

The Good Oil

Official journal of the Ipswich veteran and vintage vehicle club Inc



**DON'T FORGET THE PROPOSED MIDWEEK RUN ON
WEDNESDAY THE 1ST OCT 2025 & 5TH NOV 2025
ASSEMBLE AT CAMERON PARK, 9AM. ALL WELCOME**



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<u>CLUB MEETINGS</u>	Club Meetings are held at 7.30pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month except January, at our club rooms at St Thomas Anglican Church, 15 Lawrence St, Nth Ipswich. All Members are urged to attend and visitors are welcome.		
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CLUB'S OBJECTIVES

- (A) To assist _____ in the location, restoration and maintenance of their vehicles by acting as a medium of exchange for parts, ideas and information.
- (B) To build up a library of information related to vehicles.
- (C) To encourage and sponsor social activities for the members and their families.
- (D) To maintain a liaison with the people of Ipswich and so become part of the historical value of Ipswich.

The IVVVC was formed in 1974 and incorporated in 1985

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New Members

John & Debbie Fawke

Hr Holden Premier

Craig Jurd

1948 Ford Pilot

Vehicle Dating

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE GOOD OIL, OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2025.

At our August AGM our committee from last year was return with the exception of Grahame Kerr who retired. Thank you all for generously offering to serve on the committee for the coming year. Please refer to the list on Page 2.

We are looking for volunteers to organise our 5 Day run in May next year. Please contact me if you would like to help.

Our August mid-week run took us to Thagoona for morning tea and the Harrisville Royal Hotel for lunch. The birthday run in August was a BBQ at the Eggar's home. In September our mid-week run travelled to Lake Dyer for morning tea and then on to the Club Hotel in Lowood for lunch. Our Sunday run was to the Olive View Farm at Kulgun for morning tea and then Boonah for lunch. Thank you to all the organisers. Photos and reports are in this edition of the magazine.

It is great to see members involved in community events. Twelve cars attended the Glamorgan Vale State School's 150th Celebrations. A group of IVVVC members also visited the Laidley Tabeel Aged Care Centre for a Father's Day event. A big thanks to those who gave up their time for these occasions.

There is an invitation to our Christmas lunch to be held on the 14th of December on Page 11. Please pay by the 5th December. If paying into the bank account, ensure you list you name with the payment details. (Bank account details are on Page 4). Thank you to John and Gail Munro for organising the run and the lunch at Brothers Leagues Club at Raceview.

Barry is finalising the IVVVC Membership Register. If you need to update any of your details, please contact Barry or Jenny. The annual fees are \$35 and were due on 1/7/25. Any unfinancial members will be removed from the register.

Our heartfelt sympathies are extended to the families of two IVVVC members. We sadly said farewell to Lorraine Gartside and Ann Gehrke. Ann was an active member of the IVVVC. Thank you to the members who attended her service and drove their club cars as a tribute to Ann and her late husband Ken's many years of dedication to the IVVVC.

Cheers, Rob



Vale Lorraine Gartside



Vale Ann Gehrke

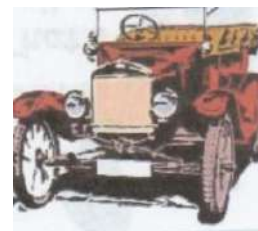


Three of the Gehrke family's vehicles



Model A Ford Club of Qld and IVVVC Vehicles





OCTOBER 1st IVVVC Midweek Run

NOVEMBER 5th IVVVC Midweek Run

19th IVVVC Sunday Run

16th IVVVC Sunday Run

DECEMBER 3rd IVVVC Midweek Run

JANUARY 7th IVVVC Midweek Run

14th IVVVC Xmas Run & Lunch

17th Fish & Chip Run (Saturday)

OTHER CAR CLUB EVENTS (sanctioned)

LAMA – 1st Sunday & 3rd Wednesday

Yamanto Café Car Display – 1st Friday

Karalee Car Display – 2nd Saturday

Plainlands Meet & Greet – 3rd Friday

Cardi Gras Riverlink - 1st Saturday Run & Coffee at Harrisville at 10.00 am – Thursdays

