

**TOWNSVILLE** 



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Breakfast at Balgal

**MARCH 2005** 

# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2 MARCH 2005

Meeting opened 7:30pm

### PRESENT:

Alan Collins; Kevin Fitz Gerald; Craig Scholz; Dick McInnes (and Anne); Joe Pannia Richard Dixon

### **APOLOGIES:**

Michael Fitz gerald

### **MINUTES:**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 2 February 2005, having been previously distributed, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Dick McInnes / Alan Collins

### **BUSINESS ARISING:**

The club will still place an advert in the local paper calling for new members. Kevin may have roped in a new Magnetic Island residing member who owns a red XJS. Also as mentioned cards can be placed under the wipers of those Jags spotted around town. Don't forget if you'd like some cards please let one of the committee know.

The bloody calendar. Firstly, I have to offer my humblest and most sincere apologies to Craig and Virginia for inadvertently forgetting to ring them about the Balgal run change from Saturday to Sunday. They must have been the only ones I missed locally. And secondly, here are the confirmed calendar dates you can swear by (as I have just done):

27 March	Poker Run with Mini Club	Meet 2:00pm at Cluden BP for 2:30 start
29, 30 April & May 1	Yungaburra	Accommodation details in next edition
29 May	Strand BBQ	Details in upcoming edition
26 June	All British Day	Details in upcoming edition
23 & 24 July	Ravenswood Weekend	Details in upcoming edition
27 August	Wine & Cheese Afternoon	3 Malkara Street, Mundingburra
24 & 25 September	Mission Beach Run	Details in upcoming edition
23 October	Bocce Afternoon	127 Framara Drive, Kelso
26 November	Christmas Dinner	76 Robertson Street, Railway Estate
27 November	Christmas Recovery Breakfast	Details in upcoming edition

Anybody looking in the Yellow Pages will notice the clubs address and telephone number listed with Bill Honniball's details. Bill who? Well may we forget. Well, Bill hasn't, but at least he knows my phone number off by heart. Sorry Bill. (I seem to be apologising a lot in this edition). A payment cheque and updated details will be sent to Sensis P/L this month.

And finally, wasn't it lovely to have Anne along to this month's meeting to brighten up proceedings and present a women's perspective? (Note to Dick: Don't do it again – Only joking!).

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

## **INWARDS:**

- 1. Thuringowa CC Youth Council & Awards.
- 2. Capricornia Jaguar newsletter.

#### **OUTWARDS:**

- 1. ABD The Principal, Cathedral School. Request for grounds use.
- 2. ABD Publicity Officer, radio 4ttt. Request for promotion and music on the day.
- 3. ABD The Manager Shannon's Events. Request for support.
- 4. ABD Ms K. Pincott, Townsville Bulletin. Request for editorial support.

Craig Scholz / Alan Collins

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

No bank statement received for previous month. Therefore closing balance is as it was 31 December 2004 ie \$342.79

Registers membership Contribution Cheque for \$311.75 still to be deposited.

Final Total \$654.54 (unconfirmed)

Joe Pannia / Dick McInnes

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

For insurance purposes, JDCQ advised that the 2005 calendar events being held at private residences must include the full name and address of the host. The Calender will also be reviewed. An amended list will be sent to JDCQ as soon as possible.

As we should all know by now, All British Day is Sunday 26 June this year between 10:00am and 3:00pm. Here again is an expanded list of ideas and other things that will need organising:

- Kevin to contact Cathedral School to confirm location;
- Richard to write to RACQ re entering ABD as an event into Open Road magazine;
- Advertising notices, write-ups in the Bulletin & RACQ Open Road magazine;
- Parking banners as the old ones were thoughtfully disposed of;
- Raffles:
- Displays by Insurance, car detailers, upholsterers etc.,
- A big screen TV to run Jaguar DVD's throughout the day; and
- Letters to likes of Carmichael Ford, Parry Nissan and Pickering's etc. to advise of inclusion of European car makes.

Most of these require letters to be written which will be done as soon as possible.

Suggestions to vary our calendar (not again!) to include the Capricornia and Mackay registers were welcomed. Weekends away to meet with our Southern friends were mooted. Any other suggestions will be gratefully accepted.

Meeting closed 8:45pm

## FEBRUARY 2005 NEWSLETTER

## **COVER PHOTO – BREAKFAST AT BALGAL**



Alan & Marg (foreground), Michael (left) and Dick & Anne (Background) enjoying breakfast

The small but extremely good looking group of Jag members who ventured forth early on Sunday morning, managed to enjoy a pleasant drive north to Balgal Beach and some stimulating conversation over breakfast.

