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Mackay Vintage Motor Club

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MEETINGS: 7.30 pm. 1st Thursday of each month (exc. Jan) at the QCWA Hall, Gordon Street, Mackay

2026 CLUB OFFICE BEARERS

President:	Brian Boswood
Vice President:	Tony Ciantar
Secretary:	Ray White
Treasurer:	Royce Bishop
Events Co-ordinator:	Bill Young
Archives Officer:	Jenny Boswood
Dating Officers:	Bill Young/Brian Boswood

FUTURE EVENTS

April 25	ANZAC Day, Sarina. Details to come.

FRIDAY LUNCHES

April 10	The Metropolitan Hotel, Gordon Street
May 15	Sporting & Services Club, Sarina
June 12	Mount Pleasant Hotel, Mount Pleasant
July 10	Hotel Eton, Eton
August 14	Debbie's Seafood, Slade Point
September 11	The General Gordon, Homebush
October 9	The Boomerang Hotel, Nebo Road
November 13	The Duke Hotel, Walkerston

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SHORT RUNS

March 29	Jubilee Park, cnr Alfred and Wellington Streets
April 26	Botanical Gardens, Lagoon Street
May 31	Boat Ramp Park, River Street
June 28	Seaview Park, Bucasia Esplanade
July 26	Queens Park, Gordon Street
August 30	Schaefer Park, Schaefer Street, near Fourways.
September 27	John Breen Park, Malcomson Street
October 25	Muller Park, Boundary Road, Ooralea
November 29	Shoal Point Park, Shoal Point

This magazine: Produced by Bill Young with the assistance of Jenny Boswood

Front cover: Mike and Christine Szeitszam's Villa Lamor, the destination of our March run.

EDITORIAL by Bill

A shortish magazine this time as Lesley and I have been busy moving house. No time to do anything 'in the shed' other than try to find room for everything!

SUNDAY SHORT RUN 30 NOVEMBER by Bill

Our last short run for 2025 was out to Shoal Point Park. A bit down on attendees but enough for a good chat as usual!



CHRISTMAS BREAK UP 7 DECEMBER by Bill

This year we returned to the Blacks Beach Tavern for our Christmas break up and I don't think that anyone was disappointed. A good roll up as usual - nearly all our events this year have been well attended.

After lunch, Prezzo Brian gave a short speech and announced that this year's "member(s) of the year" winners were Peter and Jan, the award being presented by Patron Paul.





AUSTRALIA DAY COMBINED RUN by Bill



Yet again, the Mackay & District Holden Club hosted a Combined Run from the old Information Centre to Lamberts Beach to celebrate Australia Day. As can be seen in the photo, our club put on a good showing, some of us going straight to Lamberts Beach or, in our case, joining half way as the route passed close to our new abode.

Morning tea was first on the agenda as we watched the Holden Club getting stuck into barbecue preparation and cooking. Lunchtime soon came around after which our hosts set up a 'throw the fan belt over the camshaft ' competition. Prezzo Brian was the runner up. In addition there was a 'pass the parcel' game and bocce on offer. Wayne's friend Doreen was asked to cut the celebratory cake.





All in all a very pleasant outing and many thanks to the Holden Club for supplying and preparing the food.

FRIDAY LUNCH 13 FEBRUARY by Bill



Our first Friday Lunch for 2026 was held at the Grove, Andergrove. Several members expressed disappointment that a number of mature trees had been cut down to help with the car park extension and they therefore had no shade under which to park their cars!

Ray had booked for 20 and 18 turned up so he is definitely getting the hang of his job!

THE CYCLONE RUN 22 FEBRUARY by Bill

A large contingent turned up at Muller Park for this highly anticipated annual event - this year organised by Tony and Mary. After morning tea, Tony explained that the "winner" of the event (who would have to set next year's Cyclone Run) would be determined by playing cards not the questions on the run itself. Route instructions/questions (and cards) were issued and we set off on a pleasant run to the Habana community centre via Coningsby.





Tony had arranged use of the centre for the day so on arrival we set up under the recently built undercover area and chatted until lunchtime. After lunch more playing cards were issued, making five per car in all - obviously a poker hand! Meanwhile, the answer sheets were marked with three entries tieing for first place. A quick elimination produced winners in Royce and Judy. Finally, the winning poker hand turned out to be held by Paul and Maureen who were presented with the trophy and will have the dubious honour of setting next year's run.





Some of us then moved on to the.....

.....SUNDAY SHORT RUN 22 FEBRUARY by Bill



Some of us having enjoyed the Cyclone Run had a pleasant run down to Iluka Park off East Gordon Street where we still found things to talk about after several hours chatting in Habana!