11th-12th October – LAMA Invitational Rally – Gatton

QHMC

Saturday, 18th October – 8am to Midday

English and European Swap – Wright St, Carindale

Club Merchandise

Miscellaneous Items

Available from Property Officer Carol Bridges

- IVVVC Grill Badge \$15 each
- IVVVC Logo Sticker \$1.50 each
- IVVVC Hat/Lapel Badge small \$2 each
- IVVVC Hat/Lapel Badge \$5.50 each
- IVVVC Windscreen Banners \$15 each

Clothing available from Ipswich Embroidery and Workwear

81 Cemetery Road, Raceview Ph 32827551

- IVVVC Bisley Oxford Shirt Short sleeve (Green) with embroidered logo \$49.40 (Add your name \$8)
- IVVVC Bisley Oxford Shirt Long sleeve (Green) with embroidered logo \$49.40 (Add your name \$8)
- IVVVC Polo (Bottle green) with embroidered logo \$39.90, Add pocket \$10 (Add your name \$8)
- IVVVC Surf Hat (Green) with embroidered logo \$27
- IVVVC Cap (Green and Gold) with embroidered logo \$25

THE OFFICIAL QHMC WEBSITE – qhmc.net.au

IVVVC BANK DEPOSIT DETAILS BSB: 064-444 Account No. 00901852

Account Name: Ipswich Veteran & Vintage Vehicle Club – Reference: Surname or Deposit Details

Out and About – August 2025

What a great turnout for our August Midweek Run with 82 members hitting the road for a very pleasant winter drive.



We set off from Cameron Park with our run sheets and cruised along a scenic route through Leichhardt, Karrabin, Glamorgan Vale, Marburg and Mt Marrow before stopping at Caledonian Park at Thagoona for morning tea. It was a perfect spot to catch up over a cuppa and soak in the sunshine.







After morning tea we crossed the railway line at Thagoona and continued our run past Mt Walker, through to Warrill View and on to Harrisville where we enjoyed lunch and a cold drink at the Royal Hotel. A big thank you to all the staff at the Royal for their friendly hospitality - it was very much appreciated and helped make the day even more enjoyable. Thanks to everyone who came along and helped make it another memorable success.



Photos and report courtesy of Jenny Eggar and Daryl Neumann

Happy 51st BIRTHDAY to the IVVVC – August 2025



We had 64 members come together to celebrate 51 wonderful years of our club with a perfect day out in the sunshine.

Our run started from Cameron Park before heading to Rob and Jenny's home for morning tea. From there, we enjoyed a visit to a private car collection that had everyone admiring some beautiful special vehicles. The 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air was the best!





Back at base we gathered for a delicious sausage sizzle lunch. Thanks to the excellent cooks, Barry, Billy and Ken. The snags were the best with fried onions on fresh bread!





Everyone really loved Melissa's birthday cup cakes and Carol Bridge's homemade slices, a perfect way to mark the occasion. A huge thankyou to everyone whose efforts made the day even more special. Here's to many more years of happy motoring and great memories together. Thank you Rob and Jenny for hosting all the members at your home.



IVVVC CHRISTMAS LUNCH



Date: Sunday, 14th December 2025

Depart: 8.45 to 9.00 am Cameron Park

Venue: Brothers Leagues Club – Raceview

MENU

Main: Two Roast Meats with seasonal vegetables

Dessert: Plum Pudding – Pavlova (alternative drop)

Tea and Coffee

Cost: Subsidised Member Price - \$55 per couple; \$27.50 single

Monies to be paid to Treasurer, Barry, by cash, cheque, card,
or direct into IVVVC Bank Account BSB: 064-444 A/C No. 00901852
A/C name: IVVVC Inc. Reference: Name and Christmas Lunch

BYO Morning Tea

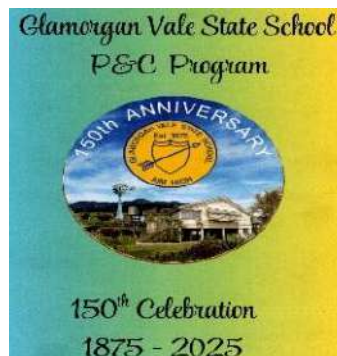
RSVP & Payment: to be made by Friday, 5th December

PLEASE NOTE: No bookings can be accepted after this date



OTHER EVENTS

Many thanks to the IVVVC members who attended the Glamorgan Vale State School's 150th Celebrations on the 30/8/25. We joined in the parade from the Hotel to the School and stayed on to enjoy their day of celebrations.