Two Jags (pictured on front cover & belonging to Dick (Series 2) and Richard (Series 3)). Alan and Margaret's Mark II managed to have a hiccup (seized rear wheel) moments before their departure from home, so they were forced to drive up in their fully air conditioned Subaru. They also managed to forget their tea bags and had to bum a spare one or two off the others.



Red tailed black cockatoo joining us for breakfast.



Mushroom's specially prepared for Peter Carlson, but in his absence eaten by Margaret!

All in all, a pleasant morning for everyone.





## JAGUAR BUILDS AN AWARD-WINNING X-TYPE FACTORY

As reported in Jaguar's summer newsletter



Jaguar's Halewood Factory 18th January 2005

Jaguar's Halewood Plant manufactures the Jaguar X-TYPE and employs over 3,000 people. It is recognised throughout the industry as a center of excellence for lean manufacturing and the plant has won several awards for its best practice production and logistics processes.

In 2000, Jaguar invested substantially in Halewood to transform the plant into a world-class manufacturing facility for the Jaguar X-TYPE. It meant that for the first time Jaguar would have a plant that housed all four stages of the production process under one roof: new body construction and final assembly facilities, along with refurbished press and paint shops.

To prepare the Halewood plant for manufacturing the new X-TYPE model, Jaguar implemented a massive refurbishment program that involved replacing the vast majority of the production facilities to deliver the exceptional quality levels required for a premium sports sedan and the creation of a highly efficient lean manufacturing environment.

Typically, lean manufacturing is characterized by a waste-free, low-inventory environment. The implementation of lean manufacturing techniques at Halewood increased plant productivity by 18% in 1999 and halved the parts inventory, as well as helping to improve quality.

The major physical transformation of Halewood took place in the summer of 2000, when the plant became one of the busiest building sites in Europe. Virtually all the old production facilities were retired and replaced with new lines designed for premium-quality manufacturing, modeled on those in Jaguar's existing West Midlands plants.

Over 95% of the body construction facilities are new. Highly-robotized body construction lines were installed and the 'trim and final' area was entirely replaced, including overhead trim lines for the first time at Halewood.

Over two-thirds of the Paint Shop equipment is new and the Press Shop was totally overhauled, with all 66 remaining presses fully refurbished. Glossy new flooring, wider aisles, brighter lighting and fresh paintwork in Jaguar's corporate colors contribute to a more spacious and pleasant working environment, more appropriate for quality-focused vehicle production.

Halewood has traditionally had a strong track-record on environmental matters, and new initiatives for X-TYPE production include the introduction of new, cleaner Paint Shop facilities and processes, the reduction of waste materials, the elimination of all expendable component packaging, and the installation of more energy-efficient heating and lighting.

In addition, a new rail terminal at the plant for transporting the finished vehicles will deliver environmental as well as logistical benefits, by cutting out a huge number of truck movements. About 90% of export vehicles will leave Halewood by rail, with each train capable of carrying up to 200 cars.

The transformation of the manufacturing facility was complemented by a culture change strategy, which ensured Halewood's people and processes were ready to build a luxury vehicle. Jaguar invested in over a million hours of training in the Halewood workforce.

As a company with a strong commitment to corporate citizenship, Jaguar introduced a program of new local initiatives. During the line operators' training before the start of X-TYPE production, each person spent a week on projects to help the local community. The projects undertaken included work with schools, churches, vulnerable residents and the refurbishment of local parkland areas.

The company has also invested \$1.8 million towards the "Partnership for Learning," a brand-new \$11 million training facility on three acres of the Halewood site, created in conjunction with other businesses and educational institutions in the Merseyside area. 2003 and 2004 were exciting years for Jaguar: following the initial worldwide success of the Jaguar X-TYPE in 2001, Halewood started the production of the Diesel and Estate models for the European market.

## **CLASSIFIEDS:**

These classifieds are free to advertise and items don't have to be Jaguar related. Ring or email Richard to have your items inserted in next months issue.

For Sale: Jaguar MKV 3.5litre two tone grey, recon. engine, new brakes, no rust

but roof lining required. Asking \$9,000 ph. 4096 5054 (Martin)

Jaguar MKII Asking \$6,000 ph. 07 5524 2163 for details (Tom)

Wanted: LHS Rear Jaguar mudflap in good condition to suit Series 3. Contact

Craig on 47290908

Wanted Known:

## A HAPPY SNAP!



## **COMING EVENTS**

Wed 2 March
Sun 13 March
Sun 27 March
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Sun 28 Meeting, Shelley's Diner, Norgate Ingham Road, 7:30pm
Sunday Run departing McDonald's carpark, Stockland, 4:30pm
Poker Run with Mini Club. Meet 2:00pm at Cluden BP for 2:30 start

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