



TOOWOOMBA & DOWNS MORRIS GROUP

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German Bake & Wurst House



Terry Brown–Cars I've
Owned

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MEETINGS: Held on the Third Thursday of each month at the Dr. Price Rooms, Little Street, Toowoomba at 7:30pm.

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.

DISCLAIMER: The Group and its Committee shall not be held responsible for any transaction begun through contacts made through the Group, its Newsletter or its Website. Material published is not necessarily the view of the Editor or the Committee.

GROUP COORDINATOR REPORT

Welcome everyone to our October newsletter.

To say that it has been annoying not being allowed to drive my beloved Morris Minor or for that matter either of my two Triumphs over the past two months is an understatement. As a result of the restrictions still being in place has meant that I haven't been able to get to any TDMG event since mid-September, at least not without Anne carting me all over the place. I'm looking forward to having the restriction lifted and being allowed back behind the wheel.

In the meantime however, Anne and I have been busy entertaining my sister and her husband who came over from New Zealand. They were here in Toowoomba to experience the Carnival Of Flowers. It is a special time of the year for Toowoomba with the prizing winning gardens

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and all the other events the Carnival has on offer. They thoroughly enjoyed their visit and time wandering through the gardens and hopefully they took some ideas away with them.

I was also hoping to get them along on the only TDMG run since the last meeting. This was Terry and Brenda's run to the German Bake and Wurst House. Being at the mercy of my driver, my requests went unheeded and we all went and looked at more gardens instead. From what I hear it

was well attended and enjoyed by those who went along. A good day out by the sound of it!

Reminder to members that the QTS Combined Christmas Lunch in Esk is on November 9th. RSVP is by 18th October, please either email Gail directly or let Greg, our editor know—he is compiling a list to forward on to Gail.

Other upcoming events are "Around The Sheds" run on the 19th October where we'll head out to David Williams and Michael Wells sheds. The Goombungee Jacaranda Festival is on the 2nd of November followed by the CAR Inc meeting the very next day. Full details for all are in the upcoming events page.

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

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Your community since 2003

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M O R R I S D O W N U N D E R . C O M

Morris Minor Forum



The Warwick Cruze Inn Club's **2nd Annual CAR, TRUCK & BIKE SHOW**

Judging of cars and bikes on display with Trophies & Prizes awarded

Live Music!

Queens Park, Warwick Qld 4370

Saturday 2nd November 2024
A Twilight Cruise – FREE ENTRY
Meet at the Warwick Cowboys RLFC @ 4.30pm
6pm **LIVE BAND** after the cruise

Sunday 3rd November 2024
All Car, Truck & Bike Show
Warwick Cowboys RLFC – 8.30am - 2.30pm
LIVE BAND

Car, Truck & Bike Entry - \$10.00 includes driver / rider.
Adult admission \$5.00 Children 14yrs & under - free

Food, Drinks, Ice cream and Bar all on site

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For more details see warwickcruzeinnclub.org.au/events
Phone Phil 0407 179 767 or Jason Webb 0492 195 198

COME AND SUPPORT THE CLUB THAT SUPPORTS YOUR CLUB.



THE Q.T.S. CLUBS PRESENT

A MERRY CHRISTMAS Combined Lunch

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9TH
ESK GRAND HOTEL @ 11AM

RSVP BY 18 OCTOBER
Gail - bgkilah@gmail.com

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Brisbane Southside Morris Minor Car Club bsmmcc.com.au



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SECRETARY & EDITOR NOTES

September finally saw Terry and Branda's run to the German Bake and Wurst House go ahead after being postponed in April due to rain. Combined with this event was a visit to the Murphy's Creek Chilli and Craft Carnival, which was extremely popular. The club then ventured further down the hill to meet at the Bake House for lunch. The Bake House, being slightly out of the way, proved to be a pleasant establishment with a good menu choice.

The event was well supported by the club with 9 vehicles partaking in the run. I was a little concerned about the about drive back up the range as this run was the first time I had taken any of my Morris east. My worries were for nothing, on the drive home the Major took the Range (toll road) in its stride. I averaged about 85 kph on the return trip with only a slight rise in water temperature, further enhancing my confidence in the cars ability to go the distance.

The Zed has progressed, only I can tell. Further work has been completed on the storage compartments under the tray and the spare tyre carrier. The Ute also received its new identity.

Rally to the Range: Terry and Brenda's Rally (Generated by AI)

*Terry and Brenda in their Austin Van,
Off to the rally, a daring plan,
With Morris friends from near and wide,
To the German Wurst House they would ride.*

*The Toowoomba Downs crew joined the fun,
A convoy shining in the sun,
Engines purring, hearts so light,
Through countryside, a perfect sight.*

*The hills of Toowoomba, steep and high,
Winding roads that kissed the sky,
Their Austin roared with steady grace,
Down the Range, they set the pace.*

*The bends were sharp, the turns were tight,
Yet Terry steered with all his might,
Laughter echoed, the mood was bright,
As Brenda beamed, her heart in flight.*

*At last, they reached the German feast,
With Morris folk, their joy increased,
To Wurst and cheer, they raised a hand,
In Toowoomba's hills, they made their stand.*

Doug



Jim Robertson, Dennis Smith,
Ken Brooker, Linda Kelly & Kathryn Gugich



MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF TOOWOOMBA & DOWNS MORRIS GROUP

Held on Thursday 19th September, 2024 at Dr Price Rooms, Little Street, Toowoomba.