Tabeel Aged Care, Laidley – Father's Day morning tea – 2/9/25.

It was a pleasure to visit the folks at Tabeel Aged Care for morning tea and a friendly chat. Thank you to those who gave their time to attend.



Out and About - September 2025

After a misty fog lifted over town, 70 plus IVVVC members left Cameron Park and travelled through Leichhardt, Karrabin, Walloon, Rosewood and Grandchester to Laidley and on to Lake Dyer Day Use Area for morning tea. The warm sun was welcomed on the journey to see the dam completely full. Lots of friendly chatter, coffee and cakes were enjoyed.





After a pleasant break, we started our classics and headed for Forest Hill, Plainland, Glenore Grove and the Mt Tarampa area. The staff of the Club Hotel at Lowood welcomed our members and no one was disappointed with the hearty meals provided by the cooks.





Thanks to Jenny, Kay and Daryl for the many wonderful photos taken on the day.

SUNDAY RUN 21ST SEPTEMBER 2025.

We had 39 members on a great run through Swanbank, Peak Crossing and Harrisville to our morning tea stop at the Olive View Estate in Kulgun. We took in the beautiful views and admired some of the 700 olive trees. The cute little Bus Shop was a hit, with many members purchasing olive products, jams and honey. Some members stayed on to have a picnic lunch whilst others ventured to Boonah and the Harrisville Royal Hotel. A fantastic day out, thanks Barry.





FC HOLDENS



When an FC Holden was everyone's dream car, no one ever asked where the keys were because they were always in the car, in the ignition and the doors were never locked.



A few years ago you got your windscreen cleaned, oil checked and petrol served without asking, all for free, every time. Remember Percy Gehrke's Garage.

Triumph TR7 V8 vs a Bull – Robin McIver

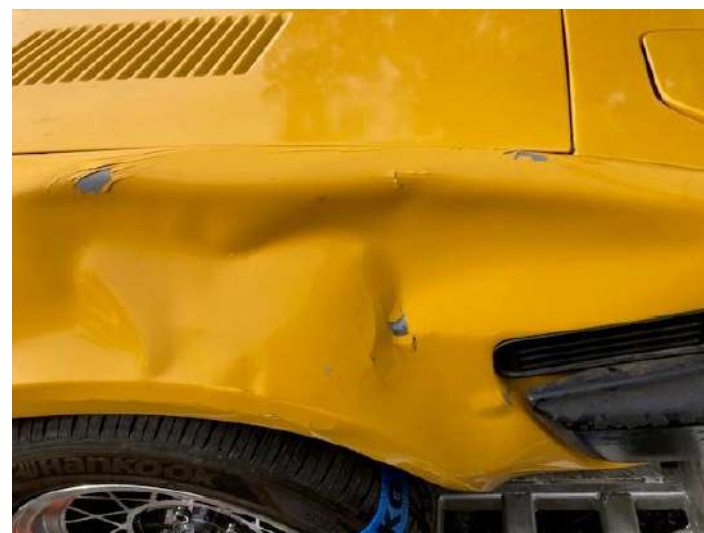
I went to Bathurst with my car trailer to purchase a TR7 V8. Due to fog, ice and the terrible state of the New England Highway, along with the threat of kangaroos and goats, I was late getting back. I decided to do the right thing and stayed the night in a motel rather than driving in the dark.

Next morning I was driving through Cunninghams Gap when a one tonne bull charged my car. I swerved and it just missed me but smashed into the TR7 damaging it and the trailer. He defecated as it hit my classic and all his legs came off the ground. Adding a tonne at speed caused my tow car to pull up. He lay there on the road for ten minutes bleeding and then staggered up with a broken leg. I called 000 and directed traffic. The Police used a high-powered assault rifle to euthanise the bull and it took three shots! The Police say they had never come across such a scenario and struggled to complete the report and give me an insurance claim number, as no one normally has three of their vehicles damaged at the same time in the same incident!

