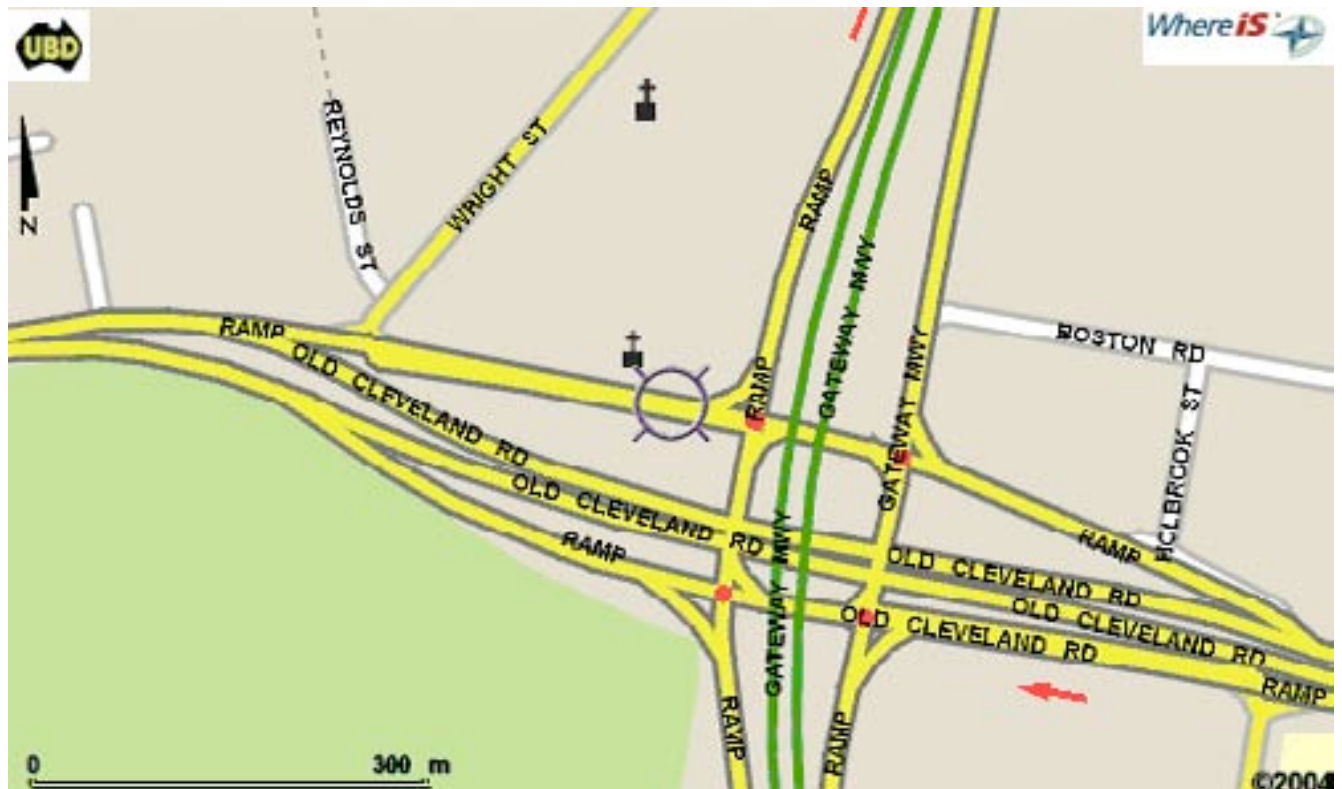
JULY 17 TH	-	CLUB MEETING
AUGUST 2 ND	-	SUMMERLAND SPORTS & CLASSIC CAR CLUB 26 th Annual Static Car Display – Clyde Campbell Park Lismore
AUGUST 21 ST	-	CLUB MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18 TH	-	CLUB MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22 ND	-	NOOSA CLASSIC 2009 Noosa Heads Lions Park – Noosa Heads

NOTE:- HERVEY BAY RUNS: Give us a call if you are going to be in the area and feel like joining in for the day. Keith & Jill Fowlie - 4124 2214

**THIS MONTHS RUN IS A WORKING BEE
HELD on 28th MARCH
SEE CLUB CALENDAR FOR DETAILS**

May come in handy in 4 weeks time
National Rally Headquarters

(VCC Clubrooms 1376 Old Cleveland Road Carindale
(use northbound service road for entry onto Gateway Arterial Road))



MINUTES OF MEETING MORRIS MINOR CAR CLUB OF QLD INC.
HELD ON 20 FEBRUARY 2009.

