



Leyland P76 Owners Club  
Incorporated Queensland



Leyland P76 Anything But Average

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# THE QUEENSLAND BULLETIN



**WEDDING CARS**

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## General Information

**AIMS OF THE P76 CLUB**

1. To restore and actively use all model of P76 produced.
2. To provide knowledge, advice and parts on the P76 and its variants.
3. To conduct various activities for the members and their cars.
4. To include any vehicle assembled in the Zetland factory.

Membership of the club will be open to anyone who is interested in pursuing the aims of the club

The Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland has its monthly Meetings on **2<sup>nd</sup> Friday** of each month:

**Venue:** Mt Petrie Primary School  
Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road  
MACKENZIE, QLD (Entry is via Vivaldi Street)  
**Time:** 8.00pm

Various activities are organised by Club Members and are generally held on the last Sunday of the month. All venue information is confirmed at the General Meeting and is recorded in the Minutes.

**CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR POINTS ALLOCATED**

Attend Meeting = 1 point: Raffle donation = 1 point: Organise Event = 1 point: Win Event = 1 point

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## From the Editors Desk

What a busy month September has been. It seems that every weekend there was something happening to do with a P76.

The first event was a wedding. Graham Joseph and Richard Mallon used their Ps as the wedding cars and I have to say they looked great. Graham's has been working on his car for a while and the wedding day was the catalyst to get this completed. It has been stripped, painted, re-upholstered and put back together again. A huge project given the timeframe he was working with. Graeme, the car looks great and I love the colour scheme.



One part that was not replaced in this project was the electric fuel pump and I have it on good advice that it has now been done - given priority after the wedding. Graeme was quite happily enjoying his new car, cruising along the highway on his way to pick up the bride (his daughter) when it started to play up. He pulled off the highway into a suburb to lift the bonnet and diagnose the problem. Ahem, fuel pump – not good. At that point a man came out of a house nearby and asked the question “what’s wrong mate”? Graham’s brother, who had seen the car on the highway had phoned and asked are you okay to which the response was no there is something wrong with the car. So along with the man from the house and Graham’s brother, they diagnosed the problem and wonders of all wonders the man had a spare electric fuel pump in his shed that fitted the P76. What a fluke and to top it off, this guy was a mechanic as well. Graham, you couldn’t have picked a better place to stop – something was guiding you there I am sure. So between the three of them (Graham was of course all scrubbed up in a suit to walk the bride down the aisle) they replaced the fuel pump and fixed the problem. And, how late was the bride eventually getting to the church? It was only a few minutes. Well done guys. A classic P76 dressed for a wedding was all it needed to have a complete stranger working as a team to help a bride to get to her big event. Both cars performed well and got many admiring looks.

For our monthly run, we met at the Ferny Grove Tram Museum on the last Sunday of September. Seven of us turned out for this enjoyable day: Carle, John, Beth, Rogo, Pat, Richard and myself. We had two Ps - Rogo's and our Omega Navy Targas with the others in 4WD vehicles. The two Targas look good together and turn a few heads every time. I wasn't too keen on this outing thinking, oh, another museum and looking at trams, metal, nuts and bolts and getting completely bored. Well, not to be at all. This is an operating museum with a driver and a conductor who have a great knowledge of the trams history in Brisbane.



We rode trams down through the years starting with the last one that was decommissioned and finishing on the first one which was 110 years old. Our tram driver and conductor told us the history of these public vehicles. What a great day, I was so glad I went. They told stories of the tram days; the strike, the fire and of course the demobilisation. I must admit that comfort was obviously not of prime concern but so long as people got to where they were going, they crowded into these passenger vehicles that were operated by electricity.

Neville and Adrian attended the BMC Heritage Lunch in Sydney the last weekend in September. So good having modern technology as they kept in touch with members during the trip and we got updates all weekend. The likely lads had a good weekend.

We managed to get together for a BBQ tea at Graham and Pat's on the first Saturday in October. This was to welcome Dave and Sue Eadon who were visiting from the UK. There were around 9 of us who came along for a meet and greet and some fine BBQ food. We also managed to get five Ps together including Rogo's to show them. Dave and Sue have a Targa and were keen to chat with local members. We left after tea while our overseas visitors stayed the night at the Rogerson's. Thanks for hosting this get together Pat and Rogo. It was a very relaxing afternoon.

