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CAR Inc, Warra

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Joining Fee: \$15 per family (once off)

NEW MEMBER FEE: \$20 per member (when joining between 1st July to 31st December)

NEW MEMBER FEE: \$10 per member (when joining between 1st January to 30th June)

YEARLY RENEWAL: \$20.00 per member due 1st July



AIM: To foster the preservation and the active use of all Morris Vehicles. To encourage the rebuilding and improvement of the Morris and the installation of safety equipment in them.

Membership to the Group shall be open to any person who is interested in pursuing the aim of the Group.

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GROUP COORDINATOR REPORT

Welcome everyone to our March newsletter.

A big thank you goes to John Parker for chairing last months meeting due to my absence on the night.

The CAR Inc meeting was held on the 2nd of March at Warra. A small group of us met at the usual spot just past Maccas in Bridge St and headed off for the 120+ km run to the event taking around 1-1/2 hours or so.

Morning tea was first on the agenda and once over it was to the business of the meeting chaired by President Eliza. Three groups were in attendance, namely Chinchilla Auto

Group, Miles Auto Group and our own Toowoomba and Downs Morris Group.

"...BBQ was then fired up
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With the important stuff out of the way and the meeting conclusion, the BBQ was then fired up and everyone enjoyed a lunch of sausages on bread with all the usual trimmings. Thanks so much Jan and Debbie for organising all the food.

The next CAR Inc meeting will likely be held during early July and will also

include the AGM. Will advise once we have a firm date on hand.

The CAR Inc meeting was also the only event I managed to get to over the last month but I'm looking forward to the runs coming soon, especially as I will at last be driving again after several months of restriction for medical reasons.

On that note, we have a couple of upcoming events in the pipeline. First up is our run the Cressbrook Dam for lunch on March 30. We also have a couple of members heading to the Laidley Historical Society Heritage Day on April 12.

That's it from me, see you at Wednesday's meeting.

Roy



CARS & COFFEE

It was a lovely summers morning with a nice cold breeze blowing, especially in our '8' tourers. We met up at Munch's Cafe in the Harvey Norman Centre for morning tea and some delicious cakes. Debbie had us all organised, parking our 7 Morries and 1 Mustang together in a row.

After chatting for a while it was off for a pleasant drive down Ruthven St, along James and Hume St and up Bridge St to Prince Henry Drive where we stopped to look at the beautiful views stretching across the valley towards the Range crossing, Mt Kynock, Highfields and Ravensbourne in the distance. From here we finished the circuit ending up on Bridge St, left towards and past Webb Park, past the Prep School where I spent 20 years of my life. Then we proceeded along the edge of the Range ending up at Picnic Point Park where we found room to park our cars in a packed car park.

Here we sat under the towering shady trees and had our lunches while happily chatting away the troubles of the world. After lunch we wandered across the road to the kiosk for a lovely cold ice cream. Soon it was time to head for home after spending a lovely morning in good company and driving our beautiful old Morris's.

A huge thank you to all the Staff at Munch Cafe, for their hospitality and the fantastic range of food that was enjoyed by all our members.

JIM & TRICIA



SECRETARY & EDITOR NOTES

March has been a relatively quiet month for the club, with only two events on our calendar. The first was a coffee run to the Munch Café. As someone who isn't a coffee or tea drinker, I don't often visit cafés, but this was my first time at Munch, and I was impressed by the excellent service provided by the staff. Unfortunately, our group was split between two tables, but it was still a great opportunity to catch up with fellow members.

After the coffee break, the Morrie Mob enjoyed a scenic drive along Toowoomba's escarpment, ending at Picnic Point. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to participate in this part of the run.

The second event was the CAR Inc meeting held in Warra. From all reports it was reasonably well attended and a successful gathering.

Zed Project Update

Progress on the ZED has been slow this month, but some work has been completed. I've started repairing the rear wheel guards, with Dave lending a hand (or rather, doing the work!). Most of the dents have now been removed.

One guard was in relatively good condition, only needing a few rust holes filled. The second guard, however, had to be split and the damaged sections cut out. Using the DDVVMC facilities, I have fabricated patches to repair these areas, bringing the project one tiny step closer to completion.



BRETT



Noelene Parker, John Parker, Lindsay Morrison,
Damian Dwyer, Don Marriage & Tex Barrett



This one from Jim who spotted the last resting place for a Series 2, Minor van on a farm not far from Toowoomba.