Meeting opened at 8.20pm

APOLOGIES: John Lamers, Geoff & Margaret Cross, Rob Litherland, Di Darcy, Graham Chapple, Kev Wakeling

VISITORS: Nil

NEW MEMBERS: Daniel & Rosalyn Kirkpatrick – Gympie, Richard Kuhlorgen & Eleanor Marshall – Oxley, Shane & Stacey Sinnott – Durack were proposed by Jim Allen and seconded Bev Cannon

Minutes of meeting held on the 16 January 2009 were taken as read and with amendment as follows were moved by Peter Cross and seconded by Glenys Cross.

Amendment: Bill Martin advised that the new form as mentioned in the Dating Officer report was as yet a Combined Council suggestion at this stage, rather than a Qld Transport form.

TREASURERS REPORT presented by Gordon who moved that it be accepted. Seconded by Paul Hamer.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: \$121.00 Rally Coaster Stickers, \$8.95 Raffles, \$55 Postage, \$113.28 Printing, \$500 South Bank Deposit, \$100 Liquor Licence for Sat & Sun of Rally, \$250 Trophies, \$25.95 Library Book, \$264 Toilets Hire, \$1125 Club Grill Badges.

Refunds: \$75 J & L Parsons, \$100 Peter Mulvey.

Moved by Gordon and seconded by Jim Allen that accounts be paid.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

OTHER CLUB MAGAZINES

NEW MEMBERSHIP

DANIEL & ROSALYN KIRKPATRICK – GYMPIE

RICHARD KUHLMORGEN & ELEANOR MARSHALL – OXLEY

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

GEORGE JENSEN

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

RALLY ENTRY FORM SENT TO J. NICHOLLS

KEYRING ETC SENT TO R. HULSTONE, N. NORRIS AND M. LUNDBERG

ACTIVITIES REPORT: Southside Club Nationals Sunday practice run most enjoyable.

March 6-8 Hervey Bay crew camp out, March 20 Club Meeting, March 22 Nationals Working Bee, National Rally 14-18 April.

NOTE: Club meeting for April moved to Saturday 18th at John Wagner's place, Toowoomba following the National's event.

Dinner for Rally nights commences at 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

DATING OFFICER REPORT:

Bill had no new concessional rego requests this month. The new Combined Council form was shown and estimated to go to Queensland Transport around April.

When getting concessional registration, only fill out the section for the special registration.

Bill alerted that some people are getting overcharged on their concessional registration. The cost should be around \$174.00. Ensure that the CTP is class 5, otherwise it could get classed as truck and rego may cost \$400.

Queensland concessional registration now requires membership numbers. Membership cards and numbers can be obtained from Gordon Robinson, Treasurer.

The Combined Council will have a new name from June – ‘Queensland Historic Motoring Council’.

REGALIA REPORT:

Orders for National Rally shirts etc have been received.

LIBRARIAN REPORT:

New book received – Post War Morris’s. Paul will get the book ready for the next meeting to be available to members. Some books remain outstanding.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Paul Hamer informed on National Rally status:

166 paid entries to date

Meeting held last Saturday – planning for the cars coming in.

Jim has been designing official program. Good advertising response. Back page is still available.

Graham Chapple and Paul cut out 182 drip trays. (MR Automotive are sponsoring the drip trays).

250 rally bags to be got ready for packing.

Working on organising teams of people finalising who’s doing what

Glenys and Peter Cross are putting the coasters together.

Dennis Smith has the trophies in hand – one displayed at the club meeting.

Margaret Cross is organising the catering team.

Shirts are due to be delivered on 23 March.

Stickers still need to go on drip trays.

51 entrants for the concourse.

Jim Allen suggested a membership card for club members. Discussion followed on new design to incorporate name badge as well as membership number. Gordon advised that it is a lot of work to keep listing and put forward that a position of ‘membership secretary’ be discussed at the AGM along with further discussion on the new format of the name badge/membership card. Jim said he would volunteer for this position at the AGM. Peter Cross agreed with the concept and Bev Cannon said the card could slide into the current name badge holder.