We are off to the annual Motor Neurone Lunch on the last Sunday of October. Details are in this magazine. Remember, if you have a mate or family with an old car, bring them along as well.

Next month is our Christmas lunch at Jacobs Well Tavern meeting there at 11.30am. This is a two course lunch with mains and dessert. Cost is \$25.00 per adult and \$10 per child. We need to know the numbers attending so they can organise staff and food requirements. Please phone me on 041 774 8579 before 6 November. There will only be one bill so you will need to pay cash on arrival - please seek me out and I will gladly take your hard earned money from you. There is a playground opposite the tavern. We have approached the landowner beside the tavern and he is letting us park the Ps on his land. Any queries please phone me.

Rogo had his final hip replacement operation at the beginning of this month. He is home again and doing well. All the best for a quick recovery Rogo. Remember, we have lots of parts for sale – call Graeme or Pat if you need anything.

*Happy motoring and safe driving*

#### Interesting Facts:

- **Zero is the only number that cannot be represented by Roman numerals**
- **Kites were used in the American Civil War to deliver letters and newspapers**
- **The roar that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins of the ear**

# Parts for Sale

## For Sale - This months Special of NOS Parts



Fuel Caps (non locking)  
\$18.00 painted  
\$28.00 chrome



Bonnet Release Cables  
\$15.00

Telephone Graham Rogerson 07 3888 1345

## V8 Parts for Sale

Gasket Sets - ACL  
Pistons 10<sup>TH</sup>+ - Hypatec  
Rings 10<sup>TH</sup>+ - Hastings  
Valve Lifters - Dynotec  
Camshaft - Dynotec  
Big End Bearings - King  
Engine Mounts

Dismantled engine, good standard block, good standard crankshaft,  
machined flywheel, some other parts

**The lot \$1,000.00 - Telephone 07 3711 5429**



## General Meeting Minutes

### ***Minutes of the Leyland P76 Owners Club Incorporated Queensland General Meeting held on Friday 14 October 2011***

The meeting was opened by the President at 8.17pm

#### **Attendance:**

Carle Gregory, Adrian Spencer, Barbi and Darryl Packham, Richard Riedel, Richard and Ann Mallon, David Muirhead, Neville Humphreys, Garth Morris, Graham Joseph, Ricky Donaghue, Jamie Kendall from Component Restorations (Guest)

#### **Apologies:**

Pat & Graham Rogerson, Warren Ashworth, Robert Stonell, Andrew & Helen Murray

#### **Treasurers Report:**

The treasurer reported the bank balance as per the current statement. Moved by Richard Riedel and seconded by Barbi Packham that the treasurer's report be accepted. Carried

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the September meeting were accepted as a true and correct record. Moved by Darryl Packham and seconded by Garth Morris. Carried

**Business Arising:****2012 Nationals Bank Account:**

Darryl Packham advised that the 2012 Nationals Bank account has been opened and the three signatories are in place.

Richard Mallon reported on his conversation with Steve Maher regarding the proposed National Charter. After much discussion it was moved that our club invite the Proposed National Body spokespersons to address the 2012 National Meeting at Easter in Maroochydore. Moved by Garth Morris and seconded by Darryl Packham. Everyone was in agreement.

Adrian reported that Steve Maher has now taken over the responsibility of the Web Group Forum. During discussions with Steve Maher, Adrian advised that he would not be giving up control of the Leyland Website he has built and administers.

**Incoming Mail:**Club Magazines received:

Westwords October 2011, Penzed October 2011

Membership Renewals:

David Muirhead (new membership)  
John Spencer, Geoff Baldwin, Dave Eadon

Postal Mail:

RACQ Auction  
Overdue Notice for Public Liability Insurance  
Public Liability Insurance notification change of owner

Email:

Overdue notice for Combined Council subs  
P76 for sale in Townsville

**Outgoing Mail:**

Fair Trading payment \$43.45

**Spare Parts Report:**

The Club has purchased some NOS parts

**National Committee Report:**

The meeting discussed items brought up by Darryl Packham from their last meeting.

