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CAR Inc run to ANZAC Park,  
Miles



Photos: Captains Run

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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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

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## GROUP COORDINATORS REPORT

Welcome everyone to our March newsletter.

Doesn't seem that long ago I was saying 'Hello everyone' for February. Now we're thinking about April and beyond! I must say I've enjoyed our first three months of 2023.

To recap what I remember of our recent runs. A well attended coffee morning at the Pump, followed by a lovely scenic run round Toowoomba and ice cream at Picnic Point, thanks to Jim.

My Captains run went well (I hope), but I shouldn't have turned left at Albuquerque! Thanks for your patience, we made it to Quinalow in the end and had a great gathering at the pub. The publican really appreciated our patronage as these little places are doing it tough. I think it's a good idea to support these small regional businesses.

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places are doing it tough..."

The first Sunday in March saw a good turnout at the CAR INC meeting in Miles. Nice place to visit and good to meet up with members of other groups. TDMG always supports these meetings well and I'm sure it's appreciated.

Looking forward to our upcoming runs in the next few weeks which we'll discuss at our March meeting, including

the Jumpers and Jazz in which we've been invited to participate in July.

Before I sign off I would like to make a serious comment if I may. For Brenda and myself the Morris Group is a way of escape, a place to enjoy the company of like-minded people, no matter our age. But most of us are getting older and the years are taking their toll on our mental and physical health. I talk from experience! Life sometimes gets us down so let's make our Morrie get-togethers a place where we can ask RU-OK, and be mindful of each other's struggles and successes. It's great that we can leave our meetings feeling better especially if we've had a bad day.

That's all for now and happy Morrying.

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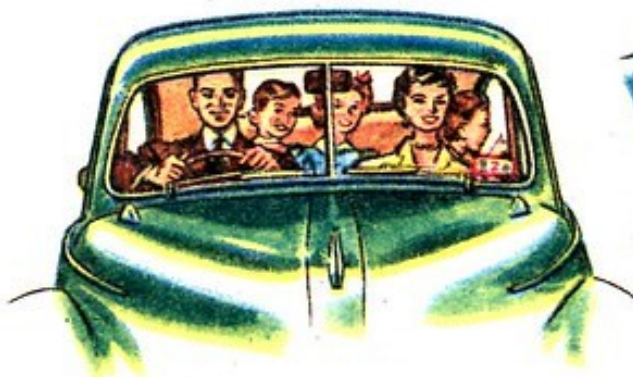


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## SECRETARY & EDITOR NOTES

Sunday 19th February was Terry Browns "Captains Run" with a nice turnout of members and their cars.

Meeting at Maccas Bridge St we made our way to the first stop for a relaxing morning tea at Bowenville Reserve. Then it was off to lunch at Quinalow via a truly meandering route led by Terry which at times seemed to be a bit different to the written run notes.

There was some idle UHF chat as to would we ever reach our destination, but happily we finally made it and enjoyed a great pub lunch.

We then made our own choice of route home after enjoying a good day.

Early this month a few members made the trek to Miles for the first CAR Inc meeting of 2023 with many of us overnighing Saturday night in Chinchilla and enjoying a nice meal at the RSL.



Sunday morning was the short run to Miles for morning tea before the meeting commenced, chaired by President, John McQuaid. Groups represented were Chinchilla, Miles and TDMG and after the usual business matters were dealt with the meeting closed, followed by a nice BBQ lunch hosted by the Miles Group.

The next CAR Inc meeting will be the AGM on Sunday 2nd July

hosted by the Chinchilla Auto Group at the Chinchilla Weir.

With other things getting in the way I haven't been able to focus as much as I'd like on the HAZ resto project. I have carried out some rust treatment in some of the hard to reach places with a special air gun. Also fitted door kick panels and sill strips along with polishing headlamp rims and fitting to the car.

Some of our members are making the trek later this month to Adelaide for the 2023 Morris Nationals which I'm sure will be a great event. Those driving their SIVs registered vehicles will need to carry with them this newsletter. Have a great time and wish you all a safe journey.