Mark Holgate raised the new meeting venue issue. Dennis Darcy advised that the Brisbane Sporting Club at West End is available on the 3rd Friday and costs \$55. The current venue is \$50 and there has been no indication of a price rise, however getting the key each meeting remains problematic. Only other issue has been hot water supply problems which seem to be OK now. Discussion on whether we can get a key to be retained by club. Suggestion put forward that a refundable deposit on a key may be agreeable to get own key. Howard Franklin moved a motion that we stay in current venue this year and Noel Cannon seconded. Put to vote and carried unanimously.

Bill Martin advised that with the new concessional rego form he will either have to inspect the car, or receive a copy of the registration form, or a copy of the safety certificate form.

Meeting closed 9.20pm.

A big THANK YOU to Hazel for stepping in to the secretary’s role and keeping the show on the straight and narrow when the other experienced committee members (males) digressed occasionally.

FEELING THE LOVE

Recently, I was heading home from the local hardware store. Driving along minding my own business thinking about what I was going to do with my hardware acquisitions, in my rear-view mirror I noticed a car behaving erratically behind me. We were coming to end of two lanes divided by dotted white lines. Now, these dotted lines just come to an end which means the traffic in both lanes must merge into one lane with the vehicle in front taking the lead.

This erratic behaviour amounted to rapid acceleration and a lane change to put the vehicle in the lane to my right. This was all taking place as the two lanes were about to end. The traffic in front was doing a wonderful job of merging and in the normal course of events I would slip in behind a vehicle which was in the terminating right lane, but a car length or so in front of me.

I realised the erratic behaviour was aimed at getting as close as possible to the other car in the right lane and slotting in in front of me. I was travelling at about 50km/h or so which was the posted speed limit in that part of town. When I was a defensive driving instructor I used to tell my very attentive students, most of whom were there because Daddy wouldn't let them drive the family sedan until they had completed the course, or the local Magistrate ordered them to be there, that when incidents like this happen, maintain your speed, keep an eye on things and be prepared to take evasive action if and when necessary. In this instance I practiced what I used to preach.

As the road narrowed into one lane the erratically driven vehicle was drawing along side. I was about to take evasive action (brake to slow and let this car in – obviously the driver was in a hurry and just had to get to be that all important one car length ahead) when the other vehicle swerved to the right a little and braked. Either the young male driver was in fear of his life or he suddenly realised he wasn't in such a hurry after all.

It soon became apparent he was still in a hurry. As I slotted into the queue in front of him, the driver raised his hand in a one fingered salute. I was feeling the love when, shortly after finishing the salute, he threw something black (a shoe or perhaps a short length of poly pipe) at me. Whatever it was didn't hit my car. Rather, it hit the road then bounced up and hit the underside of my car.

I thought that was the end of it, he let his thoughts be known; now he'd get over it. You see, I'm a country lad, born and bred, and I like to think good of people. I tend to be laid back and lovable rather than lively and a lunatic. However, it soon became apparent my friend was not feeling the love. This thing was becoming adversarial on his part. He was weaving from side to side behind me, speeding up and coming close to the back of my car then slowing and so forth, fists gesticulating in my direction. It was beginning to become annoying!

My defensive driving skills kicked in again. With this rot going on behind, I let the traffic in front get a bit ahead to allow me some more room should it be needed. Soon, the traffic in front started to slow as we approached a round-a-bout. Then it stopped. Having allowed that little extra space in front, I slowed steadily and came to a stop. I was watching in the rear-view mirror as the adversaries car drove into the back of mine. By now I was a little agitated, maybe distressed.

The time had come for me to have a chat with this young fella. I put the car in park and was about to get out when it went backwards and ...BANG!!!! I'd backed into his car. I must have been a little distressed, or maybe even flustered - I thought I'd put my car into park, but in my heightened state of anxiety I had accidentally engaged reverse. I'd even forgotten to apply the park brake. CRIKEY, that was a bit of a shock. I'd never been caught in such a dilemma before. I know that when one had been involved in a traffic incident it is normal to stop and exchange details and pleasantries.

By now the traffic in front had started to move off. So I decided to follow and turn left at the round-a-bout then stop and inspect the damage. Call me naive, but I expected my adversary to follow so we could have a chat about this very unpleasant incident, and perhaps come up with a

solution to the current world economic crisis. He didn't. The last I saw of him was as he continued on through the round-a-bout with his right arm raised out the window in a one fingered salute. Obviously his Mum had prepared a roast lamb for lunch and he didn't want to be late. Mums can get a bit toey about such things, I'm told. Was that some fluid I saw falling from the front of his vehicle??? I could have sworn it was.

