

# Gympie Historic Auto Club Inc.

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## THE TALK TUBE

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### **PRESIDENT'S PONTIFICATION**

It is now the wind down to the end of 2025 (may be wind up for some) and this will be the last newsletter for the year, although one will be produced before the January 2026 meeting.



I have finally found time to spend on the X 1-9 and inspired by Juliet, rebuilt the original carburetor, on the basis that if the fault is in the current carby, it is unlikely that this one will have the same fault and will prove a point, which it did. The problem ultimately turned out to be a burnt out coil resistor! The inspiration also resulted in lashing out \$10 for a new carby for the chainsaw using the same logic. Time will tell with that one.

The chainsaw is of particular priority following the recent storm damage which resulted in tree dominoes.

The image above is of my FIATRIC, an electric commuter built in 1980 on a Fiat 850 base. It was later to become a hybrid. The photo was taken in Darwin circa 1985, shortly before the battery pack failure. It never made it back to Adelaide in one piece, but some parts did get sold at the 1999 Gympie Swap.

Happy Safe Heritage Motoring over the silly season and into 2026, Ralph

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#### **General Meeting Dates**

2025

Thursday 27th November 7.00pm

2026

Thursday 29th January 7.00pm

### 2024 GHAC Elected Office Bearers

<i>Club position</i>	<i>Elected officer</i>	<i>Phone contact</i>	<i>Email</i>
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 BSB: 633-000  
 A/c No: 182657015  
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## CLUB MERCHANDISE

### GHAC club polo



The polo shirt is the Aussie Pacific Morris (army green and white)

It is short sleeve only in men's or ladies.  
 Mens (1317) - sizes S to 5XL  
 Ladies (2317) – sizes 6 to 26

### GHAC club dress shirt



#### Regular Monthly events by other s

**1st Saturday—Cars and coffee Sunshine Coast. 7am to 10am German Bakehouse Café, 54 Junction Drive Coolum Beach.**

**2nd Sunday—Cooloola Cove Cars and Coffee. 8am to 10am Shopping Centre Cooloola Cove**

**3rd Saturday- Moonlight at Matildas Traveston. 4pm to sunset (depending on season)**

**3rd Sunday—Cooroy Cruise—in. Maple St (opposite library and at rear of the shops). Hosted by Roadrunner Car Club**

2025

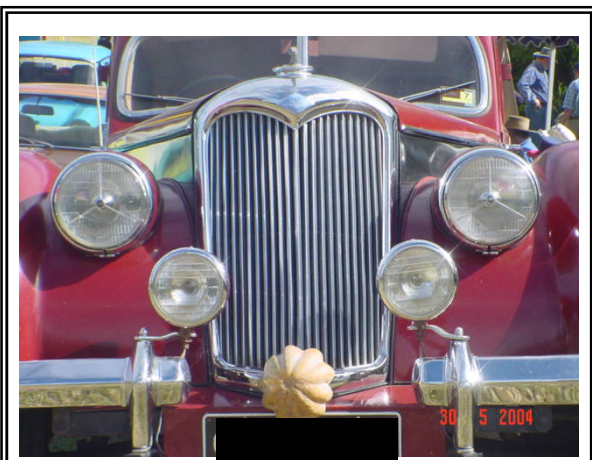
# RALLIES

Month	Time/Place	Event
<b>November</b>		
Wednesday 19th	Clubrooms 9.am	Visit to Dad & Dave's Pomona. Morning tea stop at Cooran. After visit suggest lunch at Pomona.
Thursday 20th	From 3.30pm at Gympie State High School Hall	School event
<b>December</b>		
Thursday 4th	4pm to 6pm	Bunnings Family Christmas evening
Sunday 7th	10 am Clubrooms	Christmas Lunch at Wooloolga Hotel. \$35. (Note club subsidy of \$20 for members)
Wednesday 10th	4.30 pm clubrooms	Christmas on Mary 1
Wednesday 17th	4.30 pm clubrooms	Christmas on Mary 2

## Gunalda Run

It turned into an all British Day





1949 Riley RMB Saloon. Good original Rally car. \$15,000. The pumpkin has been removed.

Ralph 0408616709.



Also offers invited for set of personalized plates as illustrated.



Expressions of Interest invited  
For purchase of fully restored, 1927 BSA motorcycle.

Registered 30<sup>th</sup> December 1927

Engine no M 17695 28W

Frame no U 10440

Gearbox no A7405 Confirmation from the UK BSA Owners Club that this engine in that frame left the BSA factory on 12<sup>th</sup> December 1927.

Ref Editor 0408616709

1966 Humber Vogue. Needs work, was running well before torque converter failure. While in storage, developed head gasket leak. Fully reconditioned head available for \$500. Also may be spare car for transmission. Offers invited, Brian Beeston, 0477 412 193



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## **NEWSLETTER No 25**

**September 2025**

### **Reminder of use of SIVs**

The following conditions of use are imposed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads when we grant any application to pay a concessional registration fee for a special interest vehicle under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management-Vehicle Registration) Regulation 2021.

**NOTE:** If you use your concessionally registered special interest vehicle, or permit it to be used, in breach of the conditions of the Special Interest Vehicle Concession Scheme, you may face a fine or risk having your concession and 3rd party insurance withdrawn.