-Ed

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF TOOWOOMBA & DOWNS MORRIS GROUP **Held on Wednesday 19th February 2025 at Dr Price Rooms, Little Street, Toowoomba.**

OPENING: John Parker in the absence of Roy Hall opened the meeting at 7:32pm and welcomed everyone

ATTENDANCE: As per attendance book

APOLOGIES: Greg Hall, Mick and Merle Muller, Brenda and Terry Brown, Roy Hall, George and Barbara Wilkinson

VISITORS: Nil

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: As per newsletter

Moved, Brett Tebbit, seconded Jim Robertson that the minutes printed in the newsletter be accepted as read. Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

- Heritage Bank Statement
- Email Newsletters from various clubs

Outwards:

- Newsletters to members and other clubs

Moved, Brett Tebbit, seconded Dennis Smith that the correspondence inwards and outwards be accepted. Carried.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Presented by Treasurer, Greg Peters in the absence of Maree Pitt

Moved, Greg Peters, seconded Debbie Smith that the treasurers report be received and the accounts be paid. Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- CAR Inc Meeting, 2nd March. Eliza to be contacted to confirm numbers from the Miles and Chinchilla Clubs. Dennis Smith moved that up to \$200 be spent on catering for the meeting, seconded by Scott Smith. Members attending will meet at 8am MacDonalds on Bridge Street. BYO morning tea and lunch will be provided by TDMG.
- The TDMG Group report will be provided to Dennis Smith for presentation at the meeting.
- Merle and Mick Muller prosed a run to Millmerran Tavern for Christmas Lunch 2025. Support by club members. Date TBA
- Jim Robertson reports that his Marshal is making satisfactory progress with the help of Michael.
- Michael Wells, Marshal is also progressing. Michael and Jim ventured down to Brisbane to get a set of springs reset.
- George Wilkinson (not present) provided an update for his



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Acland Cola Mine visit. 16 October, further details will be provide later.

- David Snape is fitting 'Normal' indicators to his Morrie. Other traffic users are unaware of the purpose of trafficators.
- He also reports a busy start to his year with work and tripping about.
- Scott Smith's green Morrie now has the electrical work finished. Glass is being fitted, which has been problematic.
- Dennis Smith. This is the year for a big clean out of his shed. Dennis has a modified 1000 head, ribcage gearbox in pieces, but all accounted for, axels, working wiper motors, working genie and starter motor.
- John Oldman reported that he has sold one of the two speedway midgets he bought a couple of months ago to another previous owner.
- Debbie Smith suggested that the Group caters the monthly meeting suppers. Jan Smith moved that Debbie can purchase the supper supplies and be reimbursed. Seconded Scott Smith.
- Dave Williams notified the Group that Brakeland has closed.
- Jim Robertson, as dating officer, has signed concessional registration papers for David Wagner and David Snape.

John Parker thanked all for attending and there being no further business John closed the meeting at 8:30pm.

Raffle winner: Greg Peters

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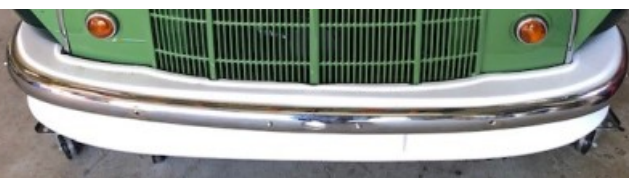
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 19 th March	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Sunday 30 th March	Run to Cressbrook Dam for Lunch via Ravensbourne lookout. BYO Morning tea and lunch. Meet at Mt Kynock 9am.
Saturday 12 th April	Laidley Historical Society Heritage Day. Freemans Road, Gatton (entry by donation). 9am-2pm.
Wednesday 16 th April	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Sunday 4 th May	Lockyer Swap. Hosted by the Lockyer Antique Motoring Association (LAMA) at the Laidley Showgrounds (Cooper St). Gates open at 6:30am, cost \$5pp.
17 th & 18 th May	Hampton Food Festival. The festival offers a wide variety of events and entertainment for visitors to enjoy, including local food vendors, wineries, cafes, artisan producers, art exhibitions and live music.
Sunday 18 th May	David Hack Classic Meet - 25th Anniversary. For an unforgettable adventure, take to the skies with Brisbane Biplanes. Book online or speak with them on the day. Toowoomba Aerodrome, Spitfire Street. 8:30am to 2:30pm.
Wednesday 21 st May	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Wednesday 18 th June	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Sunday 6 th July	Macs Bridge, Classic Cars and Aircraft Festival. Held at the Caboolture Airfield.
Wednesday 16 th July	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
17 th to 27 th July	Jumpers & Jazz in July, Warwick. Queensland's quirkiest yarn bombing & jazz winter festival!
Saturday 2 nd August	Miles From Anywhere, Auto Show & Shine.
Wednesday 20 th August	Annual General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Saturday 23 rd August	Chinchilla Auto Group – Car Show.

CAR INC, WARRA



Special thanks to members Denise and Mick of Brumby's Bakery Wyalla who donated loaves of bread for the CAR Inc BBQ. Also thanks to Mick Amiss from the Milne Bay Veterans Group, a friend of Dennis and Jan who donated bottles of water.



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Sunday 18th May 2025

Rotary
Club of Toowoomba North



8:30 am to 2:30 pm

**AEROTEC HANGAR Spitfire Street
TOOWOOMBA CITY AERODROME**

Exhibitors: \$20 per vehicle (gate open 7:00 am)

Public: Adults \$15, Children 12 and under FREE

Family: \$40 (2 adults & teenagers)

Registration and entry available at the gate or online via Try Booking
<https://www.trybooking.com/CWLZT> or QR code



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