OPENING: Roy Hall opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone

ATTENDANCE: As per attendance book

APOLOGIES: Greg Hall, Tricia Robertson, Scott and Debbie Smith, Paul and Karen Draper, Brian and Barbara Draper, Michael Wells, Brenda Brown, John Parker, George and Barbara Wilkinson, Greg Peters

VISITORS: Nil

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: As per newsletter

Moved, Dennis Smith, seconded David Williams 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
- Email to James and Emily Johnson re membership renewal

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

TREASURERS REPORT:

Presented by Treasurer, Maree Pitt

Moved, Maree Pitt, seconded Jim Robertson that the report be received and the accounts be paid. Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Jim Robertson reported on his latest trip, Jim and Tricia travelled 3000km in three weeks. They started a Rockhampton, then onto Lake Dunn via Barcaldine and Aramac. After meeting up with the Bee Man from Gowrie Junction, they moved onto Augathella, then home only travelling about 150km per day.
- Jim Robertson reported that Rachel Berry won 'People's Choice' with her Morris 8 Tourer at the All British Day.
- David Williams has not made any progress on his van.
- David Wagner informed the meeting that the Newell Highway is in a poor state due to roadworks.
- Steve Draheim has his cream Morrie on the rotisserie but hasn't progressed any further.
- Darryl Bell travelled out to Yuleba for the Cobb and Co



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centenary. The Roma Car Club put on a good display of cars which was bolstered by a gathering of Morris' from the Southside Club.

- Terry Brown reported a small issue with the Austin. After a quick inspection by the Car Doctor, it was discovered that the choke was stuck open.
- Doug Tebbit reported that the Z Ute is progressing but somewhat slowly. The tray is almost finished.
- Maree Pitt's granddaughter preferred to use the Meringandan bus over the Morris for her formal. Maree took her sister for a drive in the 1100 and shortly after her sister complaining of smelling fumes from the muffler departed from the car.
- Roy Hall explained his current health concerns. The Triumph is currently at the vintage car club for a tune up.
- Doug Tebbit gave a presentation on glass fusing.
- Dennis Smith advised to check the condition of any Nolathane bushes that maybe fitted to cars as he has experienced these types of bushes deteriorating.
- Terry Brown volunteered to provide an article for the October newsletter on "Cars I've Owned".
- Discussed that raffles would be supplied again for this year Christmas Party. A motion was tabled that a limit of \$250 would be made available for the purchase of the raffles - Moved Dennis Smith, Seconded Merle Muller.
- A motion was tabled that vouchers for \$10/member would be supplied for the Christmas party. Numbers of vouchers will be determined closer to the event. Moved Jan Smith, Seconded Merle Muller.
- A motion was tabled for an 'Around The Sheds' run to David Williams' and Michael Well's shed with TDMG to spend up to \$100 for a BBQ lunch at Michael's shed - 19 Oct 24. Moved David Williams, Seconded Jim Robertson.

Roy Hall thanked all for attending and there being no further business Roy closed the meeting at 9:06pm.

Raffle winner: Roy Hall

During Jim and Tricia's recent trip to Outback Queensland; these were spotted at the Ilfracombe Machinery and Heritage Museum and the Aramac Tramway Museum.



Top left: George's Morris Commercial, Ilfracombe
 Top right: 1920's Morris truck, Aramac
 Bottom right: A late 30's Vauxhall Hearse, Aramac

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 17 th October	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Saturday 19 th October	Around The Sheds run. Meet at David Williams shed (411 Drayton Connection Road, Finnie) at 9:30am. Morning tea at Dave's shed, members to bring a plate. Then on to Michael Wells shed (362 Savage Road, Hodgson Vale) with a BBQ supplied by TDMG, numbers needed.
Saturday 2 nd November	30th Goombungee Jacaranda Festival. Wander around the market, food and beverage stalls, arts and craft and enjoy the Jacaranda Festival Parade starting at 11am.
2 nd & 3 rd November	Warwick Cruze Inn Club's 2 nd Annual Car, Truck and Bike Show, Queens Park, Warwick, flyer on page 4.
Sunday 3 rd November	CAR Inc Meeting. Lake Broadwater Conservation Park for BYO morning tea followed by the meeting. Lunch provided by the Chinchilla Auto Motor Group. Meet 8:30am Bridge Street
Saturday 9 th November	The Q.T.S Clubs present a Merry Christmas Combine Lunch. Esk Grand Hotel at 11am. Self catering from the bar menu and drinks. RSVP by 18th October.
Saturday 16 th November	Stanthorpe Berry Festival. Dive into a culinary extravaganza led by celebrity chef Matt Golinski or indulge in gourmet delights or simply relax, sip and savour with live music, craft beer, and wine tastings.
Thursday 21 st November	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Saturday 7 th December	TDMG Christmas Party. Held at the Blue Mountain Hotel, 11:30am to 3pm.
Thursday 19 th December	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Thursday 16 th January	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
25 th & 26 th January	Allora Heritage Festival.
1 st & 2 nd February	Toowoomba Swap 2025 at the Toowoomba Showgrounds. Hosted by the Darling Downs Veteran & Vintage Motor Club.
13 th to 16 th February	2025 Chinchilla MelonFest. A little bit of something for everyone from street parades, markets, beach party, and an arena full of melon related activities such as melon skiing and melon bungee.
Thursday 20 th February	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.