I have had to make multiple claims for tow mounts and rear suspension on the tow car to be inspected, the trailer to be assessed and repaired as well as the classic. \$11500 of damage and some parts and panels have to come from the UK. The front chassis, inner wing, nose panel, pop-up lights, bumper, bonnet guard etc all need replacing/repairing and then painting.

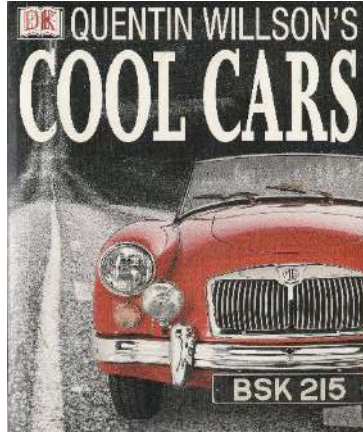
Not a great start to ownership of the TR7, so fingers crossed it is plain sailing after the repairs have been completed.





The good news is that the insurance company has settled. The panel beater has started repairs and I am heading down to Tamworth where a chap who used to work for Jaguar-Triumph in the 1970's has a lot of parts. When BL pulled out of Australia, he bought a warehouse full of parts. They were going to be scrapped. The panels are actually New Old Stock which was a real find as some of the panels are no longer available, even in the UK. **ROBIN**

COOL CARS – R – Rambler Ambassador



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1958 Ambassador Interior



1958 Ambassador Hardtop

Ambassadors were continuously manufactured at AMC's Lake Front plant in Kenosha, Wisconsin as well as At AMC's Brampton Assembly, Ontario. Australian Motor Industries (AMI) assembled Ambassadors from knock-down kits with right-hand drive from 1961 until 1963. IVVVC members, Ian and Deborah Bell own a 1969 AMC Ambassador.



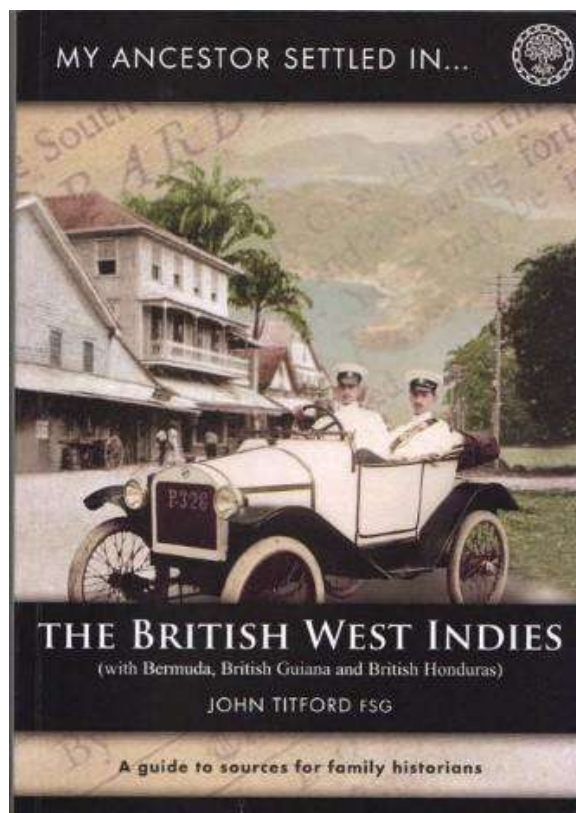
1966 Ambassador Convertible



1969 Ambassador Sedan

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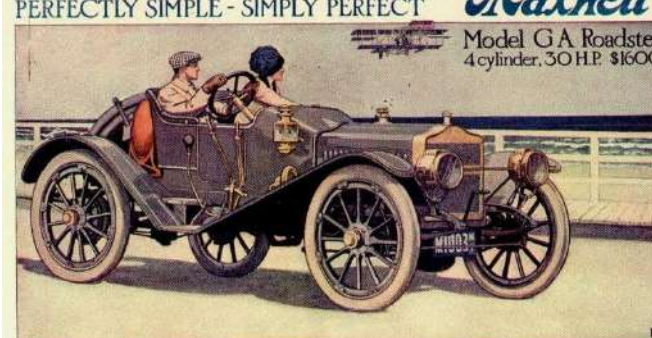
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