**ROY**



Noelene Parker, John Parker, Ian Harvey,  
Lindsay Morrison & Tex Barrett



**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING OF TOOWOOMBA & DOWNS MORRIS GROUP**  
**Held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 at Dr Price Rooms, Little Street, Toowoomba.**

**OPENING:** Terry' Brown opened the meeting at 7:31pm and welcomed everyone.

**ATTENDANCE:** As per attendance book

**APOLOGIES:** Roy Hall, Steve Draheim

**VISITORS:** Amanda Dwyer

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** As per newsletter

Moved, Jim Robertson in the absence of Secretary, Roy Hall, seconded John Parker 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

Moved, Jim Robertson in the absence of Secretary, Roy Hall, seconded Barbara Draper that the correspondence inwards and outwards be accepted. Carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Presented by Treasurer, Ray Safstrom.

Moved, Ray Safstrom, seconded Debbie Smith that the report be received and the accounts be paid.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

- Jim Robertson gave a Concessional Rego form (as David Wagner is on holidays) to Paul Draper for his Morris Minor. Paul had trouble at the Pittsworth Dept of Transport but went through eventually.
- Doug Tebbits Series E Tourer is back on the road. He had replaced head gasket but was a bit confused with head pressure. It was supposed to be PSI, not NM's and sorted out his mistake.
- Amanda Dwyer was signed up as a new member after meeting the TDMG criteria/rules and paying the application fees.
- Terry Hickey was welcomed back after three bouts of chemotherapy with a few more yet to come.
- Jim R spoke of his morning coffee run held 5th February



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which was enjoyed by all.

Terry Brown thanked all for attending and there being no further business Terry closed the meeting at 8:10pm.

Raffle won by Mick Muller

# CAR INC, ANZAC Park, Miles



March 5th saw a few members travelling to Miles for the CAR INC meeting. With the hot weather, most drove moderns with air conditioned.

We often make a weekend of it and some members stayed at the White Gums Motel. Jim and Trish took their lovely little caravan to the Chinchilla Weir camping area. Terry and I just made a it a day trip.

Miles has really blossomed in the past few years and the Main Street and Park now have canopy walks of bougainvillea for shade.

Three clubs were represented - Chinchilla, Miles and TDMG. Roy Hall gave a good report on our group's activities. The next meeting will be the AGM in July at the Chinchilla Weir.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	John Parkers run to Cooby Dam. Meet 9:30am at McDonalds Bridge St. BYO morning and lunch.
18 <sup>th</sup> March to 12 <sup>th</sup> April	The Morris Minor National Rally in Adelaide (rally dates Friday 31st March to Monday 3rd April 2023).
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Downs Steam & TADOMS is holding a Machinery Day at John Reis property corner Reis Rd and Gowrie-Lilydale Rd. Gold coin donation.
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Run to Millmerran Museum. Meet 8:30am at Drayton Bowls Club. BYO morning tea, at the Museum, and a midday lunch at the Mill Tavern (for the thrill-seekers, there is a putt-putt course to put your skills to the test). Time permitting, we'll drive to Captain Mountains Lookout.
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Peranga in the Park. Details TBA.
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Dalby Weekend Rally.
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	David Hack Classic Meet. Toowoomba Aerodrome, Spitfire Street. 8:30am to 2:30pm.
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	General Meeting 7:30pm Dr. Price Rooms, Little St. Toowoomba.
20 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Jumpers & Jazz in July, Warwaick. Queensland's quirkiest yarn-bombing & jazz winter festival!



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# Captains Run



# Klub VW's, Dubs On The Hill



Although not our beloved Moggies, this great little event by Klub VW, Toowoomba, now in its 8th year, was recently held at the Crows Nest Tourist Park.

Though the day was a little soggy at times, everyone seemed to enjoy wandering amongst the classics,



which were mostly represented by Beetles of various vintages.

The event had a bit of everything, 150+ VW's on display, to market stalls, live music and even a fashion parade. A lovely day out.

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