German Bake & Wurst House





TOOWOOMBA & DOWNS MORRIS GROUP

CHRISTMAS *Party*

BLUE MOUNTAIN HOTEL | 7 DEC | 11:30AM TO 3:00PM

RSVP by 21st November • tdmorrisgroup@hotmail.com
all meals | drinks ordered from the bar menu



L A M A A N N U A L
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Terry Brown—Cars I've Owned

Over the last 58 years we've had 26 cars with 16 of these family or club cars, others have been work vehicles. Here are a few:

I bought my first car in 1968 a 1955 green Morris. This was sold in 1969 to finance my trip to England and in 1972 I returned to Australia with Brenda!



While in England we purchased a green Austin Mini.

First car we bought in 1972/3 was a white Fiat 124. Brenda learned to drive in this.

The Holden Kingswood came along when we had four sons.



We bought an EH Holden in 1975/6 by the time we had two sons.



Brenda's favourite car was a Mitsubishi Magna and our sons learned to drive in a blue Toyota Lite Ace van.

VW Beetle was bought, improved, then sold in 2016 so we could afford a trip to England.



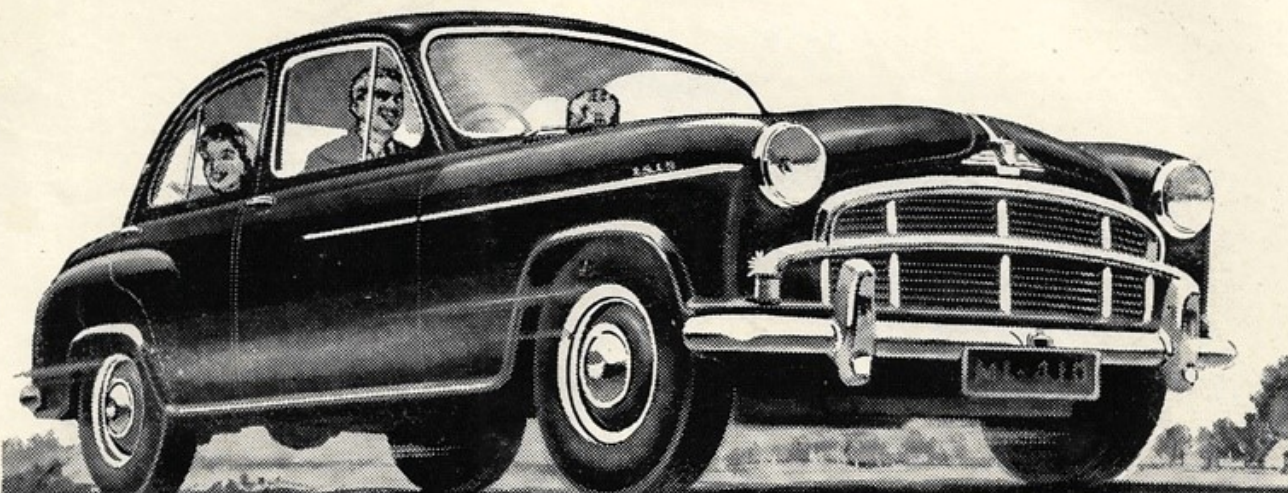
We bought our green Morris 1952 model that most of you will remember, in 2004.



We sold our 1952 Morris in 2022 and bought our little gem, the Austin A30.

TERRY

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One owner Morris Oxford.

Stored under a home in Gatton and not driven for the last 50 years.

Needs new upholstery and mostly likely a new paint job.

Appears to be in generally good condition, Last registered in 1972.

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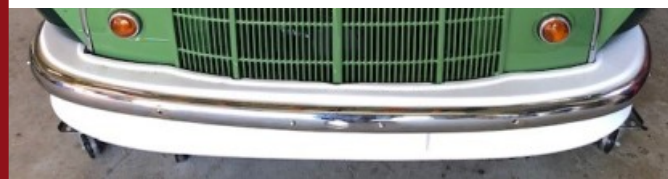
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Spoilers \$229, Valances \$130, Glove Boxes \$80 (each).

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i.e. adhesive on the back to stick on the outside of glass.

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TDMG REGALIA

Polo shirts with logo \$32.50 | Bucket Hat or Cap with logo \$16
Jacket with logo only \$55 | Jacket with name and logo \$60.50

All regalia can be order direct from:

Toowoomba Embroidery Centre
581 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba, Ph (07) 4639 3255

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