Our guest, Jamie Kendall from Component Restorations, has offered a gift voucher for Nationals.

Garth is looking at our Public Liability Insurance in regards to Nationals

**General Business**

Christmas Lunch is \$25 per adult and \$10 per child. It is being held at Jacobs Well Tavern on Sunday 27 November. Numbers need to be advised by 6 November so please phone me if you are attending. There will only be one account so you will need to pay me on arrival on the day.

Jamie Kendall from Component Restorations gave a talk on Non-Abrasive Water Blasting of engine parts and showed components that had been treated with this method.

**Upcoming Outings**

- 15 October 2011 – Back to the 50s at Yatala Drive In
- 30 October 2011 - Queensland Motor Neurone Disease Luncheon
- 27 November 2011 – Christmas Lunch at Jacobs Well Tavern

The meeting closed at 9.40pm

# 30 October Club Run

**Sunday 30 October 2011 - Motor Neurone Disease Volunteers Lunch at Pelican Park, Clontarf from 10.30am. For further information phone Adrian on 041 438 3503 or see back of magazine.**

# 27 November Club Run

**Sunday 27 November 2011 - 12.00 noon Christmas Lunch at Jacobs Well Tavern. Cost is \$25.00 per adult, \$10.00 per child. Parking is available on the strip of land next door to the hotel. Phone Ann on 041 774 8579 by 6 November 2011 to book your lunch. Cash for meal to be paid on arrival on the day to Ann. Drinks are not included.**



## 2011 Club Events Calendar

### October 2011

30 Sunday Club Outing Queensland Motor Neurone Disease Luncheon

### November 2011

11 Friday Monthly Meeting 8.00pm at Mt Petrie School

27 Sunday Club Outing Christmas Lunch at Jacobs Well Tavern

### December 2011

9 Friday Monthly Meeting 8.00pm at Mt Petrie School

## 2011 Swap Meets and Events

### November

5 **Hervey Bay HS P&C Swap Meet** at Hervey Bay High School Ovals  
Phone: 07 4194 3759 (7am-3pm) or 0408 455 447 or email: pcurr6@eq.edu.au

27 **Beaudesert Little Athletics Swap Meet** at Beaudesert Showgrounds, Beaudesert  
Phone: 0419 981 940 or Email: karen.d@scenicrim.qld.gov.au (to be confirmed)

**Many thanks for dates and details of upcoming swap meets supplied by:  
Pacific Highway Auto Recyclers, Elliot Drive, Yatala**

A lawyer was filling out a job application when he came to the question: "Have you ever been arrested?" He answered no to the question. The next question, intended for those who answered the preceding question with a yes, was "why?" Nevertheless, the lawyer answered it "Never got caught."



# President's Report

It seems to have been a busy time with the Club outings lately. The first outing was the visit to the Tram Museum at Ferny Grove. This was a very enjoyable day out although we were down on numbers as a couple of the regulars were in Sydney for the BMC Heritage Lunch. The volunteers at the museum did a great job explaining about the trams and how they were used. We had a ride in quite a few of them on the tram track they have there. Thanks Carle for organising this enjoyable event.



Then the following Saturday we met up with the Eadon's from the UK. They followed Ann and I from the Gold Coast up to Rogo and Pats place where we had a BBQ tea with a few of the other members. It was great to meet Dave and Sue. Hopefully we might have given Dave a bit of an incentive to get his Targa back on the road.

On the Saturday the 'Back to the 50s' event was held at the Yatala Drive In, the weather forecast was not good and we had already had a storm in the morning on the Gold Coast. The weather cleared up and looked like it would be fine later on for the Drive In. As it got closer to the time to go, the clouds got darker and darker and then a huge storm came through bringing with it hail, driving rain and huge winds. We watched it and decided that no one in their right mind would be driving in this or even considering taking a classic car out. So, decision made we stayed home and missed this event. If anyone did go we would love to get a report of the day.

The following day was beautiful which was good for the Morris Minor display day at Ormiston. However, the NZ vs Australia League test was on followed by the All Blacks vs Australia in the Rugby World Cup so we were not going anywhere that day. We won't mention the league score!