As he didn't follow me and stop for a chat, I continued on home, albeit in a heightened state of anxiety. When I pulled into the driveway, I went to the back of the car expecting to see the rear door mounted spare tyre pushed into the door and the plastic rear bumper in tatters. That's when I noticed I hadn't removed the tongue from the tow bar when I last used it. No damage at all!

I was feeling the love.

Gee, I hope his Mum wasn't too cranky with him, and he enjoyed his lunch.

*Little Johnny Roosevelt
(Nom de plume)*

(To whom it may concern - thanks for the love story – Ed.)

PRESIDENT'S / EDITORS REPORT

The Nationals are quickly approaching, the number of weeks can be counted on one hand and it will seem with a blink of the eye the number of days will soon disappear. While on the theme of Nationals and finding some extra time, remember to watch 'EXTRA' at 5.30pm on Nine as they recorded a segment on Morries getting ready for the event and it should make an appearance soon – we hope!

I can assure you that emails are flying thick and fast behind the scenes so everything will come together at the event.

Isn't it strange the event holds different feelings for different groups. Read the Morris Minor Forum and the incoming emails, people are looking forward to the Nationals with excitement and anticipation while on this side of the fence it is a feeling of apprehension and trepidation. It has been an experience to realize the workload required to hold a Nationals and gives you an appreciation of the past Nationals and the effort required for future meets.

Maybe a twenty year span is too long between drinks, as you seem to have to reinvent the wheel, so Queensland clubs a word of warning, put your hand up sooner than later while the memories are fresher.

There are other happenings after the Nationals but I can't think of any at present – only joking. Next month's meeting (April) is being held in Toowoomba at John Wagner's after the bar b que and display day on Saturday 18th. Thanks John for being so obliging.

A further reminder it that the AGM is looming and we need names for the committee positions. We don't want to pay too much long service to the existing members.

Do I still have your attention??? The all important final reminder – ***YOUR ANNUAL FEES ARE DUE*** at the end of this month especially for those attending the Nationals as you must be a financial member of a registered car club.

Thanks once again Hazel for the great secretarial job last month – you deserve another medal.

See ya at the Nationals if not before.

Dennis (Double D)

PS - THIS MONTHS RUN IS A WORKING BEE HELD 28th MARCH- SEE CALENDAR

BIRTHDAY WISHES**MARCH**

SUE CURRIE

JUDY FULLER

CAROLYN MORGAN GREY

TINA RYAN

RONALD VAN DER SPOEL



DENNIS DARCY

LAURA JOSMAN

PAM PALMER

RON SMITH

GWEN WELLS

BOB WRIGHT

BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE LISTED ABOVE
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**BOTH APPEARING AT THE NATIONALS****Brisbane Regional Youth Orchestra and Monti**

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3149 Nambour



NOTE: Please notify Editor if your sale is successful to avoid future enquires.

The month is March, YOUR FEES ARE DUE

So do not hesitate, it's time to RENEW

Especially if your car is to be put on VIEW



CLUB REGALIA



MENS POLO SHIRT
with pocket
Royal Blue



LADIES POLO SHIRT
No pocket
Royal Blue



WINTER JACKET
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with hood
internally
attached



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SEW ON CLOTH BADGE



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Winter Jacket with internally stored hood - sizes M, L	\$75			\$	\$	\$
Metal Car Badge - Limited number available	\$25	/		\$	\$	\$
Sew On Cloth Badge	\$7.50	/		\$	\$	\$
Keyring	\$5	/		\$	\$	\$
Sticker	\$1	/		\$	\$	\$
TOTAL PAYMENT					\$	\$



KEYRING

NOTE: * P&P - if you are purchasing a Shirt or a Winter Jacket and wish to include a small item, P&P will not be extra for those items.

P&P prices are: Shirt or Winter Jacket \$6.50 each.
All others \$2.50 as single or multi orders.

Payments by Cheque or Money Order to:
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PO Box 211 Lutwyche Qld 4030

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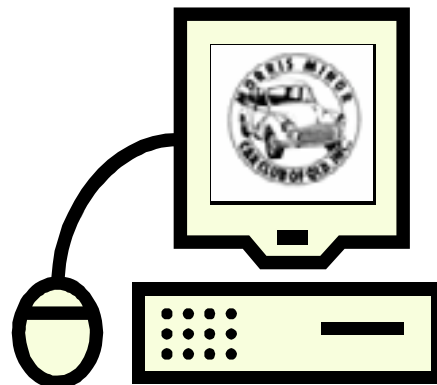
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