#### **Using a special interest vehicle is restricted. The vehicle must not be used for:**

- General purposes – for example, to commute to and from the registered operator's place of employment, running down to the shops, and other forms of everyday vehicle use.
- Hire or reward – a fee cannot be charged for use of the vehicle, and the owner cannot receive any consideration or reward for supplying the vehicle.
- Providing a booked hire service – to use your vehicle to provide a booked hire service you need to meet the [requirements of a booked hire service licences](#). **(See Addendum A)**

#### **You and anyone driving your special interest vehicle must only use the vehicle for:**

- participating in either an incorporated vehicle club/association or vehicle club that is a public company limited by guarantee rallies or events (of your own vehicle club, another vehicle club or the Australian Street Rod Federation), including impromptu events as long as the event has been sanctioned by your own vehicle club. **Note:** membership from other company type can't be accepted.
- a rally is a social event where a parade of special interest vehicles travel together for competition or to meet at an agreed location. Rallies and events must be listed before the event in the club newsletter or on the club's website or social media page (or in another manner approved by the club or Australian Street Rod Federation, such as the club calendar of events). Information such as location (start and end), meeting time and date of the event should be included.
- an impromptu event that has been initiated by a club member involving one or more vehicles. To attend an impromptu event, each club must comply with the following:
- send an invitation to the wider club members to attend the event
  - either
  - the vehicle club or Australian Street Rod Federation committee must endorse the event in advance

- before the event, list it in the newsletter, on the website, or social media page (or in another manner approved by the club or Australian Street Rod Federation, such as the club calendar of events).

**Note:** *Vehicle clubs should maintain a register of endorsed impromptu events. This register should contain information on the impromptu event, such as location (start and end), meeting time and date.*

- *participating in processions for which a Special Events Permit has been issued under the Transport Operations (Road Use Management – Accreditation and Other Provisions) Regulation 2015.*
- *exhibiting the vehicle in displays, fetes or similar functions conducted for religious, charitable or educational purposes.*
- *ceremonial purposes (such as weddings, formals, funerals) involving immediate and de facto family members, or as part of a sanctioned club event, provided this is not done for fee or reward. Immediate and de facto family means parents, grandparents, sons, daughters, grandchildren, adopted children and adopted grandchildren, but not extended family members such as aunts, uncles, nephews and nieces.*
- *preparing for, proceeding to, and returning from any of the above activities, including events in other states and territories in which the club is directly involved with.*
- *direct travel to and from an approved inspection station to get a safety certificate or certificate of inspection before offering the vehicle for sale.*
- *travel in order to have the vehicle repaired is allowed. There is no distance restriction, however, such travel must be reasonable and justifiable by the vehicle operator.*
- *road testing within a 30km radius from the place where the vehicle is garaged or is being repaired. The purpose of the travel must be to road test the vehicle following repair or restoration, or for general vehicle maintenance and not for any other purpose. This does not include use as an everyday means of transport. A passenger may travel in your vehicle to assist with road testing—only if your vehicle can legally carry passengers.*

Find out about [what to carry in your vehicle](#) to support your reason for travel. **(See Addendum B)**

### **Carrying passengers**

Vehicles with a special interest vehicle concession are permitted to carry passengers when travelling to and from an event permitted for special interest vehicle use (for example a rally, fete or procession). The vehicle must be able to legally carry passengers and all safety requirements must be met.

Buses are permitted to carry non-fare paying passengers for journeys (joy-rides) from an event (for example, a fete) and return provided the length of the journey does not exceed 5km. Payment of any kind cannot be received for these journeys.

### **Carrying a load and/or towing a trailer**

Heavy motor vehicles over 4.5t GVM are permitted to carry a load provided the loaded GVM or gross combination mass (GCM) does not exceed 50% of the maximum permitted mass for the vehicle configuration. This mass is based on the lesser of:

- Individual axle ratings
- Tyre manufacturer's limits
- Manufacturer's GVM or GCM
- Regulation mass limits.

Motor vehicles (light and heavy) are permitted to tow a trailer with a load as long as you comply with the above usage for special interest vehicles and adhere to the vehicle's towing capacity.

Any load carried must be in relation to or part of the reason for the vehicle's use under the special interest vehicle scheme or required as part of the vehicle's display, for example, promotional items, signage, shade gazebo, chairs. You cannot carry a load for hire or reward.

### **Lighting**

If your special interest vehicle does not have permanent lighting, you must carry a removable lighting system with the vehicle at all times and use that system whenever lighting would normally be required. Carbide lights are acceptable where that type of light was originally fitted.

### **Seatbelt exemptions for historic vehicles**

In Queensland, an exemption from seatbelt requirements for historic vehicles manufactured with no seatbelts only applies for children 7 years and over. Children under 7 years of age are not permitted to travel in a vehicle unless they are restrained in a properly fastened and adjusted Australian Standard approved child restraint.

Your historic vehicle will need to have approved restraint/s and anchorage point/s installed for children under 7 years of age to be able to travel in the vehicle. This modification must be performed by an [Approved Person](#) and must have certification and a modification plate attached to the vehicle.

For more information about the (see links) [rules for child restraints by age](#) and [how to get seatbelts and anchor points installed](#).

## **Addendum A**

### **Booked hire service licence**

A booked hire service licence (BHSL) is a licence for a vehicle that ensures it is suitable and safe to provide booked hire services to customers.

If you provide a booked hire service to customers in a vehicle (excluding taxis and limousines), you need a BHSL for your vehicle.

All BHSL holders and drivers must be affiliated with an [authorised booking entity](#) to provide personalised transport services.

## **Addendum B**

### **What to carry in your vehicle**

We recommend you carry paperwork that supports your reason for travel. This could include:

- club newsletter
- club calendar of events.

Alternatively, you may provide digital proof in the form of events listed on a club website or social media page.

If your vehicle is being used and displayed for a funeral event, we understand there may not be enough time to include this as an event on an official club newsletter or calendar of events. In this instance, a funeral notice or an order of service would be suitable to support your reason for travel.