MVMC AGM 5 MARCH by Bill

As usual. our AGM was held prior to the March general meeting. The main business was to approve the financial accounts, ably presented by Royce, and to elect office bearers for 2026. Kevin conducted the elections - all 2025 office bearers were re-elected unopposed.

Brian presented his President's Report as reproduced below:

2026 President's Report

It is great to welcome you all here tonight for the Club's 2026 AGM. I offer my sincere condolences to anyone who has lost family and friends during the last year and wish those who have been, or are unwell a speedy recovery.

I give my thanks to the other executive members being, Tony, Ray and Royce for giving their time to ensure the club runs smoothly. Also, to our Patron Paul for being there in the background when needed and not to forget Bill for his efforts in helping organise our events along with his dating officer duties and of course Jenny for all the work she does and also everybody else who has been involved in the functioning of the club over the past year.

Our club magazines are still being produced by Bill and Jenny and I am pretty sure any input from members would be greatly appreciated. These magazines go out to all members and other clubs.

The club sanctioned runs, Friday lunches and the inter club runs have all been well patronised. Once again, we offered our cars to the Sarina Anzac Day committee to carry some of the not so agile patrons in the parade. The club also participated in displays at the Sarina and Pioneer Valley Shows, Hospital Foundation Family Fun Day, Run for MI Life and Dads Day In The Valley on Father's Day where we got to display our new marquee, which was kindly donated by Sarina Community Bank, for the first time. Thank you to Jenny for organising this project.

One of our major events for the year was our Sixty Year Celebration of the Club's foundation. This was a fantastic achievement for the club and a big thank you to Jenny for her behind the scenes work along with Roy and Bernadette for allowing the use of their residence for our venue. It was also fantastic to see the contribution by members in providing memorabilia from the past 60 years, which made a quite interesting display.

Thank you must also go to Steve and Maryanne Wright from Allscope Industries for sponsoring our 60th Anniversary badges.

The annual Progressive Dinner was changed to a Progressive Lunch which was well accepted and well attended. Thank you to those members who made their homes available for the day. The Christmas Lunch saw us return to Blacks Beach Tavern which did not disappoint and a great day was had by all. At this event the Club Persons Of The Year Shield was awarded to Peter and Jan. It really made their day. Also thank you to everyone who offered their homes for visits throughout the year.

It would be great to see the participation at our Club Events continue at the same level they have been and don't forget all input is appreciated. Finally thank you to all members of the MVMC for your company and friendship and I am looking forward again to a great year of making memories.

Brian Boswood - President

FRIDAY LUNCH 13 MARCH by Bill

Always a popular venue, twenty five members turned up at the Railway Hotel, Marian despite the weather being a bit iffy.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the food, my redthroat emperor was delicious!



"NITE AT TONY'S" 14 MARCH by Bill

Once again, Tony Sant invited us to an evening of entertainment at his place. By all accounts it was a good evening but nobody took any photographs!

PICNIC AT VILLA LAMOR 15 MARCH by Bill

This month, new members Mike and Christine invited us to spend the day at Villa Lamor which doubles as their residence and an events venue - principally weddings. Located near the old Mac's Truck Stop on the Bruce Highway it boasts several buildings and an attractive dam. Mike seems to have done an amazing amount of building work to get the venue to its current state while Christine looks after the wedding organisation.





Mike and Christine usually turn up at events in their Ford Capri but today they had their two other classic cars on display - a Chrysler and an Austin A30. Quite rare in Australia, I had forgotten how small the A30 was!

Christine provided morning tea for all of us which included some delicious cake. I normally avoid eating between meals but I made an exception on this occasion! Most of the morning was taken up with a guided tour of the property before we settled down for a BYO lunch.





After lunch we wandered around and chatted for an hour or so before making our various ways home.

It was a very pleasant day so a big thank you to Mike and Christine for inviting us to visit.

COMBINED CLUBS RUN 22 MARCH by Jenny

The Mackay Restoration Club organised this combined clubs run which again directed us to the St Helens Bowls Club at Calen. Our designated start point was the Palm Tree Creek rest area from where we proceeded directly to Calen.

There was a great roll up from all the clubs and everyone enjoyed a morning tea of scones and pikelets provided by the Restoration Club. After that we all ventured out onto the bowling green to have a practice at bowling closest to the leprechaun. Then it was time for the real action to begin. Wayne from the Classic Car Club was declared the winner.







Ivan from the Holden Club took out the prize for Best Dressed whilst Graeme was the winner of the Irish Joke competition.

After lunch and a couple of lucky number boards and raffles - one being won by Tony - it was time to head off home after an enjoyable day.