At our October meeting we welcomed new member David Muirhead. David is restoring a P76 that has been in his family for a long time. We also had a visit from Jamie Kendall from Component Restorations. He showed us engine parts that had been cleaned by non abrasive water blasting. I think we will have to go back to reading out the minutes at the meetings as a few members said they don't read the magazine.

The Club has obtained some NOS parts over the last few months. Contact our Parts Managers, Graham and Pat Rogerson if you require anything. Graham is home again after another hip operation and is hobbling around but can still get what parts you need. Hope life is getting back to normal in the Rogerson household as we need you back at the Club doing what you do best Rogo.

Last week I had a day off work as I had a couple of appointments and a few messages to take care of. I was using the P76 as Ann is working in Brisbane and drives the ute to work and I get landed with these jobs. As it turned out, it appears each stop I made someone was coming up and talking to me about the car. One chap worked on construction of the Leyland Factory in Sydney, another told me his father bought a 6 cylinder model new, another was a panel beater who said he had seen three Force 7's on a truck going through Surfers Paradise in the 70's, yet another was a retired car salesman. These were all positive comments about the car.

Then on the way home I pulled up at the traffic lights beside a very tidy XJ6 and I was admiring this car. The driver commented on the P76. I asked him how long he had owned his XJ6 to which he said "I bought it new in 1970 so that's 41 years. My wife left me but I got the car, so I got the best deal". With this the lights turned green and we each went our way.

Don't forget the Motor Neurone Disease Lunch this month on Sunday 30 October. It looks set to be a great day.

### **Can Cold Water Clean Dishes?**

**This is for all the germophobe folk who worry about using cold water to clean.**

John went to visit his 90 year old grandfather in a very secluded, rural area of Saskatchewan.

After spending a great evening chatting the night away, the next morning John's grandfather prepared breakfast of bacon, eggs and toast.

However, John noticed a film like substance on his plate, and questioned his grandfather asking, 'Are these plates clean?'

His grandfather replied, 'They're as clean as cold water can get 'em. Just you go ahead and finish your meal, Sonny!'

For lunch the old man made hamburgers. Again, John was concerned about the plates, as his appeared to have tiny specks around the edge that looked like dried egg and asked, 'Are you sure these plates are clean?'

Without looking up the old man said, 'I told you before, Sonny, those dishes are as clean as cold water can get them. Now don't you fret, I don't want to hear another word about it!'

Later that afternoon, John was on his way to a nearby town and as he was leaving, his grandfather's dog started to growl, and wouldn't let him pass.

John yelled and said, 'Grandfather, your dog won't let me get to my car'. Without diverting his attention from the football game he was watching on TV, the old man shouted!

'Coldwater, go lay down now, yah hear me!'

**Queensland Leyland P76 Owners Club Inc**

Invites you to bring your car, family and friends to the

*“2011 Awareness Lunch”*

*for the*

*Motor Neurone Disease “Volunteers”*

Sunday 30 October 2011

Kite/Pelican Park (east end) Clontarf Queensland

10.30 am morning tea

Bring a plate. Coffee and tea are provided at no cost. Cold drinks available from the eskey (\$1 each)

12:30 barbecue lunch for the volunteers

The MNDAQ guests are supplying dessert. The Leyland Car club will be asking for \$5 per person for non volunteers and members for lunch

**We would like you to “Present your Car” to the Public**

**There is a trophy for “People’s Choice” and raffles**

Check out the cars and have a chat

The area is also a kite park, bike track etc. It is a great place to relax so bring your chairs, sunscreen and hats. If you are not registering you will also need to bring your own lunch. Everyone is asked to bring their own plates and eating utensil and of course, don't forget the family.

***To help spread the word of the great job the volunteers do we would like you to bring someone from another car club or a motoring enthusiast as your guest to join us***

MNDAQ [“Wally the Wombat”](#) will be there for any public donations.

Wet weather is not a problem with the event being held under the sheltered areas. Please let me know by the 25 October 2011 that you are coming so as to arrange the catering and drinks.

Contact details are Adrian Spencer - email [yowee\\_98@yahoo.com](mailto:yowee_98@yahoo.com)

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